



St. Marguerite d'Youville

October 16

Who was St. Marguerite d'Youville?

St. Marguerite d'Youville was a remarkable woman who lived in Canada during the 18th century. She was born in 1701 and faced many challenges in her life. St. Marguerite lost her husband when she was still young and had to raise her children on her own. Despite these obstacles, she remained strong in her faith and dedicated herself to helping others in need.

St. Marguerite's deep compassion for the poor and the sick inspired her to establish the Sisters of Charity of Montreal, also known as the Grey Nuns. Together with her companions, she founded a charitable organization to care for the sick, the elderly and orphaned children. The Grey Nuns worked tirelessly to provide care and support for those who were marginalized and vulnerable in society.

Through her selfless acts of kindness and her commitment to serving the poor, St. Marguerite became widely known for her holiness and her devotion to God. Her life of service and love for others earned her the title of "Mother of Universal Charity."

St. Marguerite d'Youville is recognized as a saint in the Catholic Church for her extraordinary virtues and her exemplary life of Christian love. In 1990, she was canonized by St. Pope John Paul II. Her canonization was a formal recognition of her saintly life and her significant contributions to society. St. Marguerite's legacy continues to inspire people around the world to follow her example of caring for the less fortunate and showing compassion to all those in need.

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Quotes

"She could have despaired, but instead took her suffering and made it a springboard to serving others in pain."

- Unknown

"All the wealth in the world cannot be compared with the happiness of living together happily united."

"My dear Sisters, be constantly faithful to the duties of the state that you have embraced. Walk always in the path of regularity, obedience, and mortification. But above all, let the most perfect union reign among you."

Prayer

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit;

Saint Marguerite d'Youville,
during your lifetime
you opened your heart and home to every type of human misery.

Listen with compassion to our prayers of petition.
We count on you to plead with the God of Love
to grant the favour we now seek with confidence and trust.

Gift us as you were gifted with ever-deepening faith,
with firm hope and trust.
Let our lives be for all a service of love.

Mother of Universal Charity,
your love for the poor made the impossible possible.

Amen.

Patron Saint

Grey Nuns	Widows	Orphans	Poor and Needy	Abandoned Children
Sick and Elderly	Single Mothers	Social Workers	Caregivers and Nurses	Prisoners and Inmates





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FEAST DAY:
October 16

SCHOOL LOCATION:
Richmond Hill, ON

"Let us embrace the call to love and serve the poorest and most vulnerable, for in them, we encounter the face of Christ."

- St. Marguerite d'Youville

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