

Colin's Song

Jean Claude Colin recalling Mary's revealing of herself to him, and to us. Tune: 'Be Thou my Vision'. [Bernard McKenna SM]

Mary, your vision you spoke to my heart:
"In my Son's Body you must play your part.
Take now my own name, and live in my way
Breathe in my spirit at the dawn of each day.

**Welcome, embrace, wounded humanity
Heal them restore them in the life of the
Tree.
Think, feel, and judge now, see, act, and pray
Hidden, Unknown, at the eve of each day.**

Our Father, He chose me to bear His own Son:
Treasuring the Mystery in Nazareth begun.
Take now my own heart, and live in my way:
Pentecost power at the noon of each day.

Mercy, compassion, joy, simplicity,
Courage, hope, wisdom, - humility.
Live now my own life – one heart and mind
I'm your support till the end of all time".

Prayer for the Beatification of Jean-Claude Colin

Loving God, you inspired Jean-Claude Colin
to live a life faithful to the Gospel and in the
spirit of Mary.

If it is your will that he be honoured as a
saint to the glory of your name, please show
us the favour he enjoys in your sight by
granting the grace we now ask through his
intercession:

We ask this through Christ, Our Lord. Amen

Let them always keep in mind that they belong by
gracious choice to the family of the Blessed
Virgin, Mother of God, from whose name they
are called Marists, and whom they have chosen
from the beginning as their model and their first
and perpetual superior.'

[1872 Constitutions, n.49]



St Bonnet-le-Troncy,
boyhood home of
Jean-Claude Colin
Rhône, France

Site of the original Colin
home, the hamlet of Barbéry.



Entrance antiphon (or Opening Song)

Your priests, O Lord, shall be clothed with justice; your holy ones shall ring out their joy.

Opening prayer

We humbly ask you, almighty God, that at the intercession of Venerable Jean-Claude Colin you may multiply your gifts among us and order our days in peace. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

[1:13-14]

When they had entered the city, they went up to the upper room where they were staying; that is, Peter and John and James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James the son of Alphaeus, and Simon the Zealot, and Judas the son of James. These all with one mind were continually devoting themselves to prayer, along with the women, and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

Psalm response

Go out to all the world and tell the Good News

1. O praise the Lord, all you nations, acclaim him all you peoples. *Resp.*
2. Strong is his love for us, he is faithful forever. *Resp.*

Verse before the Gospel

Alleluia, alleluia. The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor, and freedom to prisoners. Alleluia.

Gospel [John 19: 25-27]

Near the cross of Jesus stood his mother and her sister, as well as Mary the wife of Clopas and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother and the disciple whom he loved standing nearby, he said to his mother, "Woman, here is your son." Then he said to the disciple, "Here is your mother." So from that hour, this disciple took her into his home.

The Gospel of the Lord...

Intercessions

Leader: We gather in confident prayer with Jesus who promised always to be in our midst and with Mary, our Mother and perpetual superior. In this confidence let us open our minds and hearts to the Lord...

Readers:

1. We give thanks for the gracious call we have received to bear the name of Mary, and we ask her guidance as we continue the shaping of our little Society. We pray to the Lord...
2. We pray for confidence, enthusiasm and generosity for our part in the mission of our Church. We pray to the Lord...
3. We remember those who support us in our Marist life. May God's delight be revealed to our benefactors and to all who walk with us on our journey. We pray to the Lord...
4. We hold up to you the young members of our congregation in their years of formation. Fill them with the spirit of the Gospel and of Mary and give each a true missionary heart. We pray to the Lord...

5. We pray for the leaders of our Society. Give them true wisdom, confidence and strength. We pray to the Lord...

6. We pray in thanks for the great witness of our holy Founders, Jean-Claude Colin, whom we honour this day, Jeanne-Marie Chavoïn, Marcellin Champagnat, Françoise Perroton and those whose lives have touched and inspired us. May they rejoice forever in your eternal and loving presence. We pray to the Lord...

Prayer over the gifts

Receive, O Lord, we pray, the offerings placed on your altar in commemoration of Venerable Jean-Claude Colin, so that, as you brought him glory, you may, through these sacred mysteries, grant to us your pardon. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion antiphon

Blessed is the servant whom the Lord finds watching when he comes. Amen I say to you: He will put that servant in charge of all his property.

Prayer after Communion

May partaking at the heavenly table, almighty God, confirm and increase strength from on high in all who remember Venerable Jean-Claude Colin, that we may preserve in integrity the gift of faith and walk in the path of salvation you trace for us. Through Christ our Lord.