

**Venerable Jeanne Mance (1606-1673), Lay nurse,
Founder of the Hôtel-Dieu de Montréal**

A new prayer in time of pandemic

Eternal and Almighty God, deign to look upon and praise your servant, the first nurse of Montreal, named the "guardian angel" of Ville-Marie, **Venerable Jeanne Mance**, from Langres, by granting us the graces we seek through her intercession during these difficult times.

We pray you call **Venerable Jeanne Mance** to the bedside of our city, Montreal, in support of all health care workers and public health officials in their concerted efforts to ensure the cohesion and solidarity of community action.

Jeanne Mance had wished that after her death, her heart be buried in the church of Ville-Marie (Notre-Dame church), under the ever-burning sanctuary lamp in front of the Blessed Sacrament. Out of her love for the people of Montreal, she bequeathed her heart to them. Holy Spirit, inspire **Venerable Jeanne Mance** to once again offer her heart to the people of Montreal and to grant their city, her city, her compassionate protection.

Jesus, Mary, Joseph, we implore you, through the intercession of **Venerable Jeanne Mance**, to protect the island of Montreal and to grant healing to all those who are ill or suffering.