

Happy Feast of Saint Louis Marie de Montfort, April 28

*Wishing you all a Happy Feast of St. Louis Marie de Montfort
Greetings on the occasion of the Feast of our Holy Founder,
St. Louis Marie de Montfort on April 28.*

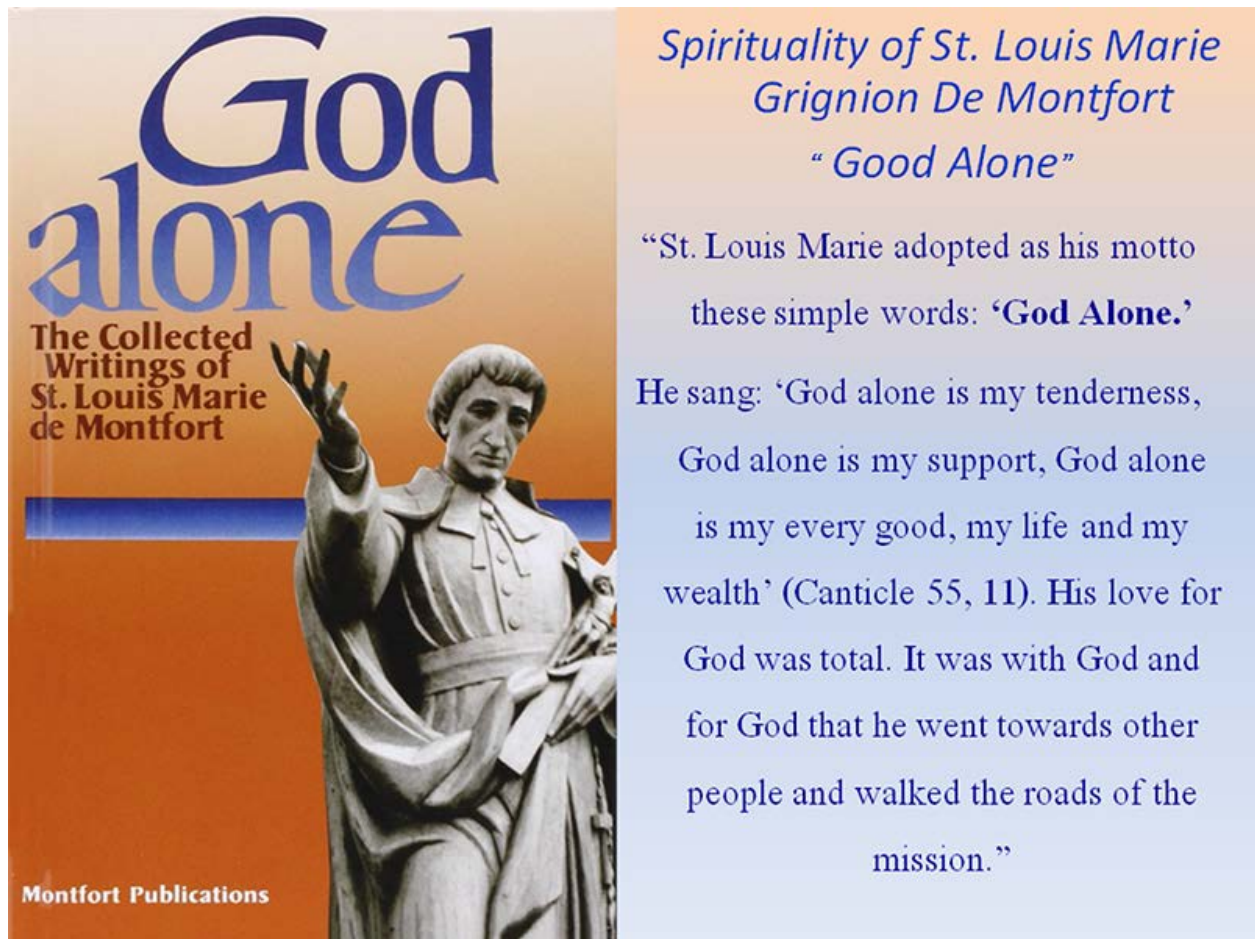
Happy Feast!



**St. Louis Marie Grignon de Montfort (1673-1716)
The Founder of Brothers of Saint Gabriel
Father of the Poor & Educator of Children and Youth**

The Life of St. Louis Marie Grignion de Montfort

- 1673 Born in Montfort-sur-Meu, Brittany, France (31 January)
- 1685 Educated at the Jesuit College in Rennes
- 1693 Studied for the priesthood at the Seminary of Saint-Sulpice, Paris
- 1700 Ordained a priest, officially for the diocese of Saint-Malo (5 June)
- 1700-01 Worked in Diocese of Nantes
- 1701-06 Diocese of Poitiers (Chaplain to "General Hospital", and later a Mission preacher)
- 1706 Pilgrimage to Rome to visit Pope Clement XI, 1706, who appointed him "Missionary Apostolic"
- 1706-08 Missions in the dioceses of Saint-Malo and Saint-Brieuc
- 1708-11 Missions in the diocese of Nantes
- 1711-16 Missions in the dioceses of Luçon, Saintes and (especially) La Rochelle
- 1716 Died at Saint-Laurent-Sur-Sèvre, in Vendée (28 April), aged 43
- 1888 Beatified by Pope Leo XIII
- 1947 Canonized by Pope Pius XII (20 July)
- Feast 28 April



The Writings of St. Louis Marie Grignon de Montfort

Saint Louis Marie de Montfort wrote many things during his life. He wrote always with the one purpose: to bring Christians to a deeper understanding of the Christian faith, and to encourage them to live their Baptismal dedication to God. ([Find more Montfort Publications in the AU Library](#))

Saint Louis Marie Grignion de Montfort: the founder

1. The Daughters of Wisdom
2. The Company of Mary or Montfort Missionaries
3. Montfort Brothers of Saint Gabriel



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At Assumption University of Thailand

April 28 marks the Auspicious Saint Louis Marie de Montfort 's Day also referred to as the Feast Day of Louis Marie Grignon de Montfort which is highly recognized by Assumption University of Thailand (AU) as a Catholic University.

Assumption University' main chapel located at Suvarnabhumi Campus was indeed named after Saint Louis Marie de Montfort, popularly known as the “Chapel of St. Louis Marie de Montfort.” Furthermore, one of excellence awards recognizing AU outstanding personnel has been named “St. Montfort Award for Illustrious Service” and has the saint's statues exist at both campuses and also at the AU Learning Centre Chalermphrakiat, Kanchanaburi province.



The Chapel of St. Louis Marie de Montfort at Assumption University, Suvarnabhumi Campus

Anniversary of the Chapel of St. Louis Marie de Montfort

The first holy mass performed in the Chapel of St. Louis Marie de Montfort was conducted on 28th April 2003 chaired by Father Chalerm Kitmongkolwong. It was well attended by Brothers of St. Gabriel, administrators, faculty members, staff, teachers from St. Gabriel network schools, honored guests, and students.



The annual celebration of the Chapel of St. Louis Marie de Montfort 2003

St. Montfort Award For Illustrious Service

The St. Montfort Award for Illustrious Service was named after St. Louis Marie Grignion de Montfort (1673-1716), the founder of the Brothers of St. Gabriel. He is our spiritual master who walked before us toward the Living God. Following in his footprints, we can proceed on a path to union with God. The Brothers of St. Gabriel in Thailand consider him to be a model for religious life and for their educative mission.

This award is given for faithful, dedicated and outstanding services rendered to the University by senior administrators whose career spans more than twenty-five years.

The following was the first group of two senior administrators who were granted with “The St. Montfort Award” on December 24, 1997 at the Chapel of the Annunciation, Hua Mak Campus

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The Statue of St. Louis Marie de Montfort



Located behind
St. Philip & Bernard Hall
(P Building), Hua Mak Campus



In front of the Chapel of St. Louis
Marie de Montfort,
Suvannabhumi Campus



Located at AU Learning Centre
Chalermphrakiat,
Kanchanaburi province

Dedication: A life span of 42 years, 305 years of spiritual influence, a beacon of Sainthood for the Catholic Church

Three hundred and five years after the passing away of Louis Marie de Montfort, we ponder on the efficacy of the Saint's charisma while asking, what essentially was his spirituality and what is its impact?

The answer lies in several evidences, some of which are: "God Alone" was the motto of Saint Louis and is repeated over 150 times in his writings. A focal belief in the Incarnation forms Montfort's second spiritual impetus. The Incarnation of the Word is for him the absolute central reality. Importantly, Love of the Blessed Virgin Mary was espoused by the saint through the recitation of the Holy Rosary, privately and in his small company of followers.

"...of all creatures the one most conformed to Jesus Christ, it follows that among all devotions that which most consecrates and conforms a soul to our Lord is devotion to Mary, his Holy Mother, and that the more a soul is consecrated to her the more will it be consecrated to Jesus Christ."

Fidelity to the Cross is a fourth proof of Montfortian spirituality. Missionary Zeal which was seminal to Montfortian spirituality, was to form rosary confraternities, to go on pilgrimages, especially to Rome, and to make spiritual retreats. His desire to spread his message in Canada did not materialize in his life time, but after his death.

The impacts of the saint's spirituality is evidenced from his having influenced a number of popes. In the 19th century, Pope Pius IX considered the Montfortian Method to recite the rosary, the best and most acceptable form of Marian devotions, while Pope Leo XIII granted indulgences for practicing Montfort's method of Marian consecration. Leo beatified Montfort in 1888, selecting for Montfort's beatification the day of his own Golden Jubilee as a priest. In the 20th century Pope Pius X acknowledged the influence of Montfort's writings in the composition of his encyclical *Ad diem illum*. Pope Pius XI stated that he had practiced Montfort's devotional methods since his early youth. Pope Pius XII declared Montfort a saint and stated that Montfort is the guide "who leads you to Mary and from Mary to Jesus". Pope John Paul II once recalled how as a young seminarian he "read and reread many times and with great spiritual profit" a work of de Montfort and that: "Then I understood that I could not exclude the Lord's Mother from my life without neglecting the will of God-Trinity according to his Apostolic Letter *Rosarium Virginis Mariae*, the pontiff's personal motto "Totus Tuus". The thoughts, writings, and example of St. Louis de Montfort were also singled out by Pope John Paul II's encyclical *Redemptoris Mater* as a distinctive witness of Marian spirituality in the Roman Catholic tradition.

On this occasion of the 305th Commemoration of St. Louis Marie de Montfort's passing away, and the Feast Day of Saint Louis Marie de Montfort, the Assumption University Community is invited to reflect on the spirituality of St. Montfort, and through his inspiration to spend a part of the day in meditation and spiritual activities, taking into account the diverse faith backgrounds of the community members.

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Related Link

Montfortian Education International (MEI): <https://meinet.org/>

Feast Day of Saint Joseph: <https://www.au.edu/news/feast-day-of-saint-joseph.html>

Feast Day of Saint John Baptist de la Salle: <https://www.au.edu/news/feast-day-of-saint-john-baptist-de-la-salle.html>

Celebration of the Chapel of St. Louis Marie de Montfort, AU: <https://bit.ly/2QwxZnX>