



St. Henry of Osso – Patron saint of Friends of Jesus and Mary: student, pilgrim, priest, teacher, catechist, writer, founder, and great apostle.

The priest. St. Henry of Osso, possessed by Christ's love, spread his priesthood throughout the world. Fruit of prayer and surrender of his Christian mother, and illuminated by Mary and St. Teresa of Jesus, the priesthood was the reason for his life. **The strength of his priesthood drove** all his apostolic activities: catechism, seminary classes, publications, associations for children and youth, talks, conferences, spiritual exercises, promotion of women, Christian education, and the Company of St. Teresa of Jesus. **Living his priesthood** was drinking the water of Life: in the Eucharist, in prayer, on long retreats in the Desert of Palms, in Montserrat, and in Santi Spiritus... **The basis of his priesthood** was love of Christ and His Church. A **name:** Jesus; a **desire:** that everyone know and love Jesus and make Him known and loved. A **program:** restore all things in Jesus Christ. **An ideal life:** Incarnated in Mary and St. Theresa of Jesus, he wanted to be **another Jesus on earth**. He wanted men to know that God loved them, to be grateful for His love, for His fatherly tenderness, and to communicate this "good news" to everyone.

The founder, called by God to live the Teresian charisma of prayer and his vocation as teacher and wanting to prolong it into the future, he founded with a group of young women teachers and apostles **The Company of St. Teresa of Jesus**, to extend knowledge and love of Jesus throughout the world. Breaking barriers of space and time, he launched the Teresians, with the sole purpose of, "**Being all for Jesus**". Consecrated to Him in prayer, they dedicated themselves to education and sacrificed themselves for the glory of God, imitating Mary, and according to the model of St. Theresa of Jesus. **His mission:** Educate children, and especially women, forming the image of Jesus in their minds and hearts.