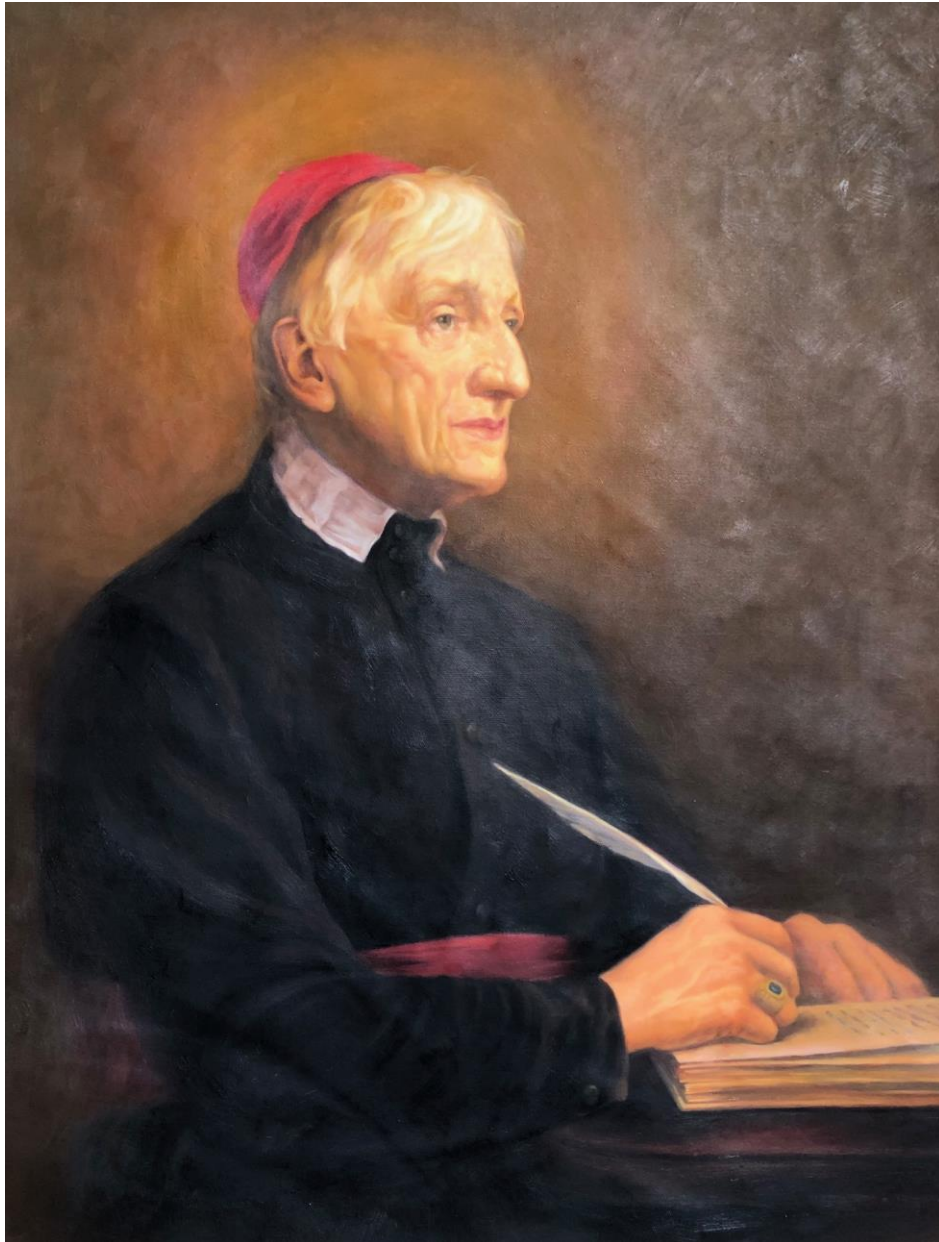


Saint John Henry Newman was the founder of the Oratory in England. For Newman, life was a journey in which he was led by the light of faith towards God. His journey began in the Church of England. At the age of fifteen, he first felt a deep sense of the presence of God in the world, and of himself as God's creature. This sense of God's closeness to him remained throughout his life.

St John Henry Newman

Feast: October 9th



Reflection: What service can you undertake as a Christian?

John Henry Newman was made a Cardinal by Pope Leo in 1879. Newman chose as his cardinal's motto the words '*Cor ad cor loquitur*', in English, '*heart speaks to heart*'. He worked in prisons, his group of Oratorians worked with people in hospitals, in prisons and in schools. He was a friend to everybody on the streets, to people in high places and power, with the poor, the rich, the famous, the unknown. And that work still goes on through the Oratory - his memory has never been forgotten.