

Prayer for the beatification of
John Mary de la Mennais

O God our Father, you have given
John -Mary de la Mennais,
a generous heart and untiring zeal
to make your Son Jesus Christ and his Gospel
known especially to children and youth.

As we venerate him as the Founder
of two religious congregations
devoted to Christian education,
we pray to you that he may soon
be recognized blessed.

Help us follow his example
at the service of truth,
and grant us through his intercession,
the favours we are now asking...
(silent pause)
Through Jesus-Christ our Lord

O Lord Jesus, glorify your servant,
Venerable John Mary de la Mennais

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Novena to J.M. de La Mennais

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Finally, we can resume the preparation of the monthly Novena to Jean-Marie. Our work demanded an intensive dedication for several months, in search of a more detailed documentation concerning an extraordinary cure being studied. The work is still going on all the time. The devotees of Jean-Marie will do well to redouble their prayers

A suggestion ? – Print this sheet in a golden colour.

To make the Novena, begin with the sign of the cross and mention your intentions. Read the thought for the day and recite the prayer for the beatification, with the final invocation.

Rome, July 1st 2010. – F.D.L.

RECOMMENDED INTENTIONS

* That on listening to the words of Jean-Marie, we follow and imitate Jesus on our journey towards God.

* For young people who feel called to follow Christ as Mennaisian Brothers.

* **For the sick recommended**

- Romain Delenne, 6 years; canalisation of his energy (Oppede – Fr.)
 - * Mr. Godin, on the request of Brother. Albert Côté(Canada).
 - Teihotu TAMARII, pupil of Tahiti.
 - * Natalia Cubillo, a cancer case (Madrid- Spain).
 - Adela Pertierra: affection of the throat. Nanclares de la Oca (Spain).
 - * Fred Karema, seriously sick, a brother of Brother Eugene Mwesiye (Philipp.)
 - Gonzalo Tolosa: hemiplegy – Buenos Aires /Argentina).
 - * Patrick Lebeau: tumour in the oesophagus (France).
 - Father Nicolas Guillou.- Fougères (France).
 - * M^{re}.Carmen Vélez Martín: tumour in the stomach. Aguilar de Campóo (Spain).
 - Olivier Meunier (12 years): amyotrophitis of the spinal cord (Canada).
 - * José Antonio García Martínez, with multiple sclerose - Bilbao (España).
 - Guadalupe Morales: congenital osteoarthritis -Luján de Cuyo (Argentina).
 - * Jules X.X. : (child of 27 months): tumour of the right eye (France)
 - Luz María Land: stricken by a cancer - Reinosa (Spain)
 - * Marcos Sosa: leukaemia – Luján de Cuyo - Mendoza (Argentina)
 - Bro. Louis Le Guichet : backache - Béthanie (France)
 - * Clara García Roig: a special intention.- Buenos Aires (Argentine)
 - H^o. Pierre Tousigant: seriously ill with cancer.- Canada.
 - * Mercedes A.Alvarez, advanced cancer.- Luján de Cuyo-Mendoza (A)
 - Jeannine Robert, sister of Bro. Jean Malo: rheumatoid arthritis (Fr)
- ...and the local intentions.

THE HOLINESS according to JEAN-MARIE DE LA MENNAIS

✠ **The 18 –X**

“God wills you all to be holy” (1 Th 4:3).

God wills our sanctification; he does not only advise us to work at it, **he wills it..**

- *This precept is general, absolute and there is no other on which we must meditate more attentively than this one, **since it contains all the others.***

✠ **The 19 -X**

* Also the Christians are often reminded of it, for fear that, distracted by the vain noises and the vain amusements of the world, **they would forget it.**

- *However, almost no person is seriously busy accomplishing it, they only think of passing gently their fugitive life on earth which goes on hour after hour, which ends tomorrow and they do not think of **the eternal life** that must follow it.*

✠ **The 20 –X**

* Let us not be mistaken : to be holy it is not enough **to avoid evil**, for even the pagans themselves avoid it ; we must still do good.

- *And what good ? – All the good together, that is to say **all the Christian virtues.***

✠ **The 21 –X**

* To be truly holy we must do no less than taking **the saint of saints for model** and becoming like him, a resemblance that begins on earth where it is always imperfect.

- *It reaches its completion and it is consumed in heaven. Any other kind of holiness is only imaginary*

✠ **The 22 –X**

- When God says that he wills our sanctification it is, therefore, as if he said that he wants to find in us the perfections of his Son, that we be in some way, as much as human weakness permits it, clothed with Christ.

- *Does this word from his mouth not appear to you too hard ; « **Deny yourselves, carry the cross** »? Let the ears of our heart not close, for fear of hearing it !*

✠ **The 23 – X**

* As the Apostle says, we should **follow Jesus Christ** in all his ways, that we judge of all things as he judged them, that we love what he loved

- *In a word, that all our thoughts be conformed to his thoughts and that we be **his living images...***

✠ **The 24 –X**

* Whoever claims to remain in Him, **must act as he acted** (1 Jn 2 : 6)

- *Now, is that what we do, are those the dispositions in which we are, could we truly say with Jesus Christ what he himself said to his Father « **I always do what is pleasing to my Father** »*

✠ **The 25 -X**

* When our Master presents his chalice to us that we may drink it with him, **don't we turn away our lips ?**

- *And when it pleases him to try us with tribulation and to plunge us, so to say, in the bitter waters in which he himself was plunged, don't we complain in stead of **holding our head high ?** » (Ps 110: 7)*

✠ **The 26 - X**

* Let us not tire to enter into details and to compare the sentiments of Jesus Christ with ours, **our behaviour with his.**

- *In all his actions **Jesus Christ sought only the glory of his Father; in ours, don't we ordinarily seek and before all else, our own satisfaction, what pleases us, what is convenient to us ?***