



**Brother Louis Marie (Peter ROTHWELL), S.M.M.  
(1930-2008)**

*Died 24 August 2008, in Glasgow (Scotland)  
aged 78, with 58 years of Religious Profession.*

Born - 11 July 1930; Professed - 25th March 1950; Died - 24th August 2008

For the whole of his religious Life Bro Louis Marie was a cheerful and welcoming presence for every community in which he lived. For 45 years Brother was the cornerstone of Montfort Retreat Centre in Barrhead Scotland, which closed in 2006.

For most of that time he cooked not only for his own community but also for retreatants and guests. For him this apostolate of the pots and pans was a labour of love. He possessed the great gift hospitality. He loved to welcome people and was at his happiest making pots of tea and exchanging jokes with all who crossed the threshold of Montfort House.

For many people Montfort House Barrhead was synonymous with Brother Louis Marie; he filled it with his cheerful presence. His readiness to listen and to offer advice and spiritual consolation to many a poor soul endeared him to the people of Barrhead and beyond. His visits to the sick, to the elderly and to the households of St John's Parish Barrhead brightened the lives of many. He was a regular caller at local nursing homes and hospitals, where he became a firm favourite.

Brother Louis Marie was born in Dublin Ireland in 1930 and later, as a young engineer worker, he entered the congregation of the Company of Mary and was professed on 25th March 1950. He chose a Marian congregation because as a member of the Legion of Mary, founded by his fellow Dubliner Frank Duff, he wanted to spread the 'Reign of Jesus through Mary'.

For the last two years, as his health deteriorated, he was looked after lovingly by the Sisters and by many devoted carers at Nazareth House, Cardonald.

He died peacefully on Sunday 24th August. Present at his funeral Mass were fellow Montfort Religious, Priests from surrounding parishes, Brothers and Sisters, his own family and very many people who knew and loved him. In fact everyone who knew him loved him! May he rest in peace.