concourse of people was extraordinary. If Saints were canonized now as of old, the Mass of St. Margaret of Canada would be offered tomorrow." Monsieur Dollier de Casson, then eighty years of age, who held Mother Bourgeoys in the highest esteem, pronounced the funeral oration.

Thirty days after her death, the Venerable Mother's heart, enclosed in a leaden box was placed in a niche prepared for it in the wall of the Congregation Church. A second panegyric was preached by Monsieur de Belmont.

From that day to this, Venerable Marguerite Bourgeoys' name has been dear to the Canadian people, and many graces have been obtained by her intercession. On December 7th 1878, under the pontificate of Leo XIII, a decree of the Sacred Congregation of Rites declared her Venerable. Under Pius X, a further step was made in her cause by the publication of a new decree asserting that the virtues