



PRAYER FOR THE XXXV GENERAL CHAPTER OF THE SOCIETY OF MARY

Loving Father, you formed us as men in your likeness
and shared with us your gifts of knowledge and creativity.
Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us that we may be both bold and prudent
as we discern the path you invite us to walk.

Make us more devoted sons of your servant, William Joseph Chaminade.

Let us be what he called us to be:

"other Sons of Mary", conformed to the likeness of her adorable Son.

As Brothers united in prayer and mission, let us be *"the man who never dies,"*
zealous for the salvation of souls, and untiring in our efforts to form communities of faith.

With gratitude born of two centuries of apostolic life and mission,
let us look to the future with hope and courage.

Guide the deliberations and decisions of our General Chapter.

Inspire the capitulants to be alert and attentive as Mary was at Cana.

Open their ears to hear with faith,

and their hearts to respond with obedience to the needs of the Church and our world,
so that all of us, together as Brothers, may respond faithfully and fruitfully
to Mary's invitation: *"Do whatever he tells you."*

Amen.