

PATRON SAINT OF THE SOCIETY IN CANADA

My Dear Friends in Christ,

The National Spirituality Committee invited members to submit nominations of Canadian Saints to be considered the Patron Saint of the Society in Canada. Four wonderful nominees were put forward and members made the decision by ballot.

Thank you to all who participated in this process. We are pleased to announce that the Patron Saint of the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul in Canada is Saint Marguerite d'Youville.

It is the intention of National to hold the consecration to the Patron Saint at our Fall Board meeting in Québec City in conjunction with the celebration of the 175th anniversary of the Society in Canada.

The biography of this truly remarkable woman is available on our SSVP website: [Marguerite d'Youville Bio](#)

Discover all stages of Marguerite d'Youville's life in pictures: [Illustrated Story on Her Life](#)

May God bless us all and the poor we serve.

Yours in the Service of the Servants of the Poor,

*John Carey, Chair
National Spirituality Committee*