

MISSIONARY OBLATES OF MARY IMMACULATE

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for the Divine Office and the Eucharist



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“I believe I owe to her also a special experience that I felt today...”

(St. Eugene de Mazenod, August, 15, 1822)

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CELEBRATIONS PROPER TO THE OMI

December 3, 2021: 26th Anniversary of the canonization of Bishop Eugene de Mazenod.

December 6, 2021: Abduction and subsequent *dies natalis* of the Servant of God Fr. Ludwik Wrodarczyk (1907-1943).

December 8, 2021: Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary: Titular and principal Patron of the Congregation. Solemnity. Everything as in the Missal and the Liturgy of the Hours. Act of Consecration to Mary Immaculate.

December 16, 2021: Blessed Oblate Martyrs of Laos. Blessed Fr. Joseph Thao Tien and companions. Optional Memorial.

January 21, 2022: *Dies natalis* of the Servant of God Sc. Alfons Mańka (1917-1941).

January 25, 2022: Feast of the Conversion of Saint Paul, **206th Anniversary of the foundation of the Congregation**

January 26, 2022: *Dies natalis* of the Servant of God Fr. Bastiampillai Antho-nipillai Thomas (1886-1964).

February 17, 2022: 196th Anniversary of the approval of the Consti-tutions and Rules of our Congregation. Solemnity. Mass proper of Thanksgiving for our Oblate vocation. All priests offer the Mass for the Congregation. Renewal of vows. Act of Consecration to Mary Immaculate.

March 19, 2022: Solemnity of St. Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Vir-gin Mary, Protector of the Congregation, patron of Brothers.

April 14, 2022: Holy Thursday: First Vows of the Founder and Father Tempier on Holy Thursday, April 11, 1816 in Aix-en-Provence.

April 15, 2022: Good Friday: The Founder's "Conversion", most probably March 27, 1807.

May 20, 2022: *Dies natalis* of Venerable Fr. Carlo Domenico Albini (1790-1839).

May 21, 2022: Saint Eugene de Mazenod, Bishop and Founder of our Congregation. Solemnity. Mass proper; colour: white; *Gloria* and *Credo*, Preface proper. Liturgy of the Hours, according to the ritual for solemnities, is taken from the OMI Proper and from the Common of Pastors; 1st Vespers, *Te Deum*. At Midday Office: proper antiphon, gradual and psalms. Sunday Compline.

May 22-29, 2022: Time of prayer and animation for **Oblate vocations**.

June 3, 2022: *Dies natalis* of Venerable Bishop Vital Grandin (1829-1902).

June 5, 2022: Solemnity of Pentecost: The descent of the Holy Spirit on Mary and the Apostles in Jerusalem recalls for Oblates the Founder's sensitivity to the action of the Holy Spirit in his own soul.

Friday, June 24, 2022: Solemnity of the Sacred Heart: Oblate devotion to the Sacred Heart was strengthened by the decision of the General Chapter of 1873 to consecrate the Congregation to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.

July 10, 2022: *Dies natalis* of Venerable Bro. Anthony Kowalczyk (1866-1947).

August 15, 2022: Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady. On August 15, 1822, the Founder blessed a statue of Mary Immaculate. This statue, for some moments, appeared to the Founder as though alive and visibly signifying approval of him and his Congregation. It now stands in the main chapel of our General House in Rome and is referred to as "the Oblate Madonna".

October 1, 2022: Memorial of St. Therese of the Child Jesus. At the initiative of the Venerable Bishop Ovide Charlebois OMI, in 1927 Pope Pius XI proclaimed St. Therese the Principal Patroness of all missionaries.

October 23, 2022: Mission Sunday: Since 1926, the Church has celebrated Mission Sunday. Public prayer and preaching on this day help all of Christ's faithful to recognize the missionary nature of the Church.

October 29, 2022: *Dies natalis* of the Servant of God Card. Thomas Benjamin Cooray (1901-1988).

November 1, 2022: Solemnity of All Saints. Oblates recall the day in 1818 when the Missionaries of Provence first pronounced the vows.

November 3, 2022 (or a following day): Community Mass for our deceased.

November 12, 2022 (or other day): **Dedication of our Churches and Oratories.** The Anniversary of the Dedication (if the church or oratory is consecrated), is celebrated either on the anniversary or on the day specified in the particular calendar of the Oblates (November 12, Dedication of the Church of the General House) or on the day specified in the local Church calendar for celebrating the anniversary of the dedication of all the churches within the territory: *Solemnity*. All from the Common of the Dedication, *Gloria* and *Credo*; 1st Vespers, *Te Deum*; at Midday Office: proper antiphon, gradual and psalms; Sunday Compline.

November 20, 2022: *Dies natalis* of the Venerable Bishop Ovide Charlebois (1862-1933).

November 28, 2022: Blessed Oblate Martyrs of Spain, Blessed Fr. Francisco Esteban Lacal and companions. Optional Memorial.

November 29, 2022: *Dies natalis* of the Servant of God Fr. Victor Lelièvre (1876-1956).

Due to their coincidence with Sunday, this year it is not possible to celebrate the memorials of the Blesseds Joseph Gérard (7th Sunday of Easter) and Joseph Cebula (Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity).

For the pastoral good of the faithful, **Solemnities** that fall during the week may be observed on the preceding or following Sunday in Ordinary Time (cf. *Universal Norms on the Liturgical Year and the General Roman Calendar*, No. 58).

During the year it is possible to celebrate **Votive Masses** (including of the Immaculate Conception) and **Masses for Various Needs** or for **Various Circumstances** (for example in Thanksgiving for our vocation) according to No. 347, 355, 368-378, of *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*. However, Masses in honour of a Blessed are not allowed, not even Votive Masses, outside of the days listed here.