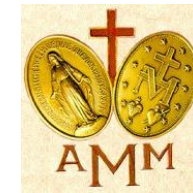


# Association of the Miraculous Medal



The Association of the Miraculous Medal is an apostolate of the Congregation of the Mission and the Daughters of Charity.

## The History of the Association

The Association of the Miraculous Medal (AMM) came to birth soon after the appearances of the Virgin Mary to St. Catherine Labouré, a Daughter of Charity, in the Mother House of the Daughters of Charity at 140 Rue du Bac Paris in 1830.

On Mary's second appearance to St. Catherine on 27<sup>th</sup> November that same year Catherine was entrusted with a message "Have a medal struck, and those who wear it with confidence will receive great graces".

Catherine confided her message to her confessor who, after much hesitation and deliberation, approached the Archbishop of Paris who responded "Go ahead with it and please give me the first one"

## The Association of the Miraculous Medal Association in Australia.

The Association has been active in the Sydney region since the year 2000. It Was formed for the same purpose and enjoys the same Spiritual benefits as the International Association.

The National Statutes of The Association of the Miraculous Medal in Australia were approved by the Superior General and Director General of the Association of the Miraculous Medal, Father G. Gregory Gay, C.M. in Rome, on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2008.

### Activities:

- Monthly Mass for the intentions of members
- Service to those in need
- Annual donation for the Pacific Missions
- Annual Retreat Day
- Annual Meeting in May
- Celebration of the Liturgical Feast – 27<sup>th</sup> November.

**I wish to become a  
Member of the Association of the  
Miraculous Medal:**

Name .....

Address .....

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City/Suburb .....

State .....

Post Code .....

Email .....

### Please complete and return to:

Co-ordinator,  
Association of the Miraculous Medal,  
Marian Office,  
172 Balaclava Road,  
MARSFIELD NSW 2122

A \$20 donation towards membership fee  
can be deposited to:  
Account name: Daughters of Charity AMM  
BSB: 032010  
Account No. 186415  
(Please put your full name as Reference)

The first medals were made in June 1832. The propagation of the medals was prodigious, the demand exceeding the supply. There were amazing graces, conversions, cures and miracles, and the medal was popularly called "The Miraculous Medal."

On 8<sup>th</sup> July 1909, the Statutes of the Association were approved and confirmed officially by Pope Pius X.

The Association spread rapidly through many countries of the world, and in 1998 the International Statutes were reviewed and approved.

### Membership of the Association.

Millions of people who wear the Miraculous Medal from the Association.

The Association is made up of general and particular members.

**General members** are those who wear the medal, which has been blessed, with devotion.

**Particular members** are members who have been invested with the medal of the Immaculate Conception, which has been blessed by a priest, and who wear it with devotion. Members offer their names to be entered on the roll of the Association.

### Purpose of the Association:

- To honour Mary conceived without sin.
- To assist the faith development of its members
- To render some form of service to those in need. "to bring good news to the poor and set free the oppressed."

Mary's medal, both by the symbolism which it shows and by the power it enjoys, offers both a model and assistance for those purposes.

### Spiritual Benefits of the Association:

The Church has granted indulgences to the members from 1995 on the

- Day of investiture
- Feast of the Queenship of Mary (August 22)
- Feast of Our Lady of the Immaculate Medal (Nov.27)
- Feast of St. Catherine Labouré (Nov.28)

Liturgical feast of the Association is 27<sup>th</sup> November



Incorrupt body of St Catherine Labouré which lies beneath the statue of Mary in the chapel of the Mother House of the Daughters of Charity at 140 Rue du Bac, Paris. ("A Light Shining on the Earth. The Message of the Miraculous Medal. The Fiftieth Anniversary of the Canonisation of St Catherine Labouré 1947-1997", © Éditions du Signe 1997) Printed with permission.