

## *This Day in Jesuit History*

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For every day of the year, beginning with January 1<sup>st</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>, a series of interesting and/or important dates related to Jesuits and Jesuit history are listed. Each and every family has a series of special dates, anniversaries, celebration, and memories of birth and death. So too does the Jesuit family. To use a favorite word of Anthony de Mello, these dates serve to help one grow in awareness, to deepen one's sense of Jesuit history. It may help in the preparation of liturgies, it affords food for private prayer and reflection, and it may be a way into more interesting conversation. It might be a good way to start the day. At the end, I give a fuller explanation of what we are presenting here.

### January 1

- 1590. Pope Gregory XIV by his Bull, "Ecclesiae Catholicae" finally settled that "the name (title) of Society of Jesus by which this praiseworthy Order has been designated from its birth by the Apostolic See, and has hitherto been distinguished, shall be retained by it in all future ages." The Titular Feast of the Society of Jesus. Giving of the name of Jesus. SOLEMNITY.
- 1591. Ricci receives the first two Chinese Jesuit novices: Chung Ingjen and Huang Fangchi. One was a brother, and other was imprisoned and died before ordination.
- 1829. A Rescript of Pope Leo XII says that the Society of Jesus officially and canonically is restored in England.
- 1865. The Manila Observatory opens, operates until the Japanese take over on January 3, 1942.
- 1875. Jacques Cretineau-Joly, S.J. + Historian. 6 volume history of S.J.
- 1890. Arnold Damen, S.J. + Chicago, missionary, educator.
- 1930. Response of Father General "De capillorum cultu," calls for simplicity of hairstyle. "I advise your reverence not to permit the introduction into your province of the practice of giving more attention to the care of one's hair than is consonant with the simple tradition of the Italian clergy."
- 1937. The Central American Mission becomes a Vice Province.
- 1968. Reunion of New York and Buffalo Provinces, a total of 1402 members.
- 1985. Joseph Labaj, S.J. + Wisconsin Provincial.
- 2001. Louis Plamondon, S.J. + age 70. Tanzania. He had been 1st provincial of EAP, and 1st Director of Loyola High School.

## January 2

- 1539. Paul III dispenses Ignatius from reading the divine office because of health (exhaustion and stomach pain).
- 1554. The husband of Princess Juana dies. She was 19, and, under the alias of Mateo Sanchez would soon become a Jesuit scholastic.
- 1726. Domenico Zipoli, S.J. dies of tuberculosis. He was a composer in the Jesuit Reductions. He died before his ordination, which was delayed because no bishop was near.
- 1848. At Rome, as Pius IX was returning to the Quirinal, angry shouts were raised, "Death to the Jesuits." The Pope fainted in his carriage.
- 1922. Formal opening of Weston College as a House of Studies.
- 1953. Pope Pius XII gives permission to St. Louis University President Paul Reinert to name the new library in his honor.
- 1983. Cy Schommer, S.J., violinist, +.
- 1983. Pope John Paul II reveals his intention to make Carlo Martini, S.J. and Henri deLubac, S.J. cardinals. There have been 18 Jesuit cardinals.
- 1987. The end of a five day meeting of Jesuit Islamicists in Cairo.
- 1993. Victor Yanitelli + President of St. Peter's College, 1963-80, and parochial vicar. The homilist at his funeral said: "When I die, I want to be judged by Vic rather than by Jesus Christ."

## January 3

## MOST HOLY NAME OF JESUS - Optional Memorial

- 1551. Ignatius Loyola ill, offers to resign as General, but the offer is not accepted.
- 1589. Sixtus V, at first favorable to the Society, determined to alter the name "Society of Jesus" and introduce choir and other radical changes, which death alone prevented his carrying out.
- 1713. In the novitiate at Naples died Joseph Di Geronimo, lay brother, and brother of St. Francis Di Geronimo. He was Socius to the Master of Novices for 40 years.
- 1816. Fr. General Brzozowski and 25 members of the Society, guarded by soldiers, left St. Petersburg, Russia, having been banished by the civil government.
- 1900. The Xavier Society for the Blind is born in the basement of the College of St. Francis Xavier, NYC.
- 1964. Gustave Weigel, S.J. + ecumenist, theologian.
- 2014. Letter on Re-creating the Apostleship of Prayer

## January 4

1572. In Sicily, Michael Foglio, a Scholastic, is said to have appeared after death, and to have revealed the terrible sufferings of lax religious in Purgatory.
1634. Fr. Marcello Mastrilli, miraculously cured through prayers to Xavier the previous day, offered a public Mass of thanksgiving - the remote origin of the "Novena of Grace."
1829. Publication of Pope Leo XII's Rescript, declaring the Society to be canonically restored in England.
1928. Antonio Astrain, S.J. + Jesuit historian and biographer of St. Ignatius dies at Loyola, Spain.
1952. Henry Davis, S.J. + He taught moral theology for 40 years, and wrote the 4 vol. Moral and Pastoral Theology.

## January 5

1548. Francis Suarez, S.J. B. One of the greatest theologians of the Church. FB.
1644. Isaac Jogues returns from New France to Renne, and meets the Jesuits. He is asked, "Any news of Jogues?" He answers, "I am he."
1940. A Letter of Father General Ledochowski thanking Catholic University of America for the honorary degree given him.
1968. Joseph B. O'Connell, S.J. +. He was known as JB, a renowned Father Minister, of the New York Province.
1995. The 34<sup>th</sup> General Congregation opens to revise our law and to prepare for the new evangelization in the new millenium.
2007. Rodrigo Mejia, is appointed Apostolic Vicar (Bishop) in Soddo-Hosanna diocese of Ethiopia.

## January 6

1643. The birth of Julian Garnier a linguist and expert on all Iroquois dialects and the Huron and Algonquin languages. A missionary for 60 years in Canada, he was the first Jesuit to be ordained in Canada.
1656. Andrew White +, founder of Maryland mission. After working among the Indians, and composing a dictionary grammar, and catechism in their language, he was carried off to England by the Parliamentarians and cast into Newgate prison. On being released, he withdrew to Belgium.

1757. Threats to burn the College Louis-le-Grand in Paris because of false charges that the Society was involved in an attempt on the life of Louis VI.
1829. Publication of Leo XX's Rescript, declaring the Society to be canonically restored in England.

#### January 7

1544. Spain is divided into three provinces of Aragon, Castile, and Betica.
1566. The Election of Pope St. Pius V, a great friend of St. Francis Borgia. He wished to impose the office of Choir on the Society and actually ordered it.
1652. The 10th General Congregation opens, and elects two generals, Fathers Gottifredo and Nickel.
1824. Bishop Du Bourg offered the Jesuits his college, which was to become St. Louis University.
1996. Wilhelm Klein, S.J. dies at Muenster, at the age of 106. He was a Professor and Provincial, perhaps the oldest Jesuit ever.

#### January 8

1537. The nine first companions of Ignatius arrive in Venice and meet him there. "With great delight of soul, they found Ignatius awaiting them", according to S. Rodrigues.
1595. All members of the Society in Paris were driven into exile amid great hardships.
1599. Fr. General Aquaviva sends the Ratio Studiorum to all provinces.
1601. Balthasar Gracian, S.J. B. Writer on courtly manners, on nobility, and philosophy. He published his books pseudonymously. The Compleat Gentleman, The Art of Worldly Wisdom.
1736. John Carroll, B. Archbishop. In the new calendar his birthday is January 19th.
1978. In Makumbi, Rhodesia, Fr. Desmond Donovan (age 50) disappears while traveling to celebrate Mass.

#### January 9

1567. The first missionaries to Peru, nine in number, are sent by St. Francis Borgia.
1831. Father Peter de Smet and a few companions sail from Europe for North America.
1986. Michel de Certeau, S.J. dies, age 61. Writer, anthropology,

1987. The death of William Lynch, S.J. He wrote on religion and literature:  
Christ and Apollo, Images of Hope, Images of Faith, etc.

#### January 10

1567. Two Jesuits arrive in Havana, Cuba, as a base for evangelization.  
 1581. Queen Elizabeth signed the fifth Penal Statute in England inflicting heavy fines and imprisonment on all who harbored Jesuits and Seminary priests.  
 1607. St. Isaac Jogues is born in Orleans.  
 1910. The death of Fr. Patrick Healy, S.J. He was President, and second founder of Georgetown University (1873-82).  
 1920. Vincent O'Keefe, S.J. B. He was an Assistant, and vicar general under Pedro Arrupe.  
 1978. Gerald Van Ackeren, S.J. +. Co-founder of Theology Digest, and editor for 25 years.  
 1984. Fr. John Srna dies (76) in Czechoslovakia. As provincial of Slovakia, he could make only one recorded trip to Rome.

#### January 11

1559. The death of Roberto Cardinal de Nobili (age 17), uncle of the Jesuit Roberto de Nobili. He was a boy cardinal, named at the age of 12, and a friend of Jesuits and guided by Jesuits such as Polanco.  
 1573. At Milan, St. Charles Borromeo founded a College and placed it under the care of the Society.  
 1582. At Rome, Cardinal Buoncompagni (afterwards Gregory XIII) laid the foundation stone of the Roman College. After his election as Pope, he ordered the buildings in progress to be demolished and others on a grander scale to be erected.  
 1741. Charles Poree + Famed teacher of rhetoric at Paris.  
 Cf. Diderot's Encyclopaedia.  
 1815. Charles Emmanuel, King of Piedmont, abdicated his throne and entered the Society. He died four years later as a scholastic.  
 2010. The death of Jean-Yves Calvez of the French Province. He was General Assistant from 1971 to 1983. Strong on the Social Teaching of the Church.

#### January 12

1724. In China, an imperial decree was issued abolishing the Christian religion. With the exception of the Fathers at Peking, all missionaries were

banished, their churches demolished and 300,000 Christians left without pastors.

1949. Paul C. Reinert was appointed as the 27<sup>th</sup> President of Saint Louis University.
1984. Raymond Swords, S.J. +. He was President of Holy Cross from 1960-70.
1985. Eduardo Rodriguez + in Spain, age 83. He preached 900 missions over 43 years, usually of 12-15 days length. He never carried a suitcase, but only a bundle or bag.

#### January 13

1552. In Rome, teachers jealous of the success of the first school opened by the Jesuits invaded the premises and abused the Jesuits teaching there.
1776. Jesuits in White Russia wrote to Rome asking what to do since they were forbidden by the Empress Catherine to comply with the Brief of Suppression.
1883. At Kaltern in Tyrol, died Father Joseph Kleutgen, a theologian, a victim with Father Lezziroli of an unfortunate misunderstanding, both being suspended because as extraordinary confessors, it was said they had not prevented the nuns of S. Ambrogio from honoring their deceased Superioress as a Saint.
1891. Miguel Augustin Pro, S.J. B.
1941. James Joyce +, age 58. Jesuit alumnus.
1944. John Hurley, S.J. and other Jesuits enter Santo Tomas internment camp in the Philippines after living at the Ateneo under Japanese guards.

#### January 14

1703. A number of severe earthquakes occurred in and around Rome from this day until February 2<sup>nd</sup>. At the request of the Pope the Jesuits worked in 17 different churches in the city giving almost 30 "missions."
1970. Emmanuel de Breuverly, S.J. +. French Jesuit, he was a friend of Teilhard, and an economist at the UN from 1952-70.
1972. President of Zaire, Mobutu, gives the "order of the Leopard" to P. Boka, S.J., author of the Zairean national anthem.
1989. The death of John Ford, S.J. Moral theologian, teacher, at Weston College and Boston College, age 86. He served on the papal commission on birth control.
2008. Fr. General Kolvenbach resigns/retires. His resignation is accepted by GC 35. He thanks the CG for the "elegant way you have found to fire me."

#### January 15

1544. Xavier writes a long and famous letter on his apostolic labors, saying he wished to visit all the Universities of Europe in search of laborers for our Lord's vineyard. One result of his plea was the entrance of Nadal.
1552. At Rome, while the boys of the newly opened First Jesuit School, under the Capitol, were at Mass, two women entered the Church, shouting and accusing the Jesuits of robbing mothers of their children.
1623. At Louvain died Father Leonard Lessius, SJ. Age 69.
1624. At Valladolid died Ven. Father Louis de Ponte, a Spaniard, renowned for his holiness of life and ascetical works.
1776. In Rome the Jesuit prisoners in Castel S. Angelo were restored to liberty. Father Romberg, the German Assistant, aged 80, expressed a wish to remain in prison.
1888. John Berchmans, Alphonsus Rodriguez, Peter Claver are canonized.
1901. In the French Parliament, a Bill was introduced against Religious Congregations.  
The Society had to transfer its novitiates and Scholasticates abroad.
1906. The birth of Gustave Weigel, theologian and ecumenist.
1937. The Sacred Heart Program aired on radio for the first time, WEW, station of St. Louis University.
1942. The Volume I, Number I issue of Review for Religious makes its debut. It originated at St. Mary's College, Kansas.
1955. Daniel Lord, S.J. + writer, editor of The Queen's Work.
1978. Fr. Desmond Donovan, S.J. teacher, disappears in Zimbabwe.
1987. Jesuits are forced to close their school in southern Sudan because of civil war.
2008. Eduardo Hontiveras, S.J. + age 84. Philippine Jesuit musician and liturgist.

#### January 16

1554. St. Ignatius manifests the desire, if the Society allows, to go to Africa and work on the mission he established there.
1656. At Meliapore died Father Robert de Nobili, nephew of Cardinal Bellarmine. Sent to the Madura Mission, he learned to speak three languages and for 45 years labored with great fruit among the Brahmins of the highest caste.
1679. In Wales Fr. Ignatius Price, pursued for alleged complicity in the Titus Oates plot, dies of exhaustion and exposure to the cold.
1860. In Calcutta, Belgian Jesuits opened St. Francis Xavier College.
1987. Robert F. Hartnett, S.J. from Chicago, was editor of America magazine.

#### January 17

1556. Motu Proprio is issued to the effect that the Roman College can grant higher degrees in philosophy and theology.
1559. At Rome died Robert Cardinal de Nobili, aged 18, a candidate for the Society but prevented by the Pope from entering.
1706. The 15<sup>th</sup> General Congregation opened. Fr. Michael Angelo Tamburini was elected General on January 31.
1890. Benedict Sestini, S.J. +. Astronomer, editor, founder of the Messenger of the Sacred Heart and editor 1866-85. He was a teacher at Woodstock College, an architect and mathematician. He designed the library ceiling at Woodstock.
1975. William T. Noon, S.J. + New York Province, Joyce scholar. He wrote Poetry and Prayer.
1981. The Society is informed of the meeting of Fr. Arrupe with Pope John Paul II on this day where he expresses his desire to present his resignation as General to the 33rd General Congregation.
1996. Juan Luis Segundo, S.J. dies. A Uruguayan, he wrote extensively on the theology of liberation.

#### January 18

1594. Close of the fifth General Congregation under Father Acquaviva, the first Congregation held in the General's lifetime, summoned by Clement VIII.
1615. Jesuits begin a mission in Danang, Vietnam.
1892. Anthony Maria Anderledy, S.J. dies at Fiesole and is buried there at San Giralomo. From Switzerland, he was the 23rd General of the Society of Jesus. He had been ordained in St. Louis, and had been a pastor in Green Bay for two years.
1961. Doctor Tom Dooley dies, noted as a humanitarian in Indo-China. Jesuit alumnus.
1973. Edward Surtz, S.J. is killed in a bicycle accident. He was a renowned scholar on St. Thomas More.

#### January 19

- Blessed James Sales, priest, and William Saultemouche, religious; Bl. Melchior Grodecz and Stephen Pongracz, priests. Bl. Ignatius de Azevedo, priest, and companions; Bl. James Bonnaud, priest, and companions, martyrs; Bl. Joseph Imbert and John Nicholas Cordier, Priests, martyrs optional memorial.
1561. In South Africa the baptism of the powerful King of Monomotapa, also of his mother and 300 chiefs by Father Goncalvo de Silveira.
1565. James Laynez dies in Rome, the Second General of the Society.



He had been a papal theologian at Trent. There were 18 Provinces and 3500 members at his death.

- 1754. Carvalho gave orders that none of Ours in Portugal were to leave their Houses, thus practically imprisoning 1,500 of the Society.
- 1890. The Society received from Pope Leo XIII the special feast and office of Our Lady della Strada.
- 1927. Fr. Alexander Burrowes died. The evolution of St. Ignatius College in Chicago into a university was largely due to his enterprise. He later became Provincial of the Missouri Province between 1913 and 1919.
- 1945. Joseph O Callaghan, S.J. receives the highest USA honor, the Congressional Medal of Honor for heroism as chaplain on the Franklin in WW II.
- 2008. Adolfo Nicolas, S.J. of Spain and Japan, elected the 30<sup>th</sup> General of the Society.

#### January 20

- 1606. The death of Alexander Valignani at Macao. For 33 years he held the offices of Provincial and Visitor of the Indies. He devised the far-seeing missionary policies to be followed there by Ricci and subsequent Jesuits.
- 1775. Andre-Marie Ampere was born. A physicist, he founded the science of electrodynamics to measure electricity, later known as a galvanometer. He was an alumnus of a Jesuit School during the time of the Suppression.
- 1932. The first number of the Archivum Historicum Societatis Jesu appears.
- 1945. Carl Hausmann, S.J. dies of starvation and exposure on a Japanese prison ship. He was a missionary to the Philippines and a chaplain in the US Army.
- 1994. The death of Philip Land, S.J., from Oregon, a strong advocate of social justice.
- 2000. Robert Henle, S.J. + Famed for Latin high school textbook series, and had been President of Georgetown University.

#### January 21

- 1622. The English Vice-Province becomes a Province, with Richard Blount as the first Provincial.
- 1652. Election as General of Father Alexander Gottifredo. He died about six weeks after his election, and before the close of the Congregation.
- 1705. Claude Francois Menestrier, S.J. +. He wrote a classic history of ballet, and created a ballet for Louis XIV performed at the College of Louis-le-Grand.

1795. The death in Rome of Ignatius Romberg. He was the German Assistant at the time of the Suppression and was imprisoned with Fr. General Ricci in Castel San Angelo.
1869. Fr. Joseph O'Callaghan, the procurator from Maryland is killed in a storm at sea while returning from Rome from a Congregation.
1911. A banquet is held at Georgetown University to honor alumnus Edward Douglas who was Chief Justice of the US Supreme Court.
1951. The Green House at Woodstock, the workers' quarters, burns to the ground.

#### January 22

1561. Pius IV abrogates the decree of Paul II and keeps the life term of Father General.
1614. The death of Fr. Martin Costens, a Polish Jesuit, who had an iron crown weighing 16 pounds placed on his head and tightened with a pin until his head was crushed.
1769. On the part of his sovereign, Louis XV, the French Ambassador, Aubeterre, presented to Clement XIII a summary demand for the total suppression of the Society. He found the Pope unbending.
1901. Blessed Alberto Hurtado, S.J. is born in Chile. He established Hogar de Cristo, and worked with youth, in Catholic Action. He dies 18 August 1952.

#### January 23

1585. Mary Ward B. She founded the Institute of Mary, or the English Ladies, an institute of apostolic women, also called the Jesuitesses, which was later suppressed, and she was imprisoned. This is the date in the Old Style Calendar.
1656. The publication of Pascal's First Provincial Letter against the Society. Others followed at intervals until March 27, 1657. In 1658 they were condemned at Rome, and on October 10, 1660 publicly burnt by the French King's order.
1789. John Carroll gains the deed of land for the site and origin of Georgetown University.
1871. Famous missionary Peter deSmet visits Woodstock College for a few days.
1876. Blessed Rupert Mayer, S.J. B.
1893. Frederic Faura Brat, S.J. +. An astronomer, he was the founder of the Manila Observatory, and an inventor of an aneroid barometer.
1909. The death of William Pardow, S.J., Preacher and Provincial (1893-97). He established the first mission of the US Jesuits in Jamaica.

1932. Decree in Spain dissolves the Society of Jesus in Spain.  
It is reversed by Franco six years later.
1971. Dan Berrigan and his brother Phil Berrigan make the cover of *Time* Magazine.

#### January 24

- Francis de Sales, bishop and doctor, Memorial. He was buried on this day in 1623. Influenced by Jesuits and admirer of Jesuits.
1554. Blessed Joseph Anchieta, a novice, and his Provincial, Nobrega, found the mission of Sao Paulo (city of Sao Paulo) on the vigil of the feast of St. Paul.
1594. Pope Clement VIII addresses the Jesuits at the Professed House in Rome, with the changes he wants. The fathers are thunderstruck. The changes regard the term of office, etc.
1645. Fr. Henry Morse is led a prisoner from Durham to Newgate, London. On hearing his execution was fixed for February 1st, he exclaimed: "Welcome ropes, hurdles, gibbets, knives, butchery of an infamous death! Welcome for the love of Jesus, my Savior."
1679. The martyrdom at Tyburn in London of William Ireland, procurator for the English Jesuits. He was falsely accused of plotting to kill the king.

#### January 25

1540. Edmund Campion B. "The glory and patron of the English Province."
1549. Letter from Xavier at Cochin to Father Simon Rodriguez announcing his fixed resolve to go to Japan, in spite of every danger.
1707. Cardinal Tournon, Papal Visitor of the missions in China, forbade the use of the words Tien or Xant for God, and ordered the discontinuance by the Christians of the Chinese Rites. This was the beginning of the destruction of the mission there.
1918. The death of Fr. Thomas Gannon, S.J., he was appointed three years earlier as the first Assistant for the American Assistancy. Was Provincial of NY and gave America magazine its name.

#### January 26

1611. The first Jesuit missionaries sail from Europe to New France, Canada.
1616. Close of the Seventh General Congregation. One of its enactments was to refuse support (alimenta) to members dismissed from the Society.

1761. In France the Duke de Choiseul is made Prime Minister. The Lavalette affair supplied the opportunity he sought to ruin the Society.
1975. Josef Jungmann, S.J. + Liturgist, catechetics. His studies in the history of liturgy contributed towards the reforms of Vatican II.

#### January 27

407. John Chrysostom +. This has been a traditional feast for Juniors.
1602. The grotto or cave at Manresa, famous in the life of St. Ignatius, became the property of the Society.
1805. The Maryland mission being affiliated to the Society in Russia, Father Robert Molyneux, the First Superior of the Mission, and Father Charles Sewall renew their vows.
1829. The death of Fr. Luigi Fortis, the 20<sup>th</sup> General of the Society, who led the reconstruction of the Society when it was restored after the Suppression.
1919. One Novice and one Junior die of flu epidemic at St. Andrew on Hudson, New York.
1984. Br. Angelo Mulatti dies in Rome, the last survivor of those who built the Curia on the Borgo Santo Spirito. He also suggested that a statue of the Sacred Heart be erected at the base of the old observatory.
1998. Fr. Edward Malatesta, S.J. dies. He became an expert on China.

#### January 28

1547. At London the death of Henry VIII, age 56, in the 36<sup>th</sup> year of his reign. It was during his reign that Fathers Salmeron and Broet went as Papal Nuncios to Scotland and Ireland.
1683. The death of St. Julian Maunoir, known as “the Apostle of Britany” for preaching missions to the poor in the northwest of France for 42 years.
1853. Fr. Gen. John Roothaan, wishing to resign his office, summoned a General Congregation, but died on May 8<sup>th</sup>, before it assembled.
1957. The Jesuit Volunteer Corps was founded in the United States.
2007. Robert Drinan, S.J. age 86, + lawyer, Congressman, writer, concern for justice.
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#### January 29

1688. The death of Ferdinand Verbiest, the successor to Adam Schall as mathematical professor at the imperial court in Peking and superior of the Society in China.  
He is also credited with designing and operating a steam wagon in 1665, as well as designing cannons for warfare.
1700. At Beijing the Emperor Kang-Hsi, cured of his illness by two Jesuits, gave to each two rolls of silk and fifty ounces of silver.
1770. Clement XIV, to please Carvalho (Pombal) promoted the Marquis' brother Paul, a worthless man, to the dignity of Cardinal; but when the Brief and Hat reached Lisbon, Paul was dead.
1837. Letter to the Minister of the Interior in Belgium announces a new Society of Bollandists is to begin work after the Suppression.
1923. Scholastics at Woodstock keep a fire vigil for several months to prevent the KKK from setting the college on fire.
1979. James J. Mertz, S.J. dies at age 96, a professor, preacher at Loyola University, Chicago.
1997. Stefan Bamberger, S.J. dies at age 74. He organized the first Secretariat on Jesuit Communications.

#### January 30

1551. As Jesuits are called to Rome to revise the Constitutions, Ignatius writes a letter, offering to resign as Superior General because of health. All reject the resignation except Oviedo.
1633. At Avignon died Father John Pujol, a famous Master of Novices. He ordered one of them to water a dry stick, which miraculously sprouted.
1646. Mary Ward +. She founded the Institute of Mary (Jesuitesses) for apostolic women. This was suppressed and she was imprisoned. This is the date in the New Style Calendar.
1760. At Paris the Society in France was condemned to pay in solidum all the debts of Father Lavalette. Unfortunately, the Fathers appealed on this day to Parliament against the unjust sentence. This proved a fatal step, and led to the destruction of the Society in France by the Duke de Choiseul and the Government.
1841. Augustine Bally, S.J. dies, a missionary to Pennsylvania, especially to the sick. He dies at Goshenhoppen, PA, a town named after him by the people.
1978. Leonard Feeney dies. He was a priest, poet, author. He had been dismissed from the Society in 1949, and excommunicated in 1953. The excommunication was lifted on November 22, 1972.

#### January 31

1597. John Francis Regis is born in south France.
1615. At Rome died Father Claudius Acquaviva, the fifth General of the Society . He was elected General when only 37 years of age, and in the 13th year of his religious life. He governed it for 34 years with consummate prudence and unflinching courage under most trying circumstances. He is the longest reigning general - for 33 years and 11 months, serving under eight Popes.
1668. Herman Busebaum, S.J. + Moral Theologian, author of Medulla Theologiae Moralis.
1683. The arrival of Fr. Thomas Harvey in the colony of New York. He opened a small school near Wall St. The Jesuits had to leave five years later.
1774. Father Laurence Ricci, General, prisoner in Castel S. Angelo, having claimed his liberty, since his innocence had been fully vindicated, received from the Papal Congregation the reply that they would think about it. Pope Clement XIV was said at this time to be mentally afflicted.
1872. The first issue of the Woodstock Letters appears. A.M. deAugustinis is the editor.
1985. Louis Laurendeau, S.J. dies. He had been the Secretary of the Society of Jesus from 1970-83.

#### February 1

1541. St. Ignatius and companions move to a house near the church of Madonna della Strada, the site that was to be the Curia of the Society for more than two hundred years.
1549. The first band of missionaries to Brazil set sail from Lisbon. Sent by Ignatius, they include the Superior, Manuel Nobrega.
1645. At Tyburn the glorious martyrdom of Henry Morse, S.J. "Priest of the Plague," so called because of his care for the plague-stricken. He is hanged, drawn, and quartered for the faith at Tyburn.
1833. Fr. General John Roothaan granted Jesuit schools permission to charge tuition in line with other day schools in the country. But poor students were not to be turned away. *Ordinatio de Minervali*.
1953. The dedication of the Philosophate at Spring Hill, Alabama.
1956. Neil Boyton, S.J. dies. He was a teacher at Regis, a friend of youth, and pastoral worker at St. Ignatius Parish, NY.
2000. Peter Levi dies, age 68. . Ex-Jesuit, poet, Oxford don.

#### February 2

PRESENTATION OF THE LORD - Feast. Known as Candlemas, or Hypapante or Purification of Mary. Annual Celebration for those in Consecrated Life.

1528. Ignatius age 36, arrives in Paris to continue his studies, including Latin. He will stay there seven years. It was a journey of 700 miles.
1586. Mary Ward B. She founded the Institute of Mary (Jesuitesses) which was later suppressed. This is the date in the new style calendar.
1780. Catherine the Great visits the new novitiate at Polotsk, for which she had given permission, and which helped make possible the survival of the Society during the Suppression.
1833. A Decree of Fr. Roothaan erects the Province of Maryland.
1915. The 28th General Congregation opens, elects Wlodimir Ledochowski as the 26<sup>th</sup> General. It issues a new edition of the Epitome.
1927. Philippine mission ascribed to the New York/Maryland Prov.
1932. The Oregon Province is established and assigned the mission of Alaska. It is created from the California Province.
1945. Alfred Delp, S.J. is executed in Plotzensee Prison, Berlin.
1946. Br. Matthew Timmers, S.J. working at the Vatican Observatory, discovers the first comet of 1946 and it is named after him.
1983. Henri de Lubac, S.J. and Carlo Martini, S.J. are created Cardinals. De Lubac has permission to decline episcopal ordination.
1985. Korea established as an Independent Region.
1987. The death of Fr. Silverio de la Vega Barrio, aged 100, a Jesuit for 85 years, and a superior for 35.
- 2014 Letter on Apostolic Institutions at the Service of Mission.

### February 3

1578. Thomas Nelson dies a martyr at Tyburn, hanged, drawn, and quartered.
1768. The Society of Jesus is expelled from Mexico by order of Charles III.
1945. The Japanese internment camp, Santo Tomas, in the Philippines, is liberated by USA troops. Jesuits and others are freed.
1958. The Philippine Province is established.
1984. The death of Francis E. Keenan, S.J. former Rector of Woodstock and Tertian Instructor.
1988. Fr. General Kolvenbach continued his journey to Zimbabwe, Zambia, and Egypt. He meets Presidents Mugabe and Kaunda.
1994. The death of Frederick Copleston, priest, philosopher. He wrote the much used nine vol. History of Philosophy.
1995. C.J. McNaspy, S.J. dies. He was a man of many talents, a writer, liturgist, musicologist, Juniorate professor and missionary.

### February 4

St. John de Brito, priest; , St. Paul Denn, Remy Isore, and Modeste Andlauer, Bl. Rudolph Acquaviva, priest, and companions;

- Bl. Francis Pacheco, Charles Spinola, priests and companions;  
Bl. James Berthieu, priest; St. Leo Mangin, priest, and companions,  
Martyrs, Memorial. John de Brito died on this day in 1693. He had  
devised a way to work with various castes in India.
1566. In South Africa, Ven. Father Goncalvo da Silveira, martyr, set out for  
the kingdom of Monomotapa.
1571. In Florida, the martyrdom of Fr. Luis Quiros and two novices, Juan  
Mendez and Gabriel Solis. About four days later, five others were killed.  
This was an unsuccessful entrance into the USA. It was 36 years before  
the English settlers at Jamestown.
1617. An Imperial edict banishes missionaries from China.
1986. Pope John Paul II visits St. Xavier College, Calcutta, speaks of dialogue  
and service.
1996. The death of Br. Joseph Auger, S.J., age 86. He served for 57 years in the  
Jesuit Curia in Rome.

#### February 5

1597. Paul Miki, John Soan de Goto, and James Kisai are martyred on this  
day. Paul was a scholastic, arrested just before his ordination, age  
33. John was a scholastic, age 19, and James was a brother, age 64. He  
had been married, and then his wife apostasized. He worked for and  
then joined the Jesuits. They had been dragged 600 miles through  
Japan, and are the first martyrs in Japan.
1820. The death of Thaddeus Brozowski, 19th General. He was the General  
after the Restoration.
1833. The first Maryland Provincial is appointed, William McSherry.
1989. Br. K.V. Peter dies in India, age 103. He had been given a government  
award as a Model Postmaster.
1991. Pedro Arrupe, S.J., retired Superior General dies in Rome, age 84.

#### February 6

- St. Paul Miki, S.J. religious, and his companions, martyrs. Memorial. He  
died on February 5, 1597.
1593. Bl. James Sales and William Saultemouche are martyred in France, by  
Calvinists, for their defense of the Eucharist. Sales was a priest, teacher,  
preacher, age 37, and Saultemouche was a brother, porter, age 36.
1600. At Nanking, Fr. Matthew Ricci, after being expelled from this city,  
returned and opened a seminary.
1612. At Rome the death of Father Christopher Clavius, the Euclid of his  
age. He took a leading part in the reformation of the Calendar under  
Gregory XIII.
1763. The banishment of the Society from Louisiana by order of the French



- government. The exiles sail from New Orleans; run aground at the Bahamas; and eventually arrive at Spain on April 6th.
1977. John Conway, S.J., brother; Martin Thomas, Christopher Shepherd-Smith, priests, and their companions, are martyred in Zimbabwe by terrorists.
1985. Lorenzo Reed, S.J. + He wrote on Jesuit Education.
1988. Fr. Al Jonson, S.J., of the Maryland Province is consecrated bishop of Reykjavik, Iceland. He had been professor of business at Wheeling College. Nine priests minister to 1,500 Catholics, out of a population of 240,000.

#### February 7

1549. The first Jesuit martyr, Antonio Criminali, Servant of God, dies in India. He is the Protomartyr of the Society of Jesus.
1581. The Fourth General Congregation opens. It will elect Claudio Acquaviva.
1593. James Sales and Br. William Saultmouche die at the hands of the Huguenots.
1760. At Civita Vecchia, the landing of twenty Fathers and 190 scholastics from Portugal, victims of Pombal's persecution.
1878. At Chicago, the death of Fr. Ferdinand Coosemans, who had a deep devotion to the blessed Sacrament and the Sacred Heart.
2014. Daniel Harrington dies. Biblical Scholar, New Testament Abstracts.

#### February 8

1550. Julius III (Cardinal del Monte) ascended the Papal Chair. To him the Society owes the Confirmation of its Institute.
1885. Isidore Boudreaux dies in Chicago. He was a Master of Novices at Florissant, from 1857-80, and was the first to enter the Society from our college in Missouri.
1890. At Rome in the Palazzo Barberini, the death of Cardinal Joseph Pecci, the brother of Pope Leo XIII. He left the Society in 1847, but some forty years later was readmitted by the Pope's desire.
1957. Pierre Scheuer, S.J. + Louvain, philosopher.

#### February 9

1809. Robert Molyneux, S.J. + age 71. He was a missionary from England, the second President of Georgetown and the first Superior of the Jesuits in the USA.
1928. The Catholic Medical Mission Board is founded by Rev. Edward

Garesche, S.J., in New York.

1932. The Iraq mission is assigned to the New England Province.  
 1945. The Ateneo de Manila shelled and bombed, February 9-14th.  
 The Japanese leave and the Americans arrive on the 19th.

#### February 10

1773. A copy of the proposed Brief of Suppression of the Society of Jesus, drawn up by Monino (Florida Blanca), the Spanish Ambassador, and revised by Cardinal Zelada, was sent with Pope Clement XIV's leave, given reluctantly to Charles III of Spain to be communicated by him to the Courts of France, Austria, Portugal and Naples.  
 1857. Ferdinand Prat, S.J. B. His writings include the Life of Christ, Theology of St. Paul.  
 1928. Richard Tierney, S.J. +. Key editor of America magazine.  
 1939. The death of Pius XI. He had reigned since 1922. Showing great love for the Society of Jesus, he canonized 11 and beatified 52 of Ours.  
 1963. James Sweeney, S.J. + First Provincial of New York from 1939- 45.  
 1971. Timothy Bouscaren, S.J. +. A canon Lawyer, he was Procurator General of the Society of Jesus, 1947 to 1962. Age 86.  
 2015. Cardinal Josef Becker dies, age 86.

#### February 11

1915. Wlodimir Ledochowski is elected the 26th General of the Society. He will serve for 27 years.  
 1930. Fr. Ledochowski creates the Historical Institute of the Society, with Pedro Leturia as first director.  
 1950. Hans Urs von Balthasar leaves the Society to work with laity, the Johannes Gemeinschaft.  
 1954. Pierre Charles, S.J. + missiologist and spiritual writer. He wrote Prayer of All Men/Things/Times.  
 1997. Robert A. Graham, S.J. dies, age 84. He is an historian of Vatican diplomacy, an expert on the relation of Pope Pius XII to the Nazis. He also was on the staff of America magazine.  
 2013. Pope Benedict announces his decision to retire. It becomes effective on February 28.

#### February 12

1866. Pope Pius IX wrote a papal brief in favor of La Civiltà Cattolica.  
 1958. Joseph Bonsirven, S.J. + Scripture scholar.  
 1964. The Jesuits, 18 Canadian Jesuits, are expelled from Haiti.

1967. Francis X. Roser, S.J. + A scientist, he worked on the measurement of radioactivity in Brazil.
1977. Calvert Alexander +. Editor of Jesuit Missions.
2000. Richard McCormick, S.J. dies, age 77. Taught at seminaries, wrote 'Notes on Moral Theology' for *Theological Studies*, and many books on moral theology and medical ethics.

#### February 13

1557. Father Andrew Oviedo, recently consecrated bishop and Patriarch of Ethiopia set sail from Goa for his new see. His mission to "Prester John" was a special interest of St. Ignatius.
1562. A decree of the Parliament of Paris gives the Society legal existence in France, albeit with severe limitations.
1585. Alfonsus Salmeron, S.J. dies. He was the youngest of the first companions of Ignatius, a preacher, theologian, and envoy to Ireland.
1787. At Milan died Father Roger Boscovich, an illustrious mathematician, scientist, and astronomer. At Paris he was appointed "Directeur de la Marine". He was among the most famous scientists in Jesuit history. His theory of the composition of matter foreshadowed in part modern atomic theory, hinting at a field theory approach to physics. He is pictured on a banknote in Croatia in 1993.
1880. John La Farge, S.J. is born at Newport, Rhode Island.
1946. The New Orleans Province is informed that it is assigned a mission in Sri Lanka. The decree was dated March 12.
1949. The two top floors of the theologians house at Milltown Park go up in flames, and one Jesuit theologian is killed.
1956. Br. Claude Ramaz, S.J. +. He served as an administrator and printer, at the Messenger of the Sacred Heart from 1894 to 1946. He was a pioneer in color printing for Catholic magazines, and a promoter of devotion to the Sacred Heart.
1999. The death of Robert O'Connell, of Fordham, philosopher and scholar, writer on St. Augustine. (Age 74)
- 2019 Death of Daniel Flaherty, collaboration on writings of Walter Ciszek and Fr. Arrupe- worked at American magazine, was provincial.

#### February 14

1656. At Cologne, the death of Fr. Herman Baving, a German who, when provincial of the Lower Rhine, continually exhorted the masters in the colleges to promote among their scholars devotion to the guardian angels.

1831. The French novitiate at Montrouge near Paris was sacked by revolutionaries convinced that the novices there were practicing “small arms drills” in preparation for the Society’s conquering France.
1891. General William Tecumseh Sherman (March to the Sea) dies. One of his sons was a Jesuit priest.
1982. Paul Palmer, S.J. + theologian on sacraments, professor at Woodstock.
1984. Johannes Hofinger, S.J. + in New Orleans. He founded the East Asian Pastoral Institute, and pioneered in liturgical, pastoral, and catechetical renewal initiated by Vatican II.

#### February 15

- St. Claude La Colombiere, priest + 1682, optional memorial. He was the Spiritual director to St. Margaret Mary, and for two years chaplain in England to the Duchess of York. He was then arrested, committed to prison in connection with the Oates' Plot and banished from the country.
1600. Jose Acosta, S.J. dies. He was a missionary, a Renaissance man, called “the Pliny of the New World.” He wrote on the history, culture, and fauna and flora of Peru. At the end of his life, he was involved in politics and became opposed to Fr. General Acquaviva.
1732. Pere Chamillard, S.J. who had been reported by the Jansenists as having died a Jansenist and working miracles, suddenly appears alive and well.
1775. Cardinal Braschi was elected Pope Pius VI. A former pupil of the Society of Jesus, he desired the release of Fr. Ricci, the General, and his assistants from the prison in Castel San Angelo, but Charles III of Spain insisted on their detention.
1961. Fr. George Ganss revealed his first plan for the Institute of Jesuit Sources.
1985. Francis Filas, S.J. +, Chicago. Theologian, sindologist. He wrote on St. Joseph and the Shroud of Turin.

#### February 16

1543. Pope Paul III signs a papal bill establishing a confraternity, “Compagnia della grazia,” to run the House of St. Martha for wayward women.
1624. At Valladolid died Ven. Father Louis de Ponte, a Spaniard, justly renowned for his holiness of life and his ascetical writings.
1624. At Toledo, Fr. Juan de Mariana dies. He was a theologian and writer of a 30 volume history of Spain.
1776. In Rome the Jesuit prisoners in Castel S. Angelo were restored to liberty. Father Romberg, the German Assistant, aged eighty, expressed a wish to remain in prison.
1811. At Dublin, the death of Fr. Thomas Betagh, the last survivor of the

- Irish Jesuits of the Old Society. At the Suppression he opened a Latin school in Dublin and became curate of St. Michael's Church there.
1953. Fr. Leonard Feeney is officially excommunicated. He had been dismissed from the Society of Jesus in 1949.
1959. Fidel Castro becomes the leader of Cuba. Jesuit alumnus.
2008. Walter Burghardt +, age 93. Famed preacher, patristics scholar, writer, worked for Theological Studies for 44 years as managing editor and editor.

#### February 17

1553. Xavier's coffin is opened and his body is found incorrupt, seventy-seven days after death.
1673. Moliere, age 51, dies in Paris, hours after playing the leading role in his play, the Imaginary Invalid. Jesuit Alumnus.
1832. Jesuits returned to Portugal, where one of their earliest tasks was to prepare and preside at the services for the as-yet unburied body of Pombal, the man who had banished the Society from Portugal in 1759.
1900. The Scholasticate at Grand Coteau, LA burns and is left in ashes.
1970. Augustine Ellard, S.J. + One of the three founders of Review for Religious.
1978. Georgetown University confers a degree on Archbishop Oscar Romero in the Cathedral of San Salvador, for his leadership for justice and human rights. He will die a martyr for justice.

#### February 18

1551. At Rome the opening of the First School of the Society in Piazza Ara Coeli, which soon developed into the famous Roman College, eventually the Gregorian University.
1571. A Group of Spanish Jesuits is murdered by Indians in Chesapeake Bay area after six months of activity. This leads to the withdrawal of Jesuits from there as well as Florida.
1967. Robert Leiber, S.J. +. He was a Professor of History at the Gregorian University, who continued updating Pastor's History of the Papacy.
1978. The death in Rome of Fr. Patrick Treanor, age 58, director of the Vatican Observatory since 1970.

#### February 19

1581. The election of Father Claude Acquaviva as 5th General in the Fourth General Congregation. He was only 37 years of age, and a

- Jesuit for only 14 years. He was general under 8 popes. He had been a fellow novice with St. Stanislaus.
1803. At. St. Inigo's, Maryland, Fr. James Walton died. He entered the Society in 1757, was sent to Maryland in 1766 and labored for 36 years. During the Suppression, fully confident that the Society would one day be restored, he faithfully guarded the property of the Society which had been invested chiefly in his name.
1906. George Tyrell, modernist, theologian, leaves the Society of Jesus.
1984. The death of Fr. Nikolaus Ory, scholar. He was the unifier and leader of the exiled, dispersed Hungarian priests, Unio Cleri Hungarici.
1984. Fr. General honors Br. Joseph Auger at dinner table, on his 75<sup>th</sup> birthday and almost 50 years of service at the Curia under four Generals.
- 2009 Letter of Fr. Nicolas, "The Universal Vocation of the Jesuit."
- 2019 Letter on the Universal Apostolic Preferences of the Society of Jesus - 2019-2029. From Fr. Sosa

## February 20

1515. Ignatius commits a grave crime in Azpeitia, and a process begins against him.
1582. Three Japanese princes sailed from Japan for Rome to pay homage to Pope Gregory XIII. Fr. Valignani, who arranged the embassy, accompanied them as far as Goa.
1647. Br. Cuthbert Prescott dies in prison. He used to send Catholic youth to St. Omer by ship, in defiance of the penal laws. About 100 made the trip annually.
1896. Henri de Lubac, S.J. B. theologian, later a Cardinal.
1927. Fr. Anthony J. Maas, S.J. + Life of Jesus According to Gospel History, familiar to many novices. Was written in 1891. He had also been a tertian instructor, and Provincial from 1912-18.
1947. The Maryland Provincial David Nugent announces that the province is being given the Jamshedpur Mission, from the Ranchi and Calcutta Provinces.
1986. The death of Fr. James Walsh, founder and long time editor of The Way.

## February 21

1595. At Tyburn, the martyrdom of Robert Southwell after he had suffered brutal tortures in Topcliffe's house and in prison. He embraced the gaoler who brought him word that he was to be executed. As he breathed his last, Lord Mountjoy, who presided over the execution,

exclaimed: "May my soul be one day with that of this man."

1616. At Seville died Father Alphonsus Rodriguez, full of days and merits, for he had reached the 90th year of his age and the 70th in the Society. He had been Master of Novices for 40 years and wrote that golden work The Practice of Christian Perfection, one of the most influential spiritual works ever written. There have been 50 editions in Spanish, and it has been translated into twenty four languages.
1900. Fr. Genicot, S.J. + Professor of Moral Theology at Louvain, age 44.
1984. Francis Rouleau, S.J. + He was an historian and expert on the Chinese Rites Controversy.
2001. Pope John Paul II creates forty four new cardinals, including Cardinal Avery Dulles, S.J.
- 2013 02/21 Resignation of Pope Benedict

#### February 22

1551. The Roman College, now the Gregorian, announces its opening. It begins the next day, indebted to the support of Francis Borgia. The sign reads: "Classes in Grammar, the Humanities, and Christian Doctrine. No Tuition." It begins with 15 teachers and 60 students.
1564. At Paris, against much opposition, a Jesuit school was opened, College Louis-le-Grand, one of the greatest Jesuit schools.
1599. By Clement VIII's order, the Generals of the Society and of the Dominicans, with other Fathers of both Orders, met together to settle, if possible, the controversy "De Auxiliis." Nothing came of it.
1622. 3rd translation of the body of Ignatius, 12 days before his canonization. Already in the Gesu, it is placed under the main altar in the same urn as now.
1624. The martyrdom at Sendai, Japan, of James Carvalho, who ministered to miners in the northern islands of Japan until the local ruler turned against the Christians and killed Carvalho by exposing him in the frigid waters of a river.
1892. John Gilmary Shea, historian +. He was a member of the Society of Jesus between the years 1848-1852. The Father of American Catholic Church history, he wrote a four vol. History and 15 vol. Dictionary of Native American Languages.

#### February 23

1546. LeJay is one of the theologians commissioned at Trent to draft the decree on Scripture and tradition.

1555. A letter from St. Ignatius to Claudius, the Emperor of Ethiopia, urging reunion with the church of Rome.
1700. Paul Hoste, S.J. dies. He was a mathematician and expert historian on the construction of ships and naval warfare.
1945. The freeing and rescue of 76 Jesuits and others from the Philippine internment camp, as USA troops take over.
1970. William J. Young, S.J. + writer and translator of Ignatian/Jesuit spirituality.
1982. All Jesuit provincials assemble at Villa Cavaletti at the request of the Pontifical Delegate, Fr. Dezza, and meet until March 3rd.
1984. Joseph Putz, S.J. + age 99 in India. He was a peritus at Vatican II, scholar, teacher, theologian, editor of Clergy Monthly for 33 years.
1994. Joseph Fichter, S.J. + age 85, sociologist, writer. He served as Stillman Professor of Roman Catholic studies at Harvard University.

#### February 24

1621. Petition from Louis XIII of France to Pope Gregory XV, urging the canonization of St. Ignatius.
1637. At Naples died Father Francis Pavone. Inflamed by his words and holy example, sixty of his class of Philosophy, and the entire class of Poetry embraced the Religious State.
1831. On this day, Fr. General Roothaan's letter declaring Missouri an independent mission (from Maryland) finally reaches the Missouri Jesuits. Their superior is Fr. Theodore De Theux. He communicated this to the 15 members of the Society in the West. This status gives the mission the privilege of having its own novitiate.
1979. Fr. Francis Louis Martinsek, S.J. is assassinated in Mokame, India. He was born in Pennsylvania, USA.

#### February 25

1571. Francis Borgia is sent by Pius V with Cardinal Alessandrino into Spain and France to try to induce the sovereigns to form a league against the Turks.
1591. Joachim Friedrich Ritter von Spee, S.J. B. He wrote poetry, and also Cautio Criminalis, against trials and executions of witches. A Defender of human rights.
1931. The Oriental chapel in the Curia in Rome is blessed and dedicated.
1990. Fr. John Houle, S.J. age 77, is cured of a heart condition through the intercession of Blessed Claude LaColombiere. This helps lead to his canonization.



## February 26

1611. At Ferrara died Father Anthony Possevino, employed by Gregory XIII on many important embassies to Sweden, Russia, Poland and Germany. Colleges and seminaries were opened by him at Cracow, Olmutz, Prague, Braunsberg, and Vilna. With all his labors he found time to write 24 books on history, sculpture and science.
1878. At Rome died Father Angelo Secchi, one of the leading modern astronomers. He is honored with a bust in the Concellaria and on the Pincio. He taught physics at Georgetown and made the first general spectral classification of the stars at the Vatican Observatory. Inventor of the Secchi disk, to measure water transparency.
1932. Hartman Grisar dies at Innsbruck. He was a Reformation historian and a Lutheran scholar.
1984. James Finnegan, S.J. New York Province, is killed in Beirut, Lebanon by stray shell fire.

## February 27

1585. Fr. General Acquaviva wrote a severe letter forbidding members of the Society to meddle with politics after Fr. Mathieu and the League (Ste. Union de France) sought to hinder King Henry of Navarre, a Protestant, from succeeding to the throne.
1601. Feast of Saint Anne Line, Martyr, died on this day. Friend and protector of priests, including several Jesuits.
1767. A secret decree of Charles III banishes the Society from Spain and seizes its property. It takes effect on April 2nd when troops will take over properties.
1928. An attack on the life of historian, Fr. Tacchi-Venturi in the parlor of the Jesuit Residence in Rome. He is wounded.
1982. Pope John Paul II addresses Jesuit provincials at Villa Cavaletti, during this interim stage, between Superior Generals.
1985. West German TV shows film on life of Friedrich Spee, S.J., a crusader for human rights, and a poet.
2008. William F. Buckley + 82. Catholic conservative. Editor of the National Review.  
“God and Man at Yale.” Jesuit Alumnus.

## February 28

1534. Pierre Favre is ordained a sub-deacon in Paris.

1573. Gregory XIII's Brief Ex Sedis Apost. benignitate, is issued. It exempts the Society from choir, which his predecessor, St. Pius V had imposed, and allows its members to be ordained before the solemn profession.
1957. Jesuit Volunteer Corps (JVC) is founded. It began in the Oregon Province and has inspired similar ventures around the Jesuit world.
1976. Archbishop Thomas Roberts, S.J. + London. Outspoken critic.
1994. William Ward, S.J. + Lagos, Nigeria, missionary, pastoral worker, the first Jesuit to die in Nigeria, and the first to be buried there.

February 29

March 1

1767. Without warning or trial, Charles III expels the Jesuits from Spain. 10,000 are deported to the papal states.
1815. Congress grants Georgetown University the power to confer degrees.
1915. At the 26th General Congregation, the American Assistancy of the Society is set up. It consists of the existing American Provinces then in existence: Maryland-New York, Missouri, New Orleans, and California. Fr. Thomas Gannon is named the first American Assistant.
1937. Hillaire Belloc lectures at Woodstock College, Maryland on Catholicism and Civilization.
2005. Walter Halloran, age 83 +. Involved in the 1949 exorcism case that led to the film *The Exorcist*.

March 2

1591. At Vilnius died Fr. Anthony Arias, a learned Spanish theologian, remarkable for his fervor and great delicacy of conscience.
1589. At Rome, the death of Cardinal Alessandro Farnese, grandson of Pope Paul III, great benefactor of the Society and founder/builder of the Gesu.
1606. Brother Nicholas Owen, S.J. "Little John" is martyred in the Tower of London. For 26 years, he constructed hiding places for priests. "Perhaps no single person contributed more to the preservation of the Catholic religion in England during the Penal Times than Nicholas Owen". (Butler, Lives of the Saints).
1928. A Letter of Cardinal Billot in Etudes clarifies why he resigned from the cardinalate, and repeats his profession of obedience to the Holy See.
1991. John L. McKenzie + age 80. Scripture scholar, pacifist,

Two Edged Sword, Dictionary of the Bible. He was a former Jesuit.

### March 3

- 1541. The First Companions gather to write the Constitutions of the Society in conformity with the Bull of Approval, "Regimini Militantis Ecclesiae," of Paul III.
- 1591. At Rome during a great pestilence, St. Aloysius caught the infection through serving the plague-stricken in the hospital "della Consolazione".
- 1595. Clement VIII raised Robert Bellarmine to the Cardinalate, saying that the Church had not his equal in learning.
- 1595. At Tyburn, Fr. Robert Southwell, after long and terrible suffering, dies for his faith.
- 2008. Meinrad Hebga, S.J. + age 79. Popular Healer, Exorcist of West Africa, Inculturation.
- 2014. Announce forthcoming letter of Fr. General on intellectual formation.

### March 4

The Novena of Grace begins on this day.

- 1540. Simon Rodriguez sets out for India. He is the first Jesuit missionary.
- 1547. Ignatius wrote a letter to Jesuits in Spain on religious perfection.
- 1777. Disgrace and dismissal from office of Carvalho (Marquis de Pombal) the Society's bitterest enemy, by Queen Mary of Portugal.
- 1887. Fr. General Beckx, the 22nd General dies. His term was 33 years long.
- 1911. Charles de Smedt, S.J. +. He gave new life and vigor to the Bollandists.
- 2014. Canonization of Blessed Jose de Anchieta. Letter of Fr. General on this occasion.

### March 5

- 1540. At Lisbon Fr. Simao Rodriguez is cured of fever on receiving the embrace of Francis Xavier.
- 1615. At Belmont, England, Thomas Pond died. He was among the first to introduce Jesuit missionaries into England.
- 1827. Volta, Alessandro Giuseppe Antonio Anastadio +. He was a Physicist who invented the electric battery. The Volt a unit of the electromotive force that drives current, was named in his honor. He was a Jesuit for a short time, and his father was a Jesuit for eleven years.
- 1904. Karl Rahner, S.J. B. Theologian.
- 1955. Fr. Jose Maria Velaz and lay friends open the first Fe y Alegria school in Careacas, Venezuela.
- 1971. Fr. General Arrupe appoints Victor Mertens as the first Regional

Assistant for Africa. The decree goes into effect on 19 March, feast of St. Joseph.

1996. The death of Fr. Peter Kavuma, S.J.. He is the first Ugandan Jesuit priest. He entered the Society as a priest in 1961 and then worked and died in Zimbabwe.
2008. Walter Abbott, S.J. dies, age 84. Edited the English publication of the Documents of the Second Vatican Council.

### March 6

1603. Letter from Fr. General Acquaviva to the whole Society, representing that he and Fr. Bellarmine had left nothing undone to prevent the latter's promotion to the Cardinalate.
1832. At Coimbra the obsequies of Carvalho were performed by Father Philip Delvaux, the body having remained unburied since May 5, 1782.
1922. Missouri Province purchased "White House Farm". It becomes the site of a retreat center. It was so called because of a post Civil War movement to transfer the national capital from Washington to St. Louis, with the Farm serving as the President's home.
1933. A letter of Fr. Ledochowski to all provincials urges the definition of the dogma of Mary as Mediatrix of All Graces.
1980. William Bier, S.J. Psychologist, teacher at Fordham University, dies. He was a pioneer in the psychological testing of candidates.

### March 7

1581. A Decree of the Fifth General Congregation binds the Professors of the Society to adhere to the doctrine of St. Thomas.
1675. Jean Pierre Caussade, S.J. writer. B. Traditional author of the Abandonment to Divine Providence.
1693. The birth of Pope Clement XIII, a strong defender of the Society.
1801. The Brief of Pius VII, Catholicae Fidei, legalizes the Society of Jesus in Russia. Second Confirmation of the Society of Jesus.
1867. Issuance of the corporate charter of Woodstock College. It would open two and one half years later.
1893. Archbishop Thomas Roberts, S.J. is born in France. He learned he was Archbishop of Bombay from a reporter. A liberal bishop.
1980. In India, at Sasaram in Patna/Bihar, the assassination of Fr. Matthew Mannaparambil, S.J., parish priest, aged 42.

### March 8

1558. Fr. Nicholas Guadan, disguised as a peddler, entered Scotland as a papal nuncio to strengthen Mary Queen of Scots in her allegiance to the faith.
1566. The Diet of Augsburg, Germany, Peter Canisius, Jeronimo Nadal Diego Ledesma hold public disputations with the Reformation leaders. They were appointed by St. Pius V.
1836. A Decree is issued whereby the Society of Jesus loses the property of the Holy House of Loyola. In the previous year, the Society was dissolved in Spain.
1890. Oswald von Nell-Breuning, S.J. B. He was an expert in the social teaching of the Church, and lived to be over 100 years old.
1916. Letter of Fr. General Ledochowski, De Doctrina Sancti Thomae magis, magisque in Societate fovenda.
1982. Mitchell Dahood, S.J. + in Rome, Scripture scholar. President of Catholic Biblical Association, and wrote the commentary on the Psalms for the Anchor Bible.

#### March 9

1568. The Birthday of Aloysius Gonzaga in his father's castle.
1631. Claude Francois Menestrier, S.J. B. He wrote a classic history of ballet, Les Ballets ancien et modernes (published in 1682), and created a ballet for King Louis XIV.
1764. In France, all Jesuits who refused to abjure the Institute were ordered by Parliament to quit the realm within a month. Out of 4,000 members only five Priests, two Scholastics and eight lay-Brothers took the required oath. The rest were driven into exile.
1840. Missouri is made into a Vice Province, with Peter Verhaegen as the first vice provincial. Its members totaled 71; 23 fathers, 23 scholastics and 25 brothers.
1956. A fire at Shadowbrook. New England Province Novitiate. Four die, one brother, three priests, including the Fr. Minister who was trying to phone the fire department.
1997. Quentin Lauer, S.J. dies, age 79. He was a professor of philosophy at Fordham, and a scholar on Hegel.
1998. Fr. Anton Luli, S.J. dies at the age of 88. He was an Italian missionary to Albania, and spent 40 years in an Albanian prison, including much of it in solitary confinement.
2005. Josef Fuchs, S.J. +, age 92. Moral Theologian.

#### March 10

1541. Ignatius and Codure begin writing the Constitutions.

1615. John Ogilvie dies a martyr of Glasgow. He was converted by Cornelius a Lapide.
1848. At Naples a mob threatened to massacre the Jesuits unless they left the city at once.
1925. Response of Father General Ledochowski on the use of automobiles: "De usu ahedae "automobilis". They can be used for the greater glory of God, but never merely for recreation.
1960. Chester Gailer, who would become pastor of St. Matthew's church in St. Louis, Missouri, entered the Society. He was the first African-American priest to hold the rank of pastor in the more than 200 year history of the Catholic Church in St. Louis.

### March 11

Blessed Martyrs of Valentia, Tomas Sitjar, fortia et al.

1767. At Madrid, Frs. Thomas de Lorrain and Bernard Recio, leaving for the Provincial Congregation in Rome, received a sealed parcel said to come from the nuncio. They were requested to take it to someone in Rome. It contained a letter forged by de Choiseul and de Aranda, the prime ministers of France and Spain, and purporting to come from the General Ricci alleging Charles II to be illegitimate. Both priests were arrested on their journey and brought back prisoners to Madrid. The forged document, shown to the king, whose previous affection for the Society was converted into bitterest hatred.
1820. At Madrid, an excited mob gathering in front of the Jesuit College, clamouring for the expulsion of the Jesuits.'
1848. At Naples 114 members of the Society, after much suffering, were put into carts and driven ignominiously out of the city and kingdom.
1976. Thomas Corbishley, S.J. + British writer, lecturer.

### March 12

1524. Paschase Broet, one of the first ten companions of Ignatius, is ordained a priest long before he met St. Ignatius.
1604. At St. Omer's died Br. Ralph Emerson, who along with Edmund Campion and Robert Parsons were the first Jesuits to enter England.
1622. At Rome the solemn canonization of SS. Ignatius and Francis Xavier by Pope Gregory XV. (with St. Teresa of Avila and Philip Neri and Isidore, the husbandman or farmer)
1633. The death of Cornelius a Lapide, S.J. Scripture scholar. He wrote commentaries on all books of the Bible except Job and the Psalms.
1783. On this day Pope Pius VI expressed his approval of the Society in White Russia, saying in an audience... "Approbo Societatem Jesu in Alba Russia degentem. Approbo, approbo!"
1964. Pope Paul VI, an alumnus, visits the Gregorian University.

1977. Rutilio Grande, S.J., a pastor in El Salvador and champion of the campesinos is murdered on his way to celebrate Mass.
1978. Robert I. Gannon, S.J. + educator, after dinner speaker. He was President of Fordham University.

### March 13

1538. Diego Hozes, S.J. +. The first Jesuit to die. (even if the Society was not yet officially approved). He was a Spanish priest who died in Padua.
1568. Father John Segura with five companions set sail from Spain for Florida, that fertile field of martyrs. (Nine Jesuits were killed between 1566 and 1571).
1599. The birth of John Berchmans at Diest in Flanders.
1939. Alban Goodier, S.J. + Archbishop and spiritual writer.
1940. Auguste Coemans, S.J. + Rome, age 75.. He is the author of Commentary on the Rules of the Society of Jesus and he prepared the new edition of the Epitome.
- 2013 03/13 Pope Francis, Cardinal Jorge Mario Bergoglio, was elected to be the 266th Pope of the Catholic Church being the first Jesuit in history to become Pope.

### March 14

1535. St. Ignatius Loyola receives his diploma for the M.A. at the University of Paris. His studies and exams ended 1534. This gives him the right to be called Master Ignatius, which became his regular title. He had received the licentiate one year earlier.
1540. St. Francis Xavier, told by Ignatius to prepare to leave for the Indies, was ready the next day; he needed only sufficient time to have his poor soutane mended.
1544. The Bull, "Injunctum Nobis" confirms the Society of Jesus, and allows more than 60 to be professed fathers.
1800. At Venice, the election of Pope Pius VII (Cardinal Chiaramonti), a Benedictine, who in 1814 restored the Society throughout the world.
1891. The Motu Proprio of Leo XIII founds the Vatican Observatory (Specola Vaticana).
1920. Missouri Province tells Fr. General it is sending six men to work in Patna, India.
1976. Alban de Jerphanion (age 75) professor, is killed in Beirut, Lebanon.
1985. Fr. Nicolas Kluiters, S.J. parish priest, is kidnapped in Lebanon.

### March 15

1561. At Monomotapa, the martyrdom of Fr. Goncalo da Silveira strangled by Mahometans in Zimbabwe. The first martyr of sub-Saharan Africa, he was opposed by Arab merchants.
1575. Luis Gonzalez Camara + Lisbon. From 1553-55 he took dictation of the Autobiography of St. Ignatius.
1632. At Seville, the death of Father Diego Ruiz, the great theologian, who studied on his knees.
1711. Eusebio Kino, S.J. + in California, missionary, pioneer, cartographer, mathematician. He worked in Mexico and Arizona, and died while celebrating Mass. He represents the state of Arizona in the Statuary Hall at the Capitol Building in Washington.
1797. President George Washington holds a public reception at Georgetown University.
1893. Bernard Leeming S.J. B. ecumenist, expert on Anglican orders. He attended Xavier H.S. in New York.
1933. The death of Frederick Odenbach, S.J. called the father of American seismology. He set up the first seismograph in the USA and was the inventor of the electric seismograph.
1995. Joseph Fitzpatrick dies. A sociologist, an expert on Hispanics in the USA, he was a professor at Fordham University.
1995. Richard Smith dies. age 77. He was a professor of theology and he edited the Review for Religious from 1959-75.

#### March 16

1540. Xavier, chosen in Father Nicholas Bobadilla's place left Rome for the Indies... St. Ignatius' parting words were, "Ite omnia incendite et inflamate."
1649. In Canada, among the Iroquois, Jean de Brebeuf died a glorious martyr after a series of horrible tortures, the very recital of which makes one shudder.
1880. The French Parliament pass Jules Ferry's Bill for the closing of all the Society's houses and colleges in France.
1988. Fr. General Kolvenbach meets Commander in Chief Fidel Castro in Havana, Cuba.
1990. Joseph Sebes, S.J. + Chinese scholar and professor at Georgetown University.
2005. Antonio de Aldama, S.J. + age 97. Secretary of the Society from 1945-50 and expert on the Constitutions.
2007. Daniel Degnan, S.J. + lawyer, had been president of St. Peter's College.

#### March 17

1581. Fr. Alessandro Valignani founds a Jesuit college in Japan.
1649. Gabriel Lalemant, S.J. dies, one of the martyrs of North America. He dies one day after Jean de Brebeuf.



1652. Fr. Goswin Nickel is elected General in succession to Fr. Gottifredi, who died six weeks after his election.
1667. At Paris, the death of Felipe Labbe who wrote a 17 volume collection of the decrees of Church Councils.
1780. The ambassadors of France, Spain, and Portugal try in vain to force Pope Pius IV to confirm the brief of Suppression and to excommunicate the Jesuits in Russia.
1865. As Japan opens up, Fr. Pelitjean discovers 50,000 Catholics who had kept the faith for 200 years with no priest, but only baptism.

### March 18

1548. Canisius leaves Rome to found a college in Sicily.
1548. The arrival of the first Jesuits missioned in Africa. These Jesuits were sent by Fr. Simon Rodrigues, Provincial of Portugal, at the request of the King of Kongo supported by the King of Portugal. They landed at Pinda, and made their way two days later to Mbanza Kongo, the capital of the kingdom of Kongo. They were four in number, Frs. Jorge Vaz, Cristovao Ribeiro, Jacome Dias and a scholastic, Diego do Soveral.
1606. At Villagarcia, in Spain, died Fr. John Bonifacio, after teaching grammar for 40 years.
1956. Pietro Tacchi-Venturi, S.J. + in Rome. Jesuit historian.
1963. C.C. Martindale, S.J. + writer, pastoral theologian (Cyril Charles)
1964. Joseph T. O'Callaghan, S.J. + Congressional Medal of Honor winner for his heroism in 1945. I Was Chaplain on the Franklin.
1969. Walter Stokes, S.J. + Philosopher.

### March 19

1616. Peter Claver is ordained priest in the Cathedral of Cartagena.
1634. Antonio de Andrade + in Goa. He had been the first European to enter Tibet.
1715. The condemnation of the Chinese Rites by Pope Clement XI. This proved disastrous to the Chinese mission.
1971. The African Assistancy of the Society of Jesus is created. There were 1600 Jesuits in Africa.
1991. Joseph Gallen, S.J. + age 88. canon lawyer, Professor at Woodstock College from 1940-66, writer for *Review for Religious*.

### March 20

- St. John Nepomucene dies, being thrown into the Moldau in Bohemia. ( In the new RM)
1523. At Barcelona, St. Ignatius embarks for Jerusalem.

1571. Borgia orders the Jesuits to withdraw from the Florida mission, seeing little or no fruit of their labors. "Shake the dust from your feet."
1597. At Rome the death of Fr. James Terry, a Scotsman. When he was a scholastic, St. Ignatius reputedly appeared to him and told him to study less and pray more.
1873. Jules Lebreton, S.J. B. Historian and theologian.
1899. Teilhard de Chardin enters the novitiate at Aix en Provence. He joins C.C. Martindale who was already a novice, on rest there to complete his novitiate.
1977. Horacio de Ia Costa, S.J. + Philippine Jesuit historian, had been provincial and then assistant to the General in Rome.

### March 21

1540. St. Francis Xavier, who left Rome for India on March 15<sup>th</sup>, visited on his way the Holy House of Loretto, and there said Mass.
1602. The second Disputatio de Auxiliis before Pope Clement VIII took place between Fr. Gregory de Valentia, S.J., and Fr. Thomas de Lemos, O.P.
1622. In Mexico died Fr. Nicholas Arnaya, one of the brightest ornaments of the Society in America, and founder of the North American Missions.
1693. At Paris the death of Fr. Vincent Huby, a great apostle and promoter of the devotion to the Sacred Heart. He founded the Confraternity of the Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament.
1994. Bishop Al Jolson dies at the age of 65. From the New England Province, and of Icelandic heritage, he was appointed bishop of Reykjavik, Iceland.

### March 22

1585. In Rome, the three Japanese ambassadors were received by Fr. General with great solemnity in the Society's Church of the Gesu.
1594. Henry IV took possession of Paris after a prolonged siege. Fr. Possevino and other Jesuits worked at effecting a reconciliation of the king with Rome.
1643. At Nagasaki, Ven. Father Anthony Rubino, an Italian, after suffering for seven months under the "torture of water," was hanged by the feet in a pit with his head downwards, and so expired.
1655. Fr. Francis Perez died at Antwerp. He was born on Christmas Day and died on Good Friday. He followed his two sons into the Society of Jesus and they served his first Mass.
1980. Luis Espinal, S.J. journalist, beaten and machine-gunned, dies a martyr, in Bolivia, aged 48. He worked for the campesinos.

### March 23

- 1555. The death of Pope Julius III, a cause of grief for the Society. He was a benefactor of the Roman and German Colleges.
- 1624. At Watten, Father Thomas Stephenson, when dying, besought the novices to reject any thought against their vocation as a diabolical temptation.
- 1656. The decision of Pope Alexander VII allows Christians to participate in Chinese funeral rites.
- 1772. At Rome, Cardinal Marefoschi held a visitation of the Irish College and accused the Jesuits of mismanagement. They were removed from the direction of that establishment.
- 1942. Joseph de Guibert, S.J. + Expert on Jesuit spirituality.

#### March 24

- 1522. Ignatius begins his vigil at Montserrat.
- 1578. At Lisbon, Rodolf Acquaviva and 13 companions embarked for India. Among the companions were Matthew Ricci and Michael Ruggieri.
- 1582. Pope Gregory XIII signed the papal bull for the reform of the calendar. Fr. Christopher Clavius, the Jesuit astronomer and mathematician, contributed greatly to the fashioning of the new Gregorian calendar.
- 1603. At Richmond, in Surrey, died Queen Elizabeth, after a long reign of 45 years, during which many Jesuits and others suffered martyrdom for their faith.
- 1657. The last of the Provincial Letters of Paschal is published.
- 1980. Archbishop Oscar Romero is assassinated while celebrating Mass in El Salvador. Jesuit alumnus and friend.

#### March 25

- 1522. At Montserrat, St. Ignatius hung up his sword near Our Lady's altar, and after a night vigil swore to serve only Christ and His Mother.
- 1563. The First Sodality of Our Lady of Fatima Prima Primaria was started at the Roman College by a young Belgian Jesuit, Jean Leunis.
- 1586. St. Margaret Clitheroe dies on this day, pressed to death. New RM She protected some Jesuit Fathers.
- 1634. Andrew White, S.J. arrives in Maryland. Mass said on St. Clement Isle, River Potomac, not far from St. Inigo's. This is the beginning of Catholicism in English speaking America).
- 1847. Virgil Barber, S.J. +. A convert to Catholicism, his wife and five children become religious, one of them a Jesuit.
- 1904. Francis Xavier is chosen by Pius X as the patron of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith.
- 1920. Instruction/Letter of Father General Ledochowski on the use of the telephone. No general permission is given to scholastics to use the phone, and no phones in private rooms.
- 1962. Fr. Felice Cappello +, known as "the Confessor of Rome", for hearing

confessions at St. Ignatius Church.

1968. Paul VI approve new statutes for Sodalities, now CLC.

1980. Paul Dent, one of the first Missouri Province Jesuits who went to India in the 1920's, dies.

#### March 26

1553. St. Ignatius' golden letter on Obedience is sent to the Fathers and Brothers of Portugal.

1693. An instruction of Msgr. Charles Maigrot is negative on inculturation in China and reverses the earlier decision which allowed participation in Chinese funeral rites.

1900. At Rome the death of Cardinal Camillus Mazzella, Bishop of the suburban see of Palestrina. His last words to Father General were: "Laetor quod in Societate morior." He was the first Dean of Woodstock College, 1869-75. He opposed the liberal elements in the American and European churches.

1988. Paul Kennedy, S.J. + Tertian Instructor at St. Beino, 1958-74. A man of remarkable spiritual insight. He once said "We are all fakes."

1995. Michael Lavelle, S.J. dies. An economist, he had been President of John Carroll University and Provincial of Detroit.

#### March 27

1546. The death of Dona Eleonora, the Duchess of Gandia, and wife of St. Francis Borgia. The saint entered the Society soon after her death.

1587. At Messina died Fr. Thomas Evans, an Englishman, age 29. He had suffered imprisonment for his defense of the Catholic faith in England.

1708. By a decree of Pope Clement XI the convent of Port Royal, a nest of Jansenism, was suppressed.

1766. A forged letter (the work of Choiseul) from Father General Ricci to the Spanish Provincial, imputing illegitimacy to King Charles III, was shown to that monarch, who at once became the Society's implacable enemy.

1840. Among the North American Indians, Father Peter de Smet was welcomed with great joy, being the first "Blackrobe" seen among them since the Suppression.

#### March 28

1528. Claude Jay, S.J., one of 10 companions is ordained priest in Geneva.

1568. Eight Jesuits reach the port of Callao, Peru, sent by Francis Borgia.

1606. At the Guildhall, London, the trial of Fr. Henry Garnet, falsely accused

of complicity in the Gunpowder Plot.

1848. In Rome, Pope Pius IX, having intimated his wish that the Society should leave the city because of the Revolution, Rev. Fr. General Roothaan and the Assistants prepared to depart.
1913. The Imperial Ministry of Education in Japan gives permission to open Sophia University.

### March 29

1523. Ignatius arrives in Rome for the first time, on Palm Sunday. Four months later he leaves for Jerusalem.
1549. First 6 Jesuits arrive in the Americas at Salvador (Bahia), Brazil, led by Manuel de Nobrega.
1848. Fr. General Roothaan flees from Rome in disguise, with a false passport. He will spend two years away from Rome.
1880. Decree in France orders the dissolution and dispersal of Jesuits within three months.
1932. First talkie movie shown at Woodstock College, "Song of My Heart", with John McCormack.
1988. P. Jean de Boisseson, S.J. is killed in Madagascar.
2018. Union of present province of French Canada and present province of English Canada in the Province of Canada

### March 30

1545. At Meliapore, Francis Xavier came on pilgrimage to the tomb of St. Thomas the Apostle.
1823. The Holy See empowers Georgetown University to confer ecclesiastical degrees in philosophy and theology.
1848. At Rome the fathers and scholastics of the Roman College, the Gesu, S. Andrea, and S. Eusebio, were dispersed by the Revolution.
1934. The Pontifical College, Pio-Brazil, is founded in Rome and entrusted to the Society.
1984. Karl Rahner, S.J. + theologian, age 80.
2005. John O'Donnell, S.J. + age 60. Theologian, Dean of the Faculty of Theology at the Gregorian University.

### March 31

1548. Fr. Anthony Corduba, rector of the College of Salamanca, begged Ignatius to admit him into the Society so as to escape the cardinalate which Charles V intended to procure for him.
1606. Frances Martinez, S.J. dies in prison in China. He was the first

Chinese admitted to the Society by Ricci, eight years after Ricci's arrival.

- 1767. The Society is suppressed in Spain by the Bourbons.
- 1922. WWL, Louisiana radio station opens, at Loyola University
- 1934. Jesuit Cardinal Francis Ehrle + Theologian, historian; he reorganized the Vatican Library.
- 1986. Society of Jesus is officially allowed to return into Haiti. Jesuits had been expelled on February 12, 1964.

#### April 1

- 1767. All the Society's Colleges and houses in Spain were occupied by troops, and the Jesuits dragged to Cartagena to be shipped as exiles to the Papal States.
- 1863. Governor John A. Andrews approves the charter for Boston College.
- 1941. Hippolyte Delehaye, S.J. +. Brussels: hagiographer, President of the Bollandists from 1912 to 1941.
- 1963. Gerald Ellard, S.J. + Liturgist, and one of the founders of the National Liturgical Conference.
- 1984. Georgetown University wins the NCAA Basketball Championship, John Thompson is the coach.

#### April 2

- 1541. A First edition of the Constitutions approved, and signed by the six companions present in Rome: Ignatius, Lainez, Salmeron, Codure, Broet, and Jay.
- 1568. At Rome, the entrance of Blessed Rodolf Acquaviva, aged 17, into the noviceship of San Andrea, where St. Stanislaus was then a novice.
- 1640. The death of Matthew Casimir Sarbiewski, S.J. called the "Polish Horace" because of his poetry.
- 1767. In Spain, Charles III ordered the arrest of all the Jesuit Fathers and the sequestration of all their houses and goods, being enraged against the Society by a forged letter of the General (the work of De Choiseul), which spoke of him as illegitimate.
- 1802. Joseph Schneller dies in Vienna, a famous Jesuit preacher.
- 1872. Samuel Morse +. He invented the telegraph, and also wrote anti-Catholic and anti-Jesuit literature.
- 1994. Anthony Lawn, S.J. +. Basically a prison chaplain, in 1985 he was invited to work for and be an actor in the film, The Mission.

## April 3

1583. Jerome Nadal, S.J. + who had been a student at Paris with Ignatius and Xavier. He died on Easter Sunday, aged 73 in the novitiate of San Andrea, Rome. He promulgated the Constitutions throughout Europe.
1622. Solemn profession of Peter Claver, in Cartagena, age 42. Petrus Claver, ethiopum semper servus.
1767. Fr. Joseph Pignatelli was expelled from Spain along with all other Jesuits there and at age 30 began his career of holding together a suppressed Society. At age 57, he once again saw the Society permitted to accept novices but he did not live to see its Restoration in 1814.
1876. Johann Cardinal Franzelin, S.J. created a cardinal on this day. He was a theologian of Vatican I, linguist, professor of Scripture and dogma.
1960. The death of Fr. Edward P. Dowling, friend of Bill Wilson, the founder of Alcoholics Anonymous.

## April 4

1534. Pierre Favre is ordained a deacon in Paris.
1541. In Rome the first Fathers made a triduum of prayer before electing the first General. On April 7th the sealed votes were opened, and all had chosen Ignatius for superior. St. Francis Xavier's vote was dated March 15, 1540.
1767. The Society was expelled from all its houses in Spain and subjected to great cruelty.
1871. There is plundering of the Jesuit house at rue de Sevres in Paris by the Communards.
1873. In Mexico a law to expel the Society was proposed in Parliament.

## April 5

1635. Louis Lallemand, S.J. + influential writer and spiritual teacher.
1737. Pope Clement XII adds Regis to the list of saints.
1850. The first edition of Jesuit newspaper, *Civiltà Cattolica* appears
1904. George Pettit, S.J. is appointed novice director of the New York-Maryland Province, and serves until 1917.
1945. Augustin Merk, S.J. + New Testament editor. N.T. Graece et Latine. He was also confessor to Pius XII.
1990. Virgil Blum, S.J. + age 77. Strong advocate of government aid to education.

## April 6

- Feast of Blessed Juliana of Cornelian. She was placed in the Jesuit martyrology at the request of Fr. General Ledochowski. She lived 1193-1258 and helped spread devotion to Corpus Christi, petitioning for a feast to honor it.
1570. Jesuits became the confessors in St. Peter's Basilica in the transfer to the Society of the "College of Penitentiaries."
1581. St. Edmund Campion published his Decem Rationes.
1672. In the Marianne Isle, the Ven. Fr. Diego de San Vitores suffered martyrdom after converting 30,000 persons to the faith. When only 13 years old he heard our Lady tell him three distinct times to enter the Society.
1669. At Paris, Fr. Claude la Colombiere was ordained a priest.
1850. First edition of La Civiltà Cattolica appears. The first journal of the restored Society.
1987. Brother Vincent Canas Costa (age 48). After 11 years on the mission in Brazil, he is killed by a blunt wound in the stomach.

#### April 7

1506. St. Francis Xavier is born at the family castle in Navarre. Six days later Peter Faber is born.
1541. St. Francis Xavier, on this day, his 35<sup>th</sup> birthday, embarks from Lisbon for India, for a 13 month journey to Goa.
1541. St. Ignatius is unanimously elected General. But he refuses.
1595. St. Henry Walpole, S.J. is martyred at York.
1994. Three Jesuit priests killed, with 14 others at Centre Christus in Rwanda: Chrysologus Mahame (the first Rwandan Jesuit, age 67), Patrick Gahizi (age 48), and Innocent Rutagambwa (age 46). Beginnings of genocide in Rwanda, one half million killed in the next seven months.
2014. In Homs, Syria, Frans Van der Lugt is assassinated.

#### April 8

1548. Peter Canisius was sent to Messina to teach rhetoric at the newly opened first college of the Society explicitly for lay students.
1762. In France, the expulsion of the Fathers from all their colleges and houses by decree of parliament.
1979. Karl Rahner, S.J. receives honorary degree at Weston School of Theology, Cambridge, and delivers a classic lecture on the three eras or epochs of church.
2007. Edward Brady, S.J. +, age 77 in Nairobi, Kenya. Worked with JRS, and with Sudanese Bishops for peace and justice.



2018 Simon Decloux, SJ dies. Was Rector at Kimwenza, Tertian Instructor, Provincial, General Assistant.

#### April 9

1553. Ignatius sends Jerome Nadal as Commissary into Spain to publish the Constitutions.
1615. William Weston, S.J. dies at Valladolid.
1879. Angelo M. Paresci, S.J. dies at Woodstock. He was the founder and first Rector of Woodstock College.
1905. The amputation of the right arm of Fr. General Luis Martin.
1913. Pope St. Pius X spoke his praises of the Apostleship of Prayer. It counted 25 million members. The periodical The Messenger of the Sacred Heart appears in 42 editions in more than 20 languages.
1934. Aloysius Pieris, S.J. born. Sri Lanka theologian.
1998. John Coventry, S.J. + Provincial, theologian, writer, of Great Britain.

#### April 10

1585. At Rome, the death of Pope Gregory XIII, founder of the Gregorian University and the German College, whose memory will ever be cherished as that of one of the Society's greatest benefactors.
1607. Brother Benito de Goes, S.J. +. He was a great explorer of Central Asia.
1836. Anthony Kohlmann, S.J. dies in Rome. Kohlmann Hall, NY Provincial House, was named after him. He won a landmark "seal of confession" legal case in 1813. He was novice Master, Mission Superior, and Rector of Georgetown. He taught Dogmatic theology in Rome for five years, and built the first St. Patrick's church in New York City, located in downtown.
1955. Teilhard de Chardin, S.J. dies in New York City, on Easter Sunday. He was a paleontologist, anthropologist and visionary theologian and spiritual writer.
1979. Joseph M.F. Marique, S.J. + classical scholar, Holy Cross College.

#### April 11

1573. At the Third General Congregation, Pope Gregory XIII suggests that we elect a non-Spanish to be General. Eventually the Belgian Mercurian will be elected.
1607. In China died Brother Benito Goes.
1632. At Lima, Peru, Fr. Ruiz de Montoya died. A Portuguese, he was called the Apostle of Paraguay, for he converted thousands.

1673. At Lima died Ven. Father Francis de Castillo, a Portuguese, justly regarded as the Apostle of Peru.
1985. Translation of the body of Fr. Felice Capello, “the confessor of Rome” to the Church of St. Ignatius near the confessional he occupied almost daily for thirty years. He died in 1962.
- 2016 Death of Fr. John Guenter Gerhartz

#### April 12

- St. Joseph Moscati, lay person, doctor, in Naples. Feast, in the New RM. Influenced by Jesuits and Jesuit parish.
1573. At Rome, the opening of the Third General Congregation during which Everard Mercurian was elected General.
1599. Fr. Luis de Molina’s book De Scientia Media, received the approval of the Spanish Inquisition, but further inflamed theological controversies.
1671. Francis Borgia, the 3rd General, is canonized by Pope Clement X.
1726. In Cairo, Claudio Sicard dies, a missionary and explorer of the Nile.
1977. Bishop Vincent Kennally, S.J. + Missionary to the Pacific Islands.
- 2010 04/12 Beatification of Bernardo de Hoyas

#### April 13

1506. Peter Faber is born in Savoy, the first companion of Ignatius. He was born six days after Xavier was born.
1541. Ignatius is elected General again, after refusing or declining the first election results.
1561. Pius IV, by a special Brief, allowed the Society to erect houses within a distance of 140 yards (cannae) from the houses of other Religious Orders.
1853. Loyola College, Baltimore, is chartered.
1979. James W. Naughton, S.J. + Secretary of the Society, 1950-67.
1981. Fr. Godofredo Alingal, S.J. is shot and killed in his rectory in Kibawe, Philippines. He defended the rights of poor farmers. Age 59.
2004. Bishop Martin Neylon, S.J. dies in New York. He had been director of Novices and then bishop in the Caroline-Marshall Islands.

#### April 14

1618. St. John Berchman's father is ordained a priest; John himself was still a Novice.
1792. The death of Maximilian Hell at Vienna. He was an astronomer who

- directed the royal observatory in Vienna for 36 years.
1931. Professed House in Madrid is set on fire, including the relics of St. Francis Borgia. Persecution against the Society.
1984. Joseph E. O'Neill, S.J. +. For 20 years, he edited Thought magazine.
1989. Dominic Pandolfo, S.J. + Brother, doorkeeper at St. Andrew-on-Hudson novitiate for many years.
1992. The death of Marshall Moran, S.J., aged 85. He was the first Catholic priest allowed into Nepal in modern times. He founded St. Xavier School for Boys.
2015. Death of Cardinal Roberto Tucci, age 93. Communications expert, With Vatican Radio, etc.

#### April 15

1539. At Rome each of the First Fathers bound himself to enter the Society as soon as it was confirmed by the Pope. They also decided that a special vow of obedience should be taken.
1549. Xavier embarks at Malacca for Japan.
1610. Robert Parsons, S.J. + "The most active and indefatigable of all the leaders of the English Catholics in the reign of Elizabeth."
1778. Empress Catherine the Great requested the Holy See that the Jesuits in White Russia (the only ones in the world, all others having been suppressed) might have a novitiate. She received the answer that the local bishop should do as he thought best.
1884. Fr. Peter Beckx, aged 88, resigned governance of the Society to Fr. Anton Anderledy.

#### April 16

1548. At Naples died William Elphinston, a scholastic novice and scion of the royal house of Scotland, his mother being a Stuart.
1617. Juan Ferro dies. He was an Italian missionary and professor of Rhetoric in Mexico for 30 years and preached in six indigenous languages.
1673. Pope Clement X forbids the publication of the Jesuit Relations. The missions should not publish these without the written consent of the office of Propaganda.
1767. Pope Clement XIII wrote to Charles III of Spain imploring him to cancel the decree of expulsion of the Society from Spain, issued on April 2nd. The Pope's letter nobly defends the innocence of the Society.
2003. John Sheetr, S.J.+ Retired auxiliary bishop of the diocese of Fort Worth, Indiana.
2004. Fr. Matthew Koyapillit, + age 74. Internationally famed botanist, ecologist and. founder of Rapinat Herbarium.

## April 17

- 1540 Arrival in Lisbon of Xavier and Father Simon Rodriguez, both destined for India,  
but the latter was retained in Portugal by the King.
1680. Bl. Kateri Tekakwitha dies. After receiving the Eucharist and the Anointing of the Sick (Extreme Unction) she dies saying, "Jesus, I love you."
1761. The French Parliament being appealed to in the Lavalette affair, demand a copy of the Institute. King Louis XV proposes that the Jesuits modify their Rule. Clement XIII writes to the king, expressing his alarm at the attacks on the Jesuits. On hearing of proposed modifications, he uttered the famous exclamation. "Sint ut sunt aut non sint."
1909. America magazine begins publication. First issue on this day.
1927. Decree that all Jesuits and Jesuit works of the Philippines be transferred from the Aragon Province to the Maryland/New York Province.

## April 18

1527. St. Ignatius is put into prison for the first time, in Alcala, Spain. He had been conversing with people on spiritual topics.
1580. Father Robert Parson, Edmund Campion and Brother Ralph Emerson and others  
set out from Rome for the English mission. They entered England by different routes and in different disguises.
1906. Fr. General Luis Martin +.
1949. St. Benedict Center, Cambridge, MA, under Fr. Leonard Feeney, is placed under interdict.
1959. Francis P. Donnelly, S.J. + New York Province. Teacher, writer, author of many textbooks on English.

## April 19

1541. St. Ignatius is elected general, after declining the first election. He accepts the second election of April 13th, after praying over the decision and with the advice of his Franciscan confessor.
1602. At Tyburn, Ven. James Ducket, a layman, suffered death for publishing a work written by Robert Southwell.
1964. Joseph Glose dies. A Jesuit Educator, at the center of the Jesuit Education Association for 21 years.

1993. Joseph Sellinger dies. He had been President of Loyola College, Baltimore, for many years.

#### April 20

1527. At Alcala St. Ignatius was imprisoned for forty-two days.  
 1586. The first and trial edition of the Ratio Studiorum was issued under Fr. General Claudio Acquaviva.  
 1842. Jesuits return to Canada. Superior Peter Chazelle is appointed.  
 1864. Father Peter de Smet left St. Louis to evangelize the Sioux Indians.  
 1893. Robert I. Gannon, S.J. B. Staten Island. He was President of Fordham University, and a famous after dinner speaker.  
 1955. Pedro Leturia, S.J. + Rome, historian. He was the founding director of the Archivum Historicum Societatis, Jesu.  
 1996. Francis McCool, S.J. dies. He had been a professor of Scripture at the Biblicum in Rome.

#### April 21

1586. A draft of the 1st Ratio Studiorum is sent by Claudio Acquaviva to all Provinces.  
 1618. Pedro Paez, S.J. discovers the source of the Blue Nile.  
 1665. At Bordeaux the death of Fr. John Surin, who entered the Society at the age of 15. He was a man of great sanctity and venerated after death as a saint. For 20 years he was cruelly tormented by evil spirits, after exorcizing certain Religious in a convent at Loudon.  
 1926. Letter of Fr. General Ledochowski De Usu Machinae Photographicae. Cameras should belong to the house, not the individual. They are not to be for recreation or time spent on trifles rather than for the greater glory of God.

#### April 22

- Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Society of Jesus. Feast.  
 1541. In St. Paul's Basilica, Rome, the solemn Profession of St. Ignatius and his first companions: Ignatius, Lainez, Salmeron, Codure, Broet, Jay.  
 1581. At the close of the Fourth General Congregation, Pope Gregory XIII received the new General, Father Claude Acquaviva, and promised to provide a foundation fund for the Roman College.  
 1585 (Day uncertain.) Discontent of certain Spanish Fathers at Father Claude Acquaviva's election: they wanted a Spanish general. Such a state of things requiring great firmness, Father General Acquaviva expelled a number of Professed Fathers.  
 1952. A Letter of Fr. General Janssens "On Continual Mortification."

1972. Rene Arnou, S.J. dies. He was a professor at the Gregorian, a scholar on spirituality and philosophy.
1995. Engelbert Mveng, S.J. is killed in his bed in the Cameroons. He was a theologian, artist, and scholar and writer on the history and culture of West Africa. He also founded the community of the Beatitudes.

#### April 23

1565. In Peru Fr. Gaspar de Azevedos died while serving the poor. Reputedly he spent six hours every day in prayer, kneeling without support.
1579. At Rome, the appointment of Fr. Alphonsus Agazzari, the first Jesuit rector of the English College which had been founded by Pope Gregory XIII.
1637. Henry Morse pronounces his final vows in prison. Later he is freed, but then re-arrested, and martyred.
1878. The first phone line in the Philippines is established between the Ateneo and the Normal School in Manila.
1888. Daniel Lord, S.J. B.
1956. Miguel Selga dies in Manila. He was a famed scientist and the first director of the Manila Observatory.
1973. Fr. Arrupe makes the cover of Time magazine., with a feature story on the Jesuits.
1982. Michael Walsh, S.J. + New England Province, educator. He had been President of Boston College and of Fordham.
2001. The death of Paul Beauchamp, French biblical, Old Testament scholar.

#### April 24

1774. Christopher de Beaumont, Archbishop of Paris, wrote to Clement XIV, regretting the Brief of Suppression. In 1775 the French Cardinals declined to receive the Brief because it threatened disaster to the Church.
1928. The Jesuit Church of the Blessed Sacrament, in Hollywood, CA, while yet unfinished, holds an opening service. Cecil B. deMille attends and Jackie Coogan does a reading.
1934. Leo O'Donovan, S.J. B. Theologian, President of Georgetown University.

#### April 25

1603. Fr. Gregory de Valentia, a Spanish Jesuit died at Naples. A renowned theologian, Pope Clement VIII honored him with the title "Doctor of Doctors."

1688. Louis XIV, wanting a special Jesuit vicar-general for the French Jesuits, forbade all correspondence with the General and ordered all French Jesuits in Rome to return to France.
1762. Fr. John de la Marche, sent by Fr. General, informed Fr. de Lavalette of the suspension incurred by him, and the summons to Rome to hear his sentence. Fr. de Lavalette signed his acceptance of the decree with deepest sorrow.
1915. Pierre Rousselot, S.J. Professor at the Institut Catholique in Paris, is wounded and taken prisoner in WW I.

#### April 26

1648. At Madrid, the death of Fr. John de Ripalda, an eminent theologian who held the chair of theology at Salamanca.
1849. In Rome, revolutionaries searched for hidden Jesuits at Villa Macao, the country house near Porta Pia, where long before St. Aloysius and St. John Berchmans had come with the other Jesuit scholastics for weekly recreation.
1911. Manresa Retreat House property bought, Staten Island. Fox Hill villa. A retreat house exclusively for laymen. Under Fr. Shealy, the first retreat was given on September 8<sup>th</sup>.
1921. Saint Louis University's radio station, WEW (We Enlighten the World) went on the air. It was only the second radio station in the US.
1935. Lumen Vitae, a center for catechetics and religious formation is founded in Brussels.
1941. Joseph Stadelman, S.J. dies, founder of Xavier Society for the Blind.
1995. Louis Schillebeckyx, S.J. dies, a missionary in India, and the brother of Dominican theologian, Edward. He was age 87 and had been Provincial.

#### April 27

- Peter Canisius, traditional feast RM Priest and Doctor. Memorial. He founded 18 colleges, authored 37 books.
- In Catalonia, the feast of Our Lady of Montserrat, the little dark one, La Morenita.
1593. Jerome Lalemant B. The successor to Jean de Brebeuf, he wrote much in the Jesuit Relations.
1859. At Florence, acting under pressure from the Freemasons, the Society of Jesus is banished.
1880. At Amiens, on occasion of the visit of Jules Ferry, shouts were raised under the Jesuit College windows: "Les Jesuites a la guillotine."

1990. Vincent McCorry dies. He gave retreats and for many years wrote the Word column for America magazine.

#### April 28

1542. St. Ignatius sent Pedro Ribadenaira, aged fifteen, from Rome to Paris for his studies. Pedro had been admitted into the Society in 1540.
1575. At Rome died Father James Ceruto, who is said to have renewed his religious vows a thousand times a day.
1581. Alexander Briant was arrested in London.
1767. At Tarracona in Spain 19 of the novices of the Province of Aragon, undismayed by threats and ill-treatment, insist on accompanying the Fathers into exile in Italy.

#### April 29

1568. St. Pius V, by his Brief "Innumerabile fructus," confirms the Constitutions of Paul II and Julius III regarding the government of colleges, the appointment of rectors by the General, etc.
1578. Disturbances at Utrecht caused by Lutherans: the Fathers were driven from their College.
1599. At Nankin, Father Matthew Ricci secured a fixed abode, purchasing a house reported to be haunted.
1672. At Rome the solemn canonization of St. Francis Borgia by Clement X.
1894. The Sodality of St. Peter Claver for African Missions is approved and blessed by Leo XIII. It was founded by Maria Teresa Ledochowska., sister of Fr. General.
1903. President Theodore Roosevelt visits St. Louis University.
1933. Thomas Ewing Sherman, S.J. dies in New Orleans. He was the son of General Sherman, an orator on the mission band. He suffered a breakdown, and wanted to leave the Society, but was refused because of his ill health. Before his death he renewed his vows in the Society.
1936. Fr. Adolfo Nicolas, S.J. born, Spain.
1998. The Bishop of Monze, Paul Lungu, S.J., 51, died in a road accident. For his funeral, all ten Zambian Bishops and the Nuncio were present at the ceremony which lasted for four hours and which was attended by an estimated gathering of 10,000 people. The ritual dances and mournful singing performed during the Mass are the traditional honors given to a chief among the Tonga people.

#### April 30



1555. The death of Pope Marcellus II, greatly admired by St. Ignatius. Whenever he wished to turn a conversation to some other subject, he would say, "Let us talk about good Pope Marcellus."
1595. Abraham George, S.J. dies, the first of eight Jesuit martyrs in Ethiopia.
1632. At Ingolstadt, John, Count de Tilly, the great Catholic hero, assisted by his Jesuit confessor, breathed his last. He had received his education from the Society.
1984. Aime Duval, S.J. dies. Singer and recovering alcoholic.
1985. Philip J. Donnelly, S.J. + He taught at Weston from 1939 to 1979, (except for two years away) as professor of Dogmatic Theology.

### May 1

1539. The death of Empress Isabel, which leads to the conversion of St. Francis Borgia.
1570. Six Jesuits, later twenty, become the official penitentiari in St. Peter's Basilica.
1572. At Rome, Pope St. Pius V breathed his last. His decree imposing Choir on the Society was canceled by his successor, Gregory XIII.
1592. Adam Schall, S.J. B. Cologne.
1881. Teilhard de Chardin, S.J. B.
1965. Pope Paul VI entrusts the task of combating atheism to the Society of Jesus.
1987. Raymond Schoder, S.J. dies in Chicago. He was a classical scholar and noted photographer.
1987. Edith Stein and Rupert Mayer, S.J. are beatified by John Paul II.

### May 2

1564. Pope Pius the V yielded to Fr. General Lainez' request and approved that the Society should have no Cardinal Protector, but be under the Pope's immediate protection.
1602. The birth of Athanasius Kircher, S.J., scientist and polymath.
1602. Cardinal Bellarmine's first entrance into Capua. He entered on foot, reciting prayers, and carrying the arm of St. Stephen, Protomartyr.
1706. G. J. Kamel, S.J. Jesuit brother +. The camellia flower is named after him.
1729. Catherine the Great, B. Empress for 34 years, she saved the Society of Jesus.
- 1929 St. Jose Maria Rubio, S.J. dies, Madrid. Apostle of Madrid.

2014 Paolo Molinari, SJ dies. Postulator General of the Society from 1957 to 2008. Worked on the canonization of 39 Saints and Blesseds, age 90.

#### May 3

- 1560. The first band of Jesuit missionaries head to Angola.
- 1606. The martyrdom of Henry Garnet, SJ, who was falsely charged with complicity in the Gunpowder Plot. At St. Paul's Churchyard, London.
- 1611. At Nanking, the opening of the first church, a Jesuit one, in that city.
- 1764. The last of the French Canadian Jesuit martyrs, Fr. Simon Gounon, drowns taking communion to the sick.
- 1900. Hugo Rahner, S.J. B.
- 1945. Innsbruck is taken over by the American troops. Theology at the Canisianum resumes a few months later.
- 1978. The death of Leo C. Brown, labor arbitrator who from 1942 to his death served as mediator for hundreds of worker-management disputes.
- 1987. Rupert Mayer, S.J. is beatified in Munich. Apostle of Munich.
- 1994. Vincent Potter +. Philosopher, professor at Fordham, expert on C.S. Peirce.

#### May 4

- St. Joseph Mary Rubio, S.J. Parish priest in Madrid. Optional Memorial. He died on May 2, 1929. On this day, in 2003 he was canonized.
- 1650. The archbishop of Sens in France, a friend of the Jansenists, ordered prayers in his diocese for the conversion of the Jesuits.
- 1881. The Society was expelled from the Republic of Nicaragua.
- 1902. Carlos Sommervogel, S.J. + Historian of the Society of Jesus, bibliographer.
- 1938. Franco invites the Jesuits to return to Spain. They had been banned in 1932.
- 1971. The announcement of the opening of the Center of Concern in Washington, DC.

#### May 5

- 1555. In Portugal, Fr. John Nunez Baretto was consecrated Patriarch of Ethiopia. Fr. Andrew Oviedo was consecrated Bishop of Jerusalem. This was in preparation for their mission to Ethiopia.
- 1585. In Japan the Emperor gave full leave to Fr. Gaspar Coelho, vice-provincial, to preach the Gospel.

1782. At Coimbra, Sebastian Carvahlo, Marquis de Pombal, a cruel persecutor of the Society in Portugal, died in disgrace and exile. His body remained unburied fifty years, till Father Philip Delvaux performed the last rites in 1832.
1804. The Fathers in Maryland desired to be aggregated to the Society in Russia.
1910. Mary Lou Williams, jazz pianist, composer, B. She was a convert to Catholicism by a Jesuit, and a Jesuit served as her musical agent.

#### May 6

1542. Xavier reaches Goa, after more than one year's journey. FB
1638. At Ypres, in Belgium, the death of Cornelius Jansenius, the founder of Jansenism, and author of the 'Augustinus', at which he worked for 20 years. Speaking of the Jesuits he said: "Perfecto odio oderam illos". (I detest them with a total hatred)
1816. Letter of John Adams to Thomas Jefferson mentioning the Jesuits. "If any congregation of men could merit eternal perdition on earth and in hell, it is the company of Loyola."
1927. At St. Andrew on Hudson, a Junior runs to the Fathers and says that two KKK are burning down Della Strada chapel. The fathers investigate and discover two pious women with white handkerchiefs on their heads visiting the chapel and lighting candles.
1963. Vincent A. McCormick, S.J. +. He had been the American Assistant.
1989. The death of Daniel Pasupasu. He had twice been provincial of Central Africa.  
Regarding a term of office for the General, he said simply that "in Africa the chief is chief for life." At CG 33.
1998. Philip Caraman, S.J. +. He was an author on Jesuit Saints/History.

#### May 7

1537. Francis Borgia converted from the vanities of the world by the sight of Empress Isabella's corpse.
1547. Letter of St. Ignatius to the scholastics at Coimbra on Religious Perfection.
1626. At Nagasaki, Ven. Father John Baptist de Baeza died. In the space of three years he is said to have baptized 75,000 adults at Goa, Macao, Mozambique, and in Japan.
1909. Apostolic Letter of Pius X, "Vinea Electa" erects the Pontifical Biblical Institute, to combat "false, erroneous and heretical views, especially

those recently current."

- 1938. Proclamation of the decree by Franco that restores the Society in Spain.
- 1945. Fr. Ferdinand Bonsrel, S.J. + missionary in Sri Lanka from 1901-45. Educator, scientist, honored by a stamp.
- 1965. General Congregation 31 opens, its first session. It will elect Fr. Pedro Arrupe as Superior General.

#### May 8

- 1521. Peter Canisius is born in Nijmegen. This is sixteen days before St. Ignatius is wounded.
- 1543. Peter Canisius is accepted as a novice by Peter Faber. Canisius is ordained three years later.
- 1586. Fathers Henry Garnet and Robert Southwell left Rome for the English mission.
- 1853. Jan Roothaan dies. He was the 21st General of the Society and General for 24 years. His furtherance of the Spiritual Exercises, the foreign missions, and education, greatly influenced the spirit and works of the Society. He is a Servant of God.
- 1861. President Abraham Lincoln visits Georgetown University to review the 69th New York Regiment which was based there.
- 1900. Sod is turned, the beginning of building of the novitiate of St. Andrew on Hudson, Poughkeepsie, NY.

#### May 9

- 1621. St. John Berchman's was standing on the steps of the Gesu with the other Fathers and Brothers when the newly elected Pope Gregory XV passed with great pomp on his way to the Lateran for his coronation. The Saint mortified his eyes and saw nothing of the Papal procession.
- 1758. 19th General Congregation opens, the last of the Old Society. It will elect Ricci.
- 1820. The Jesuits exiled from Polotsk, Russia, enter Austria.
- 1921. Dan Berrigan, S.J. B. poet, peacemaker, pacifist.
- 1978. The death of Fr. Antonio Messineo, after 47 years on the staff of La Civiltà Cattolica. He was widely consulted on social rights.
- 1991. The Holy House where St. Ignatius was born and lived and converted is formally handed over to the Society of Jesus.

#### May 10

1569. St. John of Avila +. Spiritual Director: "The Master". A special friend of the Society of Jesus and of St. Ignatius - an "honorary Jesuit."
1616. In Poland, a disgruntled ex-Jesuit, Jerome Zahorowski, published a notorious attack on the Society of Jesus called the "Monita Secreta Societatis Jesu." The document supposedly revealed the secret instructions directing the machinations of Jesuits. It was for a long time one of the most influential anti-Jesuit tracts ever published.
1657. In China died Fr. Stephen LeFevre, called "a second Xavier."
1773. Empress Maria Teresa of Austria changed her friendship for the Society into hatred, because she had been led to believe that a written confession of hers (found and printed by Protestants) had been divulged by the Jesuits.

#### May 11

1610. M. Ricci + Beijing. A mathematician and missionary, he was the most eminent missionary to China.
1647. By decrees 24 and 27 of the Seventh General Congregation, the wearing of the biretta was forbidden to lay-Brothers.
1716. At Naples, the death of St. Francesco de Jeronimo (St. Francis Jerome), the apostle of that city and kingdom.
1824. St. Regis Seminary is opened in Florissant, Mo. by Fr. Van Quickenborne. It is the first RC school in USA for the higher education of Indians.
1982. Horace McKenna, S.J. + . Maryland. Friend of the poor. He explained and lived that the two symbols of the priest are the towel (footwashing) and the stole. He also said that the main job of the Superior is to "spray praise" around the community.

#### May 12

1767. De Choiseul writing to d'Aubeterre, urges that the *whole* Society must be suppressed.
1774. Fr. Antonio Coltraro was imprisoned in Castel Sant' Angelo for almost two years because he was a friend of the confessor of a woman who foretold the death of Pope Clement XIV.
1981. A letter of this date, from Secretary of State, Cardinal Casaroli, speaks positively of Teilhard de Chardin in celebration of the centenary of his birth (May 1, 1881).
1987. Harold Small, S.J. dies. From 1960 to 75 he was the American Assistant to Father General.

May 13

The Traditional feast of St. Robert Bellarmine. RM

- 1572. The election of Gregory XIII to succeed St. Pius V. To him the Society owes the foundation of the Roman and German Colleges.
- 1638. In London died Father Richard Blount, for more than twenty years Superior, Vice-Provincial, and Provincial of the English Mission and Province.
- 1704. Louis Bourdaloue, S.J. dies, age 72 in Paris. He is the most famous of all Jesuit preachers. It was said that places were reserved 48 hours before he spoke.
- 1758. At Madrid, Pombal's slanderous pamphlets against the Society were burnt in the public square.

May 14

- 1610. Henry IV of France was assassinated and a storm of obloquy broke over the Society in France.
- 1648. Pope Innocent X by a special Brief reproved Bishop Palafox of Angelopolis, Mexico, for suspending the Jesuits. Palafox had at one time professed greater attachment to the Society, but after the Jesuits refused to pay certain contributions or tithes which they deemed unjust, he became a bitter enemy.
- 1905. Jean Danielou, S.J. B. A Cardinal in his last years.
- 1978. Letter of Pedro Arrupe to the whole Society on Inculturation.
- 1987. Joseph Lynch, S.J. + Seismologist, Fordham University.

May 15

- 1544. In a letter to St. Ignatius, the Carthusians speak highly in praise of the Society and make it a perpetual sharer in all their prayers and good works.
- 1561. Gonzalo da Silveira, dies a martyr in Africa.
- 1605. The election of Pope Paul V who put an end to the prolonged controversies De Auxiliis and would allow no censure to be attached to Father Molina's book.
- 1613. Fr. Jacques Quentin and Br. Gilbert du Thet arrive to settle on Mt. Desert Island, Maine. It is short lived as the English capture and take over the place.
- 1815. The readmission of the Society into Spain. But the fathers were again exiled on July 31, 1820.

May 16

- St. Andrew Bobola, Memorial. He was martyred at Janow, Poland on this day in 1657.
- Traditional feast of St. John Nepomucene. Secondary Patron and Protector of the Society of Jesus. (1340-93, Patron of the Seal of Confession). He was declared Protector, Protector of our Reputation, in 1887.
1578. Fr. Antonio Possevino received the abjuration of heresy and conversion to Catholicism of King John III of Sweden. The king later reverted to Protestantism.
1650. At Rome, in a General Chapter of the Discalced Carmelites, the Society was spoken of with great affection. A certain Carmelite was severely reprimanded and his life of St. Teresa condemned because he omitted from her writings all passages where she speaks in praise of the Society.
1988. In Paraguay, Pope John Paul II canonizes Roque Gonzalez, Alfonso Rodriguez and Juan del Castillo.

May 17

1547. Letter of St. Ignatius on zeal and religious perfection.
1572. Pope Gregory XIII exempted the Society from Choir, approved the simple vows after two years' noviceship, and allowed Ours to be ordained before Profession: in all these matters reversing a decree of St. Pius V.
1824. Brief of Leo XIII returns the Roman College to the Society of Jesus, *Cum multa in Urbe*.
1915. Fr. General Ledochowski leaves Rome, goes to Switzerland to better govern and communicate with the Society in WW I.
1966. Gaston Salet, S.J. + teacher, preacher.
1968. Catonsville Nine: an anti-Vietnam protest, with Jesuits involved.

May 18

1546. Fathers Laynez and Salmeron were sent by Pope Paul III as his theologians to the Council of Trent.
1675. Pere Jacques Marquette dies, age 37, at Ludington, Michigan. Explorer of the Mississippi.
1711. Ruggero Giuseppe Boscovich, S.J. B. Astronomer and Mathematician.
1975. Mass for the closing of Woodstock College, New York City.
1985. Thomas Moore, S.J. dies. He was Editor of the Sacred Heart Messenger and director of the Apostleship of Prayer.

## May 19

- 1596. At Perigueux the death of Father Francis de Bordes. Threatened with dismissal in his noviceship because of delicate health, he cast himself before the Rector and said he would remain kneeling at the door-step till he was taken back again.
- 1651. The martyrdom at Tyburn of Blessed Peter Wright, a former soldier who returned to his homeland as Jesuit and was hanged.
- 1652. The birth of Paul Hoste, S.J. a mathematician and expert on the construction of ships and history of naval warfare.
- 1769. At Rome the election of Pope Clement XIV, Cardinal Lorenzo Ganganelli, who is said to have owed to the Jesuits his elevation to the Cardinalate. He would later suppress the Society of Jesus.
- 1988. Seavey Joyce, S.J. + one-time president of Boston College.
- 1991. Zoltan Alseghy, S.J. + Moral theologian of the Alseghy-Flick team.

## May 20

- 1521. St. Ignatius was seriously wounded while defending the Castle of Pamplona against the French.
- 1547. Pope Paul IV accedes to the request that the Society of Jesus no longer subjects women to its obedience. "Fiat ut petitur."
- 1622. The death of Pedro Paez, S.J., a Spanish missionary to Ethiopia, the second apostle of Ethiopia. He reached Ethiopia in 1603 after 15 years of journey because en route he was enslaved by Turkish pirates for 7 years. He was the first European to see the source of the blue Nile, he wrote a history of Ethiopia and learned several languages.
- 1823. Saint Louis University (St. Louis College) is founded.
- 1961. In a letter dated 20 May, Fr. Swain, Vicar-General formally approved the Institute of Jesuit Sources. The plan was launched unofficially the previous year when Fr. Janssens gave Fr. Ganss permission to start work on an English version of the Constitutions.
- 1968. J. Franklin (Buck) Ewing, S.J. + anthropologist, missiologist.
- 1973. The Society of Jesus allowed in Switzerland after a Referendum.
- 1974. Jean Cardinal Danielou, SJ, dies in Paris, engaged in ministry.

## May 21

- 1568. Pope St. Pius V wrote a letter to the Archbishop of Cologne asking him to befriend the Society of Jesus and its college in that city.
- 1758. Laurence Ricci is elected General. He was chosen to guide the Society through a sea of storms. He will die in 1775 after imprisonment in Castel S. Angelo.



1925. Pius XI canonizes Peter Canisius, with Teresa of the Child Jesus and Mary Madeleine Postal, Madeleine Sophie Barat, John Vianney, and John Eudes. Canisius is declared a Doctor of the Church.
2003. The death of Victor Mertens, S.J. age 90. He had been Vice-Provincial and Provincial of Central Africa, Counselor to Fr. General and Assistant for Africa from 1971-80.

### May 22

1569. At Rome the Society was installed by Pope St. Pius V in the College of Penitentiaries, fathers of different nationalities there resident being Required to act as confessors in St. Peter's. At the Suppression, Clement XIV replaced the Jesuits by Conventuals.
1611. Pierre Biard and Ennemond Masse are the first Jesuits to set foot in New France, Arcadia.
1617. At Nagasaki the glorious martyrdom of Blessed John Baptist Machado, beheaded for the faith. On hearing his death sentence, he sang the *Te Deum*.
1965. Pedro Arrupe is elected 28th General of the Society of Jesus.

### May 23

1555. At Rome the election Cardinal Gian Paolo Caraffa as Pope Paul IV. Overall he was favorable, but he would impose choir. Ignatian remarked to his friends that "every bone in my body was shaking."
1717. The Christian Religion was proscribed throughout China soon after the condemnation of the Chinese Rites by Clement XI.
1874. At St. Louis died Father Peter de Smet, S.J., a famous missionary among the American Indians. He was trusted by them, and a mediator, negotiator of several treaties. He was one of the founders of the Missouri Province.
1876. Fr. De Buck, S.J. dies. He was important in the revival of the Bollandists.
1940. Emile Mersch, S.J. is killed by bomb as he was bringing relief to wounded volunteers, on the feast of Corpus Christi. He left an unfinished manuscript on the Theology of the Mystical Body.
1976. Br. Nicholas de Glos, S.J. diocesan inspector of schools, is stabbed to death in Chad, age 65.
1992. Pierre LeRoy, S.J. dies. He was a close friend, correspondent, and defender of Teilhard de Chardin.
1993. The blessing of the new pipe organ, made in England, at St. Ignatius Loyola Church, New York.

May 24

Madonna della Strada. Feast of Our Lady of the Way.

- 1551. St. Francis Borgia is ordained a priest. He said his first Mass on August 1st.
- 1716. The beatification of John Francis Regis by Pope Clement XI.
- 1814. Pope Pius VII returns to Rome from exile. He declared his intention to restore the Society on the coming feast of St. Ignatius.
- 1834. Expulsion of the Society from Brazil by Don Pedro IV.
- 2002. Gerard Gilleman, S.J. dies. Missionary to India, he wrote *The Primacy of Charity in Moral Theology*, a breakthrough volume.
- 2014. Letter of Fr. General On Jesuits in the Intellectual Apostolate. On mission to that.
- 2015. Encyclical of Pope Francis on the environment, Laudato Si.

May 25

- 1879. St. Patrick's Cathedral in NYC is consecrated. The property had been purchased by Anton Kohlmann, S.J.
- 1590. In Japan died Father Gaspar Coelho, a renowned missionary, who with only one companion, converted 35,000 persons and sixty Bonzes to the Church.
- 1621. St. John Berchmans offered to God 100 acts of self-humiliation in honor of St. Aloysius.
- 1773. The Scholastics at Bologna, pressed by Cardinal Malvezzi to take off their Religious habit and accept dispensation from their vows, refused to listen to him.
- 1802. The death of John Carroll, member of the Society before the Suppression, founder of Georgetown University and as first bishop of Baltimore, the founder of the U.S. hierarchy.
- 1989. Philip Carey, S.J. + Labor priest, mediator, of the Labor Relations Institute at Xavier Parish in New York City.

May 26

- 1595. St. Philip Neri, priest. Memorial. Most devoted to the Society of Jesus, he had asked to be admitted to the Society, but St. Ignatius saw that it was not his vocation.
- 1645. St. Mariana Parades of Quito dies. She lived a solitary, with extreme penances. She spent each Friday night in a coffin and had three hours of sleep each night and died at age of 26.. Her feast in June 2. She was directed by Jesuits and is listed in one Jesuit martyrology.
- 1647. The state of Massachusetts passed a law banning Jesuits. First time offenders are banished. Second time offenders will be executed.

1673. Ching Wei-San (Emmanuel de Siqueira) dies, the first Chinese Jesuit priest.
1803. Archbishop Carroll and Bishop Neale of Maryland write to Fr. General Gruber that thirteen ex-Jesuits beg to be admitted to the Society, together with a few other priests.
1839. St. Francis Jerome is canonized by Pope Gregory XVI.
1871. At Paris the Communards executed five French Jesuits: Frs Olivaint, Canbert and deBengy today, and Ducoudray and LeClerc two days earlier.

#### May 27

1702. Fr. Dominique Bouhours, literary critic and author of lives of St. Ignatius and St. Francis Xavier, died at Paris. The poet John Dryden translated the latter into English after his conversion.
1847. Virgil Barber, S.J. dies at Georgetown.
1954. Francis LeBuffe, S.J. +. Author, Spiritual writer, lawyer, Sodalist, philosopher, anthropologist. From the New York Province, he died on Ascension Thursday.
1971. Bernard Leeming, S.J. +. Theologian and ecumenist, he attended Xavier High School in New York.
1974. Herbert Musurillo, S.J. + Classicist, patristic scholar.

#### May 28

1600. Father Matthew Ricci, undismayed by the failure of his first visit to Peking, set out again from Nanking with many rich presents for the Emperor, of which he was robbed on the way.
1634. Ven. Father Thomas Holland, martyr, took the vows of a Spiritual Coadjutor. He is said to have heroically swallowed a spider that fell into the chalice during Mass. He is now a saint.
1648. At Murcia in Spain died Fr. Andre Salvatierra, famous mission in California. On several occasions he won a hearing for the Gospel by first playing on the lute for the native peoples.
1881. Cardinal Bea, B.
1962. The death of Bernard Hubbard, S.J., in Santa Clara, California. He is the author of the book Mush, You Malemites! and articles in the Saturday Evening Post on the Alaska mission. "The Glacier Priest" – for climbing the Austrian Alps!
1981. The death of Mary Lou Williams, jazz pianist. Convert to Catholicism, she wrote jazz Masses. Jesuits assisted her and one acted as her musical agent.
1987. Hugh Costigan, S.J. +. Missionary to Micronesia.

May 29

- St. Ursula Ledochowska, Foundress of missionary sisters, sister of Jesuit General and Blessed Teresa Ledochowska. Congregation of the Ursulines of the Agonizing Heart of Jesus.
1566. Father Pedro Martinez and two companions set sail for Florida, a region occupied at the time by barbarous tribes. (FB)
1760. The bankrupt creditors of Fr. Antoine Lavalette, superior of the Martinique mission, press the Society to repay his unauthorized trading debts, an occasion helping to lead to the banning of the Society in France.
1815. The restoration of the Society in Spain is proclaimed by royal decree.
1991. John Paul II announces that Paulo Dezza, S.J. is to become a Cardinal, as well as Jan Korec, in Slovakia. There are now seven Jesuit Cardinals, the largest number ever.

May 30

1534. Peter Faber is ordained a priest, the first of the companions to become a priest. He says his first Mass on July 22.
1582. At Tyburn, the martyrdom of Thomas Cottam with three other priests. On the way they recited the Te Deum. His dying words were: "O Domine, tu plura pro me passus es, plura, plura, plura."
1640. Peter Paul Rubens dies, Flemish painter, friend of Jesuits.
1646. Isaac Jogues discovers Lake George. Originally it is named the Lake of the Blessed Sacrament.
1788. Voltaire + Paris, age 82. Born on Nov. 21, 1694 in Paris. He is one of the greatest 18th century authors remembered as a crusader against tyranny, bigotry and cruelty, noted for his characteristic wit, satire and critical capacity. He was educated by the Jesuits at the college of Louis-le-Grand in Paris.
1849. Vincent Gioberti's book Il Gesuita Moderno is put on the Index. Gioberti had applied to be admitted into the Society, and on being refused became its bitter enemy and calumniator. "I hate the Jesuits as Hannibal hated the Romans."
1983. Paul Mailleux, S.J. dies. He was Father General's Delegate for Jesuits of the Eastern Rites and ran the John XXIII Center, in New York City.

May 31

1640. Peter Paul Rubens dies on this day in Antwerp. A friend of

Jesuits, artist.

- 1653. Publication of the bull of Pope Innocent X declaring that Five Heretical Propositions were really contained in Jansenius' Augustinus. The Jansenists retaliated by violent calumnies against the Society.
- 1823. Twelve Belgian Jesuits, including Fr. Van Quickenborne, superior, Peter De Smet, and Peter Verhaegen arrive in the St. Louis area by flatboat down the Ohio River and then a 120 mile walk across Illinois. They celebrate the feast of Corpus Christ the next day at the Cathedral. The mission begins.
- 1900. The new novitiate of the Buffalo Mission, St. Stanislaus in South Brooklyn, Ohio, near Cleveland, is blessed.
- 1992. The canonization of St. Claude LaColumbiere in Rome.

#### June 1

- 1527. At Alcala, St. Ignatius accused of having advised two noblewomen to undertake a pilgrimage on foot to Compostella, was cast into prison.
- 1546. At Rome the papal postmaster, enraged by the admission of his mistress into the Casa Santa Maria, a refuge founded by St. Ignatius, raised a great storm against the Society.
- 1566. At Murcia, the death of Fr. James Suarez, over whose room a bright light was seen shining in the night. He was occasionally found raised from the ground during prayer.
- 1637. Jacques Marquette, S.J. B.
- 1948. Peter Lutz, S.J. +. Novice Director, New York.
- 1989. P. Sergio Restrepo, S.J. + is killed in Columbia, age 50. He was a parish priest, a martyr for faith and justice.
- 1958. Charles De Gaulle becomes Premier of France. Jesuit alumnus.

#### June 2

St. Mary Anne de Parades (1618-45) the lily of Quito, Ecuador.

Her feast is in the Jesuit martyrology. She was directed by Jesuits.

- 1527. At Alcala, a nobleman having uttered an imprecation against St. Ignatius, perished miserably in an explosion of gunpowder.
- 1810. At Rome, Fr. Joseph Pignatelli, fearing the suppression of his community at S. Pantaleo, bade them no longer address each other as Father, Brother, or use the words provincial, Rector, and told the brothers to wear secular dress.
- 1930. 45 novices move from St. Andrew on Hudson, NY to Wernersville.
- 1987. Anthony De Mello, S.J. dies in New York City. He was a spiritual writer and noted lecturer, on prayer, with insights from the spirituality of the

East. In 1998, the Vatican issued a warning about some of his writings. He founded the Sadhana Institute in India.

#### June 3

- 1545. The first Brief of Paul III "Cum Inter Cunctas" gives the Society generous faculties to administer the sacraments of penance and Eucharist, and to preach the Word.
- 1558. Entrance into the Society of Francisco de Toledo - the first of the Society to be raised to the Cardinalate.
- 1559. At Tusculum, i.e. Frascati, a villa was purchased for the Fathers and Brothers of the Roman College. Aloysius Gonzaga and John Berchmans would go there for summer vacations.
- 2007. Robert North, S.J. dies, age 91. He edited the *Elenchus Bibliographicus* for years, Pontifical Biblical Institute and Marquette.

#### June 4

- 1585. Disturbances arose against the Society at Riga in Latvia. Cardinal Radzivil undertook its defense. This cardinal is buried in the Gesu at the foot of St. Francis Xavier's altar.
- 1724. The Bull of the Canonization of St. Francis Borgia was published by Benedict XIII.
- 1848. At Karthoum, the death of Maximilian Ryllo, a missionary of Central Africa.
- 1920. Fr. General Ledochowski invites Jesuits of New York/Maryland to the Philippine mission.
- 1991. John Thomas, S.J. + sociologist of the family.

#### June 5

- 1960. The Vatican Secretariat for Christian Unity is established. Cardinal Bea is the first President, from 1960 to his death in 1968.
- 1546. Paul III by his Brief, Exponi nobis, empowers the Society to admit Coadjutors, both spiritual and temporal, thus admit brothers.
- 1564. At Lima died Francis Lopez, who had resigned the high office of Visitor General of the Kingdom of Peru to become a lay Brother in the Society.
- 1564. Pius IV, hearing that his nephew St. Charles Borromeo felt drawn to the Society, forbade Lainez and Ribadenairs to enter the Apostolic Palace.

1986. John Mahoney is named professor of moral theology in King's College, the University of London, the first Catholic priest to hold that chair.

#### June 6

1610. In Paris at the funeral of Henry IV two priests denounce the Jesuits as accomplices in his death because of Fr. Mariana's book De Rege.
1634. At Yendi in Japan, the martyrdom of Ven. Father Sebastian Vieyra, a Portuguese, and five Japanese novices. They endured the torment of the Pit, being hung head downward three whole days. The father, still alive, was tortured to death by fire.
1760. Two Portuguese ships arrive in South America to arrest and expel the Jesuits. 86 Jesuits were put on board.
1907. The New Orleans Province was established.

#### June 7

1556. Peter Canisius is appointed Provincial of Upper Germany, as the Province is constituted. A few days earlier, the province of Lower Germany was erected.
1569. Three ships, with 60 Jesuits aboard, leave Portugal for Brazil. But not one Jesuit will reach Brazil.
1661. The 11<sup>th</sup> General Congregation elects Oliva as perpetual Vicar General with right of succession and "sole right" of General, due to the state of health of Fr. General Nickel, aged 80 years.
1758. The Cardinal Patriarch of Lisbon, who loved the Society, was forced by Pombal to suspend all the Jesuits in his patriarchate. He died of grief within a month.
1886. Father Camillus Mazzella was promoted to the Cardinalate by Leo XIII. He had been the first Dean of Woodstock College. He was Professor of theology and would chair the commission that declared Anglican orders invalid, a report accepted by Leo XIII.
1952. The formal dedication of Gonzaga Retreat House for youth in Monroe, NY. It had been started sometime earlier.
1962. Karl Rahner is silenced in a manner, by Father General: preliminary censorship. This would last for about one year.
2000. George Ganss, S.J. dies, age 94. Director, founder of the Institute of Jesuit Sources, and translated the Constitutions.

#### June 8

Blessed James Berthieu, S.J. of Madagascar is listed in the RM. His Jesuit feast is February 4.

1649. The death of Vincent Caraffa, Seventh General of the Society. At a season of great scarcity Father Caraffa daily for two months fed 1,000 poor persons at the door of the Professed House, the Gesu.
1773. At Bologna the Jesuit Scholastics were kept prisoners at the seminary villa, for refusing to lay aside the habit of the Society.
1809. The cornerstone of old St. Patrick Church in New York City is laid by Anton Kohlmann, S.J.
1862. Japanese martyrs, Paul Miki, John de Goto, James Kisai, are canonized.
1889. Gerard Manley Hopkins, S.J. dies, age 45, in Dublin. His final words were "I am so happy, so happy." He had written earlier: "I would wish that my pieces could at some time become known but in some spontaneous way... and without my forcing."
1972. Laurence Gillick, blind, enters the Jesuits as a brother candidate. He is later ordained a priest, and is a tertian instructor.
1979. Joseph F. Wulfstange, S.J. + Teacher -Lonerger/Rahner expert.

#### June 9

- Blessed Joseph Ancieta, S.J. optional memorial. "Apostle of Brazil. Birds and beasts paid him reverence: he seemed in innocence to resemble Adam before the fall. When in captivity he composed a hymn of 4,000 Latin verses in Our Lady's honor." Brazil's most famous missionary, and the founder of the cities of Sao Paulo and Rio de Janeiro. He died on this day in 1597.
1553. Manuel de Nobrega named Provincial of the Jesuits in Brazil. Earlier, at the age of 31 he had been appointed director of the Jesuits in Latin America. He was involved in the foundations of the cities of Salvador, Sao Paulo and Rio de Janeiro.
1555. At Saragossa, the Vicar General, prejudiced against the infant Society, forbade the faithful to hear Mass in the Jesuit chapel.

#### June 10

1537. At Venice, St. Ignatius and his companions were given minor orders.
1587. King Henry III of France, yielding to the request of Father General Acquaviva, allowed Father Edmund Auger to withdraw from the court. The King demanded, however, that only Frenchmen should be appointed superiors over French houses.
1769. Clement XIV, the newly-elected Pope began to show coldness towards the Society.
1836. Ampere, Andre-Marie dies in Marseille. He was a Jesuit Alumnus in the time of the suppression. He was born Jan. 20, 1775 in Lyon. A physicist, he founded and named the science of electrodynamics as



Electromagnetism.

1933. Charles Simons, of the California Province, is the first Jesuit ordained in China.
2008. Norrie Clarke, S.J. dies, age 93. Philosopher, writer, Fordham University. Founder of the International Philosophical Quarterly.

June 11

1612. At Quito died Mark Antonio, an Italian lay-brother known as "the Saint." To the age of 80, he macerated his body with fasts, disciplines, hair shirts. Once during Mass he was seen raised in the air, his face shining with light.
1742. The Chinese and Malabar Rites were forbidden by Benedict XIV. Persecution at once broke out in China.
1844. Gerard Manley Hopkins, S.J., B.
1927. John O'Malley, S.J. born. Historian.

June 12

1546. Peter Canisius is ordained, age 25. He has been a Jesuit for three years.
1575. Death of Father Castaneda, "who though Rector for many years, was told by the Provincial, Father Bustamante, to go and work in the kitchen. He cheerfully obeyed, and helped the cook for many months."
1611. Jesuit Fathers Biard and Masse land at Annapolis in Nova Scotia. They are the first French Jesuits in North America.
1845. Pope Gregory XVI refuses the demand of the French government that the French Jesuits should be secularized and their houses closed.
1868. Fr. Clement Boulanger +. He was superior of the French Jesuits in Canada. He re-established the mission there. He was an official visitor to the U.S.A. and one of the founders of Fordham University.
1928. A negative response of Father General Ledochowski on intercollegiate sports at Jesuit colleges. Non placet. He fears loss of study time, and too much travel involved.
1954. Joseph Pignatelli is canonized.

June 13

1557. The death of King John III of Portugal, at whose request Xavier and others were sent to India.
1821. In France, Fr. Charles Plowden, one of the most distinguished members of the English Province, died suddenly on his return from

- the General Congregation. By mistake he was buried with military honours as General.
1861. The first Messenger of the Sacred Heart appears, edited by Henry Ramiere. Eventually there were 73 editions in 44 languages.
1909. William Pardow, S.J. +. Provincial (1893-7), pastor, preacher, tertian instructor.
1926. Letter of Pius XI to the Society on the anniversary celebration of Aloysius Gonzaga, confirms him as patron of youth.
1988. Fr. Bernard Basset, S.J. dies at Oxford. He was an author, writer on history and spirituality; retreat master. *We Neurotics*, etc.
1990. William Van Etten Casey dies. He was a writer from the New England Province.
2008. Tim Russert dies. Reporter, Meet the Press, commentator. Jesuit Alumnus

#### June 14

1554. The construction of the Jesuit Church, Gesu, is entrusted to Michelangelo.
1670. At Paris died Father Francis Annat, confessor to Louis XIV for sixteen years. He introduced into France quinine or "Jesuit's bark," and was instrumental in saving Louis XIV's life.
1767. The arrival at Civita Vecchia of the first Spanish ship with the exiled members of the Castile province. They were not allowed to land, and the ship had to sail away to Corsica.
1813. Mayor de Witt Clinton delivers a court decision in New York which acquits Anton Kohlmann in the trial concerning the seal of confession.
1906. President Teddy Roosevelt at the Georgetown University commencement concludes like an athlete: "Don't flinch, don't foul, and hit the line hard."

#### June 15

1537. St. Ignatius and Companions are ordained sub-deacons in Venice.
1542. Peter Faber begins writing his Memoriale.
1564. Francis Suarez entered the Novitiate, after experiencing many difficulties, having been twice rejected by the examiner on the score of feeble health and apparently insufficient talent.
1572. The Mexican Province is established.
1871. A female law student, P.W. Couzins, graduates from St. Louis University Law School, the first law school in the country to admit women.
1876. Cardinal Franzelin was raised to the purple.
1888. Martin Darcy, S.J. is born.

1927. Leonce de Grandmaison, S.J. + Apologist, defender against Modernism. Editor of Etudes, 1908-27. He wrote a well-known life of Christ.
1956. The first television presentation of the Sacred Heart program appears on KTVI in St. Louis.
1994. James Dempske dies. President of Canisius College, he had been novice director and played the trumpet.

#### June 16

- Traditional feast of St. John Francis Regis. "a wonderful apostle, whom no violence of cold, no snows, no torrents, no difficulties could stop when souls were to be saved."
1573. The close of the Third General Congregation, with some disturbance. Pope Gregory XIII had expressed a wish that the General should not be a Spaniard. Fr. Everard Mercurian, a Belgian, was elected.
1737. John Francis Regis is canonized.
1879. The end of the New York-Canada Mission. Links with France are cut. Canada is linked to England. 225 from New York are united with 300 from Maryland for a total of 525 in the new Province. For one year, it is called the NY Province.
1927. Letter of Fr. General Ledochowski to Ours on swimming, warning of the dangers. Ours are not to swim at health resorts and other like places, and obviously not with women. This letter follows a letter of July 1926 from the Sacred Congregation of Religious on swimming.
1929. Claude de la Colombiere is beatified.
1939. A further letter of Fr. General Ledochowski on swimming.
1994. Edward (Doc) Kilmartin S.J. dies. Theologian, expert on the Eucharist, from the New England Province.
1999. Jules Toner, S.J. dies, expert on discernment, Ignatian spirituality

#### June 17

1537. At Venice, St. Ignatius and his Companions were ordained deacons.
1558. The First General Congregation is convened.
1581. Church of St. Mary's, Oxford, Commencement Day. The pamphlet of Edmund Campion, Ten Reasons appears and it is his call to debate. But he will be martyred in less than one year.
1673. Marquette and Joliet are the first Europeans to see the upper Mississippi River. Marquette writes: "We entered the Mississippi with a joy I am unable to express." He names it the River of the Immaculate Conception. He saw it at Prairie du Chien, Wisconsin.
1700. A new, stricter law against the Jesuits is passed in Massachusetts.

## June 18

- 1581. Gregory XIII visits the Gregorian, as its benefactor, to oversee the construction.
- 1817. Archbishop Leonard Neale dies. He was a Jesuit until the Suppression and a President of Georgetown. He succeeded Archbishop John Carroll in Baltimore.
- 1860. Five Jesuits are killed in Syria by Druses.
- 1972. Edward "Doc" Bunn, S.J. + Georgetown President.
- 1978. Gaston Fessard, S.J. + Philosopher, author, expert on the Spiritual Exercises.
- 2004. The Toledo and Castille provinces merge to form the Castille Province.

## June 19

- 1558. The opening of the First General Congregation nearly two years after St. Ignatius' death. 19 are in attendance including five of the ten companions, Bobadilla, Broet, Lainez, Rodriguez, and Sameron.
- 1596. At Malacca Father John de Caunas, a model religious departed this life. After his death his Particular Examen books were found carefully noted during thirty years.
- 1625. The first five Jesuits arrive in Quebec, including Jean de Brebeuf.
- 1778. Decree of the Emperor allows the Bollandists to continue their work in spite of the suppression. But 10 years later they are stopped.
- 1873. In Rome, Victor Emmanuel and his Parliament purposely exclude the General of the Society of Jesus from any pension, such as was allowed to previous generals.
- 1900. St. Modesto Andlauer, S.J. is martyred in China.
- 1951. 16 German scholastics are killed as their truck is hit by a train near Pullach, West Germany.
- 1958. Paul de Jaegher + Spiritual writer and missionary to India.

## June 20

- 1591. In the Roman College, St. Aloysius' holy death occurs at 11:15 PM, a martyr of charity of the distemper caught in attending the sick.
- 1608. Cardinal Bellarmine preaches on the heroic life and virtue (especially humility) of St. Aloysius Gonzaga. He had been the spiritual director of Aloysius.
- 1626. At Nagasaki, the martyrdom of Francis Pacheco, John Baptist Zola, and seven others, by slow fire. .

1679. Six Jesuits are martyred on this day in London, including Philip Evans.
1966. George Lemaitre dies. A priest (non-Jesuit), scientist, his theory of the expanding universe was praised by Einstein. Jesuit alumnus.
1983. John Paul II beatifies Mother Ursula Ledochowski, the sister of Vlodymir, foundress of the Ursulines of the Sacred Heart. Another sister was already beatified by Paul VI, the foundress of the Claverian Sisters, and "Mother of the Black Poor."
2001. Martin Ryackers, S.J. is murdered in Jamaica, at the church door. He worked with the poor for justice.

#### June 21

Aloysius Gonzaga, religious, memorial.

1565. The opening of the Second General Congregation in which Borgia was elected General.
1629. Jesuits correct Chinese astronomers on the time and length of an eclipse and win fame and favor. The Chinese were off by one hour.
1805. John Carroll appoints Robert Molynaux Superior of the Jesuits in the USA. (This is also found listed under June 27.)
1843. Holy Cross College, Worcester, Mass, is founded by Bishop Fenwick, the first Roman Catholic college in New England. In a short time, the Jesuits assume responsibility for it.
1923. The body of St. Robert Bellarmine is solemnly transferred to St. Ignatius Church.
1925. Pius XI beatifies the North American Martyrs.
1931. The 72 door Coliseum, Church, Shrine, is dedicated at Auriesville, New York. Its diameter is 257 feet.
1960. The Buffalo Province is created. James J. Shanahan is named Provincial. (Vita brevis)
1992. Fr. General erects the Independent Region of Russia.

#### June 22

1556. At Cologne the opening of a College of the Society, destined to protect the faith against heresy in northern Germany.
1611. First arrival of the Jesuit Fathers in Canada.
- Openings of the 12,13,17,and 22 General Congregations in 1682,1687,1751 and 1853 respectively.
1980. Pope John Paul II beatifies Jose de Anchieta in Brazil and Kateri Tekakwitha.

1985. James Doyle, S.J. + Chicago, Professor of Theology.

#### June 23

1623. In Paraguay died Father John Vasee, a Fleming. Being a skilled violinist, and having taught the Indian children to sing, he drew crowds of savages to him by the double charm of his music and virtues.
1704. Decree dated this day, of Tournon, the Papal Legate, opposes the Chinese Rites, and sets back inculturation. The Jesuits were informed of it on July 8th and were dismayed.
1773. At Bologna Cardinal Malvezzi, anticipating the Suppression, tried to force the scholastics to take off the religious habit.
1932. The Society of Jesus is banished and property seized in Spain.
1967. Saint Louis University's Board of Trustees gather for the first meeting of the expanded Board. SLU was the first Catholic University to establish a Board of Trustees with a majority of lay members.

#### June 24

1521. Ignatius close to death, receives the last sacraments after the injury at Pamplona.
1537. In Venice, St. Ignatius and his companions, Francis Xavier, Rodriguez, Bobadilla and Codure were ordained priests. Faber had already been ordained, and Salmeron was too young and had to wait a few months. All but St. Ignatius celebrated their first Masses on September 11th. He waited till Christmas of the following year!
1539. Completion of the Deliberation of the First Fathers of the Society.
1549. Xavier sails from Malacca for Japan.
1921. New England is separated from the Maryland-New York Province, to become a Vice-Province.

#### June 25

1580. Edmund Campion, disguised as a jeweler, arrives in Dover, England.
1773. By order of Clement XIV, the Archives of the Roman Novitiate were sealed.
1782. The Jesuits in White Russia are permitted by Empress Catherine to elect a General. Fr. Czerniewicz is elected, took the title of Vicar-General, with the powers of General.
1872. Imperial law permits the expulsion of Jesuits from the German Empire.
1984. Michel Foucault, philosopher, dies. Jesuit alumnus.

## June 26

1578. About this time, Father David Wolfe died in Clare, Ireland. He was the pioneer Jesuit of the Irish Mission and suffered imprisonment for 5 years.
1580. Peter Claver is born in Verdu, Spain.
1881. The banishment of 83 members of the Society of Jesus from the Republic of Nicaragua.
1923. Shadowbrook, New England Province house of formation, is established.
1988. Hans Urs Von Balthasar dies. A theologian, one-time a Jesuit. He had been named a Cardinal in May, but died three days before being installed. He was also in the process of being readmitted to the Society of Jesus.
2007. Tony Montfort dies. Layman, worked at Jesuit Missions, London, for 44 years.

## June 27

1537. At Venice, Ignatius and his companions received testimonial letters of their ordination, stating that they had been ordained ad titulum scientiae et voluntariae paupertatis.
1581. 400 copies of Campion's Decem Rationes appear on the benches of Oxford University Church. He presents reasons why he challenges Anglicans to a discussion of religion.
1844. Joseph Smith (Mormon founder) and his brother Hyrum are killed by armed mob in Carthage, Illinois - because of polygamy.
1978. Brother Bernard Lisson, S.J. mechanic, age 69, is shot to death and Fr. Gregor Richert, S.J., parish priest, age 48, is shot to death in Zimbabwe at St. Rupert's Mission, Sinoia.
1980. Cyril Vollert, S.J. +. Co-founder of Theology Digest.
2008. Lee Lubbers, S.J. age 80, dies. Through Creighton founded SCHOLA – use international television for language learning, using satellite dishes.

## June 28

1521. At Loyola, St. Ignatius miraculously begins to recover, cured by St. Peter of the leg wound, received at Pamplona.
1553. Ignatius writes to Xavier, but Xavier had died the previous December. In fact, the death of Xavier, in December 1552 only becomes known in Rome in 1555.

1577. Peter Paul Rubens B. An artist, friend of the Jesuits, he painted St. Ignatius.
1771. Anton Kohlmann B. Kayserberg, Germany. He was the future superior in New York, and builder of St. Patrick's Cathedral.
1991. Two Jesuits (Paulo Dezza and Jan Korec) are among 22 cardinals created, making a total of seven Jesuit cardinals, the largest ever.

#### June 29

1553. At Louvain, certain parish priests urged the faithful not to confess to Jesuits. This was condemned by the theological faculty.
1853. Pius IX, by his Bull *Romani Pontifices* makes over the Palazzo Borromeo (Via del Seminario 120, to the German College.
1888. F.X. Weninger, S.J. + at Cincinnati. Missionary, preacher.
1909. Fr. General Wernz calls on the whole Society to assist the mission to Japan.
1930. The North America Martyrs, and Robert Bellarmine, are canonized by Pius XI.

#### June 30

1540. The arrival of Xavier at Lisbon on his way to India. Though he passed near his father's castle at Xavier, he would not call on his relatives.
1571. Francis Borgia sets out for Spain, Portugal and France, and will die shortly after his return to Rome from this long journey.
1916. Long letter of Fr. General Ledochowski to the United States Provinces on helping external missions. It is written from his generalate in Switzerland.
1962. Monitum from the Holy Office, Rome, on the writings of Teilhard de Chardin.
1998. George Dunne, S.J. dies. A writer, critic, prophet on justice, of the California Province. He wrote A Generation of Giants.
2014. Letter on Intellectual Formation by Fr. Nicolas.

#### July 1

1798. In July, day uncertain, the colossal silver statue of St. Ignatius, in the Gesu, Rome, was carried off by French officials and melted down.
1901. The Law of July 1st forbids Jesuits to live in communities in France.
1934. Michael Jacobs, S.J. +. The first Iroquois priest is ordained.
1981. The Jesuit School of Theology in Chicago suspends its operations.



1984. John M. Corridan, S.J. + the "Waterfront Priest".  
 1987. Br. Patrick Sheehy (Chicago) becomes the first brother to be President of a Jesuit High School in the USA.  
 1993. Thomas Burke, S.J. +. Counselor, retreat master, and founder of the Program to Promote the Spiritual Exercises.

## July 2

St. Bernadine Realino; St. Francis Regis; St. Francis Jerome;  
 Bl. Julian Maunoir; Bl. Anthony Balducci, priests, mem.

1558. Election of James Laynez as 2nd General in the First General Congregation. He is elected on the first ballot, with 23 of 31 votes. He had been vicar-general since the death of Ignatius in 1556.  
 1565. Election of Francis Borgia, 3rd General, on first ballot.  
 1616. St. Bernadine Realino +.  
 1688. The Society of Jesus is given the commission to promote devotion to the Sacred Heart, in accord with the revelation to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque.  
 1741. At Peking died Father d'Entrecolles, who studied the manufacture of porcelain in China and introduced it into France: he also wrote observations on the Chinese practice of inoculation as a remedy against small-pox.  
 1853. Fr. Peter Beckx becomes General. During his tenure, the Society is expelled from Spain, Naples, Sicily, the greater part of Central Italy, Venice, Germany, and Rome.  
 1928. Missouri is divided into the Missouri and Chicago Provinces.  
 1937. Letter of Fr. General Ledochowski to provincials on vacation of Ours. Avoid beaches, balneares stationes.  
 1943. New York and Maryland Provinces are separated.  
 1951. New York Province purchases Bellarmine College, Plattsburg, New York; it serves as a philosophate and then novitiate.  
 1951. Teilhard de Chardin appoints Jeanne Mortier as literary executor. She arranges the publication of his works after his death. Earlier she mimeographed and distributed his texts.  
 1959. A decree of Fr. General transfers Puerto Rico to the territory of the New York Province.  
 1985. Fr. De la Vega of Spain celebrates his 83<sup>rd</sup> year as a Jesuit - one of the longest ever.  
 1987. Decree of Father General Kolvenbach that officially designates it as "The Nigerian Ghanaian Mission."

## July 3

1580. Queen Elizabeth I issues a statute forbidding to Jesuits all entrance into England.

1634. In the Maryland Mission the baptism of the King of Piscatoway and of his wife and son by Father Andrew White.
1883. Pierre Charles, S.J. is born. Brussels, Missiologist, spiritual writer: Prayer of All Things, All Times, All Men.
1891. Three Jesuit scholastics are killed as lightning strikes the villa house at St. Inigo's, Maryland.

#### July 4

1558. To celebrate the election of Fr. James Lainez as general, a "brilliant academical exhibition" was given in the Pantheon in Rome by the scholastics.
1648. Fr. Anthony Daniel is shot with arrows and cast into flames in Canada by the Iroquois. The Huron village is taken.
1869. The Buffalo Mission (German speaking) is established with 13 fathers and 8 brothers. They take responsibility for St. Michael and St. Anne parishes in Buffalo.
1872. Kaiser Wilhelm I signs the so called "Jesuit law." Jesuits are "enemies of the Reich". 550 are expelled.
1886. F.X. Gautralet, S.J. + . He founded the Apostleship of Prayer in 1844.
2003. The death of Bertrand deMargerie, S.J. French theologian and spiritual writer.

#### July 5

1592. The arrest by Topcliffe of Robert Southwell at Uxendam Manor. He was tortured and then transferred to the Tower, where he remained for two and a half years, then moved to Newgate.
1872. In Germany, Bismarck's law expelling the Society was signed by the Emperor William.
1956. Jules Lebreton, S.J. + Life and Teaching of Jesus Christ. Historian, and theologian, founder of Recherches de Science Religieuse.
1972. The death of George Klubertanz, S.J. philosopher.

#### July 6

1610. A letter of Fr. General says that no Jesuit can maintain that a private person could kill or attempt to kill princes or kings.
1621. At Barcelona, the death of Fr. Alphonsus Hernandez, a great lover of holy poverty. He used to call the little ornaments and conveniences to which some grow so attached, the "idols of half religious souls."
1758. The election to the Papacy of Clement XIII who would defend the Society against the Jansenists and the Bourbon courts.
1797. Joseph Pignatelli renews his vows as a Jesuit.
1922. Countess Maria Theresa Ledochowski +. A lay woman, and brother of

Vladimir, she is now a Blessed. She founded the Sodality of St. Peter Claver for African Missions, is called the mother of Africa. Her sister Ursula is a canonized saint.

1942. The Gestapo enters Valkenburg and so 140 German and Dutch Jesuits leave. They declare the college at an end. One month later the building is destroyed by bombs.
2006. Thomas Stahel, S.J. dies. Provincial of New Orleans, Novice Director in Nigeria, and an editor of America Magazine.

### July 7

1586. Landing in England of Robert Southwell and Henry Garnet.
1830. Letter of Fr. General Roothaan on Love for the Society.
1835. The Society in Spain is again suppressed and all its property seized.
1867. The beatification of the 205 Japanese Martyrs, thirty-three of them members of the Society of Jesus.
1896. Peter Claver is declared patron of the missions among black people.
1907. The Buffalo Mission is separated from the German Province.
1930. Sir Arthur Conan Doyle + Author, Jesuit educated.
1936. Arthur Vermeersch, S.J. + theology/spirituality.
1944. All USA citizens including 77 Jesuits are interned at Santo Tomas, Philippines, for eight months.
1984. Fr. Kolvenbach has a pleasant visit with Pope John Paul II.  
He asks the Pope for his blessing on all Jesuits, especially Superiors.  
In granting it, the Pope adds "They are the ones who need it most."
2003. Robert Springer, S.J. dies. Pastoral, moral theologian.

### July 8

1597. Fr. Louis Froes, a Portuguese, who for 33 years labored in Japan amid privations, mishaps and trials of every kind, died at Nagasaki.
1833. The Mission of Missouri is established.
1860. Society of Jesus re-enters Scotland. The Church of the Sacred Heart is opened in Edinburgh.
1936. A letter of Fr. General Ledochowski to the Provincials of the American Assistancy, on increasing the number of coadjutor brothers.
1991. Ludwig Kaufmann, S.J. +. He was a Swiss journalist, in Zurich, age 72, and editor of Orientierung.

### July 9

- St. Augustine Zhao Rong and companions, Chinese martyrs. With Blessed Leo Mangin, S.J. and companions, martyrs.
1541. Faber makes his final profession at Ratisbonne, without any presence of another Jesuit, no other witness. It is nevertheless

considered a solemn profession.

- 1553. The Province of Brazil is constituted, a total of 30 Jesuits with Manuel de Nobrega as Provincial.
- 1763. The Society is expelled from New Orleans and Louisiana at the bidding of the French government. It is also expelled from Illinois County.
- 1829. Jan Roothaan is elected General.
- 1934. The death of Joseph Gianfranceschi, S.J., President of the Pontifical Academy of Sciences, and Director of the Vatican Radio. He received Extreme Unction from Pope Pius XI.
- 1988. James J. O'Connor, S.J. + editor of Canon Law Digest.

#### July 10

- 1678. At Vilnius, Fr. Thomas Ujeyski, former bishop of Chijov and senator of Poland, completed his novitiate and received a special privilege admitting him to the profession of the four vows.
- 1767. In Paraguay all the Fathers and Brothers were arrested by order of Charles III of Spain to be conducted into exile. There were 385 Fathers, 59 Scholastics, 109 Lay Brothers, and 11 novices.
- 1829. The Restoration of the Society in Portugal.
- 1981. Four scholastics, traveling from Nicaragua to Mexico are arrested in a Mexican airport for weapons and underground literature, and are released two days later.
- 1994. Andrew Varga, S.J., dies. Ethicist, Hungarian Provincial, and General Assistant from 1965-75.
- 1998. The death of Luis Alonso Schoekel. Biblical scholar and teacher.
- 2017. "Our Life is Mission: Mission is Our Life." Letter

#### July 11

- 1742. Benedict XIV's Bull Ex quo singulari was signed condemning the Chinese Rites... Troubles at once arose in China. It is also found listed for July 5<sup>th</sup>. It abolished all concessions made by the Patriarch Mezzabarba.
- 1807. In London died Father Thomas Lawson, probably the first to spread devotion to the Sacred Heart widely throughout England
- 1981. John McMahon, S.J. + Provincial, Tertian Instructor of the New York Province. Official Visitor to Ireland.
- 2018. Fr. General Sosa announces the beginning of the process of canonization of Fr. Pedro Arrupe.

#### July 12

- 1544. At King John III of Portugal's request, Peter Faber left Cologne for

Lisbon. He writes that he takes with him relics, twelve heads of the 11,000 martyrs buried in Cologne. He distributed these as he travels to Portugal.

- 1760. The banishment of Ours from Maranhao, South America.
- 1936. Arthur Vermeersch, S.J. + Belgium. Author of Miles Christi Jesu, et al. Canon lawyer, moral theologian. He taught at Louvain and the Gregorian.
- 1994. Symposium on the Brothers opens in Loyola, Spain, in preparation for the 34<sup>th</sup> General Congregation.
- 2000. Fr. Remis Kerketta, S.J. age 47, is shot and killed by assassins. He was a school headmaster, in the state of Bihar, near Ranchi.

### July 13

- 1556. St. Ignatius resigned the government of the Society into the hands of Fathers John Polanco and Christopher Madrid.
- 1572. Arrival in Mexico of the first band of missionaries of the Society.
- 1667. At Vannes, the death of Fr. Bartholomew Vimont, apostle of the Indians in Canada, and the first to introduce nuns into Canada.
- 1720. The General Court of Massachusetts issues a proclamation that there is a 100 pound bounty or reward if one catches a Jesuit and takes him to Boston for justice.
- 1941. James Conlon, S.J. +. He founded the Catholic Mission Board.

### July 14

- Bl. Kateri Tekakwitha, optional memorial.
- 1523. The arrival of St. Ignatius in Jerusalem after a voyage of 98 days.
- 1564. Letter to the whole Society on the Sodality of Our Lady for our colleges.
- 1605. A College is founded in Cartagena, the second in Colombia.
- 1921. The arrival of 20 Maryland/New York Jesuits in Manila to begin the mission there.
- 1925. Violinist Fritz Kreisler *visits* the Jesuits at Melbourne Australia. He is a Jesuit alumnus.
- 1979. Fr. Bernard Darke, S.J. is assassinated in Guyana, age 53. He was a photographer for the Catholic Standard, the diocesan newspaper, murdered for taking photos of disturbances.
- 1985. Meeting of Jesuit Ecumenists at Oxford to discuss report of Anglican-Roman Catholic International Commission.

### July 15

- 1570. Blessed Ignatius Azevedo with 39 companions suffer martyrdom near Palma, one of the Canary Isles, being run through with pikes and cast into the sea by Calvinist corsairs: 2 priests, 12 scholastics, 10

novices and 16 brothers. St. Teresa of Avila had a vision of them ascending into heaven.

1583. Queen Elizabeth's statute declaring Jesuits to be guilty of high treason.  
 1597. At Lisbon died Fr. Simao Rodriguez, one of the first ten Fathers of the Society, destined by St. Ignatius for India with Xavier, but retained in Portugal by King John III.  
 1773. At Ferrara Cardinal Borghese, anticipating the Suppression, closed the Jesuit College, deprived the Fathers of faculties, pretended to release the scholastics. from their vows, and sent the novices home.  
 2018 Fr. Soso announced an Ignatian Year between 2021 and 2022. 500<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Conversion of Ignatius, and 400<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his canonization.

#### July 16

1576. Gregory XIII exempted the members of the Society from attendance at public processions by his Constitution, Quaecumque sacrarum religionum.  
 1580. At Lyford Castle, the betrayal and arrest of Edmund Campion and Brother Ralph Emerson by Elliot.  
 1766. Giuseppe Castiglione, S.J. + age 78. brother, Painter, missionary to China. Painting of "One Hundred Excellent Horses." The emperor paid him tribute and his funeral expenses. A Jesuit remarked that "he with his art promoted the cause of Christianity more than anyone else had."  
 1781. In Canada died Father Potier, the last of the Jesuit missionaries in Western Canada, where he had labored 7 years.  
 2002. David Toolan, S.J. dies, age 66. Writer, assistant editor at *Commonweal*, and *America*, and author of *At Home in the Cosmos*, on science and theology, and ecology.

#### July 17

1581. Edmund Campion is arrested.  
 1637. At Alcala died Fr. Alphonsus Esquera, who is said to have enjoyed the visible presence of his Angel Guardian.  
 1834. Crowds destroy the Jesuit College in Madrid, and kill 15 Jesuits.  
 1886. Gerard Manley Hopkins decides to become Roman Catholic.  
 1978. Opening of a special seminar on the Constitutions in Paris, until August 6<sup>th</sup>, under Dominique Bertrand.

#### July 18

1613. Brother Gilbert Du Thet, S.J. +. He is the first (non-canonized) Jesuit

martyr of French Canada, killed by English privateers off the Atlantic Coast.

1650. Cristobal Schemer, S.J. + founder of new solar physics, and a correspondent with Kepler and Galileo.
1693. At Resel, in Russia died Fr. Adelbert Grabes, a great spiritual director of youth. He sent 53 to the Cistercians, 30 to the Franciscans, 12 to the Dominicans, 5 to the Basilians, 28 to the Reformed Carmelites, 12 to the Brigittines, and 117 to the Society, almost all of whom persevered.
1973. Fr. Eugene Murphy died. Under his direction the Sacred Heart Hour, which Saint Louis University introduced in 1939 on its radio station WEW, became a nationwide favorite.
1985. Jose Maria Velaz, S.J. + Venezuela. Founder and promoter of Fe y Alegria, Integrated Popular Education Movement in 1955. In 1985 there were 435 centers with 270,000 students enrolled.

#### July 19

1657. At Brunsberg died Father George Marchienicz, a Pole, a great servant of our Lady. He often exclaimed: "O Society of Jesus, the glory which surrounds The thrones of kings is nothing compared with thine."
1688. Brother Giuseppe Castiglione, S.J. is born. Painter and missionary to China. "One Hundred Excellent Horses" is his most famous painting. He had studied under Br. Andrea Pozzo and sailed for China when 27 years old. There he undertook the role of the official painter to this distant court with the positive conviction that art was above all a means of carrying out his evangelical mission.
1790. Father de Cloriviere, acting, it would seem under divine inspiration, founded the Congregations of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary, and of "Les Filles de Marie."
1951. Death of Jacques Sevin, Founder of the Catholic Scouts of France.

#### July 20

1624. At Cracow died John Laskowski, a Polish scholastic, who though not conscious of any mortal sin in his whole life was nonetheless so tormented with scruples that his confessor considered him a martyr of interior suffering.
1872. At Rome, gangs of miscreants paraded the streets crying out: "Death to the Friars! Death to the Jesuits!"
1944. An abortive plot against Hitler by Claus von Stauffenberg and assistants. Alfred Delp, S.J. is arrested as a result, and eventually executed.
1986. The Third World Congress of Jesuit Alumni/ae takes place at

Versailles, preceded by a pilgrimage to Chartres.

### July 21

1550. Julius III, by his Bull, Exposcit debitum, again confirms the Institute.
1773. The Brief for the Suppression of the Society (Dominus ac Redemptor) was signed by Clement XIV. After signing it, Cardinal Pacca says the pope threw the pen from him and fell senseless on the marble pavement. He was heard exclaiming: "Compulsus feci. Questa soppressione mi dara la morte." At that time there were 22,589 Jesuits, 49 Provinces, 669 Colleges and over 3000 missionaries.
1947. The death of John Baptist Reus, S.J., a mystic and visionary of Brazil. He wrote a long diary, with many drawings of his visions. He combined the stigmata and the social apostolate, and thousands make pilgrimages to his tomb. He is now a Venerable.
1868. Peter Verhaegen, S.J. + President of St. Louis University, educator, and in charge of the missions.

### July 22

1534. Peter Faber, ordained on May 30th, offers his first Mass on this day.
1567. Claudio Acquaviva enters the Society. He will be General under 8 popes.
1580. The First Communion of St. Aloysius from the hands of St. Charles Borromeo.
1730. Daniel Carroll, is born. Jesuit educated, Catholic signer of the Declaration of Independence.
1943. The death of Brother Justine Gillet, founder of the botanical gardens at Kisantu, Zaire. He helped classify many plants and plant new crops and types of crops.
1958. Today and two days later, four Jesuits are arrested in East Germany, and found guilty. They serve an average of three years in prison.
1995. George Soares-Prabhu, S.J. + in India. He was a Biblical scholar and teacher.
- 2001 Paul Reinert, S.J. dies, age 90. He was President of St. Louis University from 1949-74.

### July 23

1553. At Palermo the parish priests express to Fr. Paul Achilles, the Rector of the College, their indignation that more than 400 persons should have received communion in the Society's church, and not in their parish churches.
1637. At Rome, the fourth translation of the body of St. Ignatius. It is moved to a newly designed shrine in the Gesu.



1893. Benito Vines +. He was director of the meteorological observatory in Havana, Cuba and an expert on hurricanes.
1879. Fathers Depelchin, Law and others arrive in South Africa at Shoshong and are introduced to King Khama.
1929. The Prefect of Rome seized all copies of Civilta Cattolica of July 20<sup>th</sup>, because of articles that were anti-Fascist. The editor was arrested.
2002. Edward (Ted) Yarnold, S.J. dies, Ecumenist, scholar at Oxford, in the Anglican-Catholic Dialogue.
2012. The death of Fr. Vincent O'Keefe.

#### July 24

1575. In Rome Fr. Robert Parsons enters the Society.
1804. Maryland, Fr. Robert Molyneux is appointed First Superior by Fr. General Gruber.
1861. The purchase of the Roehampton property by the Society. The owners thought they were selling it to the Queen as a residence for the Prince of Wales.
1950. John Birkmeyer, N.S.J. + Novice drowns at St. Andrew on Hudson, New York in the Hudson River.
1977. George Glanzman, S.J. Scripture scholar +.

#### July 25

1531. Birthday of St. Alphonsus Rodriguez. RM
1579. Valignano arrives in Japan as Visitor.
1580. Fr. Balthasar Alvarez +. Spiritual Director of Teresa of Avila, Master of Novices, and Provincial of three Provinces. St. Teresa learned by revelation that he was one of the most perfect men then living.
1581. An interview between Queen Elizabeth and Edmund Campion. He had addressed her at Oxford 15 years earlier.
1583. The martyrdom near Goa, India, of Blessed Rudolph Aquaviva, Peter Berno, Francis Aranha, Alphonsus Pacheco and Anthony Francisco. It is listed as July 15<sup>th</sup> in the old style calendar. Peter Berno is the only Swiss Jesuit who has been beatified.
1657. In Poland died Fr. William Rose, a Frenchman, confessor to the Queen of Poland. His bed was a board, and two books served for pillow.
1922. Pius XI declares St. Ignatius the heavenly patron of Spiritual Exercises and related works.

#### July 26

1646. At Prague died Fr. Gaspar Tausch, venerated by all who knew him as a saint. To mortify his sense of taste, he sipped the most nauseous

medicines slowly, drop by drop.

- 1947. Roberto Bortolotti, S.J. is ordained a priest. He is the first citizen of the Vatican to be a Jesuit, and the first to be a priest.
- 1953. Castro begins the Cuban Revolution. Jesuit trained leader.
- 1967. John Markoe, S.J. + in Omaha. He was a strong advocate of civil rights and interracial justice.
- 1974. The death of Affonso Fleig. His life was dedicated to work with the poor in the poorest diocese of Northeast Brazil.

#### July 27

- 1609. Ignatius is beatified by Paul V. Peter Ribadeneira, living at Madrid wept for joy. He had been admitted by St. Ignatius into the Society in 1540 while still a boy.
- 1804. At Groningen, the death of Father Nicholas de Beauregard. As a boy he was dull, and the last in his class, but through our Lady's help he became the first.
- 1876. At Manresa, West Park, NY the Fathers of the rapidly growing mission open another novitiate.
- 1999. Malachi Martin, dies, ex-Jesuit, age 78. Wrote unfair criticisms of the Society after leaving.

#### July 28

- 1568. In a letter to Fr. Christopher Rodriguez, St. Teresa speaking of the Society says: "Homines Societatis Jesus sunt mei patres, quibus post Deum debet anima mea bonum omne si quid habet." (The men of the Society of Jesus are my fathers, to whom, after God, my soul owes all its good, if it has any.)
- 1844. Gerard Manley Hopkins is born.
- 1868. Theodor Wulf, S.J. is born. physics, invented electrometers for classroom use. He was also provincial.
- 1937. Fr. William Banks Rogers died. During his eight years as president of Saint Louis University, he arranged for the purchase of a college of medicine which became the University's medical school. He is called the university's "Second Founder."

#### July 29

- 1586. At Toledo Fr. John Manuel, Rector of the Professed House was called to his eternal reward. When there were three loaves in the house he ordered one to be given to a beggar. Presently a young man, unknown to the community, brought a plentiful supply of provisions.
- 1644. At Rome the death of Urban VIII, most friendly to the Society.
- 1883. Amidst the revolution in Portugal an attack is made on the Jesuit

Fathers.

1945. The consecration of the chapel of La Storta. It was rebuilt by the Society after being destroyed by bombs on May 18, 1944.
2003. James Gill, S.J. dies. Psychiatrist, Institute for the Study of Human Sexuality, and founder of Human Development Magazine.

July 30

- .1556. Ignatius asked Father Polanco to go and obtain for him the Pope's blessing and Indulgence. He delayed, and thus never never got it in time.
1784. Denis Diderot + Jesuit educated encyclopedist, promoter of the Enlightenment
1890. Emile Mersch, S.J. B wrote on the Mystical Body of Christ.
1916. A Jersey City munitions explosion at a train depot results in stained glass broken at St. Peter's Church and College.
1976. Edward Rooney, S.J. + President of the Jesuit Secondary Education Association from 1937-66.

July 31

- ST. IGNATIUS OF LOYOLA, PRIEST AND FOUNDER OF THE SOCIETY OF JESUS - SOLEMNITY + 1556. There were 1036 Jesuits, 11 provinces, 92 houses, 33 colleges at his death.
1548. Approbation and recommendation of the Spiritual Exercises of St. Ignatius by the brief of Paul III. Pastoralis officii cura. Through the intercession of Francis Borgia.
1568. The first translation of the body of St. Ignatius. It is moved to the sacristy area of S. Maria della Strada while the foundation stones of the Gesu are being laid.
1769. Clement XIV refused to see Fr. General Ricci who came to congratulate him on his election to the papacy.
1771. Anton Kohlmann is born. Alsace. Professor, Provincial, etc.
1809. Mr. Thomas Weld signed a deed of gift of Stonyhurst and Hodder to the Society. This occurred on the eve of his death.
1849. In London, the opening of Farm Street Church. The sermon was preached by Bishop (afterwards Cardinal) Wiseman.
1874. Patrick Healy, S.J. African American, is inaugurated as President of Georgetown University.
1909. California Province established. Herman Goller Provincial. It arises from the Mission of California-Rocky Mountains.
1926. New England Province-established as a Province, separated from Maryland/New York Province.
1927. Pontifical Biblical Institute opens a branch in Jerusalem.
1931. Instruction of Fr. Ledochowski De usu "Radii" in nostris domibus. "All

recreational use is to be absolutely avoided, including classical concerts."

- 1941. New Ratio Studiorum promulgated after years of preparation.
- 1943. New York and Maryland Provinces separated.
- 1950. Henri DeLubac ordered to give up his chair of theology at Fourviere, Lyon. Humani Generis is published 12 days later.
- 1976. Eastern Africa Region of the Society is established (Sudan, Ethiopia, Uganda, Tanzania, Kenya.) Polycarp Toppo is the first Regional Superior.
- 1986. The Independent Region of East Africa is raised to the status of a Province, with Louis Plamondon as Provincial.
- 1988. The English and French Assistancies are combined to form the Assistancy of Western Europe. The German Assistancy becomes the Central European Assistancy. The American Assistancy becomes the Assistancy of the USA.
- 1989. Michael Harrington + Jesuit trained, Holy Cross Alumnus. Democratic Socialism, author of The Other America.

#### August 1

- 1546. Peter Faber +, age 40.
- 1551. Plans first discussed to found in Rome the German College.
- 1551. The first Mass of Francis Borgia is celebrated at Loyola, Spain.
- 1556. After vespers, the body of St. Ignatius is buried in a side chapel in the Church of Our Lady of the Way, at the gospel side.
- 1569. Edmund Campion, convinced of the errors of the new religion, abandoned the University of Oxford and all his brilliant prospects.
- 1580. Everard Mercurian, S.J. +, 4th General of the Society. A Belgian, he was the first non-Spanish General. At his death there were 21 provinces, 144 colleges, 5600 members.
- 1625. Vision of Ven. Marina de Escobar, who saw St. Ignatius accompanied by 300 of his children. Our Lord revealed to her that all who had died in the Society up to that time were saved.
- 1938. The Jesuits of the Middle United States, by Gilbert Garraghan was copyrighted, a three volume work covering the years 1820-1930.
- 1980. Father General Arrupe announces his plans to resign.
- 1988. John Laboon, S.J. + Naval Submarine chaplain, he was awarded the Silver Star in World War II.

#### August 2

Blessed Peter Faber, optional memorial.

- 1644. At Tournai died Father Francis de la Croix, singularly devout to Our Lady. He used to be heard walking about his room saying to himself:

"I belong to the Society! I belong to the Society!"

1825. Newspapers report the visit of President John Quincy Adams to Gonzaga High, a few days earlier, to visit and examine the students in Latin and Greek.
1927. Oliver Parks, a young man, opens Parks Air College at Lambert Field, in St. Louis. It became the first federally approved school of aeronautics, and was given to Saint Louis University in 1946.
1964. Gerald Kelly, S.J. + Moral theologian. Modern Youth and Chastity.
1981. Fr. Carlos Perez Alonso, S.J., chaplain at a military hospital, disappears in Guatemala. Aged 45.

#### August 3

1553. Queen Mary Tudor made her solemn entrance into London. As she passed St. Paul's School, an address was delivered by Edmund Campion, then a boy of Thirteen Close by the Queen rode Princess Elizabeth, the future Queen, destined to be welcomed to Oxford at a later time by Campion, selected from the students as orator.
1586. At London the arrest of Fr. William Weston and his imprisonment in the Clink.
1772. In Rome Ours are driven from the Irish College, and falsely accused of maladministration. An attack is made on the novitiate of S. Andrea and the German College.

#### August 4

1553. St. Ignatius began to relate some of the events of his life to Father Luis Goncalvez.
1548. Nadal is called to final profession, but will only make that profession almost four years later, on 25 March, 1552.
1668. A striking defence was made by the Dominican, P. Sarpetri, of our missionaries in China, who were accused of favoring the Chinese Rites.
1849. From August 4 to October 11, Fr. General Roothaan, when driven from Rome, visited our Houses in England, Belgium, and Holland.
1879. Leo XIII published his encyclical *Aeterni Patris*, requiring St. Thomas' Philosophy to be followed.
1938. Ferdinand Prat, S.J. + Toulouse. Life of Jesus Christ. Theology of St. Paul.

#### August 5

1570. A group of Spanish Jesuits arrive in Chesapeake Bay area, but are killed six months later.

1574. At Santo Domingo, the shipwreck of seven Spanish Jesuits sailing for Mexico. They escaped death and eventually reached their destination.
1762. The Parliament at Paris condemned the Society's Institute as opposed to the natural law: laid its hand on all Jesuit property, and forbade the Jesuit habit and community life.
1915. The Jesuit Curia, and Fr. General Ledochowski arrive in Zizers, Switzerland, their exile for security reasons during World War I.

#### August 6

1552. At Vienna, the death of Claude Le Jay. Peter Canisius preached at his funeral.
1573. Pope Gregory XIII published his Bull Postquam Deo placuit, which founded the German College.
1651. Francois Fenelon B Jesuit educated theologian/spiritual writer.
1762. A Decree of the French Parliament was published accusing the Society of every heresy, every crime, every infamy, and confiscating all its property.
1816. Letter of Thomas Jefferson to John Adams. "I dislike with you the restoration of the Jesuits, because it makes a retrograde step from light toward darkness."
1897. Jerome D'Souza is born in India. He was a Rector, diplomat, worked at the United Nations.
1945. Hiroshima - atomic destruction. A pilot, Robert Lewis, later enters the Jesuits. Fr. Arrupe aids the injured.
1967. August 6-19th. Santa Clara Conference of the American Assistancy on the "Total Formation of the Jesuit Priest."
2000. Jesuit Bishop Michael Kaniecki, of Fairbanks, Alaska, dies of heart attack.

#### August 7

1606. Father Francis Suarez' book, De Censuris, with passages interpolated by some enemy of the Society, was put on the Index.
1635. Friedrich von Spee, S.J. dies, age 44. Being asked why his hair was all white at 30, he replied that he had attended at the gallows about 100 persons accused of witchcraft, many of them children, and he knew all to be innocent. He was the first to attack and disturb the then general belief in witchcraft. Also a famed poet. Author of Cautio Criminalis.
1814. The Restoration of the Society through the world was proclaimed by Pius VII in his Bull Sollicitudo omnium ecclesiarum. Eighty six aged Fathers of the Old Society were present on the occasion in the Gesu, where the Bull was read, with acclamations of joy. Restoration Day. The Inquisition and Index of forbidden books were

also reconstituted.

1879. The New York Mission and the Maryland Province are joined to constitute the New York Province. On 19 August 1880 it will be re-named the Maryland/New York Province.
1962. A Letter of Fr. Janssens to all major superiors on the Study and Use of Latin.
1981. Father General Arrupe suffers a stroke upon his return from the Philippines, at the Rome airport.

#### August 8

1581. Father Anthony Possevino was received with extraordinary honors by Basilowicz, the Czar of Russia.
1834. At London the Vicar Apostolic wrote to Propaganda that there were serious difficulties against the Jesuits having a church in London, which a benefactor offered to build. Gregory XVI then insisted that the Society was to have a church in the city.
1849. In Rome, the Republicans (Mazzinians) defeated by the French, tried to set fire to the Roman College.
1949. Letter of the Holy Office to Cardinal Cushing, on the Leonard Feeney case - extra ecclesiam nulla salus. The letter has this date on it, but was only made public later.
1989. William Cunningham, S.J. + Chicago, activist lawyer.
2008. The death of Joseph Gelineau, S.J. pioneer on liturgical music, composer, singing the Psalms. Age. 87. Friend, composer for Taize, and Paris parish priest.

#### August 9

1556. After the death of Ignatius, Fr. James Lainez is empowered to govern as vicar-general.
1762. The migration of the English College from St. Omers to Liege.
1773. In the Quirinal Palace, in the presence of Clement XIV, five Cardinals and two Prelates hold their second meeting for the Suppression of the Society.
1778. By virtue of a decree of Pius VI, and by order of Catherine, Empress of Russia, a Novitiate at Polosk was permitted and sanctioned. It was opened on July 30, 1779.

#### August 10

1546. Fra Barbaran having declared in a letter that he wished to see all members of the Society living between Perpignan and Seville burned

- alive, St. Ignatius caused the reply to be sent that HIS wish was that the Friar and all his friends might be inflamed with the fire of the Holy Spirit.
1560. A letter of Polanco in Lainez's name, to all superiors on our ministries. It emphasizes the shift and emphasis on education and the colleges, as the special ministry of the Society.
1567. Stanislaus Kostka leaves Vienna at dawn, to join the Society of Jesus in Germany and eventually enters in Rome.
1654. Eusebio Francis Kino is born in Italy. He was a missionary to California.
1868. Expulsion of the Society from Mexico and seizure of its property.
1944. Yves de Montcheuil, S.J. +. A theologian and chaplain, he was arrested while ministering to men of the resistance, and shot by Germans at Grenoble shortly before liberation.
1981. Fr. Arrupe names General Assistant Vincent O'Keefe to be temporary Vicar General to handle the government of the Society.
2018. Carlos Riudavets Montes, SJ is murdered in Peru.

#### August 11

1558. In the First General Congregation, after a discussion on the simple vows, decrees that "nothing should be changed."
1846. Benedict Joseph Fenwick, S.J. +. He was the second bishop of Boston, was twice President of Georgetown, and founder of Holy Cross.
1904. John Joseph Urraburu, S.J. + at Burgos, Spain, aged 61; philosopher.
1925. Fr. Slattery pool is completed at Woodstock College.
1970. Dan Berrigan, S.J., pacifist, protester, in hiding is finally captured by the FBI.

#### August 12

1629. At Paderborn, John Bitter, a German Scholastic, who used to serve the poor at the college gate every day, was found dead on his knees. It was revealed in an apparition that he had been freed from Purgatory at the second Mass said for his repose.
1871. Expulsion of the Society from Guatemala.
1877. The energetic Swiss Jesuit, Fr. Maurice Gaillard died. An expert in languages, he worked in Kansas and wrote a 450 page Potawatomi dictionary and grammar.
1905. Hans Urs von Balthasar born, Lucerne, Switzerland.
1989. Francis Sullivan, S.J. + NY Province, Juniorate Professor of Classics.
1977. The death of Jerome D'Souza, S.J. age 79. Educator in India and in Rome. He was the first Assistant for India and East Asia, and served India at the UN.



1993. President Clinton and Pope John Paul II meet at Carroll Hall on the Regis University campus.
2003. Walter Ong, S.J. dies. Polymath, author on orality, culture. He had been President of the PMLA: Modern Language Association.

#### August 13

1621. John Berchmans +, clasping his Crucifix, Rosary, and Rule book. In his last hour, he exclaimed, "Cum his libenter moriar."
1773. Pope Clement XIV published the Brief Gravissimis ex causis which established a special congregation of five cardinals to superintend the Suppression of the Society, the appropriation of its houses and goods.
1789. At Cologne died Fr. John Brewer. He had been a missionary in Brazil for 22 years, and then spent 18 years in a dungeon in Lisbon and then survived for a few years.
1932. The Ateneo de Manila burns to the ground, complete destruction, including the museum and library.

#### August 14

1599. Letter from Father Claude Acquaviva on the use of the Spiritual Exercises.
1610. Fr. General forbids Jesuits to discuss the book of Father Mariana, S.J. according to which kings or tyrants might be assassinated.
1618. The father of John Berchmans is ordained a priest. His son John was still in the novitiate.
1794. Pius VI signed the Bull, *Auctorem Fidei* in defense of devotion to the Sacred Heart. The Jansenist Synod of Pistoia is there condemned.
1812. Arrival at Polosk, in White Russia, of Napoleon I and his army; plunder of the Society's property, violation of the Generals' tombs.

#### August 15

1534. Montmartre, Paris, St. Ignatius and his first six companions, Faber, Xavier, Laynez, Rodriguez, Salmeron, Bobadilla took first simple vows at Mass celebrated by Faber.
- 1535, 1536. They renewed their vows on the same feast, in the same church. FB In 1535 LeJay joined them. In 1536 Codure and Broet joined them. Ignatius was absent for both of these years, being in Spain and then in Venice.
1549. First Christian missionaries, led by Xavier, reach Japan.
1568. St. Stanislaus Kostka + . He twice received Holy Communion from

- the hands of an Angel, and on one occasion Our Lady placed the Holy Child Jesus in his arms.
1666. The death of Adam Schall, S.J. missionary in China for 47 years, scientist.
1790. At Lulworth Castle, England, Father John Carroll of Maryland was consecrated the first Bishop of Baltimore.
1821. Fr. Peter DeSmet boards a ship, the Columbia and sails from Amsterdam to America: the best known missionary of the NW.
1885. Shrine of N.A. Martyrs at Auriesville, NY opens.
1907. Two new provinces were erected, Canada and New Orleans.
1919. Fr. Ledochowski writes a letter on the national clergy in our missions. He refers to China, but it applies elsewhere too.
1927. The Pontifical Biblical Institute is founded in Rome.
1928. Chicago Province erected as an independent province from the eastern portion of the Missouri Province.
1929. The Russian College is created in Rome, under the Jesuits.
1937. A letter of Fr. Ledochowski to the Provincials on the conversion of the Mohammedans.
1955. Detroit and Wisconsin Province is founded from Chicago and Missouri Provinces respectively.
1986. South Africa is made a Dependent Region of the British Prov.
1992. Lawrence McGinley, +. President of Fordham University. Age 86.

#### August 16

1541. The death of Jean Codure, S.J. in Rome.
1773. The Suppression of the Society of Jesus by Clement XIV. Publication of the Brief Dominus ac Redemptor. Father General Ricci is led away prisoner to the English College. There were 22,589 Jesuits, and 670 colleges.
1802. The death of Pierre Gibault, S.J. He accompanied Clark on his explorations to the Mississippi.
1962. Joseph Schuh, S.J. arrives in Lagos, Nigeria. The mission of the NY Province begins there.
1967. John Courtney Murray, S.J. +. Theologian. We Hold These Truths.

#### August 17

1559. The death of Pope Paul IV. He ordained in Father Lainez's time that the office of General should be triennial and that Choir should be observed.
1559. The Inquisition publishes a list of forbidden books, including one falsely attributed to Francis Borgia. He flees to Portugal that same year.
1763. Ferdinand Farmer, S.J. +.
1773. Frederick II of Prussia and Catherine of Russia forbade the publication

- of the Brief of Suppression in their dominions.
1837. At Portage aux Sioux died Father Charles Van Quickenborne, a Belgian, founder of the present province of Missouri, a great apostle among the Indians. He was the first superior of the Missouri Mission.
1917. William Doyle, S.J. + killed in World War I as a chaplain in Belgium. Servant of God, he said 100,000 aspirations every day.
1925. New Jesuit novitiate opens at Milford, Ohio. On the 20<sup>th</sup> of the month, the novices enter.
1933. Henri Bremond + Author, spirituality, ex-Jesuit. Poetry and Prayer. He left the Jesuits in 1904. A devout humanist, member of the French Academy in 1923. History of religious thought.
1954. The place of burial of Jean de Brebeuf is discovered in Canada.
1982. In India, the death of Camille Bulcke, a missionary from Belgium, he was a master of Hindi, a scholar of the language and literature.

#### August 18

- St. Alberto Hurtado, S.J. optional memorial. He died in Chile on this day in 1952. He founded Mensaje, and was a writer, retreat master, trade unionist and founded Hogar de Christo for the homeless. He was beatified in October 1994, canonized in October, 2005.
1590. Sixtus V, being determined to suppress the Name of the Society of Jesus, nine days before his death, sent for Father General Acquaviva and required him to draw up a petition to the Holy See, asking for modifications in the Institute, etc. which modifications the Pontiff's inflexible will intended to impose. This petition, wrung from the General, was found in Pope Sixtus' desk after his death and canceled by his successor.
1643. Isaac Jogues, with the help of the Dutch, escapes from the hands of the Mohawk Indians.
1671. At Genoa, Fr. Julius Spinola went to his reward. When a Novice, he said to his Novice Master: "If ever I ask to be dismissed, bind me with ropes and treat me like a madman."
1805. Robert Molynaux, Charles Sewall, and Charles Neale pronounce their vows as Jesuits at St. Thomas Manor, Md. The only three Jesuits in the USA, the "new Society" begins again in the USA.
1997. An opera composed by Domenico Zipoli is performed at the Loyola Sanctuary in Azpeitia, Spain.

#### August 19

1662. Pascal + age 39, at the Convent of Port Royal. He wrote his Pensees and Provincial Letters.
1743. Charles Plowden is born. After the Restoration of the Society, he was

- the Provincial of England, and was the first Rector of Stonyhurst.
1880. The Province of Maryland-New York is first so styled. In 1804 it was a simple mission. In 1833 the Province of Maryland was erected. In 1879, New York Mission was added and styled New York Province. In 1880 the name was changed to the present one.
1908. Joseph Neuner (Teachings of the Catholic Church) – missionary to India, born. Was 100 in 2008.
1914. Father General Wernz dies and a few hours later, next day, St. Pius X dies.
1978. Anthony I Russo-Alesi, S.J. + The Boy Savior Movement.

#### August 20

1639. Fr. Jacob Bidermann +. As a scholastic he wrote Cenodoxus: the Doctor of Paris. He was called the Shakespeare of the German Baroque period.
1820. Restoration of the Society in Austria.
1823. At Rome the death of Pope Pius VII, the restorer of the Society in 1814 and its second Father. His name will remain with us in benediction for ever.
1891. At Santiago in Chile, the Government of Balmaceda ordered the Jesuit College to be closed.
1893. Excitement in Rome because seven Italians were killed in a riot in Frances. Angry shouts were raised by the mob, "Down with the Pope! Death to the Jesuits!" and the windows of the German College were broken.
1972. The death of Pius Buck, a Swiss Jesuit, entomologist and missionary in Brazil.

#### August 21

1573. Off the coast of Japan and within sight of land, Father Goncalvez Alvarez, the appointed Visitor of Japan, perished by shipwreck with four companions.
1581. A princely reception is given to Fr. Anthony Possevino by the Czar of Russia.
1598. Charles Spinola sailing for India, was captured by the English and led to England, but soon released.
1660. At Rome died Cardinal John de Lugo, one of the greatest theologians of the Society. By his own desire he was buried in the Gesu "at the feet of St. Ignatius," i.e. at the foot of the Saint's altar. St. Alphonus Ligouri calls him the greatest theologian after St. Thomas. He was the 4th Jesuit cardinal. He propagated anti-malaria Jesuit's Bark, and it was sometimes called "Lugo's powder."

1983. President Benigno Aquino is assassinated at the airport in Manila. Jesuit Alumnus
1991. Oswald von Nell-Breuning + aged 101. He had a heavy hand in the writing of Quadragesimo Anno in 1931. Social ethicist, professor.

#### August 22

1555. Fr. Andrew Gonsalves, Paschal and Alphonsus Lepius, sailing from Mozambique, were cast on a desert island where they perished of starvation.
1567. It is supposed that on this day St. Stanislaus left Vienna for Rome, where he arrived on Oct. 25.
1626. At Bracciano died Cardinal Alexander Orsini, Duke of Bracciano. He took the vows of the Society, lived like one of Ours, and had his name printed in the Catalog of the Roman Province. He wished his heart to be buried in the Gesu near the tomb of Cardinal Bellarmine.
1872. The expulsion of our Fathers from Germany during the Bismarckian Kulturkampf.

#### August 23

1558. At the First General Congregation, the question of the General's term being triennial was discussed as well as the introduction of choir, as proposed by Paul IV. It was decreed that the Constitutions ought to remain unaltered.
1724. Rev. Sebastian Rasle, S.J. +. He was a missionary, linguist for 34 years with the Abenaki Indians in Maine. He was shot and martyred by English bigots. "Apostle of the Abenakis".
1773. At Rome, eight days having elapsed since the publication of the Brief of Suppression, all the Fathers, Scholastics and Brothers were required to leave their religious homes and disperse.
1837. At Rome, during a severe epidemic of cholera, the Fathers of the Society waited on the sick and dying with heroic devotedness. Father General Roothaan offered to keep 30 orphans at the Society's expense.  
After the epidemic, the Senate of Rome, in recognition of the heroic self-sacrifice of the Jesuit Fathers, presented six splendid bronze candlesticks to St. Ignatius' altar in the Gesu.

#### August 24

1572. Bartholomew Day Massacre, in which Huguenots are killed. "Protestant and infidel historians alike agree that the Society had no part in this

bloody deed..." FB

- 1734. Brief of Clement XII hinders inculturation efforts in India.
- 1750. Bonaventure Suarez, S.J. + in Mexico, astronomer, and the first scientist of the Americas.
- 1809. Lorenzo Hervás y Panduro, S.J. +. He was a missionary to America, a philologist, ethnologist, and writer, author of "The Idea of the Universe."
- 1905. Hans Urs von Balthasar, is born.
- 1918. Cardinal Avery Dulles, S.J. B American theologian.
- 1951. Jan Korec is consecrated clandestine bishop in a locked, dark room in a Czechoslovakian prison, at age 27.
- 1977. Opening of the seventh Congress of Jesuit Ecumenists at Frankfurt, with over 100 Jesuits.

August 25

- Old Jesuit Martyrology. Bl. Michael Carvahlo and Companions.
- 1617. Paul V's Brief to Father Francis Suarez thanking him for his labors and writings in Portugal in defense of the rights of the Holy See.
  - 1651. At Galway died Fr. Christopher Netterville, son of Viscount Netterville. During the Cromwellian reign of terror he had to conceal himself for over a year in his father's sepulchre.
  - 1666. At Beijing, the death of Father John Adam Schall. By his profound knowledge of mathematics and astronomy he attained such fame that the Emperor entrusted to him the reform of the Chinese Calendar. Through his means 100,000 persons are said to have been converted in fourteen years.
  - 1986. Candido Dalmases + in Rome; historian, on Ignatius and Xavier.

August 26

- 1562. The return of Diego Laynez from France to Trent, the Fathers of the Council desiring to hear him speak on the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass.
- 1606. Pope Paul V puts an end to the controversy De Auxiliis which had lasted ten years.  
He allows each side to hold its opinion.
- 1618. Letter from St. Frances de Sales to Father Leonard Lessius, acknowledging his indebtedness to him and to the Society.
- 1767. The Society is exiled from Chile. Pathetic scenes, courage and constancy of the Novices.

August 27

1590. Pope Sixtus V dies suddenly, shortly after he had desired to change the name of the Society of Jesus.
1605. Ricci builds a house and establishes a novitiate in Peking.
1679. David Lewis, S.J. + Saint and Martyr, + forgiving his enemies and persecutors. He was an apostle to the poor in his native Wales for three decades before he was caught and hanged.
1917. House of formation opens in Yonkers for the New York and Maryland Provinces.

#### August 28

1628. Edmund Arrowsmith + a martyr in Lancashire, England.
- 1632 Paul Le Jeune completes the first Jesuit Relations.
1879. The arrival of Fr. Depelchin and Augustine Law in South Africa to begin the mission there.
1983. Dennis J. McCarthy, S.J. + scripture scholar.
1985. The death of Domenico Mondrone, for 54 years a writer for Civiltà Cattolica. He wrote much on hagiography.
2003. The death Maurice Giuliani, founder of *Christus*, expert in spirituality and a Councillor to Fr. Arrupe.

#### August 29

1541. Jean Codure, first of the founders to die, at Rome. This was four months after his final vows at St. Paul's. He was the first Jesuit to be sent on mission outside of Italy. In Rome, on this day, Ignatius sensed this, stopped, and told his companions of the death.
1695. The fifth translation of the body of St. Ignatius in the Church of the Gesu in Rome. While his final place is being designed and built by Br. Pozzo, Ignatius is placed under the high altar for a period of four years.
1799. At Valence in France, the death in exile of Pope Pius VI, victim of Napoleon's cruelty. With him was Father Merotti, S.J. his confessor whom the Pope on leaving Rome had asked him to accompany him to Calvary.
1876. Juan Perrone +, a theologian important in the definition of the Immaculate Conception, he taught in Rome.

#### August 30

1591. Gregory XIV by his Brief, Exponi nobis, canceled Sixtus V's decree

whereby novices could only be admitted at the General or Provincial Congregation.

- 1615. At Paris died Etienne Pasquier, jurist, a bitter enemy of the Society.  
His Catechisme des Jesuites equals in the coarseness of its invectives the violent language of Luther.
- 1726. At Constantinople died Father James Cachod, Apostle of the Turks' galley-slaves, among whom were many Christian captives.
- 1978. Handwritten letter of Pope John Paul I to Fr. Arrupe on the availability of the Society to the service of the Church.

#### August 31

- 1552. Bull of the foundation of the German College, Dum Sollicita, of Pope Julius III.
- 1581. In St. John's Chapel within the Tower of London, a religious discussion took place between St. Edmund Campion, suffering from recent torture, and some Protestant ministers.
- 1709. Brother Andrew Pozzo died. He designed the splendid altar of St. Ignatius in the Gesu, and covered the vault and the apse of St. Ignatius Church with wonderful frescoes.
- 1919. Jean Galot, S.J. B Theologian, teacher in Rome.
- 1932. An expedition from Georgetown University goes to Maine by car and truck to view the total eclipse of the sun. A story and pictures will appear in November issue of National Geographics.

#### September 1

- 1544. St. Ignatius and his companions take possession of the house of S. Maria della Strada, the first professed house of the Society.
- 1547. The creation of the Province of Spain, with Araoz as the first Provincial.
- 1603. The Edict of Rouen, an edict of reestablishment, allows the Society to open colleges.
- 1907. The Buffalo Mission is terminated, dissolved into the New York and Missouri Provinces, and the California Mission.
- 1937. Baron Pierre de Coubertin dies. Jesuit graduate, Founder of the modern Olympic Movement. Learned of the Olympics from his classical education.
- 1989. The death of Br. Mario Venzo, Italian artist with exhibits in Venice, Paris, the USA.
- 2019 Pope names three Jesuit Cardinals. Canadian Jesuit Father Michael Czerny, Archbishop Jean-Claude Höllerich, SJ, of Luxembourg, and retired Archbishop Sigitas Tamkevicius, SJ, of Kaunas, Lithuania.



## September 2

1549. Ignatius calls Canisius to Rome from Trent. Eventually he goes back to the German apostolate since Pope Paul III had requested that Ignatius designate three theologians to revive the University of Ingolstadt.
1666. The Great Fire of London broke out, destroying half the city. It was set down as the work of Papists and Jesuits. Charles II banished all the Fathers from England.
1792. About 22 Jesuits are killed in a Carmelite monastery in Paris, from 2-4 September, Parisian Martyrs.
1837. Cholera epidemic in Rome, over 5000 die. Jesuits take charge of the hospitals treating the fever.
1910. Rockhurst College, Kansas, is officially incorporated and chartered to grant degrees.
1983. General Congregation 33 opens. It will elect Fr. Kolvenbach and continue until October 25th.

## September 3

- Old Jesuit Martyrology. Anthony Ixida and Companions.
1539. Paul III approves the Formula of the Institute verbally at Tivoli, his summer residence. This is based upon the “five chapters” sent him by Ignatius.
1759. The expulsion of Jesuits from Portugal. They are deported to the papal states.
1860. In Maryland the first beginnings of a novitiate for North America. In 1863 the house was closed on account of the war, and later on reopened at Fordham.
1935. Zachaeus Maher, S.J. is appointed American Assistant and Admonitor to the General.
1965. Ferdinand C. Wheeler, S.J. +. He was Minister and Rector at Woodstock College.
1969. Harold Gardiner, S.J. Literary critic, America magazine.
1970. Vincent Lombardi +. One of the Fordham Seven Blocks of Granite. Coach of the Green Bay Packers. Jesuit educated.
1983. General Congregation 33 accepts the resignation of Pedro Arrupe.
1994. Raymond Walter, S.J., +. Age 79. 1967-72 Treasurer of Society of Jesus, 1972-80 Assistant to General Treasurer.

## September 4

1523. Ignatius the pilgrim enters the city of Jerusalem after a seven month

- journey. He would depart from Jaffa on October 3rd.
1549. Peter Canisius makes his final profession in Rome.
1606. Brief of Pope Paul V confirms our Institute.
1845. Pierre Chazelle +. Pioneer leader and first Superior of the restored Society in French Canada and the USA.
1973. James Brodrick +, in London, of the Irish Province, historian of the Society, biographer of Ignatius, Bellarmine, and Canisius.
1991. Henri Cardinal deLubac, S.J. +, age 95. A theologian, once silenced, then vindicated. Surnaturel. He was created a cardinal in 1983.

#### September 5

1758. A silly decree was issued by the French Parliament condemning Father Busembaum's Medulla Theologiae Moralis.
1870. Three Universities are founded: St. John's in NY, Loyola, Chicago, and Canisius in Buffalo.
1888. Las Vegas College and Sacred Heart College were combined and moved to Main Hall in Denver. Classes began with 75 students.
1922. Terence J. Shealy, S.J. +. A pioneer in the Retreat movement, and at the Fordham School of Social Service.
1930. John G. Hagen +, age 83 in Rome. He was Director of the Vatican Observatory for 24 years, and also worked at the Georgetown Observatory.
2008. Robert Giroux dies, age 94. Giant of the publishing, editing world. Eventually got his diploma from Regis High School.

#### September 6

- Old Jesuit Martyrology. Thomas Izugi, Michael Nacaxin, martyrs and their companions.
1574. A. Valignano arrives in Goa, as Visitor.
1666. The Great Fire of London Breaks out. Jesuits are blame. King Charles II Banishes Jesuits from England.
1823. The birth in Indiana of James Chrysostom Bouchard (Watomika) the first Native American Jesuit. A member of the Delaware tribe, he was ordained in St. Louis in 1856. He became one of the Province's best orators, prompting a book about him called the Eloquent Indian.
1946. The opening of the 29<sup>th</sup> General Congregation, with 169 electors. On September 15<sup>th</sup>, they will elect Fr. Janssens as General.
1985. George MacRae, S.J., Scripture Scholar +. He was also Dean at Harvard Divinity School.
2008. Vincent Duminuco dies, age 74. Creator of "Characteristics of Jesuit

Education.” New York Province. Served at the Curia in Rome – assistant to the General for Education

#### September 7

- Memorial: Sts. Stephen Pongracz, Melchior Grodziecki, in 1639, at Cassau in Transylvania the martyrdom of Stephen Pongracz and companions, Jesuit priests, Mark Krizevcanin, canon of Estergom, martyrs.
1573. Death of Princess Juana, Regent of Spain, the emperor Charles V's daughter. She died with her Jesuit vows. "The only female Jesuit in the Church's history," writes Hugo Rahner.
1966. The Second session of General Congregation 31 opens.
1977. Announcement of the decree of Fr. General uniting the two provinces of East Germany and Lower Germany into the new Province of North Germany. It takes effect on 1 January 1978.
2006. Londi Boka di Mpasi, S.J. He wrote two national anthems for Congo-Zaire, and founded Telema magazine.

#### September 8

1654. At Carthagena, Colombia, the death of Peter Claver. Age 74, with 38 years as apostle to the slaves.
1753. John Carroll enters the Society of Jesus.
1762. Pope Clement XIII issued a bull declaring the sentence of the French Parliament against the Society on August 6<sup>th</sup> to be null and void.
1847. During the revolution in Rome loud cries were heard in the streets, "Death to the Jesuits."
1911. The first retreat is held at Mt. Manresa, Staten Island, at a retreat house exclusively for laity. Fr. Shealy is the director. The retreat house, Fox Hall villa, was purchased in April, with 20 acres.
1977. Letter of Fr. General formally convokes the 66<sup>th</sup> Congregation of Procurators to begin on September 27, 1978.
- 2014 Reactions to the ex officio letters on the theme of reconciliation, Working for Peace.

#### September 9

- St. Peter Claver, memorial, Human Rights Day in Colombia, in honor of Peter Claver.
1587. Professors at Louvain rashly condemn 31 propositions of the works of Fr. Lessius as semi-Pelagian.
1929. Blessed Br. Francis Garate, S.J. +. He was porter at Bilbao for forty years. He was beatified in 1985 and his feast is September 10th.

1955. Bishop Thomas Feeney, S.J. +. He was bishop in the Caroline-Marshall Islands and earlier was in Jamaica and the Philippines.
1980. Dan Berrigan and others, Plowshares, start the first nuclear disarmament at the General Electric Plant in King of Prussia, PA. They are arrested.

### September 10

- Blessed Br. Francis Garate, S.J. Memorial.
1622. At Nagasaki, the martyrdom of Charles Spinola and companions.
1773. Clement XIV's letter of suppression is published in Vienna.
1839. Charles Sanders Peirce is born at 3 Phillips Place, Cambridge, MA. Later this house is the center of Weston Jesuit School of Theolog
1919. The Mission of Patna, India is assigned to the Missouri Province.
1931. A devastating hurricane destroys St. John's College in Belize and takes the lives of 11 Jesuits. One account said: "The hurricane demolished everything but hope." 6 priests, 4 scholastics, 1 brother, as well as some students at St. John's College.
1946. The death of Robert Jacquinot, called "the savior of Shanghai", saved 500,000 Chinese lives in the refugee zone of Shanghai from 1937-40.
1957. Pope Pius XII addresses the 30th General Congregation on the use of tobacco, etc. as superfluities.
2001. The death of Xavier Diaz del Rio, publisher of Ignis magazine and editor of the Gujarat Press for many years.
2005. Michael Ivens, S.J. dies. Expert on the Spiritual Exercises, British Province. *Understanding the Spiritual Exercises*.

### September 11

1537. Those ordained with St. Ignatius celebrate their first Masses: Xavier, Salmeron, Rodriguez, Bobadilla, and Codure. Ignatius waits a while longer.
1681. Geoffrey Henschen + at Antwerp. He was an assistant to Fr. Bollandus in the research on the saints.
1860. Jesuits are expelled from Sicily and their property is confiscated.
1995. Henry De Decker, S.J. + in the Cameroons. He was the first Rector of Hekima College, Nairobi, and was the Secretary of JESAM (Major Superiors of Africa) for thirteen years.
2003. Ignace de la Potterie, Belgian Jesuit, Johannine scholar, dies. Professor at the Biblical Institute.

### September 12

1557. At Worms, a public discussion opens between Catholics and heretics, in which Canisius took part.
1665. At Antwerp, the death of John Bollandus, one of the first of the Bollandists, the great work of the Acta Sanctorum. He was the successor to Fr. H. Rosweyde who was the founder.
1706. Father Albert Montaldo entered the Society. He was about eighty years old at the Suppression, yet he lived to see the Restoration in 1814, being over 120 years of age. He was one of the 86 members of the Old Society who knelt at the feet of Pius VII in the Gesu on August 7, 1814.
1744. Benedict XIV's second Bull, Omnium sollicitudinum forbidding the Chinese Rites. Persecution followed in China. This is also listed as Sept. 13.

#### September 13

1571. Martyrdom of Pedro Diaz and eleven missionaries of Brazil, in waters of the Atlantic, near the Canary Islands.
1669. At Paris the pamphlet *Anonyme* by the Jansenist Arnauld, a publication full of vile calumnies and invectives against the Society, was burnt by the King's order.
1773. Frederick II of Prussia informs the Pope that the Jesuits will not be suppressed in Prussia, and invites Jesuits to come.
1983. Peter-Hans Kolvenbach is elected the 29<sup>th</sup> Superior General at the 33<sup>rd</sup> General Congregation, age 55.
1998. Cardinal Alois Grillmeier + age 88. He was a professor at St. Georgen, Frankfurt, and wrote Christ in Christian Tradition. He was created a Cardinal on 26 November 1994.

#### September 14

1562. Paschase Broet, S.J. + in Paris, ministering to plague victims. He was one of the first companions and was the first Provincial of France.
1566. The first Jesuit enters the continental USA, Pedro Martinez. He is killed three weeks later, in Florida.
1577. Andrew Oviedo, S.J. +. He is the first Jesuit to be made a bishop, and patriarch of Ethiopia.
1596. The death of Cardinal Francis Toledo, the first of the Society to be raised to the purple. He died at age 63, and had been a cardinal for 3 years.
1877. Joseph de Guibert, S.J. is born. Expert on Ignatian spirituality.
1915. The Holy Father congratulates the Messenger of the Sacred Heart on its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary, with its circulation of 315,000.
1962. Michael Gruenthaler +. He was the first American to get a doctorate at

the Pontifical Biblical Institute, was co-founder of the Catholic Biblical Association, and editor of the Catholic Biblical Quarterly for 10 years.

#### September 15

- 1622. At Quito the University of St. Gregory the Great starts in the seminary college of St. Louis.
- 1627. The Beatification of the Japanese martyrs, Paul Miki and companions, by Pope Urban VIII.
- 1927. 37 Jesuits arrive to begin a Tertianship at Hot Springs, North Carolina. The property was given to the Jesuits by the widow of the son of President Andrew Johnson.
- 1946. John Baptist Janssens is elected 27<sup>th</sup> Superior General, at age 57.
- 1983. The first issue of Company magazine appears, to tell the story of Jesuits and those we minister to and with. Intended for friends, benefactors, and the general public.

#### September 16

- 1752. Month uncertain. Madame de Pompadour, the mistress of Louis XV asked. Father de Sacy to admit her to the sacraments. On his refusing unless certain conditions were met, she became the Society's deadly enemy, and one of the most ardent promoters of its destruction in France.
- 1759. At Lisbon, 133 fathers and brothers of the Society are put on board a vessel to be conveyed as exiles to Civitavecchia.
- 1883. At Rome at the Palazzo Borromeo, Via del Seminario 120, the 23<sup>rd</sup> General Congregation opens. It will elect Anderledy as vicar with right of succession.
- 1941. A dinner at the Waldorf Astoria, New York City, concludes Fordham University centenary celebration. 18 bishops, Vice-President Wallace, Governor Lehmann, Mayor LaGuardia are in attendance.
- 2011 On Ecology- letter of Fr. Nicolas

#### September 17

- Robert Bellarmine, bishop and doctor. Memorial. He died on this day in 1621, age 79.
- 1593. Francis de Toledo, S.J. professor, writer, is the first Jesuit to be elevated to cardinal by Clement VIII. He later conspired with a number of rebellious Spanish Jesuits to alienate Pope Clement VIII

from Fr. Aquaviva and the Institute.

- 1917. Cardinal Billot, S.J. resigns from college of cardinals.
- 1917. Letter from the US government exempts religious from the physical examination for World War I.
- 1931. St. Robert Bellarmine is declared a Doctor of the Church by Pius XI.
- 1986. Thurston Davis, S.J. +. He was the 13th editor of America.
- 1987. Puerto Rico is established as an Independent Region of the Society of Jesus. At that time it had 29 Jesuits, including 16 Puerto Ricans.

#### September 18

- 1540. At Rome, Pedro Ribadeneira, aged fourteen, was admitted into the Society by St. Ignatius. This was nine days before official papal confirmation of the Society.
- 1561. The first entrance of the Society into France at the invitation and under the favor of five Cardinals. The insolent opposition of its enemies was repressed.
- 1641. The death of Brother Richard Fulwood, rejoicing that his sufferings from calculus were so intense. As only his head was free from pain, he prayed that it too might have its suffering. (Calculus = stones)
- 1768. 1,600 of the exiled Spanish Fathers and Scholastics were driven out of Corsica by De Choiseul's orders, the island having been ceded by Genoa to France.
- 1989. James L. Vizzard, S.J. +. He supported the rural life movement, and the United Farm Workers.

#### September 19

- 1715. At Quebec died Fr. Louis Andre, who for 45 years laboured in the missions of Canada amid incredible hardships, often living on acorns, a kind of moss, and the rind of fruits.
- 1773. In Poland Bishop Massalski forbade Ours in the diocese of Vilna to resign the college or interrupt their ministry, till he thought fit to publish the Brief of Suppression.
- 1819. Jesuit work in Ireland is restored by Fr. Peter Kenny.
- 1972. The Swiss Parliament repeals the law prohibiting the existence of the Society in Switzerland.

#### September 20

- 1560. At Rome, the entrance into the Society of Robert Bellarmine, the nephew of Pope Marcellus II.
- 1565. S. Andrea in Quirinale, Rome, is opened by St. Francis Borgia as the

first separate novitiate, separate from Colleges and Professed Houses.

1990. The First Congregation of Provincials meets at Loyola, Spain, 83 provincials, on the occasion of the 450th anniversary of the approval of the Society, and 500th anniversary of the birth of St. Ignatius.
2005. John Long, S.J. dies, age 80. Ecumenist, expert on Eastern Orthodoxy, with the Vatican Secretariat of Unity, and Dialog.

#### September 21

1557. Melchior Cano is accused of being a heretic in disguise, and so he writes to Charles V, whose confessor he was.
1558. St. Francis Borgia preaches the eulogy for the Emperor Charles V at Valladolid.
1761. At Lisbon, the martyrdom of Fr. Gabriel Malagrida, aged seventy two. Pombal's inquisitors had found him guilty of heresy in a life of St. Anne written not by him, but by the ex-Capuchin, Norbert. He died by strangulation and the flames.
1851. Pius IX beatified Peter Claver.
1996. Henri Nouwen +, age 64 in Holland. He was a spiritual writer and teacher, and at the end he lived and worked with L'Arche communities. Jesuit alumnus.
1999. Piet Schoonenberg, S.J. dies, age 87. Theologian. New Dutch Catechism, *The Christ*.

#### September 22

- Bl. Tomas Sitjar and 10 companions, priests and martyrs – Martyrs of Valencia. Blessed Jose Aparico Sanz, S.J. and companions, martyrs.
1611. The death of Pedro Ribadeneira, aged 85. He had been admitted by St. Ignatius at the age of 14. He became an eloquent preacher, a great missionary, and a gifted writer.
1747. Fr. General Frances Retz visits the novitiate and foretold the Suppression of the Society. He added that one novice (Fr. Louis Panizzoni) would witness the Restoration.
1774. At Rome the death of Pope Clement XIV, aged 69, miraculously assisted by St. Alphonsus Ligouri. He died worn out with suffering and grief because of the Suppression of the Society. False stories were circulated that he had been poisoned by the Jesuits. On the Pope's becoming deranged in mind after the Suppression, see Ranieri, S.J..

#### September 23



1590. Nicolas Bobadilla +. He is the last survivor of Ignatius' first ten companions. He was the occasion of some trouble in the First General Congregation, claiming a share in the government, but he afterwards acknowledged his fault. He was the first Jesuit of the original ten and the only one of the original ten to be 50 years in the Society.
1773. General Ricci enters Castel Sant Angelo, age 70. He will stay there and die there on November 24, 1775. He could not write or celebrate Mass.
1869. Woodstock College of the Sacred Heart opens. 17 priests, 44 scholastics, 16 brothers - the largest Jesuit community in the USA. "Wisdom hath built for herself a house" according to the sermon by the Provincial of Maryland, Joseph E. Keller.
1941. The death of Fr. McGarry, S.J. From the New England Province, he was a spiritual writer, and the first editor of Theological Studies.
1942. Walter Cizek and Victor Novikov are sentenced to fifteen years imprisonment for spying. This was later reduced to five years in a labor camp. Cizek was freed in 1963.

#### September 24

1549. An Instruction of St. Ignatius to the three fathers leaving for Ingolstadt, on the apostolic role of the University.
1566. The first mission to Florida was attended with sad results. Father Pedro Martinez and others, while attempting to land, were driven back by the natives and forced to make for the island of Tatacuran, where the Father was slain by savages.
1616. At Malines St. John Berchmans entered the Novitiate. He said to the Master of Novices: "*Volo sanctus fieri, idque cito.*"
1892. At Loyola, the opening of the 24th General Congregation, the only one held outside of Rome. It was held there because of anti-clericalism in Rome.
1987. Father Andre Masse is assassinated, dying of bullet wounds in South Lebanon. Assistant Rector of St. Joseph's University. Aged 47.
1996. William Thompson, S.J. +, age 65. He was a Scripture scholar, teacher in Chicago.

#### September 25

- Old Jesuit martyrology Bl. Camillus Constanzo, Augustus Oti and companions.
1617. Suarez + Doctor Eximius. He wrote 24 volumes in folio on Philosophy and Theology. When dying he exclaimed: "I did not know that it was so sweet to die!" When a novice he was found so dull that he requested to be a lay-Brother. Father Gutierrez bade him ask our

Lady's help, and he became a prodigy of talent.

- 1618. John Berchmans pronounces his first vows. His father who had been ordained a priest, died shortly after this, but John was not informed for a few weeks.
- 1643. Entrance into the Society of John Casimir Sobieski, son of King Sigismund of Poland. Three years later he was raised to the Cardinalate. In 1648 he was elected king of Poland, but abdicated in 1668, dying in 1672.
- 1988. Junipero Serra, OFM and Miguel Pro, S.J. beatified
- 2001 Timothy Toohig, S.J. dies. Jesuit physicist. Designer and executive at the National Accelerator Laboratory.

#### September 26

- 1758. Letter from Father Laurence Ricci, ordering prayers to avert impending calamities.
- 1886. At Florence in the theatre "Re Umberto," 3000 Liberals shouted for the expulsion of all Jesuits from Tuscany. Soon after, the theatre was burned to the ground.
- 1889. Martin Heidegger is born. Philosopher, had been a Jesuit novice.
- 1926. Jesuit High, New Orleans, opens.
- 1926. Felix Millan + in the leper colony in Culion, Philippines. He is called "The Father of the Lepers."

#### September 27

- 1540. The Bull of Pope Paul III, Regimini militantis Ecclesiae, constituting the Society a Religious Order, was signed at Palazzo San Marco, Rome. It limits the number of professed fathers to 60. Approbation Day. The Birthday of the Society of Jesus.
- 1604. The College of S. Bartholomew is founded in New Granada, Columbia. It gave the Church 17 bishops, and 23 martyrs.
- 1606. At Ingolstadt died Fr. Theodore Canisius, the brother of Peter. For eight years before his death he lost his memory, remembering only the holy names of Jesus and Mary.
- 1948. Apostolic Constitution of Pius XII, Bis Saeculari. the magna carta of the Sodality movement.
- 1970. Teresa of Avila is declared a doctor of the Church by Pope Paul VI. She is the first woman so declared. Had Jesuit directors.
- 1985. Elliott MacGuigan, S.J. dies. Canadian canon lawyer and moral theologian.
- 2001 James J. Hennesey, S.J. dies, age 74. Jesuit historian, and expert on USA Church history.

2017. Letter of Fr. Sosa on “Discernment in Common.”  
 2019. Announcement of Ignatian Year. 2021-2022.

#### September 28

1566. On the island of Tatacuran, off the coast of Florida, Father Pedro Martinez was killed by savages the moment he set foot on land. He was the first Jesuit in USA, and the first Jesuit martyr in USA.  
 1572. Fifteen Jesuits arrive in Mexico, including Fr. Sanchez, as Provincial, to establish the Mexican Province. They soon open a college.  
 1972. Erich Przywara +. Writer, theologian.  
 1978. Ben Masse, S.J. + Assistant Editor of America, 1941-71.  
 2009. The death of Paul Besanceney, S.J., age. 85. He served as Provincial of Detroit and the Eastern Africa Province, and then served in Sudan.

#### September 29

1553. Ignatius received the first vows of three Jesuit brothers - the first Jesuit brothers. One was a cook and one was a deacon.  
 1558. In the Gesu, Rome, and elsewhere, Ours began to keep Choir, in obedience to an order from Paul IV.  
 1642. At Ossernenon, Auriesville, NY, Rene Goupil, Jesuit martyr is killed by a tomahawk. He was a lay associate, the first of the N.A. martyrs.  
 1935. Pius XI establishes the Vatican Observatory in its new home at Castel Gandolfo, and entrusts its management and direction to the Society of Jesus.  
 1984. William A. Carroll, S.J. + New England; artist and scholar.  
 1984. Hekima College, Nairobi, theologate for Africa, opens.

#### September 30

1567. Paris was saved from fire and destruction by Father Oliver Manare, who warned the magistrates of the Huguenot plots.  
 1572. The death of St. Francis Borgia, the Duke of Gandia and the viceroy of Catalonia before becoming a Jesuit. He became the third General, and oversaw the establishment of many schools and the expansion of missionary work.  
 1759. At Coimbra, the Fathers of the College were arrested, taken to Lisbon, and sentence to banishment. On January 4<sup>th</sup> they landed at Civita Vecchia.  
 1911. President William Howard Taft visits St. Louis University and declares the football season open, amid alia.  
 1928. Motu Proprio of Pius XI, Quod Maxime, associates the Biblical and Oriental Institutes with the Gregorian University.

## October 1

1546. Isabel Roser is released from her Jesuit vows by St. Ignatius after eight months.
1546. An Apostolic Constitution forbids a female branch of the Society of Jesus.
1572. The death of St. Francis Borgia.
1599. Publication in Rome of the Official Directory for giving the Spiritual Exercises.
1606. Blessed Julian Maunoir, B .
1879. The College de la Sainte Famille opens in Cairo.
1900. Loyola School, New York City, opens.
1911. Piet Schoonenberg, S.J. is born. Theologian
1938. Francis Cassilly, S.J. +, Chicago. He wrote a high school catechism widely used.
2000. Pope John Paul II canonizes over 100 martyrs, including four Jesuits, Leo Mangin, Paul Denn, (martyred in China, 1880), Modesta Andlauer, Remigius Isore (killed in China 19 June, 2000)

## October 2

1636. Isaac Jogues first sets foot on the shores of the New World after two stormy months on the ocean.
1648. In the Church of the Gesu, the Bona Mors Confraternity is founded by the 7<sup>th</sup> Fr. General, Vincent Caraffa.
1836. Gregory XVI gives the direction and government of the Pontifical Urban College of the Propagation of the Faith to the Society of Jesus.
1892. Father Louis Martin is elected General at Loyola, Spain.
1912. Blessed John Beyzym, S.J. missionary from the Ukraine to work with the lepers in Madagascar, died on this day.
1954. The Cornerstone is laid for Loyola Seminary, Shrub Oak, NY.
1960. Edward Garesche, S.J. +. He founded the "Queen's Work" and Catholic Medical Mission Board, which he directed from 1929 to 1960.
1964. Fr. General Janssens suffers a stroke, and + three days later.
1996. Loyola Jesuit College, Abuja, Nigeria opens. Premier College.

## October 3

- St. Francis Borgia, memorial.
1536. Favre, Rodriguez, Salmeron, Bobadilla, Jay, Codure, and Broet are granted their M.A. degrees. Lainez and Xavier already had theirs.

1588. The death of Pompeo Capuano, an Italian novice of an illustrious family. When he asked his father's leave to enter the Society, the latter shut him up in a dark room, treating him like a madman.
1662. At Cracow, Laurence Chodorowicz. a Polish lay-brother, died a martyr of charity. Once in an excess of fervent desire for suffering he poured boiling water over his right leg and foot.
1923. The relics of St. Andrew Bobola are recovered from a museum in Moscow and begin their journey to Rome.
- 2016 Resignation of Fr. Nicolas accepted by GC 36.
- 2017 Letter of Fr. Sosa "On Discernment of Apostolic Preferences."

#### October 4

1532. Robert Bellarmine is born. in Montepulciano, in Tuscany, Italy.
1549. Jay, Salmeron, and Canisius are the first three Jesuits to receive their doctorates in theology. This followed an examination on October 2<sup>nd</sup> at Bologna by a board of three Dominicans. The men had been assigned to Ingolstadt, but needed doctoral degrees for that assignment.
1582. St. Teresa of Avila +. She favored Jesuits as spiritual directors.
1582. The Gregorian reform of the calendar takes place. Ten days are dropped, so that the next day is October 15th. Clavius' calendar is accepted, but some riots result, and some Jesuit houses are stoned. Countries which did not like the Pope liked his calendar even less. It actually took until the 20<sup>th</sup> century until all countries adopted it.
1597. In London Father John Gerard and Mr. Arden effected their marvelous escape from the Tower. With the help of John Lilly and Richard Fulwood, both of whom became Jesuit Brothers, they let themselves down with a rope slung from the Tower across the moat.
1896. Letter of Father General Martin, "On Some Dangers of our Time."
1927. Death in Mexicao City of Servant of God, Salvador Garriduenas, Pastor.
1985. William Bangert, S.J. + Jesuit Historian and teacher of Jesuits.
1987. The death of John Swain, S.J., age 79. A Canadian, he was Vicar General(1961-65, under Janssens), General Assistant and admonitor to Arrupe (1965-72).
- 2006 William Guindon, S.J., age 90, dies. Ex Provincial of New England, and President of Jesuit School of Theology in Chicago.

#### October 5

1629. At Antwerp + Fr. Herbert Rosweyde, S.J. who was in many ways the founder and the first Bollandist.
1713. Denis Diderot is born. Philosopher and encyclopaedist. He attended

the Jesuit school at Langres. His writings cover a wide field of interests.

1759. At Coimbra an officer named Castro came with the king's message to the Novitiate. The superior was conducted to prison, where he lay 18 years. Pathetic scenes followed, the Scholastics and novices, 145 in number, being left without a Superior.
1964. John Baptist Janssens + 27<sup>th</sup> Superior General of the Society.
1981. In a letter to Father General Arrupe, Pope John Paul II appoints Paolo Dezza as his personal delegate in the Society of Jesus. Provincials are notified of this move. Fr. Pittau is his coadjutor.
1986. Archbishop John McEleney +. Of the New England Province, he was bishop in Jamaica.
1986. Pope John Paul II visits the tomb of Claude la Colombiere at Paray-le-Monial and exhorts all to devotion to the Sacred Heart.
2004. Fred Moriarty, S.J. dies, age 89. Scripture Professor at Weston. "His door was always open."
2006. Robert Mitchell, S.J. dies, age 80. Ex Provincial of NY and President of several Colleges.

#### October 6

- Blessed Diego de San Vitores, priest, martyr. Memorial
1552. Matteo Ricci is born.
1566. Pedro Martinez, S.J., the first Jesuit to set foot in the USA is the first Jesuit to be martyred in the USA, in northern Florida, near what is now Jacksonville.
1773. In London, Dr. James Talbot, the Apostolic Vicar, promulgated the Letter of Suppression of the Society, and sent copies to Maryland and Pennsylvania.
1973. The death of Ignacio Iparraguirre in a fall in Rome. Expert on Ignatius and Jesuit spirituality.
1977. In France, the death of Rene Charvet, age 94, veteran missionary in China. The moving homily was delivered by the deceased through a recording he made a few months before he died.
1985. Three Jesuits are beatified, Diego de San Vitores, Jose Rubio, and Francis Garate.
1993. Cardinal Victor Razafimahatratra, S.J. + age 72, Archbishop of Antananarivo, Madagascar.

#### October 7

1571. The Battle of Lepanto. Cervantes is wounded in it. Four priests and four brothers of the Society also took part, serving as chaplains to the sailors.
1699. In the Gesu, Rome, the sixth and final translation of 'St. Ignatius'

remains took place to the splendid altar-shrine designed by Br. Andrea Pozzo.

1819. Charles Emmanuel IV + He had been King of Sardinia and Piedmont. He abdicated in 1802 and entered the Jesuits as a brother in 1815. He is buried in San Andrea Quirinale, in Rome.
1866. Wlodimir Ledochowski is born. 26th General of the Society.

#### October 8

1834. Arrival at Calcutta of Fathers from England, sent at Gregory XVI's desire.
1871. The Chicago Fire. The city is destroyed, but it misses the Jesuit parish as it turns north thanks to the prayers of Fr. Arnold Damen.
1955. Solemn dedication and opening of Shrub Oak, New York Maryland Province philosophate with Cardinal Spellman.
1969. Louis Twomey, S.J. An advocate of interracial justice, and expert in labor relations.
1983. The death of Jeanne Marie Mortier, secretary and assistant to Teilhard de Chardin, to whom he entrusted his manuscripts.

#### October 9

1607. Francis de Sales visits the chapel of Blessed Peter Faber whom he revered as a saint.
1627. Jansenius left Louvain for Salamanca to create an excitement against the Jesuits and prevent Philip IV from giving to them the large college of Madrid.
1820. The 20th General Congregation opens. The first of the restored Society. Aloysius Fortis is elected the 20th Superior General.
1972. Jose Maria Posada + Columbia. Social worker and Provincial.

#### October 10

1549. The Province of India constituted, with Xavier as its first Provincial.
1806. The first Novitiate of the Maryland Mission is opened, at Georgetown, in a house facing Holy Trinity Church. Ten Novices enter. The Novice Director is Fr. Francis Neale, himself a novice who had entered the Jesuits on that day.
1820. At the 20th GC Father Petrucci, Vicar-General, led astray by the turbulent Father Rezzi, was deposed. Father Rezzi was expelled from the Society as a factiosus.
1938. The first golf match is held between the theologians and philosophers at the new golf course at Woodstock. It ends in a tie, but the

theologians win two days later in a playoff.

- 1948. The official blessing and dedication of LeMoyne College, Syracuse, NY.
- 1949. Letter of Fr. General Janssens, "Instruction on the Social Apostolate."
- 1950. Jan Korec is ordained a priest in prison in Czechoslovakia. One year later, at the age of 27, he is made a bishop, and a cardinal in 1991. He is released from prison in 1968.

#### October 11

- 1667. The Feast of St. Ignatius is raised to a "double" and extended to the universal church.
- 1688. King Louis XIV forbade all correspondence and interchange between the French Jesuits and the Spanish General, Thyrus Gonzalez. This petty tyranny lasted two years.
- 1958. Pierre LeJay, S.J. +. He was a French Jesuit, famed geophysicist, member of the French Academy, and did research on the continental drift.
- 1963. Walter Ciszek, S.J. is freed from prison camp in Russia. He had been in detention since 1938.

#### October 12

Blessed John Beyzym, priest. Optional memorial.

- 1600. At Madrid died Father Louis Molina, a great theologian, whose doctrine on Grace and Free Will was fiercely attacked by Dominicans and others, and ably defended before Clement VIII by theologians of the Society.
- 1935. Work begins on Woodstock College golf course. The reason for this is given as the increase in medical difficulties" due to the Alack of provisions for an agreeable form of light exercise."
- 1976. Fr. Joao Bosco Burnier, S.J. is shot and killed by soldiers in rural Brazil for protesting the torture of two Indian women. Aged 59.

#### October 13

- 1534. The election of Pope Paul III (Cardinal Alessandro Farnese) who by his Bull Regimini militantis, constituted the Society a Religious Order.
- 1537. At Venice the Papal Nuncio published his written verdict declaring that Ignatius Loyola was innocent of all charges which had been leveled against him by his detractors.
- 1676. The arrival in London of Claude de la Colombiere, to be the chaplain and confessor of the Duchess of York, the wife of the future King James II.
- 1990. The celebration at the Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome



opens the Ignatian Year.

#### October 14

St. John Ogilvie, S.J. martyr, Memorial.

1774. A French Jesuit in China wrote an epitaph to the Jesuit mission in China after the suppression. It concludes: "Go, traveler, continue on your way. Felicitate the dead; weep for the living; pray for all. Wonder, and be silent."

1854. Fr. John Bapst, S.J. is tarred and feathered by religious bigots, Know-nothings, in Ellsworth, Maine. He was also the first Rector of the Boston College Scholasticate. He was given a gold watch as a result of the ordeal, and was given special permission by Father General to wear such a costly watch.

1939. General Franco visits the Jesuit community at the Loyola Sanctuary, Spain. An Inscription reads: "To our leader Francisco Franco restorer of the Society of Jesus in Spain, praise and long life - in remembrance of the visit of our Caudillo to Loyola, October 14, 1939, Year of Victory."

1977. Bing Crosby +, after a round of golf, on the way to the clubhouse. Jesuit alumnus.

1982. Daniel O'Connell + Rome, age 86. An expert on double stars, he was director of the Vatican Observatory from 1952-70.

#### October 15

Teresa of Avila, virgin and doctor, Memorial.

1523. At Jerusalem St. Ignatius was maltreated on Mount Olivet by the Armenian servant of the Franciscans, but was consoled by a vision of our Blessed Lord.

1582. At Avila the death of St. Teresa, the first day of the new Gregorian calendar. She always wished to have Jesuit confessors and spoke of the Fathers as Benedicti homines Societatis Jesu.

1917. Pope Benedict XV founds the Pontifical Oriental Institute which is later entrusted to the Society of Jesus. Motu Proprio, Orientis Catholicae.

2012 Canonization of James Bertieu.

#### October 16

Hedwig, religious, and Margaret Mary Alacoque, virgin, optional memorials. St. Claude assisted St. Margaret Mary.

1594. Students of the English College in Rome broke into a sort of rebellion against the Jesuits in charge. It was incited by Protestants and lasted five years.
1788. The Bollandists are forced to give up their work, because of the effects of the Suppression.
1918. The death of James Lonergan, S.J. He had a seventeen year regency at Spring Hill College.
1927. The opening of the Pontifical Biblical Institute in Jerusalem.
1944. John Svensson + Author of children's literature. His books were translated into 30 languages.
1992. The University of San Francisco holds a symposium on the Chinese Rites controversy.

#### October 17

1578. At S. Andrea, Rome, the entrance into the Society of Robert Southwell, aged sixteen.
1651. Emmanuel Siqueira enters the novitiate of S. Andrea in Rome. He will be the first Chinese Jesuit priest.
1688. Domenico Zipoli, S.J. is born. An organist at the Gesu in Rome, he was a missionary and composer in Paraguay and Argentina, in the Jesuit Reductions. He was never ordained because of the distance from an ordaining bishop.
1690. St. Margaret Mary +. St. Claude was her director.
1782. Jesuits in White Russia elect Stanislaus Czerniewicz as Vicar General of the Society.
1996. Richard Michael Fernando, S.J. + scholastic, age 26, working with Jesuit Refugee Service, in Cambodia, is killed by a hand grenade thrown by a disturbed ex-student, as Richard tries to save others lives.
2002. Richard McSorley, S.J. dies, age 88. Social justice and non-violence.

#### October 18

- Alaska Day. It is transferred to the USA from Russia on this day, in 1867. Jesuits advised Seward to make the purchase.
1550. The first Jesuit is appointed to be Rector/President of a University as Peter Canisius is elected to that office at the University of Ingolstadt (for a six month term).
1553. A theological course was opened in our college in Lisbon. 400 students were at once enrolled.
1574. The opening of the first Jesuit College in Mexico, SS. Peter and Paul.
1604. Collegio Santa Fe Opens in Bogota, Columbia, the oldest in Columbia and the third oldest in the Americas, after Lima and Mexico.
1605. In Spain died Father John Rico, a most eloquent preacher. St.

Alphonsus Rodriguez once told him he would suffer in Purgatory for preaching in the polished Castilian tongue: thenceforth the Father never used Castilian.

- 1646. The martyrdom of St. Isaac Jogues at Auriesville, NY.
- 1904. "Saint Louis University Day" at the World's Fair, the culmination of the school's diamond jubilee celebrations.
- 1932. Weston College is given a charter, Pontifical Status, and thus allowed to grant ecclesiastical degrees.
- 1977. Harry Sievers, S.J. + historian of Indiana, and biographer of William Henry Harrison.

#### October 19

John de Brebeuf and Isaac Jogues, priests and martyrs, and companions, martyrs, Memorial.

- 1604. Aloysius Gonzaga is beatified, while his mother was still alive.
- 1646. Jean de la Lande, S.J. + Jesuit Brother, *donne*, companion of Isaac Jogues.
- 1930. Leopold Fonck, S.J. + Austria. He wrote on Scripture and the life of Christ, and was the first director of the Biblical Institute in Rome.
- 1934. Response of Fr. General Ledochowski against the abuse of taking off the cassock on mountain trips.
- 1936. Eugenio Pacelli, Secretary of State and future Pope, visits Wernersville Novitiate with Mrs. Brady.
- 1952. Joseph Husslein + St. Louis. Sociologist, and expert on the social encyclicals. He founded the School of Social Service at St. Louis University and served as its Dean from 1930-37.
- 1975. Maria Theresa Ledochowska is beatified by Pope Paul VI. She was the brother of Fr. General Vlodimir, and is called the Mother of Africa because of her missionary concern.

#### October 20

- 1618. John Berchmans, on his way to Rome after first vows, learns that his father, recently ordained a priest, had died. He wrote to his family that it "surprised and pained me very much that you did not take the trouble to inform me of his passing."
- 1763. In a pastoral letter read in all his churches, the Archbishop of Paris expresses his bitter regret at the suppression of the Society in France. He describes it as a veritable calamity for his country.
- 1873. At Rome, all the Society's houses were by royal decree appropriated by the government. Father General, P. Beckx, left the house at an early hour to be spared the trial of appearing before the Giunta Liquidatrice (Commission of Suppression).

1934. Alma College, California, is blessed and dedicated.  
 1945 Jacques Van Ginneken, S.J. + founder of the Grail Movement which he founded in 1921.  
 1997. The opening of Alberto Hurtado University in Chile.

#### October 21

1568. Robert Parsons, later a convert, was elected Fellow of Balliol College, Oxford. He resigned this fellowship in 1574. He accompanied Fr. Campion to England in 1580 and then in exile labored for the Church in his native land.  
 1622. Emmanuel Ortega + in Peru. Missionary in South America and companion of Jose Ancieta.  
 1866. Gerard Manley Hopkins is received into the Roman Catholic Church by Newman.  
 1948. Novitiate is opened in the Belgian Congo.

#### October 22

1642. Charles Raymbault + French missionary, the first to die in Canada. He is buried next to Samuel Champlain.  
 1861. Beaumont Lodge, Old Windsor, the Novitiate of the English Province from 1854-1861, was opened as a College.  
 1870. In France, Garibaldi and his filibusters drove the Jesuits from the Colleges of Dole and Mont Roland.  
 1986. Frances Xavier Weiser, S.J. +. Writer, on liturgy and church feasts. Also wrote a book for youth that sold one million copies, and was translated into forty languages, The Light on the Mountain.

#### October 23

1550. Borgia arrives in Rome with retinue of 20-25, from Gandia.  
 1767. At Santiago, Chile, the members of the Society, kept prisoners in the College since August 26th, were led forth to exile. In all 360 Jesuits of the Chile Province were shipped to Europe as exiles.  
 1767. In Spain an unusual decree was issued by the royal council forbidding prophecies about the return of the Society to Spain.  
 1926. Fr. Felipe Millan, S.J. called the Damien of Cullion leper colony in the Philippines, died. He had also been a Master of Novices.  
 1933. Maurice de la Taille, S.J. + in Paris. He taught theology at the Gregorian and wrote Mysterium Fidei.  
 1944. A NY Times story reports in a dispatch from Stockholm that all

clergy are to be included in the draft except Jesuits, who are "declared unfit to bear arms for Germany."

1958. Raoul Plus, S.J. + spiritual writer.

1988. Joseph McBride, S.J. + promoter of canonization of Blessed Kateri Tekakwitha.

#### October 24

Anthony Claret, bishop. Optional memorial. The Founder of the Claretians. He joined the Society of Jesus as a priest, but left the novitiate four months later for health reasons. He died on this day in 1870 in political exile in France.

1604. At Coimbra died Father Jerome Carvahlo. He gave six hours daily to prayer, and made 100 genuflections a day. Our Lady bade him not to fear Purgatory, as she was the consoler of the afflicted souls there.

1618. John Berchmans sets out from Flanders to Rome as a scholastic. He will reach Rome on December 31st.

1759. 133 Jesuits banished from Portugal are put on shore at Civita Vecchia. They are kindly received by Pope Clement XIII and by religious communities, especially the Dominicans.

1964. The death of Archbishop Aston Ignatius Chicester, S.J. missionary to Rhodesia. He died while attending the Second Vatican Council.

1982. Daniel O'Connell + in Rome. He had been Director of the Vatican Observatory from 1952-70, and President of the Pontifical Academy of Science.

1997. Thomas Anchanikal (A.T. Thomas) disappears in Hazaribag, India, age 46. He was a defender of the dalits (lower caste)

#### October 25

1567. The Arrival in Rome of St. Stanislaus Kostka, where he was admitted into the Society by St. Francis Borgia.

1572. Edmund Daniel is martyred at Cork. He is the first Jesuit martyred in Europe.

1950. Letter of Fr. General Janssens orders some books removed from libraries in houses of formation, including works of DeLubac, Bouillard, Danielou, and deMontcheuil. This is a follow up of Humani Generis.

1970. Edmund Campion is canonized.

1975. P. Louis Dumas, S.J. is killed in Beirut, Lebanon.

1982. Pope John Paul II visits the Gregorian University and attends a symposium on Matteo Ricci. He praises him for his vision and his approach to the people and culture of China.

## October 26

1546. The First Province of the Society is established, the Portuguese Province, with Simao Rodrigues as Provincial.
1554. Princess Juana, the daughter of Charles V, is admitted to the Society in an exceptional way and with the obligation of complete secrecy. She takes vows. She would die as a Jesuit scholastic with her vows.
1556. In Rome the death of Fr. Andrew Frusius. He translated the Spiritual Exercises into Latin, and this was the first book printed by the Society.
1574. A mentally disturbed Jesuit, Gerhard Pesch, murders three Jesuits at the Jesuit College in Cologne. The Rector, minister and one regent.
1644. In Maryland Father Andrew White was seized by some English invaders, carried off prisoner to London, imprisoned, then sentenced to banishment.
1987. Giuseppe Moscati a Neapolitan physician and university professor, friend of Jesuits, who died in 1917, is canonized by Pope John Paul II.

## October 27

1610. The first entrance of the Jesuit Fathers into Canada. This mission was recommended to the Society by King Henry IV of France.
1705. Tirso Gonzalez + 13th General of the Society. He was a Promoter of the missions in China, India, Americas, and in Europe too.
1820. Several members of the Society are condemned by the 20<sup>th</sup> General Congregation of "plotting against the Institute."
1873. Departure of Fr. Beckx, General, from the Gesu, a pathetic scene.
1954. Henri Perrin, an ex-Jesuit worker priest, is killed in an unexplained motorcycle accident.

## October 28

1510. St. Francis Borgia is born.
1550. St. Stanislaus Kostka born on this day and he also received the habit on this day in Rome in 1567. He would die nine months later.
1552. At Rome, the opening of the German College.
1584. Pope Gregory XIII dedicates the Roman College. He is received by Fr. General Acquaviva and the professors, including Bellarmine, Suarez, and Clavius.
1939. President F.D. Roosevelt visits Fordham University.

1940. Joseph J. Williams, S.J. + New England Province, from the Jamaica mission; author, ethnologist, Hebrewisms of West Africa.
1949. Leonard Feeney is dismissed from the Society of Jesus.
1958. Wilfrid Parsons, S.J. +. Founder of Thought magazine and editor of America, 1925-36. He was then Professor at Georgetown University and Catholic University, age 71.

#### October 29

1632. At Alost, in Belgium, the Scholastic, William Assaliers, seeing one of Ours dying and another about to leave the Society, prayed that he might sooner die than lose his vocation. He died within a few days.
1906. Jesuit missionaries are granted faculties to celebrate Mass at sea as long as the time is tranquil.
1931. An Apostolic Letter of Pius XI, Providentissimus Deus proclaims Robert Bellarmine a Doctor of the Church.
1996. Archbishop Christophe Munzihirwa + killed. Archbishop of Bukavu, Zaire. He had been Jesuit Provincial, 1980-86. Age 70. 1996. He had denounced the political and economic exploitation of Rwandan refugees who sought refuge in Kivu.

#### October 30

- Blessed Dominic Collins, martyr. Optional Memorial
1610. At Peking, were celebrated the solemn public obsequies of Father Ricci, who died on May 11<sup>th</sup>.
1638. In the English College, Rome, John Milton, the great poet, dined with the Fathers and students.
1873. At Rome, the Gesu, the Roman College, S. Andrea were occupied by the Government.
1873. Arrival of Father Beckx at San Girolamo, Fiesole.
1985. Fr. Goncalvez Kamtedza, S.J. pastor, aged 55, and Fr. Silvio Moreira, S.J. aged 44, parish priest, are killed by unknown assassins in Mozambique.

#### October 31

1617. Alphonsus Rodriguez, + memorial. Feast Day for Jesuit Brothers.
1602. At Cork, the martyrdom of Blessed Dominic Collins, an Irish lay-brother, who was hanged, drawn, and quartered for his adherence to the faith.
1925. Juan Luis Segundo, S.J. is born. Uruguay, theologian.
1956. Edmund Walsh, S.J. + Educator. Founder and first Director of Georgetown's School of Foreign Service, now named in his honor. Diplomat, adviser to presidents.

- 1962. Louis Massignon, S.J. dies, missiologist, Islamicist.
- 1977. Xavier Society for the Blind, NY, honors Robert I. Gannon for recording the entire Jerusalem Bible on 48 cassettes.
- 1981. Paolo Dezza begins his mission as the Pope's personal delegate in the Society of Jesus.
- 2008. In a letter dated 31 October, Father General announced the appointment of Fr. Anton Witwer, of the Austrian Province, as General Postulator of the Society and President of the Liturgical Commission. He succeeds Father Paolo Molinari, of the Italian Province, who was appointed to that position by Father General Janssens on July 31, 1957.
- 2014. Decree on the Union of the New England and New York Provinces.

#### November 1

- 1567. Pius V publishes an instruction forbidding bullfighting, supported and recommended by Francis Borgia. But this ban was lifted by the next Pope in 1585.
- 1573. The first college of the Society opens in New Spain (Mexico) Sts. Peter and Paul.
- 1700. The civil provincial assembly of New York and Maryland prohibits Jesuits and other ecclesiastics from exercising religious practices in their domains.
- 1893. The Mission of Jamaica is transferred from England to Maryland/New York. The Mission of British Honduras is transferred from England to Missouri.
- 1945. Rupert Mayer, S.J. + (his feast is Nov 3, Blessed). He was in the pulpit celebrating Mass on the Feast of All Saints in St. Michael's Church Munich, when he collapsed. He had been arrested, imprisoned for speaking out against Hitler. The Apostle of Munich.
- 1956. The Society of Jesus is allowed legal existence in Norway.

#### November 2

- 1578. In the Roman College, Father Francis Suarez began to give lectures in theology. Pope Gregory XIII came to hear them.
- 1585. Aloysius Gonzaga renounces his family heritage and inheritance at the family palace in Mantua at the age of 17 and joins the Society three weeks later.
- 1661. The death of Brother Daniel Seghers, S.J. He was a famous Flemish painter of insects and flowers. He was a pupil of Brueghel and a friend of Rubens.
- 1769. Jesuits expelled from the Marianas including Guam. They had extensive



land holdings, which went to Augustinians.

1887. John Bapst, S.J. + Missionary, and first President of Boston College 1864-69. He was Superior of the Canada/NY Mission 1869-73. He had been tarred and feathered in 1854 in Maine.
1928. Francis Finn +. He was a world renowned “juvenile author,” with 27 books, many of them translated into several languages. Some scenes and characters came from St. Mary’s College, Kansas.
1971. Georg Otto Schurhammer, S.J. + Biographer of Xavier. A missionary in India, he became ill before ordination, and promised to write a life of Xavier if he recovered. He did in four large volumes. It was a life long task.

### November 3

Blessed Rupert Mayer, S.J., Priest, optional memorial.

1546. Lucrezia di Brandine and Francesca Cruyllas are released from their Jesuit vows.
1593. 5th General Congregation opens. This is the first to be summoned while a General was still alive, summoned at the order of Pope Clement VIII.
1614. The vessel which was bringing the right arm of Xavier to Rome miraculously escaped capture by Dutch pirates. The arm had been severed from the body at Goa by Father Acquaviva's order.
1939. Herbert Thurston, S.J. dies. Writer, author on saints, on possessions, religious phenomena , spiritualists. Member of the English Province.

### November 4

Charles Borromeo, bishop Memorial. He died on this day in 1584 in Milan in the arms of his Jesuit confessor, Fr. Adorno Benfacta + 1584. He said his second Mass in the rooms of St. Ignatius. He gave St. Aloysius his first communion.

1547. By his bull Copiosus in Misericordia Pope Paul III erects the College in Gandia as a University. It was founded by Francis Borgia and is the first College of the Society.
1768. On the feast of St. Charles, patron of Charles III, King of Spain, the people of Madrid asked for the recall of the Jesuits who had been banished from Spain 19 months earlier. Irritated by this demand, the King drove the Archbishop of Toledo and his Vicar General into exile as instigators of the movement.
1920. Joseph Fitzmyer, S.J. is born. Scripture scholar.
1927. Transfer of the Curia to its new quarters at Borgo Santo Spirito 5.
1985. The death of Morton Hill, S.J. He was the founder of Morality in Media. President Reagan sends a sympathy note and tribute to him

for his funeral.

1988. In Lithuania, over 300 people welcome Fr. Sigitas Tamkevicius on his release after five years in prison.
2009. The death of Thomas O'Malley, S.J. He had been Provincial of New Orleans, an historian, author of "The Conversational Word of God."

#### November 5

All Saints and Blesseds of the Society of Jesus. Feast. Formerly, the Feast of the Holy Relics.

1605. Guy Fawkes Day. The Gunpowder Plot is revealed to the Government as a Popish plot, and the Jesuits allegedly involved.
1615. Opening of the Seventh General Congregation. Among the decrees were the following: that the Society is not bound to contribute to the support of those dismissed; that the biretta is not to be allowed to lay brothers.
1643. Isaac Jogues sails from Manhattan for Europe.
1660. In Persia died Father Alexander de Rhodes, the first missionary to penetrate into the Kingdoms of Tonkin and Siam (Vietnam) in the year 1627.
1796. In Russia, the death of Empress Catherine the Great, protectress of the Society. She reigned for 34 years.
1877. Regis University, then known as Las Vegas College, was established in Las Vegas, New Mexico.
1873. At Rome the furniture of the Gesu Professed House was sold by auction. The only bidders were Jews from the Ghetto.

#### November 6

1789. John Carroll is appointed first bishop of Baltimore, 1789, the diocese of Baltimore is erected by Pius VI. He is consecrated at Lulworth Castle on August 15, 1790. Ex-Jesuit because of the Suppression.
1857. Birth of Jon Sveinsson Nonni, S.J. Born in Iceland, he lived his childhood there, and then lived in Denmark, and France. His stories of childhood in Iceland have been translated into forty languages.
1916. The first lecture at the Fordham School of Sociology and Social Service is given by Terence Shealy, S.J., in the Woolworth Building.
1922. Hieronymus Noldin, S.J. +, age 85. He wrote a Handbook of Moral Theology, and Theologia Moralis.
1982. Pope John Paul II visits the Santa Casa of Loyola, the first such visit by a Pope. He also visits Xavier's castle.
1986. Neil Twombly, S.J. +. Advocate of social justice, and editor of The Blueprint of the South.
2006. Waldyr dos Santos, S.J. and lay missionary Idalina Gomes murdered in

Mozambique by bandits – two others wounded.

November 7

1657. At Genoa died Father Augustine Centurione, who before entering the Society had been Doge of the Republic. His father, mother, brothers, sisters, sons and daughters all became Religious.
1717. Blessed Anthony Balducci +. For twenty years he was an itinerant preacher to the inhabitants of the Italian countryside near Rome, averaging twenty-two missions a year.
1893. Constantine Lievens, S.J. + at Louvain, Belgium. He is called the greatest missionary of the Restored Society. He was a missionary to India in the 1880 after his novitiate, and performed 25,000 baptisms. He was a defender of the poor.
1921. St. Stanislaus College, a Jesuit novitiate in Macon, Georgia, is destroyed by fire. The four story building had been built in 1873, originally as a diocesan seminary.
1981. Will Durant, historian dies, Aged 91. He was reconciled with the Church before his death. Jesuit alumnus.
1983. Michael Montague, S.J. + Chicago. Professor of philosophy and theology. He was an idea, thing, and people person.

November 8

1561. In Ethiopia, Fathers Rodriguez and Elianus were maltreated by the people of Memphis at the instigation of the Copt schismatics.
1769. In Spain, Charles III orders all Jesuit goods to be sold and demands that newly elected Pope Clement XIV suppress the Society.
1974. Karl Rahner, S.J. and Bernard Lonergan, S.J. are the only two to receive honorary degrees at the University of Chicago at a special convocation of the University. This is the climax of one month long medieval celebration of the 700th anniversary of the deaths of Aquinas and Bonaventure.

November 9

1656. At Madrid died Father John de Guadarrama, a man of prayer and mortification... It is said that during prayer a fragrant odor was often perceived to exhale from him.
1934. Alma College is legally incorporated, accredited as the Divinity School of Santa Clara University.
1954. Fr. General Janssens issues revised instruction on norms for buildings

of the Society.

1955. Alfred Barrett + writer, playwright, poet. Oversaw the English version of the movie on Loyola, "The Soldier Saint." He taught in the Communications Department at Fordham University.
1970. Charles de Gaulle dies. Jesuit alumnus.

#### November 10

1549. Pope Paul III + To him the Society owes its first constitution as a religious order, the Formula of the Institute, approved on 27 September, 1540.
1551. Xavier ends his two year mission in Japan.
1569. Fr. Sforza Pallavicini, historian of the Council of Trent, was despite his attempts to escape the office, made a cardinal by Pope Alexander VII.
1619. Descartes has a dream/vision/insight into a unitary universal science. Jesuit educated.

#### November 11

1590. Father Robert Bellarmine was appointed by Gregory XIV to supervise the revision of the Vulgate, a work begun by Sixtus V.
1614. The arm of Xavier brought from Goa to Rome, was received in the Eternal City with extraordinary solemnity.
1616. At Paris died Fr. John Gontery. He was very dull as a scholastic, but imploring Our Lady's help he became a powerful defender of the Church against Calvinists.
1649. In the Philippines, Father Vincent Damiani, a devoted worker in the Lord's vineyard, was run through with a spear out of hatred of the faith.
1982. Robert Gleason, S.J. + Fordham University, theologian, Grace.

#### November 12

1606. In the tower of London, Nicholas Owen ("Little John,") was tortured to death on the rack. After death, a hair-shirt was found on his body.
1615. At Rome Father Fabius de Fabii, one of the ancient family of the Fabii, had a painful death, having been gored by a savage bull on the way to St. Paul's. He would not seek a miracle from St. Francis Xavier, whose arm had recently been brought to Rome, but preferred to resign himself to God's holy will. He had been Master of Novices, Provincial, and Assistant.
1914. E. Schillebeeckx is born. Theologian. His brother, a Jesuit, was a Provincial in India.
1919. Instruction of Father General Ledochowski on typewriters, Usus

machinae dactylographicae. They would be allowed for offices, not for persons, and should not be carried from one house to another.

1982. Vincent O'Keefe, General Assistant to Fr. Arrupe, received the Xavier Award at the 40<sup>th</sup> annual dinner.
1989. Raymond Adams, S.J. + Anthropologist, superior, teacher. He was murdered in Cape Coast, Ghana by one he was trying to help.

#### November 13

St. Stanislaus Kostka, religious, Memorial.

1607. Paul Kostka, brother of St. Stanislaus, + in Poland. He had sought admission to the Society. Father General Acquaviva had given him leave to enter, but he died while making his preparations.
1806. The first novitiate in North America is opened. In Maryland Robert Molyneux, Superior, makes his solemn profession to Bishop John Carroll who was empowered by Fr. General Gruber to receive the profession.
1855. Bishop James Oliver Van de Velde, S.J. + Natchez, Miss. A Missiouri Province Jesuit, he was President of St. Louis University and the second bishop of Chicago from 1848-53.
1950. Students move into the new site of Boston College High.
1988. Pope John Paul II prays at the tomb of Stanislaus Kostka, saying that "as a student at the Belgian College, nearly every day I came to pray to St. Stanislaus..."

#### November 14

St. Joseph Pignatelli, priest. Memorial.

1598. At Ferrara died Fr. Benedict Palmio. Great esteemed as a preacher, he was the first Jesuit to be appointed by the Pope as preacher at the Vatican.
1832. Charles Carroll of Carrolltown +. He was the first to sign the Declaration of Independence and the last surviving signer. Jesuit alumnus.
1907. Pedro Arrupe B
1910. John LaFarge + Artist and writer. He is the Father of Jesuit John LaFarge.
1956. Moorhouse I.X. Millar, S.J. + Educator, writer on Church-State. He taught Political Philosophy at Fordham University.
1980. The Jesuit Refugee Service is established by Fr. General Pedro Arrupe.
1983. Fr. General decrees that all Independent Vice-Provinces become Provinces.
- 2013 Letter of Fr. Nicolas to commemorate the second century anniversary of the Restoration of the Society

2013 Pope Francis canonized Saint Peter Faber, one of the first companions who founded the Society of Jesus with St Ignatius of Loyola and St Francis Xavier Equipollent canonization. A letter of Fr. General on this occasion.

#### November 15

1536. The nine first companions leave Paris together to go to Venice to meet St. Ignatius there. A 50 day journey.
1628. St. Roch Gonzalez, S.J. an American Indian. is martyred, in Uruguay, with Alphonsus Rodriguez, S.J. He is one of the architects of the Jesuit Reductions in Uruguay and Paraguay. His feast is November 16<sup>th</sup>.
1811. In Rome, the death of Joseph Pignatelli, a Spaniard of noble birth, a golden link between the Old and New Society. He died three years before the Restoration.
1856. Herbert Thurston is born. Prolific author on saints and spiritualists and spirituality..
1948. Louis Twomey inaugurates Christ's Blueprint for the South, intended originally for social consciousness raising among Jesuits.

#### November 16

- St. Roch Gonzalez, John del Castillo and Alphonsus Rodriguez, priests and martyrs, Memorial.
- Old Jesuit Martyrology - Bl. Paul Navarro and companions.
1857. Jon Svennson, S.J. is born. He wrote children's stories about Iceland, and has been translated into forty languages. A native of Iceland, he wrote in German.
1889. Josef Jungmann, S.J. is born. History of Liturgy.
1968. Cardinal Bea, S.J. + Scripture Scholar, ecumenist. He was Confessor of Pius XI and Pius XII and created a Cardinal in 1959. He was appointed to head Secretariat for Promoting Christian Unity at the age of 79.
1989. Six Jesuit priests, and two co-workers martyred by government backed troops in San Salvador, in an attempt to destroy the University of Central America. Ignacio Ellacuria and Ignacio Martin-Baro are among the dead.

#### November 17

1759. The Bishop of Rio de Janeiro accused the Jesuits of concealing relics and other church treasures belonging to their suppressed churches. All who had knowledge of the matter and refused to disclose it, were

to be excommunicated.

1769. On the river La Plata, Father Benasser and two scholastics who were being led prisoners from Montevideo to Buenos Aires, were accidentally drowned.
1913. Marc Barthelemy S.J. +. He was a missionary to South Africa and the founder of St. George's College. In his honor was a very well attended funeral in Bulawayo, Zimbabwe.
1938. St. Roque Gonzalez and his companions are designated as the patron saints of the Latin American Assistancy by Fr. General.
1982. William Byron is installed as the 12<sup>th</sup> President of the Catholic University of America.
- 2011 Fr. General announces the eventual introduction of the cause of Fr. Arrupe

#### November 18

1538. Pope Paul III caused the Governor of Rome to publish the verdict proclaiming the complete innocence of Ignatius and his companions of all heresy.
1674. In Paris the death of Fr. Charles Lallemand, the second founder of the Missions in New France.
1755. The opening of the 18<sup>th</sup> General Congregation. Centurione is elected.
1960. The first edition of the Jesuit Yearbook appears.

#### November 19

1526. At Alcala the examination of St. Ignatius before the Inquisition begins, concerning the novelty of his mode of life and his teaching.
1587. The second translation of the body of St. Ignatius. It is moved to the floor of the sanctuary of the Gesu and remains there for 35 years.
1775. At Rome, Fr. Lorenzo Ricci, imprisoned in Castel Sant'Angelo, five days before his death there read a solemn public protestation of the Society's innocence of the crimes imputed to it at the Suppression.
1830. Pierre Cazelles, S.J. is named first superior of the French Jesuit mission in Canada. He sails from Bordeaux.
1910. The oath against modernism is taken at the Curia.
1982. Edward J. Dunne, S.J. dies. Writer, Jesuits in China.

#### November 20

1581. The Spanish Jesuit, Diego Borasso +. "The Philosopher." His class was attended by 500 scholars. At the command of his superior he went and caught a sparrow that sat perched on a bench.

1864. In St. Peter's in Rome, the beatification of Peter Canisius by Pope Pius X.
1968. 28 Al Hikma University Jesuits are ordered to leave Baghdad in five days. Nine months later the remaining 33 Jesuits are expelled from Baghdad College.
1976. Martin D'Arcy, S.J. + 88 years old. Wrote about art and love.
2006. Dr. Angelo D'Agostino, S.J. dies, age 80, in Nairobi. Founder of Nyumbani, pioneer home for children with AIDS. Psychiatrist, priest.

#### November 21

1552. At Rome, the arrival of the first students at the German College, one of the foundations especially dear to St. Ignatius.
1694. Voltaire is born. Paris. His family name was Francois Marie Arouet. He was educated by the Jesuits at the College of Louis-le-Grand, Paris. He wrote wit and satires, including *Candide*.
1858. The Collegio Pio Latino Americano opens in Rome. It has trained over 23 cardinals and 340 bishops.
1921. Francis Aloysius Barnum + Alaskan missionary. He wrote a dictionary and grammar. He set up Georgetown University's archaeological museum.

#### November 22

1633. Frs. Andrew White and Altham leave England to found the mission of Maryland.
1729. Aloysius Gonzaga is declared patron of all students throughout the Catholic world.
1791. Georgetown Academy opens. Its first student, aged 12, is the first student taught by Jesuits in the USA.
1922. Fire destroys the Jesuit College of St. Boniface, in Manitoba. Nine students and one Jesuit brother die.
1943. Pietro Alessandro Yon +. Organist, composer (*Jesu Bambino*) served at Xavier Jesuit parish, NYC, and St. Patrick's and other churches.
1987. Roger Filcock and Robert Middleton are among the 85 martyrs declared blessed by Pope John Paul II. Both were hung, drawn, and quartered in England in 1601.
1996. Robert Harvanek, S.J. + age 79, ex-Provincial of Chicago, philosopher.

#### November 23



- Blessed Miguel Augustin Pro, S.J. priest and martyr: optional memorial in the USA. Assassinated in Mexico on this day 1927 by leaders of the persecution of the Church in Mexico. "Viva Christo Rey." He was 36 and ordained two years.
1654. Blaise Pascal has an experience that changed his life. A God of Abraham, God of Isaac, God of Jacob, not the God of the philosophers and scholars... God of Jesus Christ.. Surrender to Jesus Christ.
1545. At Rome the entrance into the Society of Father Jerome Nadal, whom St. Ignatius had known as a student at Paris.
1585. The arrival in Rome of St. Aloysius Gonzaga, with letters from his father, to Pope Sixtus V and to Fr. General Acquaviva. He entered the novitiate on November 25.
1979. Edwin Cuffe, S.J. + Juniorate Professor at St. Andrew on Hudson, NY.
1983. The national police occupy the Central American University (El Salvador) and spend 11 hours examining every book in the library.
- 2013 Decree of Fr. General on the Union of the Missouri and New Orleans Provinces – to create the Central and Southern. Province of the United States.

#### November 24

1665. Simon Le Moyne, S.J. + in Canada.
1678. Claude La Colombiere is arrested for treason.
1775. Laurence Ricci + in Castel S. Angelo. He was the 18th and last General of the Old Society. He was imprisoned for over two years, and not allowed to write or to celebrate Mass.
1938. Genevieve Brady Macaulay + Philanthropist. She was a major benefactress to Wernersville and Innisfada.
1963. John LaFarge, S.J. + writer. He was a pioneer advocate of racial justice in the US.
1985. Opening of the Synod on the Second Vatican Council. 44 Jesuits participate; 10 members, 7 experts, 13 journalists, and 14 translators.
2009. The death of Cecil McGarry, S.J. Provincial of the Irish Province, Formation Assistant for Fr. Arrupe, Dean and Rector of Hekima College, Nairobi, and then Retreat work, especially with women congregations in Kenya.
- 2016 Decrees of General Congregation 36 promulgated

#### November 25

St Catherine of Alexandria, 3-4th Century. Traditionally she has been the patron saint of Jesuit scholastics studying philosophy. Also patroness of librarians. Optional Memorial.

1549. At Palermo a College of the Society was opened in the presence of the Court. Father Laynez pronounced a splendid oration on “the alliance of science with religion.”
1551. In Spain, the opening of the College of Cordova, founded by Father Anthony Cordova and his brother John.
1584. At Rome, the solemn consecration of the magnificent Church of the Gesu, built for the Society by Cardinal Alexander Farnese.
1585. Aloysius Gonzaga enters the novitiate of Sant Andrea, Rome.
1602. In England, Queen Elizabeth’s last decree against Jesuits and seminary priests.
1775. In Rome, the funeral obsequies of Father General Laurence Ricci, in the Church of S. Giovanni die Fiorentini. He was buried in the Gesu at midnight, only four or five Fathers being present.
1984. Philip Hurlay, S.J. + He was a strong advocate of civil rights and justice for the poor, of the New York Province.

#### November 26

St. John Berchmans, religious, Memorial.

1678. In London the arrest and imprisonment of Claude la Colombiere. He was released after five weeks and banished.
1681. At Rome, the death of Fr. John Paul Oliva, the eleventh general of the Society. He was a widely admired preacher.
1764. The Jesuits in France were suppressed by the Bourbons.
1921. A Letter of Fr. General Ledochowski is issued on religious modesty after the example of John Berchmans.
1930. The Rocky Mountain Mission, based in Spokane, is erected.
1984. Bernard Lonergan, S.J. +. Philosopher and Theologian.

#### November 27

Old Jesuit Martyrology. Bl. Leonard Kamura and five companions.

1617. The death of Mathias de la Saulx, a Belgian lay brother. Being tempted to desire the priesthood, he thought of leaving the Society, but was threatened by St. Ignatius. He died a martyr of charity.
1680. Athanasius Kircher + A universal genius, but especially a leader in science and archeology. As a scholastic he was dull and sickly, but being carried to our Lady's altar, he was suddenly cured and endowed with extraordinary talent. He invented the magic lantern and developed the mercury thermometer. Cecil B. deMille said that “the real pioneer of movies is a Jesuit - Kircher - who invented the magic lantern in the 17<sup>th</sup> century.”
1911. Louis Billot, S.J. was made a cardinal. He was a theologian, and

professor. He would crown Pius XI with papal tiara. In 1927 he resigned from the College of Cardinals.

1988. In Madagascar, Fr. Philibert Randriambololona, S.J. is ordained Coadjutor Bishop. Twice Provincial, he was also Fr. General's Assistant for Africa and Madagascar.
2016. Death of Fr. Kolvenbach, Retired General. Letter of Fr. General on this.

#### November 28

1629. At Nagasaki, Blessed Leonard Kimura, Japanese lay brother, died a glorious martyr by fire.
1680. Gian Lorenzo Bernini, sculptor, architect, +. He was a friend and benefactor of the Society. San Andrea Quirinale was his favorite creation
1759. Twenty Fathers and 192 Scholastics set sail from the Tagus for exile. Two were to die on the voyage to Genoa and Civitavecchia.
1855. John Baptist Hus is appointed superior of the New York Canada Mission.
1942. Coconut Grove Fire. 500 friends and alumni/ae of Holy Cross and Boston College perish.
1954. Fr. Martin Scott, S.J. + age 89. Writer, apologist, Answer Wisely. He wrote more than 25 books.
1980. Clement Armitage, S.J. He worked at Jesuit Mission magazine from 1947-1980.
1984. Fr. Joseph Pittau, General Counselor, received Japan's highest honor, the Order of the Rising Sun, for his contribution to education.

#### November 29

1572. On the death of St. Pius V, Gregory XIII ascended the Papal throne and abolished the choir imposed on the Society by his predecessor, as well as other changes made in the Institute.
1694. At Rome, the death of Father Paul Segneri the elder, preacher at the Vatican, celebrated for his eloquence, his missionary labors and apostolic spirit.
1773. The Jesuits of White Russia request the Empress Catherine to allow the Brief of Suppression to be published. She bids them lay aside their scruples, promising to obtain the Papal sanction for their remaining in statu quo.

#### November 30

1642. The birth of Br. Andrea Pozzo at Trent, who was called to Rome in

1681 to paint the flat ceiling of the Church of St. Ignatius so that it would look as though there were a dome above. There had been a plan for a dome but there was no money to build it. His work is still on view.

1761. Father General Laurence Ricci ordered the Litany of Loretto to be added daily to the Litany of the Saints, because of the calamities threatening the Society.
1928. Peter-Hans Kolvenbach, S.J. is born. 28<sup>th</sup> Superior General.
1948. John J. Wynne, S.J. +. He was the Founder and First Editor of America magazine, 1909-10. Also editor of the Catholic Encyclopedia and vice postulator for the North American Martyrs.
2005. George McMahon, S.J. dies. Father of Fordham – dean, teacher, friend.

#### December 1

- Sts. Edmund Campion and Robert Southwell (age 33), priests, and their companions, martyrs, including Margaret Clitheroe, 10 Jesuit saints and 18 Jesuit blessed. Memorial.
- On this day, at Tyburn, in London, are martyred, Campion, aged 41 and Alexander Briant, aged 27.
1551. Letter of St. Ignatius encourages the inauguration of colleges.
1554. The theological faculty of the University of Paris condemns the Society of Jesus in a ringing public declaration, calling it “a danger to the family, a disturber of the peace of the Church, destructive of monastic life, and destined to cause harm rather than education.”
1764. Louis XV declares that the Society of Jesus ceases to exist in France.
1916. Blessed Charles de Foucauld, inspired the founding of the Little Brothers of Jesus. He was assassinated by a jihadist of the Senussi sufi order at the door of his retreat in the Algerian Sahara. Jesuit Alumnus.
1973. Brother Alfredo Perez Lobato, S.J. aged 36, is machine gunned to death in Chad.
1974. The 32<sup>nd</sup> General Congregation opens. It stress a faith that does justice, and the unity of hearts and minds.
1987. Fr. George Ruggieri, S.J. +. A marine biologist, he served as director of the NY City Aquarium and Osborne Laboratories from 1976 until his death.

#### December 2

1552. Francis Xavier + on the island of Sancian, off the coast of China. He is said to have converted more than 1,200,000 in India. He died on this day or early on December 3<sup>rd</sup>.

1559. At Rome in the conclave soon after the death of Pope Paul IV, several of the Cardinals wished to elect Father James Laynez.
1580. At Berne, Peter Canisius and Robert Adreno, who were accompanying the Apostolic Legate to Germany, were hissed by the Calvinists and pelted with Snowballs and mud.
1814. Marquis de Sade dies in a mental asylum near Paris, age 74. Jesuit Alumnus.
1912. Maurice Meschler, S.J. +. He was an ascetical writer as well as provincial, novice director, tertian instructor, and assistant in Rome.
1983. Piet Fransen, S.J. +. A theologian, he wrote especially on the theology of grace.

#### December 3

Francis Xavier, priest Feast The Patron of the Missions.

1563. At the Council of Trent, the Institute of the Society was approved by the assembled Fathers.
1815. Archbishop John Carroll + in Baltimore. He was the first American bishop in the USA and the greatest churchman of the American Catholic Church. Ex-Jesuit because of the Suppression.
1833. A Letter of Fr. Roothaan on desire for the missions.
1844. Francis X. Gautrelet, S.J. speaks to scholastics at the house of studies in France and founds the Apostleship of Prayer.
1847. Shouts "Death to the Jesuits" are heard outside St. Ignatius Church, Rome, at the news of the Protestant electoral victory in Switzerland.
1863. The Missouri Vice-Province is erected into a Province. It had become a mission in 1831, attached to the Belgian Province in 1836 and created a vice-province in 1840.
1928. The Mission of Jamaica is assigned to the New England Province.
1931. The Historical Institute of the Society is opened in Rome.
1953. Francis X. Talbot +. He was editor of America magazine from 1936-44. He launched the Catholic book Club and Thought magazine, and wrote Saint Among Savages, and Saint Among the Hurons.
1957. The Vice Province of Central Africa is erected.
1978. The five Italian Jesuit provinces are reduced to one, due to declining numbers.
2012. New Proper Liturgical Calendar of the Society of Jesus is published

#### December 4

1674. Pere Marquette, S.J. erects a mission on shores of Lake Michigan, which place later becomes the city of Chicago.
1848. Two Jesuits land in Australia and begin our work there: Fr.Kranewitter and his companion.

1870. The Roman College, appropriated by the Piedmontese government that had invaded Rome, was reopened as a state Liceo. The monogram of the Society over the main entrance was effaced.
1984. Fr. Fernando Cardenal, the Nicaraguan Minister of Education, receives the document dismissing him from Society of Jesus. He will re-enter the Society in 1996.
1989. John Magan, S.J. +. He was a founder of the youth or high school retreat ministry at Gonzaga Retreat House, Monroe, NY. In his later years he was a missionary in Zimbabwe, and then a counselor for those addicted to drugs.

#### December 5

1551. The Italian Province is constituted. Paschal Broet is named Provincial. It is the fourth province of the Society, after Portugal, Spain, and India.
1584. Gregory XIII issues a bull Omnipotentis Dei establishing the Sodality of the Roman College as the first sodality in the world (Primaria) and places all sodalities under Fr. General. The Sodality of the Roman College had begun in 1564.
1590. Brother Daniel Seghers, S.J. is born. He is a famous Flemish painter of insects and flowers.
1649. Noel Chabanel, S.J. is martyred at the hands of an Indian renegade.
1906. Novices at Jesuit Novitiate, St. Andrew on Hudson, NY, are granted permission to receive Communion daily. This was a breakthrough due to the letters of Pius X.
1967. John Hurley, S.J. +. He had been a missionary, superior, and imprisoned in the Philippines.
1979. John Paul II visits the Gregorian University and the Biblical Institute.

#### December 6

1618. In Naples, the Jesuits were blamed for proposing to the Viceroy that a solemn feast should be held in honor of the Immaculate Conception, and a public pledge be taken to defend that doctrine. This was regarded as a novelty not to be encouraged.
1658. Balthasar Gracian, S.J. +. Author of The Compleat Gentleman, The Art of Worldly Wisdom. This is a guide to the ethics of worldly life. He was banished from one of our colleges. He wrote, for example, that one should so trust friends as if tomorrow they could be fiends, etc.
1757. In Paris Father Busebaum's Medulla Theologiae Moralis was publicly burned by order of Parliament, on the ground (false) that it favored tyrannicide.
1875. Wreck of the Deutschland. Five Franciscan sisters are drowned and it

inspires Hopkins to immortalize them in poetry.

1921. I.A. Cullen, S.J. + He was the founder of the Pioneers, The Total Abstinence Society of the Sacred Heart.

#### December 7

1549. At Rome the death of Fr. Peter Codazzo, the first Italian to join the Society and the man who gave to Ignatius the church and property of Santa Maria della Strada.
1551. Lainez discourses at the Council of Trent on the Mass as a sacrifice.
1598. Gian Lorenzo Bernini is born. Sculptor, architect, painter, he designed the colonnade of St. Peter's, and was a friend and benefactor of the Society of Jesus.
1649. Charles Garnier, S.J. + at the hands of the Iroquois.
1688. At Rome died Father Honoratus de Fabri, grand penitentiary, and a great scientist. He taught the circulation of the blood before Harvey's book was published.
1985. Gabriel Barakana, in Burundi, is sentenced with some laypersons to four years in prison for opposition to the government.
1992. Pater Leppich dies. Famed preacher – “Pater Leppich Spricht.”

#### December 8

1649. Noel Chabanel + a martyr. He led a harsh life as a missionary, persevering despite language/cultural difficulties. He dies at the hands of a renegade Huron.
1661. At Watten, the death of Father Henry More, a grandson of St. Thomas More. He had been Provincial.
1751. Jean Pierre Caussade, S.J. +. He is the supposed author of the famous Abandonment to Divine Providence.
1848. Two Austrian Jesuits arrive in Australia to begin our work there.
1860. The Irish Province was erected by Father Beckx, and the Australian Mission annexed to it.
1872. The first Mass is celebrated by the Jesuits at St. Joseph's Church on Ward Island, New York City.
1932. A Letter of Fr. General Ledochowski to the Provincials of Italy on the Missa Recitata and the liturgical movement.
1937. New Custom Book of the American Assistency is promulgated.
1980. Lorenzo Uribe + in Columbia. He was a famed botanist.
1984. Walter Ciszek, S.J. +. He is the author of With God in Russia, and He Leadeth Me. He was in a Russian detention camp from 1939 to 1963, and was officially declared dead in 1947.
1986. Publication of the document, "The Characteristics of Jesuit Education."

1987. John Paul II is the first Pope to visit the Oriental Institute in Rome. He exhorts the faculty and students to be "strong oarsmen" in the Bark of Peter."
2014. Convocation of General Congregation 36, and will involve the Resignation of Fr. General.
2016. Union of Chicago-Detroit and Wisconsin Provinces  
Union of California and Oregon Provinces

#### December 9

1681. At Manila died Father Francis Calderon, for thirty years a missionary in Japan, so poor that he had not a breviary of his own.
1741. At Paris the death of Father Charles Poree, a famous master of Rhetoric. Nineteen of his pupils were admitted into the French Academy, among them being Voltaire, who, in spite of his impiety, always felt an affectionate regard for his old master.
1808. Robert Molyneux, S.J. +. He was a member of the restored Society in the USA.
1886. The beatification of Edmund Campion and Companions by Leo XIII.
1951. The Russian Center at Fordham University opens.
1998. The death of Yves Raguin. He founded the Taipei Ricci Institute in the year 1966 and directed it until 1996. Expert on Chinese religion and spirituality.

#### December 10

- At Loretto in Piceno, the Translation of the Holy House of Mary the Mother of God, wherein the Word was made flesh. Pope Benedict XV declared the same Blessed Virgin Mary, under the title of Loretto, to be the chief Patroness before God of all airmen. RM (This is also a traditional privileged feast of the Society of Jesus because we had been assigned as penitentiaries to this sanctuary.)
1548. The General of the Dominicans wrote in defense of the Society of Jesus on seeing it attacked in Spain by the great Dominican theologian, Melchior Cano, and others.
1828. New York State law protects the seal of confession, as a result of the case and trial involving Fr. Anton Kohlmann, S.J.
1882. First publication of the Analecta Bollandiana, critical studies of the saints.
1984. Fernando Cardenal is expelled from the Society, to continue his work as Minister of Education in Nicaragua. He will re-enter the Society in 1996.
1984. Bishop Desmond Tutu receives the Nobel Peace Prize.
1999. Marcel Matungulu Otene, S.J. dies, age 53. He was the African Assistant and had been provincial of PAC.
2005. Sosoliso plane disaster. 60 students of Loyola Jesuit College perish, on way home for Christmas holidays in Port Harcourt, Nigeria.



## December 11

1652. In Paris Denis Petau (Petavius) +, one of the most important theologians in the areas of positive theology, patristics, and the development of doctrine.
1886. At Rome the death of Cardinal John Bapt. Franzelin a renowned theologian.
1944. The death of Joseph Marechal, influential philosopher and writer on psychology.
1988. Donald Campion, S.J. +. sociologist. He was the editor of America magazine from 1968-75 and later director of the Press Office at the Curia.
1991. Ernest Burrus, S.J. +. He wrote 50 books on Jesuit History, especially that of the Southwest USA.

## December 12

1558. A letter of Fr. General Lainez to the Society in India on the religious vocation and perfection.
1661. In the College of Clermont, Paris, Fr. James Caret publicly defended the doctrine of papal infallibility, causing great excitement among the Gallicans and Jansenists.
1686. Carlos de Noyelle, the 12th General, +. He fought against the Jansenists.
1960. John Courtney Murray, S.J., makes the cover of Time magazine, in a cover story on Church and state issues.
1965. The death of Andre D'Alverny in Lebanon. He was a much loved and admired expert and teacher of Arabic at his center for Arabic studies. His coffin was reopened so Scouts could see him and place a scout scarf about his neck.
2008. Cardinal Avery Dulles, S.J. dies in NY, age 90. Church theologian, writer, convert, teacher, son of John Foster Dulles. Models of the Church, etc.

## December 13

1545. The Council of Trent opens. Five Cardinals and 31 Bishops are present. Fathers Laynez and Salmeron are present as Papal theologians and Father Claude Le Jay as theologian of Cardinal Otto Truchsess. Martin Luther dies two months after the Council opens.
1637. The death of Father William Fleck. On June 21st, 1632 he was miraculously cured of calculus by St. Aloysius. (Calculus is Latin for

stones.)

- 1901. Paolo Dezza, S.J. is born. He attends six General Congregations and was Vicar General in 1983 and later created a Cardinal.
- 1922. A response of Fr. Ledochowski expresses caution on the use of motion pictures in a college. They should be seldom, and should be previewed, because they might strain and irritate the nerves of young people.
- 1942. Fr. General Vladimir Ledochowski + in Rome, aged 76. During his tenure, the Society grew from 26 to 50 provinces; membership grew from 16,946 to 26,588, and those on missions from 971 to 3785.
- 1997. Fr. Thomas Gafney, age 65, is murdered in Nepal on this night. He was engaged in social ministries, including ministry to those addicted to drugs. A missionary from Cleveland.

#### December 14

- 1615. At Rome died Father Peter Anthony Spinelli, of a ducal family... For eighteen years he wore an old ragged inner vest.
- 1619. In Japan the arrest and consignment to a loathsome prison at Omura of Blessed Charles Spinola.
- 1959. Pope John XXIII makes Augustine Bea, Scripture scholar, a Cardinal.
- 1979. Fr. Riccardo Lombardi, S.J. died, age 71. He was the Founder of the Better World Movement, and a famous preacher, "the microphone of God."

#### December 15

- 1631. At Naples, during an earthquake and eruption of Vesuvius, the Jesuit Fathers displayed heroic charity. In gratitude several colleges were opened.
- 1904. In Louvain, Fr. Louis de San +. He was a great theologian of the restored Society.
- 1979. Pope John Paul II makes a special visit to the Gregorian University. Two weeks later, the Rector, Fr. Martini is appointed Archbishop of Milan.
- 1994. Joseph Donceel + at Fordham University. Belgian born, he was a disciple of Marechal and wrote on philosophical psychology.
- 1998. Leo O'Donovan, President of Georgetown U. receives Germany's Knight Commander's Cross of the Order of Merit, for fostering relationships between Germany and the US.

#### December 16

- 1624. At Rome died Fr. Francis Sacchini, an early historian and secretary of

- the Society. He never wasted a moment of time. Pointing to an aged muleteer he said: "That is my father."
1643. Michael Le Tellier is born. He was a Provincial and a confessor to Louis XIV, and an enemy of the Jansenists.
1657. Return from Canada to France of Father Anthony Poncet, horribly maimed. and mutilated by the Iroquois Indians.
1935. Pietro Boetto is made a cardinal. He had been provincial, Procurator General, and Assistant for Italy.
1965. The death of Felix Restrepo in Bogota, Colombia. A decree of the President honored him at his death, as a Christian humanist, scholar, writer on literature, philosophy, history, and linguistics.

#### December 17

1608. At Ingolstadt died Father Paul Hoffaeus. Being very devout to the souls in Purgatory, he is said to have often had them coming to his room to ask for prayers. He was one of the most important Jesuits in the generalate of Father Aquaviva. He also organized and developed the Society of Jesus in Germany.
1625. At Alcala died Father John Suarez, who at almost every step he took made an act of the love of God.
1642. St. Francis Geronimo is born. Tireless preacher.
1904. Bernard Lonergan, S.J. is born. Philosopher and theologian.
1917. Henry Wessling is ordained. He became blind after a laboratory accident at Canisius College, NY, seven years earlier, and was ordained with a special rescript.
1977. The death of Maurice Burgaud. A missionary to China, after his expulsion he taught physics and astronomy in Madagascar for 20 years.
1978. Edouard Dhanis +. He was a Professor at the Gregorian for 22 years, worked for the Holy Office, and was a member of the International Theological Commission. He had taught at Louvain for 16 years.
1999. Cardinal Paolo Dezza dies, age 98. He attended six General Congregations, a record, and as the Delegate of the Holy Father led the Society.
2013. Pope Francis canonized Saint Peter Faber, one of the first companions who founded the Society of Jesus with St Ignatius of Loyola and St Francis Xavier. Equipollent canonization. A letter of Fr. General on this occasion.

#### December 18

1594. At Florence, the apparition of St. Ignatius to St. Mary Magdalen de Pozzi.
1812. The Protestant Bible Society entered Russia with the sanction of the

Government. The Jesuits prepared to meet this new enemy.

1931. Louis Billot, S.J. + theologian. He had been pressed to resign from the college of cardinals by Pope Pius XI four years earlier, because of his support of the French ultra-nationalist movement, Action Francaise.
1932. Joseph Rickaby, S.J. +. He was a philosopher and expert on the Spiritual Exercises, based at St. Beuno's. At the request of Rome, he translated Rodriguez, The Practice of Christian Perfection, into English. He found this task difficult because of the content of the work.
1936. Peter Lippert, S.J. +. He was a writer on Jesuit spirituality.
1953. The death of August Valensin, philosopher and friend of Teilhard.

#### December 19

1593. At Rome Father Robert Bellarmine, the future Cardinal, was appointed Rector of the Roman College.
1734. In Quebec, died Francis Guesner, called another John Francis Regis. He did more in 20 months in New France than most could do in 20 years.
1761. More than 100 Jesuits, under pressure from the French crown and French bishops, signed a declaration that they would teach the four Gallican Articles, directed against the authority of the Holy See.
1935. Pietro Boetto, an Italian Jesuit, is created a Cardinal by Pope Pius XI.
1942. The execution of Fr. Adam Sztark, Rector and chaplain in Bielorrussia. He risked his life giving refuge to Jewish children and adults. He is formally recognized as "Righteous among Gentiles," by Holocaust martyrs in Jerusalem.

#### December 20

1562. At Goa died Juan Nunez Bareto, a Portuguese Jesuit and the first Jesuit to be a bishop.
1642. In London Fr. Thomas Holland was condemned to death. On hearing the sentence he exclaimed, "Deo Gratias," and recited the Te Deum.
1760. 127 Jesuits sail from Goa to Lisbon and are then put into dungeons by order of Carvalho.
1815. A ukase of Czar Alexander I was published banishing the Society from St. Petersburg and Moscow, on the pretext that they were troubling the Russian Church. That same night the Fathers left the capital for Polotsk.
1918. Joseph Grimmelsman +. He had been President of three Jesuit colleges, as well as provincial.
1996. Philip Hartnett, S.J. + in Dublin, age 53. He had been Provincial and Head of the European Conference of Provincials.

## December 21

- According to the General Calendar of the Church, St. Peter Canisius is celebrated on this day. In the Society of Jesus however, the celebration occurs on April 27th. He died on this day, aged 73 in the year 1589 in the city of Freiburg.
1576. At Cordova the death of Father Francis Gomez, a man of wonderful innocence and simplicity, on whose head a white dove is said to have alighted during Mass one Whit Sunday.
1577. In Rome the death of Father Juan de Polanco, secretary to the Society in its first years, very dear to St. Ignatius. He was most influential in the drawing up of the Constitutions.
1965. The death of Jean Lafia, age 94, in Belgium. Called a modern St. Vincent de Paul, he lived and worked with the poor and with youth for 45 years.
1968. Hugo Rahner, S.J. +. Patristic scholar, and expert in Ignatian spirituality.
1977. Robert McNally, S.J. + Church Historian.
1993. John P. Leary died, aged 74. He had been President of Gonzaga University, and he founded “New College” in California and “Old College” in Nevada.

## December 22

1588. In Transylvania the Protestants agitate for the expulsion of the Society.
1642. At London the martyrdom of Fr. Thomas Holland. After his sentence he declared himself a priest and a Jesuit and said that he was ready to lay down his life 100 times and more for the Faith. He gave two gold crowns to his executioner.
1844. Six Jesuits from Lyon land at Reunion and begin the evangelization of Madagascar.
1933. Vincent McCormick, S.J. is named Rector Magnificus of the Gregorian University.
1977. In Rhodesia, the death of Michael Hannan. He published the first complete dictionary of Shona, and translated the New Testament and parts of the old into Shona.

## December 23

1549. Letter from St. Ignatius to India. Xavier is appointed Provincial of the newly erected Province of India.
1631. At Ghent the parish priests complain to the Bishop because the Jesuits had told those under their direction that they were not bound sub

- gravi to hear the Sunday Mass specifically in their parish church.
1758. Carvalho orders a strict search for arms and ammunitions at the Jesuit College in Lisbon.
1808. At Bologna, 21 Spanish ex-Jesuits living in exile were conducted to Modena and imprisoned for refusing the oath of allegiance to Joseph Bonaparte, the usurper of the Spanish throne.

#### December 24

1491. Ignatius Loyola is born.
1567. The first Jesuits arrive in Cartagena, missioned by Francis Borgia.
1587. The death of Claude Matthee, highly esteemed by King Henry III. He predicted that Fr. Acquaviva would be General and hold that office for a long time.
1603. The leaders of the Paris Parliament presented to King Henry IV a long list of accusations against the Jesuits. The King replied by refuting them and making a strong defense of the Society.
1910. Fr. General Franz Xaver Wernz orders the Woodstock faculty to be moved to New York, to Fordham.

#### December 25

##### NATIVITAS DOMINI NOSTRI JESU CHRISTI, SECUNDUM CARNEM.

The Birth of our Lord Jesus Christ, according to the flesh.

1538. St. Ignatius celebrates his first Mass in the basilica of St. Mary Major, Rome, at the altar of the Holy Crib. He had been ordained more than a year.
1540. In Rome Peter Ribadeneira, aged fourteen, began his noviceship, after making the Spiritual Exercises.
1545. Isabel Roser pronounces her vows as a Jesuit, together with Lucrezia di Brandine and Francisca Cruyllas, in the presence of St. Ignatius at Santa Maria della Strada.
1902. The Novitiate of St. Andrew on Hudson, Poughkeepsie, New York opens.
1930. California Province is divided into California Province and the Rocky Mountain Region.
1941. An ordinance on community litanies is promulgated by V. Rev. Fr. General Ledochowski.
1961. The Vice Province of Central Africa becomes a Province.

#### December 26

1569. (Dec. 25 or 26) Thomas Pounce, of Belmont, dancing before Queen Elizabeth, fell and was jeered at by her Majesty, which led to his

conversion.

1649. At Ratisbon Mark Grandl, a German lay-brother, died immediately after making a general confession of his whole life. He had made his own coffin and kept it in his room.
1856. The death in Rome of Gilles Henry, a missionary in the Caucasus and Greek archipelago.
1978. Fr. Gerhard Pieper, S.J., librarian, aged 38, is shot to death in Zimbabwe.
1979. John Reed, S.J. +, a member of the NY Province, a canon lawyer and teacher of canon law.
2014. Joseph Pittau, SJ, dies, age 86. Archbishop. Was Assistant to Fr. Dezza from 1981-83.

#### December 27

1547. Ignatius admits Cristobal Lainez into the Society. He was problematic, with Wanderlust, but was ordained. Later he was dismissed by his brother James Lainez in August 1559.
1551. The Portuguese Provincial, Simao Rodriguez, is removed by St. Ignatius.
1571. Kepler, Johannes is born., in Wurttemberg. He was an astronomer who discovered that the Earth and planets travel about the Sun in elliptical orbits. He was a friend and correspondent of the Jesuits.
1597. Peter Canisius + in Freiburg, Switzerland.
1656. Andrew White, S.J. +. He is the founder of the Maryland Mission, a man of great zeal, fervor, and austerity. He is called the "Apostle of Maryland." He was sent back to England from the colonies in chains and tried for treason, acquitted, yet banished from England.
1834. A very influential Letter of Fr. Roothaan to the restored Society on the Spiritual Exercises is issued.
1836. Fr. General approves the sale of slaves owned by the Jesuits, with six conditions.
1900. The Blessing and laying of the cornerstone of Novitiate of St. Andrew on Hudson, Poughkeepsie, NY. It was affectionately called, "The Rock." It would be ready in September 1902.
1927. The Catholic Medical Mission Board is incorporated in the laws of the State of New York.
1955. An Instruction of Fr. General Janssens on the use of modern means of communication.

#### December 28

- HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS, Feast. Special feast for Jesuit Novices.
1622. Frances de Sales +.

1663. The death of Fr. Francis Maria Grimaldi. He was a noted astronomer who did research on the refraction of light. Isaac Newton made use of his work.
1802. Pope Pius VII allows Fr. General Gruber to affiliate the English Jesuits to the Society of Jesus in Russia.
1832. St. Louis University receives its charter. It is the first Catholic University west of the Allegheny Mountains. Peter Verhaegen is appointed as the first President.
1953. The Society recalls its worker priests in France.
1967. Servant of God, Egide Van Broeckhoven, S.J. a priest worker, is killed in an accident at the factory where he worked.
1983. Fr. Francis Xavier Chu, S.J., + in a work camp in China. 32 years in prison.
1988. Fr. Peter Davis, S.J. age 43 + of AIDS, in Oregon.

#### December 29

1594. At Paris the execution of Jean Chatel for the attempted execution of King Henry IV. Because he had been educated at the Jesuit College de Clermont, the Society was exiled, its property confiscated, and one of its members executed.
1651. At Prague died Father Bernard Oppel. When Rector of the College he gave his own clothes to the poor, and melted down the church plate to relieve the plague-stricken.
1886. Publication of the decree of beatification of the English martyrs.
1975. In Moravia the death of Frantisek Nemecek who had been interned in Dachau and then lived in Moscow as a scientist who also taught catechism to children.
1979. A Papal Bull of Pope John Paul II nominates Carlo Martini, S.J. as Archbishop of Milan.

#### December 30

1582. At Evora in Portugal died Fr. Manoel Alvarez, whose Latin grammar was used for centuries in school, Jesuit and non-Jesuit alike (for instance, Eton).
1916. The left leg of Fr. Rupert Mayer is shattered in battle during World War I. He had already won the Iron Cross.
1927. Col. Charles Lindbergh visits St. John's College, Belize as part of a good will tour.
1962. James Conway, S.J. +. He was a Philosophy professor, expert on Descartes, of the New York Province.
1992. Timothy Healy +. He was President of Georgetown University from 1976-89. He was the Director of the NY Public Library until his



death.

1996. David Stanley, S.J. + in Canada. He was a Scripture scholar and also wrote several books on Scripture and the Spiritual Exercises.  
 2000 John Hardon, S.J. dies, age 86. Chicago Province, prolific writer.

December 31

The Annual Te Deum at the Gesu, the Mother Church of the Society. A tradition from the 17th century, with the Pope traditionally in attendance.

1551. Xavier left Sancier for Malacca and Goa to prepare for his journey to China.  
 1618. St. John Berchmans arrives in Rome to begin philosophy and is received by Fr. General Vitelleschi. A few days later he moves to and joins the scholastics at the Roman College.  
 1640. St. John Francis Regis +. He was a missionary to towns and villages in southern France.  
 1726. Saints Aloysius Gonzaga and Stanislaus Kostka are canonized by Benedict XIII.  
 1868. Leonce de Grandmaison, S.J. is born. He was a writer and apologist, and served as the editor of Etudes.  
 1940. Charles Simons of the California Province, a missionary to China, is shot and killed by the Communists.  
 1985. In Canada, the death of Louis Laurendeau, for 13 years, until 1983, the Secretary of the Society.  
 1990. Anthony Paone, S.J. + New York Province. His book, My Daily Bread sold over 1.3 million copies.  
 1996. Bishop Carlos Sevilla who had been an auxiliary Bishop in San Francisco is appointed Bishop of Yakima, Washington.

## A CALENDAR FOR JESUITS AND FRIENDS

This calendar is intended as an aid to conversation, preaching, and conversation. Karl Barth, in an often quoted sentence, said we should preach with the Bible in one hand and the newspaper in the other. I would add that this might also be a helpful way to pray. With these pages, I am in reality stretching the newspaper, which covers events of the day, to include the news pages, the headlines of the past.

For every day of the year, a series of interesting and/or important dates related to Jesuits and Jesuit history are listed. Each and every family has a series of special dates, anniversaries, celebration, and memories of birth and death. So too does the Jesuit family.

To use a favorite word of Anthony de Mello, these dates serve to help one grow in awareness, to deepen one's sense of Jesuit history and the sweep of history. It may help in the preparation of liturgies, it affords food for private prayer and reflection, and it may be a way into more interesting conversation.

One of my concerns is a loss of a sense of history - history of the Church and more particularly, loss of the sense of the history of the Society of Jesus. There is a double problem too - as the Society is growing fastest in Asia, Africa - these are precisely areas where the Society is new, areas where the tradition has been other than Western. So it is especially difficult for Jesuits in those areas to know and to feel at home with Jesuit history. This calendar is one small way to move in the direction of awareness of our history.

Many Jesuits recall hearing the *Fasti Breviores* read at table, This no longer takes place. As I reread the *Fasti Breviores*, I see that it conveys an impressive sense of mission, as Jesuits head to new and unexplored places, many of them giving their lives. But the *Fasti Breviores* was published in 1910, over 100 years ago. I have chosen key dates from the *Fasti* and then added important dates from the last century. It seems to me that many young Jesuits could benefit from familiarity with the great and not so great men and events of Jesuit history.

As patron of this book of dates, I suggest the Jesuit, Blessed, now Saint Peter Favre. He has not left many writings, but central to what we have of Favre is his Memorial or diary. Almost every entry begins with the saint of the day - and some special prayer reflection concerning that saint, his

or her example, protection. In addition Favre prayerfully notes the anniversary of the death of his mother, and notes the anniversary of his own ordination. These remembrances stir him to prayer - prayer of gratitude, prayer for the repose of the soul.

It is characteristic of Favre that every event, present, but also past, pointed him to God and to prayer. He was one of the first companions of St. Ignatius, deeply influenced by the spirituality of Ignatius - that of finding and serving God in all things.

One beautiful example of Favre's prayerful reflection is found on the feast of All Saints day. Here he shows his belief in the communion of saints, in the saints in heaven as living realities, not as dead.

On the Feast of All Saints I felt a great desire that this feast and solemn celebration on earth in memory of all the heavenly host might have on that day a corresponding celebration in heaven, with mercy and compassion, in memory of all the inhabitants of this world and especially of those who are sinners. I desired the celebration to be such that not a being on earth, not a soul in purgatory would go unremembered in heaven by the saints and that the souls in purgatory would do the same....

Then, in the following day, All Souls Day, Favre writes: I thought of my father, my mother, and my relatives, my deceased brethren in the Society, our benefactors, and the relatives of all my brothers.

St. Ignatius speaks of finding and serving God in all things. The history and tradition of the Society of Jesus provides events, holy persons, where God has been present and active, where the God who speaks today can also be found. This book tries to point us, on a daily basis, to some of these events and persons. It provides food for thought and food for prayerful reflection.

The choice of persons, events, necessarily reflects my own interests which would include the Society of Jesus in the United States and in Africa/Nigeria. Members of a particular Jesuit province could add the readily available anniversaries the deaths of Jesuits of that Province.

In amassing such data, there are bound to be omissions and inaccuracies. It is difficult to find exact or consistent dates for some events. Feedback is most welcome. With computer disks, this could easily be corrected and modified.