

*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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Congregation of  
*St. Joseph*



Faithful to the

# spirit

## 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* in a complex *world*

### 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.
- Companionship on their spiritual journeys.
- Doing all the works women are capable of doing.

## Living out our *mission*

### 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



Today,  
we say  
*yes!*