

# Blessed Thomas Mary Fusco

Blessed Thomas Mary Fusco was born in Italy in 1831 and became a priest in 1855. He opened a school for boys, spent time as a traveling missionary, opened a school of moral theology, founded the Priestly Society of the Catholic Apostolate to support missions, and founded the Daughters of Charity of the Most Precious Blood - an order devoted to caring for orphans. When Pope John Paul II beatified Blessed Thomas in 2001, the pontiff said Blessed Thomas was an example for priests and for the Daughters of Charity of the Most Precious Blood.