

## MSC Associates are financially independent...

there are no legal or financial obligations for Associates. Many Associates choose, however, to offer monetary support for Marianite ministries.

## Benefits of MSC Associates include...

- "On the Grow," regular publication for inspiration and education
- Advent and Lenten retreats with seasonal prayer and reflection materials
- involvement in Marianite ministry
- participation in community celebrations with the Marianites
- opportunity for spiritual growth seeking the path to Christ through the Cross
- cross emblem (pin) noting association

The Marianite Associate pin is rich in symbolism. The cross is a reminder both of our salvation in the cross of Christ and of our Holy Cross heritage. The tree, rooted in Divine Providence, has three branches representing the sisters, brothers and priests of the Holy Cross family. Intermingled and variegated leaves recall both the vowed religious and lay associate relationships. This is placed over a yellow circle, to portray the congregational charism of unity in the Son, Jesus Christ.



*If you desire more information,  
please complete the following:*

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How did you meet the Marianites? \_\_\_\_\_

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**BLESSED BASIL MOREAU**  
*beatified on September 14, 2007*

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# MARIANITE ASSOCIATE PROGRAM



**HOLY CROSS WILL GROW  
LIKE A MIGHTY TREE  
AND CONSTANTLY SHOOT  
FORTH NEW LIMBS AND  
NEW BRANCHES...**

*Blessed Basil Moreau*

# MARIANITE ASSOCIATES ...

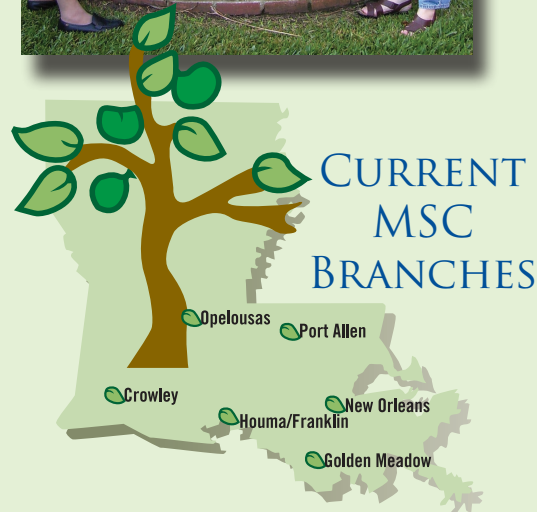
are a group of laywomen and men who are dedicated to collaborating with the Marianites of Holy Cross in their ministries. Associates commit themselves to assist in the fulfillment of the Marianite mission through prayer, service, and community.

Associate membership in the Marianites has been a part of the history of the Congregation since its foundation in 1841 in LeMans, France. Both the founder, Blessed Basil Moreau, and Mother Mary of the Seven Dolors, the first Superior General, asked members of the Congregation to invite their families, lay friends, and students to pray with them for the needs of the Church, for vocations and for any special concerns.

Themes of Holy Cross' vibrant spirituality include trust in Divine Providence, hope in the Cross, discipleship and justice. This unifying spirit is articulated in the mission statement of the Congregation:

## MSC MISSION STATEMENT

United with Mary standing at the foot of the cross, we, Marianites of Holy Cross, are apostolic religious, women of prayer and compassion. Our mission, energized by our life in community, is to incarnate the love and compassion of Jesus Christ. Called to be a prophetic presence in an ever-changing world, we resolutely stand with those who are excluded.



## CURRENTLY ACTIVE IN BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

Alaska, California, Louisiana, Mississippi, New Jersey, New York, Texas, Washington, France



*MSC Associates commit themselves to...*

**PRAYER**, praying in communion with sisters and other Associates for the needs of the Church and the world.

## ACTIVE INVOLVEMENT

through participation in retreats, outreach ministry, social and educational activities.

Associates make a commitment annually on September 15, Feast of Our Lady of Seven Dolors.

Associates are called as individuals and in partnership with the Marianites to incarnate the love and compassion of Jesus Christ through a responsible presence in an ever-changing world.

