

A FIERY SOUL

1799 - born in Lyon



Born on July 22, 1799 into a family of wealthy silk workers from Lyon, Pauline-Marie Jaricot lived a childhood carried by the affection and strong faith of her parents. At the time of adolescence, pretty, coquettish and worldly, she lets herself be seduced by the "illusions of the world". But the young girl goes through the ordeal of her mother's illness and disappearance.



1816 – conversion



Following a sermon on vanity heard in the Saint-Nizier church in Lyon, an inner transformation takes place and her life changes radically: she abandons her jewellery, decides to dress simply like the workers and puts on to visit and serve the poor. Her conversion led her, on Christmas Day 1816, to make a private vow of chastity in the chapel of Notre Dame de Fourvière.

1819 – missionary innovation



Informed of the critical situation of the missions in the world, she decided to contact missionaries, to make their needs known, and to support them through prayer and material aid. So she organized, at the age of 19, "the collection of the mission's penny" from her father's workers, inventing the first missionary social network. By "tens", "hundreds" and "sections", the donors meet to give their penny from hand to hand and exchange news of the missions, creating other dozens in turn. The system will be institutionalized with the creation of the work of the

Propagation of the Faith in 1822 and very quickly take a considerable scale in all France, in Europe then in the whole world.



1826 – the Living Rosary

At the age of twenty-seven, Pauline had a new intuition to encourage the faith of her contemporaries... The Living Rosary brought together its members in fortnights, in a spiritual communion by saying a dozen rosaries every day – at the time a rosary had 15 dozen, to pray the entire rosary together. It is a renewed approach to the prayer of the rosary, rooted in meditation on the Gospel, it already wants to contemplate Jesus with the gaze of Mary. In France, there were more than 2,250,000 associates of the Living Rosary at the death of Pauline

Jaricot, not counting members from foreign countries. This work is still active and present in most countries.



1833 – settling in Lorette

With the "daughters of Mary", a community of pious young girls that she had just founded, she settled halfway up the hill of Fourvière in a house to which she gave the name of Lorette, in memory of the house of the Holy Family.

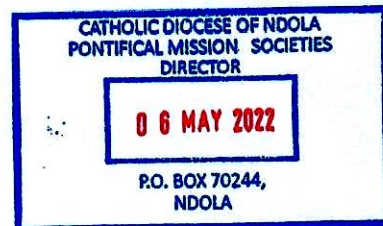
This place of memory, prayer and mission still welcomes pilgrims and visitors from all over the world.

“Join yourselves to this mission: pray and make others pray. »



1835 - first trip to Rome

Ill, Pauline left for Rome where she was visited by Pope Gregory XVI who encouraged her action in favor of evangelization and the life of prayer. She goes on a pilgrimage to Mugnano, in southern Italy, to entrust herself to the intercession of Saint Philomena. She returned cured to Lyon, where she had a chapel built in honor of the saint.



1845 – Our Lady of the Angels

During the revolt of the canuts (craftsmen) and the troubles that rocked Lyon in the early 1830s, Pauline was very sensitive to poverty, praying and helping the wounded, even interposing herself between the rioters and the troops. Having understood that improving the condition of the workers is a necessary condition for evangelization, she

commits her fortune and collects funds to set up a model factory. She bought an industrial site in Rustrel in the Vaucluse and relaunched it, under the name of Notre Dame des Anges. She entrusts the management of the factory to businessmen who defraud her and lead the company to bankruptcy.



1862 – passion

Pauline ends her life ruined, discredited. She searches throughout France to be able to reimburse the savers who had supported her project, which she will almost manage to achieve. She died in the most total destitution on January 9, 1862, while the works she founded radiated throughout the world.



1926 – opening of the cause of beatification

In 1922, a century after its foundation, the work of the Propagation of the Faith inspired by Pauline was elevated by Pius XI to the rank of pontifical work and saw its headquarters transferred to Rome. In 1926, the same pope paid homage to the missionary genius of Pauline and introduced her cause for beatification. For the first time, the whole Church is called to celebrate Universal Mission Sunday, the penultimate Sunday of October.

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Beyond the living Rosary of which she is the founder, all of Pauline's fruitfulness is anchored in her prayer, and her work is summed up in this invitation that she addresses to us today: "Join yourself to this mission: pray and pray."

HOUSE OF LORETO



The house of Lorette, located in Lyon on the Fourvière hill at 42 bis, Montée Saint-Barthélemy, is today the property of the Pontifical Mission Societies. Open to all, its vocation is to be a place of memory, of prayer, of mission, for the Church of the whole world: [More information](#).

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2. *Place of prayer*
3. *Place of mission and evangelization*

Place of memory

To discover Pauline's itinerary and meditate in the room where she lived her last moments.