

## Prayer for the CJ General Congregation

### We all unite in prayer:

O Parent of parents  
and Friend of friends,  
Guide our hearts and our feet  
on the path towards the  
General Congregation  
and into the future.

Help us to listen and to speak to You,  
and to one another,  
in Freedom, Justice and Sincerity.  
Strengthen us to move as one Body  
in the direction  
in which You want us to proceed.

Help us to be aware  
of the realities and needs of our times  
and to respond to them  
with love and courage.

Pour into our lives and our mission,  
and into our General Congregation,  
the power of Your Holy Spirit,  
as You did for Mary Ward  
and her companions.

We make this prayer  
through Christ our Lord, Your Son,  
and our companion on the journey.  
Amen

Venerable Mary Ward,  
pray for us and give us your spirit.



### We pray for our deceased sisters

7/7/2020 Inácia Amaral Alves CJ, Brazil  
12/7/2020 Johanna D'Agostino IBVM,  
Canada  
21/7/2020 Alexia Alessandrini CJ, MEP  
23/7/2020 Veronika See CJ, MEP  
28/7/2020 Peg Ivers IBVM, USA  
30/7/2020 Celia Schell CJ, Argentina  
3/8/2020 Monique Desvaux de Marigny  
IBVM, Mauritius  
16/8/2020 Ursula Pullampara CJ, Bangalore  
17/8/2020 Hermine Reitinger CJ, MEP

In thanks and loving memory for  
all those who have died recently,  
and especially those who have died  
unloved and not remembered.

May they rest in peace

## House of Prayer September-October 2020



### ***Peace, a journey of hope in the face of obstacles and trial***

Peace is a great and precious value, the object of our hope and the aspiration of the entire human family. As I observed during my apostolic journey to Japan, our world is paradoxically marked by “a perverse dichotomy that tries to defend and ensure stability and peace through a false sense of security sustained by a mentality of fear and mistrust, one that ends up poisoning relationships between peoples and obstructing any form of dialogue. Peace and international stability are incompatible with attempts to build upon the fear of mutual destruction or the threat of total annihilation. They can be achieved only on the basis of a global ethic of solidarity and cooperation in the service of a future shaped by interdependence and shared responsibility in the whole human family of today and tomorrow”.

*Message of Pope Francis on the 53rd World Day of Peace.*

## We pray with the Mary Ward Family

17-20th September: Regional Gathering of the IBVM English Region in the newly refurbished Spirituality Centre

23rd September: The Beatification of Mary Ward

30th September: That we may be ONE

10th October: Joint IBVM/CJ meeting of English Province/Region in York with Jane Livesey on the Just Soul

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We pray with our CJ and IBVM sisters who celebrate Jubilees of their consecrated life during these two months. May they be blessed for all their loving service.

We pray together for our CJ General Congregation next year.

### LET US DO ALL WE CAN TO SUPPORT MARY WARD'S CAUSE



## We pray with the world and the Church

### September

#### Respect for the Planet's Resources

We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

**21st Sept: International Day of Peace:** Let us do all we can to strengthen the ideals of peace, through observing 24 hours of non-violence and cease-fire.

**26th Sept: International Day for the total elimination of Nuclear weapons:** Let us join in enhancing public awareness and education about the threat posed to humanity by nuclear weapons and the necessity for their total elimination.

**29th Sept: International Day of awareness of food loss and waste:** Let us contribute significantly to creating awareness at all levels and promote global efforts and collective action towards meeting the target of the SDG's.

### October

#### The Laity's Mission in the Church

We pray that by virtue of baptism, the laity, especially women, may participate more in areas of responsibility in the Church.

**11th Oct: International Day of the Girl Child:** "We need to uphold the equal rights, voices and influence of girls in our families, communities and nations. Girls can be powerful agents of change, and nothing should keep them from participating fully in all areas of life." — UN Secretary-General António Guterres.

**15th Oct: International Day of Rural Women:** The crucial role that women and girls play in ensuring the sustainability of rural households and communities, improving rural livelihoods and overall wellbeing, has been increasingly recognized.