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2023: 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF GUIDO NINCHERI'S DEATH

**SEE SOME OF HIS WORKS
IN THE BASILICA OF SAINT ANNE IN VARENNES**

In 2023, we will celebrate the 50th anniversary of the death of Guido Nincheri (1885-1973). The Italian-born artist decorated 200 churches in North America, and the Basilica of St. Anne in Varennes houses fine examples of his work.

Nincheri worked from 1926 to 1929 at the church in Varennes, which he decorated with frescoes, particularly in the transepts, where he painted several saints. Marguerite d'Youville, born in Varennes in 1701, is depicted next to God, to whom she had a great devotion and whom she called the Eternal Father.

Mr. Nincheri is also responsible for decorating the dome, which represents the Assumption of Mary. The death of Christ on the Cross dominates the choir.

Guido Nincheri also decorated the ceiling of the St. Francis Xavier Mission Church in Kahnawake. The artist worked there from 1925 to 1928.

Both churches are part of the **Saint Lawrence River Shrines**, an association that groups together five sanctuaries located on the south shore of Montreal.

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