

## BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

### AGNES DE ST. JOSEPH, MOTHER

Superior General of the Reparatrix Sisters. Plea to reinstate one of their sisters.  
(VI 1/2) #1813

### ALMERICI, FR., Barnibite

A friend of Fr. E. whom he met in Rome. The correspondence is scanty. It seems that Fr. A. had missionary aspirations for Russia.  
(VI 2/2) #1779

### ANDIGNE, COUNTESS D' (nee DE MONTAGU)

Born and bred in aristocracy, Miss de Montagu married the Count d'Andigne in a fairy tale marriage and life. She lived on her estate at L'Ilse-au Lion-d'Angers in the summer, and in the winter at rue du Bac in Paris. A woman of wealth and influence, she was also kind and close to the poor. When in Paris, she regularly attended Fr. E.'s Thursday sermons. As her director, he challenged her to spiritual values, to treasure the Eucharistic Presence in the chapel at her estate, and to the true meaning of nobility.

She and her sister, Mme. de Fraguier, organized the group of women who took up collections to finance the Work of First Communion of Adults. In 1873, after the death of her husband and the loss of her property, she entered the monastery of the Visitation in Paris. She testified in the process of beatification as Sr. Francoise de Chantal de Montagu.

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| (V 23/52) | #1535 | (V 30/52) | #1644 | (V 37/52) | #1755 |
| (V 24/52) | #1580 | (V 31/52) | #1658 | (V 38/52) | #1809 |
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| (V 26/52) | #1589 | (V 33/52) | #1701 | (V 40/52) | #1834 |
| (V 27/52) | #1594 | (V 34/52) | #1718 | (V 42/52) | #1869 |

### ANGEBAULT, BISHOP GUILLAUME, Bishop of Angers

Well-known for his piety and for his attachment to the Holy See. As early as 1850 he had established Nocturnal Adoration for men in his diocese and in 1854 perpetual adoration with the help of all the parishes. He welcomed the foundation of the Society of the Blessed Sacrament in his diocese and later that of the Servants.

Bishop Angebault was one of the three bishops to provide testimonial letters to support Fr. E.'s request for approval by the Holy See. Fr. E. consulted Bishop A. for the Third Part of the constitutions of the Servants. Eventually a strain occurred between Eymard and the Bishop over the transfer of the Fathers to a new location and the foundation of the Servants at Nemours. But later, Bishop A., Mother Marguerite and Fr. E. met to handle the most sensitive issues facing the two communities.

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| (V 9/14) | #1605 | (V 10/14) | #1659 | (V 11/14) | #1725 |
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### AUDIBERT, FR. JOSEPH SSS

Priest of the diocese of Frejus, Assistant Pastor at the Cathedral of Toulon, renowned for his public speaking. He preached at the ceremony of the translation of the relic of St. Victorius, organized in La Seyne by Fr. E. in 1853.

Although he first approached the Society of the Blessed Sacrament to discern his vocation in 1856, he was not to enter until 1863 after false accusations were leveled against him in his home diocese of Toulon. He was named Superior of the Community in Angers in 1865 and entrusted

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with the task of transferring the community and building the first Church of the Society. In his letter to Bishop Angebault, Fr. E. described Fr. A. as the most qualified member of the Society.

(VI 1/1) #1569 (I 2/20) #1891

#### MR. AUDIBERT

Father of Fr. Joseph Audibert SSS. St. Peter Julian wrote him only a few letters, but full of esteem and respect, especially concerning the false accusations surrounding his son.

(I 1/2) #1544

#### BAGARRE, LOUIS (BROTHER CALIXTE SSS)

Letter of admission to the Society.

(VI 1/1) #1866

#### BARET, FR. JEAN-VICTOR

A childhood friend of Fr. E. with whom he had made his first pilgrimage to go to confession as a child at Villard St. Christophe. Eventually they became fellow-seminarians and were ordained the same day by Bishop Philibert de Bruillard. Fr. Baret became the pastor of La Motte d'Aveillans. Fr. E. tried unsuccessfully to draw him to the Marists.

(V 6/6) #1808

#### BARNABO, CARDINAL ALESSANDRO

Prefect of the Congregation of the Propaganda in Rome. It was through him that Fr. E. presented his request to Pope Pius IX to establish the Third Order of Mary, Sept. 8, 1850. From Jan. 2, 1864 to March 1865, Fr. de Cuers and Fr. E. frequently visited and corresponded with Cardinal Barnabo concerning the possibility of a foundation at the Cenacle of Jerusalem. Cardinal Barnabo supported this effort which eventually failed.

(VI 3/5) #1553

#### BETHFORT, MME.

Parishioner of Chalon where Fr. E. had given a mission.

(VII 1/1) #1681

#### BILLON, HENRI, (later FR. BILLON SSS)

Director of the Work of First Communion in Paris.

(III 1/1) #1668 (III 1/1) #1716

#### BLANC DE ST. BONNET, ADOLPHE

Brother-in-law of Fr. Michel Chanuet SSS and philosopher-writer. Born in 1815, this French philosopher is described as belonging to the "Mystical School of Lyons," and known as the "philosopher of sorrow." They became friends when Fr. E. was Visitor General of the Marists. In 1863. Fr. E. accepted his hospitality and it was at his home that he found the atmosphere and support he needed to draw up his Constitutions for the Society of the Blessed Sacrament. Mr. B. sent copies of his works to Fr. E. who always expressed a deep appreciation for them.

(VII 3/4) #1655 (VII 4/4) #1680

#### BLANC DE ST. BONNET, MISS ZENAIDE

Sister of the famous philosopher, Miss Z. acted as Fr. E.'s secretary during his stay at St. Bonnet to write the Constitutions.

(V 3/3) #1709

#### BLESSED SACRAMENT COMMUNITIES

(VI 2/2) #1564

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**BOISGROLLIER, CAROLINE DE (SR. MARIE du SS)**

Born in Niort in 1820 of an aristocratic family, her family had ties with French nobility. As a young woman she had consecrated her virginity to the Lord. Drawn to the Blessed Sacrament, she had searched for her vocation. When she heard of Fr. E., she came to the Servants at a moment when they had lost half their community and were only three; May 30, 1859.

She was an organist, worked at the ministry of First Communion for poor girls and helped the community. She was part of the first group to make vows after the "foundation retreat" on July 31, 1859. Sr. Marie is the one who faithfully kept the notes of the Conferences given by Fr. E. to the Servants. These notes were reviewed by him. Some were then copied by others and passed on.

At the time of the foundation of Nemours, Sr. Marie became the Mistress of Novices.

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| (III 1/5) | #1591 | (III 3/5) | #1771 |
| (III 2/5) | #1751 | (III 4/5) | #1878 |

**BONNES, DR. GERMAIN**

Doctor in La Mure who was the family doctor for the Eymard family. He rented part of the living area in the Eymard home. He diagnosed Fr. E.'s final illness as cerebral congestion.

(VII 1/2) #1876

**BOONE, FR. JEAN-BAPTISTE, S.J.**

Chaplain of the Sisters of Perpetual Adoration in Brussels and collaborator with the Foundress.

(VI 8/22) #1561

**BOST, ANTONIA (JULIE-ANTOINETTE)**

The sister of Mme. Clotilde Tholin-Bost, who was closely associated to Fr. E.'s apostolate. Antonia was a lay consecrated virgin who belonged to the Third Order of Mary. She wanted to be a religious, but Fr. E. encouraged her to stay at home to care for her parents. She entered the Sisters of Charity in 1857 and was dismissed in 1864.

Fr. E. encouraged her when her mother died and supported her contacts with her brother, who was not church-going. He especially gave her rich counsels for spiritual life and prayer. In 1864, she went to Rennes to live with Mme. Lepage, a widow, who was also a correspondent of his, and Antonia arranged for Fr. E. to preach a mission at the church of St. Aubin, Rennes, from September 8-16, 1864.

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| (IV 18/28) | #1667 | (IV 20/28) | #1720 | (IV 22/28) | #1857 |
| (IV 19/28) | #1714 | (IV 21/28) | #1767 |            |       |

**CAPALTI, MSGR. ANNIBALE**

Secretary at the Congregation of the Propaganda in Rome at the time when Fathers de Cuers and E. sought permission for a foundation in Jerusalem. Fr. E. expressed a fear that Msgr. Capalti's presentation of the matter to the Cardinals would be a disservice to his cause.

(VI 2/3) #1517 (VI 3/3) #1554

**CARREL, MR. JOSEPH-AUGUSTE**

A member of the men's group of the Third Order of Mary, Lyons. Mr. Carrel was a life-long friend. He was a textile merchant in Lyons. In his travels, Fr. E. often accepted hospitality in this family which he referred to as a "dear beloved Bethany." This family had been constituted as a "House of Nazareth."

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CARRIE, FR. MARIUS SSS

As a young priest he and some laymen were responsible for the catechism classes of the Adult Workers preparing for First Communion. Later he worked with Fr. Chanuet in this apostolate in Paris. He was part of the first group to renew perpetual vows after the Approval of the Institute and he participated in the first General Chapter. He was missioned to Angers at the time of the construction of the new church.

(VI 1/2) #1568

CHAMPION, FR. CYR AMAND, SSS

Born at Chanos (Valence) Feb. 6, 1820. Ordained at Belley in 1846 as a Marist priest. As a Marist colleague, Fr. Champion had served in England and had worked with Fr. E. at La Favourite as Assistant Master of Novices. During Fr. E.'s time at La Seyne, he recommended Fr. C. to Marguerite Guillot in Lyons as a confessor. Fr. C.'s area of specialization was Liturgy and Canon Law.

He joined the Society of the Blessed Sacrament in Paris in Oct. 1857. He was among the first group who made perpetual vows after the approval of the Society and participated in the first General Chapter, where he was named Assistant General. He was a faithful collaborator, always ready to render service where needed in any of the houses of the Institute as well as to the Servants. He was made Superior of the Brussels Foundation where his knowledge of English was particularly helpful. He became the third Superior General of the Congregation, from June 29, 1871 to January 22, 1881.

(VI 1/2 I 5) #1566 (I 4/5 VI 1) #1631 (I 5/5) #1736

CHANUET, AMEDEE

Brother of Fr. Michel Chanuet SSS, son of Sr. Camille SSS, brother-in-law of Sr. Philomene SSS. His wife was Blanche de Couchies. He planned and built a chapel in honor of All Saints at his home at Lantignie. He interceded for a new foundation to favor Sisters Benoit and Philomene, after the closing of Nemours.

(VII 3/15) #1522 (VII 5/15) #1630 (VII 7/15) #1837  
(VII 4/15) #1579 (VII 6/15) #1669 (VII 8/15) #1884

CHANUET, MICHEL, SSS

He was a young law student from Lyons when he entered the novitiate of the Society in September 1859, and left his doctorate unfinished. He would eventually become Fr. E.'s chosen Master of Novices. With Fr. E. they visited various novitiates in France to prepare their new Constitutions and formation program. Fr. C.'s desire for solitude and silence made him the confidante of Fr. E.'s plan for a house of solitude. Fr. E. corresponded with several members of the Chanuet family: his mother, Mme. Camille Chanuet, who eventually became Sr. Camille SSS; his brother Amedee; his sister Marguerite (Mme. Adolphe Blanc de St. Bonnet) and sister-in-law, Miss Zenaide Blanc de St. Bonnet. The Chanuet family contributed financially to the foundation of Nemours.

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(VI 1/2 I 29) #1565 (I 12/29) #1748 (I 18/29 VI 2) #1804  
(VI 2/2 I 29) #1885 (I 13/29) #1754 (I 19/29) #1825  
(I 8/29) #1688 (I 14/29) #1756 (I 20/29 VI 2) #1841  
(I 9/29) #1734 (I 15/29) #1781 (I 21/29 VI 2) #1849  
(I 10/29) #1740 (I 16/29) #1784 (I 22/29 VI 2) #1852

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COUCHIES, FELICIE DE (nee RATTIER)

Mother of Sister Philomene, Sr. Vincent S.C., and Blanche (Chanuet). She lived at Fay-les-Nemours. Sister of Mr. Rattier.

(VII 8/9) #1663 (VII 9/9) #1702

THE COUNCIL OF THE SERVANTS

(III 1/1) #1737

CUERS, COUNT JEAN-RAYMOND DE (FR. DE CUERS SSS)

Born at Port de Ste. Marie in Spain on July 29, 1809, and baptized the following day. He was the eldest son of a noble family. He had made a career in the Navy, where he had engaged in military activities all over the world. He had been indifferent to religion until his conversion in 1848 after the death of his sister.

Ordained to the priesthood by the Bishop of Marseilles, June 24, 1855. First companion of Fr. E. They had met in Paris when Fr. E. was Provincial of the Marists. Count de Cuers and Hermann Cohen had collaborated to establish Nocturnal Adoration for men in Paris. He and Fr. E. met again in Toulon where the Count was involved in establishing adoration. Fr. E. was named chaplain to the group. Fr. de C. urged Fr. E. to join him in a project to found an Order of the Blessed Sacrament. His zeal made him impatient with Fr. E.'s slow discernment. He studied for the priesthood and was in Paris during Fr. E.'s discernment retreat. Shortly after the foundation he left Paris to begin the House of Marseilles and be its Superior. There he began the Aggregation of the Blessed Sacrament and dedicated a chapel to Mary under the title of Our Lady of the Blessed Sacrament.

De Cuers was radical and ascetic, which made it difficult for others to live with him in such extreme poverty. He was sent to Rome and Jerusalem to explore the possibilities of a foundation at the Cenacle. Later he was to ask for the dispensation of his vows to begin Roquefavour, an experience of solitude. Permission was granted by Fr. E. to begin the Work without dispensation. He returned to the Congregation to be its Second Superior General Aug. 9, 1868 until June 21, 1871.

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| (VI 4/4 I 181) #1673   | (I 159/181 VI 2) #1699 | (I 170/181 VI 2) #1810 |
| (I 149/181 VI 2) #1519 | (I 160/181 VI 2) #1707 | (I 171/181 VI 2) #1821 |
| (I 150/181 VI 2) #1523 | (I 161/181 VI 2) #1711 | (I 172/181 VI 2) #1826 |
| (I 151/181 VI 2) #1531 | (I 162/181 VI 2) #1719 | (I 173/181 VI 2) #1828 |
| (I 152/181 VI 2) #1534 | (I 163/181 VI 2) #1729 | (I 174/181 VI 2) #1833 |
| (I 153/181 VI 2) #1540 | (I 164/181 VI 2) #1746 | (I 175/181 VI 2) #1843 |
| (I 154/181 VI 2) #1543 | (I 165/181 VI 2) #1773 | (I 176/181 VI 2) #1846 |
| (I 155/181 VI 2) #1623 | (I 166/181 VI 2) #1789 | (I 177/181 VI 2) #1880 |
| (I 156/181 VI 2) #1650 | (I 167/181 VI 2) #1791 | (I 178/181 VI 2) #1889 |
| (I 157/181 VI 2) #1674 | (I 168/181 VI 2) #1797 |                        |

DANION, MISS VIRGINIE (SR. ANNE DE JESUS/SR. MARIE OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT)

Entered Carmel and later the Reparation Sisters, where she was known as Sr. Anne. She met Fr. E. when he helped their foundation in Lyons. She left the Reparation Sisters and returned home to Mauron, where she eventually founded a House of Perpetual Thanksgiving.

She shared Eymard's ideal for a eucharistic Third Order and he continually encouraged her in the Work she would eventually found only after his death. The tone of his correspondence is that of a brother in the Lord, two equals seeking the Will of God. He obtained the blessing of Pius IX on her plans in 1864.

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| (IV 24/36) #1593 | (IV 26/36) #1766 | (IV 28/36) #1864 |
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DHE, FR. ARTHUR

Diocesan priest, Paris. Shared with Fr. E. the desire to establish a Work in France for the rehabilitation of needy priests and jointly presented this project to Pope Pius IX, who blessed this plan.

(VI 1/1) #1865

UNKNOWN DIRECTEE

(VII 1/1) #1617

DUPONT, MR. LEO

Known as the "Holy Man of Tours," Mr. Dupont was originally from Martinique. As a young widower he dedicated himself to bringing up his only daughter who died at age 15. Mr. Dupont dedicated his life to good works, especially to spreading devotion to the Holy Face. His home became a sanctuary of prayer, devotion and healing. Fr. E. often stayed there when traveling through Tours and the men worked together to establish a group of Nocturnal Adoration in Tours and to strengthen the group in Paris.

(U) #1528

ENGLEBERT, CARDINAL, Archbishop of Malines

Welcomed the Society in Brussels in 1865 and the Servants in 1867. (This latter foundation did not materialize.) The Cardinal died suddenly early in 1868.

(VI 1/7) #1656 (VI 2/7) #1728 (VI 3/7) #1780

EYMARD, MARIANNE

Sister and godmother of St. Peter Julian Eymard. Born in 1799, the fifth and only survivor of the first marriage of Julian Eymard. She was the main source of the childhood anecdotes that have come to us regarding our saint. She was the first to learn of his desire to become a priest. She supported this desire in spite of their father's opposition. Marianne and their adopted sister Nanette left La Mure temporarily to keep house for Peter Julian when he was a pastor at Monteynard. She tried to oppose his Marist vocation without avail. Later, having returned to La Mure, she would be associated to the Third Order of Mary and become its president there. Later she joined and promoted the Aggregation of the Blessed Sacrament.

The La Mure family home became a center of friendship for those whom Fr. E. would direct to La Salette. So, friendly ties were established especially with the Guillot sisters, Srs. Benoitte and Philomene, Mmes. Jordan, Tenaillon and many others. Marianne and Nanette attempted a vocation to the Servants, but did not persevere.

In September 1865, Fr. E. spent 2 weeks in La Mure because of Marianne's long illness. He was to return to his family home to die in 1868. From July 21 to August 1, his sisters and friends cared for him. They were by his bedside in his last moments. Marianne died February 17, 1876.

(VI 6/10 III 145) #1611 (III 132/145) #1592 (III 136/145) #1686  
(VI 7/10 III 145) #1870 (III 133/145) #1612 (III 137/145) #1675  
(III 127/145) #1620 (III 134/145) #1651  
(III 131/145) #1573 (III 135/145) #1666

FAURE, FR.

Pastor of Lavalans, (Isere). Friend of the Eymard family. Fellow-priest of his home diocese. Relatively unknown.

(VI 1/1) #1786

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FERRAT, BROTHER AIME, SSS

Letter welcoming him to religious life with his cousin.  
(VI 1/2) #1783

A FOUNDESS OF A CONGREGATION OF ADORERS

(VIII 1) #1648

FRAGUIER, COUNTESS DE

Sister of the Countess d'Andigne. Together the two sisters worked to raise funds for the Work of First Communion of Adult Workers. His letters indicate that she was a woman with deep inner trials.

(V 1/2) #1744 (V 2/2) #1763

GAUDIOZ, MISS MARIE

Lyons. Niece of Marguerite Guillot. Blessings on her marriage.  
(VII 1/1) #1557

GAUTHIER, MME, (nee COURT)

La Mure. Friend of the Eymard family.  
(VII 1/1) #1615

GIRAUD-JORDAN, MME. MATHILDE-SYLVIE

Daughter of Natalie (Mme. Camille) Jordan. Lyons and Calet. She began spiritual direction under Fr. E. in 1855. She married Paul Giraud in 1856 and bore him a son 10 years later. She received spiritual direction for many minute details of life - including advice specific to her change from the single to the married life.

(IV 10/19) #1695 (IV 12/19) #1823  
(IV 11/19) #1706 (IV 13/19) #1845

GOURD, MME. JOSEPHINE (SR. JOSEPH du SS, nee MOREL)

Directee of Fr. E. from 1848-1868. He considered her as a saint, as his correspondence to her daughter Stephanie attests. He respected her as a mother. His correspondence is a constant support of prayer and sacrifice for the conversion of her father and her husband.

The Gourds were well-to-do. They had an estate in Lyons and a country residence, "Les Thorins," north of Lyons in Romaneche. At "Les Thorins" they had permission to keep the reserved Sacrament in their chapel. They were close friends of the Guillot sisters and the Mayet family. They met Fr. E. through the Third Order of Mary.

After the failure of Nemours, Mme. Gourd harbored Sr. Benoit and Sr. Philomene at "Les Thorins." Her spiritual attraction to the religious life led her to make vows of poverty and obedience to Fr. E., even in her married state of life. She was associated to the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament under the name of Sr. Joseph du SS. She was close to the sisters and present with Marguerite Guillot during her last meeting with Fr. E. at Vichy. March 13, 1861, in the Oratory of the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament, Mme. Gourd and her daughter Stephanie made perpetual vows in the presence of the community of the sisters and of Fr. E., with the intent of entering community when they were free from other obligations. This did not materialize. But in 1874, Mme. Gourd donated a house in Lyons to the Servants.

(V 54/76) #1769 (V 56/76) #1831  
(V 55/76) #1812 (V 57/76) #1835

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### GOURD, MISS STEPHANIE

Stephanie received many letters of spiritual direction from Fr. E. which contain some of his most beautiful passages on prayer and the spiritual life. He encouraged her in caring for her sick parents and supported her choice for virginity during a time of testing. Stephanie and her mother were present at Vichy with Marguerite Guillot during her last meeting with Fr. E. to discuss a foundation of the Servants in Lyon. On March 13, 1861, in the Oratory of the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament, Mme. Gourd and her daughter Stephanie made perpetual vows in the presence of the community of the sisters and of Fr. E., with the intent to enter community when they would be free to do so. Their plans to eventually join the Servants never materialized, but they donated a home in Lyons for a foundation of the Servants, which took place after the death of Fr. E.

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### GRANDVILLE, MME. ANTOINETTE DE (nee DU CORNULIER-LUCINIÈRE)

Resided at 8 rue St. Laurent, Nantes, close to the Cathedral. Born in 1807, she learned about the foundation of the Society through a Parisian newspaper. She visited the Chapel of rue d'Enfer and met Fr. E. there. He guided her from 1856-1868. He encouraged her to frequent Communion and to spread the fire of eucharistic love. She often made retreats under his direction. In Paris she stayed either with the Dames de la Retraite (Cenacle), the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament or the Augustinian Sisters. She transcribed notes for him. She was the intermediary with the Bishop of Nantes, Bishop Jacquemet, in Fr. E.'s failed attempt to make a foundation there. He greatly loved the people of Nantes. Our last existing letter was addressed to her.

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| (IV 65/104) | #1529 | (IV 74/104) | #1642 | (IV 83/104) | #1802 |
| (IV 66/104) | #1550 | (IV 75/104) | #1664 | (IV 84/104) | #1805 |
| (IV 67/104) | #1552 | (IV 76/104) | #1665 | (IV 85/104) | #1816 |
| (IV 68/104) | #1556 | (IV 77/104) | #1704 | (IV 86/104) | #1827 |
| (IV 69/104) | #1578 | (IV 78/104) | #1731 | (IV 87/104) | #1856 |
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### GUILLOT, MISS MARGUERITE (MOTHER MARGUERITE du SS)

The largest collection of letters by our Saint was addressed to Marguerite Guillot: 395 letters in all. They first met in Lyons when Fr. E. preached a retreat at the Charity of Bellecour. Her need became the incentive for his accepting to direct the Third Order of Mary in 1845. They worked together for the next 11 years, for its development and growth.

After the foundation of the Society of the Blessed Sacrament, he invited Marguerite to Paris where she became the first Superior of the Servants. She was a discrete and attentive confidante. Their relationship, which was to last until his death, is characterized by openness and trust, of exceptionally high quality, not without suffering. Given the anguish of her soul, his letters often allude to Gethsemane and Calvary, but stressing always Christ's love for us more than suffering and our response to his love more than the cost or pain.

Her sisters Claudine and Mariette (Sr. Anne-Marie) were to follow her on her spiritual journey as members of the Third Order of Mary, establishing a "House of Nazareth" in their home, then to Paris as Servants of the Blessed Sacrament. Their sister Jenny, who was sickly, died an early death. Fr. E. also corresponded with her sister Mme. Gaudioz, her brother-in-law Mr. Claude Gaudioz, and their daughters Jenny and Marie.

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| (VI 1/2 II 395) #1824   | (II 298/395 VI 2) #1609 | (II 324/395 VI 2) #1753 |
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| (II 278/395 VI 2) #1545 | (II 304/395 VI 2) #1625 | (II 330/395 VI 2) #1782 |
| (II 279/395 VI 2) #1555 | (II 305/395 VI 2) #1626 | (II 331/395 VI 2) #1792 |
| (II 280/395 VI 2) #1559 | (II 306/395 VI 2) #1627 | (II 332/395 VI 2) #1801 |
| (II 281/395 VI 2) #1562 | (II 307/395 VI 2) #1632 | (II 333/395 VI 2) #1807 |
| (II 282/395 VI 2) #1563 | (II 308/395 VI 2) #1635 | (II 334/395 VI 2) #1811 |
| (II 283/395 VI 2) #1570 | (II 309/395 VI 2) #1639 | (II 335/395 VI 2) #1815 |
| (II 284/395 VI 2) #1571 | (II 310/395 VI 2) #1640 | (II 336/395 VI 2) #1829 |
| (II 285/395 VI 2) #1576 | (II 311/395 VI 2) #1654 | (II 337/395 VI 2) #1838 |
| (II 286/395 VI 2) #1577 | (II 312/395 VI 2) #1657 | (II 338/395 VI 2) #1839 |
| (II 287/395 VI 2) #1581 | (II 313/395 VI 2) #1671 | (II 339/395 VI 2) #1840 |
| (II 288/395 VI 2) #1583 | (II 314/395 VI 2) #1678 | (II 340/395 VI 2) #1850 |
| (II 289/395 VI 2) #1587 | (II 315/395 VI 2) #1683 | (II 341/395 VI 2) #1863 |
| (II 290/395 VI 2) #1588 | (II 316/395 VI 2) #1691 | (II 342/395 VI 2) #1871 |
| (II 291/395 VI 2) #1590 | (II 317/395 VI 2) #1692 | (II 343/395 VI 2) #1873 |
| (II 292/395 VI 2) #1597 | (II 318/395 VI 2) #1713 | (II 344/395 VI 2) #1877 |
| (II 293/395 VI 2) #1599 | (II 319/395 VI 2) #1722 | (II 345/395 VI 2) #1881 |
| (II 294/395 VI 2) #1600 | (II 320/395 VI 2) #1730 | (II 346/395 VI 2) #1882 |
| (II 295/395 VI 2) #1601 | (II 321/395 VI 2) #1735 | (II 347/395 VI 2) #1887 |
| (II 296/395 VI 2) #1603 | (II 322/395 VI 2) #1738 | (II 348/395 VI 2) #1892 |
| (II 297/395 VI 2) #1606 | (II 323/395 VI 2) #1749 |                         |

### GUILLOT, MISS MARIETTE (SR. ANNE-MARIE DU SS)

Eldest sister in the Guillot family, Mariette was a practical woman who cared for others. After the death of Jenny, she joined her sisters in Paris and became Sr. Anne-Marie.

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| (III 18/21) #1527 | (III 20/21) #1633 |
| (III 19/21) #1602 | (III 21/21) #1690 |

### GUYOT, MOTHER, Religious of the Good Shepherd

Mother Guyot was Superior at St. Thomas-de-Villeneuve, administered by the Religious of the Good Shepherd in Paris, near rue d'Enfer. At the time of the foundation of the Society of the Blessed Sacrament, she provided some furnishings for the house. Their friendship lasted until the end of Fr. E.'s life. His letters to Mother Guyot show humor and closeness.

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| (V 6/8) #1539 | (V 7/8) #1739 | (V 8/8) #1758 |
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### HOMMAY, MME.

Unknown.

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| (III 1/1) #1616 |
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### JORDAN, NATALIE (MME. CAMILLE, nee BRENIER DE MONTMORAND)

St. Peter Julian often referred to her as "my eldest daughter." Born in March, 1810, she outlived Fr. E. who directed her personally from 1846 and by correspondence from 1850 - 1868. He appointed her as Rectress of the Married Women's branch of the Third Order of Mary.

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Both were born in the Dauphine Region of France and were proud of their common roots. They were close in age, conviction, feelings and ideals. On a visit to Lyons in 1865, Fr. E. told her that they were sister-souls going through the same stages of the spiritual life together. He kept her informed of the principal events in his life and visited her and her family in Lyons and Calet when he could do so. He also corresponded with her daughter Mathilde Giraud-Jordan and her niece Edmee de Montmorand.

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| (IV 59/75) | #1538 | (IV 63/75) | #1715 | (IV 67/75) | #1844 |
| (IV 60/75) | #1547 | (IV 64/75) | #1723 | (IV 68/75) | #1879 |
| (IV 61/75) | #1646 | (IV 65/75) | #1803 |            |       |
| (IV 62/75) | #1705 | (IV 66/75) | #1822 |            |       |

### DOCUMENTS OF LA SALETTE

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| (VIII 3/4) | #1607 | (VIII 4/4) | #1608 |
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### LECLERC, JULES

Director of the publishing house where Fr. E. had his largest financial investment. When they declared bankruptcy, the financial resources to pay for the land purchase and church construction in Angers were wiped out.

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| (VII 1/1) | #1596 |
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### LEPAGE, MME.

A widow from Rennes. Mme. Lepage desired to enter Carmel. However, Fr. E. guided her in her new state of life (widowhood). Another directee, Miss Antonia Bost, went to live with her in 1864. Mme. L. was influential in obtaining an invitation to Fr. E. to preach a Triduum at Carmel in 1866.

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| (IV 6/26) | #1525 | (IV 9/26)  | #1721 | (IV 12/26) | #1817 |
| (IV 7/26) | #1645 | (IV 10/26) | #1765 | (IV 13/26) | #1855 |
| (IV 8/26) | #1668 | (IV 11/26) | #1772 | (IV 14/26) | #1867 |

### LEROYER, FR. ALEXANDER, SSS

Originally a diocesan missionary in Angers, where he had preached 40 hour devotions for four years before coming into the Society. He retained good relations with Bishop Angebault and his former colleagues after his entrance as well. He was one of the Founders of the Angers community. He was part of the initial group to pronounce their perpetual vows after the approval of the Congregation. As Superior of the Fathers, he welcomed the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament to Angers. For a period of time he became confessor to their community. He participated in the General Chapter and was sent to Marseilles as Assistant to Fr. de Cuers. He was sent to Brussels to preach a retreat and to explore the possibilities of a foundation. He preached at Angers, Liege, Ghent and Brussels. He replaced Fr. de Cuers as Superior in Marseilles when the latter resigned. Considered one of the best preachers of the Society, he gave the panegyric at Fr. E.'s funeral. He greatly favored the development of Eucharistic Congresses. He was administrator of the Congregation after the death of Fr. Champion and succeeded Fr. Tesniere as the 5th Superior General of the Congregation.

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| (I 28/54)     | #1521 | (I 33/54) | #1560 | (I 38/54) | #1732 |
| (I 29/54)     | #1537 | (I 34/54) | #1575 | (I 39/54) | #1747 |
| (I 30/54)     | #1546 | (I 35/54) | #1660 | (I 40/54) | #1776 |
| (I 31/54)     | #1549 | (I 36/54) | #1675 | (I 41/54) | #1862 |

*Biographical Notes*

LEUDEVILLE, EMMANUEL DE (FR. DE LEUDEVILLE)

Member of the Third Order of Mary. The de Leudeville family offered Fr. E. the hospitality of a quiet place to write his first draft of Constitutions in 1856. They also gave the first monstrance and canopy. In 1863 when Fr. E. went to Rome to obtain the approval of his Constitutions, Mr. de Leudeville, then a postulant, financed part of the trip and accompanied him and Fr. de Cuers. Mr. de Leudeville did not persevere in the Society.

(V 14/14) #1634

MARECHAL, MME., WIDOW (nee DUFRESNE)

Mother of Fr. Paul Marie Marechal. She was a directee of Fr. E.

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| (VII 1/20) | #1616 | (VII 6/20)  | #1676 | (VII 11/20) | #1759 |
| (VII 2/20) | #1638 | (VII 7/20)  | #1685 | (VII 12/20) | #1788 |
| (VII 3/20) | #1647 | (VII 8/20)  | #1697 | (VII 20/20) | #1860 |
| (VII 4/20) | #1670 | (VII 9/20)  | #1752 |             |       |
| (VII 5/20) | #1672 | (VII 10/20) | #1795 |             |       |

MEEUS, MISS ANNE DE

Foundress of the Institute of Perpetual Adoration and Poor Churches in Brussels, later known as the Association for Perpetual Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Work for Poor Churches. She invited Fr. E. to preach at her chapel in Brussels and later insisted on a foundation of the Fathers, sharing the same chapel. Her objections to a foundation for the Servants in Brussels led Fr. E. to accept for the Society the property which was being offered.

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| (VI 9/22)  | #1574 | (VI 14/22) | #1652 | (VI 19/22) | #1717 |
| (VI 10/22) | #1595 | (VI 15/22) | #1661 | (VI 20/22) | #1726 |
| (VI 11/22) | #1618 | (VI 16/22) | #1679 | (VI 21/22) | #1787 |
| (VI 12/22) | #1641 | (VI 17/22) | #1698 |            |       |
| (VI 13/22) | #1649 | (VI 18/22) | #1703 |            |       |

MODAVE FAMILY

Brussels. Fr. E. corresponded with Mme. Modave and her daughter. They were his principal lay correspondents from Brussels. They were devoted to the Devotion to the Precious Blood.

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| (VII 1/4) | #1794 | (VII 2/4) | #1820 | (VII 3/4) | #1819 |
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PIUS IX, POPE

Reigning Pontiff from June 16, 1846 to February 7, 1878. His pontificate was long, eventful and significant. He reestablished the Latin Patriarchate of Jerusalem; signed a concordat with Russia, Spain and Austria and several Latin-American states. He remained neutral in the tensions between Italy and Austria. His pontificate marked the end of papal temporal power and the vigorous expansion of missionary work throughout the world. The centralization of authority in the Church increased. He solemnly defined the dogma of the Immaculate Conception (1854) and convoked Vatican I (1869-1870). He was immensely popular, especially in France. Notable were his touching simplicity, great goodness, serene courage in adversity, practical intelligence, genuine piety and pastoral values.

(U) #1515

PLACE, BISHOP (Marseilles)

Bishop of Marseilles. Successor to Bishops de Mazenod and Cruice. Request for minor orders and priesthood for scholastics who were originally from Marseilles went unheeded.

(VI 1/1) #1854

*Biographical Notes*

QUERENEL, MARIE

Mutual acquaintance through her sister in Grenoble and Fr. Burfin, the Provincial of the Oblate Fathers.

(VII 2/3) #1872 (VII 3/3) #1875

RATONS, BROTHER MARIE

Brother Marie joined Fr. de Cuers in Marseilles as a youngster from Lyons. He left the community for a while, but later returned.

(VI 4/7) #1533 (VI 5/7) #1610

MR. RAVANAT

The three Ravanat sisters, Euphrosie, Louise, and Marcelle, entered the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament from La Mure. Their father followed them and entered with the Fathers at St. Maurice as a brother. He died a holy death after a very brief time in community.

(III 1/5) #1687 (III 2/6) #1859 (III 3/5) #1890

THE RELIGIOUS OF MARSEILLES AND ANGERS

(VIII 1/1) #1598

REVEL DE NESCA, COUNTESS ADELE DE

Rectress of the Third Order of Mary, Directee of Fr. E., Miss de Revel was a faithful member of the Third Order and supported Fr. E. and Marguerite Guillot in this endeavor. It was to her home that he suggested Marguerite go for some rest. Her loyalty to the Marist Fathers and the Third Order were constant. Fr. E.'s new foundation was difficult for her to accept.

(VII 13/17 VIII 26) #1548 (VII 15/17 VIII 26) #1710  
(VII 14/17 VIII 26) #1694 (VII 16/17 VIII 26) #1796

RICHARD, MME. BENOITE nee MONTERIOL (SR. BENOITE DU SS)

Benoite Monteriol and her husband, Charles Richard, separated and joined the Blessed Sacrament communities. He, as a brother, lived simply in the community until death. She was part of the first group from Lyons for the foundation of the new community with Marguerite and Claudine Guillot. She became Mistress of Novices and later founding Superior of the House of Nemours. When Nemours closed, she did not return to community. Eventually, she and Sr. Philomene founded the Sisters of Jesus Hostia, whose sole community in Lyons merged with the Servants in 1951.

(VI 2/12) #1542 (VI 4/12) #1636  
(VI 3/12) #1551 (VI 12/12) #1745

SPAZZIER, MME. ISABELLE

Mme. Spazzier joined Mme. Duhaut-Ally and her companions from Toulon to form the nucleus of adorers waiting in Paris for the foundation of the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament. Mme. Spazzier did not have a call to community life. Her bad health and her temperament indicated that she should leave. Fr. E. tried to help her find a living situation near retreat houses of sanctuaries where she could exercise her talents as an artist. He encouraged her to put aside the idea of the religious life and enrolled her (as well as Mme. de Grandville) as the first Lay Associate of the Order of the Blessed Sacrament.

(VII 16/19) #1653 (VII 17/19) #1663 (VII 18/19) #1764

*Biographical Notes*

STAFFORD, FR. FREDERIC, SSS

From Marseilles. Ordained June 6, 1868, at Versailles. Fr. E. preached at his first Mass on June 7<sup>th</sup>. Fr. Stafford served as Treasurer for the Paris Community. In his absence Fr. E. directed his handling of legal and practical matters for the closing of Nemours. Present at La Mure for the 30 day Mass after Fr. E.'s death, he directed the placement of his tombstone: a white prie-dieu with a monstrance above it, a stole, and an open book with the words: Let us love Jesus who loves us so in his divine Sacrament.

(III 1/11) #1883

TENAILLON, EDMOND (FR. E. TENAILLON SSS)

Alphonse and Edmond knew Fr. E. as young men. Their mother was a directee of the saint. Fr. E. prayed for the healing of Fr. Alphonse who had been ill, and he rejoiced at his progress in the novitiate. He gave them advice for pilgrimage to the sanctuaries of Southern France.

Fr. Edmond was to become the postulator of the cause of St. Eymard in 1885. In 1898 he began to tour various regions of France to begin the Process.

(III 1/3) #1851

TENAILLON, MME. EULALIE

From Paris. Mother of four children: three sons and one daughter. She was a directee of Fr. E. and a friend of his sisters. Her two sons Alphonse and Edmond joined the Blessed Sacrament community.

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| (III 1/11) | #1742 | (III 4/11) | #1830 | (III 7/11) | #1842 |
| (III 2/11) | #1757 | (III 5/11) | #1847 |            |       |
| (III 3/11) | #1785 | (III 6/11) | #1853 |            |       |

THOLIN-BOST, MME. CLOTILDE

From Amplepuis-Tarare. She and her sister were early members of the Third Order of Mary. Fr. E. had close ties with the Bost family. (cf. Antonia Bost) Mme. Clotilde helped to establish the Aggregation of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Chamond, Rouen, Tours, Amplepuis and Tarare. She was influential in bringing Fr. E. there for missions, etc. She established home adoration. In his correspondence with her, Fr. E. often discussed the Eucharistic apostolate and shared his spiritual insights and ideals with her. Her father (a widower) desired the religious life and entered the Carthusians for a short time.

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| (IV 50/52) | #1604 | (IV 51/52) | #1643 | (IV 52/52) | #1712 |
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THOMAS, MISS THEODORINE

Miss Thomas resided near the Fathers in Paris and took care of their clothing. She went to La Mure with Fr. Chanuet when they learned of Father's illness. She helped to care for him in his final hours.

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| (III 2/14) | #1727 | (III 4/14) | #1750 | (III 6/14) | #1848 |
| (III 3/14) | #1733 | (III 5/14) | #1761 | (III 7/14) | #1861 |

VALERGA, BISHOP, Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem

The Patriarch welcomed the idea of a foundation in Jerusalem and suggested that a temporary foundation take place while waiting for the possibility of acquiring the Cenacle.

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| (VI 2/3) | #1526 | (VI 3/3) | #1572 |
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VAN DERKER, FR., S.J.

Ghent, Belgium. Unknown.

(VIII 1/1) #1793