



THE MEDAL

Let us reflect on the connection between the Chapel and the Medal.

On the front of the Medal :

«O Mary, conceived without sin...»

On the back :

. The Cross

. The «M» and two hearts,

symbols of love

. The 12 stars,

symbol of apostolic
commitment

This Medal reminds us of the mysteries of
salvation :

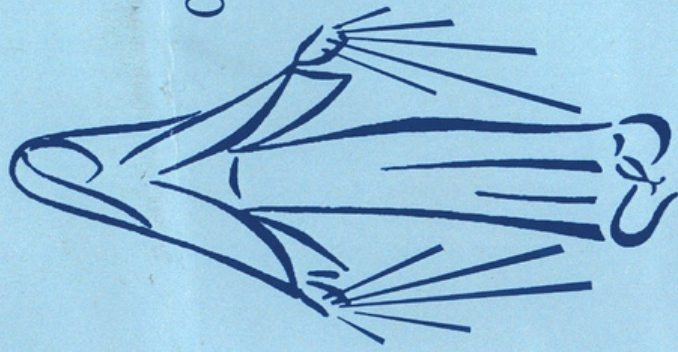
**INCARNATION
REDEMPTION**

It is a sign of God's tenderness for humanity.

It is a reminder to commit oneself to imitate the example of Christ, who is :

THE WAY - THE TRUTH - THE LIFE

Mary leads us to Christ.



Chapel of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal

«A place where God enters
people's lives...»

- Prayer
- Silence
- Reconciliation
- Eucharist

*«Come to the foot of this altar ;
there, graces will be showered
upon all.»*

The altar is the place where Christ
offers Himself at each Eucharist,
here and everywhere,
for the salvation of the world.

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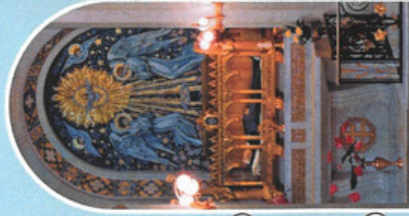
7 SAINT LOUISE DE MARILLAC

Co-Founder with Saint Vincent de Paul of the Company of the Daughters of Charity.

The mosaic over the reliquary and the cross under the altar demonstrate her great devotion to the Holy Spirit and to the Passion of Christ.

A sentence written in gold letters gives her last advice to the Daughters of Charity :

«Take good care of the service of the poor. Above all, live together in great union and cordiality, loving one another in imitation of the union and life of Our Lord. Pray earnestly to the Blessed Virgin, that she may be your only Mother.»



8 PLAQUE COMMEMORATING

The visit of Pope John Paul II
May 31, 1980

This fresco recalls **THE NIGHT of JULY 18-19, 1830**, the night in which the young **Sister Catherine LABOURE** received the **first visit of the BLESSED VIRGIN**.

Four months later, on **NOVEMBER 27**, Sister Catherine, in the silence of prayer, sees the **BLESSED VIRGIN**, her eyes raised to heaven, presenting to God the **GLOBE** of the world, surrounded by a small cross and representing the entire world and each one of us.

10 SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL

Flames of fire surround the statue of Saint Vincent de Paul. They symbolize the **CHARITY THAT BURNED IN HIS HEART**.

He proclaimed to everyone the Good News of Jesus.

He was not content simply to proclaim it in words ; he showed it by example. Here, he is shown with some children he found in the streets of Paris in the XVIIth century.

He brought many men and women with him on the path of **CHARITY**, and in particular, he founded the Congregation of the Mission and the Daughters of Charity.

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To the right and left of the sanctuary, two stone medallions recall the martyrdom of some Daughters of Charity of Arras and Angers during the Revolution.

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4 On the arch is written the **PRAYER** Mary invites us to say :
«O Mary conceived without sin, pray for us who have recourse to thee.»

5 and the **INVITATION** she addresses to us :
«Come to the foot of this altar ; there, graces will be showered upon all.»

6 SAINT CATHERINE LABOURE

Sister Catherine spent 46 years of her life at Reuilly, in humility and the service of elderly persons.

At her death in 1876, she was buried in a tomb under the chapel of the House of Reuilly. In 1933, her body was placed in this reliquary. She is wearing the habit worn by the Daughters until 1964.

3 **MARY** is standing on the globe.

RAYS fall from her hands ; they represent the graces Mary showers on those who ask her for them.

She is crushing the **SERPENT**, the symbol of evil.

Surrounding her head is a **CROWN OF TWELVE STARS**. She is the Mother of the Church founded on the twelve Apostles, and she is our Mother.

The **TWO HEARTS of JESUS and MARY** are in the center of rays of light. Mary was united with Jesus in His Passion.

Now, she shares in His glory in heaven and intercedes for us who are on pilgrimage on this earth.