2 Peter 1:4 ~ since God is the eternal family and we are His children, we are partakers of His divine nature as a united family.
From the Development Office...

Dear Friend of the Daughters of Mary and Joseph,

Welcome to the first edition of DMJLink!

With this first edition of DMJLink we combined two DMJ Newsletters: MEMOS and INTERCHANGE. We started publishing MEMOS in 1970 as a means of sharing news and information within the community. The INTERCHANGE was a publication of our Development Office. Many of you are accustomed to getting one or the other of these newsletters.

The Internet Age made MEMOS superfluous. However, we feel there are some areas of MEMOS which, when combined with INTERCHANGE would continue to serve our ministry and mission.

Why the title DMJLink? Throughout his life, our founder, Msgr. Van Crombrugghe, stressed the importance of a family spirit that must be alive within our Congregation. Time and again he reminded us that we are members of the family of Mary and Joseph. He frequently urged us to extend our family spirit to our students and their parents. In fact it must be extended to all men and women with whom we minister.

The new title, DMJLink, is a reminder that all of us, you and we, are linked together as members of the family of Mary and Joseph. We share the same mission of Jesus that all be united with Him to bring about the Kingdom of God on earth.

We never cease to thank God for His gift of so many faithful and generous friends. Your generosity to us is truly overwhelming. Through your generosity you participate in our ministries and in the care of our retired Sisters.

You and your family are remembered in the daily prayers of our Sisters. On the first Monday of every month the Josephite Fathers in Santa Maria offer Mass for all of our benefactors.

~ Alice Nugent, DMJ

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.”

º Msgr. William Van Crombrugghe, Founder
Seasonal Reflections

My lover speaks; he says to me,
   Arise my beloved, my beautiful one, and come!
  For see, the winter is past, the rains are over and gone.
The flowers appear on the earth, the time for glad songs has come,
          The cooing of the dove is heard in the land.
The fig tree puts forth its figs and the vines, in bloom, are fragrant.
          Arise, my beloved, my beautiful one, and come!

Song of Songs 2:10-13

I am writing this on April 22, Earth Day. Here in Palos Verdes, Spring is in full vigor, and our earth is bursting with blossoms, color and fragrance, vibrant with life, having awakened from Winter’s hibernation. Spring regales us with sights and sounds of newness: birdsongs, humming bees, frisky baby animals, signs everywhere of sprouting, growing, nesting, birthing and greening. It is nature’s symphony of praise and gratitude to God. Perhaps it is also a plea to us, as co-creators with God, to become pro-active in preserving our earth and its endangered species for future generations.

Springtime and Easter always coincide. The season of joyful Alleluias has come. As we celebrate Christ’s Resurrection, we are called to transformation and new life. The voice of the Lover is heard again: "Arise, my beloved, my beautiful one, and come!" What an incredible invitation! It is a call to go deeper, to grow in relationship with Jesus. This is the season for us to explore our deepest longings and desires.

Nature responds spontaneously to the Creator’s call to growth and new life. For us it is a choice. Are we willing to discern and follow Christ’s call to new life? At our first stir of assent, Jesus promises to be with us on the way even as He was with the disciples on the Road to Emmaus. I invite you to read and ponder that encounter—Luke 24:13-35.

~ Julia Costello, DMJ

Sr. Julia Costello
In Memory . . .

Sister Maria Immaculata Ottman

Born: May 27, 1922
Professed: April 22, 1946
Died: May 6, 2012

Sr. Maria Immaculata was a woman of deep spirituality who exuded joy, genuine warmth and generosity and whose passion for teaching the story of Jesus remained vibrant even in her final days. Her years of teaching were spent at St. Paul the Apostle, Westwood, St. Augustine, Culver City, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Mill Valley, St. Sebastian, Los Angeles, St. Anthony, El Segundo, St. James, La Crescenta, St. John Fisher, Palos Verdes, Our Lady of Peace, Sepulveda, and St. Louis de Montfort, Santa Maria.

She spent her final years at Nazareth House, Los Angeles. In Sr. M. Immaculata’s latter years, you would often hear her say ...

“God has given me a wide lap for little children,  
So that I may tell them the story of Jesus.”

Sister Maria Sorahan Receives Certificate of Recognition

Sr. Maria Sorahan received recognition for her more than 31 years of dedicated ministry to Saint Augustine School, Culver City, the Daughters of Mary and Joseph’s first foundation in California. Maria’s years of service included teaching 2nd grade and full involvement in the parish in a myriad of activities. Her exemplary dedication to this community has made a difference in the lives of many people.
The family of Mary and Joseph in action!

**Srs. M. Delores (Belgian Region), Therese Martin, and Ruth.**

Standing: Sr. Leonidas, Sr. Mary Jensch, Sr. Catherine McShane, Ethel Estrella, & Sr. Mary Rose Creegan
Seated: Sr. M. Immaculata Ottman

**Rosemary Stuart and Friend.**

Daughters of Mary of Joseph having a picnic at Nazareth House.

**Srs. Mary Jensch & M. Immaculata Ottman**

**Sr. Linda Webb, Sr. Sheila Collins, Sr. Margaret O’Rourke, & Joan Weitzel**
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Remember Your Loved Ones In a Special Way

Enroll your loved ones, living or deceased, in the Daughters of Mary and Joseph Prayer League.

Beautifully decorated Enrollment Cards are mailed according to your request. All prayer requests are placed in the chapel at Marian Residence where the Sisters pray for your intentions each day.

To request enrollment forms please contact:

Sr. Kitty Moloney
(310) 377-9968

Requests may also be made in writing to:

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Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275
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Tasting Life
Anthony De Mello

Before the young man began his studies, he wanted assurance from the Master.

“Can you teach me the goal of human life?”
“I cannot,” replied the Master.

“Or at least its meaning?”
“I cannot.”

“Can you indicate to me the nature of death and of life beyond the grave?”
“I cannot.”

The young man walked away in scorn. The disciples were dismayed that their Master had been shown up in a poor light.

Said the Master soothingly, “Of what is it to comprehend life’s nature and life’s meaning if you have never tasted it? I’d rather you ate your pudding than speculated on it.”

“Some changes look negative on the surface but you will soon realize that space is being created in your life for something new to emerge.”

~ Eckhart Tolle

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