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Death Notice No. 13 (To all Unit Administrations):



The Province of the France, recommends to our fraternal prayers our dear brother, **YANN (JEAN) GLOANEC**, of the Maison Saint-Jean Marianist Community (Antony), who died in the service of the Blessed Virgin Mary on July 26, 2010 in Ivry-sur-Seine, France, in the 72nd year of his age and the 52nd year of his religious profession.

Brother Jean Gloanec, whom we called Yann in the Society of Mary, saw the light of day on July 26, 1939, at Kernilis in North Finistère.

After a childhood passed in Kernilis, he entered the postulate in 1953 at Fiac in Tarn, and then continued at Antony from 1955 to 1957.

There he requested admission to the novitiate at La Tour de Sçay in the Department of Doubs.

After his first vows on October 7, 1958, he left for the scholasticate in Fribourg, Switzerland, to pursue studies for two years before doing his military service at Besançon in the 6th Dragoons.

While continuing his studies in accounting, Yann was assigned to Antony in 1962, where he worked as accountant for the provincial administration under M. Brunold.

He made his perpetual vows on September 26, 1965, at Guician.

Following the opening of Sainte Marie d'Antony in 1968, he became the accountant for the new establishment. He loved to sing and participated in the choir training of the little singers of Sainte Marie from the beginning.

In 1975, after the death of M. Brunold, the Superiors assigned to him the mission of provincial treasurer, a mission that he fulfilled with great competence until 2004. He knew how to administer resources like a good family man and make them bear fruit. The Society of Mary owes much to him, particularly the Units of French-speaking Africa. During that period he was the business manager of several corporations, including some

outside the Society of Mary. He worked for the establishment of an ethical fund at Crédit Lyonnais. Yann was concerned about the poor and always regretted that he did not have sufficient funds to invest for them.

During that period, he had accepted the charge of Vice-Provincial from 1984 to 1992, all the while retaining his mission as provincial treasurer.

Suffering from Parkinson's Disease, he had moved back to the community at Antony in 2004. This past summer, he agreed to go to our infirmary community at Sucy-en-Brie. His condition becoming aggravated, he was hospitalized. It was at the Charles-Foix d'Ivry Hospital that he went to the Father on July 26, his birthday and the feast of St. Ann.

We will remember our brother Yann Gloanec, a man who enjoyed life and sports, richly emotional, profoundly Christian and attached to the Blessed Virgin Mary. He had encountered difficulties in his life, but overcame them. He had a great sense of fidelity to his commitments. Let us thank God for the life that he gave.

For some years past, he would write a meditation on Good Friday; here is the extract from one of them, dated Good Friday 2003: "I want to die as a Marianist and in the Society of Mary; I want to be near Jesus and Mary at the hour of my death, along with my friends, believers or not; I declare my belonging to the circle of the friends of Jesus and Mary. The outfit to which I belong profoundly is that of the Christians who have faith for and against everything, who love the Lord, who venerate Mary.

Lord, I entrust to you the Society of Mary, its current difficulties, its members, its benefactors, its collaborators... Help each and every one to encounter your face, to find the meaning of their lives in their work, their solitude, their generosity towards us, in their commitments and their support. The Society of Mary is supported by many persons who pray for us, who help us by their sympathy, their friendship, their prayer, and their tithes. Mary, help them to know and serve you better."