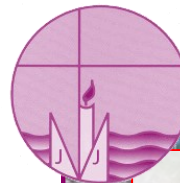


## ST JOSEPH

**The humility of our glorious Father (St Joseph)  
is something wonderfully beautiful in itself.  
No wonder it endeared him to the heart of his  
Immaculate Spouse (Mary).  
No wonder that Jesus, the meek and humble,  
loved him for it.  
His was a quiet humility.  
It was humility grounded upon submission  
to the adorable will of his God.  
It was a humility which suffered him not to question  
the mighty designs of that God in his favour.  
It was a humility of heart not words.**

*(To the Sisters. 19<sup>th</sup> March, 1893, Praying with Mary MacKillop)*



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## WA Josephite Associates

**MARY MACKILLOP – LIVING IN RIGHT RELATIONSHIP**

*"Be good and patient and full of charity which thinks no evil of anyone."*

Mary MacKillop 1884

Mary MacKillop had a strong sense of both her own dignity and the dignity of others. She and Father Julian Tenison Woods were concerned for those who had no voice in society. Mary always took care to help people in need to maintain their own dignity and sense of worth. She had close friends who held different religious beliefs than her own, at a time when this was almost unheard of. She had a strong sense of equality of all people despite gender, position, ethnicity or religion.

As a Religious leader Mary valued community life and did everything that she could to support those Sisters in her care. She wrote regularly to Sisters, friends and family members. Mary had a great respect for those in authority in the Church and forgave those who treated her unjustly.

*What are my gifts and strengths? How do I use them for others?*

Mary MacKillop Prayers and Reflections for each day of the week – Valerie De Brenni





## Julian Tenison Woods

We lift our hearts in thanksgiving for the life of Julian Tenison Woods who, as priest and missionary, travelled this land and ministered to families. We remember with gratitude his gifts as co-founder of the Sisters of St Joseph and pastor, his passion for mission, his reverence of earth, his respect for the Aboriginal peoples, and his love of God.



Julian Edmund Tenison Woods  
1832 - 1889

*"There is no thought into which God does not enter. The presence of God does not consist in thinking of God but in a sense of the presence of God in every occupation."*

*"Nothing is too wonderful for me to believe about God, the richness of whose creative power was a constant subject of love and admiration."*

*"We learn that the dust we tread on was once alive, that the rock on which we stand has lived and died – has been a thing of life, and is now stone: and this is a time which reaches so far back as only to be understood by the One who was from eternity ... "*

(Julian Tenison Woods 1877)



## Prayer

*Loving Father,  
we thank you for the memory  
of this gentle and forgiving priest,  
**Julian Tenison Woods**  
who faithfully walked in your presence  
in the steps of Jesus your Son.  
May his life and death, his teaching and example,  
his love for all creation,  
inspires us in our time  
to commit ourselves to the work  
of bringing about your reign.  
We make this prayer through Jesus your Son  
who is alive and reigns with you forever.*

**AMEN**

**There is an echo in the harmonies of nature**

**which penetrates the soul,**

**and lures it on like**

**the sound of distant music,**

**until it has no eye**

**or ear for aught**

**except the works of its Creator.**

Quoted by

Julian Tenison Woods

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