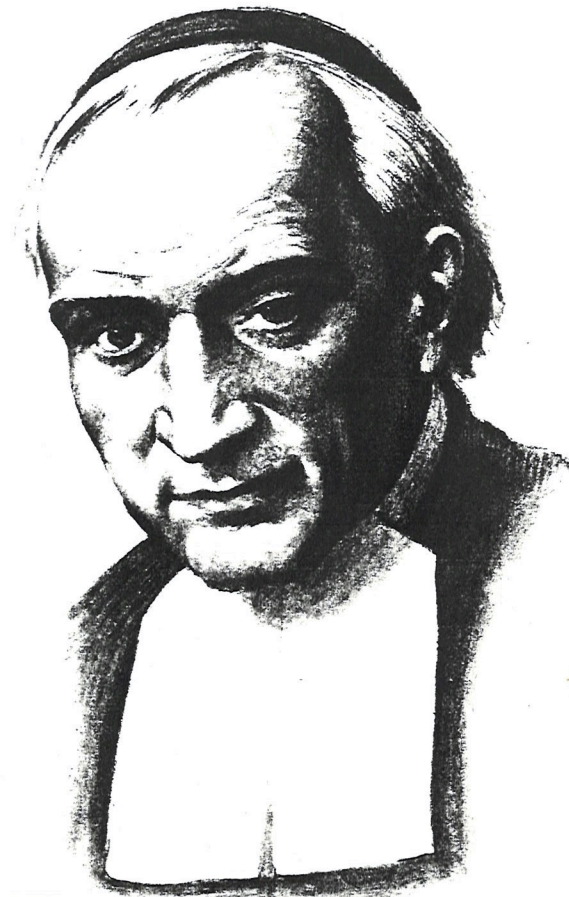




Saint Miguel Febres Cordero

He was born in Cuenca, Ecuador, on November 7th 1854. He distinguished himself by his zeal in the apostolate of education as well as by religious qualities and intellectual gifts. His reputation as a writer, philologist and poet led to his being elected to the Ecuadorian Academy in Quito. He was loved by all who knew him for his simplicity and affability. He died in Premia del Mar, Spain, on February 9th 1910. He was beatified by Paul VI on October 30th 1977, and canonised by John Paul II on October 21st 1984. He is buried in Quito where a constant stream of pilgrim visits his tom. In the Institute, his feast is Kept on February 9th.



Saint Benildus (Pierre Romancon)

He was born in Thuret, France, on June 14th 1805. He joined the Institute and devoted himself with great zeal to the school apostolate, and in particular to the teaching of catechism. He lived in Saugues for 21 years, and had the joy of seeing many vocations develop. He was a model of piety and charity. Endowed with remarkable judgment, he was a counsellor to his Brothers and led pupils and their parents to eternal salvation. He died at Sauges on August 13th 1862. He was beatified by Pius XII on April 4th 1948, and cononised by Paul VI on October 29th 1967. His feast is celebrated by the Church on August 13th. In the Institute, it can be transferred to January 29th.



Blessed Jaime Hilario, martyr

Manuel Barbal Cosan was born in Enviny, Spain, on January 2nd 1898. As a religious he showed great piety and a burning zeal for teaching young people. He had a great devotion to the Blessed Sacrament and to Our Lady, and was a model of religious virtues. When civil war broke out in July 1936, he offered no resistance to the soldiers who came to arrest him, and he invited his companions to sing the Te Deum because the Lord had granted him the grace to suffer something for him. Condemned to death, he received the martyr's palm on January 18th 1937.

He is the only victim of the Spanish Civil war to have his cause introduced separately. He was beatified by John Paul II on April 29th 1990. His feast is kept on January 18th.



Blessed Arnould (Nicolas Reche), Lasallian ascetic

He was born on September 2nd 1838 in Landroff, Lorraine. During his 13 years' teaching in Rheims, he showed great warmth, good humour and inexhaustible patience in his dealings with pupils, and for the rest of his life, great zeal in the training of novices. Such qualities distinguished his discreet, sensitive and almost imperceptible sanctity. He died in Rheims on October 23rd 1890. The name of Blessed Arnould is invoked in 75 Departments in France, as well as in many other countries including Russia. Correspondence with those devoted to his cause amounts to more than 7,500 letters a year. He was beatified by John Paul II on November 1st 1987. His feast is kept on October 23rd.



Saint Mutien Mary (Louis Joseph Wiaux)

He was born in Mellet, Belgium, on March 20th 1841. He was a model Christian Teacher in Malonne where he spent the greater part of his life. He was outstanding among his Brothers for his great humility, his observance of the Rule, and his obedience to his Superiors.

He died at Malonne on January 30th 1917 after distinguished by Christian virtues. He was beatified by Paul VI on October 30th 1977, and canonised by John Paul II on December 10th 1989. His tomb is a centre of pilgrimage. His feast is celebrated in the Institute on January 30th.



*Blessed Scubilion (Jean Bernard Rousseau),
missionary*

Jean Bernard Rousseau was born at Annay la Cote, France, on March 21st 1797. For 34 years he exercised his apostolate on the island of Reunion. There he taught young children and catechism to the natives. Thanks to him, the poor and outcasts of society were able to get to know, love and glorify Christ.

He died at Sainte Marie, Reunion, on April 13th 1867. A constant stream of pilgrims comes to visit his tomb. He was beatified in Reunion by John Paul II on May 2nd 1989. His feast is kept on April 13th. In Reunion, his feast is kept on December 20th, a national holiday commemorating the abolition of slavery.