

# MERCY Peace & Justice CALENDAR

**August 2025**  
***International Peace Month***  
***(Remember World War 1)***



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- 1**      **Feast of St. Alphonsus Liguori**  
**Jamaican Emancipation Day (1834)**
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- 1-6**    **World Breastfeeding Week (WHO)**  
We pray for all nursing mothers and their infants are well-nourished
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WORLD BREASTFEEDING WEEK



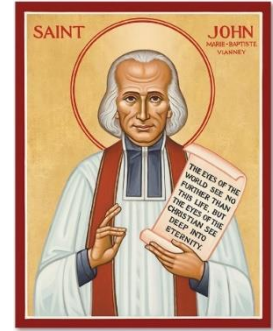
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- 2**      We pray for the people in Texas who are recovering from the devastating floods
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- 3**      **Feast of St. Lydia, Deacon**  
We pray for those women in leadership roles in Church and Society.
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## 4 Feast of St. John Vianney Patron of Priests

We pray for all priests especially those in the Underground Church of China, in the Ukraine, Nicaragua and Nigeria



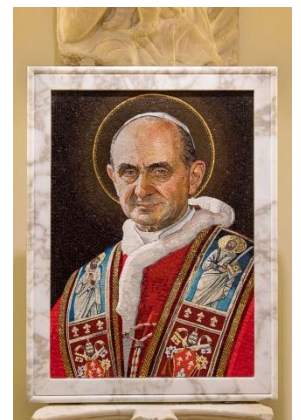
## 5 America's Night Out Against Crime

We pray for peace in our communities  
We pray for Byron Black scheduled for execution in  
Tennessee the victims and their families

## 6 Feast of the Transfiguration and Our Lady of Copacabana (Argentina)

## Hiroshima Bombing in 1945

**St. Pope Paul VI died in 1978**  
**“If you want peace, work for Justice.”**  
 We pray for a nuclear free world



## 7 National Purple Heart Day

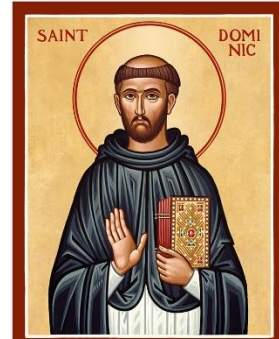
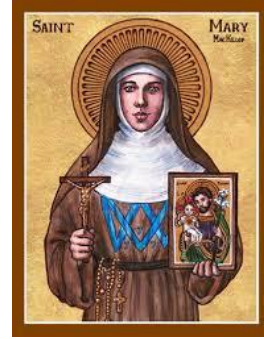
We pray with gratitude for those who served our country and that their service led to death or injury.

We pray for healing for those with lasting injuries and peace for loved ones



**8 Feasts of St. Dominic and St. Mary Mackillop (1<sup>st</sup> Australian Saint) Patron of Sexual Abuse Victims**

We pray for the Dominicans, the Sisters of St. Joseph of the Sacred Heart and Sexual Abuse victims



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**9 Feast of St. Teresa Benedicta (Edith Stein)**

martyred in 1942 “those who remain silent are responsible”

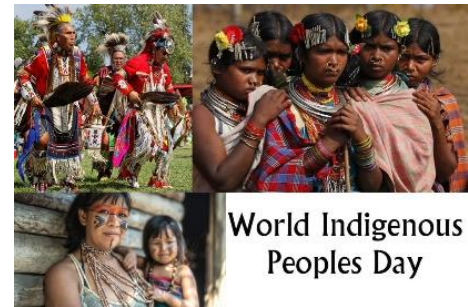
**Blessed Franz Jägerstätter,**  
conscientious Objector martyred in 1943

**Nagasaki Day (1945)**

We pray for the end of hate groups.

**International Day of the Worlds Indigenous Peoples (UN)**

We pray for the 476 million indigenous people in 90 countries and pray with gratitude for their contributions to the world



World Indigenous Peoples Day

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**10 Feast of St. Lawrence Deacon & Martyr**

**Agent Orange Awareness Day (USA)**

We pray for the Americans and Vietnamese who suffer the effects of this toxic chemical used in the War and pray for the end of the use of toxic chemicals in Wars



## 11 Feast of St. Clare of Assisi

We pray for the Poor Clares and Franciscans

We pray for the grace to live a simple lifestyle and to give up those practices which contribute to the degradation of Mother Earth

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## 12 Feast of St. Jane Francis de Chantal International Youth Day (UN)

*Theme: Advancing Multilateral Cooperation  
through Technologies and Partnerships*

We pray for the 1.2 Billion 15-24 year old of the  
World and for the Ursuline Sisters

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## 12-15 LCWR Assembly in Atlanta

*Theme: Hope Unbroken: Journeying in God's Promise*

We pray for the Spirit's Guidance on the Assembly  
participants

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## 13 We pray for the repose of the souls of Richard Jordan, Thomas Lee Gardener, Stephen Stanko and John Hanson executed in the United States last month

**Florence Nightingale died in 1890**

We pray for nurses and first responders

**The Manhattan Project District formed in  
1942 in New York**

We pray for the end of nuclear weapons

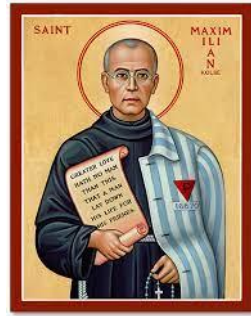


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**14 Feast of St. Maximillian Kolbe martyred in 1945**

**Franklin D. Roosevelt signs Social Security Act in 1935**

We pray for the recipients of Social Security and for its future viability



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**15 India's nonviolent independence in 1947**

We pray for the people of India



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**16 Feast of St. Stephen of Hungary**

We pray for peace in the Ukraine and the nearby Slavic Nations

**Hindu Feast of Janmashtami Birth of Krishna**

We pray for tolerance among persons of differing religious beliefs

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**17 We Pray for a Ceasefire in Palestine and Israel**

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**18 Feast of St. Alberto Hurtado of Chile**

We pray for the people of South America,  
especially Chile

**In 1963 James Meredith becomes first African  
American to graduate from the University of  
Mississippi**

We pray for the end of racism



**19 World Humanitarian Day (UN)**

*Theme: Strengthening Global Solidarity  
and empowering Local Communities*

We pray for a greater unity among nations and communities.



**20 Feast of St. Bernard (worker for those who are  
poor)**

**Angela an African Slave arrives from Angola to  
Jamestown Virginia in 1619**

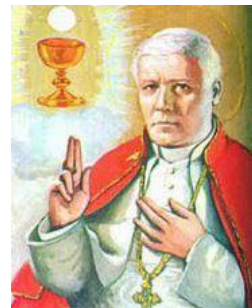
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**21 Feast of St. Pius X**

**International Day of Remembrance and Tribute to  
the Victims of Terrorism (UN)**

We pray for the end of terror attacks We pray for those  
on death row, especially David L. Roberts scheduled  
for execution in Alabama, the victim and their families.



## 22 Feast of the Queenship of Mary

### **International Day Commemorating the Victims of Acts of Violence based on Religious Beliefs (UN)**

We pray for the victims of persecution and their loved ones, especially those imprisoned unjustly



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## 23 Feast of St. Rose of Lima

we pray for the peoples of South America and the Philippines

### **International Day for the remembrance of slave trade and its abolishment (UN)**

We pray for victims of human trafficking



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## 24 Feast of St. Bartholomew

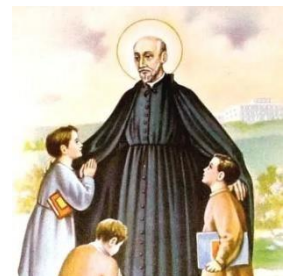
We pray for the safety and wellbeing of migrants, immigrants and refugees. Especially from Palestine, Syria, Venezuela, Ukraine, Sudan and Myanmar.



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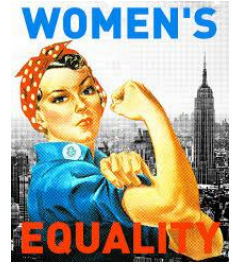
## 25 Feast of St. Joseph Calasanz

We pray for educators, staff and students as they begin a new school year



**26 Women's Equality Day (USA)** adoption of 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment

We pray that all USA Citizens have the freedom to vote without restrictions or fear



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**27 Feast of St. Monica**

We pray for Mothers concern about their children, especially those addicted or have behavior issues.



**1<sup>st</sup> World Lake Day (UN)**

*Theme: Glacier Preservation 90% of our planet's fresh water is in our lakes.*

We pray with gratitude for our lakes and the will to conserve them

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**28 Feast of St. Augustine**

**1963 March on Washington & M.L. King Jr. "I have a dream" speech**

We pray for the safety and wellbeing of those working for peace and justice





**29 Feast of the Passion of John the Baptist**

**Katrina Hurricane 2005**

**International Day against Nuclear Tests (UN)**

We pray for victims of natural disasters  
and for a nuclear free world



**30 International Day of Victims of Enforced Disappearance (UN)**

We pray for the recovery of victims and for their  
loved ones.



**31 International Day for People of African Descent (UN)**

We pray for the wellbeing and safety of  
the peoples of African and the end of all  
conflicts



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