



Mother Mary Teresa Guild

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Cardinal Dolan visits Marycrest Motherhouse



Cardinal Dolan given a tour of the Motherhouse grounds.

On August 15, 2012 New York's Cardinal Timothy Dolan celebrated the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at the Chapel of the Immaculate Conception of the Parish Visitors of Mary Immaculate in Monroe, NY.

The Sisters were overjoyed to have the Cardinal join them on the 92nd anniversary of their foundation.

Following the celebration, the Cardinal visited with the Sisters and then walked to the Cemetery to pray at the grave of the Foundress, Mother Mary Teresa Tallon. The Cardinal has encouraged the Sisters in their seeking to begin the process for the beatification of their foundress, Mother Mary Teresa Tallon.

Important Dates in the life of Mother Mary Teresa Tallon, Foundress Parish Visitor of Mary Immaculate

Birth

Julia Teresa Tallon, May 6 1867

Entrance to Religious Life

April 30, 1887

Perpetual Profession

As a Holy Cross Sister: August 15, 1893,
Sister Mary Berchmans

First Inspirational Grace

July 2, 1900

Fullness of Vocational Inspiration

January 25, 1908, feast of the conversion of St. Paul, during Mass in the chapel at 143 West 61st street, NYC

Foundation of the Parish Visitors of Mary Immaculate

August 15, 1920 at 328 West 71st street, NYC

Entrance into Eternal Life

March 10, 1954

"Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name give glory."

- Psalm 115:1



In Her Own Words

In May, 1939, Mother Mary Teresa gave the following conference to the Bronx Junior Associates, at the Motherhouse of the Parish Visitors of Mary Immaculate.

“I want to talk about an early vocation. At the age of twelve, I knew just what I wanted. I wanted to be a Religious. I wanted to give myself to God and work for souls for Him. And I realized that Christ died for souls. I looked at the Crucifix and realized that He was there,

hanging on the Cross. He came to earth and He died to save each and every soul...

I want to show you a picture of a young vocation, the Blessed Virgin. The Blessed Virgin helped me when I was trying to work out my young vocation. People say, “Why don’t you stay in the world, at least until you are twenty-one?” and so on to another year, and another year. ...I had a hard time with my early vocation, but I succeeded in getting through...

Begin early, my dear girls. If I had known of a vocation like this when I was twelve years old, you could not have held me from it. Even at that age I was a missionary. In my early years I always had a class of children to teach. Our home was a Mission Center where the people would gather to go to Confession and Communion. We had Mass right in our home...”

“Be true to your early vocation if God has inspired it.”



Parish Visitors of Mary Immaculate: Contemplative-Missionaries

Origin of the Community

By Mother Mary Teresa Tallon

“This religious vocation originated in a Divine call to the greater love of God, to greater meekness for the love of God, in the practical compassionating of Our Lord’s zeal for His forgotten and neglected children. Jesus came to earth because of the immortality of souls. He showed zeal for all souls, but especially for the poor and for children. If we were not immortal and all poor neglected little ones as

well, there would be no need for our vocation...Ours is not merely the usual religious vocation, for it emphasizes and unites the contemplative and unitive life with the missionary apostolate....we of the Community have the gift of a contemplative-missionary vocation. It is the grace offered to each and all the members, but there must be the individual cooperation with the Holy Spirit in response to the vocational gift....Sisters we shall not be powerful in God’s service until we become saints”



Who Is Mother Mary Teresa Tallon?

- Born on May 6, 1867, Julia Teresa Tallon was the seventh child of Peter and Bridget Tallon.
- Her family owned a hops farm near Waterville, NY.
- From an early age, Julia sought to grow in her love for God and His people, especially those who had forgotten Him.
- At the age of 20, Julia entered the Sisters of the Holy Cross. She spent many years teaching elementary school, where she grew in her love for the most rejected and neglected of God’s children.

Edict



ARCHDIOCESE OF NEW YORK

NEO-EBORACEN
Beatificationis et Canonizationis
SERVAE DEI MARIAE TERESIAE TALLON
(in saec.: Iuliae Teresiae)
Fundatricis, Congregationis Visitatricum
Parochialium Mariae Immaculatae
(prot. n. 3085)

EDICT

On 12 May 2012, Dr. Waldery Hilgeman, Postulator, has asked us to initiate the Diocesan Inquiry on the life, heroic virtues, and reputation of holiness and of intercessory power of the **SERVANT OF GOD MARY TERESA TALLON**, founder of the Congregation of the Parish Visitors of Mary Immaculate, born 07 May 1867 in Hanover, Oneida (Diocese of Syracuse) and died on 10 March 1954 in Monroe (Archdiocese of New York).

We, having known the virtues and reputation of holiness of the Servant of God have asked and obtained the *Nihil Obstat* of the Congregation for the Causes of Saints on 20 February 2013 (prot. N. 3085) to pursue her cause of beatification and canonization.

In informing our Ecclesial Community about this, we invite all the faithful to communicate to us directly or to send to the Tribunal of the Archdiocese of New York, any information, favorable or unfavorable, related to the reputation of holiness of the Servant of God.

Since, by the norms of the legal dispositions, all the writings attributed to her should be collected, by the present EDICT we indicate that anyone who is in possession of such writings should carefully send to the said Tribunal any document authored by the Servant of God that has not already been entrusted to the Postulation of the Cause.

We remind you that the word "writings" is not to be understood only of printed works, which have already been gathered, but also manuscripts, diaries, letters and every private writing of the Servant of God. Those who want to keep the original can present a duly authenticated copy.

We establish finally that the present EDICT is to remain visible for six months at the doors of the St. Patrick's Cathedral and of all Parish Churches of the Archdiocese of New York, and that it is to be published in "Catholic New York".

Given in New York, from our Archdiocesan Curia, on 28th February, 2013.



✽ **TIMOTHY MICHAEL CARDINAL DOLAN**
Archbishop of New York



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Prayer (for private use only) **Answered Prayers**

Heavenly Father, through the example of Your Servant Mary Teresa Tallon, you summon all your faithful to become apostles to the most spiritually deprived. Through your loving kindness, we pray that you heed this special favor which would confirm the holiness of your faithful Servant: (here make your request).

We ask you this in the name of Jesus Your Son, loving Shepherd of us all. Amen.

With Ecclesiastical Approbation:
†Timothy Cardinal Dolan
Archbishop of New York
27 December 2012

For any favor obtained, kindly notify the
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BJ shared that prayer to Mother Mary Teresa brought spiritual healing to a family member.

JK believes prayer to Mother Mary Teresa brought inner and physical healing.

Prayer Requests

CML, 10 year old kidney disease

S for inoperable brain tumor

FP for cancer

AR unborn baby for his safe and healthy delivery

LR for eye cancer

MA for lymphoma

Please pray for **Dr. Waldery Hilgeman** and **Bro. Reginald Cruz, CFX**, our postulators

Would you like the Sisters to join you in prayer for a special favor? Contact:

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Vice Postulator,
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Mother Mary Teresa Guild

Dear Friends,

As Vice Postulator for the Cause of Mother Mary Teresa Tallon, Servant of God, I would like to welcome you to our Guild Family! Many of you are on our Parish Visitor Magazine mailing list, and will receive the next issue which speaks of the inauguration of the Mother Mary Teresa Guild.

We would like you, our loyal friends and benefactors, to be among the first recipients of the Guild Newsletter's first issue. We hope you will want to join with us as members of the Guild.

As a Guild Member you will help us spread knowledge of Mother Mary Teresa's life, mission, distinctive spirituality and intercessory power. Guild members pray for the spiritual success of Mother's Cause, and pray for the miracles God has in mind for the advancement of it. We also depend on the members of the Guild to help us with the financial support

for the many expenses that are absolutely necessary for every person whose Cause for beatification and canonization is being considered by the Holy See.

Through the Guild Newsletter, you will be kept well informed on how the Cause is progressing. In each issue, we will publish names (initials) of persons who have asked prayers-- and those whose prayers have been answered, through the Servant of God.

You will learn more about Mother Mary Teresa Tallon, through articles and by reading her own words.

We look forward to hearing from each of you. May God bless you and your families.

In the Sacred Heart of the Good Shepherd,
Sister Maria Catherine, PVMI