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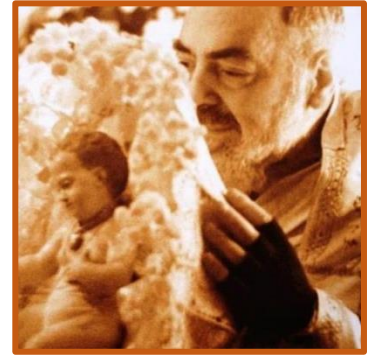


Dear Friends of Tyburn,

Once again we gather around the beautiful Nativity scene contemplating on the immense love that God has for each one of us. The Redeemer of mankind came into the world in the form of a little Baby; born into a world where sin abounded, to free us from this bondage, this slavery of sin. And never

before has the simple Nativity scene been so important as now, where so few realise the magnitude of the Love God has for each one of us at this present moment. This is why in each of our Monasteries we have a Nativity scene in the Chapel, and also in the Community Room to help us to contemplate and appreciate this greatest of mysteries. Emmanuel- God with us- the Baby Jesus is the same Emmanuel in the Holy Eucharist. ***Christ-Mass!***... Here is a delightful true story to add to this thought : *St Padre Pio as we all know had many visions of Our Blessed Lord, Our lady and his Angel Guardian, but one day the Child Jesus appeared to the saintly priest when he was ill in bed. With deep joy and surprise the saint exclaimed in French (not Italian)- “ Petit Enfant! Petit Enfant! Why are you so small this morning!! You made Yourself so small this morning!!” St Padre Pio then turned to his Guardian angel and tells him to genuflect to the Petit Enfant Jesus, which the angel does in obedience and reverence. St Padre Pio continues - “Jesus, Jesus, why are you so small? Come closer, tell me, can you talk? You are so small!!”*

In this beautiful apparition St Padre Pio saw the marks of the Crucifixion on the tiny Hands and Feet of the Petit Enfant Jesus, revealing the way St Padre Pio regarded the mystery of Christmas....the Child Jesus must be seen in the Light of Jesus Crucified and the festivities of Christmas in strict relationship with the mystery of Easter. So when we look at the Nativity scene let us thank God for His immense LOVE. Let us love Him more.



August 15 – 1st Anniversary of Maison Garnier

Grancey-le-Chateau.

It is hard to believe that one year has already passed since the opening of Maison Garnier at

Grancey-le-Chateau, where our saintly Mother Foundress—Marie Adele Garnier- was born in 1838. To celebrate the First Anniversary of this humble shrine the Community started making preparations for a Solemn Mass, and a young lady Justine from Lithuania and her mother Virginia- came at the invitation from our Oblate Rita – Sr Felicitas. Justine is musical and accompanied us with her flute which was very beautiful. Thank you Justine! Very Rev Mother General and Sr M. Walburga came from the Mother House-London-for the occasion and were here to greet the many people who came to join us in this special occasion. After the Solemn Mass of the Annunciation -the 181st Birthday of Marie Adele Garnier we made a rosary procession to the Collegial chapel of St Jean on the Grancey estate- and we are grateful to the Baron and Baroness de Mandat-Grancey for their kind hospitality. Hopefully this annual event will continue to grow in the coming years!





On the 7th September we held the **annual Day for Religious** for the Diocese of Langres which was a wonderful day of fraternal charity and solidarity. A few years ago we used to hold this event on 2nd February-Day of Consecrated Life, but one year there was a heavy snow storm!! So much snow had fallen that most of the Religious could not drive through the snow-covered roads to our Monastery. As a result only a few brave souls, including our **Bishop Rev Monseigneur Joseph de Metz-Noblat** made the dangerous journey by car to come for the event. So it was decided to hold this event later in the year so that there was no need to worry about snow storms!

A solemn Mass was celebrated by our Bishop- Monseigneur Joseph and afterwards we all shared a BBQ lunch thoroughly enjoyed by everyone. We thank everyone who participated in this joyful day and we look forward to the next reunion next year on the Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary 2020.



Shortly after this Day for Religious our dear **Mother Mary Martin de Porres** was transferred to New Zealand on 11 September. Not the most ideal day to travel but at least the airports were less crowded! We will miss Mother Martin very much. Soon after her departure **Sr Mary Stella** arrived on the 1st day of **October**, the Feast day of St Therese de Lisieux. Sister Stella has adjusted very well to her new Community and even to the winter cold! She is a happy little Sister and is a great help to us.



The highlight of this year 2019 was the arrival of the relics of the great **Saint Margaret-Mary** to our little Monastery here in St Loup from 14-21 October!! It all started last year in December 2018 when Rev Mother Prioress had the inspiration to try and bring the relics here. She wrote a letter to the Visitation Superior at Paray-le-Monial and within a few days the reply came in the affirmative. So, for the next 9 months we were waiting with great anticipation for the relics to arrive in our chapel, making many preparations for the event; cleaning the chapel, arranging the flowers, prayers, candles and a solemn high Mass with our dear Bishop Rev Monseigneur Joseph de Metz-Noblat. **This event was to be a very special one as it was the 100-year jubilee of the Consecration of the Basilica of the Sacred Heart Montmartre and also the 100 year jubilee of the Canonisation of St Margaret-Mary...A double blessing!!** Rev Mother Prioress travelled to Paray to take charge of the



precious reliquary and while there she was warmly welcomed by the **Superior of the Visitation Sisters-Sr Marie-Simon** and her community. They were very hospitable and kind to us. Sr Marie-Simon showed us the cell of St Margaret-Mary and the first Chapel and Oratory- in the world- dedicated to the Sacred Heart. It was here where St Margaret-Mary lived and prayed and where Our Lord appeared to her in numerous apparitions. How blessed and happy we were to be able to see and walk through this most holy place. As a result of this visit our community has established a close fraternal friendship with the Sisters at Paray-le-Monial. They truly maintain the spirit of their founders and of deep devotion to the Sacred Heart-a witness most necessary for the turbulent times we now live in and together with our Congregation we pray for salvation of souls through the Sacred Heart of Jesus.



The precious relics of the Saint remained at our Monastery for one glorious week; so many graces flowed from God during this time and we are still feeling the after effects! On the 15th October our Bishop- Rev Monseigneur Joseph de Metz-Noblat came to celebrate the solemn Mass of the Sacred Heart in honour of the 100 Jubilee year of Canonisation of St Margaret-Mary. People

from near and far came for this special event and together we united our hearts with the Sacred Heart of Jesus with great joy as we sang hymns of praise to Him. Rev Pere Alain our faithful chaplain presided at the solemn Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament, aided by Rev Fr Philippe Robert. After the Solemn Mass everyone enjoyed some light refreshments and we were entertained by Arthur a friend from England who played the bagpipes for us!... We are still counting our blessings from this wonderful event. May our loving God continue to pour out His graces upon us all!



News update on the new Tyburn Monk Congregation-

The Adorers of the Eucharistic Heart of Jesus. Many people have asked us "How is the new Congregation of Tyburn Monks going?" We have wonderful news! On the feast day of Blessed Columba Marmion 3rd October 2019, at the Mother House in London, the two postulant monks Rev Fathers Hector and Manuel were admitted to their Novitiate formation, the beginning of their formation in Monastic life-receiving the Benedictine Habit from Very rev Mother General and at the same time receiving their new Monastic names- **Rev Father Manuel received the name of Fr Benedict-Mary of the Eucharistic Heart and Fr Hector was named Fr Bernard-Mary of the Sacred Heart.** The two monk Novices will complete some of their formation at Tyburn Convent and at another English Monastery of monks. *The Monks will follow the charism of Mother Foundress-Servant of God-Marie Adele Garnier, who had written in 1903 a very important document entitled The Monk of the Sacred Heart.* This document is remarkable in itself, a written rule for Monks whom she also called the *Apostles of the End Times*, who would promote Eucharistic adoration and make reparation for the many sacrileges committed against the Blessed Sacrament. The Monk Adorers are currently at the Mother House in London and will soon return to Colombia to continue their formation. They have already purchased a property in Colombia and hope to start building a monastery when they have enough funds. Please pray for them, their needs and their intentions as they seek to extend the Kingdom of God for the glory of God!



Finally as we approached the end of the year 2019 the community worked very hard in preparing for the Christmas fayre at Langres- le Marché de Noël. We appreciate very much our friends who help us in this event every year- Raymond Poinot, Dominique Rogue and Agnes Thierry. Dominique and Agnes sold many of our homemade products at the weekend fayre/market which was a great success!



Deo Gratias! May God bless them for their kind generosity!

And THANK YOU to our benefactors who helped us to raise the funds to rebuild our dry-stone wall! In November the workers came to repair the wall stone by stone which was interesting to watch. It is a real art which these young people were keeping alive.

As 2020 approaches please be assured of our prayers and immense gratitude to all of you who help us spiritually and materially. We are very appreciative of all the help given and each one of will be praying for you and for your intentions as we kneel before the Eucharistic Lord at adoration.

The Tyburn Nuns.

