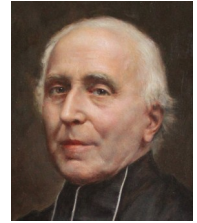


## THE COLIN YEAR, 2012-13 - WEEKLY REFLECTION

### 'FROM THE LIPS OF THE FOUNDER'



#### Week 09

'There are some who take the vow of poverty, but on condition that they do not suffer by it. At that rate, who would not gladly take such a vow? There would be no need to be a religious. One of the things I fear most would be to see the Society become rich. Then people place their confidence in their purse, not in God.' (FS 166:5-6)

#### Week 10

'We must have the spirit of Mary, humble and hidden. She did more than the apostles by her prayers. Let us therefore unite silence and prayer with action. The Society of Mary desires that we, her children, should be missionaries of action, and missionaries of prayer.' (FS 190:3)

#### Week 11

'The aim of the Society is to imitate the Blessed Virgin, who was at once so unassuming and so full of zeal for the salvation of the world, working for it in silence.' (FS 1:2)

#### Week 12

'Good Lord, what a great work education is. There is nothing so arduous, nothing which requires so much tact. I would even say that it is more exhausting than supervising adults. But nothing is more meritorious, and nothing greater. I considered whether we would take a special vow in the Society to devote ourselves to education. It is the greatest work.' (FS 13:10)