



Blessed Frederic Ozanam

Mosaic Fact Sheet

Background

Blessed Frederic Ozanam was the principal founder of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. Frederic was a husband and father, professor and servant of the poor. He founded the Society of St. Vincent de Paul as a young student with others of the Sorbonne in Paris.

Location

The Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception is the largest Roman Catholic Church in North America. It is located on the Catholic University of America campus in Washington D.C. The mosaic will be located in the Vincentian Chapel or “Miraculous Medal Chapel.”

Size

30 inches high x 20 inches wide.

Number of pieces

Approx. 4,000 stones.

Materials

Colors – Smalti, a special tempered glass. It is available in thousands of colors and made by only two families in the world, based in Venice and Murano, Italy.

Gold – real gold leaf attached between two layers of glass.

Time to create

It took 38 days to produce the mosaic and installation will take two days.

Artist

The mural was created by Trivisanutto Mosaics of Spilimbergo, Italy, near Venice. The company has worked for more than 20 years with the National Shrine in Washington D.C., and also created the mosaics in the Holy Sepulcher in the Jerusalem, and the mosaic behind the altar in Knock Ireland, showing the apparition of the Madonna.

