



«PILLS OF HISTORY ...»

## ■ OUR HISTORY

### 1872

DON ORIONE WAS BORN IN PONTECURONE, ITALY.

He grew up in a humble family .  
It was his mother, who since childhood, transmitted the importance of the Christian faith to him.



### 1895

WAS ORDEINED PRIEST.

He decides to devote his life to love and serve the Lord, in the most humble, the most poor and disadvantaged.



### 1914

I WORLD WAR BREAKS OUT

War causes enormous pain and incalculable human losses. He decides to raise the banner of Christ 's Charity, to spread justice and solidarity.



### 1915

OUR FOUNDATION.

Create the Congregation of the Little Missionary Sisters of Charity.  
This same year the first Piccolo Cottolengo opens in Italy.

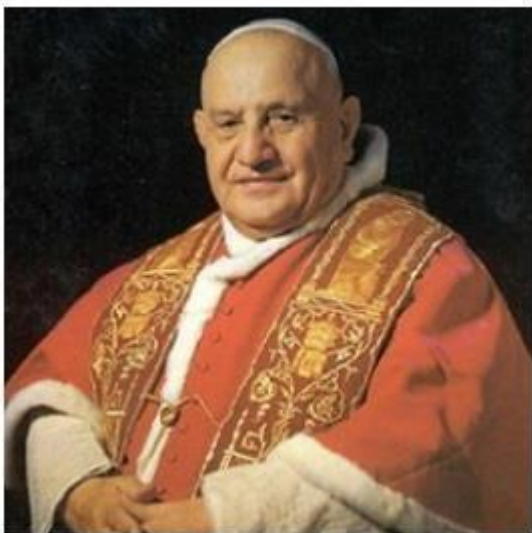


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### 1921

HIS CHARISM CALLED THE ATTENTION OF THE FUTURE POPE JOHN XXIII.

Ensures that the charity of Don Orione "will go to the beyond normal limits." He was convinced that he could conquer the world with love.



### 1921 - 22

FIRST TRIP TO LATIN AMERICA.

He begins to be known in the world as "the Apostle of Charity" and lays the foundations of the nascent Orionine family on this continent.



### 1930

THE FIRST SIX MISSIONARIES LEAVE FROM GENOA TOWARDS SOUTH AMERICA

Sister M. Benvenuta, M. Misericordia, Sister M. Pax Crucis, Sister M. Concetta, Sister M. Fede and Sister M. Lucia, cross the ocean to bring the light of the Gospel.



### 1934 - 37

SECOND TRIP TO ARGENTINA

Does an intense evangelizing activity. The first Argentine Cottolengo opens in Claypole.





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### 1940

RETURNS TO THE FATHER'S HOUSE.

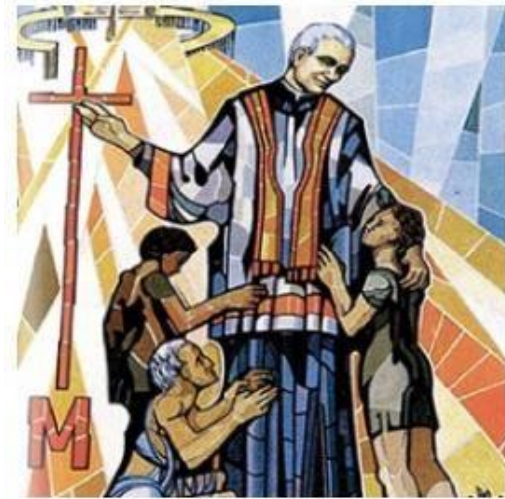
«Jesus ... Jesus»...I go» were his last word before going into the peace of God.



### 1980

WAS DECLARED BLESSED.

John Paul II proclaims his virtues after recognizing the first miracle attributed to his intercession: the healing of the young Giorgio Passamonti who suffered from tuberculous meningitis .



### 2000

HIS HEART ARRIVES TO ARGENTINA.

The Relic is kept in the Chapel of the Heart, located in the Little Cottolengo of Claypole.



### 2004

WAS DECLARED SAINT.

Il Santo Padre Giovanni Paolo II lo canonizzerà il 16 maggio, dopo aver dato la sua vita a Gesù e aver servito i bisognosi, soprattutto le persone in situazioni di povertà e impotenza.

