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31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

November 3, 2024

St. Marie-Léonie Paradis - Raised to the Altars

Nomen est Omen – an old Latin saying: “your name is a sign of who you will be.”

Did Joseph and Émilie know this when they named their only daughter **Élodie-Virginie Paradis** - “virginal-wealth of Paradise” – at her birth in 1837?

God knew.

When her father was a way at the California gold-rush Élodie was sent off to school with St. Marguerite Bourgeoys' Congregation of Notre-Dame. When he returned – without much gold – he found that his treasured only daughter had found eternal riches as a Virgin Religious. He was not well pleased. But ... *nomen est omen*.

Becoming a Marianite Sister of the Holy Cross (with the name **Marie-Léonie**) and a teacher of poor children she recognized three glaring needs: that the Holy Cross priests had started colleges which were very precarious because there was no support structure, that those who were eager for religious life did not have many opportunities to follow this vocation.

The response that arose in her mind and heart flowed from profound humility: to found a community to help provide for the practical needs of colleges- the **Little Sisters of the Holy Family**. She was 40 years old.

Sadly, this was too “avant-garde” for the local (Irish) bishop of Saint John where she had lived for 21 years ... but in 1896 Bishop Paul Larocque of Sherbrooke needed domestic staff for his seminary. So, the Mother House and Novitiate of the Little Sisters picked up and moved to the Province of Québec. She was 56 years old when her community was granted official Church recognition by Bishop Larocque – who said of Marie-Léonie, **“She was all heart”**.

For the next 16 years Sr. Marie-Léonie gave all of her heart to infuse her community with a rule and a way of life focused on cheerful simplicity and sisterly generosity. Soon the Little Sisters were everywhere – keeping colleges going, and bishops and priests properly supported for their pastoral work. By the time she died in 1912 just shy of her 72nd birthday there were 38 establishments served by 635 Little Sisters of the Holy Family.

She was beatified and **“raised to the Altars”** by St. John Paul II when he visited Canada on September 11, 1984. Two Sundays ago, October 20, 2024, she was canonized by Pope Francis – Canada's 15th Saint. **AMEN!**

The term “raised to the altars” indicates that a person is recognized by the Church as worthy of veneration (“loving devotion” – only God is worshipped). Canonization means this veneration is extended to the whole Church. It comes from the ancient tradition of the persecuted Church celebrating Mass on the tombs of Martyrs. St. Marie-Léonie Paradis, pssf, offered her life as an altar on which the Lord could be worshipped and adored. May young women be filled with such humble grace and service so that they can share in the wealth and riches of consecrated virginity that opens up for the world the glory of heaven.



St. Marie-Léonie Paradis, pray for us.

MONDAY, November 4, 2024
St. Charles Borromeo (M)

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary
12:10 pm - **Mass** († Clifford Ahenakew)
6:30 pm - Medjugorje Prayer Group

TUESDAY, November 5, 2024

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary
12:10 pm - **Mass** († Ernest Lechler)
4:30 pm - 1st Reconciliation (Grades 4+5)
7:00 pm - Marriage Prep
7:45 pm - Holy Face Devotion

WEDNESDAY, November 6, 2024

11:00 am - Confessions, & Rosary
12:10 pm - **Mass** († Shirley Waters)
4:30 pm - 1st Reconciliation (Grades 2+3)

THURSDAY, November 7, 2024

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary
12:10 pm - **Mass** († Sophie Gurel)
4:30 pm - RCIC
7:00 pm - RCIA
8:00 pm - Christ the King Prayer Group

FRIDAY, November 8, 2024

11:00 am - Confessions, Adoration & Rosary
12:10 pm - **Mass** († Seonaid Sanders)
5:30 pm - Sto. Nino Prayer Group

SATURDAY, November 9, 2024
Dedication of the Lateran Basilica (F)

11:00 am - Confessions & Rosary
12:10 pm - **Mass** (SI James Sidloski)

SUNDAY, November 10, 2024
32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am - **Mass**
10:00 am - **Mass**
12:00 pm - Baptism
2:00 pm - Eritrean **Mass** with Fr. Kaleab
7:30 pm - **Solemn Vespers**
8:00 pm - **Mass**

Devotion to the Holy Face of Jesus

Tuesday, November 5 at 7:45pm

All are welcome

Time Out for Moms (TOFM) Adoration and Social will be held 7 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 7 at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church. All moms welcome. Join in prayer, confession and socialization. Around 8:30 p.m., there will be a TOFM social in the cafeteria, with card and board games along with some snacks. The event is free but please register at tofmsaskatoon.sk.wixsite.com/mysite, under "Events" tab. (No childcare provided for this event)

The Academy of Our Lady invites you to join our **Adult Sacred Music workshop**. Participants will develop their sight singing skills, practice vocal technique and learn two motets which will be sung at the Academy's Lessons and Carols at St. Joseph's Church on December 16. Open to all adults, advanced or beginner. The workshop meets Thursdays from 7:00pm - 9:00pm Nov. 7 - Dec. 19. To register, email office.ourlady@gmail.com



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