

LITANY PRAYER ST EUGENE DE MAZENOD

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HIS INSPIRATION: CHRIST THE SAVIOUR

We read about his earnest desire in the Preface to the Rules for his Congregation.

"We must spare no effort to extend the Saviour's empire and to destroy the dominion of hell. We must check the manifold evils of sin and establish the honoured observance of every virtue. We must lead men to act like human beings, first of all, and then like Christians, and, finally, we must help them to become saints."

HIS MISSION: TO BRING THE POOR TO CHRIST THE SAVIOUR

A further quote from the Preface to the Rules, outlines his mission "...to arouse sinners who have forgotten or never understood that they are Christians, to proclaim Christ and to make Him known, and to open heaven's door to so many non-believers."

Moved by Saint Eugene de Mazenod's inspiration, more than 4,000 Oblate priests and brothers, supported by a large number of Oblate Lay Associates, continue to mission on every continent of the world. His charism lives on in them.

PRAYER FOR MISSION

God our Father, we thank you for having called Saint Eugene de Mazenod to follow Christ the Saviour and Evangelizer.

Passionately in love with your Son Jesus and sharing in his compassion for humanity Eugene put himself unconditionally at the service of your Church for the evangelization of those most in need.

Through his intercession help us to reach out with the healing touch of Christ who calls us to holiness and to mission.

May we build communities which are signs of your presence, and share the Good News of salvation with all peoples.

For this we dedicate ourselves, through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Saint Eugene de Mazenod, Share with us your love for Christ the Saviour.

Saint Eugene de Mazenod, Help us to stand firm in goodness.

Saint Eugene de Mazenod, Be with us in all our efforts.