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- 1679 February 26: Birth of Claude-François Poullart des Places at Rennes. Baptised the following day in the Church of Saint Pierre of the Abbey of St. George.
- 1690 October: Entered the Jesuit school of Saint-Thomas in Rennes at the age of 11.
- 1691 With Louis-Marie Grignon de Montfort, he was initiated into a concern and care for the poor by Fr. Bellier, a "Priest of the Holy Spirit".
- 1694 October: student at the Jesuit school in Caen.
- 1695 October: return to the Jesuit school at Rennes for philosophy.
- 1698 August 25: "Grand Acte" at Rennes
 - Journey to Versailles. Portrait by Jouvenet.
 - Orientation retreat
 - Desire to be a priest via the Sorbonne, but did not last
 October 2: sent by his father to Nantes to study law.
- 1700 Return to Rennes. Year spent helping his father with his business. Seems attracted to be a magistrate.
- 1701 A year of decision for the future. Disinclined to be a councillor in Parliament. His great retreat of conversion and choice at Rennes. October: enters the Jesuit College of Louis-le-Grand for first year of theology.
December: affiliated to the Assembly of Friends (AA)
- 1702 May: meets Jean-Baptiste Faulconnier, a "poor scholar".
August: Retreat. Writes a personal rule. Receives the tonsure and adopts ecclesiastical dress.
October: second year of theology. More and more involved with the "poor scholars". First rooms rented in rue des Cordiers. Visit of Louis-Marie Grignon de Montfort.

- 1703 March: at the start of Lent, he moves out of Louis-le-Grand to share the life of the "poor scholars" in the rue des Cordiers.
 May 27: Feast of Pentecost: foundation of the community of the Holy Spirit in the chapel of Notre Dame de Bonne Deliverance in the church of St. Etienne des Grès in Paris.
 October 3: third year of theology. The numbers grow so much in the community that it delays his theological studies.
- 1704 December: retreat of orientation. *Reflections on the Past.*
- 1705 Joined by his first collaborators: Michel-Vincent Barbier, etc.
- 1706 December 18: ordained sub-deacon.
- 1707 March 19: ordained deacon.
 December 17: ordained priest.
- 1709 October 2: Death of Claude-François during a plague in Paris after a hard winter and resultant famine. Buried in a common grave for poor clerics at Saint-Etienne-du Mont.