



# Venerable Montse Grases

*Prayer for private devotion*

O God, you granted your servant Montse the grace of a serene and cheerful dedication to your will with admirable simplicity in everyday life. Grant that I may lovingly offer to you all my daily activity and convert it into Christian service for others.

Deign to glorify your servant Montse and through her intercession grant me the favor I ask of you... (ask your favor here). Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory be to the Father.

*In conformity with the decrees of Pope Urban VIII, we declare that there is no intention of anticipating in any way the judgment of the Church, and that this prayer is not intended for public use.*

Montserrat Grases was born in Barcelona on July 10, 1941. Montse, as she was known by everyone, had 8 siblings. Her parents sought to create a family climate in which sincere faith was fostered, with great respect for the children's freedom.

After graduating from high school, she continued her studies at the Barcelona Women's Professional School.

In 1957 she felt that the Lord was calling her to follow a way of sanctification in ordinary life in Opus Dei; so after seeking appropriate counsel, she asked for admission to Opus Dei as a numerary.

In her struggle to reach holiness, Montse always stood out for her love for the Sacred Humanity of Christ, her Eucharistic piety, her devotion to the Blessed Virgin, her deep humility and her effort to serve others.

She knew how to find God in the loving fulfillment of her work and study duties, in the small things of each day.

In June of 1958, she was diagnosed with bone cancer in her leg. The cancer caused intense pain, which she bore with serenity and with heroic fortitude. Throughout her illness, she never lost her infectious cheerfulness or her capacity for friendship, which sprang from her deep interior life and zeal for souls. As a result, she continued bringing many friends and schoolmates closer to God during her illness. She died on Holy Thursday, March 26, 1959.

Her cause of canonization was opened in Barcelona in 1962. In 1992, the Congregation for the Causes of Saints issued a decree of validity for her process.

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