



Burial

Saint Hannibal Mary Di Francia is buried in Messina, Italy in the Basilica Santuario Sant'Antonio which di Francia had built. The church is dedicated to the Gospel's passage: "Pray therefore the Lord of the Harvest." His body has been found to be incorrupt.



Patronage

Today, Saint Hannibal Mary Di Francia is venerated as a patron saint of vocations, the poor, and those seeking to live in accordance with the Divine Will. His intercession is sought by individuals facing challenges and seeking spiritual guidance.

One of Saint Hannibal Mary Di Francia's most significant contributions to Catholic spirituality was his involvement in the Divine Will. He played a pivotal role in the spread of the writings of Servant of God Luisa Piccarreta, a mystic from Corato, Italy, who received revelations about living in God's Divine Will.

Saint Hannibal Mary Di Francia recognized the authenticity and spiritual significance of Piccarreta's writings, approving her first 19 volumes (there are a total of 36 and together are called, "The Book of Heaven").

His endorsement helped to spread awareness of the Divine Will teachings, inspiring countless individuals to deepen their relationship with God and live according to His divine plan.

"...I am completely dedicated to the great work of the Divine Will. I speak of it with spiritual persons. I raise the subject when I deem it best to do so. I promote it as much as possible, also within my institutes."

- quote from letter by Saint Hannibal (February 14, 1927)



Patron of the Poor, Vocations
and Souls Seeking to Live in
God's Divine Will

Saint Hannibal Mary Di Francia

June 20, 1924 - quote from
a letter he wrote to Servant
of God Luisa Piccarreta

*“These are writings that must
now be made known to the
world. I believe they will
produce great good. For as
sublime as this science of the
Divine Will is, so do these
writings of divine dictation
present it, clearly and limpidly.
In my opinion, no human
intellect would have been able
to form them”.*

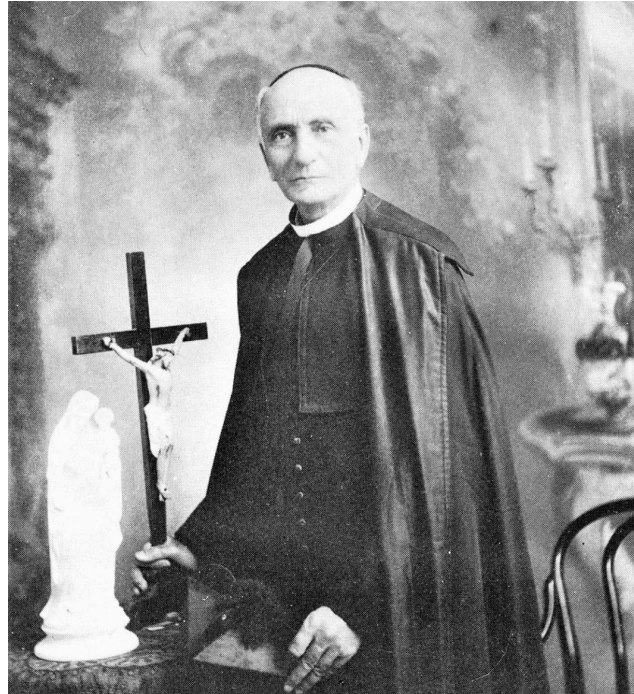


Case Avignone of Messina, where he made
his home and started his work.

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Saint Hannibal Mary Di Francia's life serves as a powerful testament to the transformative power of faith and the profound impact one person can have on the world. His unwavering dedication to serving God and his fellow human beings, coupled with his support for the Divine Will teachings of Luisa Piccarreta, continues to inspire countless individuals to deepen their relationship with God and live lives of love and service.

Who was Saint Hannibal?

Born on July 5, 1851, in Messina, Italy, Hannibal Mary Di Francia dedicated his life to serving God and humanity. His unwavering faith and profound compassion led him to become a priest and a tireless advocate for the poor and marginalized.

Canonization

Saint Hannibal Mary Di Francia was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI on May 16, 2004, in recognition of his exemplary life of holiness and service. His legacy continues to inspire people around the world to emulate his virtues of faith, compassion, and devotion to God.

A Life of Service and Compassion

Throughout his life, Saint Hannibal Mary Di Francia demonstrated an extraordinary commitment to helping others. He founded multiple religious congregations, including the Rogationists of the Heart of Jesus and the Daughters of Divine Zeal, devoted to promoting vocations and serving those in need. His humanitarian efforts extended beyond Italy, reaching impoverished communities in other parts of the world. Saint Hannibal Mary Di Francia's selfless dedication to the less fortunate earned him widespread admiration and respect.