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History of the Process for the Glorification of William Joseph Chaminade

The Progression of Our Founder's Cause

Diocesan Levels

A. Diocesan Processes

1. 1909-1912 in Bordeaux, France
2. 1909-1912 in Vitoria, Spain

B. Interrogation Commissions

1. 1910 in Auch and Paris, France
2. 1910 in Malines, Belgium

C. 1911-1914 Examination of his writings

D. 1911-1912 Process on the Absence of Public Veneration

Vatican City/Rome

December 13, 1916 Decree recognizing the orthodoxy of the writings of the Servant of God

May 18, 1918 Decree introducing the cause in Rome

June 7, 1919 Decree recognizing the absence of public veneration

CHAMINADE POEM

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WILLIAM JOSEPH CHAMINADE

by James Metcalfe

Her great apostle on this earth

he lived in much restraint

And in the patience of his soul

he truly was a saint.

For Chaminade endured his cross

and always in his heart

Our Lady of the Pillar was

the most important part.

To fire men with fervor

and to bend their humble knees

In recognition of Our Lord

and of His mysteries.

From Saragossa to Bordeaux

to our United States

And unto all the world he fought

against religious hates.

That all might honor Mary

and receive their rich reward

In glory and salvation through

the Mother of Our Lord.

June 22, 1926	Decree declaring the validity of the diocesan processes
July 21, 1931	Congregation examines the virtues of the Servant of God; decides to hold another session
November 24, 1936	In the second session the Congregation returns the case to the Historical Section for the study of some particular points
1968	Father Vincent Vasey, S.M., Postulator of the Cause, asks the Historical Section to complete the requested study
July 14, 1970	Historical Section completes its report
February 6, 1973	A special meeting of the consulting theologians of the Congregation is favorable to declaring the heroicity of the virtues of the Servant of God
June 5, 1973	The cardinals and bishops of the Congregation agree on the heroicity of virtues
October 18, 1973	Pope Paul VI ratifies the decision and in an official decree announces to the world that “on the strength of all the evidence, the Servant of God William Joseph Chaminade practiced to a heroic degree the theological virtues of faith, hope, and charity toward God and toward his neighbor, and also the cardinal virtues of prudence, justice, temperance, and fortitude.” Declared Venerable.
1995-1996	Exploratory process in Buenos Aires, Argentina, on the reported miracle guided by Father Enrique Torres, S.M., Postulator General

October 11, 1996	Decree validating the diocesan inquiry about the reported miracle
November 20, 1997	First medical consultation by the Congregation
November 19, 1998	Second medical consultation
January 14, 1999	Medical Council considers the healing of Elena Otero as “scientifically inexplicable”
March 1999	Exposition of the Miracle presented to the Congregation
May 11, 1999	Congress of Theologians and Promoter of the Faith considered the cure of Elena Otero as a miracle attributed to Venerable Chaminade
October 5, 1999	Ordinary Congregation of Cardinals and Bishops of the Congregation voted unanimously in favor of the miraculous healing of Elena Otero
December 20, 1999	Promulgation of the Decree of Approbation of the miracle
September 3, 2000	Pope John Paul II beatified Blessed William Joseph Chaminade in Rome

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MARIANISTS ON THE ROAD TO SAINTHOOD

"We are called to be a people of saints." (Chaminade)

BLESSED

Father William Joseph Chaminade¹ 1761-1850

Brother Carlos Eraña² 1884-1936

Brother Jesús Hita² 1900-1936

Brother Fidel Fuidio² 1880-1936

Father Jakob Gapp⁴ 1897-1943

Father Miguel Leibar³ 1885-1936

Brother Florencio Arnáiz³ 1909-1936

Brother Joaquín Ochoa³ 1910-1936

Brother Sabino Ayastuy³ 1911-1936

VENERABLE

Mother Adele de Batz de Trenquéllon¹ (Mother Marie of the Conception) 1789-1828

Mother Marie-Thérèse Charlotte de Lamourous¹ 1754-1836

SERVANTS OF GOD

Faustino Pérez-Manglano⁵ 1946-1963

Father Domingo Lázaro 1877-1935

1 Founders

2 Civil War Martyrs in Ciudad Real

3 Civil War Martyrs in Madrid

4 World War II Martyr in Berlin

5 Consecrated Marianist Sodalist and Aspirant

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