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“You may expect a visit from Our Lord frequently if you have the faith that He is ready to give infinitely more than you are ready to receive.”

- Mother Mary Teresa Tallon

God’s Divine Providence



On January 13, 2015, Timothy Cardinal Dolan, Archbishop of New York, officiated at the Closing Session of the Diocesan Phase of the Cause for Beatification/Canonization of the Servant of God, Mother Mary Teresa Tallon, Foundress of the Parish Visitors of Mary Immaculate.

Sr. Theresa Marie, Mrs. Beth Cokerley and Mrs. Cathy Talty.

The Acts of the Inquiry were read by Ms. Marie Martin. The officials of the Tribunal took oaths attesting to their diligence in following the directives of the Congregation for the Causes of Saints, found in the document, *Sanctorum Mater*.



Tribunal Officials signing oaths

All the documentation was presented to the Cardinal: all 8,008 pages, duplicated! They were wrapped in packages of 300, to be delivered to the Congregation for the Causes of Saints in Rome, by Sr. Maria Catherine who was appointed as the “official carrier.”

Gathered at the Catholic Center, 1011 First Avenue, New York City were Msgr. Douglas Mathers, Episcopal Delegate; Fr. Richard Welch, C.Ss.R, Promoter of Justice; Ms. Marie Martin, Notary; and Sr. Maria Catherine, PVMI, Vice-Postulator as “Officials of the Tribunal”; also present: Mother Carole Marie, Sr. Rita Mairelenes,

It is truly the Providence of God that has brought us to this point so quickly, in the process of Mother’s Cause for Beatification/Canonization.



Important Dates in the Life of Mother Mary Teresa Tallon, PVMI

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

Transfer to New York City

- 1905, St. Paul’s
- Organized first special class for retarded

and handicapped children as well as evening classes for overage children in 1906

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, New York City

Entrance into Eternal Life

- March 10, 1954

Dear Guild Members and Friends of Mother Mary Teresa Tallon,

From the Vice Postulator

It is with deep joy and gratitude to God that we share with you the news of the opening of the Roman Phase of Mother's Cause. Much work has gone into getting to this stage. We thank you for your prayerful support.

We are awaiting permission from Rome to take the next step: exhumation of Mother's body. Following that step, we will be working on verification of some answers to prayers, as well as working on the document ("position") which will be presented to the Congregation for the Causes of Saints to show that Mother did, indeed, practice heroic virtue.

I am asking you to prayerfully consider how you can help us. Certainly, your prayers are of utmost importance! However, we also need financial support: whether a one-time donation, or on-going (monthly/annually) donation of whatever you can afford—we would be most grateful!

Also, please consider promoting Mother's Cause among your family and friends, as well as asking your pastor to put Mother's prayer cards in the parish vestibule. We would be happy to come to your parish and speak about Mother Mary Teresa.

Know that you are included in our prayers and Masses. God bless you!

Sr. Maria Catherine, PVMI

Renewal—To Make New Again

By Beth Cokeley

At Easter Sunday Mass, Catholics are asked to prayerfully renew their Baptismal promises. This annual renewal re-focuses our commitment to our faith as we walk into the warm sunshine of Spring and onto another year of life lived in Christ.

Mother Mary Teresa Tallon was intimately familiar with that rhythm and cycle of seasons, having been raised on a hops farm in upstate, New York. She was also fully aware of the spiritual seasons of the year and their importance in the spiritual life of the Parish Visitors and of those the Sisters serve.

Her inspiration and vision for the spiritual life of the Congregation included:

Daily: a Eucharistic Holy Hour, Mass and Holy Communion; meditation, Rosary, spiritual reading: all for the purpose of bringing each Sister into the very Heart of the Good Shepherd, to renew their love and zeal for souls.

Quarterly: Mother Foundress had the Sisters attend "Conventions" at the Motherhouse in Monroe, NY, to renew them in their spirit of sisterly love and unity in the ideals of the Congregation.

Annually: the Sisters spent 10 days in retreat at the Motherhouse in Monroe, New York to renew their fidelity in living the contemplative-missionary charism.

"So it is a great blessing of Almighty God that the Parish Visitors can come together at Marycrest to this solitude and renew their spirit at the foot of the Cross (p.126, Retreat Counsels of the Community)."

When visiting parish households at the request of a Pastor, the Parish Visitors of Mary Immaculate can and do introduce and explain the Catholic faith to non-Catholics they meet. However, their primary mission is to especially focus on renewing fallen-away Catholics in the practice of their own faith, to seek out what was lost and reclaim their precious membership in the Community of the Faithful. Where the Parish Visitors of Mary Immaculate have been invited to make household visits, Pastors report their Communities are refreshed and renewed, neighborhoods come alive once again. Marriages are renewed by sacramental validations and blessings.

"The Parish Visitor is like a shepherd who is always on the lookout for straylings. Just as the Shepherd goes out



to watch his flock in the pastures, so the Visitor is the scout, like the shepherd's boy or dog, running around to safeguard the wanderers (p. 96, Parish Visitor Missionary)."

Mother Mary Teresa Tallon knew that the regular renewal of the Sisters' spirits and of their prayer life were critical in accomplishing the mission that Jesus, the Good Shepherd gave them.



For Guild Members:

A trip to the solitude of Marycrest renews the visitor. The restoration of Mother Mary Teresa's rooms at the Motherhouse will offer a special place for visitors to renew their acquaintance with Mother Mary Teresa Tallon.



Msgr. Giacomo Pappalardo cutting the red ribbon and unsealing the package.

Roman Phase of the Cause Opened

What a privilege it was for Mother Carole Marie and me, Sr. Maria Catherine, to bring the 3 suitcases filled with documentation gathered for the Diocesan Phase of Mother’s Cause to the Congregation for the Causes of Saints.

Congregation of the Causes of Saints, as well as Fr. Boguslaw Turek, CSMA, Undersecretary of the Congregation for the Causes of Saints, and Fr. Justin Grey—all of whom would have a hand in moving Mother’s Cause from phase to phase.

“It would have been enough,” as the Jewish Litany for Passover says, to have brought the documents! Yet, in His Divine Providence God allowed us to be present for the Official Opening of the Roman Phase of the Process! You can imagine our joy when the previously wrapped and sealed packages of documents were ceremoniously cut and unsealed by Msgr. Pappalardo!

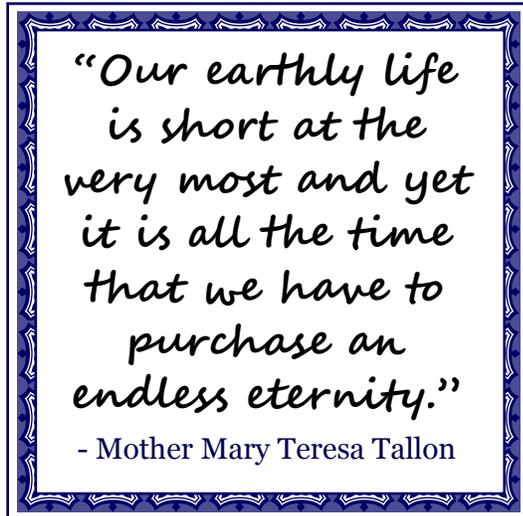
Our postulator, Dr. Waldery Hilgeman, met us at the Offices of the Congregation and brought us to meet Msgr. Giacomo Pappalardo, Chancellor of the



In Her Own Words: Means of Renewal in God

“May the devoted Parish Visitors of Mary Immaculate do their utmost to please the Holy Trinity by working to save as many souls as they can...plan for the

improvement of your soul, and the interchange of love toward God. Let this be our ideal: the life of complete and constant recollection, that each Sister may fulfill perfectly the vocational standard of contemplative missionaries. ...the Visitors should renew their souls in contemplation. Renew your heart in God and keep renewed...Look to God all the time—the capability is in you. Walk in the presence of God; seek for something that will bring you to God; plan for His greater glory.” (PVM, 23-30)



Prayer Requests and Prayers Answered

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| 🕯 JJ, 6 yr. old | 🕯 MC |
| 🕯 CML, 12 yr. old | 🕯 Heidi |
| 🕯 Elizabeth, cancer | 🕯 LG |
| 🕯 Fr. A, cancer | 🕯 Jennifer |
| 🕯 Karen, young Mom, cancer | 🕯 MJW, cancer |
| 🕯 MW | ☑️ JI |
| 🕯 GT | ☑️ JK |
| | ☑️ A |

Prayer to Servant of God Mary Teresa Tallon (for private use only)



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 NY
27 December 2012

**Parish Visitors
of
Mary Immaculate:**

A congregation of contemplative-missionary Sisters involved in the New Evangelization through missionary visitation and catechetical ministry, walking with Mary in the footsteps of the Good Shepherd.



**Time to Renew Your
Subscription**

Renewal of your desire and inspiration to pray for and with the Parish Visitors of Mary Immaculate in spreading the inspiration of Servant of God, Mother Mary Teresa Tallon, is accomplished through membership in the Mother Mary Teresa Guild.

*Donations for the Beatification/
Canonization of Mother Mary
Teresa would be greatly
appreciated.*

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**As a member of the Mother Mary Teresa Guild,
you are highly encouraged to**

- ☞ Promote Mother's Cause by sharing Guild brochures and prayer cards with your family, friends and parishioners;
- ☞ Pray for the spiritual success of Mother's Cause;
- ☞ Pray for the Intentions of the Members;
- ☞ Pray for the miracle God intends for the advancement of Mother's Cause;
- ☞ Support the Cause financially;
- ☞ Ask your pastor to allow information about Mother Mary Teresa to be published in you parish bulletin.

**Membership Benefits to the
Mother Mary Teresa Tallon Guild**

- ☞ A mass offered monthly for their intentions
- ☞ Daily remembrance in the prayers to the Servant of God
- ☞ Receiving spiritual graces from devotion to and veneration of the Servant of God.

Your membership in the Mother Mary Teresa Tallon Guild means a lot to us.

**Please renew your
subscription below.**



**Subscription Renewal Form to the
Mother Mary Teresa Tallon Guild**

Name _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Contact No./s _____

E-mail Address _____

Prayer Request _____

Individual Mass Offering Intention _____

Please check all that apply:

Individual Membership

\$ 10.00

Family Membership

\$ 25.00

Individual Mass Offering

\$ 10.00

I'm feeling generous.

Here's my additional
donation of \$ _____.