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Celebrating 100 years of Gratitude



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Celebrating 100 years of anything is quite an achievement!

Dear Friends,

It is with great joy that we, Daughters of Mary and Joseph, invite you to celebrate with us our 100 years of presence and ministry in California!! Our hearts and minds are overwhelmed with gratitude and joy as we reflect on the innumerable ways in which God has lavishly blessed us throughout these many years. We know that God's blessings have come to us in many ways and through many people and events. And what is so clearly evident is that God's working through us during these many years never could have taken place without the support and love from people like you!

From our earliest days when we first arrived in California, you, our friends and benefactors, have always been present to assist us in our endeavors. Whether it was helping us to settle into our new surroundings each time we opened a parish school, or collaborating with us in the various forms of our ministry in education, or promoting with us our outreach in spiritual development through the Mary and Joseph Retreat Center, or providing for us the resources necessary to enable us to continue in our response to God's call, it has been, and is, through your generosity and support that we have been and are able to continue to strive to be instruments of God's merciful love in today's world.

In this edition of *DMJlink*, we wish to share with you our story of how we, Daughters of Mary and Joseph, first came to California, arriving in St. Augustine Parish in Culver City in 1926, and how our presence grew and spread during the next 100 years to so many other communities. And as we remember and give thanks to God, and to you, our hearts are filled with gratitude for your ongoing friendship and dedicated support of our mission to be instruments of Mercy to the People of God in California.

Our sincere response to your generosity is to gather all of you, your families and special needs into the daily rhythm of our Evening Prayer. To quote St. Paul: "We thank our God for you every time we think of you; and every time we pray for you, we pray with joy because of the way in which you have helped us in the work of the Gospel from the very first day until now." (Phil. 1:3-5)

With sincere and deep gratitude,
The Daughters of Mary and Joseph (DMJs)

Our Mission:

We are an international community of vowed religious women. We are committed to deepening our relationship with Jesus Christ. This relationship manifests itself as an individual and corporate response to the needs of today's world. Our mission is to be a compassionate, joyful presence enabling those to whom we minister to recognize their value and dignity. We are dedicated to sharing the merciful love of God with all who experience brokenness or poverty in any form.

Our Vision:

"Be there for the whole Church, be there as a pardoned sinner who has found peace and rejoices in the merciful love of God."

~ Msgr. William Van Crombrugge, Founder

How We Came to America...

Today, in 2026, we Daughters of Mary and Joseph, look back in gratitude on the past 100 years, remembering and celebrating our presence in the Archdiocese of Los Angeles and in California.

Our story begins in 1924, when Archbishop John Cantwell of Los Angeles was visiting Belgium. One purpose of the Archbishop's trip was to search for a religious congregation who might be interested in providing Sisters for a school he planned to open in Culver City. With the help of two Jesuit Priests, who introduced the Archbishop to the Daughters of Mary and Joseph, plans were made for the DMJ superiors to visit California in 1925 and view the possible location for the prospective school. Their meeting with the Pastor and some parishioners being satisfactory, the Superiors agreed that in due time, when the school and the convent were ready, the DMJ Sisters would be ready too. Up to this time, the Daughters of Mary and Joseph were established in Belgium and England only. Remember that this was fast planning for a new apostolate on the other side of the world!

Seven Sisters were chosen for the new apostolate. They departed Antwerp by ship on August 12, 1926. Seventeen days later, after a brief stop in New York and a long train journey across the United States, the Sisters arrived at St. Augustine Parish, Culver City on Sunday evening, August 29, 1926! The pastor and parishioners warmly welcomed the Sisters, providing them with much welcomed food and rest. Since school was to begin in a week's time, some very kind Sisters from local schools came to help... providing assistance in the basics of Catholic education in the American system, e.g., set-up of classrooms, curriculum, discipline, etc. On Tuesday, September 6, 1926, the Sisters were ready, and St. Augustine School opened its doors to one hundred and twenty-three students! In the ensuing months and years the students at St. Augustine School were on a par with the surrounding schools. The name of St. Augustine School was well known for its scholarship and leadership.



They departed Antwerp by ship on August 12, 1926.



St. Augustine School awaited them.
Graduating class in 1928.



Education in the Spirit of our Founder

From these simple beginnings the educational ministry of the Daughters of Mary and Joseph had its inception. From their first day these Sisters, and all those who have come after them, set out to work valiantly and with great zeal and enthusiasm at the enormous ministry to which they have committed their lives. In his writings, our Founder, Constant William Van Crombrughe, left the Sisters a very clear set of maxims to guide them in their approach to teaching children:

Always bear in mind the kindly manner in which Christ dealt with people.

***Do not make profound consideration on Christ,
but make Christ live by the way you act in daily life. ."***

***"...You must love children and make them feel that they are loved,
not only by avoiding harshness, unjust indifference, discouraging severity
but by lavishing on them tender care, showing them healthy and friendly affection,
letting them see that you have devoted your life to them,
that you find happiness by being with them."***

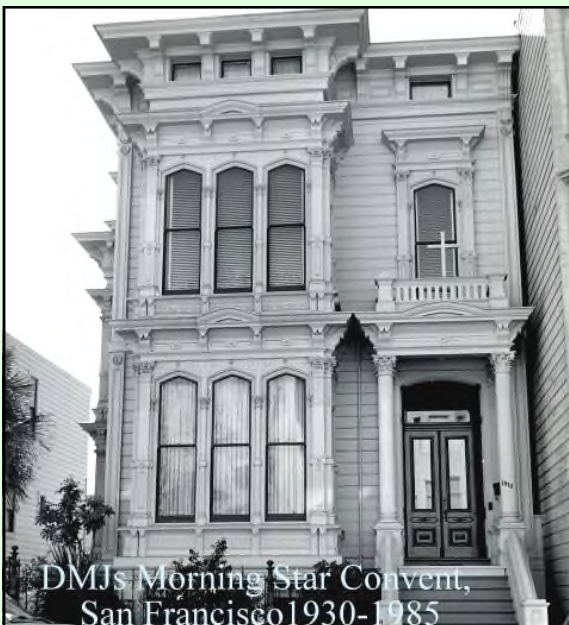
These and a collection of additional maxims were part of our formation and teacher training program. Undergirding these principles is our charism as DMJs to be "instruments of mercy in the hand of God". It is in this spirit that we launched our foundations of 11 schools in California.

EXPANSION IN CALIFORNIA

Morning Star School

Four years after the foundation of St. Augustine's School, an invitation to staff another school came from Fr. Stoecke, SVD, in San Francisco. Morning Star School, a Japanese Mission, opened in 1930 under the principalship of Mother Modwina. Her companions were Sisters Mary Philomena, Benedict Walsh and Mary Ignatius Foley. From an enrollment of only 15 students in 1930, the numbers increased until it reached its capacity of 300 in the '60s. The Daughters of Mary and Joseph withdrew from the school in 1985. Through the ensuing years, Morning Star School has undergone many changes and today it is still a Catholic school

known as Convent and Stuart Hall, Schools of the Sacred Heart, San Francisco.



Sayonara and Arigato



St. Paul the Apostle School

In 1935, the Paulist Fathers in Westwood invited the Community to staff St. Paul the Apostle School. Sister Mary Aquinas O'Connor was assigned as Principal and along with Sisters Mary Carmel Rosney, Mary Kevin Fleming and Mary Patricica Lehane. School opened on September 10th with an enrollment of 100 students. It is still functioning today under a lay principal, with 2 DMJ's as volunteers-Sisters Mary Enda Creegan and Theresa Berry. The School celebrated its 90th Birthday in 2025.



St. Paul the Apostle School



History of Expansion

1926

DMJs arrive St. Augustine School, Culver City

1930

Morning Star School in San Francisco

1935

St. Paul the Apostle School, Westwood

1943

Novitiate opens at St. Paul the Apostle then moves to San Vicente, Brentwood.

1950

Precious Blood and St Sebastian Schools in Los Angeles

1951

St. Michael's in San Francisco
Our Lady of Peace, Sepulveda

1952

Our Lady of the Rosary, Paramount

1953

3 DMJs join Pius X High School, Downey

1955

Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Mill Valley

1956

St. James the Less, La Crescenta
3 DMJs join Bishop Conaty High School in Los Angeles

1957

St. Anthony School, El Segundo

1958

DMJs join St. Bernard High School, Playa del Rey

1959

Ground breaking in Palos Verdes
For Novitiate

1961

Novitiate moves to Palos Verdes
Groundbreaking for Retreat Center
St John Fisher School opens

1963

Mary & Joseph Retreat Center opens

1964

St. Louis de Montfort School, Santa Maria
and staff St. Joseph's High School

1994

Marian Residence opens in Palos Verdes

1996

Rose Avenue Apartment Building purchased

PASSING ON THE VISION AND MISSION

As the need grew for more Sisters to staff new schools, plans were made to open a Novitiate. Up to this point, we depended on the English Province to send us Sisters. In 1943 the Novitiate began in St. Paul's Convent and two former students became the first Postulants – Margaret Poyer from St. Paul's and Mary Louise Ottman from St. Augustine's. A third postulant, Mary Wheeler joined them. Sister Mary Agnes O'Callaghan was appointed the first Novice Director. In September 1944, the Novitiate moved to San Vicente Blvd., Brentwood.

With the increase in Religious Vocations, a new challenge surfaced for the Community – more space was needed! That required more funds, so in 1946 *Our Lady of Lourdes Guild* was established in Brentwood under the leadership of Sister Jean King. It was a dedicated working group and their efforts met with success, while at the same time they enjoyed community and socials among themselves.

It became obvious that after 10 years the need for further expansion arose and new fundraising ideas took form in two resources - *Mary and Joseph Men's Club* and *Retreat League* with Sister Mary Ignatius at the helm. In 1958, with Sister still moderating, these two groups morphed into *The Mary and Joseph League*. The main focus of the group was to build a retreat center in Rancho Palos Verdes with a novitiate on the same grounds. The dream became a reality in 1961 when the Novitiate moved from Brentwood to Rancho Palos Verdes and groundbreaking for the Retreat Center took place.



San Vicente, Brentwood: First Novitiate



Ground Breaking in Palos Verdes for Novitiate



Ground Breaking for
Mary & Joseph Retreat Center



Mary & Joseph Retreat Center today

In 1947 Sister Mary Francis O'Connor and Sister Mary Kevin Fleming were sent to Ireland to explore the possibility of opening a Novitiate there. On August 5th Castlecor in Ballymahon, Co. Longford celebrated Foundation Day. It was because of these two Novitiates that the Community was able to staff eight new parochial schools and assist in the staffing of three high schools over the next ten years.



Castlecor Novitiate, Ireland



St. Sebastian School, Los Angeles



St. Michael School, San Francisco



Precious Blood School, Los Angeles

The Associates of the Daughters of Mary and Joseph
Margaret Dennis, Associate



In response to a General Chapter proposal, the California Associate program of the Daughters of Mary and Joseph was founded by Sister Johanna Leahy in December 1985. It has continued to be active up to the present day, though many adjustments have taken place in recent years due to illness and the reality of our aging. Today, several of



the Associates are living out of state and have no Sisters living near them, but the relationship is kept alive mostly through emails, phone and occasional visits. The enduring aspect of being an Associate never changes— living Gospel values at home, at work, wherever Associates are, with a focus on the charism to be “instruments of mercy in the hands of God.”

Jubilarians

Sister Teresa Mc Shane - 70 years

As a child, I was constantly on the move. On my way to school I opted to travel by way of the fields and enjoyed the feel of the dewy grass. On my way home from school I went by the Post Office to pick up the mail for older neighbors who had difficulty getting to the Post Office themselves.



I entered the Daughters of Mary and Joseph in 1953 in Co.Longford. After my Profession of Vows in 1956, I set out for California – stopping off in Ireland and New York to visit family along the way.

My life in California moved quickly. As soon as I finished College I was assigned to teach my favorite subject, Math, at St. Bernard’s High School in Playa del Rey. I spent 14 years there. My claim to fame is that one of my students became an astronaut who piloted the Space Shuttle Endeavor! I treasure the invitation from NASA to observe the launch from Cape Canaveral.

Much of my years of ministry that followed High School teaching was the outcome of a sabbatical in Rome, 1973. The program included pilgrimages to Assisi, Florence and the Holy Land. The concept of pilgrimage grew within me as a way of inner transformation, and years later I was privileged to walk the Camino de Santiago de Compostela in Spain – a true highlight in my life.

In the late 70’s I moved into different Administrative positions in the Community – that of California Provincial, California Counselor on the General Team during which time I was graced with the joy of visiting our missionary Sisters in Africa and Brazil. In the 80’s I served 4 years as Director of the Mary and Joseph Retreat Center.

Finally in my last 35 years until my retirement I worked at St. Angela Parish in Pacific Grove as Pastoral Associate. Journeying with RCIA candidates who were longing for full communion with the Church inspired me and I too was converted.

Now that I’m retired, I am looking back on my life and seeing it as a single journey taking me to places I would never have dreamed of. I notice particularly how I was always gifted with the graces and blessings and special people I needed. I pray that my years have been and are a genuine reflection of our charism - to be an instrument of mercy in the hands of God. Thank you for being a part of my journey.



Sister Kitty Moloney - 70 years

It is with a spirit of gratitude that I reflect on my 70 years as a Daughter of Mary and Joseph. I have spent my years as teacher, principal, nurse and retreat guide in California, Ireland and England.



Thinking back on my first meeting with the DMJs brings a smile to my face. I actually met them while planning NOT to meet them! I was ready to begin Secondary School and had heard negative stories of the Sisters who staffed the Convent School closest to my home. I knew that school was not for me, so I registered in the Technical School instead. At the same time there were two Daughters of Mary and Joseph on home leave – Sisters Mary Carmel and Mary Chantal. They visited the Technical School with the intention of recruiting girls to join their Congregation. I had no interest in becoming a Sister, but some of my friends wanted to meet the DMJs and I went along with them. Their friendliness and sense of joy impressed me. The rest is history!

Teaching was the main apostolate of the Congregation and after my Novitiate in Ireland and Belgium, much study and training, I was missioned to St. Michael's in San Francisco. I'm still in contact with a student from there. Many assignments followed, mostly in the Los Angeles Archdiocese. When Vatican II opened up new possibilities for Sisters' ministries, I studied nursing and later on facilitated Bereavement Groups at the parish.

One of the fondest memories that strikes me as I reminisce about my 70 years is a volunteer position I assumed while on sabbatical in Ireland. St. James Hospital was a bus ride from the convent where I stayed. The hospital has a particular dedication to care for elders and I was accepted as a volunteer. It turned out to be a precious experience for me. A friend had given me a manicure set, so in my visits I used to treat the women to a manicure. The delight this brought them really touched me. It taught me the power of simple presence and touch.

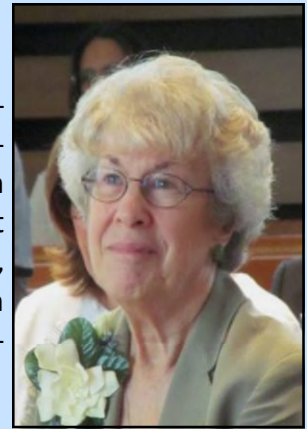
In my retirement I live in Marian Residence where we have an exceptional staff who are skilled in nursing, care-giving, cooking and housekeeping. What more could I want? I always remember to pray for our generous donors who make all of these blessings possible for us. These are the years to focus on gratitude for all that God provides.



Our Lady of Mount Carmel,
Mill Valley

Sister Karen Marie Derr 60 years

Although Karen was born in Fort Lewis, WA, she can be considered a California native, since she has spent most of her life living in and around the Westchester area of Los Angeles. Karen attended Visitation Elementary School in Westchester and St. Bernard High School in Playa del Rey, where she first met the Daughters of Mary and Joseph. After graduating from St. Bernard's, Karen entered with the DMJs in 1963 and made her first profession of vows in 1966. For the next 60 years, Karen's ministry would involve education in various forms and service to people of all ages.



Following her profession, Karen completed her B.S. in Home Economics and began her teaching ministry at Our Lady of Peace School in Sepulveda (North Hills), where for two years Karen shared her love of learning with her 4th graders. Then Karen was asked to put into action her skills in Home Economics by working with the kitchen staff at Mary and Joseph Retreat Center in Rancho Palos Verdes. After a few years, Karen returned to St. Bernard's, this time as one of the educators, teaching Home Economics and Religion. Being a very creative and innovative person, Karen approached her students and curricula in unique ways. For example, she developed a course on "Personal Spirituality", which included creative and experiential activities to help the students begin to understand and develop their relationship with God. While teaching, Karen continued her own education, completing a Master's Degree in Spirituality as well as providing Spiritual Direction.

Flowing from her work in spirituality, Karen guided the CA DMJ Formation Program for a number of years, working with women interested in becoming DMJs. At the same time she contributed to province meetings and leadership. Wanting to broaden her outreach to others, Karen became a licensed psychologist.

Education has been defined as *that which transforms society*. In her 60 years of ministry, Karen's life has mirrored this definition of education, being a gifted artist and woman of Faith whose heart and spirit reveal her commitment to a life dedicated to the education of the whole person.



Silver Jubilee
of DMJs
in California

RIP: *Sister Louis Marie Hanrahan*

1934-2025

Sister Louis Marie Hanrahan, a cherished member of the Daughters of Mary and Joseph, passed away peacefully on October 22, at Marian Residence, Rancho Palos Verdes, California. Louis Marie was born on August 12, 1934 within walking distance of the Atlantic Ocean, in Ballybunion, County Kerry, Ireland. She was one of seven children. Her father was a small farmer with a big heart – she often heard him say, “Whenever I can give a man a day’s wage, I will”. Her mother was the District Nurse/Midwife. Louis Marie often spoke of her mother’s meticulously written birth records that she (Louis Marie) mailed promptly to the Registrar’s office in Killarney.



Louis Marie professed her vows as a Daughter of Mary and Joseph in 1954, dedicating her life to education. She taught in St. Augustine School, Culver City where she was also Principal for several years; Our Lady of Peace School, Sepulveda; St. Paul the Apostle School, Westwood and St. Joseph High School, Santa Maria. In 1980, Louis Marie answered a call to missionary work in North Cameroon, Africa, where she ministered for 26 years. Her DMJ companions were inspired by her quiet strength and heartfelt compassion. Upon her death, our California Region received scores of tributes from Africa, not only from the Sisters, but also from former students and missionaries. Returning to California in 2004, Louis Marie explored possibilities to volunteer with underserved people and a friend suggested Carol’s Kitchen in Banning. She spent 10 years there, continuing her lifelong mission of care and presence.

In 2014 Louis Marie retired to Marian Residence, Rancho Palos Verdes, where she remained an active member for 15 years. Her enthusiasm for our Congregation’s members and ministries and her love of learning, never waned. Connections with family and friends were of great importance to her. Daily newscasts were a must, because she believed in being an involved citizen. Howard Thurman’s quote “Don’t ask what the world needs. Ask what makes you come alive and go do it” reveals the spirit that animated Louis Marie for 70 years as a Daughter of Mary and Joseph. May she rise in glory!



1962
First Novitiate
Group in
Palos Verdes.





Sister Catherine McShane

1931-2025

Sister Catherine was born in Legga, Co. Longford, Ireland, to Michael and Margaret (Reilly) McShane on April 18, 1931. She is survived by her sister, Sr. Teresa McShane, DMJ, of Rancho Palos Verdes, California. Catherine died peacefully at St. John of God Care Center, Los Angeles, on November 24, 2025. She was predeceased by her parents, her sisters Mary Anne Maguire, Margaret McShane, Anne Caddell, her brother Michael and several nieces and nephews.

Catherine entered the Daughters of Mary and Joseph in Ireland in 1950. After her Profession of Vows in 1952, Catherine came to California where she began her life-long ministry in education. In various Schools throughout the Archdiocese of Los Angeles and in New Mexico, she either taught and/or was Principal.

In 1988, looking for a change of pace, Catherine enjoyed a sabbatical in New Mexico. When she returned to Los Angeles, she assumed the position of Provincial Treasurer and in 1994, she served as Provincial of the DMJ Community in CA. Upon completion of her term of office, Catherine, who still had boundless energy and a willing heart to serve, ministered as Director of Admissions in Nazareth House, Cheviot Hills for the next 14 years. She finally retired to Marian Residence, Palos Verdes, in 2014, where her leisure time afforded her the space to knit and crochet to her heart's content, not forgetting to keep up with the Dodgers! May you rest in peace, dear Catherine!



Our Lady of the Rosary School, Paramount, circa 1950's



Sister Renee Bauerly 1942-2026



Sister Renee Bauerly was born in Le Mars, Iowa, on February 27, 1942. She was the younger of two daughters born to Arthur George Bauerly and Eva Kathryn Sullivan. The Bauerly family moved to California and Renee grew up in Downey.

Renee graduated from Pius X High School and some years later entered the Daughters of Mary and Joseph. She professed her First Vows in 1967. While in the Novitiate, her creative skills became known and she studied Art for a few years. She loved to work with rocks and soil and soon Renee spent many hours designing gardens in Cherry Valley and Palos Verdes. Renee was a gentle, kind and compassionate presence, blessed with many talents which she generously shared for 55 years of ministry in Los Angeles and 5 years in Burundi, Africa. Her dominant talent resided in her hands. Her potter's creations are a reflection of her contemplative spirit. As a landscape artist, she has left a legacy of peace and beauty in our gardens at Mary and Joseph Retreat Center, Rancho Palos Verdes.

In 1982, Renee joined the DMJ staff at a rehabilitation center for physically-challenged children in Burundi, Africa. "To those children, she was not only a missionary; she was warmth on difficult days, a voice that said *you matter*, and hands that proved it. She saw in every child not a condition or a limitation, but a soul full of dignity and worth loving completely." That comment from a colleague captures Renee's whole character and her approach to whomever she ministered. Sadly, her time in Burundi was cut short by political strife and her visa was not renewed. However, Renee moved on to Uganda where she began immediately to find projects to express her artistic soul. She dedicated her time and energy to redesigning two chapels. Her love and respect for Earth found expression in her use of local materials to transform small rooms into serene and prayerful spaces.

When Renee returned to California, she joined the Mary and Joseph Retreat Center staff as a Massage Therapist, a favorite feature on the program. Her heart was always close to nature, and living close to the ocean was a joy for her especially at the time of sunset. Renee is deeply missed by her Sisters in Community, her family and friends. May she rest in peace and rise in glory!



DMJs 50 years in California

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