

We Pray with the Church

MARCH

Evangelization:

Formation in Spiritual Discernment.

That the Church may appreciate the urgency of formation in spiritual discernment, both on the personal and communitarian levels.

It was through continual prayer that Mary Ward found the courage to be faithful to her convictions. She waited on God with inner freedom and fidelity. It is this spirit that impels us as an Institute to place boundless trust in God amid uncertainty and change, and with discerning love to walk the way in faith and joy. (IBVM Constitutions Vol II 1.7)

“So that we may really live the spiritual dimension of companionship, we need spiritual conversation and sharing of our common calling, ‘our manner of proceeding’. At this level of bonding the community will become a community of spiritual discernment. (CJ Complementary Norms 8.10)

APRIL

Universal: For those who have responsibility in economic matters.

That economists may have the courage to reject any economy of exclusion and know how to open new paths.

We pray for our deceased members

08/01/2018 Apollónia Pollmann CJ, MEP
13/01/2018 Verónica Valenzuela Novoa CJ, Chile
13/01/2018 Ursula Feichtmeyer CJ, MEP
16/01/2018 Gerburgis Schneider CJ, MEP
20/01/2018 Magdalena Huşeanu CJ, Romania
20/01/2018 Immacula Bolger IBVM, Ireland
27/01/2018 Sylvia Hellauer CJ, MEP
31/01/2018 Aloysia Kizhakekara CJ, Patna
06/02/2018 Margaret Gray IBVM, Australia
08/02/2018 Beatrix Brückner CJ, MEP
11/02/2018 Johanna Mildemberger IBVM, Canada
20/02/2018 Gertrudis Kebritsch CJ, MEP
24/02/2018 Felícia Felixová CJ, Slovakia



In thanks and loving memory for all those who have died recently, and especially those who have died unloved and not remembered.

May they rest in peace.

House of Prayer March – April 2018



“Jesus has risen from the dead,” Pope Francis said. “And this is not a fantasy. It’s not a celebration with many flowers [pointing at the arrangements surrounding him]. This is beautiful, but [the resurrection] is more.” “It is the mystery of the thrown-away stone that ends up being the cornerstone of our existence. Christ has risen from the dead. In this throwaway culture, where that which is not useful takes the path of the use-and-throw, where that which is not useful is discarded, that stone that was discarded is the fountain of life,” he said. And even “us, little pebbles,” who’ve been thrown in an earth full of “suffering, tragedy,” with faith in the risen Christ, “have a reason for being, amidst so much calamity. A sense to look beyond: There is not a wall, but a horizon. There’s life, joy, in there is the cross with this ambivalence.”

Pope Francis in St. Peter’s Square Sunday, 16, April 2017

We pray with the Mary Ward Family

March

February 1: Margarita Riquelme CJ begins her mission as Provincial Superior of the Chilean Province.

March 8: The IBVM novices and directors will end the 30 days retreat.

10 to March 3: Continuation of the visitation of the CJ Nepal Region

March 1: Kiran Muthukulanthil CJ begins her mission as the Provincial Superior of the Patna Province

March 12 – 13: Meeting of the Commission for the reconfiguration of the provinces of the CJ in Latin America with Gemma Simmonds CJ in Brazil

April

April 1: Daisy Kozhikkadan CJ begins her mission as the Regional Superior of the Bangalore Region

April 18 to May 1: CJ Provincial and Regional Superiors Conference (PRSC) in Rome.

April 22 to May 3: IBVM Extended Leadership Meeting in Rome (ELM)

April 27: Second joint meeting of CJ/IBVM Province and Region leaders with the General Leadership teams in Rome.

We pray for our sisters celebrating their Jubilee during these months.

Let us pray for the Cause of Mary Ward and all those we promised to pray for.

Please add your own intentions.

We pray with the World

March 1 Zero Discrimination Day

Stigma and discrimination damage people and fragment society promotes diversity and honors the fact that anyone count.

March 8 International Women's Day

This day celebrates the acts of courage and determination of ordinary women who have played an extraordinary role in their countries. One of these women is Mary Ward. More than 400 years ago she had a vision. She saw women engaging for justice, bringing female warmth and passion and love to the world and to the Church.

Let us pray for women all over the world that their dignity is seen and respected and valued.

March 22 World Water Day

It is meant to inspire people around the world to learn more about water-related issues, tell others about these issues and take action to make a difference, particularly in developing countries. One of these issues is the global water crisis. The global water crisis includes challenges such as water scarcity, water pollution, inadequate water supply and the lack of sanitation for billions of people in developing countries. The day brings to light the inequality of access to water and the need to assure the human right to water and sanitation.

March 24 Commemoration of the martyrs

In memory of the martyrdom of Blessed Oscar Romero, we pray for all the martyrs, "these brothers and sisters who are unjustly accused and made the object of violence of various kinds, I am sure that, unfortunately, they are more numerous today than in the early days of the Church "(P. Francis)

April 7 World Health

Let us especially remember on this Day all the people who we know who are ill, who suffer physically and psychologically, that they may be give the grace to do all they can to become healthy again or to accept their illness if there is no hope of cure.

April 22 International Mother Earth Day

Let us pray that all recognize that Mother Earth is a common expression which Pope Francis calls "our common home", which reflects the interdependence that exists among human beings, other living species and the planet we all inhabit.