



PAULINE  
**JARICOT**

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**What does  
it take**

**to become  
a Saint?**

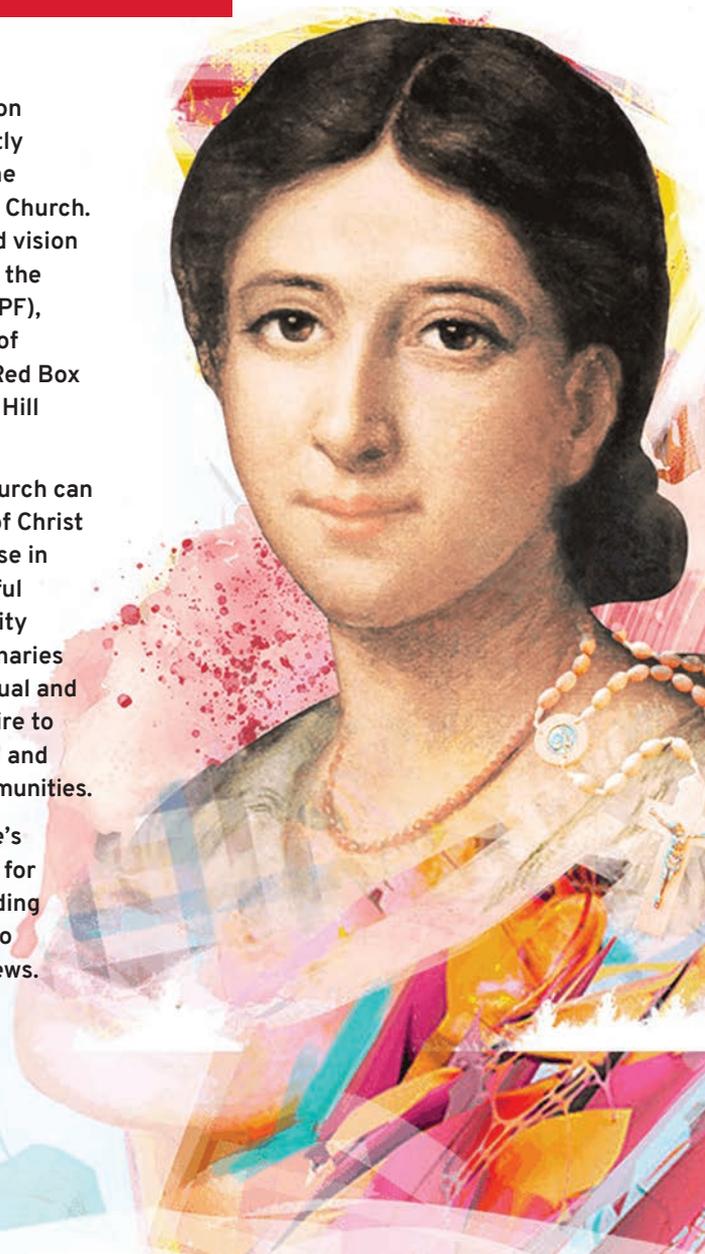
## A remarkable lay woman with formidable faith!

Pauline Jaricot had a passion for mission and was fervently committed to supporting the missionary activities of our Church. Her love, determination and vision created the Association for the Propagation of the Faith (APF), which forms the backbone of Missio's work through the Red Box with our partners - the Mill Hill Missionaries.

Through you, our global Church can continue to show the love of Christ to everyone, especially those in greatest need. Our wonderful network of prayer and charity continues to ensure missionaries are provided with the spiritual and material support they require to enable local people to build and sustain their own faith communities.

You are following in Pauline's footsteps; echoing her love for those who suffer and providing the gift of faith to those who are yet to hear the Good News.

*Thank you*



## First miracle

In May 2012, three-and-a-half-year-old Mayline choked on food and suffocated. Unable to resuscitate her, doctors explained that she was 'brain dead' and that she would die in the next few weeks.

Upon hearing the news, students and parents of Mayline's school in Lyon, France decided to pray a novena for her recovery to Pauline Jaricot. Mayline lay in a coma, hooked up to respiratory machines and being fed through artificial means.

In July, her parents began looking for a child-sized coffin. Mayline, in her vegetative state, received the Sacrament of the Sick.

Soon afterwards the doctors were surprised to confirm that Mayline's condition had changed – indeed, she was coming back to life. Mayline was released from the hospital in December, fully healed.

Mayline's father shared: *'Before, I always wondered if prayers were being heard. This is proof that the power of prayer can move mountains. I thank Pauline Jaricot, God the Father, and Our Lady each and every day for this miracle. I will thank them to the end of my days.'*

Doctors have been unable to explain the change in her health. Mayline's parents are convinced of the intervention of Pauline Jaricot.

**A diocesan enquiry occurred in 2019, where a medical board validated the miracle of healing, and the theological commission certified the intervention of Pauline Jaricot in the full recovery of little Mayline.**

## Key dates

**1799** Pauline Jaricot was born in Lyon, France

**1822** Pauline created the Association for the Propagation of the Faith (APF)

**1825** The English and Welsh branch of the APF was formed, now a part of Missio

**1862** Pauline Jaricot died in Lyon, France

**1922** Pope Pius XI gave the APF 'Pontifical' status

**1963** Pauline declared 'Venerable' by Pope John XXIII

**2020** The Congregation for the Causes of Saints issued a decree on the miracle through her intercession

**2022** Pauline Jaricot's Beatification

## Becoming a saint

**We are all called to be saints. A saint is someone who has lived a virtuous, holy life; whose life is worthy of imitation. There are three steps to someone being officially recognised as a saint.**

**Venerable:** their life is seen as having been lived virtuously.

**Blessed:** a miracle through the candidate's intercession is recognised.

**Saint:** a second miracle is recognised.

Mayline's miracle (see left) has led the way to Pauline Jaricot's Beatification. This is the next stage on the way to Pauline becoming a 'Saint'.



## A visionary woman

Pauline came up with the idea of gathering people together in groups of ten, to pray for missionaries and to support the Church in mission areas by contributing a coin each week. This initiative quickly grew into an amazing international network, now known as Missio.

Pauline's life shows us that every prayer, however short, and every contribution, however small, is valued by God. By joining together, we really can transform our world.



## A woman of prayer

Prayer was central to Pauline's life. As well as supporting missionaries financially, she encouraged people to pray for them.

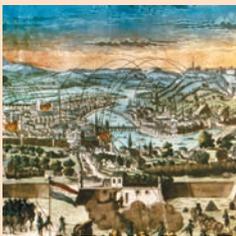
Pauline had a particular devotion to the rosary (see her rosary, left).

Please join us in praying for missionaries and the communities they serve.

You may wish to pray a decade of the rosary each day for the Pope's Prayer Intention, which you can find at [missio.org.uk/pray](http://missio.org.uk/pray)

## The life of Pauline Jaricot

**1799**



Pauline is born during the French Revolution in Lyon, France

**1812**

First Holy Communion at age 13



**1816**



Private vow of chastity in the chapel of Our Lady of Fourvière after recovering from a severe illness, when she was 17

**1818**

At age 19, Pauline established 'the collection of a penny for the missions' among the women working in her father's business, and so launching the first social missionary network

# Let's think outside the Box!

If it is not possible for your Red Box to be collected or for you to take it to church, here are ways to 'think outside the Box':



#### Give online

Go to [missio.org.uk/redbox](https://missio.org.uk/redbox)



#### Give via text

Text **REDBOX 5** (to donate £5) or **REDBOX 10** (to donate £10) to **70085** (This costs £5 or £10 plus your standard rate message)



#### Give via phone

Call us on **020 7821 9755** during office hours to donate with your credit or debit card

**1822**

Created the Association for the Propagation of the Faith (APF) at 23 years of age. One hundred years later, the APF received Pontifical status



**1825**

English and Welsh branch of the Association for the Propagation of the Faith formed, now a part of Missio

**1826**

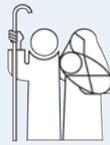


At the age of 27, Pauline created 'The Living Rosary'

**1831**

Pauline suffered a serious heart attack caused by an aortic aneurysm at 31 years old. She was hospitalised at the Clinic of the Sisters of St Charles

## Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries



Fr Thomas Jackson, a Mill Hill Missionary, had a similar idea to Pauline. He established the Red Box in England and Wales, encouraging people to give their pennies and to pray for missionaries.

In 1936, the Mill Hill Missionaries combined their fundraising efforts through the Red Boxes with Missio's APF. This partnership continues to this day, with your faithful support.

We want to say a big **'thank you'** to all of our collaborators, and there are many spread throughout England and Wales! Your time, diligence and energy make the work of 'mission' possible. We pray for you and your loved ones, and hope that you can be proud of the wonderful efforts you make to support countless communities in need.

Visit our website to get the latest information about Pauline Jaricot:

[missio.org.uk](http://missio.org.uk)

You can also follow us on social media – every time you 'like', 'share' or 'comment' on our content, you are helping to share about the work of Missio!



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### 1833

At age 34, Pauline established a community of young lay women called the Daughters of Mary. They lived together at 'Loreto House', which continues to welcome pilgrims



### 1845

Pauline wanted to help workers living in terrible conditions and poverty. At age 46, she created a new factory, called 'Our Lady of Angels', which produced devotional objects and sacred art. Sadly, her business managers swindled her, leaving her destitute

### 1851

At 52, Pauline received a 'Certificate of Poverty' from the Municipality of Lyon



### 1862



Pauline died at the age of 63 years old

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