



# L'Écho montfortain

*IN THE HOUSE OF THE FATHER...*

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## *OUR DECEASED CONFRERES*



**Father Jean-Baptiste HENRY FILS, S.M.M.**  
**(1962 – 2010)**

who died in Port-au-Prince (Haiti), on 12 January 2010,  
aged 47 with 17 years of Religious Profession.

Born in Gonaïves in the Department of l'Artibonite, Jean-Baptiste was the seventh in a family of eight children. After entering the novitiate of the Company of Mary at the Calvary of Pontchâteau, Jean-Baptiste professed his first vows on April 5, 1992 in London. He was ordained a priest June 29, 1999.

After his ordination, he was named parochial vicar in the parish of Bassin Bleu, in northwest Haiti, then vicar in the parish of Gros-Morne and director of John XXIII College in the same parish.

After this experience in the parish of Gros-Morne, Jean-Baptiste went to Lima for training as a formator. He became master of novices in the novitiate of Lavaud, in northwest Haiti, where he carried out this mission for four years. It was during this responsibility as novice master that he received his new mission to go to Colombia as socius. It was during this period that he was called to the House of the Father in the earthquake of January 12.

Jean-Baptiste was a serious, serene and very pious confrere. He loved to say the rosary. A man of silence, he appeared naturally attracted by solitude as a place of intense and ongoing prayer. He was ready to do everything necessary to advance in the spiritual life. He demonstrated his availability for service to the Church in the Company of Mary. By his involvement and his exterior appearance, he really desired to embrace the Montfortian spirituality. Jean-Baptiste's evangelical poverty was considered as a spiritual value to be practiced in all its rigor. He loved to receive advice from wise persons to verify his own judgment and to correct his errors. He was also able to accept with discernment the judgment of others without negating his own conviction and character. Before entering the Montfortians, he trained for four years as a plumber, a skill which he placed at the service of the community especially when he was a scholastic. In order to become a missionary on fire, Jean-Baptiste received a formation in communication science.

As far as sports were concerned, he loved football very much, and he also practiced gymnastics in order to stay healthy.

By his witness and his involvement in the Province and in the Congregation, our confrere Jean-Ba remains for us a Christian convinced of his Christian faith, a Montfortian religious ready to live Montfortian spirituality, and a priest devoted to go everywhere the Lord sent him. *Requiescat in pace!*



**Brother Pierre-Richard FRANCE, S.M.M.**

**(1980 – 2010)**

who died in Port-au-Prince (Haiti), on 12 January 2010,  
aged 29 with 2 years of Religious Profession.

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Brother Pierre Richard France was born in Port-au-Prince on May 9, 1980. He was a twin. His twin brother is a priest in the Redemptorist Congregation. After his philosophy studies in the Major Seminary in Port-au-Prince (2004-2006), Pierre Richard began his novitiate on August 21, 2006 in Lavaud, where he made his first vows on September 8, 2007. Then, he was sent to Lima, to the international scholasticate, for his theological studies. He was back in Port-au-Prince for his vacation.

Pierre Richard was a man of God, who loved the Blessed Virgin Mary. He wrote this phrase on all his work and even on his objects: “Jesus, I love you.”

So, we can understand what place Jesus had in his life.

He led an intense prayer life. He was faithful to meditating on the holy rosary and to praying the breviary. He knew by heart the Little Crown and the intentions proposed by Saint Montfort for meditating on the rosary. He often helped out in animating prayer. He loved the Word of God.

That is why he gave great importance to reading the bible. We often used to find him in the midst of his personal prayer in his room. In the house as well as in the street, he told the beads of his rosary. You could say that he was very Marian.

Pierre Richard was a very disciplined man, respectful and very willing to help. An intelligent man, he was very coherent in his thinking. He was very community minded and he loved the mission.

We must also say that Pierre Richard was very sensitive. He did not like to see others suffering. He always felt concerned about the problems of others. He liked fraternity and he proved it. He was neither spiteful nor proud. He was always ready to forgive and even to recognize his faults.

A man of great culture, he loved the cinema. He had a taste for religious music, especially music with a Marian character.

Often, in order to make some example, he liked to refer to Saint Montfort. *Requiescat in pace!*



**Brother Savebien CALISTE, S.M.M.**

**(1981 – 2010)**

who died in Port-au-Prince (Haiti), on 12 January 2010,  
aged 28 with 2 years of Religious Profession.

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Brother Savebien was born on January 22, 1981 in Belle-Anse, close to Jacmel (Sud-Est). After his studies in Belle-Anse and Port-au-Prince (2000-2005), he began his novitiate on August 21, 2006 in Lavaud, where he made his first vows on September 8, 2007.

He was an exceptional observer, a wise, honest and respectful man; always in good humour – a poet from birth. He had a strong ability to learn and to be in relationship with others. His behaviour on the social and religious planes made him a balanced and coherent man, who was concerned about his responsibilities. He always made himself available and was disposed in his life choice to be a Montfortian religious. His punctuality in the chapel, in the refectory, in times of relaxation, for football and even in the least things made him a model, not only in the past, but even now.

Very human in his way of being, a man with a good heart, able to socialize, to live together with others and to be fraternal. A courageous, positive and coherent man in what he did and said. The death of Savebien raises questions in us: Why death? Why are we born?" But the important thing is – if the grain of wheat which falls does not die, it cannot bear fruit. These words from the Gospel can help us to live and to believe that Brother Savebien is not dead, but rather he lives still. He always felt happy in the life-style which he chose to live in the Montfortians.

In his conversation, in his behaviour as a religious and as a Montfortian religious, he always proved to be a good disciple of Montfort. He was a good Christian, a serious man. His wisdom, his life-style, his obedience, humility and modesty, his sense of doing good and saying good things made him a strong personality. Concise and precise in his language. In everything he did and said, he always left a special place for God. Here is a phrase which made him a man of God: "I want to subordinate everything to God, even my philosophical research."

He always wanted the good of the other person in his thought and in his opinions. He was a balanced person, able to take circumstances into account. He was a man of faith, and he loved the mission very much. *Requiescat in pace!*



**Brother Edriss DESPEIGNES, S.M.M.**

**(1970 – 2010)**

who died in Port-au-Prince (Haiti), on 12 January 2010,  
aged 39 with 3 years of Religious Profession.

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Brother Edriss was born in Plaisance du Nord on November 27, 1970. He did his secondary studies in Plaisance (1990-1998), then his novitiate in Lavaud, where he made his first profession on September 8, 2006.

Edriss was a wise and humble man, who did not speak much, but in a few words he said what he had to say.

He was very sincere and very willing to help. Often, he generously gave his advice to his brother scholastics. His face expressed what he was living.

We used to always discover him praying his rosary, while walking up and down the path. By profession he was a good tailor; from 2006 to 2009 it was he who always sewed the albs for the first professions.

A very calm and courageous religious, he proved to be discrete, and he used to meditate deeply on his experiences in community life. He was a son worthy of the Blessed Virgin Mary: "She meditated on all these things in her heart."

*Requiescat in pace!*



**Brother Riguet LOUIS, S.M.M.**

**(1976 – 2010)**

who died in Port-au-Prince (Haiti), on 12 January 2010,  
aged 33 with 3 years of Religious Profession.

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Brother Riguet Louis was born June 17, 1976 in Dupont, in the community of l'Anse-à-Foleur, in the Department of Nord-Ouest. He did his secondary studies in the Lycée Tertulien Guilbaut in Port-de-Paix (1994-2002), then his philosophical studies in Port-au-Prince (2003-2005), and his novitiate in Lavaud, where he made his first profession on September 8, 2006.

Brother Riguet was a man of dialogue and very simple. In this way, he was very open. He loved community life and he constantly looked for ways to encourage unity among the brothers. For him, a religious must not have enemies. That means, as religious, when someone does something bad to us, we must forgive him. He had a team spirit. He always made sure he was present for community gatherings, either in chapel,

at the table, or in recreation. He showed a sense of belonging to the community. Through the different ministries he was responsible for in the scholasticate, he demonstrated his care. In other words, when he was entrusted with something for the good working of the community, he gave of himself without counting the cost, or he even made an effort to carry out the work. In a word, he liked manual work and working together. He was a very good counsellor. He was very kind and a good collaborator.

For intellectual work, Riguet was a very devoted student. Aware of his lacunae, when he was given an assignment to write, he began from the first day in order to hand in his work on the assigned date, because he never liked to be late. Moreover, it was something he hated – being late. Riguet was a very punctual man. He was a hard working student, who took his studies seriously. He took care to do good work. So, we should add that he had the habit of giving most of his assignments in conferences.

On the religious plane, brother Riguet was a man of prayer. One day, he said: « Mesye, lapriyè a se sa ki kenbe nou e ki pèmèt nou viv ansanm ». It's as if he said: "My brothers, prayer is what keeps us in existence and allows us to live in community." For Brother Riguet, a religious could not live without prayer. Without this, he could not confront the different challenges which he must face every day. We could say that he led an intense life of prayer. Further, he had a great love for Jesus Christ as well as for his Mother Mary. He loved this expression of Father de Montfort: "Eternal and Incarnate Wisdom."

In this way, Jesus is the one who came to bring us salvation, and it is thanks to him that we will be able to inherit the Kingdom of God.

Finally, Brother Riguet was a man of faith and piety. He burned with a great desire to become a Montfortian religious priest. *Requiescat in pace!*



**Brother Dady VALCIN, S.M.M.**  
**(1978 – 2010)**

who died in Port-au-Prince (Haiti), on 12 January 2010,  
aged 31 with 3 years of Religious Profession.

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Brother Dady Valcin was born on November 20, 1978 in Port-au-Prince (Delmas). He was from a family of five children, with four daughters and one son (Dady). He did his secondary studies in Carrefour (Port-au-Prince) from 1995 to 2003. He began his novitiate on August 8, 2005 in Lavaud, where he made his first profession on September 8, 2006.

He was very open, very pious, a man of dialogue. He was a very simple and very likable model. He liked painting very much. In fact, it was his great dream to become a religious painter. He expressed his love for others through his painting. He used to always draw marvellous things, like the Blessed Virgin Mary and Father de Montfort. He was someone who was very responsible and conciliatory.

In a word, the life of Brother Dady was a synthesis of prayer, painting and simplicity. *Requiescat in pace!*



**Brother Jean-Paul HILAIRE, S.M.M.**

**(1978 – 2010)**

who died in Port-au-Prince (Haiti), on 12 January 2010,  
aged 31 with 3 years of Religious Profession.

Brother Jean-Paul Hilaire was born in St Michel de l'Atalaye, in the Department of l'Artibonite, not far from the city of Gonaïves, on December 12, 1978, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

He had a peaceful childhood. He did his primary studies in the same city and it was there that he began to love God and to pray the rosary. He liked very much to pray to the Virgin under the title of Our Lady of Perpetual Help. He was an altar boy who was very dynamic and very devoted to the activities in his parish, which at that time was run by the Montfort Missionaries. And it was there that he had his first contact with them.

A few years later, he had to leave St Michel to go to Port-au-Prince, where he spent the rest of his life. However, he always went to his hometown for vacations.

He began his novitiate on August 8, 2005 in Lavaud, where he made profession on December 8, 2006.

Brother Jean-Paul was a promising young intellectual, very faithful in his work and very studious. He loved the Gospel of St. John, and above all this short phrase: "God is love" (1 Jn 4, 16). Indeed, he lived these words in all their fullness. He loved the poor, and he had a great passion for philosophy and theology.

He always wanted the others to have their place in society. He liked to say: "The most beautiful response we can give to God is when we are constantly praying and confiding ourselves to Our Lady of Perpetual Help."

In fact, Brother Jean-Paul was an example, a living witness to the Word of God. *Requiescat in pace!*



**Brother Anonce ARISTIDE, S.M.M.**

**(1980 – 2010)**

who died in Port-au-Prince (Haiti), on 12 January 2010,  
aged 29 with 3 years of Religious Profession.

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Brother Aristide was born in Jean-Rabel (Jean Valière) on July 19, 1980. He did his secondary studies in Jean-Rabel (1995-2003), then his novitiate in Lavaud, where he made his first profession on September 8, 2006.

He marked the life of the scholastics with his way of acting and speaking. He was a humble, courageous, respectful, hardworking man, above all very wise. He participated in all the activities of the community. He was, in turn, in charge of the refectory, bursar, work coordinator, in charge of the scholastic chapel, etc. And he devoted himself entirely to his ministries, in the strict sense of the term. He regulated his life. He devoted some time to each thing. He was always at prayer, and he died with the rosary in his pocket. He lavished ample advice upon us, allowing us to understand the community better.

He was a peace maker. Many people already saw him as a wise man, a friend of wisdom and politeness. He was very generous ...

In the end, he was a model to follow. *Requiescat in pace!*



**Brother Fednet FANORD, S.M.M.**

**(1981 – 2010)**

who died in Port-au-Prince (Haiti), on 12 January 2010,  
aged 28 with 3 years of Religious Profession.

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Brother Fednet Fanor was born on April 12, 1981 in a place called Guinaudé in the community of Jean-Rabel.

He finished his classical studies in Port-de-Paix. Then, he returned to Port-au-Prince, where he went to the Major Seminary of Notre-Dame, in the philosophy section. He made his first vows on September 8, 2006 in Lavaud. Then, he studied theology at the Centre Inter-Instituts de Formation Religieuse (CIFOR). He died on January 12, 2010 in the earthquake.

Brother Fednet was a courageous, dynamic and respectful man. He was a very responsible brother. When he had work to do, he did it well. He was very sensitive to the needs of others, and he loved to share. You felt safe with him. So, he was a sincere man who was worthy of confidence.

He was a very good footballer. In fact, it was his favourite game.

Brother Fednet was an exemplary religious. He loved prayer, and he was constantly saying his rosary. He was very kind and he liked to kid around.

He was an attentive driver; he respected the traffic laws. He used to drive the theologians to school and he always made himself available for other needs in the house which required a car trip.

In addition, we must say that Brother Fednet was an upright man, very disciplined. He had a taste for studies. He proved to be a competent and serious man.

He placed a very great importance on the Virgin Mary in his life. That is why he always cared about meditating on the rosary and making Jesus his teacher and his model.

In the end, it was interesting to have a brother like Fednet. *Requiescat in pace!*



**Brother Vikens JOSEPH, S.M.M.**

**(1984 – 2010)**

who died in Port-au-Prince (Haiti), on 12 January 2010,  
aged 25 with 3 years of Religious Profession.

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Brother Vikens Joseph was born on May 20, 1984 in l'Anse-à-Foleur, or more precisely in Côte de Fer. He did his secondary studies at the Collège Notre-Dame de Lourdes in Port-de-Paix (1997-2004), and then his novitiate in Lavaud, where he made his first profession on September 8, 2006.

He was a wise and timid man, but always smiling. He was one of a kind. A great drummer and footballer. He was the captain of the scholastic team. He was someone who was very respectful and much respected. He liked everyone. He was someone with a remarkable simplicity. He paid attention to everyone and to each one in particular. He was a very intelligent man. He loved studies, and he was very likable. He always participated in all the community activities. Prayer had a great importance in his life. He was an authentic religious.

Brother Vikens was a model to follow ... *Requiescat in pace!*



**Brother Quesnel LAGUERRE, S.M.M.**  
**(1983 – 2010)**

who died in Port-au-Prince (Haiti), on 13 January 2010,  
aged 26 with 3 years of Religious Profession.

Brother Quesnel Laguerre was born on October 30, 1983 in Jean-Rabel (Raymond). He did his secondary studies at the Collège Notre-Dame de Lourdes in Port-de-Paix (1997-2004), then his novitiate in Lavaud, where he made his first profession on September 8, 2006.

Brother Quesnel was a good man, serious, very dynamic, pleasant, jovial and very willing to help. He was an example of a servant. He was original in his being as well as in his quality as a Montfortian religious.

He was one of those rare confreres – very understanding; he was a peacemaker. He always had good advice to give his brothers and friends. He had a distinctive and remarkable presence.

In community activities, his participation always brought joy. A great animator. We could say he had an active presence in everything he did. Although he was not a great footballer, he always got out his football shoes.

Indeed, he was a model, as much by his seriousness as by his openness.

Brother Quesnel was an extraordinary person, a Christian example.

*Requiescat in pace!*



**Father Franciscus (Frans) STAMS, S.M.M.**  
**(1924 – 2010)**

who died in Mechernich (Germany), on 22 January 2010,  
aged 85 with 64 years of Religious Profession

Franciscus, Jacobus, Johannes Stams was born on 30 September 1924 in Oirsbeek (the Netherlands). He came in 1937 to Ste Marie in Schimmert and joined the Montfortians on 8 September 1945. After his studies in Oirschot and being ordained priest on 4 March 1951 he was appointed for the Haagsche Schouw and Beresteyn in Voorschoten. After four years he left for Germany. After a year in Bonn he worked in the parish and the shrine of Marienheide till 1967. The next period of ten years he was parish priest in Birken and again ten years in Monschau-Mützenich, later Monschau-Imgenbroich was added to the parish. He returned to the Netherlands, and lived in the

community of 'Hogesteen' in Langenboom for three years. As emeritus priest he lived for six years in Stolberg-Büsbach and ten years in Eschweiler. In 2008 he came to live in the community Vroenhof. When cancer of the lungs was diagnosed he was nursed devotedly in the home of George and his family in Mechernich, where he died.

Frans lived his life with great passion. Passion against injustice, passion for the dignity of every person. Everything he did, stood in that light. He loved life and had a great love for the church. Thinking of the church the first thing popped up in his mind were people, sharing together their faith, hope and love with warmth and a tough invincibility. The Gospel of God and Jesus Christ lies next to the everyday joy and sadness. When a parish or a diocese or Rome loses that understanding, there is no justice done to the Gospel, Frans used to claim.

With all his heart Frans backed up Vatican II. He considered this Council as if a Sleeping Beauty woke out of her sleep. He looked for signs, words, situations, structures and people in whom the original Gospel settled, if necessary with struggle. With pain in his heart he saw that the fruit of the Council could not be harvested because of the frost. He did not surrender, though. He chose expressly for the 'Church from below', and thus he was as happy as a child when a prelate took the side of the humble and the poor. His hope was that there would arouse a new fire in the entire Church. He dreamed of a Church like in the beginning, that is to say, when it was still free of clericalism, dogmatism and hostility towards the human body. This idea made him very enthusiastic in word and writing and he wanted to make this dream a reality in the parishes he worked in. With pride he talked about the emancipation and high spirits that came alive within his environment.

Passion is not without danger. Frans was aware of that. Sometimes he pushed too hard, he knew this. It is worse when someone is never enthusiastic about something, never chooses position, just letting it be. He loved people with their heart on their sleeve, who were not scared to show emotion. He disliked cold distance.

He didn't want to be a priest, who lived a cold, lonely and distant life. There was a core of tenderness in his large and robust stature. That tenderness came forward, in 1967. Together with Lu Thissen he lived in the vicarage of Birken. She taught him to break the hard shell around his heart and how to open up for normal human feelings. A remarkable fruit of their living together was the day in 1970 when little George entered their midst. From that day on, and especially after Lu's death in 1985, Frans was George's true father.

'I always enjoyed being a member of the congregation', said Frans some weeks ago in the hospital of Maastricht. This doesn't mean he was always happy with all the habits, rules and traditions in our Company. He appreciated the unpretentiousness, the cordiality and especially the fact that many confreres stood close to ordinary life or to ordinary people.

He had thought about the possibility of becoming a secular priest, because he was leading too much the life of an average diocesan priest. Luckily that idea left as soon as it came up. He was glad when the chapter of 1984 choose him as a member of the provincial administration. In that capacity he took a lot of responsibilities. His former involvement with building projects in Voorschoten, Marienheide and Birken, was just the thing when a part of Vroenhof was rebuilt and with the redecoration of the cloître in Oirschot. As provincial councillor Frans visited Brazil in 1985. He was deeply

impressed with the confreres who worked in São Paulo in the Christian basic communities. He was confronted with the realised 'Church from below'.

At this moment, Frans belongs to the 'Church from above', to those who look down from God's heaven with willingness and understanding to everything that is happening on our planet. May he take on his pastoral care among us!



**Father Miguel Arcángel RUIZ RINCÓN, S.M.M.**

**(1931 – 2010)**

who died in Bogotá (Colombia), on 4 February 2010,  
aged 78 with 61 years of Religious Profession.

Miguel Arcángel was born on September 29, 1931 in Villavicencio, Meta. He did his secondary studies at the minor seminary in Choachí during the years 1942 – 1947. Then, on February 2, 1949, he made his first religious profession. He was ordained a priest on October 17, 1954, after doing philosophy and theology in our major seminary in Albán (1949-1954).

A year later he was named professor in the minor seminary in Choachí: 1955 – 1956. Then, he became part of a parish mission team in Sogamoso during the years 1957 – 1959. The greatest part of his apostolic life (1960 – 2005) he devoted to service in parishes, several times by himself: in San Pedro de Jagua, Restrepo, Puerto López, el Calvario, San Juanito, Montfort, Villavicencio (La Esperanza and San Judas Tadeo) and Acacías (El Carmen et María Auxiliadora), with a pause for two years (1975-1976) at the Minor Seminary San Pío X, in Restrepo, where he served as rector. Since 2006 he lived in our house for retired confreres, El Hogar Sacerdotal, in Choachí.

During the last four years of his years on earth, his illness – a cirrhosis – was aggravated more and more, and, after other complications, it led to his death in a clinic in Bogota, last February 4, after receiving the anointing of the sick.

Because he lived a great part of his life alone, he recognized that it was very difficult for him to live religious life in community. But it was always easy to dialogue and to maintain good relations with him. He always had a great concern for education. He knew our language very well. One of his hobbies was to solve almost daily the difficult crossword puzzles in the most important newspaper in Colombia: El Tiempo. In San Juanito he had the first secondary school built. He was always well loved by the lay people who worked with him and also by his family and the parishioners of the different parishes where he was their parish priest. Their presence in great numbers at his funeral was a good witness to their recognition and gratitude for his pastoral work for 45 years in the diocese of Villavicencio. The three confreres with whom he celebrated 60 years of religious life last year: Fathers Benedicto Villalba, Ignacio González and Gúber Gómez, who also live in the Hogar Sacerdotal, were able to concelebrate his funeral Mass along with 14 other priests and the parish priest of the

Calvary. At the time of the sign of peace, Fr. Gúber wept over the earthly loss of his very dear friend.

May the Virgin Mary, whom he loved and prayed to, lead our dear confrere 'Miguelito' to the joys of eternity, face to face with the risen Christ!



### **Father Marcello FAVARO, S.M.M.**

**(1931 – 2010)**

who died in Redona-Bergamo (Italy), on 15 February 2010,  
aged 79 with 59 years of Religious Profession.

Marcello Favaro was born January 25, 1931 in S. Anna Morosina (PD). On August 20, 1942, in the middle of the war, he entered the seminary in Redona. A note written in 1954 to the provincial at the time, recalls the origins of his vocation: "When my aunt, a Consolation sister, came on vacation, her missionary spirit evoked in me the vocation to be a religious missionary and pointed me toward the Company of Mary. In 1949 he wrote: "I was a child, and I entered Villa S. Maria; I entered into a garden whose heavenly gardener was the Blessed Virgin. In these cultivated flowerbeds of the Lord, the celestial gardener sowed the seeds of vocation and I grew as a flower ... but then the storm raged against this fragile flower of Mary. The war tore me within the heart of my family. My father and two brothers were savagely murdered."

In the autumn of 1949, he entered the novitiate in Castiglione (TO). On September 8, 1950, he became a Montfortian religious. He followed courses in philosophy and theology in the scholasticate of Loreto (AN). Fr. Marcello became a priest in the Basilica of the Holy House on February 25, 1956, with 8 other confreres.

His first obedience was to Redona as a teacher, publicist and director of "L'Apostolo di Maria". Since 1959, his activities centred around the magazine and pilgrimages, which, under his care, underwent an extraordinary growth. In 1976, he was enrolled on a special list of journalists from Lombardia. He involved generous people to help our missionaries, putting them in contact with each other. He knew how to elicit esteem and sympathy from lay co-workers and many pilgrims. His strong temperament made him brusque sometimes, leading to misunderstandings and difficult relationships. But deep within, you could sense the experience of a simple life, marked by suffering, hard-working, founded on prayer, and above all Marian.

The year 1989 promised to be a time of change and shifting in the direction of the magazine and the pilgrimages. For Fr. Marcello, it was not easy to live this moment with serenity. In 1992 he joined the apostolic community of Treviglio, not without some suffering. In 1995 he was appointed to the new foundation in Fiesso d'Artico (VE). It was a house of spirituality for individuals and groups and for providing pastoral help to the parishes and religious communities of the area. It was here that Fr. Marcello had a stroke, which limited his speech and affected his ability to walk. In 2004 he came to Villa Montfort, where he had a moderate recovery with some hospitalizations and surgeries. He did not lose his interest in people and in the events of the Province.

He spent his last months in bed, unable to speak, but with eyes which expressed from time to time gratitude, a request for help or perhaps other things also ...

Fr. Marcello ended his earthly pilgrimage on February 15, 2010, close to the feast of Our Lady of Lourdes. In the written testament that he left, he expressed among other things his gratitude to God for his vocation to Montfortian life. He rests in the cemetery in Bergamo together with so many other confreres.



**Father Clément LASSONDE, S.M.M.**

**(1914 – 2010)**

who died in Trois-Rivières (Canada), on 19 February 2010,  
aged 95 with 75 years of Religious Profession.

He died peacefully on February 19, 2010 in the Sainte Marie Hospital in Trois-Rivières. He had 75 years of religious profession and he recently celebrated, on February 17, 70 years of priesthood.

Father Lassonde was born November 24, 1914 in Princeville. He was the brother of Father Hermann Lassonde, s.m.m., who died more than 20 years ago.

From 1940 to 1942 he was a professor at our Montfort Seminary in Papineauville. After a year at the Villa du Rosaire, Nicolet, as a preacher of closed retreats, we find him for a year as vicar in the Parish of St-Joseph in Montreal. The following year he carried out his ministry either at Baie St-Paul, as chaplain in a nursing home, or back at the Parish of St-Joseph.

From 1945 to 1948, we find him as the sub-master of brother novices in Upper Melbourne. After several months as assistant bursar in Nicolet, he went back for two more years in Upper Melbourne.

From 1950 to 2001 he carried out a very fruitful ministry in Jonquière, either as the vicar of the parish of Ste-Marie-Médiatrice or as chaplain at the Hospital of Notre Dame de l'Assomption.

What characterized our dear confrere the most was his great kindness and his peaceful serenity. We can apply to him this extract from a hymn of Father de Montfort:

*“By this virtue, the saints have  
Disarmed all, conquered all  
Without any violence,  
Trouble, yelling or shouting;  
Their modesty and silence  
Gently ravished hearts.”*

(Hymn, 25,10)



## FROM THE MONTFORTIAN FAMILY

### BROTHERS OF SAINT GABRIEL

<b>May 2010</b>			<u>Age</u>	<u>Profession</u>
08	Br. Sakda Sulyino Kitcharoen	Ayuthaya (Thaïlande)	55	34
31	Br. Jean Pascal	La Hillière (France)	81	62
<b>June 2010</b>				
16	Br. Constant Sourice (Tite)	La Hillière (France)	99	75
23	Br. Eric Davidsamy	Virudhunagar (India)	80	60
<b>July 2010</b>				
31	Br. Auguste Schmidt	Paris (France)	85	68
<b>August 2010</b>				
05	Br. Jean-Jacques Filteau	Montréal (Canada)	83	65
<b>September 2010</b>				
02	Br. Lucien Lamy	La Hillière (France)	84	65
<b>November 2010</b>				
12	Br. Paul Dousset	La Hillière (France)	86	70
25	Br. Henri Guittoneau	La Hillière (France)	89	72

### DAUGHTERS OF WISDOM

<b>March 2010</b>			<u>Born</u>	<u>Profession</u>
18	Sr. Geneviève de l'Eucharistie Simone Cornuet	St Laurent (France)	10-02-21	02-02-42
19	Sr. Madeleine Poliquin Alfred-Marie de Jésus	Ottawa (Canada)	06-04-36	02-02-56
<b>April 2010</b>				
08	Sr. Maria del Salvatore Grazia Ursino	Valperga (Italy)	30-03-20	02-08-50
08	Sr. Paul de L'Immaculée Marie Madeleine Médor	Kenscoff (Haiti)	31-07-35	02-02-63
19	Sr. Anne Wragg Mary Joseph of Wisdom	Romsey (G.B.I.)	20-03-34	02-08-53
<b>May 2010</b>				
02	Sr. Camilla dell'Immacolata	Clusone (Italy)	16-03-24	02-08-55

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	Camilla Rota			
07	Sr. Lucille de l'Assomption Rita Veillette	Ottawa (Canada)	04-01-12	08-09-29
09	Sr. Philomène-Marie Marie-Jeannie Le Goff	St Laurent (France)	21-11-15	02-08-39
17	Sr. Geneviève Menet Marie-François du St Sacrement	St Laurent (France)	10-05-17	02-08-40
24	Sr. Thérèse Gibeault Adeline de la Trinité	Ottawa (Canada)	20-10-20	02-08-40
28	Sr. María Inés García García Teresa del Nino Jesús	Bogotá (Colombia)	23-01-27	02-02-47

### June 2010

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06	Sr. M. Giustina dell'Eucaristia Giustina Frison	Torino (Italy)	11-10-32	02-08-51
09	Sr. Hélène Paradis Hélène de la Purification	Ottawa (Canada)	25-01-21	02-02-40
09	Sr. Gilberte Galzy Paule de la Crèche	St Laurent (France)	10-09-17	02-02-41
14	Sr. Marie-Thérèse Veillon Thérèse de la Ste Famille	St Laurent (France)	01-02-23	02-08-44
21	Sr. Thérèse Garceau Marcelle-Thérèse	Ottawa (Canada)	29-05-26	02-02-44
24	Sr. Yvette Ropars Gabriel de l'Immaculée	Nantes (France)	11-02-33	02-02-54
28	Sr. Marie-Thérèse du Christ Marie-Thérèse Guidez	St Laurent (France)	21-07-23	02-02-47
28	Sr. Mary Therese of the Incarnation Mary Buettner	Brentwood – NY (USA)	25-05-30	02-02-50

### July 2010

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01	Sr. Christiana Maria Stéfanie Maria Goedemans	Wijchen (Netherlands)	26-12-17	02-08-39
07	Sr. Maria Brioschi Ernestina del Bambino Gesù	Valperga (Italy)	07-09-17	02-02-40
11	Sr. Gracia Leduc Marie-Angèle du St Sacrement	Ottawa (Canada)	26-08-14	02-08-33
12	Sr. Angela Cecilia Cesira Ghilardi	Valperga (Italy)	13-04-20	07-09-48
15	Sr. Maria du Calvaire Maria Paulina Jongen	Houthem Valkenburg (Netherlands)	31-08-10	25-03-32
16	Sr. Marcelle Boucansaud Yvonne-Marie de l'Eucharistie	Paris (France)	04-03-23	02-08-48
27	Sr. Monique Fournier Monique de Jésus	Minihic Sur Rance (France)	17-11-25	02-02-49

### August 2010

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09	Sr. Marie-Joseph des Anges Anne-Marie Jaouen	La Chartreuse (France)	17-11-21	02-02-44
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10	Sr. Madeleine Leclerc Alice de l'Immaculée	Montréal (Canada)	01-05-24	02-08-42
22	Sr. Anna Giuseppina Andreina Bussini	San Remo (Italy)	12-07-23	02-08-43
23	Sr. Pierina di Maria Immacolata Carla Maria Aresi	Castiglione Torinese (Italy)	18-04-32	02-02-55
23	Sr. Thérèse de l'Ange Gardien Germaine, Marie M. Plouffe	Ottawa (Canada)	24-04-17	02-02-36
31	Sr. Johanna de St.Henry Johanna Maria Bonnes	Wijchen (Netherlands)	28-05-13	02-08-36

### September 2010

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07	Sr. Cécile Joinette Amelia du Rosaire	Ottawa (Canada)	05-02-20	02-08-39
23	Sr. Gilberte Paquin Maria du Rosaire	Montréal (Canada)	20-08-15	02-08-38
27	Sr. Marie-Gérard de la Trinité Jeanne Poitrimoult	Villeveque (France)	30-09-26	02-02-49

### October 2010

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02	Sr. Geneviève Hochhausen Geneviève du Rosaire	Edmonton (Canada)	02-02-19	02-02-39
13	Sr. Marie-Adèle Yvonne Séné	La Chartreuse (France)	07-01-24	02-08-45
16	Sr. Pauline-Marie de l'Eucharistie Jeanne Champaloux	Pleurduit (France)	25-09-27	02-02-52

### November 2010

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16	Sr. Madeleine Bourumeau ....Marguerite de la Providence	St Laurent (France)	13-07-16	02-08-45
17	Sr. Geneviève de l'Immaculée Geneviève Freytag	St Laurent (France)	25-02-20	02-02-43
21	Sr. Luisa dell'Eucarestia Gemma Cazzaro	Valperga (Italy)	17-06-32	18-06-32
22	Sr. Ernestina del sacro Cuore Edvige Sanvito	Clusone (Italy)	25-10-21	02-08-44



« ... I am not ashamed,  
for I know him in whom I have believed  
and am confident that he is able  
to guard what has been entrusted to me  
until that day. »

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