

Prayer for the CJ General  
Congregation

We all unite in prayer:

O Parent of parents  
and Friend of friends,  
Guide our hearts and our feet  
on the path towards the  
General Congregation  
and into the future.

Help us to listen and to speak to You,  
and to one another,  
in Freedom, Justice and Sincerity.  
Strengthen us to move as one Body  
in the direction  
in which You want us to proceed.

Help us to be aware  
of the realities and needs of our times  
and to respond to them  
with love and courage.

Pour into our lives and our mission,  
and into our General Congregation,  
the power of Your Holy Spirit,  
as You did for Mary Ward  
and her companions.

We make this prayer  
through Christ our Lord, Your Son,  
and our companion on the journey.  
Amen

Venerable Mary Ward,  
pray for us and give us your spirit.



We pray for our deceased  
sisters

- 28/04/2020 Magdalene Munro IBVM, South Asia
- 21/05/2020 Gottharda Reichenwallner CJ, MEP
- 22/05/2020 Borgia Clancy IBVM, Ireland
- 22/05/2020 Genevieve Mullarkey IBVM, Ireland
- 24/05/2020 Paschal Murray IBVM, Ireland
- 16/06/2020 Anita Amann CJ, MEP
- 22/06/2020 Amabilis Glöckler CJ, MEP



In thanks for and loving memory  
of, all who have died recently,  
and especially those who have died  
unloved and not remembered.

We also remember the many  
people who have died because of  
Covid-19.

May they rest in peace

House of Prayer  
July-August 2020



We have celebrated the fifth anniversary  
of the Encyclical *Laudato Si'*, which sought  
to draw attention to the cry of the earth  
and of the poor. After the different events  
to keep alive the spirit of the Encyclical,  
Pope Francis invites us to the following:  
“the “*Laudato Si'* Week” will blossom  
into a special Year of the anniversary  
of *Laudato Si'*, to reflect on the Encyclical,  
from 24 May this year until 24 May next  
year. I invite all people of good will to  
participate, in order to take care of our  
common home and our most fragile  
brothers and sisters”.

(cf. *Angelus*, 24/05/2020)

## We pray with the world and the Church

Loving God,  
Creator of Heaven, Earth, and all therein contained.  
Open our minds and touch our hearts,  
so that we can be part of Creation, your gift.

Be present to those in need in these difficult times,  
especially the poorest and most vulnerable.  
Help us to show creative solidarity as we confront  
the consequences of the global pandemic.  
Make us courageous in embracing the changes  
required to seek the common good.  
Now more than ever, may we all feel  
interconnected and interdependent.

Enable us to succeed in listening and responding to  
the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor.  
May their current sufferings become the birth pangs  
of a more fraternal and sustainable world.  
We pray through Christ our Lord, under the loving  
gaze of Mary Help of Christians.  
Amen.

*In July, the universal intention is “our families”. The Pope asks prayers that today’s families may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance.*

*“The Maritime World” is the universal intention in August. Pope Francis asks to pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.*

## We pray with the Mary Ward Family

**4 July:** Final Profession and 4<sup>th</sup> vow: Anna Schenck and Nathalie Korf, CJs of the Middle European Province (MEP)

**31 July:** Final Profession and 4<sup>th</sup> vow of Veronika Králiková of the CJ Slovak Province  
100<sup>th</sup> birthday of Berchmans Doohan IBVM from Ireland

**22 August:** Final Profession of Ganga Jyoti Bardewa, Rani Regina Hembram, Ranjeeta Kerketta, Anita Nayak IBVMs from South Asia Province

**Let us pray on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of each month** for the Beatification of our foundress, whose process is carried out through the Office for the Cause of Mary Ward and the devotion of the people who trust in her intercession.

**Let us pray on the 30<sup>th</sup> of each month** for the union of the two branches. We pray that all the steps necessary to become one Mary Ward Institute will be taken in the same spirit of openness, sincerity and trust in God, Creator of all that is good.

We pray for our Sister Miros Santillán IBVM from Peru who has responded to a call for nurses to help in Puerto Maldonado, San Juan De Dios in the Amazon region in this time of pandemic.

**We pray with our sisters celebrating their Jubilee during these two months**

Let us take this time to remember that during these middle weeks of July and August we were to be at **CJ General Congregation 2020**.

The world pandemic crisis has caused tremendous shifts in our reality that we could never have predicted.

But the Spirit is still at work in us and in our world. So, let us continue to pray in faith and consolation that “what cannot be done in one year can be done in the next.”  
(Mary Ward)

