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A  
Vision*



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## Have You Noticed?

Dear Friends,

Greetings to all as we celebrate the New Life of Easter!

As I write this letter, we, Daughters of Mary and Joseph around the globe, are celebrating the 200<sup>th</sup> anniversary of our founding as a religious congregation. Our history began with the simple act of noticing. Let me explain.

In 1814, our beloved Founder, Constant William Van Crombrugghe (yes, quite a mouthful), was appointed head of a Jesuit school for young men, the College d'Aalst in Belgium. At the same time he was carrying out this heavy responsibility, something else was brewing in his young consciousness.

He was noticing a dearth of opportunities for young girls to be educated, especially poor girls whose families were scrambling to put food on the table. He also noticed that there were young women who shared his own desire to provide education and support for them. In 1817, with the help of Colette de Brandt, a devout woman of some means, Fr. Van Crombrugghe, orchestrated the formation of a lace-making factory/school for girls, providing a marketable skill for them, as well as lessons in religion, reading, and writing. This story marks our beginnings as Daughters of Mary and Joseph. And this priest-educator, who took the time to notice, was only 27 years old!

Looking back on these DMJ origins, I find myself reflecting on the fundamental role of **noticing**. Noticing seems to stand as a prerequisite for forging something new. How would life be different for all of us if we really noticed what was going on in our own homes, in our communities, in our world? Perhaps, in this Easter Season, each of us will get a little better at noticing the heartfelt nudgings of the Spirit that move us to New Life.

As we DMJs celebrate our bicentennial, we remember with deepest gratitude your enduring support as our friends and benefactors. You have been a cherished part of our history; you have been our partners in the great work of the Gospel!

In the Risen Christ,

Sr. Karen Marie, DMJ  
on behalf of all on the DMJ Regional Leadership Team,  
Srs. Linda Peters, Helen Vigil, and Linda Webb

## *Celebrating A Vision*

The vision we are celebrating in this edition of DMJ LINK began more than 200 years ago. The seeds of this vision were planted in the heart of a young priest and educator, Constant William Van Crombrugghe, who lived in Belgium in the early 1800's.

Nurtured by the influence of his loving and caring family and by his experiences in the seminary, especially his deepening prayer life, the vision of Constant Van Crombrugghe began to take shape as he grew to know God as an all-merciful and all-compassionate Presence. The text from the Book of Exodus (33:19) expresses this well (*God of mercy, of tenderness and compassion, slow to anger, full of patience and grace, remembering his mercy*).



Constant's personal experiences of God's mercy, forgiveness and unconditional love permeated his entire life, filling him with a spirit of joy and thanksgiving, resulting in an eagerness to share this love with others, not only in his words but in practical ways as well. Overwhelmed with gratitude of God's all-merciful love, Constant dedicated his life to "being an instrument of mercy in the hand of God".

"Afire" to share his vision, this life-giving spirit, Constant began to invite others to experience God as all-merciful and all compassionate. He taught that to be "an instrument of mercy in the hand of God", one must recognize that each of us is unconditionally loved by God, that each of us is a recipient of God's abundant mercy and forgiveness, and that each of us, in turn, is to be compassionate toward one another. This spirit was reflected in Constant's respect for the uniqueness of each individual, in his sensitivity to the needs of his society (especially for the youth and the poor), and in his appreciation for the sacredness of creation.

Constant Van Crombrugghe's influence on the teachers and staff of the school where he was the Principal gradually transformed their lives and, consequently, the ways in which they dealt with the students and with one another. Inspired by this charismatic man, other women and men wished to dedicate their lives to living as instruments of mercy in the hand of God by devoting themselves to the education of youth and service to the poor.

It was from these early groups of dedicated people, that Constant Van Crombrugghe founded 4 religious congregations (3 of women and 1 of men) to continue his vision. In the years that followed and continuing to this day, many other people, not only in Belgium, but also in Europe, California and throughout Africa have responded to this call "to be instruments of mercy in the hand of God".

The vision of God as all-merciful and all-compassionate, which seized the heart of Constant Van Crombrugghe so many years ago, is as relevant for us today as it was during his lifetime. God's merciful love is available for everyone. Each of us is invited to live our lives as instruments of mercy in the hand of God.

~Sister Linda Webb

## *The Humble Beginnings and Expansion*

In March 1817, Constant Van Crombrugghe founded at Alost, Belgium, with the help of Colette de Brandt, the Daughters of Mary and Joseph. He set up a lace making school which soon developed into a proper educational establishment.

In May of the same year he founded the Brothers of St. Joseph (later called Josephites) in Grammont, Belgium. The brothers opened a weaving school for the street boys of Grammont. Later the Josephites would offer an education adapted to the needs of the business class.

In 1819, he founded in Grammont the Sisters of Mary and Joseph, which undertook the education of young girls from different social backgrounds.

In 1837-38 he divided the Institute of the Daughters of Mary and Joseph into two distinct bodies. One retained the name "Daughters of Mary and Joseph" and undertook above all the education of girls from the middle class, while the "Sisters of St. Joseph" undertook the care of the sick and elderly as well as the education of girls from different social backgrounds.

From Belgium, the Congregation began to spread. In 1869, the Sisters began their first foundation in England at the invitation from Bishop Thomas Grant of Southwark Diocese. The DMJs arrived in Croydon, south-east England, to open and staff a grammar school, beginning their many years of ministry of education in England.



In 1923, the Sisters opened a Novitiate in Scarborough, England to welcome the young women from England and Ireland who wanted to join the DMJs.





1926:**California:** Bishop John Cantwell of Los Angeles, after meeting the DMJs in Belgium, invited the Sisters to Culver City to staff the first of many elementary and secondary schools throughout the Los Angeles Archdiocese and California.

1943:With young women in **California** interested in becoming a DMJ, a novitiate is opened, first in Westwood, then moved to Brentwood a year later.



Novitiate in Brentwood, CA

CA's dream of an Irish novitiate began in the mid 40's when the Sisters here were experiencing a shortage of teachers. After intense prayer and research, a house was found in the heart of Ireland in the small town of Ballymahon, Co. Longford. It sat on 90 acres of farmland called Castlecór.

Two Sisters, Mary Francis and Mary Kevin, were sent from CA in 1946 to start the novitiate in Castlecór. They were faith-filled women with a strong devotion to the Blessed Mother. In every angle of the Foundation story, Our Lady features prominently. August 5, 1947, feast of Our Lady of the Snows, was chosen as the opening day of the Novitiate. It became known as Rosary Convent.

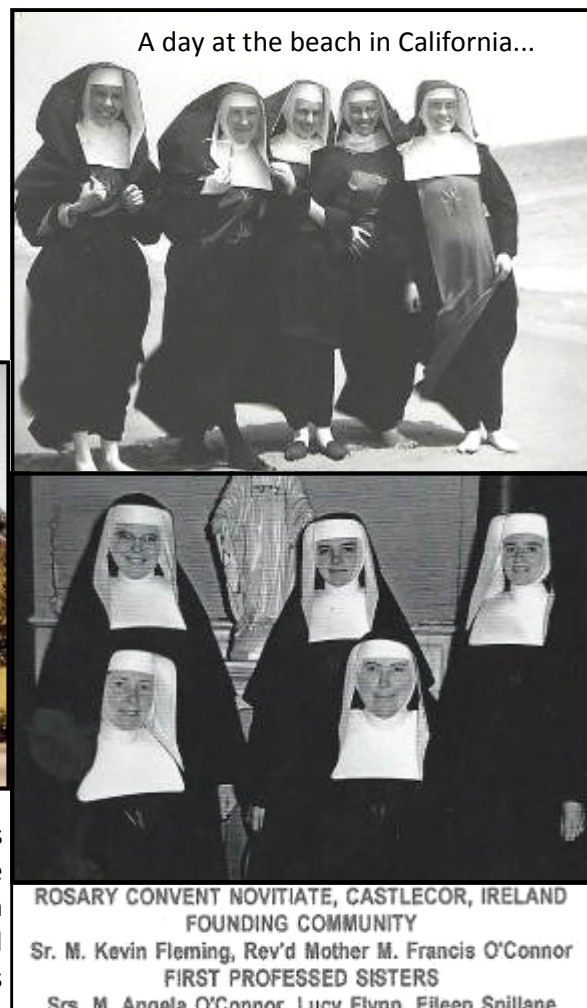
Very soon young girls filled the house, five of whom formally entered the Novitiate. Two Sisters from England joined the core community, Mary Brendan and Mary Brigid. Academic programs were developed and the girls followed a strict schedule of classes. Meanwhile, farmhands were hired and soon the air was filled with the bleating of lambs and the lowing of cattle. Castlecór was an ideal



Castlecór, Ireland 1947

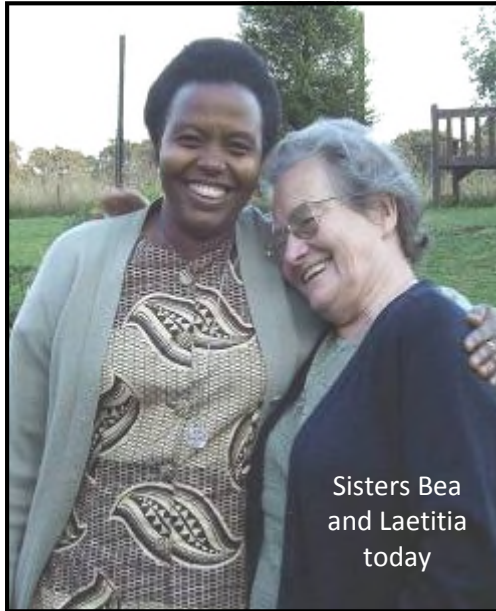
place to nurture the spiritual life of these young women whose desire was to "Go (ye) afar, go teach all nations". (Mission hymn) Three years after Foundation Day, the first fruits of Rosary Convent came to California as Professed Sisters. One of these is Sister Mary Angela in Palos Verdes. A companion sister returned to community in Ireland and lives in Dublin.

For about 30 years, Sisters arrived yearly from Castlecór. In the early 70's many Castlecórites went to Africa and others went to Brazil. The prayers and support of the California Province for their dream of an Irish Novitiate never wavered.



ROSARY CONVENT NOVITIATE, CASTLECÓR, IRELAND  
FOUNDING COMMUNITY  
Sr. M. Kevin Fleming, Rev'd Mother M. Francis O'Connor  
FIRST PROFESSED SISTERS  
Srs. M. Angela O'Connor, Lucy Flynn, Eileen Spillane

**1930: Urundi (Burundi), Africa:** Inspired by the newly elected Pope Pius XI's call for religious congregations to expand their ministries to "mission lands", and responding to the invitation of Bishop Gorju, Apostolic Vicar to Urundi, five DMJ's left Belgium and traveled for nearly 3 months, arriving at Kaninya in the north of Urundi. The DMJ presence continues to this day in Burundi, both in education and medical ministries.



Sisters Bea  
and Laetitia  
today



Burundi,  
Africa  
1930

**1959: Uganda, Africa:** responding to an invitation from Bishop Ogez, the DMJs arrived in Nyamitanga, Mbarara, western Uganda, in December, to open a junior secondary school for girls. Some months later, the Sisters opened a dispensary, also in Nyamitanga, to serve the health needs of the people. The Sisters continue to serve the people in these ministries plus many more.



FOUNDING COMMUNITY IN MBARARA, UGANDA, 1959



Coloma School, Uganda 2017



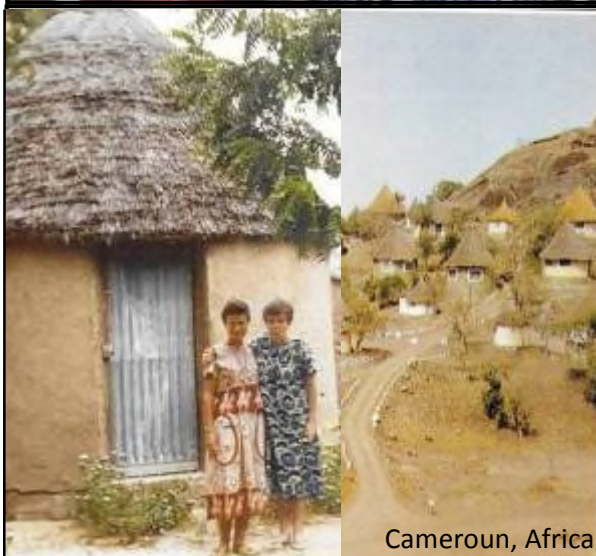


1963:**Northeast Brazil:** At the time of Vatican Council II, the Church issued a call for missionaries to work in Latin and South America. The DMJs responded to this call and sent Sisters to serve the poor in Macau and other cities in northeast Brazil. Today, one DMJ continues this ministry.

1964:**Iran:** Continuing in the missionary spirit within the Church, the Archbishop of Teheran, Iran, invited the DMJs to open a hospital there. Three Sisters were sent, but after a short period of time, the project was discontinued and the Sisters returned to their homes.



1971:**Ghana, West Africa:** At the invitation of the Archbishop of Cape Coast, Ghana, the DMJs were asked to take on the formation of the Sisters of a newly founded religious congregation of Ghanaian women. From this first ministry, the DMJs broadened their presence in Cape Coast and in other areas of the country through their work with the poor and marginalized.



1980:**Cameroun, West Africa:** Taught by their Founder to adapt their ministries to the changing needs of the world, the DMJs sought new ways other than their traditional ministries to be present with the people. The Bishop of Mora Diocese in the far north of Cameroun, who also happened to be a relative of one of the DMJ's, invited the Sisters to be a Christian presence among the Muslim communities in the northern part of the country. Recently, the Sisters had to leave Cameroun because of the hostile activities of the Boko Haran terrorists, but it is our hope to return to the people as soon as we can.



*Although the Sisters began simply by teaching lace making and basic education, the Founder insisted on the importance of the Sisters being able to adapt themselves to the specific needs of each time and place. Below is a list of some of the areas where the DMJs have ministered.*

### Education

Boarding and Day Schools  
Nursery Schools, Primary Schools, Secondary Schools,  
Preparatory Schools, Grammar Schools, Technical Schools,  
Special Education Schools, Colleges of Education, Industrial Schools,  
and Schools of Home Economics, Dressmaking and Sewing.  
Schools for the children of chiefs in Burundi,  
Teaching and Lecturing in Universities,  
Major and Minor Seminaries and other centers  
of Advanced studies, Secretarial College  
and Formation of Aspirants for other Congregations.

### Medical

Dispensaries, Pre-natal consultations  
and consultations for infants,  
Hospitals and Medical Schools,  
Nursing in General Hospitals, Children's Hospitals,  
Mental Hospitals and of the chronically sick.  
Nursing Tutors, Paramedics and Psychotherapists,  
Doctors in Hospitals, General Practice  
and a Center for the Homeless,  
Work with Leprosy patients including a Child Care Facility,  
Home for the Elderly, Village and Rehabilitation Center,  
Work with Aids projects, Orphans of Aids patients,  
Counseling Drug Addicts.

### Pastoral and Social Work

Retreat Centers, Retreats, Spiritual Direction,  
Prayer groups, Counseling and work in Ecumenical Centers,  
Religious Instruction to Adults and Children,  
Catechumenates and Courses in Catechetics,  
Work with Youth and Hostels for Students, Farming,  
Homes for the Elderly, Children's Homes, Orphanages, Respite Care,  
Social Workers, Resident Wardens in Hostels helping young women,  
Prison work and Probation Work,  
Work with the Homeless, Ex-Prisoners, Recovering Alcoholics,  
Home for Unmarried Mothers, Parish Sisters  
Secretary to a Bishop, Working for the Nunciature,  
Visiting the Sick and Elderly, Working with the Batwa,  
Ecumenical Work, Jewish-Christian-Muslim relations,  
Collaboration with Humanitarian Organizations.





Julie Herbeau  
1833-1838



Olympiade Derville  
1840-1858



Flore Delhaye  
1858-1885



Raphaele Becq  
1885-1900



Eulalie de Charro  
1900-1916



Lutgarde Borreman  
1919-1925



André de Mytenmarre  
1925-1937



Madeleine Vandeghinste  
1937-1952



Genevieve Hanssens  
1952-1957

## Our Congregational Leaders



Eulalie (Judith) Glouden  
1958-1970



Ruth Schwalenberg  
1970-1981



Bernadette Lecluyse  
1981-1989



Joan Roddy  
1989-1997



Agnès Charles  
1997-2005



Linda Webb  
2005-2010

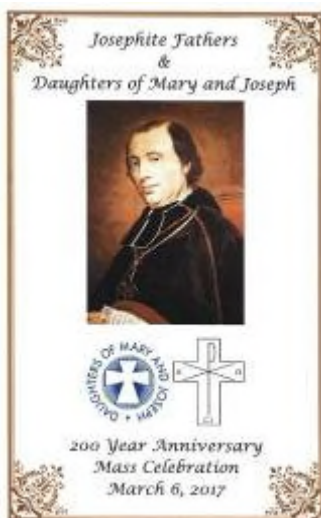


Kate Creedon  
2010-2013



Helen Lane  
2014-

## *Daughters of Mary and Joseph and Josephites Celebrate MARCH 6, 2017*



On March 6, 2017, we DMJs and Josephites gathered at the historic Mission San Buenaventura to celebrate! Yes, to celebrate us, but more importantly to celebrate our Founder, Constant William von Crombrugghe.

Here was a young priest who was so imbued with the need to improve the condition of his Belgian people, especially the children of his time. With his ingenuity and trust in God, he found unique ways to ensure the academic and spiritual education of children. With his foresight and creativity and deep spiritual life, he founded three women's congregations and one of men to carry out his dream.

Each congregation spoke to the specific needs of the population, and all were under the patronage of Mary and Joseph. So, we DMJs and Josephites were born of his dream and we carry on the tradition of "being there for the whole Church", and we celebrate!



The key event of our day was the celebration of the liturgy, concelebrated by our Josephite brothers. In the homily Fr. Richard Lear reminded us of the vision of our Founder and the charisms with which he wanted us to live. The artistic liturgy booklet incorporated the "Prayer of the Founder" (put to music), "Mary's Song," and "St. Joseph Great Protector."

*~Sisters Catherine and Règine*





## *Celebrating Jubilees: Celebrating Memories*

This year our whole Congregation has been looking back on 200 years of our history, many of us recording them in a "Memoir's" project. Jubilee time is a time of remembering, rejoicing and revelation and it is within the context of the Memoirs that this year's Jubilarians are sharing briefly their vocation story. Who was it, or what was it that helped to shape their early years, leading up to a serious response to an invitation to become a Daughters of Mary and Joseph?



*Chased by God*  
*Renée Bauerly, DMJ*

Thinking back on my 50 years as a Daughter of Mary and Joseph, I am struck by the humorous, winding ways that my vocation developed and how God was darting in and out of my life in my high school and early college years. During my high school, some of the Teachers (Sisters) made a point of directly recruiting girls to enter religious life. One such instance stands out for me. My homeroom teacher asked me several times the leading question, "Have you given any thought to entering the convent?" In order to "get her off my back" one day I answered, "I'm in conversation with Sr. Thérèse Martin". That was not true, but the Sister never approached me again! Sr. Thérèse Martin was someone that was very approachable; her availability to the students was extraordinary. Many of us used to talk with her, but she would never have asked a question that put one on the spot. Her quiet intuitive presence drew us to her.

A few years passed after high school. I applied to San Jose State where I could pursue a degree in Physical Education with an Art minor. I had the summer free and decided to go to San Francisco to pick up units in Art. I discovered how I perceived the world in "three dimensions", seeing the "space between", and sculpture would be the art form to develop.

There was however a tugging at my heart. I needed to talk to someone about vocations. I was not far from Lone Mountain College, so I drove to the top one foggy day, the wind howling. I climbed the steps and approached the convent door. A Sister led me into a huge, high-ceilinged parlor where the dark, mahogany wood panels felt downright spooky. Asking myself what I was doing there, I fled before anyone came to talk to me!

That summer I knew that Sr. Thérèse Martin was in San Francisco and I sought her out. Summer was ending and I needed some direction. She calmly gave me some information on contacting the Daughters of Mary and Joseph when I got back to Los Angeles. That was an uncomplicated appointment and plans were discussed for me to enter. My parents and sister knew nothing of my desire. My sister had already moved on in her ice-skating career and I lived with my parents. I decided to let them know what my future held. While watching T.V. one evening I asked if we could turn it off – I needed to tell them something. When they heard my plan there was absolute silence for about 20 minutes. Finally they said, "Well, we always raised you to think for yourself, so no matter what you decide we'll be there to back you".





## *California, Here I Come!* *Nuala Briody, DMJ*



Many girls were entering religious life in the 50's. When I was in Grade 5, I can recall several occasions when missionaries visited our classrooms, sharing their stories, showing filmstrips of life on the missions. I used to visualize myself in Africa, always under a tree, teaching children about God. That was until 2 DMJs came along in 1947 with their stories of teaching children in California. They did not have filmstrips but they spent a lot of time talking to us in class and on the playground. They were the most natural and happiest of all the missionaries! Obviously they won my heart. My older sister Kathy joined them first and she is well known as Sr. Clare Miriam.

My vocation story developed without any drama. My father was not keen on the idea of my "joining the nuns". He saw it as a lonely life – "You won't have any children," he said. Later on I wished he were still living to share with him the utter joy of teaching hundreds of children – the memories of whom still energize my life. My mother wasn't too happy about it either but she assured me that if that is what I wanted to do, she wouldn't stop me. Knowing that my sister Marie, would continue to be at home with my parents, facilitated my leaving home.

In my early teens, a priest came into my life who played a significant role in my understanding of religious life. Father Dermot had a vision of religious life as a patch of ground in the depths of our world in which God is given full space to sow the good seed. We know that gardening requires patience, vigilance and trust. Giving God full space to sow the seed is not a one-time decision! Dermot saw this patch becoming a garden where all who come can find peace, hope and courage. This image grew over the 60 years of my DMJ life. My Celebration includes every person – my parents and siblings, all who have been and are a part of my life – it's one big garden party! May we all find peace, hope and courage for our lives.



## *Sister Teresa Groth Professes Final Vows*

The photograph depicts great joy and thanksgiving, which were strongly evident among the Daughters of Mary and Joseph and the family and friends of Sister Teresa Groth in the chapel of the Mary and Joseph Retreat Center on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

The occasion was the beautiful Liturgy and the inspiring ceremony of witnessing Sister Teresa Groth pronouncing her Final Vows in the Congregation of the Daughters of Mary and Joseph. On hand to accept and sign Sister Teresa's Document of Final Vows were the Most Reverend Thomas Curry, Auxiliary Bishop of the Los Angeles Archdiocese, and Sister Marie-Claire Nakayiza, a member of the DMJ General Leadership Team. The chapel was filled with love and gratitude to God as all present prayed for Sister Teresa as she made her life commitment to the living out of the vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience. We rejoice with Teresa and keep her in our prayers as she strives each day to be an instrument of God's mercy and compassion in the daily living of the Consecrated Life.





### *Sister Pascazia Kinkuhaire*



Sr. Pascazia is the newest member of our DMJ Community in California. Originally from a small village in the Ntugamo district in Uganda, she is fluent in English and her native language is Runyankore. While in Uganda she taught orphans and other vulnerable children in primary schools, worked among HIV/Aids patients, and people afflicted with leprosy. She also helped in delivering babies while in Africa and is a professional Social Worker.

Sr. Pascazia (affectionately called "Pasi") arrived in California in October 2014. Pasi has been a blessing and ray of light since joining the DMJ Sisters in Rancho Palos Verdes. She works as a Social Worker for the Francisco Homes in south LA (which ministers to men who have been released from incarceration), helps out at Saint John Fisher parish, volunteers at the Mary and Joseph Retreat Center, and is happy to extend a helping hand wherever needed.

Pasi is happy to go anywhere God sends her and is always at home amongst her community of Sisters. Places may change, but the charism of the Daughters of Mary and Joseph is universal.

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### *Sister Margaret O'Rourke 1932–2016*

Sr. Margaret entered the Daughters of Mary and Joseph on August 8th, 1951 and took the name in Religion of Sister Mary Regina. She chose to dedicate her life to God at a very early age. Margaret was a woman of faith, prayer, and a community person. Her heart was full of love and warm with compassion.

During her religious life, she was called to fill a variety of roles. She was an elementary school teacher, a Principal, a member of the California leadership team and a member of the International leadership team. She cheerfully accepted her various assignments with humor and enthusiasm. In later years, Margaret retired and lived at Marian Residence in Rancho Palos Verdes, California.



Margaret was a champion of helping the poor. When she was sent to Africa, she made sure that every DMJ community had a vegetable garden so as to reduce food expenses. Margaret never spared herself if anyone was in need of anything, she would take clothing of her own to dress a poor person. She opened her arms to help the poor and extended her hands to the needy. She begged right and left for Africa Province Apostolates. This is what inspired her to begin fundraising in California for Africa. Her mind and heart remained in Africa and she actually considered Africa her home.

Margaret had a most generous spirit, great sense of humor, always good for a joke, was well read (always reading books), and had high expectations for herself, students and co-workers.

# In Honor of... (those honored are in **BOLD**)

**Sr. Mary Angela and all of the DMJ Sisters.**

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*All day I think about it,  
then at night I say it.  
Where did I come from,  
and what am I supposed  
to be doing?  
I have no idea.  
My soul is from elsewhere,  
I'm sure of that, and I  
intend to end up there.*

~Rumi

## *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.

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**Sr. Linda Webb**  
(310) 377-9968

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Mr. & Mrs. Dominic Tiscornia

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Mr. & Mrs. Al Torres

**Barbara Tucker**

Mr. Albert S. Tucker, Jr.

**Sr. Rose Waldron**

Mr. & Mrs. Art Reardon

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**Kathleen (Crowley) Ward**

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Where shall I turn, O Lord,  
when I can no longer see You,  
Who are the Light and the Way,  
the Beginning and the End of my existence?  
If I keep my gaze steadfastly fixed on You,  
I shall never stray far.  
In the overwhelming darkness of life's journey,  
I have but to put all my faith and trust  
in You, O my God.  
You alone do I seek,  
You alone do I see reflected in all creation.  
The fulfillment of Your holy will  
is my sole desire.

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