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### "WHAT I WANT IS MERCY, NOT SACRIFICE"



18: "For all of us, then, the season of Lent in this Jubilee Year is a favorable time to overcome our existential alienation by listening to God's word and by practicing the works of mercy." (Pope Francis's message for Lent 2016)



19: "God wants you to cast yourselves unreservedly and with eyes closed, on his mercy, like into an abyss. If he denies us full understanding of our holiness it is in order to keep us humble and to make us realize that our salvation depends entirely on his grace." (M. 126)

20: "Oh! Queen of mercy, I want to belong solely to you. Receive this protestation of love, this humble and sweet engagement of an eternal slavery. Receive it with that ineffable goodness which is perpetually the admiration of heaven and the consolation of the world. I wish I could, Oh! Beloved Mother, offer you something more worthy of you!" (S. III, 969)



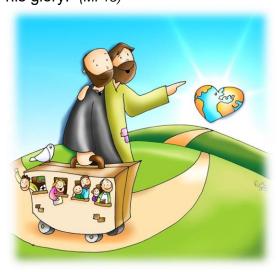
21: "Do not be easily disturbed when you experience temptations and miseries. Humble yourself profoundly, but once again, do not be discouraged and always rely on His inexhaustible goodness, on the great mercy of the Lord Jesus." (A. VI, 222)



22: "Mercy expresses God's way of reaching out to the sinner, offering him a new chance to look at himself, convert, and believe, thus restoring his relationship with him." (Pope Francis's message for Lent 2016)



23: "Trusting in mercy is a reason to obtain mercy. He has compassion on those who accept correction. God is so good that he wants us to rest in the bosom of his infinite kindness. He likes to see us sleeping peacefully in his bosom, for our peace is his glory." (M. 13)



24: "Praise be to God, my children, praise be to the Father of mercies! His grace flows immediately like balm on your wounds to heal them and on your miseries to save you from them." (S. VII, 2250)



25: "Love one another; be full of indulgence and mercy for one another. Do not judge others severely for fear of being judged yourselves". When we shall be united, we shall be strong and we shall be happy. Yes, this holy union will be the charm, the grace and the strength of our Society." (S. VIII 2403)



26: "God's mercy transforms human hearts; it enables us, through the experience of a faithful love, to become merciful in turn. In an ever new miracle, divine mercy shines forth in our lives, inspiring each of us to love our neighbor and to devote ourselves to what the Church's tradition calls the spiritual and corporal works of mercy." (Pope Francis's message for Lent 2016)

#### **INTENTIONS**

- + That we may be merciful with others as God is with us.
- + That during this Lent we practice more the works of mercy.
- + Let us pray that our Venerable Founder be soon declared Blessed.

#### **SICK PEOPLE RECOMMENDEDS**

- 1.- José A. García Martínez, Bilbao, Spain.
- 2.- Patricia Vázquez, Montevideo, Uruguay.
- 3.- Bro. Louis Le Guichet, Rennes, France.
- 4- Jeannine Robert, sister of Br. Jean Malo, France.
- 5- Ma del Valle García Pérez, niece of Br. Floren, Palencia, Spain.
- 6- Betty, Nebbi, Uganda.
- 7- M. Godin, at the request of Br. Albert Côté, Canada.
- 8- Eric Yao, Pappete, Tahiti.
- 9- Brandon Cadousteau, Papeete, Tahiti.
- 10- Mrs Diane Peirra, Wickham, Park Place, Hampshire, England.
- 11- Luisa Aresti, sister of Br. Pietro, Rome, Italy.
- 12- M. Kazuo Hasegawa, Yokohama, Japan.
- 13- Sangiorgi Serafino, Brother-in-law of Bro. Eugenio, Viterbo, Italy.
- 14- Alice Martel, Sept-Îles, Québec, Canada.
- 15- Jorge Machado, father of old student La Mennais' School, Mvdeo, Uruguay.
- 16.- Athanase Teikihuavanaka, La Mennais Tahiti.
- 17- Vladimir Otcenazek, La Mennais Tahiti.
- 18- Lucas Rango, 16 year-old student, Copello, Bs Aires, Argentina.
- 19- Francis Godoy, an Argentine in Germany.
- 20- Bro. Jean Thibeault, Pointe-du-Lac community, Canada.
- 21- M. André Couture, Saint-Romuald, Canada.
- 22- Paula Gútiez García, a girl 10 years old, Bilbao, Spain.
- 23- Bro. Robert Gonneville, La Prairie, Canada.
- 24- John Chrysostom Byaruhanga, brother of Bro Deziderio, Uganda.
- 25- Matías Silveira, a two-year old child, Montevideo, Uruguay.
- 26- Mme Lise Beaudoin, sister of Bro. Michel Beaudoin, Canada.
- 27- Pius Mwesigwa, young student of our School, Kampala, Uganda.
- 28- Émmy and Camille, 6-year-old girl, leukemia, Savenay, France.
- 29- Bro. Alain Celton, Taravao, Tahiti.
- 30- Bro. Francis Blouin (ALS), Alfred Maine, USA.
- 31- Rodolfo Rivoiro and his wife Nélida, V.G.G., Argentina.
- 32- Mr. Randy Klein, Indiana, USA, teacher and catechist in Tokyo.
- 33- Mrs Clarisse Boulanger, sister of Br. Guy Morissette, Longueuil, Ca
- 34.- Bro. Francisco Javier Revilla, Aguilar de Campóo, Spain.
- 35.- Bro. Luis Miguel Gómez Quintano, Portugalete, Spain.
- 36.- Gertrude Beebwa, sister in law of Br. George Kamanda, Kisubi, Uç
- 37.- Sister Fausta of "MMC Sisters", Uganda.
- 38.- Fernando Nogales, San Borja, Bolivia.
- 39- Mrs Julie Jourdan (32) & your sister Choé (17-year-old), Ploërmel, France.
- 40- Mr. Pascal Irubetagoyena, teacher Ste Mary' School, Saint Jean de Luz, France.

41- Mrs Turyasingura Vailot & Atuheire Victor, Kabale Diocese, Uganda.







# Prayer for the beatification and canonization of John Mary de la Mennais

O God, our Father! You have aroused Jean-Marie de la Mennais and You gave him a fiery zeal and iron courage in the service of the Gospel.

Through him, you have given birth in the Church to two congregations devoted to Christian education of the little ones and of the poor.

Grant us to be faithful to the spirit of our Father.

May his charism of founder be constantly deepened and developed in our religious family and throughout the Mennaisian family.

By his prayer, grant us the gift of a new Pentecost that transforms our hearts and make us bolder to make

Jesus Christ and his Gospel known to the children and the young people of today.

For the glory of your Name, let the holiness of our Father be recognised and proclaimed by the Church.

Hear also the prayer we address to you now through his intercession ... (time of silence) Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

## O Lord Jesus, glorify your servant, Venerable Jean-Marie de la Mennais!

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