

- Do you see yourself as an active member of this Spirit-evolving Community of Saint Joseph?
- Would you like to gather more information about the formation of the Community of Saint Joseph?
- Would you be open to sharing your call in conversation and exploration with others who also feel called?
- Do you know someone who may be interested in learning more about the Community of Saint Joseph?

*You are cordially invited
to join in the
formation of the
Community of Saint Joseph*



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CONSENSUS STATEMENT

The mission of the Community of Saint Joseph flows from that of the Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Joseph worldwide as expressed in the Consensus Statement of their spirituality:

*Stimulated by the Holy Spirit of love
and receptive to God's inspirations,
the Sister of St. Joseph moves always toward
profound love of God
and love of neighbor without distinction
from whom she does not separate herself,
and for whom, in the following of Christ,
she works in order to achieve unity
both of neighbor with neighbor
and neighbor with God
directly in this apostolate
and indirectly through works of charity
in humility, the spirit of the Incarnate Word,
in sincere charity, the manner of St. Joseph
whose name she bears,
in an Ignatian-Salesian climate, that is,
with an orientation toward excellence
tempered by gentleness, peace, joy.*

(as derived from the primitive documents)

COMMUNITY OF SAINT JOSEPH MISSION STATEMENT

(DRAFT VERSION)

In the spirit of the mission of the Sisters of Saint Joseph, that all may be one, we join together in the Community of Saint Joseph, vowed members, associates, agregées and others who share our Gospel vision. We strive to achieve union of neighbor with neighbor and neighbor with God as we support one another in our personal and communal quest for union with God. We commit ourselves to live simply, act for justice and live in right relationship with all creation. We encourage one another to use and celebrate our gifts in accordance with our diverse paths in life.

FORMS OF BELONGING

(DRAFT VERSION)

A person can become an integral part of the Community of Saint Joseph in a variety of ways:

- **as a vowed member**, living in community; consecrated by the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience; choosing ministry based on the mission and priorities of the Sisters of Saint Joseph; being formally incorporated into the Congregation.
- **as an associate**, committed to the mission of the Sisters of Saint Joseph; living in varied lifestyles; connected by a renewable covenant with the Sisters; choosing one's ministry with/without a focus on the mission of the Sisters of Saint Joseph; open to voluntary contributions to the Congregation; being formally incorporated upon completion of an orientation period.
- **as an agrégée**, committed to the mission of the Sisters of Saint Joseph; living varied lifestyles and being a member of a local community circle; entering into temporary or permanent commitment centered in a simple lifestyle; choosing ministry in light of priorities based on mission of the Community of Saint Joseph; engaging in tithing to the Congregation; and formally incorporated following an intense orientation period.
- **as a partner in mission**, committed to serving in the mission of the Community of Saint Joseph with a personal commitment and/or temporary commitment around ministry.

In the Community of Saint Joseph lateral transfer is possible provided the individual has completed the formation process for inclusion in the new form of belonging.