Sister Marie de Mandat-Grancey, D.C. (1837-1915) is the Foundress of Mary’s House in Ephesus, Turkey. This extraordinary Daughter of Charity has given to the Church, and indeed all God’s children, a holy treasure: Mary’s House, the final home of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

During the persecution of Christians in the first century, Our Blessed Mother Mary, in the care of St. John the Evangelist, fled Jerusalem and settled in the safety of Ephesus, Turkey. Almost two thousand years later in 1892, the house in which the Blessed Virgin Mary had lived was found, procured, restored, and preserved due to the great generosity of Sister Marie de Mandat-Grancey, Daughter of Charity (1837-1915). In her profound love for the Virgin Mary, Sister Marie spent twelve years helping to find Mary’s House (Meryem Ana Evi) and then after funding the purchase and restorations, promoted devotion to Mary at the site of the Chapel from 1892 until her death.

Most noteworthy is that Mary’s House is a holy and common ground where Christians, Muslims, and Orthodox gather to honor Mary, and this in the home of a Jewish mother; certainly a beacon of hope in these uncertain times of interreligious conflict. This is what many have come to believe is Sister Marie’s mission in these times; Marian devotion across religious lines for the cause of peace in the world. In Turkey Mary’s House is called Panaya Kapulu or Doorway to the Virgin. Sister Marie points the way and has opened the doorway to the Virgin for all people for all time. In Mary’s House the Mother of God gathers her children and teaches us how to pray side by side in peace. Sister Marie’s cause has become not only a cause for world peace, but a call to interreligious dialogue of the most effective kind: quiet prayer to God through Mary. The Blessed Virgin leads every soul to God and to union with Him. “Mary is the wonderful echo of God”; St. Louis Marie de Montfort teaches, “and when we say “Mary”, or Meryem or Theotokos or Miriam, she re-echoes “God.” Ad Jesum per Miriam.

The Sister Marie de Mandat-Grancey Foundation is pleased to report that Archbishop Ruggero Franceschini, O.F.M., Cap., Bishop of Izmir, Turkey has written the letter to the Congregation of the Saints on behalf of Sister Marie. Additionally, letters have recently been sent to the Vatican requesting the first step to be taken for Sister Marie to be beatified. All praise and thanksgiving be to Our Heavenly Father. Certainly, in time, there will be more news to report as we await the response of the Congregation of the Saints but for now we rejoice and invite you to join us. However, it is not only time to rejoice; it is time to pray and gather support for this most noble of causes.

Please consider learning about the virtuous life of Sister Marie, and for the sake of our children’s future, and the many generations to come, take this opportunity to help Sister Marie to be recognized as a saint. We invite you to join us in saturating prayer that the Cause for the beatification of Sister Marie be opened. Heaven is poised and waiting for the voices of us here on earth to fill it with our prayers. Lift up your voices! Share the good news!
Place your trust in Sister Marie and her intercessory power with Jesus Christ through Blessed Mother Mary. We know it will be the prayers of the people that will bring forth Sister Marie to the Altar of the Saints. The voices of the people, Vox Populi, are heard in heaven! We need Sister Marie’s help and she needs our prayers to accomplish the mission God has bestowed on her for our world in these times. Heart to heart, and prayer by prayer, the good news of Sister Marie is covering the world.

It is our hope that you will consider gathering prayer support where you live and in your travels. Might you become an Ambassador for Sister Marie? Consider sharing the message and mission of Sister Marie with your friends, extended family and contacts at home and throughout the world. Much information, free support material, printable prayer cards, and an online petition may be found at www.sistermarie.com.

Our Foundation is committed to making the life and works of Sister Marie known throughout the world. We hope you can help us fund this mission with your financial support. The Sister Marie de Mandat-Grancey Foundation welcomes all financial support to share the good news of Sister Marie with the whole world and to help further the cause for her beatification. Please consider collecting funds for the cause yourself in your local towns and prayer communities to send to the Sister Marie de Mandat-Grancey Foundation. God is never outdone in generosity!

Tax deductible contributions may be sent to:

The Sister Marie de Mandat-Grancey Foundation
P.O. Box 275
Cold Spring Harbor, NY 11724

We are collecting written testimonies from around the world from those who have received favors through the intercessory prayer of Sister Marie. Entrust your prayer petitions to Sister Marie. She will obtain favors for you from God according to His holy and perfect will in your life. She will never cease praying for you.

"... all that the heart of a mother can ask of God for her children, I ask of Him and will never cease to ask Him." – Sister Marie

If you receive a prayer favor from Sister Marie, please take the opportunity to thank God and her by sending a notarized testimony including your name, address, country, phone, and email to the Foundation address above.

Thank you!

God bless you,

Erin von Uffel, DM, President
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