

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTES

with document numbers and references to French edition

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.

(V 43/52)	#2017	(V 47/52)	#2115	(V 51/52)	#2187
(V 44/52)	#2076	(V 48/52)	#2141	(V 52/52)	#2183
(V 45/52)	#2087	(V 49/52)	#2166		
(V 46/52)	#2095	(V 50/52)	#2178		

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.

(V 7/14)	#2023	(V 13/14)	#2045
(V 12/14)	#1997	(V 14/14)	#2055

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 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.

(I 2/2)	#2107	(I 9/20)	#2036	(I 16/20)	#2148
(I 3/20)	#2004	(I 10/20)	#2044	(I 17/20)	#2149
(I 4/20)	#2006	(I 11/20)	#2063	(I 18/20)	#2167
(I 5/20)	#2010	(I 12/20)	#2092	(I 19/20)	#2173
(I 6/20)	#2016	(I 13/20)	#2114	(I 20/20)	#2194
(I 7/20)	#2019	(I 14/20)	#2125		
(I 8/20)	#2030	(I 15/20)	#2134		

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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 4/4) #2088

BILLON, HENRI, (later FR. BILLON SSS)

Director of the Work of First Communion in Paris.

(VI 1/2 I 2) #2098 (VI 2/2 I 2) #2113 (III 2/2) #2203

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 Communions 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.

(III 5/5) #1950

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 2/2) #1923

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

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

(U 1/1) #2062

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.

(IV 23/28) #1915 (IV 25/28) #2046 (IV 27/28) #2093
(IV 24/28) #2039 (IV 26/28) #2065 (IV 28/28) #2192

BOUIX, FR. S.J.

Author of a 2 volume presentation of Canon Law for Religious. Translator of the writings of St. Teresa. Consulted by Fr. E. about the extraordinary graces of Sr. Benoite Richard.

(VI 1/1) #2136

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BRENIER DE MONTMORAND, MISS EDMEE

Niece of Mme. Natalie Jordan. We have 4 letters from Fr. E. to her, ranging from 1862-1868. She had consecrated her virginity to God in spite of her father's opposition. (The brother of Natalie Jordan.)

(IV 3/4) #1986 (IV 4/4) #2171

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."

(V 23/24) #2100 (V 24/24) #2109

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 Benoitte and Philomene, after the closing of Nemours.

(VII 9/15) #1911 (VII 12/15) #2018 (VII 15/15) #2122
(VII 10/15) #1924 (VII 13/15) #2096
(VII 11/15) #1969 (VII 14/15) #2101

CHANUET, BLANCHE (MME. AMEDEE, NEE DE COUCHIES)

One of the three daughters of Mr. and Mme. de Couchies (nee Rattier). Her sister Philomene entered the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament and her sister Sr. Vincent was a Sister of Charity. Her mother-in-law, Sr. Camille Chanuet, and brother-in-law, Fr. Michel Chanuet, also joined the eucharistic family. Mme. Blanche had several children.

(VII 1/3) #1966 (VII 2/3) #1982 (VII 3/3) #2009

CHANUET, MME. CAMILLE (nee CROZET) (SR. CAMILLE, SS)

Mother of Fr. Michel Chanuet, Amedee Chanuet and Marguerite Blanc de St. Bonnet. In her son and daughter-in-law's home, St. Eymard felt so at home that he went to write the Constitutions for the new Communities. She eventually became a Sister of the Blessed Sacrament. She died at the home of her son Amedee.

(III 3/3 VI 17) #2007 (VII 16/17) #1940 (VII 17/17) #1968

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.

(I 23/29 VI 2) #1902 (I 26/29 VI 2) #1978 (I 29/29) #2197
(I 24/29 VI 2) #1914 (I 27/29 VI 2) #2008
(I 25/29 VI 2) #1974 (I 28/29) #2104

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COLIN, FR. JEAN-CLAUDE, S.M.

Founder and Superior General of the Marist Congregation. He received Peter Julian with warmth and paternal care into the Marist Society on August 20, 1839. A close relationship existed between the two men at first, if we can judge from the positions of responsibility he entrusted to him. Fr. E.'s initiative and zeal frightened him. He was favorable to the establishment of a men's group for eucharistic adoration and he was in dialogue with Mother Dubouche and Fr. de Cuers for its realization. After his resignation as Superior General, he attempted to establish a Marist Work of adoration (Reparation) at La Neyliere. It lasted two years. Fr. Eymard presented his idea to Fr. Colin, who encouraged him to proceed and to request a dispensation from his vows in order to carry it out.

(VI 6/6) #2089

COUCHIES, NATALIE DE (SR. PHILOMENE DU SS)

Entered the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament and made vows in Angers on May 29, 1864. On Dec. 5, 1865, she was part of the group of 12 sisters who left Angers for the Nemours foundation. After the close of Nemours, she refused to return to Angers. She followed Sr. Benoite, and with her founded the Sisters of Jesus-Hostia. The close family ties of Sr. Philomene with the Chanuets caused a strain between the Servants and the Society of the Fathers.

(VI 1/7)	#1907	(VI 4/7)	#1944	(VI 7/7)	#2050
(VI 2/7)	#1938	(VI 5/7)	#1956		
(VI 3/7)	#2130	(VI 6/7)	#1960		

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.

(I 179/181 VI 2) #1898 (I 180/181 VI 2) #1904 (I 181/181 VI 2) #1930

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.

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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.

(IV 29/36)	#1895	(IV 32/36)	#1919	(IV 35/36)	#2138
(IV 30/36)	#1917	(IV 33/36)	#1937	(IV 36/36)	#2153
(IV 31/36)	#1925	(IV 34/36)	#1980		

ENGLEBERT, CARDINAL, Archbishop of Malines

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

(VI 4/7)	#1996	(VI 6/7)	#2056
(VI 5/8)	#2033	(VI 7/7)	#2077

EYMARD, MARIANNE and NANETTE BERNARD

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 8/10 III 145)	#1984	(III 140/145 VI 10)#2054	(III 144/145 VI 10)#2208
(VI 9/10 III 145)	#2189	(III 141/145 VI 10)#2099	(III 145/145 VI 10)#2204
(III 138/145 VI 10)#1893		(III 142/145 VI 10)#2127	
(III 139/145 VI 10)#1998		(III 143/145 VI 10)#2159	

FAURE, FR.

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

(VI 1/1)	#2154
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FERRAT, BROTHER AIME, SSS

Letter welcoming him to religious life with his cousin.

(VI 2/2)	#2140
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GAYRAUD, FR. JULES, SSS

As a professed religious, requested to live with the novices, in order to live out a more contemplative call. Later he was sent to Brussels.

(VI 1/3)	#1945	(VI 2/3)	#2161	(VI 3/3)	#2163
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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 14/19)	#2015	(IV 16/19)	#2079	(IV 18/19)	#2144
(IV 15/19)	#2040	(IV 17/19)	#2131	(IV 19/19)	#2170

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 58/76)	#1964	(V 65/76)	#2002	(V 72/76)	#2143
(V 59/76)	#1976	(V 66/76)	#2012	(V 73/76)	#2151
(V 60/76)	#1979	(V 67/76)	#2034	(V 74/76)	#2174
(V 61/76)	#1981	(V 68/76)	#2069	(V 75/76)	#2199
(V 62/76)	#1983	(V 69/76)	#2080	(V 76/76)	#2202
(V 63/76)	#1994	(V 70/76)	#2086		
(V 64/76)	#1999	(V 71/76)	#2103		

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.

(V 42/52)	#1965	(V 44/52)	#2013
(V 43/52)	#1995	(V 45/52)	#2175

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

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

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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.

(IV 91/104)	#1894	(IV 96/104)	#1993	(IV 101/104)	#2097
(IV 92/104)	#1920	(IV 97/104)	#2020	(IV 102/104)	#2135
(IV 93/104)	#1927	(IV 98/104)	#2042	(IV 103/104)	#2157
(IV 94/104)	#1931	(IV 99/104)	#2074	(IV 104/104)	#2210
(IV 95/104)	#1935	(IV 100/104)	#2085		

GROLLEAU, ANGERS-EVREUX

Canon of the Cathedral of Angers, Secretary to Bishop Angebault. Named by Bishop Angebault in agreement with Fr. E. to be the first ecclesiastical superior of the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament in Angers. That is, he would represent both the Bishop and Fr. E. toward the sisters while remaining in dialogue with both and leaving to Fr. E. his spiritual authority. Mother Marguerite felt that he was a "true Father" to the community, in unity with Fr. E. and faithful to his spirit. With the Bishop and Mother Marguerite, he worked for the official approval of the Congregation of the Servants and of their Constitutions. On May 17, 1870, he was named Bishop of Evreux. On Sept. 8 of the same year, before leaving for his new See, he preached the annual retreat for the Servants.

(VI 1/2)	#2165	(VI 2/2)	#2186
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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.

(VI 2/2 II 395)	#1961	(II 358/395 VI 2)	#1951	(II 368/395 VI 2)	#2022
(II 349/395 VI 2)	#1897	(II 359/395 VI 2)	#1955	(II 369/395 VI 2)	#2024
(II 350/395 VI 2)	#1906	(II 360/395 VI 2)	#1957	(II 370/395 VI 2)	#2025
(II 351/395 VI 2)	#1910	(II 361/395 VI 2)	#1958	(II 371/395 VI 2)	#2027
(II 352/395 VI 2)	#1922	(II 362/395 VI 2)	#1963	(II 372/395 VI 2)	#2038
(II 353/395 VI 2)	#1926	(II 363/395 VI 2)	#1972	(II 373/395 VI 2)	#2041
(II 354/395 VI 2)	#1933	(II 364/395 VI 2)	#1975	(II 374/395 VI 2)	#2047
(II 355/395 VI 2)	#1946	(II 365/395 VI 2)	#1988	(II 375/395 VI 2)	#2049
(II 356/395 VI 2)	#1947	(II 366/395 VI 2)	#1990	(II 376/395 VI 2)	#2060
(II 357/395 VI 2)	#1949	(II 367/395 VI 2)	#2053	(II 377/395 VI 2)	#2064

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(II 378/395 VI 2) #2068	(II 384/395 VI 2) #2117	(II 390/395 VI 2) #2164
(II 379/395 VI 2) #2071	(II 385/395 VI 2) #2121	(II 391/395 VI 2) #2168
(II 380/395 VI 2) #2072	(II 386/395 VI 2) #2126	(II 392/395 VI 2) #2176
(II 381/395 VI 2) #2073	(II 387/395 VI 2) #2132	(II 393/395 VI 2) #2185
(II 382/395 VI 2) #2091	(II 388/395 VI 2) #2150	(II 394/395 VI 2) #2195
(II 383/395 VI 2) #2102	(II 389/395 VI 2) #2156	(II 395/395 VI 2) #2205

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.

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.

(IV 69/75) #1896	IV 72/75) #2011	(IV 75/75) #2169
(IV 70/75) #1936	(IV 73/75) #2051	
(IV 71/75) #1967	(IV 74/75) #2133	

JUBINEAU, FR.

Superior of the Missionaries of the Immaculate Conception, Nantes. He offered hospitality to Fr. E. at the time of a Mission Fr. E. preached there. He became enthusiastic about Fr. E.’s teaching on prayer and requested to have it in writing. Thus the method of “the four ends of sacrifice” was printed as a leaflet and widely distributed in France.

(VI 1/3) #1912	(VI 2/3) #1921	(VI 3/3) #1932
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JULHIEN, ADELE

From Marseilles. Miss Julhien was cured miraculously by Our Lady of La Salette.

(VII 2/2) #2191

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.

(IV 15/26) #1916	(IV 19/26) #2014	(IV 23/26) #2139
(IV 16/26) #1928	(IV 20/26) #2048	(IV 24/26) #2172
(IV 17/26) #1934	(IV 21/26) #2094	(IV 25/26) #2193
(IV 18/26) #1973	(IV 22/26) #2128	(IV 26/26) #2207

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

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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.

(I 42/54)	#1913	(I 47/54)	#1989	(I 52/54)	#2116
(I 43/54)	#1939	(I 48/54)	#2035	(I 53/54)	#2145
(I 44/54)	#1970	(I 49/54)	#2078	(I 54/54)	#2190
(I 45/54)	#1977	(I 50/54)	#2082		
(I 46/54)	#1987	(I 51/54)	#2090		

CARDINAL, ARCHBISHOP OF MALINES

(VI 1/1) #2155

MARECHAL, MME. ANDRE

Daughter-in-law of Mme. Marechal Sr. and sister-in-law of Fr. Paul. Blessings on her pregnancy.

(VII 1/1) #2198

MARECHAL, MME., WIDOW (nee DUFRESNE)

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

(VII 13/20)	#2026	(VII 16/20)	#2066	(VII 19/20)	#2201
(VII 14/20)	#2028	(VII 17/20)	#2083		
(VII 15/20)	#2058	(VII 18/20)	#2137		

MARECHAL, FR. PAUL MARIE SSS

Born July 27, 1840. Entered the Society November 25, 1867. His mother was a directee of Fr. E. Fr. Marechal became Assistant General and at the General Chapter of 1887 proposed an affiliation with the Benedictine Order. After dramatic debate, Fr. Marechal was left alone. He left the Congregation July 12, 1888, and founded the Cistercian Adorers of the Blessed Sacrament at Pont-Colbert, Versailles in 1891. The Congregation was suppressed in 1950 for lack of recruitment.

(VI 1/3) #1962 (VI 2/3) #2075 (VI 3/3) #2084

ADELE MARTEL

(V 1/2) #2158 (V 2/2) #2179

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.

(U2 RE VI 22)	#1992	(U 4 VI 22)	#2070	(VI 22/22)	#2119
(U 3 RE VI 22)	#2005	(U 5 VI 22)	#2081		

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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.
(VII 4/4) #2120

NEVEU, MR.

Notary in Nemours. Mr. Neveu was the trusted notary who, with Mr. Chauveau, handled Fr. E.'s legal matters in Nemours regarding the controversy with Miss Jenny Sterlingue, Srs. Philomene and Benoite, and the Congregation of the Fathers and Servants.
(VII 1/2) #1952 (VII 2/2) #1953

PERRET, LOUIS

An architect in Lyons. Was a member of the Third Order of Mary. He was in Paris at the beginning of the Society and was instrumental in gathering the first group of Workers for catechism. He left Paris in Aug. 1849 (1859?), to establish a place of pilgrimage. (Notre Dame de la Roche at Sauvages - Rhone.)
(VIII 1/2 VII 14) #2152 (VII 14/14) #1929

RATONS, BROTHER MARIE SSS

Brother Marie joined Fr. de Cuers in Marseilles as a youngster from Lyons. He left the community for a while, but later returned.
(VI 7/7) #2067

EUPHROSIE, LOUISE & MARCELLE RAVANAT
RAVANAT FAMILY

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 1/1) #2001

MR. RAVANAT

(III 4/5) #1905 (III 5/5) #1918

THE RAVANAT SISTERS, SERVANTS SSS FRAGMENT

(VI 1 II 6) #1942

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 17/17 VIII 26) #1900

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.

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(U VI 8)	#2123	(VI 7/12)	#1948	(VI 10/12)	#1959
(VI 5/12)	#1941	(VI 8/12)	#2031	(VI 11/12)	#1971
(VI 6/12)	#1943	(VI 9/12)	#1954		

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 19/19) #2110

STAFFORD, FR. FREDERIC, SSS

From Marseilles. Ordained June 6, 1868, at Versailles. Fr. E. preached at his first Mass on June 7th. 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 2/11)	#1985	(III 6/11)	#2142	(III 10/11)	#2181
(III 3/11)	#2106	(III 7/11)	#2146	(III 11/11)	#2209
(III 4/11)	#2108	(III 8/11)	#2147		
(III 5/11)	#2111	(III 9/11)	#2160		

TAMISIER, MISS EMILIE (SR. EMILIENNE)

Tours. The Tamisier family were friends with the Rosemberg family. Emilie entered the community of the Servants in 1863. She was sent to the new foundation of Nemours one year later. Shaken by the dramatic events surrounding this foundation, she left as a temporary professed sister and let her vows expire. She eventually was the foundress of International Eucharistic Congresses. Her last meeting with Fr. E. was May 3, 1868.

(VII 1/9)	#2000	(VII 4/9)	#2037	(VII 7/9)	#2061
(VII 2/9)	#2003	(VII 5/9)	#2043	(VII 8/9)	#2162
(VII 3/9)	#2029	(VII 6/9)	#2052	(VII 9/9)	#2021

TENAILLON, ALPHONSE (FR. ALPHONSE T. SSS) AND EDMOND (FR. EDMOND T. 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 1/1) #1909

EDMOND TENAILLON

(III 2/3)	#1908	(III 3/3)	#1991		
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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.

(III 8/11)	#1903	(III 10/11)	#2124
(III 9/11)	#2112	(III 11/11)	#2182

THIEVRES, COUNTESS DE

Mme. de Thievres was one of the group of women who collected money to help finance the Work of First Communions. Mme. Thievres was a friend of Sr. Benoitte and went to visit her after she had left Nemours.

(VII 1/1)	#2129
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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.

(III 8/14)	#2105	(III 11/14)	#2184	(III 14/14)	#2206
(III 9/14)	#2177	(III 12/14)	#2188		
(III 10/14)	#2180	(III 13/14)	#2200		

THOMAZ DE BOSSIERE, CLARISSE DE

Brussels. Regularly attended Salazar St. Chapel. Her desire to establish a group of women for adoration and to support them led her to buy a large property at Ixelles and to invite the Servants of the Blessed Sacrament from Angers. The opposition of Miss de Meeus blocked the project. The property was then offered to the Society of the Blessed Sacrament, who accepted it to establish a Belgian scholasticate.

(V 1/2)	#2032	(V 2/2)	#2118
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VAN HINSBERG, MME

Her whole family were members of the Aggregation.

(VII 1/1)	#2057
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BISHOP OF VERSAILLES

(VIII 1/1)	#1901
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MME. X

(VII 1/1)	#2196
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FR. X.

#2059

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