

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 recognised 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**

NOVENA to J. M. de la Mennais", n°13-Rome 1-VI-2010

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Presentation

The year is continuing, be it with educational or pastoral activities . In the Church, the Liturgy calls it the “Ordinary” time, the one which takes the greatest part of the year, the current of life. How to live and boost it?

There is a virtue which gives it meaning: **FAITH**. John Mary de la Mennais used to say: “**It is necessary to look at and judge everything in the light of Faith.**” in the light of God, we should **say**. That is why it is called a theological virtue: in direct relationship with God.

On analysing his life, reading his writings, contemplating his works, it is said that John Mary acted “**as if he saw the INVISIBLE.**” That is faith. And it was a faith that continued to grow more profoundly over the years.

His exemplary life, his words,..., will help us a lot in a world where certain values which have little or nothing to do with faith are appreciated.

Rome, June 2010. Bro. D.L.

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RECOMMENDED INTENTIONS

- * Pour que, guidés par la parole de Jésus, nous jugions tout à la lumière de la Foi.
- * **That we may always be united to God in prayer, and may the youth accept the call to follow Jesus as Mennaisian Brothers.**
- * **For the sick recommended :**
- Mr. Godin, requested by Brother Albert Côté (Canada).
- Patrik Lebeau: tumour on the œsophage.- Vannes (France)
- Teihotu TAMARII, pupil of Tahiti (Oceania).
- Natalia Cubillo, advanced cancer (Madrid – Espagne)
- Jules..., a little child, 27 months: tumour in the right eye- St.Brieuc-France.
- Gonzalo Tolosa, 15 years: paralysed from the waist- Buenos Aires(Arg.)
- Romain Delenne, 6 ans; canalisation de son énergie (Oppede – Fr.)
- * Adela Pertierra: affection de la gorge. Nanclares de la Oca (Espagne).
- Fred Karema, gravement malade, Frère du F. Eugène Mwesigye (Philippines)
- M^{re}. Carmen Vélez Martín: tumeur à l'estomac. Aguilar de Campóo (Espagne).
- * Olivier Meunier (12 ans): amyotrophie de la moelle épinière (Canada).
- José Antonio García Martínez, avec sclérose multiple - Bilbao (España).
- Guadalupe Morales: arthrose congénitale -Luján de Cuyo (Argentine).
- Guérison d'un ardent promoteur de la béatification de Jean-Marie.
- Luz María Land: atteinte d'un cancer - Reinosa (Espagne)
- Marcos Sosa: leucémie – Luján de Cuyo - Mendoza (Argentine)
- F. Louis Le Guichet : maladie du dos - Béthanie (France)
- * Clara García Roig: une intention spéciale.- Buenos Aires (Argentine)
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... and the local intentions ...



JOHN MARY DE LA MENNAIUS

A MAN OF FAITH

Words of Jean-Marie

✘ 18th –VI

* Let us suffer with patience, without extending into the future the present sufferings by anxiously taking painful precautions that are our greatest torment. Each day has enough trouble of its own.

* In our difficulties, let us be resigned like true Christians, to the Will of God, and God will bless us all the more because we are working for his glory, in a spirit of faith.

✘ 19th - VI

* Wait with a profound peace, put all your hope in the One who can do everything, who never deceives. You have his Word, the Word who created the world. Are you afraid that the world will be more powerful? Men of Little faith! No, my Lord, I do not fear. You are everything for us...

* If we remain blind, sad and weak, it is because we have not entrusted ourselves totally to God, with a really burning faith, and with the trust of a child.

✘ 20th – VI

* Through faith, we no longer consider men, things and events in a purely natural and erroneous manner. We consider them under the light of God himself, and we judge of everything as He himself does.

* Nothing that is said or that happens on earth can disturb the peace of the one who raises his faith to infinite height and rests on God's own bosom.

✘ 21st –VI

* O my Lord! If only we had faith! That lively faith, that burning faith that penetrates and makes us understand the mysteries of heaven...that faith that sees the dawn of the eternal day.

* I shall be like that servant who waits for the return of his master, to open the door as soon as he knocks...All my preoccupations are oriented in that spirit; my life is only a long preparation to my death.

✘ 22nd – VI

* A Christian and all the more a Religious, must always consider everything under the light of Faith.

* May we be convinced more and more that wisdom, like happiness, consists only in seeing God, and seeing him in everything.

✘ 23rd –VI

* The Word of God, in its written form, is full of mysteries for us, and his Word fulfilled in the events of the world, is also very mysterious. These two books are truly sealed.

* My God, perhaps our faults will force your justice to permit that the wicked triumph and prevent us from doing good this evening; but my God, your mercy leaves us freedom to do good this morning. Ah! My God, we shall do the good this morning, glorifying your mercy.

✘ 24th –VI

* We must always submit ourselves to the holy Will of the One who hurts us and heals us, and go forward in life while closing our eyes, or rather, raising them to the mountains 'from where shall come our help'. All human thought disappears when we consider what is and what will be. O God Alone, O Eternity!

* Get rid of all thoughts of sadness, rather rekindle within you the spirit of faith, through meditation and prayer.

✘ 25th –VI

* I hope that, in the midst of all my preoccupations, I shall keep that spirit of meditation, which is none other than the spirit of faith.

* Judge everything only under the light of faith, and always keep the eternity in mind. FAITH must console you and strengthen always in you the determination of persevering until the end.

✘ 26th -VI

* By a holy direction of your will, get the habit of doing all actions for God's glory, and unite them to those of Jesus Christ, so that they may receive from him an infinite value.

* O my Saviour! Who will allow me to enter into that night of faith where vain dreams of my selfish love and imagination will disappear! May the Will of the Lord be always fulfilled! I want to work for his glory until the last hour of my last days!