

# Between two Feasts 2025

with Louis-Marie de Montfort

and Marie-Louise Trichet

Together for the health of the world



When hope becomes desire

## Animation guide

In the past, in our preparation of *Between two Feasts*, we dedicated 3 days for the Feast of Montfort and another 3 for the Feast of Marie-Louise. This year, in a spirit of coherence and unity, we are bringing our Founders together in one single celebration of their respective feast. The theme: *When hope Becomes Desire*.

**Guide:** To prepare and lead the prayer, it is necessary to appoint a leader for the animation of the prayer.

**Decor:** In a prominent place, on a cloth covered altar or table place a large icon of the Trinity preferably that of Rublev. For DAY 1, provide enough space for a representation of Montfort and one of Marie-Louise, for a plant and for a candle holder. Appoint 4 people to carry out the opening ritual.

**Opening Ritual:** To be performed at the beginning of the first meeting. Following the opening hymn, in silence, 2 people come forward, one carrying a representation of Montfort and the other of Marie-Louise. The first person places Montfort near the icon. Then, the second person places Marie-Louise. 2 other people carry a candle (or the paschal candle) and the other a plant. They should place these on the same table as the icon of the Trinity.

**Hymns:** Most of the hymns are in the “Montfortian Family in Prayer” booklet. (Montfort Edition, Rome, 1999). Make changes if desired.

There is absolutely no need to use all these prayers. Each one can be adapted to a specific group of invited guests or a single persons or people from the infirmary. Each suggested celebration is designed with the possibility of either extending or decreasing the time of prayer. Simply make sure the number of people are sufficient for the essential parts of the meeting. Sharing is always possible or another form of expression may be used.

For each gathering appoint people for the readings, lighting of the candle, and through symbolic gesture express the intention of the prayer.



DAY 1

24 April 2025

When Desire

Becomes Yearning

**Come, my beloved! My beloved, come!**

**Introduction:** This annual event of “Between Two Feasts”, which we begin today, is a privilege for the Montfortian Family who around the world, gather to celebrate their Founders. The theme for “Between Two Feasts” 2025: “When Desire Becomes Hope.” It means that these days of preparation, at the very heart of the Holy Year, should be a time of intense renewal of our desire for Wisdom and the hope of becoming Wisdom ourselves, according to the legacy of Montfort and Marie-Louise.

*With one heart, one soul, a living faith and firm hope, let us remember our holy Founders by recalling the loving desire of Wisdom for us, and in renewing our own desire to have her dwell in our midst. In doing so, we pray that She will bring us together as one Body in order to better witness the love of Wisdom in today’s world.*

*This first day invites us to focus our attention on what they have taught us: Wisdom’s loving desire in its quest to be loved in return by us.*

**Silence:** Introduction to prayer

**Hymn:** **Intercessions to Montfort and Marie-Louise**  
(solo followed by a response by the assembly)

Saint Louis-Marie de Montfort whose life and death cried out Jesus Christ on the paths of the world.

Saint Louis-Marie de Montfort, pray for us.

**Symbolic Gesture:** *(In silence, the designated persons place a painting of the Founders, the candlestick and the plant near the Trinity icon. Someone lights the candle.)*

**Hymn:**

Blessed Marie-Louise of Jesus whose life and death followed Jesus Christ on the roads of the world. Blessed Marie-Louise, pray for us.

## Dialogue: The sighs of Wisdom

**Voice 1:** Why don't you turn your eyes and your heart to me?

My daughter. My son, give me your heart.

**Voice 2:** Tell me, whom my heart loves. Where do you lead me?  
Where do you lead me?

### Silence

**Voice 1:** How beautiful you are, my beloved! My son, how sweet!

Come, I will lead you to green pastures and reveal the secrets of my heart.

**Voice 2:** He took me to the cellar and the banner he raised on me, is love.  
I have hidden myself in the shadow of his wings and his words are sweet to my heart.

**Assembly:** *Wisdom, your words are sweet to my heart.*

### Silence

**Voice 1:** Come my beloved among the blossoming branches! Come, my beautiful friend!  
Your name is a fragrant oil. You are my joy and my delight.

**Voice 2:** I've searched for you and haven't found you where I thought I would.

**Assembly:** *Wisdom, I have sought you and haven't found you where I thought I would.*

### Silence

**Voice 1:** Come, my beloved son, my beautiful daughter! Come to me!

My heart longs for you, my dear children. See, winter is over! Come to me!

**Voice 2:** Have you seen the One my heart loves? Have you seen the One I love?  
He is the breath of God, the effusion of his brightness. She is the radiance of his eternal light, the mirror of his beauty.

**Assembly:** *Wisdom, you want me to become the brightness of your eternal light and the mirror of your beauty. Keep us in the hope of being in your likeness.*

### Silence

**Voice 1:** Come, my beloved! My daughter, my son, walk in my presence.

Come, let the Spirit cover you with his shadow. Along the way, I will conform you to Jesus, the incarnate Wisdom.

**Assembly:** *Wisdom, place me as a seal on your heart, the seal that confirms that I am yours.  
For love is as strong as death.*

## Our Founders' desire

**Leader:** *Today, let us remember the calls of our Founders to Wisdom:*

**Voice 1:** "Wisdom, I so desire you, come to me. I burn with your fire, come to me."

### Brief silence

**Voice 2:** "Come, Beloved of my heart!"

### Silence

**Let us pray:** Blessed and most Holy Trinity, you chose Montfort and Marie-Louise and fashioned their hearts in the form of Love. Blessed are you also for having given them the ability to bring us to experience the love of your eternal and incarnate Wisdom. As we celebrate their anniversaries, we pray that you will grant us and each member of the Montfortian family the grace to seek and long for you and the ability to love you above everything else. **AMEN**

**Hymn:** Intercessions:

Saint Louis-Marie de Montfort whose life and death sang Jesus Christ on the roads of the world. Saint Louis-Marie of Montfort, pray for us.

Blessed Marie-Louise of Jesus whose life and death served Jesus Christ on the roads of the world. Blessed Marie-Louise, pray for us.



The illustration shows Wisdom sitting at the door (Wisdom 6, 14)  
Ceramist: Jacqueline Brodbeck, Montreal, Quebec.  
We can see her at Maison Accueil-Sagesse, Ottawa. Canada.



**DAY 2**

**25 April 2025**

## **When the desire becomes ardent**

**Wisdom, come to my house!**

**Introduction:** *We are born to love but are incapable of it. So, Wisdom deposits in us her own desire to love. This is how She progressively communicates her knowledge and makes us capable of loving in return. Together with our holy Founders, we are invited to let ourselves be called upon and to respond both communally and personally to the calls of Wisdom.*

**Silence** *Introduction to prayer. Lighting of the candle.*

**Hymn: Wisdom, come.**

Wisdom, come, the poor begs you by the blood of my sweet Jesus;  
By the womb of Mary; We shall not be confounded.

Why do you prolong my suffering so long? I seek you day and night.  
Come, my soul desires you, come, for I yearn with love. (bis)

## **Soliloquy: My desires of the divine Wisdom**

**Hymn 103 (4):** *(Recitation of the stanza alternating in 2 groups)*

*Jesus, uncreated Wisdom, come to me.*

*Jesus Wisdom incarnate, come to me.*

*With you, what is sweeter?*

*What misery to be away from you.*



### Moment of reflection

*In my heart, I ask myself what seems to be more desirable than Wisdom? Which idol do I cling to?  
If I compare it to the gentle stirrings of Wisdom, what choice do I make?*

**Hymn:** Open my beloved, someone is knocking at your door.  
Ah! It is not a stranger, it is a heart that love carries.  
Who has only you to dwell in.

### Hymn 103 (3): (Recite alternating in 2 groups)

O Word, equal to the Father, come to me.  
Light of the light, come to me.  
With you, I will see clearly.  
Without fear of missing anything.

### Moment of reflection

*In my heart, I recall a moment in my life, a word, an event that, like a light, caused me to savor  
the presence of Wisdom in me. I give thanks.*

**Hymn:** If you don't want me to belong to you  
Let me annoy you. Leave me always in pain  
To seek you without finding you.

### Hymn 103 (11): (Recitation of the stanza alternating in 2 groups)

*I burn with your fire, come to my house.  
Your throne is in my soul, come to me.  
With you and your love,  
I am delighted night and day.*

### Moment of reflection

*After a moment of silent reflection, I share with another, a memory I recall and when it  
happened whether during the day, evening or at night when, I rejoiced in Wisdom. I may also  
share a moment when I truly felt her presence.*

**Hymn:** Wisdom come by the faith of Mary.  
You could not resist her.  
She gave you life. She made you incarnate.

**Hymn 103 (19):** (Recitation of the stanza alternating in 2 groups)

You seek a dwelling place, come to me.

Without delay and in this instant, come to my house.

With you how blissful it is

Let my heart be your dwelling place.

### **Moment of reflection**

*Meditating on these words and in the footsteps of Montfort and Marie-Louise, under the inspiration of the Spirit, I composed my answer to Jesus who is looking for a resting place. I will repeat this invitation in the final prayer.*

## **Invitation from Montfort and Marie-Louise**

**Leader:** *Listen to the invitation of Montfort and Marie-Louise:*

**Voice 1:** “Wisdom of God, let my heart be your dwelling!”

### **Brief moment of silence**

**Voice 2:** “To give shelter to my God, what a consolation for you, my soul, to invest in this continuous inner work of perfection”.

## **Invitations to come to my home**

**Leader:** *Following our founders, we personally implore Divine Wisdom to come and dwell in us. (Each person shares their invitation aloud. Short silence between each sharing).*

**Hymn:** Worthy Mother of God, pure and faithful Virgin,  
Communicate your faith to me, I will obtain wisdom through it.  
And all good things will come to me.







DAY 3

26 April 2025

When the desire  
becomes silence

Desired since of all eternity

**Introduction:** *When Montfort, explaining the nature of the eternal and uncreated Wisdom and its origin, exclaims: "This is when we become speechless." We are invited to quiet contemplation of Wisdom in eternity, when in the Trinity, She expresses her desire to be incarnated. Even before creation, the Trinity envisioned a plan of salvation. Wisdom wanted to make known her unconditional love to human beings. We are now invited to this gathering here today.*

**Silence:** Introduction to prayer and lighting of the candle.

**Hymn:** Hymn to Wisdom

Purer than pure silver. And more precious than a treasure  
Such is the price of Wisdom. Far more beautiful than a diamond  
And all that of chains of gold, She is the greatest wealth, Wisdom!

She precedes our desires. And offers to fulfill them.  
For she is all benevolence. She lets herself be discovered.  
She allows to be contemplated, By whom seeks her presence, Wisdom!

She is the reflection of the Eternal, and the mirror of his beauty.  
To reveal our similarities, She is like a portrait of the sky,  
An image of her goodness, That she delivers in transparency, the Wisdom!

# Contemplation: In the depths of my origins

## First part: Silence

**Leader:** *Montfort does not bring attention to himself. His desire is to lead us to Wisdom. In celebrating his anniversary, he calls us to love Wisdom. It is his joy. We therefore turn to the Three, to the Son, in contemplation of him in his desire to demonstrate the unconditional love of the Father.*

*To begin, we will let the icon of the Trinity of Roublev gaze lovingly upon us. Do not seek. Do not try to guess, find or explain. Be still, filled with hope, beyond words and images.*

*In the same spirit, capture the attitude of each Person. Let the icon gaze upon you.*

**Silence:** (2-3 minutes to rest in God's loving gaze.)

**Leader:** *When entering the mystery of the icon, as if it were the first time, what do I feel, what does it leave me with?*

**Sharing:** *(Leader) In a word or a few words, we are invited to share this experience of contemplating the icon of the Trinity and being penetrated by their loving gaze. (The same words can be repeated.)*

**Repetition of** the first verse of the opening song:

Purer than pure silver. And more precious than a treasure  
Such is the price of Wisdom. Far more beautiful than a diamond  
And all that of chains of gold, She is the greatest wealth, Wisdom!

**READING:** Cantic 7 (39-41) The firmness of hope (Montfort)

**Voice 1:** My confidence total: Forgive me if it's reckless.  
Do to me as I hope in your sweet charity.

**Assembly:** Here I hope for your grace, for the goods of the soul and those of the body.  
I hope to see you face to face and enjoy your treasures.

**Voice 2:** And by Jesus, and by Mary, in you Lord, I hope in peace.  
I hope in you with justice, without fear of being ignored.

**Leader:** *In writing the icon of the Trinity, André Roublev was inspired by the Prologue of John. Let us listen to this song of love revealed to us.*

**Voice 1:** In the beginning was Wisdom and Wisdom was with God and Wisdom was God.

**Voice 2:** All things came to be through Her and without her nothing came to be.

**Voice 3:** Of every being, she was life and this life was the light of the world and the light shone in darkness.

**Voice 4:** Wisdom came into the world, and the world came to be through Her. But the world did not know and did not accept Her.

**Voice 5:** But to all who have received Her, were given the power to become daughters and sons of God.

**Voice 6:** And Wisdom became flesh and made Her dwelling among us.

### **Silence**

**Assembly:** O Jesus living in Mary, come and live in us, in your spirit of holiness, in the fullness of your gifts, in the perfection of your ways, in the truth of your virtues, in the communion of your mysteries; Silence the enemy powers that want us to separate from you, by the power of your Spirit and for the glory of your Father. "  
**AMEN.**

### **Final Hymn: Saint Louis Marie**

Oh, Saint Louis-Marie, friend of God  
Servant of Our Mother Mary  
That for Jesus, your heart of fire  
Rekindles the flame in us.

For you lived for the Lord  
The days of your history  
To live according to His heart  
We proclaim your memory.

May your memory, O saint Louis-Marie,  
Through Jesus, bring us  
The holy audacity  
Letting us open our doors to God.



DAY 4

4 MAY 2025

When the desire  
becomes action

Pilgrims of hope



**Introduction :** *In 2025, to participate in the celebration of the feast of Marie-Louise is to walk with her in the footsteps of Montfort. One cannot witness better models, as pilgrims of hope. The first action of the pilgrim is to walk. Marie-Louise and Montfort were inspired by the action of Mary of Nazareth leaving in great haste, to assist her cousin Elizabeth. This is the way in which Mary taught her son: to love and to serve. And here is Jesus, Wisdom walking towards others, with a keen desire to speak of the love of his Abba, of his Father. He will reveal this love by divine knowledge, by his deeds, by his conduct, by his gentleness. He declare it by his walk to calvary. He will proclaim it by his death and resurrection.*

*Like Mary and Jesus, each one, in a unique and personal way, is touched by God. Through this gentle touch we inspire others, in this time of ours, and are witnesses to the infinite love of Wisdom for every human being.*

**Silence:** Introduction to prayer. Lighting of the candle.

**Hymn:** Father Must Be (EFM, p.282)

**Chorus:** By your Spirit, transform us into Apostles for the Kingdom  
Unfailing Father, faithful God, from whom comes our daily bread.  
May you be revealed by our sharing with those who crave a little love  
At the great feast of your tenderness, the unloved will savor you:  
You send us Jesus Wisdom, so that your house may be filled.  
Strenght of the Spirit against all odds, Breath of fire pressing our steps,  
With great wings brush over our doubts  
Lead the church wherever you desire.

## Dialogue: Leading the way to Wisdom and others

**Voice 1:** Joy of the walkers with the breath of the God of the poor.

**Assembly:** Yes, the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

**Voice 2:** Joy of the docile walkers with the breath of the God of the meek.

**Assembly:** Yes, the Promised Land will be their legacy!

**Voice 1:** Joy of the walkers with the breath of the God of sorrow!

**Assembly:** Yes, they will have the comfort of consolation!

**Voice 2:** Joy of the hungry and thirsty walkers with the breath of the God of desire!

**Assembly:** Yes, they will be satisfied!

**Voice 1:** Rejoice women and men with trembling hearts, walkers with the breath of the God of mercy!

**Assembly:** Yes, they will know the great tenderness!

**Voice 2:** Rejoice women and men with undivided hearts, walking, with the breath of the God of purity!

**Assembly:** Yes, they will carry the light in their eyes!

**Voice 1:** Rejoicing of women and men peacemakers, marchers, walkers with the breath of the God pacifier!

**Ensemble:** Yes, it will be said to them: 'You are my daughter and my beloved son'!

**Voice 2:** Rejoice women and men chained by persecution, walking with the breath of the God of justice!

**Assembly:** Yes, the kingdom of heaven is for them and belongs to them!

**SILENCE:** *Which of these beatitudes most appeals to me, here and now. I walk in the footsteps of Jesus, Mary, Mary-Louise and Montfort, in the breath of the Spirit of Wisdom. In the very real situation of my current life, what action am I called to take? How can I commit myself to the service of love, according to my abilities?*

## Listening to Montfort and Marie-Louise

**Hymn:** Go to the squares (Refrain only) (J. Littleton - You Tube)  
Go to the squares and public places  
And gather my friends,  
All my children of light who live in the night,  
All the children of my Father separated from Him,  
Go into the squares and be my witness every day.

### Word of Saint Louis-Marie de Montfort

*"As there is nothing more penetrating than Wisdom, she does not let her friends fall in neglect. She makes them all of fire: they inspire great enterprises for the glory of God! (LEW 100).*

### Word of Marie-Louise of Jesus

*Yes, I am consumed with anger against myself to see that God is not loved and that it is my sins that are the cause.*

*That I am not allowed to go among the poor girls and women in rural areas. I would speak to them about God, I would teach them to love God, I would win them over to God "(In dialogue with Marie-Louise., p.101).*

**Silence:** *Personal prayer where each person entrusts to Wisdom, through our Founders, the grace to fulfill the commitment of the chosen beatitude.*

**Hymn:** Go to the squares and public places  
Will you go to the squares and find my friends,  
All my children of light who live in the night,  
All the children of my Father separated from Him.  
Go into the squares and be my witness every day.







DAY 5

5 MAY 2025

When desire

becomes prayer

Together in the midst of the world

**Introduction:** *While walking, the pilgrim of hope must be ready to make the transition from head to heart. It is the longest and most difficult journey we are called to in view of transformation. To attain this transformation, Montfort invites us to continuous prayer: in contemplation, meditation, lectio divina, spiritual reading, group prayer exercises, and short mental prayers. This prayerful atmosphere is a gift Wisdom grants us. As we prepare for this feast, we set aside a time for contemplation of the Holy Trinity icon. Supplications with and for the Montfortian Family united around the world will follow.*

*Marie-Louise, with Catherine and the small community, certainly sang Hymn 103 from Montfort. This will be our entrance song.*

**Silence:** Introduction to prayer. Lighting of the candle

**Hymn:** The desires of divine Wisdom.

Forgive me divine Wisdom for my zeal.  
For you are the mistress of my heart.  
Come to my rescue, lend your ear to my supplication.  
Jesus, uncreated Wisdom, come to me.  
Jesus, Wisdom incarnate, come to me.  
With you, what is sweeter? But what torment to be without you!  
I burn with your fire, come to my house.  
Your throne rests in my soul, come to me.

With you and your love, I am happy both night and day.  
Jesus, child of Mary, come to me.  
She's begging you, come to my house.  
With you in my exile, I will possess all good.



## ***Contemplation: Wisdom has a word for me***

**Leader:** *Let us turn to the Trinity, who today comes to us. Let us responds to her invitation. An empty seating place at the table awaits me, and without fuss, or shame or confusion, (Ps 33) I come to sit, knowing that the word Eternal Wisdom wishes to communicate, can only be one of love.*

*First I notice the cup on the table. It is the cup of transformation from the divine into the human, the cup of our offerings: our love, our poverty, our pride, our disabilities, our needs, our sorrows and joys.*

*As I sit, I notice the great cup formed by the three seated figures of the Trinity. A cup connecting heaven and earth; a cup filled with the cries of human suffering; a cup incarnate Wisdom desires to drink. Let us take time with the Trinity, attentive to what they wish to reveal to me. In this moment of contemplation, undoubtedly it will be an invitation inciting for personal transformation.*

**Silence** *(Soft music.)*

### ***Intercessions***

**Leader:** *In hope, let us invoke the blessed Trinity through the intercession of our holy Founders:*

**Chorus:** Saint Louis-Marie de Montfort whose life and death sang Jesus Christ on the roads of the world. Saint Louis-Marie de Montfort, pray for us.

### ***Prayer for the Daughters of Wisdom and the Friends of Wisdom***

**Voice 2:** Loving Father, in your goodness, allow the Congregation of the Daughters of Wisdom to be firm, creative and sincere in its desire to make their spirituality the priority in their life and action. Illuminate the members, so that together they become one Body, walking closely with the Friends(s) of Wisdom, together on the path for the acquisition of Divine Wisdom. **AMEN**

**Chorus:** Blessed Marie-Louise of Jesus whose life and death served Jesus Christ on the roads of the world. Blessed Marie-Louise, pray for us.

### For the Montfortian Family:

**Voice 3:** Jesus, eternal and incarnate Wisdom, you espoused our humanity with a great desire to speak to us of the unconditional love of the Father. Your loving heart has welcomed the wise and the unknowing; the rich as well as the poor and the wretched; the great as the powerless, the voiceless. Intensify in the members of the Montfort Family, the urge to respond to the real needs of your children, and give them the audacity to serve and inspire others to love your Father and ours. **AMEN.**

**Chorus:** Saint Louis-Marie de Montfort whose life and death praised Jesus Christ on the roads of the world. Saint Louis-Marie de Montfort, pray for us.

### For all of Humanity and the Church:

**Voice 4:** Holy Spirit, invisible God, source of energy, you are the initiator of all things, projects and thoughts. You covered Mary with your shadow and inspired her unconditional yes allowing the incarnation of Wisdom. Enfold our humanity in this time of upheaval. Cleanse your church of its clericalism and hypocrisy. Restore her dignity and with her may our yes become a fire at the heart of the world we live in. **AMEN.**

**Hymn:** Blessed Marie-Louise of Jesus whose life and death prayed to Jesus Christ on the roads of the world. Blessed Marie-Louise, pray for us.

**Leader:** *May the eternal and incarnate Wisdom bless us together with the Montfortian Family present in the world.*



**NOTE:** It would be beneficial to take a moment in the day to come back and sit down at the Table of the Trinity.



DAY 6

6 MAY 2025

When the desire

becomes an absolute yes

Faithful Virgin, Mother of mercy!

**Introduction:** *Montfort and Marie Louise had a rare and tender affection for the Virgin Mary. They were aware of their limits in love, their inability to love unconditionally, and that is why they relied on Mary with complete trust. They passed on their admiration for this blessed woman among all women so that we in turn may take her for our sister in humanity and for our Mother. On the eve of the feast of Marie-Louise, just as Mary gives birth to God, let us cast a renewed look on the whole Montfortian family in order to reveal its true beauty: women and men allowing God to be birthed in the midst of our uncertain and unpredictable world.*

**Silence:** Introduction to prayer. Lighting of the candle or several candles.

**Hymn:** Mary, tenderness in our lives (Gianadda, You tube)

**Chorus:** Mary, tenderness in our lives. Mary, the way to Him,  
Your "Yes" is blossoming in our life. Thank you for this blessed gift.

Please, Holy Virgin,  
Obtain from Jesus  
A deep silence  
To dwell in His presence.

Please, Blessed Virgin  
Obtain from Jesus  
The hope  
To bear fruit on this day.

Mary, tenderness in our lives.  
Mary, the way to Him,  
Your "Yes" is blossoming in our life.  
Thank you for this blessed gift.

## Word of our Founders for today

**Reading 1:** Letter 23 from Marie-Louise to the community of Oléron in difficult times:  
Be convinced of the pain I feel to see you in this state. My affection for you, my dear daughters, reminds my heart that I am your mother in Jesus Christ. Only prayer can bring relief. Let us turn to this Mother of mercy, the divine Mary: may she obtain for us from her dear Son the strength and courage we need.

**Silence:** *(Marie-Louise speaks to each and every one of us with tenderness...)*

**Reading 2:** "The Love of Eternal Wisdom" by Louis-Marie de Montfort (no 222).  
Mary is faithful: she does not let anything be lost or misused. She is the Virgin faithful to God, and faithful to men, par excellence. She still keeps, with special care, those who have placed themselves entirely under her protection and guardianship. Let us therefore entrust all things to her faithfulness, and attach ourselves to her as to a pillar that cannot be overturned, as to an anchor that cannot be detached, to the mountain of Zion that cannot be shaken.

**Silence:** *(Montfort reveals a secret...)*

**Hymn:** Searching with you, Mary (Gianadda. You Tube)

Searching the traces of God in our lives, with you Virgin Mary  
Through you, accepting the gift of God, Virgin Mary.  
Since you sing with us Magnificat, Virgin Mary,  
Allow the Passover on our steps, we will do whatever he says.

Since you suffer with us, Gethsemane, Virgin Mary,  
Bear our crosses of the day. In your hands, here is my life.  
Since you remain with us for the Angelus, Virgin Mary,  
Guide our steps into the unknown, for you are the One who believed.

## Litany of our hearts to the Virgin Mary

**Leader:** *Marie-Louise calls Mary her Mother of Mercy. Montfort calls her, Faithful Virgin. We often give Mary a name according to our needs or the needs of the world. What name do I want to give her today? Let us place our own yes in hers.*

**Silence:** *End the silence by reciting our own litanies to our Mother...*

**Free expressions:**  
*The assembly responds: "Pray for us".*

### Final prayer:

Eternal and incarnate Wisdom, you have cherished Mary in a very special way.  
At the moment of leaving, you gave her to be our Mother.  
You entrusted her to us as you entrusted us to her.  
You knew in which hands you were placing us.  
Grant us the grace of attaching ourselves to her so that she may teach us to grasp the depth of Wisdom's love for us.  
We ask this for us, for the Montfortian Family, for the Church, for your children separated from Jesus, the incarnate Wisdom.

**AMEN**

### Hymn: To Marie-Louise of Jesus

Woman of yesterday and today the people of God acclaim you  
Mary Louise of Jesus, blessed daughter of God.

You have sought, desired, welcomed  
Wisdom, Jesus.  
You found, contemplated and followed  
Light and Life.

Woman of yesterday and today the people of God acclaim you  
Mary Louise of Jesus, blessed daughter of God.

United to the saints, prophets and martyrs,  
Pray to the Virgin Mary  
That his Son may have mercy on humankind  
Thirsty for infinity.

Woman of yesterday and today the people of God acclaim you  
Mary Louise of Jesus, blessed daughter of God.



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