



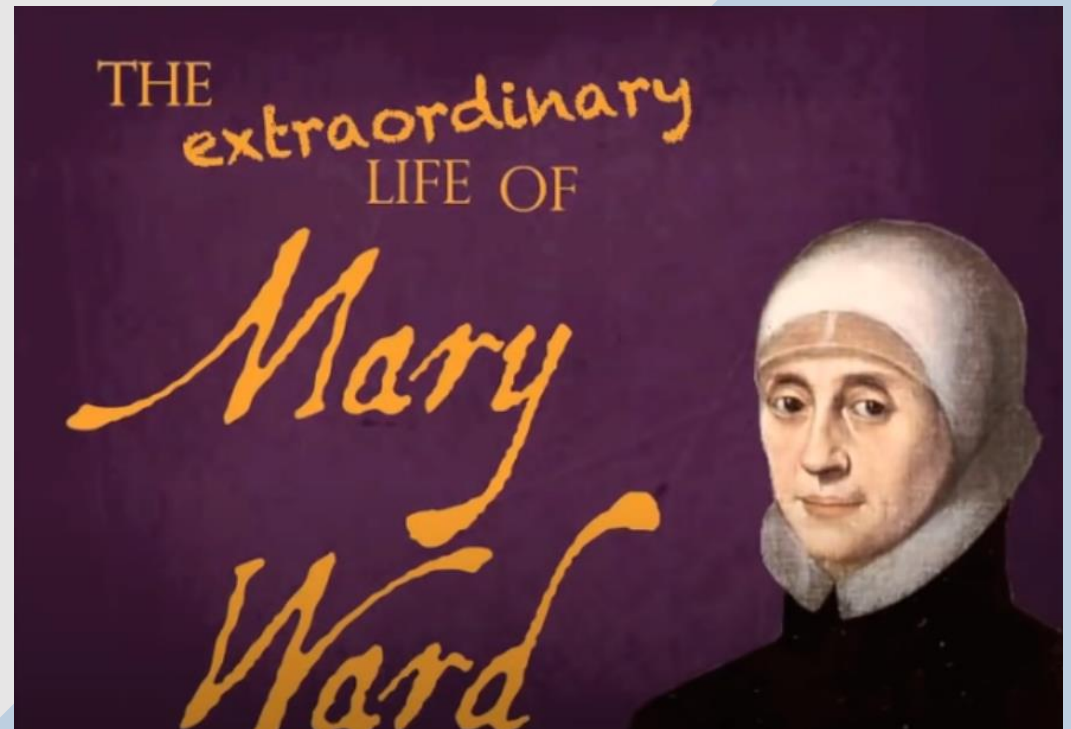
Mary Ward

1585 - 1645

The Extraordinary Life of Mary Ward

VIDEO

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w99rpo8VwbM>





Mary Ward

- North Yorkshire
- Elizabeth I
- Spanish Armada
- Ongoing hostility to Catholicism



1589

family home was burned down, but Mary and her sisters were saved by her father.



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In the year 1595 on the feast of the Annunciation, when Mary was in her eleventh year, a great fire broke out at her father's house at Mulwith. She was not alarmed, but remained in the room, saying the rosary with her sisters until their father came to fetch them.

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- At the age of 24, Mary gathered a number of companions and formed a religious community.
 - To provide education, visit people in prison and other “needs congruous to our time.”



Independent

self-governing

responding to the urgent
needs of her time.



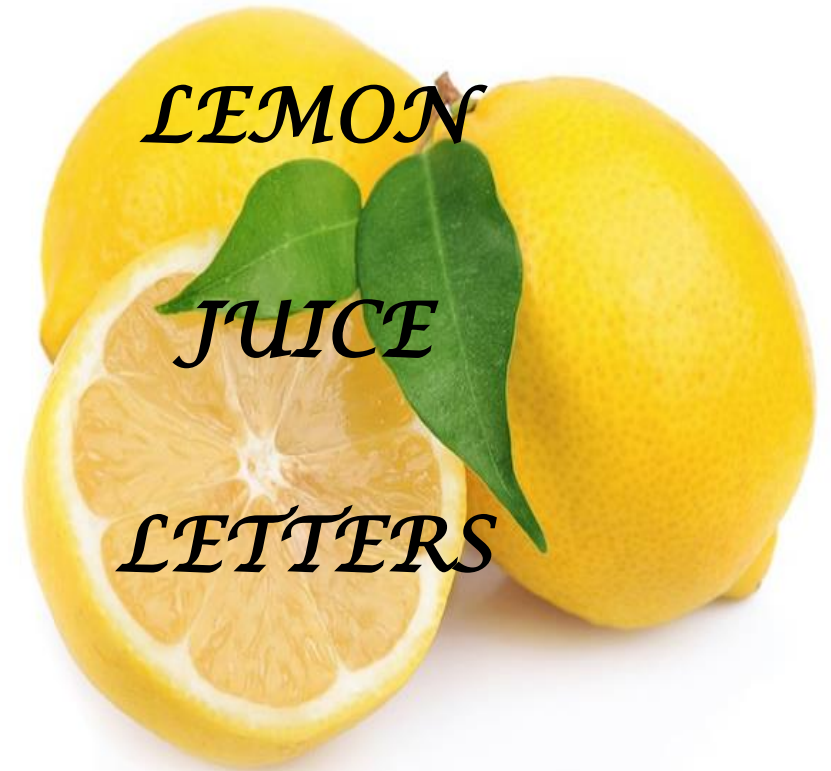
The Early Years

- educated young women
- helped persecuted and imprisoned Catholics
- they lived and worked openly on the continent but secretly in England to nurture the faith.



Severe Opposition

- Mary was imprisoned by the English government and later by the Inquisition in Rome
- effort to destroy all related documents so as to erase the memory of Mary's work




Rome

- Mary Ward spent many years in Rome requesting recognition of the new order
- 1631 the Institute, considered too advanced for its time, was abolished
- Mary Ward was personally accused of heresy.



Final Years

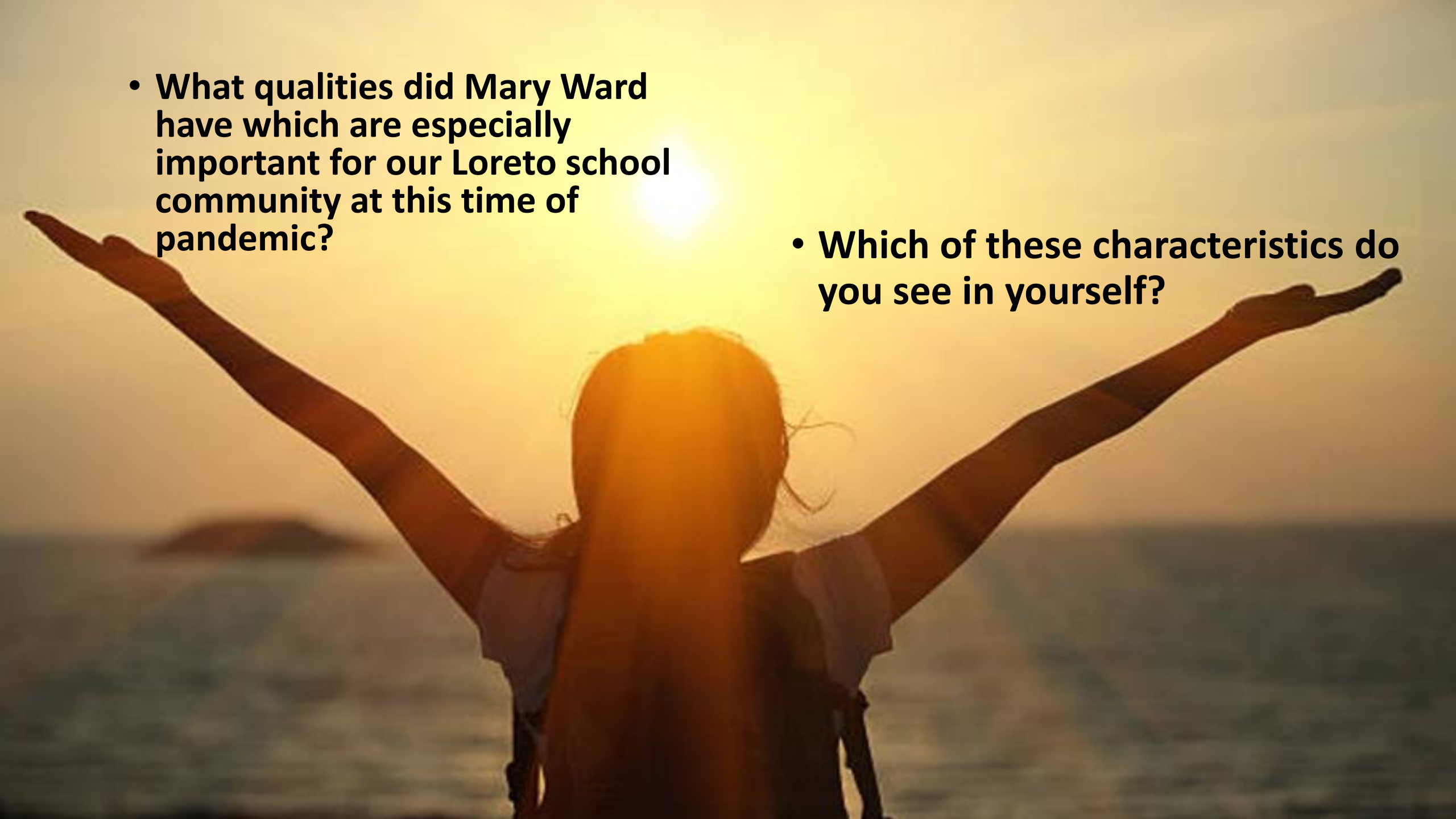
- Returned to Yorkshire in 1642
- Mary Ward died in 1645
- “To love the poor and persevere in the same was all the aim of Mary Ward”



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Having lived 60 year
and 8 days dyed the
20 of Jan 1645

- **What qualities did Mary Ward have which are especially important for our Loreto school community at this time of pandemic?**

- **Which of these characteristics do you see in yourself?**





Thank you to Ailis Travers for this video on Mary Ward:

- <https://animoto.com/play/MfvQYxdXIF1AviqpxtbAoQ>

Mary Ward's Spirit Lives On ...

Congregation of Jesus (CJ)



Loreto (IBVM)



Loreto -Teresa Ball

- Frances Teresa Ball
- 6th January 1794, at 63 Eccles Street, Dublin
- Bar Convent, York, England.
- Dr Daniel Murray, Archbishop of Dublin
- Dublin on 12th August 1821



Mary Ward's Spirit Lives On ...

- Inspired by Mary Ward's vision, members of the Institute have contributed to a wide variety of ministries all over the world.



LORETO
MINISTRIES

Australia & South-East Asia







Right Relationship

- *Rules for Those who Teach in Schools*
- Mary Ward's open circle
- Listening, speaking, discerning together

Loreto Education

- Schools are “communities where love, freedom, truth, justice, sincerity and joy find expression.”
- Personal development
- Holistic curriculum
- Reflective way of being
- Quality relationships
- Leadership formation



- A Faith that does Justice.”
- Inclusivity
- Collaboration
- “Where one is, we all are.”



Key features of Loreto ethos

- our work is centred on God,
- fosters positive relationships in the school community,
- holistic development,
- formation of good leaders,
- equal roles of men and women,
- developing a keen sense of justice and responsibility,
- collegiality with the wider Loreto community and beyond,
- and to live and work in right relationship with all.







Loreto, Rumbek, South Sudan

- <https://twitter.com/LoretoFaithDev?lang=en>



- <https://soundcloud.com/engene/engene-ft-loreto-girls-rumbek-a-call-for-unity>





Loreto Prayer during Covid-19

*We come to you in prayer, O Loving God
as people of hope, trusting in your protection,
your care and healing.*

*Help us to care for each other in these
unprecedented times.*

*Bring healing and comfort to those who are
sick.*

*Bless and protect the medical professionals
caring for the sick
and all who take care of those who are ill.*

Guide our leaders towards wise decisions.

*Strengthen all to live and work in new ways
together
for the greater good of all.*

*We make our prayer through Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

*St Patrick, Pray for our world
St Brigid, Pray for our world
Venerable Mary Ward, Pray for our world*

