

082 JEANNE

It doesn't matter. What matters is that the poor are being housed and fed. Look what I got today!

FANCHON STOPS CHOPPING

083 FANCHON

What?

JEANNE PULLS THE POUCH OUT OF HER BASKET AND
POURS THE COINS ONTO THE TABLE

084 FANCHON (CONT'D)

May the good God be praised!

085 JEANNE

It's enough to keep us living at the convent.

086 FANCHON

That's incredible.

MARIE ENTERS THE KITCHEN

087 MARIE

What's incredible, Fanchon?
(seeing all the coins on
the table)
Oh my goodness! You got all these
coins today, Jeanne?

088 JEANNE

It was like an angel suddenly
appeared.

THERE'S A KNOCK ON THE DOOR

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089 JEANNE (CONT'D)

I'll get it.

SHE GOES TO THE DOOR, OPENS IT

090 COURIER

This is for Madame Jeanne Jugan.

091 JEANNE

That's me. Thank you.

092 COURIER

You're very welcome, Madame. Good
day.

093 JEANNE

Good day and God bless you.

THE COURIER LEAVES. JEANNE TEARS OPEN THE
ENVELOPE, OPENS THE PAPER INSIDE, READS AND
THEN GASPS

094 JEANNE (CONT'D)

Oh no!

095 FANCHON

Jeanne, what's happened?

JEANNE HANDS HER THE ENVELOPE

096 JEANNE

I don't want this.

FANCHON READS

097 FANCHON

Jeanne, this is amazing! Marie... I
mean Mother Marie, look at this!

MARIE TAKES THE PAPER

098 MARIE

(reading aloud)

"This year's winner of the Montyon
Prize, which the French Academy
awards annually to a French man or
woman for outstanding meritorious
activity, is Madame Jeanne Jugan,
who serves the poor elderly in the
town of Saint Servan." What?
Jeanne, this is an incredible
honor!

099 JEANNE

But think of all the publicity.
Everyone will be putting me on
pedestal. I don't want that.

100 MARIE

You're already receiving publicity.
And look how it's helping us.

101 JEANNE

But -

102 MARIE

Listen! It goes on: "The Montyon
Prize comes with an award of ten
thousand francs."

(MORE)

MARIE (CONT'D)
 (to Jeanne and Fanchon)
 Ten thousand francs? Think what
 this will do for our poor old
 people!

103 FANCHON
 Jeanne - we can put a new roof on
 the convent.

104 MARIE
 We can purchase much needed new
 beds. Not to mention food!

105 JEANNE
 (seeing the positive
 side)
 Yes, that's true. If it helps our
 poor, I'll endure the rest.

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TRANSITION MUSIC

10 EXT. CONVENT - DAY, SEVERAL DAYS LATER

A CARRIAGE PULLING UP IN FRONT OF THE
 CONVENT. HORSES WHINNYING. CARRIAGE DOORS
 OPENING AND CLOSING AS TWO MEN GET OUT AND
 WALK TO THE ENTRANCE, KNOCK

11 INT. CONVENT - DAY

JEANNE OPENS THE DOOR

106 JEANNE
 Can I help you, gentlemen?

107 MONSIEUR BERNARD
 Are you Jeanne Jugan?

108 JEANNE
 I am.

109 MONSIEUR BERNARD
 I'm Monsieur Bernard, the Mayor of
 Rennes, and this is Bishop Saint
 Marc.

110 BISHOP SAINT MARC
 I'm very glad to meet you, Madame
 Jugan.

111 JEANNE
 And I'm pleased to meet you both.
 Please, come in.