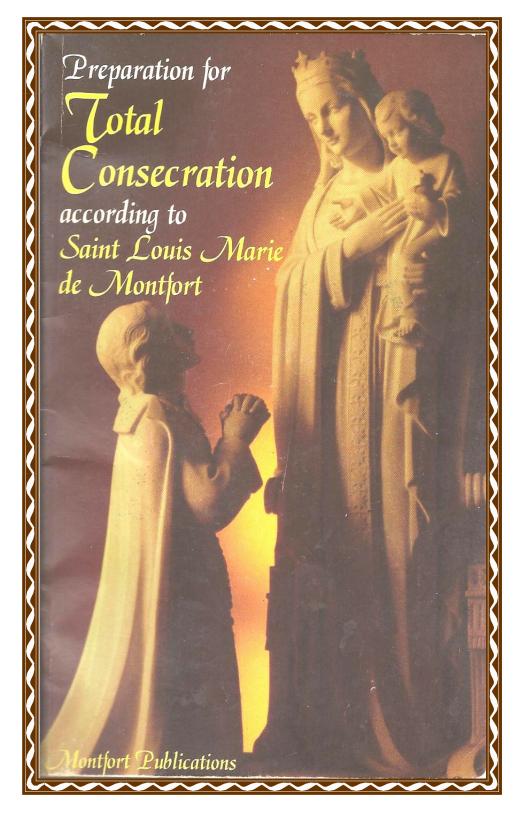
Plenary Indulgences granted with this Devotion under the usual conditions (Confession, Communion and prayer for the intentions of the Holy Father)

- 1. On the occasion of the initial consecration (using the De Montfort formula).
- 2. On the occasion of its renewal
- 3. On the day of enrollment in the Confraternity
- 4. Holy Thursday
- 5. Christmas
- 6. Feast of the Annunciation (March 25)
- 7. Feast of the Immaculate Conception (December 8)
- 8. Saint Louis de Montfort's Feast day (April 28)
- 9. Every First Saturday of the Month





## Preparation for Total Consecration according to Saint Louis Marie de Montfort

*True Devotion to the Blessed Virgin* is one of the greatest and most celebrated books ever written about Our lady. Praised by popes, mystics and theologians, this profound and powerful book presents Mary as the essential and infallible key to the heart of Jesus. Nowhere will you find a deeper and more life-changing book on that quintessentially Catholic doctrine: the role of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the life of the Christian and the life of the Church.

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The key to De Montfort's Marian spirituality is that he considered Our Lady to be the infallible and chosen gate to the heart of Christ – To Jesus through Mary: it is Christ Himself Who is at the center of True Devotion.

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