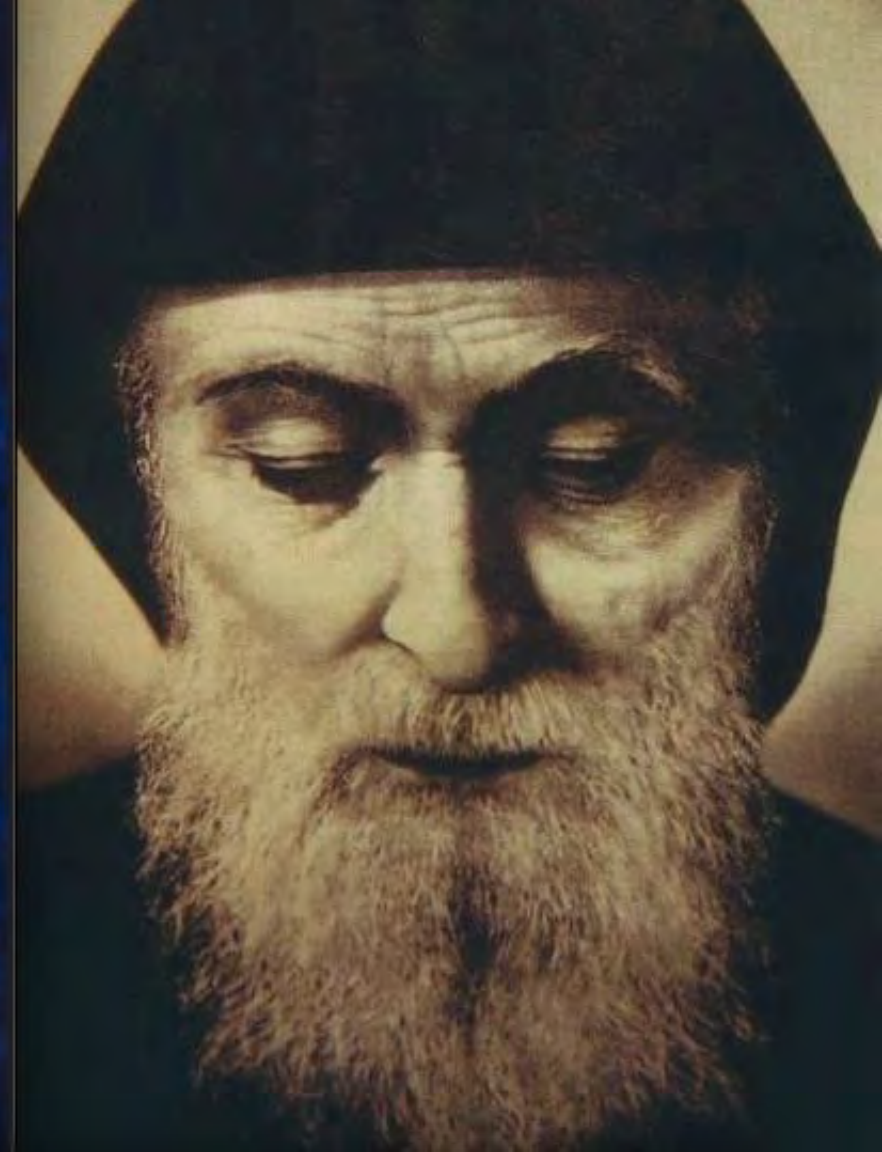
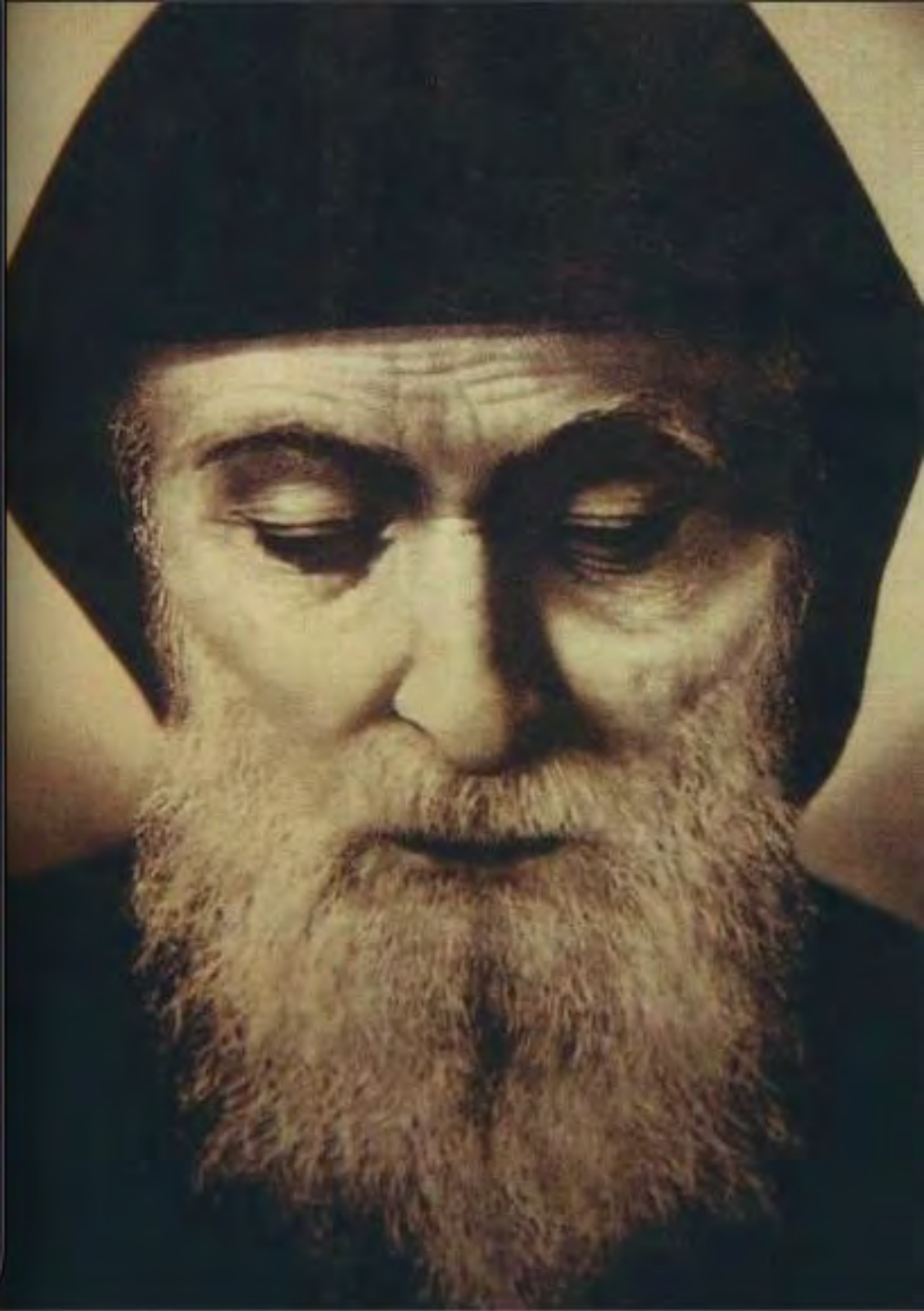




**Marian Saints and Their Enduring Legacy:
St. Louis-Marie de Montfort
and St. Charbel**



Catholic Faith Formation
St. Ignatius Church, Tokyo
Sunday, May 3, 2026





**April 28: Saint Louis-Marie Grignion de Montfort:
The Apostle of True Devotion to Mary**



5 Spiritual Lessons from the Life of Saint Louis de Montfort Still Relevant Today

9 remarkable
things St Louis de
Montfort said
about Mother
Mary





**WHO WAS SAINT LOUIS MARIE GRIGNON DE MONTFORT?
AND WHAT IS HIS CONNECTION TO OUR LADY?**

Montford



**A Saint Consecrated to The Virgin Mary:
Saint Louis de Montfort**



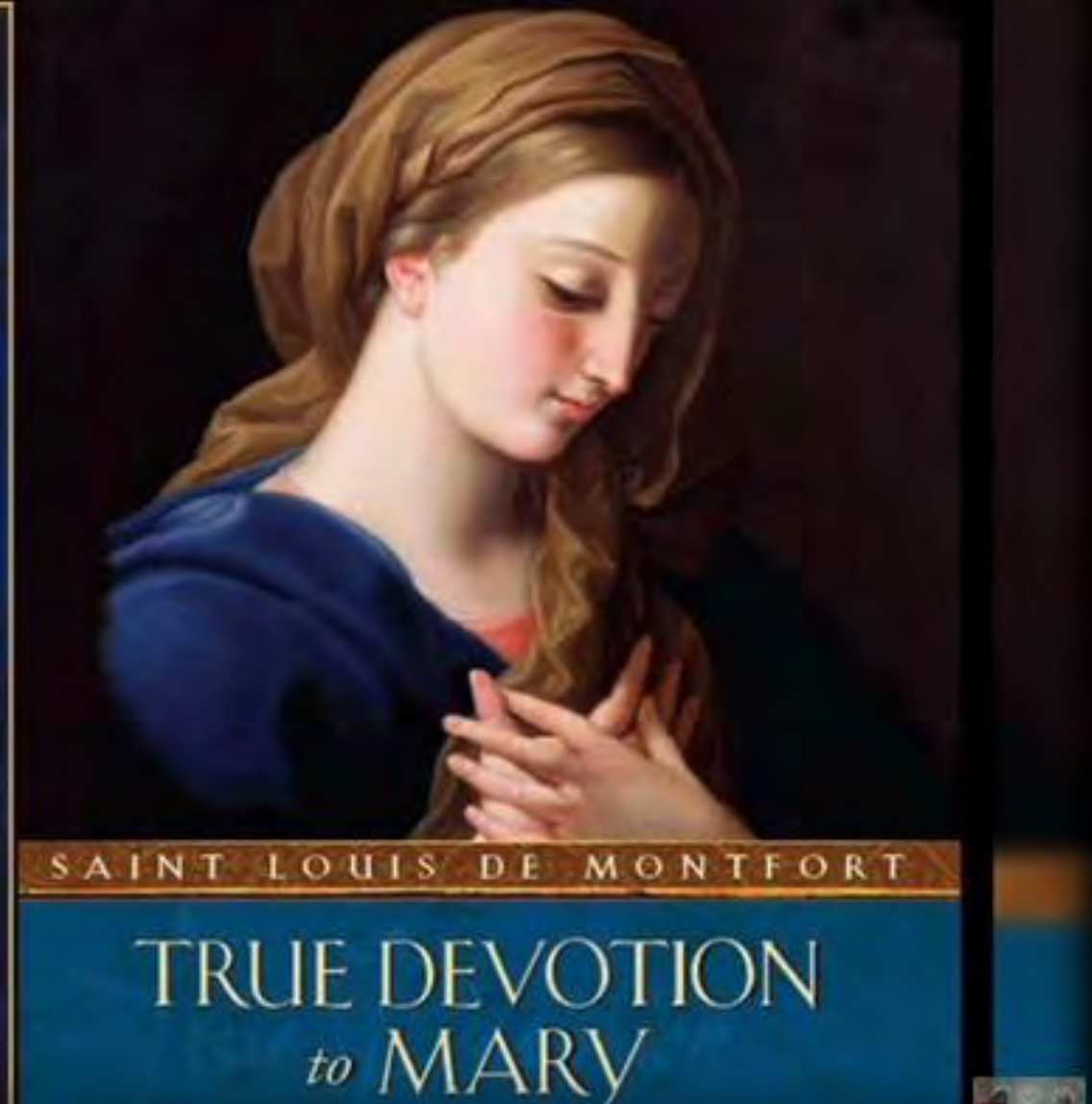


St. Louis de Montfort
- Revealing The Hidden Life In Christ





**The Saint Who Became a Slave of Mary
- St. Louis de Montfort**



True Devotion to Mary: (SUMMARY)
- St. Louis Marie de Montfort



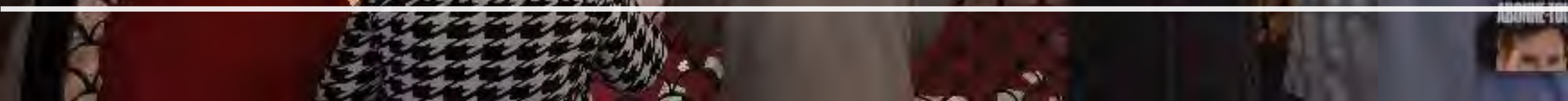
Pope Leo XIV's Full Speech and Prayer at Saint Charbel's Tomb in Annaya, Lebanon



The Story of Saint Charbel



**Saint Charbel: the report on the monk
with 30,000 miracles!**



**Blessed Oil And Relics of St. Sharbel by
Fr. Louis Matar
- Family of Saint Sharbel, USA**

**This saint who has immersed himself in God is
surely with the Lord and the Lord is everywhere.**



Monk, Priest, Hermit

- At age 23, he became a monk
- St. Sharbel's entire life was dedicated to Jesus in the Holy Eucharist!

Saint Sharbel Talk
- Anne Borik November 6, 2023



THE POWER OF DIVINE LOVE

**May Jammoul— Young Shiite Muslim Woman Healed Through St.
Sharbel's Intercession**



**An Exclusive Interview With Fr. Louis Matar
- Caretaker of St. Maron Monastery, Annaya-Lebanon**



The most impressive incorrupt saint: St Charbel Makhoul

Saint Sharbel's Miracles & Healings (YouTube Channel)



They devoted themselves to the teaching of the apostles and to the communal life, to the breaking of the bread and to the prayers. — *Acts 2:42*

Family of Saint Sharbel USA



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Saint Charbel, The Movie [ENGLISH subtitles]

Comparison of Saint Louis de Montfort & Saint Charvel

St. Louis-Marie de Montfort (1673–1716) Public, Apostolic Ministry

Active Preaching & Mission French priest & missionary who traveled tirelessly, preaching to the poor, catechizing, and founding communities (Company of Mary, Daughters of Wisdom).

Public Expression of Faith Carried a large Rosary as his “sword,” sang the Rosary in missions, wrote *True Devotion to Mary* and *The Secret of the Rosary* for widespread use.

“To Jesus through Mary” in Action Explicit Total Consecration — taught formal 33-day preparation and total self-gift to Mary as the surest path to Christ.

St. Charbel Makhlouf (1828–1898) Private, Hermit Contemplation

Hidden Solitude & Penance Lebanese Maronite monk who lived 23 years as a hermit in total silence, extreme austerity, and ceaseless prayer in the mountains of Annaya.

Interior, Eucharistic Life Celebrated Mass with profound ecstasy (often 2+ hours), spent hours in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament, prayed the Rosary in deep contemplative silence.

“To Jesus through Mary” in Hiddenness Lived radical Marian union through silence, penance, and Eucharistic love — a lived consecration without words.

Two Paths, One Heart:

St. Louis-Marie de Montfort & St. Charbel

“To Jesus Through Mary” in Action

St. Louis-Marie de Montfort

Active & Apostolic Rosary Preached the Rosary publicly as a “powerful weapon” against evil

The Secret of the Rosary Wrote the classic book teaching how to pray it well (attention, reverence, devotion)

Group & Sung Rosary Encouraged communal Rosary, singing the Hail Marys during missions

Fruit Conversion of sinners, protection, apostolic zeal

Quote “The Rosary is a powerful weapon to put the demons to flight...”

St. Charbel

Contemplative & Silent Rosary Prayed the Rosary constantly in hermitage solitude

Lived the Rosary Rosary as daily companion during long hours of prayer & penance

Personal & Eucharistic Rosary Integrated with profound love for the Mass and hidden reparation

Fruit Deep union with Christ, miracles of healing & incorruptibility

Spirit Rosary prayed with the same reverence as his extended Masses

Spiritual Lives of St. Louis-Marie de Montfort & St. Charbel:

Public Ministry vs. Private Contemplation – Legacies Blossomed After Death

St. Louis-Marie de Montfort

Public Apostolic Ministry

- **Preach** the Rosary in diverse public ministry.
- **Total Consecration** to God by the Virgin Mary (total ministry at the Carigrig you lig)
- **Total Consecration** to the Holy Spirit in the Holy Spirit



One Rosary —
One Heart:
To Jesus Through
Mary

St. Charbel

Private Hermit Life

- **Private Hermit**
- **Silence**
- **Eucharistic adoration**
- **Prayer the Rosary in silence**
- **Prayer the Rosary devotion in solitude**

Striking Similarity: Devotion Exploded After Their Deaths

Montfort's writings rediscovered posthumously with the giving of the title!

Charbel's to the point of miracles with leading to canonization

St. Louis-Marie de Montfort (on Spiritual Life, Rosary, and Consecration)

- “The Rosary is the most powerful weapon to touch the Heart of Jesus, Our Redeemer, who loves His Mother.”
- “When the Holy Rosary is said well, it gives Jesus and Mary more glory and is more meritorious than any other prayer.”
- “The most perfect of all devotions is that which conforms, unites, and consecrates us most completely to Jesus.” (True Devotion to Mary)
- “If you say the Rosary faithfully until death... you shall receive a never fading crown of glory.”

St. Charbel

(on silence, interior life, Eucharist, and prayer)

- “The things that go on within you are more important than those that take place in your life.”
- “Silence is the first language of God; everything else is a poor translation.”
- “Prayer is a love that becomes words.”
- “Do not abandon prayer, for prayer is the light of the soul.”
- “Begin nothing on earth unless it has its end in heaven.”

Complementary Paths, One Goal

- Montfort shows us active, apostolic witness: In a noisy world (like modern Tokyo), we can proclaim the Gospel publicly through Rosary groups, Total Consecration programs, or parish missions.
- Charbel shows us hidden, contemplative depth: Even amid crowded commutes or demanding jobs, we can cultivate interior silence, daily Rosary in solitude, and Eucharistic adoration.
- Lesson: Both paths are valid and necessary. The Holy Spirit calls some to visible service and others to hidden prayer — together they form a complete Marian spirituality.

Total Gift to Mary Bears Fruit

- Montfort's formal Total Consecration and Charbel's lived consecration in silence both lead to the same reality: "To Jesus through Mary."
- Lesson: Consecration is not a one-time event but a daily "yes" — whether preached openly or lived quietly. Start (or renew) the 33-day preparation; it transforms ordinary life into a powerful offering.

Legacies Grow Strongest After Death

- Montfort's writings were hidden for decades; Charbel's miracles began after his death.
- Lesson: Our faithfulness today (public or hidden) may seem small or unnoticed, but God multiplies it in His time — just as Japan's Hidden Christians preserved the faith in silence for 250 years before the “rediscovery.” Trust that your quiet Rosary or small acts of consecration can spark renewal in families, parishes, and even the nation.

Practical Lessons for Daily Life in Japan Today

- In a busy city: Combine Montfort's zeal (share the Rosary with others) with Charbel's silence (10 minutes of interior prayer during your commute).
- In trials or dryness: Like both saints, cling to the Rosary as weapon and light; offer small penances for reparation (echoing Akita).
- For renewed national consecration: Their posthumous influence reminds us that personal holiness fuels communal renewal — prepare for the June 14 Worldwide Marian Procession and the proposed renewed consecration to the Immaculate Heart.

To Jesus Through Mary

- “To Jesus through the Blessed Virgin Mary”
- St. Louis de Montfort consecrated himself to Jesus through Mary
- St. Charbel lived a hidden life of prayer and consecration to the Blessed Virgin

History of Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary



Key moments in the devotion's development



Japan's Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary – A Living Legacy

1844

1948

Link to Akita
1973

Fr. Forcade
introduces
consecration
during
persecution

Tokyo Archdiocese
formalizes
consecration
post-war

Prophetic
messages in
Akita align with
consecration

WORLDWIDE MARIAN PROCESSION

Feast of the Immaculate Heart of Mary



SATURDAY 13TH JUNE 2026

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Worldwide Marian Procession
– June 13, 2026

- Adoration
- Rosary
- Holy Mass
- Procession

Renewed Consecration of Japan to the Immaculate Heart of Mary



Reflections

- “How does the Holy Spirit use both public witness and hidden prayer to draw souls to Mary and Jesus — even more powerfully after the saint has gone to heaven?”
- Reflection Prompt for Participants (use on the slide): “Which aspect speaks to you most right now — Montfort’s public witness or Charbel’s hidden prayer? How will you live ‘To Jesus through Mary’ this week in your Tokyo context?”
- “Choose one small penance this week. How does it connect you to Montfort’s Rosary zeal, Charbel’s silence, and Akita’s call?”
- “How does this history call us to renewed consecration in Japan today?”

Why Small Penances? (Akita Context)

- Our Lady of Akita (approved apparitions, 1973–1981) repeatedly emphasized prayer, penance, and reparation for sins and the salvation of souls. Key messages include:
 - “Pray very much the prayers of the Rosary. I alone am able still to save you from the calamities which approach.”
 - “Many souls go to hell because there is no one to make sacrifice and do penance for them.”
 - The statue wept 101 times; Sr. Agnes was told to offer sacrifices for reparation.
- Penance is not about great suffering but small, daily offerings united to Christ’s Cross through Mary — exactly as lived by St. Charbel (hidden penance) and preached by St. Louis de Montfort (Rosary as weapon of reparation).

Practical Small Penances (Easy to Start Today)

- Reparation for sins (personal, national, global).
- Conversion of sinners.
- Peace in families, Japan, and the world.
- Renewal of Japan's consecration to the Immaculate Heart.

Daily / Easy Options:

- Rosary with Intention: Pray one decade (or full Rosary) daily, offering it for reparation. (Akita's core request.)
- Morning Offering: "O Jesus, through the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I offer You my prayers, works, joys, and sufferings of this day..." (unite everything).
- Small Sacrifice of Comfort: Skip a favorite drink/snack, or take the stairs instead of elevator — offer it silently for souls.
- Charity in Word/Thought: Bite your tongue instead of complaining; forgive quickly and offer the discomfort.
- Silence or Short Prayer Pause: 5–10 minutes of silent prayer or Rosary during commute (echoes Charbel's solitude in a noisy city).
- Abstinence: One day a week (e.g., Friday) skip meat or dessert; offer for priests/bishops (Akita stressed prayer for them).
- Work as Penance: Offer difficult tasks, traffic, or long work hours with love: "For love of You and reparation, Lord."

Weekly / Slightly Bigger (Still Accessible)

- Eucharistic Adoration: 15–30 minutes before the Blessed Sacrament (Charbel's great love).
- Fasting: Bread-and-water lunch once a week or skip one meal.
- Extra Rosary Decade: For Japan's intentions or the Worldwide Marian Procession (June 14).
- Act of Reparation: Pray the Akita or Montfort prayer of reparation after Confession.

How to Offer Them (Montfort/Charbel Style)

- Through Mary: Begin with “I offer this through the Immaculate Heart of Mary for reparation.”
- With Joy: Penance is not gloomy — offer with love, as both saints did.
- In Daily Life: Tokyo context — crowded trains, long hours, family pressures — these become perfect “hidden” sacrifices like Charbel or “apostolic” ones like Montfort.



Lord, infinitely Holy and Glorified in Your Saints, You have inspired Charbel, the saint monk, to lead the perfect life of a hermit. We thank You for granting him the blessing and the strength to detach himself from the world, so that the heroism of the monastic virtues of poverty, obedience and chastity could triumph in his hermitage.





Salve, Regina,
(Hail, holy Queen)