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On \_\_\_\_\_ we celebrate the Memorial of Saint John Bosco. John, or \_\_\_\_\_ in Italian, was born in the country of \_\_\_\_\_ in the year \_\_\_\_\_. John was the youngest of three sons. His father died when he was two years old. His mother, \_\_\_\_\_, raised her children alone.

Father \_\_\_\_\_ encouraged John to become a priest. John went to the seminary in the city of \_\_\_\_\_. Because of the \_\_\_\_\_, many young boys from rural areas left their families and came to this city to find work. Life was hard for these boys. Many of them were \_\_\_\_\_ and got involved in \_\_\_\_\_.

John Bosco ministered to these youth. In the year \_\_\_\_\_ John opened a house where the young boys could live. He taught them \_\_\_\_\_ and had them \_\_\_\_\_ to be shoemakers, tailors and printers.

In 1859 John Bosco founded a religious order called the \_\_\_\_\_. With the help of \_\_\_\_\_ he also founded a religious order of Sisters. And he began a group of lay people, called \_\_\_\_\_, who assisted his ministry.

John Bosco died on January 31 in the year \_\_\_\_\_, and was canonized a saint in the year \_\_\_\_\_ by \_\_\_\_\_.

Saint John Bosco is the patron saint of \_\_\_\_\_. Today the religious order he founded has members in \_\_\_\_\_ different countries.

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**Word List**

Turin	100	Cooperators	Margaret
Salesians	crime	Pope Pius XI	religion
Italy	Cafasso	1815	homeless
trained	January 31	Giovanni	1934
students	1850	Mary Mazzarello	1888
Industrial Revolution			

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