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FROM THE MOTHER GENERAL

Dear Friends of the Daughters of Mary,

This month we observe the feast days of two important patrons of the Daughters of Mary – St. Francis de Sales on January 29 and St. John Bosco on January 31. St. Francis de Sales was distinguished for his gentleness and charity to all. St. John Bosco was renowned for his cheerful spirit and his dedication to the education of youth. The Sisters and the students in our schools celebrate the feasts of these two saints with High Masses, novenas and processions, extra recreation, and carnivals at the schools.

Both of these tremendous saints gave practical spiritual direction to the laity and to the members of the religious congregations they founded. They guided many souls toward Heaven by their sensible advice and reminders to focus on what really matters in life. St. John Bosco stated it thus: “The first, the most important, indeed the only concern should be to save your soul.”

In our daily lives amidst difficulties and crosses, it is helpful to remember the purpose of life. In regard to this, Don Bosco gives us this guiding principle: “Whoever wants to save himself has to put the thought of eternity in his head, God in his heart, and the world under his feet.” As we begin 2022, let’s take this maxim to heart.



The Sisters arrange flowers in the Melville convent chapel.