



Year for Priests

“On the forthcoming Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, Friday 19 June 2009 - a day traditionally devoted to prayer for the sanctification of the clergy -, I have decided to inaugurate a “Year for Priests” in celebration of the 150th anniversary of the “dies natalis” (death) of John Mary Vianney, the patron saint of parish priests worldwide. This Year, meant to deepen the commitment of all priests to interior renewal for the sake of a stronger and more incisive witness to the Gospel in today’s world, will conclude on the same Solemnity in 2010.” Pope Benedict XVI

MONTH	SAINT	FEAST DAY	NOTABLE VIRTUE
August/September	Saint John Marie Vianney	August 4	Patience
October	Saint John Leonardi	October 9	Self-discipline
November	Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro	November 23	Fortitude
December	Saint Francis Xavier	December 3	Obedience
January	Saint John Bosco	January 31	Friendship
February	Saint Claude la Columbiere	February 15	Faithfulness
March	Saint Toribio de Alfonso de Mogrovejo	March 23	Compassion
April	Saint Louis Mary de Montfort	April 28	Loyalty
May	Saint Philip Neri	May 26	Joy

“Be Not Afraid”



Celebrating 55 years