

## Lil' Red Wagon

of the Servant of God Julia Greeley

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# Please Pay Attention ► if You Are One of Those Who Have Had Long-Standing Devotion to Julia Greeley Prior to the Julia

**Greeley Guild's Founding in 2011** 

In a special article in the latest *Denver Catholic* newspaper, the Archdiocese of Denver announced that as a part of the examination of Julia Greeley's cause for canonization, it is extremely important that the vice-postulator hear from all those who had a devotion to Julia Greeley and her intercessory power prior to the founding of

This is necessary in order to assure Rome that Julia has enjoyed a long, authentic, and widespread reputation for holiness and intercessory power.

the Guild in 2011.

To answer this request, it is not necessary that one has received a spectacular favor which can be proven beyond a doubt to have been miraculous. It is sufficient to have had a habit of praying to Julia and believing that favors were being obtained through her intercession.

Your testimonial describing your long-standing devotion to Julia should be sent to David Uebbing, vice-postulator of Julia's Cause. He can be accessed by email at vicepostulator@archden.org or by postal service at Archdiocese of Denver, 1300 S. Steele St., Denver CO 80210-2599. If necessary, ask someone to help you write and file your testimony. Guild members would be willing to help you. Contact us at <a href="mailto:juliagreeleyguild@gmail.com">juliagreeleyguild@gmail.com</a> or (303) 558-6685.



### Thursday, Jun. 7, 2018▶

is a very important date for the City of Denver, the State of Colorado, the African American Catholic community, and all Catholics and Christians in the United States.

On this date, we will celebrate the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Servant of God Julia Greeley's death with a Mass at the Cathedral Basilica of the Immaculate Conception and the blessing of the new marble sarcophagus encasing her remains.

Greeley was a former slave and a longtime resident of Denver who dedicated herself to

secret works of charity for others. It was not until she died in 1918 that the admiration and gratitude people had for her became known. Hundreds of people from the Denver area, of all social classes, filed past her coffin for five hours as she lay in state.

Julia Greeley has been called Denver's "Angel of Charity" because of her love for the poor and her constant, selfless charitable works to support them. She is also officially called a "Servant of God," since her cause for canonization was opened in 2016.

The event will be the first occasion the public will have to see Julia's new tomb, which is being constructed out of white marble from Italy and Colorado Yule Marble.

In attendance will be Most Reverend Joseph N. Perry, Auxiliary Bishop of Chicago, as well as other bishops and clergy from Colorado.

Denver firefighters will provide an honor guard in recognition of Servant of God Julia Greeley's dedication to spreading her prayer ministry to the Denver fire stations.

There will be representatives from the Secular Franciscans, St. Vincent de Paul Society, Knights and Ladies of Peter Claver, Knights of Columbus, Julia Greeley Guild, Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre; and dignitaries from city and state will also participate.

The event will remember the past and look forward to how we can all share in promoting the cause for Servant of God Julia Greeley's canonization.

Mass will begin on Thursday, June 7, 2018, at 5:30 pm at the Cathedral of the Basilica of the Immaculate Conception. Archbishop Samuel J. Aquila will be the main celebrant

and homilist.

Please plan on joining us for this historic and memorable occasion, and after the Mass, a free reception and other possible festivities at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 1555 N. Grant Street near the Cathedral. **All are welcome!** 

### Julia Greeley's Canoe ▶



Since the last issue of the *Wagon*, numerous people have put their petitions for Julia's intercession into her wagon. You are invited to join them in doing so at <a href="mailto:juliascanoe@gmail.com">juliascanoe@gmail.com</a>

Guild members and other friends of Julia who would like to join Julia in her prayers for these petitions as part of the Guild's effort to promote Julia's cause are invited to do so at juliascanoeprayercircle@gmail.com by submitting your name and email address. Lists of the petitions will be sent to the circle members periodically.

#### **To Contact the Guild** ▶

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