

# CHRONOLOGY OF EVENTS

## January - March 1865

- Jan 6 Request presented to Msgr. Capalti, the Secretary of the Propaganda, for permission to have a foundation in the Holy Land for the purpose of purchasing the Cenacle.
- Jan 6-15 Preaching At St. Andre della Valle during the solemn octave of the Epiphany.
- Jan 20 or 21 Visits to Cardinals Barnabo and Petra and to Msgr. Capalti.
- Jan Consultations in Rome regarding formulation of Constitutions.
- Jan 25 - Mar 30 Great Retreat of Rome at the Redemptorist Monastery at Villa Caserta on via Merulana, while waiting for a reply concerning the Cenacle.

## January 25 - March 30, 1865

Great Retreat of Rome

- Feb 2 Mass at St. Peter's.
- Feb 3 Visit to the Propaganda.
- Feb 4 Attended ceremony at the Church of Santa Maria della Pace for the Triduum (presence of Holy Father).
- Feb 10 Visited 40 hour devotions at St. Agatha's Church.
- Feb 14 Visit in town.
- Feb 17 Meditation done at the Church of the Lady Adorers.
- Feb 21 Celebrated Mass at St. Praxedes.
- Feb 22 On Pilgrimage.
- Feb 25 In town.
- Feb 27 Day off at Castel Gandolfo.
- Feb 28 Visited 40 hour devotions for adoration at the Gesu.
- Mar 3 Visited Cardinal Barnabo and Msgr. Capalti at the Propaganda.
- Mar 4 Visited the Propaganda.
- Mar 9 Received disturbing letter from Fr. de Cuers.
- Mar 14 Meditation at St. Peter's; adoration at St. Frances of Rome (40 hours devotions).
- Mar 15 In Town.
- Mar 16 Visits to three Cardinals.
- Mar 21 Pilgrimage to St. Paul's Basilica and San Benedetto in Piscinula.
- Mar 25 Ceremonies at the Minerva; the Holy Father attending.
- Mar 26-28 40 hour devotions at the Redemptorist Monastery where he was staying.
- Mar 28 Meeting of the Congregation of Cardinals.
- Mar 29 Negative decision given to Fr. Eymard.
- Mar 30 End of the Retreat. Departure at night for France.

## April - June 1865

- Beginning of April: Return to France from Rome.
- Apr 8-11 Stay in Lyons after brief rest at La Mure.
- Apr 12-25 Return to Paris.
- Apr 25 To Angers.
- May 1, 3, 4 Conferences to the Servants (Angers).

May 24	Letter of Convocation to the General Chapter of the Society.
Jun 5	Correspondence from Paris. (dates of travel unknown)
Jun 11	Correspondence from Angers. (dates of travel unknown)
Jun 12	Retreat Day to the Servants (Angers).
Jun 16	Mission at St. Thomas Aquinas Church (Paris) to 300 lay adorers who maintained perpetual adoration

## July - September 1865

Jul 3-12	Preparatory retreat for the General Chapter which was composed of 9 members.
Jul 6	Elected by the Chapter as Superior General for life.
Aug 1-8	(Approximately) To La Mure and then to La Salette to obtain the healing of his sister who was ill. Then returned to Paris.
Aug 21-26	To Angers.
Aug 23, 24	Conferences to the Servants (Angers).
Aug 29	To Brussels, Belgium to meet with Miss de Meeus.
Sep 2-8	In Paris.
Sep 8-27	To La Mure to see his sick sister. Visit to La Salette.
Sep 30	Return to Paris via Lyons and Nemours.

## October - November 1865

October	The cholera was rampant in Paris.
Oct 19	At the estate of Ostreignies, near Maubeuge, he signed a contract with Miss de Meeus for a foundation for the first house in Brussels. (Salazar Street)
Oct 21	To Angers.
Oct 23	In Angers, healing of Mother Marguerite Guillot.
Oct 24	Conference to the Servants.
Oct 27 - Nov 2 or 3	Annual retreat to the Servants.
Nov 1	In Paris, First Communion for Adult Workers was taking place during his absence.
Nov 9	Conference to the Servants.
Nov 10	Returned to Paris via Meaux to meet Bishop Allou regarding a foundation for the Servants at Nemours.
Nov 14	To Lyons.
Nov 21	Received a supportive letter from the Cardinal of Malines.
Nov 21-27	To Tours for a retreat to the Ladies of Adoration at the Cathedral of St. Gaitien.
Nov 30	Return to Paris via Nemours.

## December 1865

Nov 30	Return to Paris from Tours via Nemours.
Date Unknown:	Retreat to the group of Virginie Danion, possibly at Mauron. Mission at Nemours. cf. Letter of January 3, 1866.
Dec 8	Foundation at Nemours.
Dec 9-16	Retreat at Dreux.
Dec 16-25	To Brussels to preach Christmas Retreat.

Dec 23                    Ordination of two candidates taking place in Angers.  
Dec 25                    Return to Paris.

## **January - March 1866**

Jan 3                    To Nemours for the day.  
Jan 6-11                He preached the Octave of the Epiphany in Paris.  
c Jan 20                To Meaux and Nemours regarding a foundation.  
Jan 28                    Departure for Brussels to begin a foundation there and to preach the diocesan  
40 hours on Jan. 30, 31 and Feb. 1.  
Feb 2                    Foundation in Brussels on Salazar Street. He stayed there until April 23.  
Mar 1                    At Paris, beginning of 24 hour adoration.  
Mar 2-10                Violent attack of intercostal shingles which left Father at death's door.  
Passion Week (date unknown)      Preached retreat in Brussels.

## **April - June 1866**

Apr 13-21              Preached a triduum at Ghent, the capital of Flanders.  
Apr 23                    Return to Paris after placing the Stations of the Cross in the small room where  
he had stayed in Brussels.  
May 1                    Beginning of the Spiritual exercises for the scholasticate in Paris.  
May                    (date unknown) First Communion of 40 workers in Paris.  
May 17-19              Preached a Triduum for the beatification of Blessed Mary of the Angels at the  
Carmel of Bergerac, courtesy of Mme. Lepage. He stayed at the minor  
seminary where he preached to the Seminarians.  
May 23                    To Angers via Tours.  
May 27                    Conferences to the Servants.  
Jun 7                    Recalled to Paris for the sick. Preached the Octave of the Blessed Sacrament.  
Jun 8                    One day to Nemours.  
Jun 15-21              Preached retreat at Mauron (Morbihan) to 200 Associates of "Thanksgiving,"  
(Virginie Danion). Travelled via Rennes.  
Jun 28                    The future novitiate of St. Maurice was decided upon.

## **July - September 1866**

Jul 15-21              Retreat for 200 Associates at Mauron.  
Jul 27-30 (approx.)    annual retreat to the SSS Religious (men).  
Aug 28                    Conference to the Servants.  
Sep 1-7                Annual Retreat for the Servants (Angers).  
Sep 25-26              Last Pilgrimage to La Salette.  
Sep 27-28              Last Pilgrimage to Laus, then Marseilles.  
Sep 30-Oct 6            Retreat in Marseilles to the SSS Religious (men).

## **October - December 1866**

Sep 30 -                Oct 6: Annual retreat to his Religious in Marseilles.  
Oct 13-14              To Angers to purchase a new house for the Society.

Oct 16	Conference to the Servants (Angers).
Oct 24	To Brussels for one day.
Nov 5-11	Annual Retreat to the Servants (Nemours).
Dec 9-c19	To Brussels.
Dec 25	Foundation of the novitiate of St. Maurice at Midnight Mass (14 novices).
Dec 30	First Communion of Adult Workers (Paris).