# spirit

Founded in 1650 France, the Sisters of St. Joseph sought to care for those suffering from war, plague and famine. They sought to bring neighbor into union with neighbor and all into union with God. It is this same spirit that draws the sisters and associates of the Congregation of St. Joseph to serve today,

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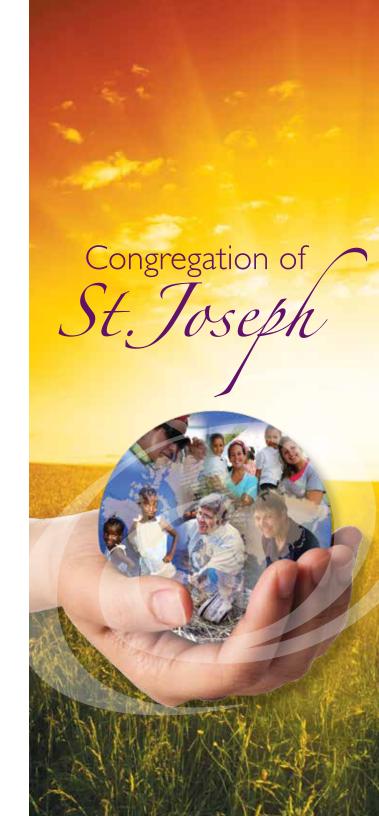
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#### Portrait of the Daughter of St. Joseph

Eyes open to the world both miserable and sinful, but a world worked on by the Holy Spirit;
Eyes open and ears attentive to the sufferings of the world;

Eyes open, ears attentive and spirit alert...
never settled down, always in a holy disquietude,
searching...in order to understand,
to divine what God and the dear neighbor await
from her today, now, for the body and for the soul;

Eyes open, ears attentive, spirit alert...sleeves rolled up for ministry, without excluding the more humble, the less pleasing, the less noticeable;

Finally, in her face the reflection of a virtue proper to our Congregation, – continual joy of spirit.

This is the quiet inner glow of the Sister whose life in the service of Jesus Christ has been successful.

- Marius Nepper, S.J.

Creating a culture of COMPASSION

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## We do this by

- Bringing God's love and reconciliation to a broken world.
- Being concerned about Earth and the Global Neighborhood.
- Acting in the name of those whose voices are not heard.
- Companioning others on their spiritual journeys.
- Doing all the works women are capable of doing.

Living out our *MUSSUM* 

### Being women of prayer

- Personal
- Communal
- Sharing the "State of the Heart" (Ask us what that means!)

#### Living in community

- Sharing life
- Supporting one another
- Being part of a vision greater than ourselves

