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Summer approaches, and our work at NACMS has certainly heated up. Keep reading to learn more about:

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- LEAD with Mary Immersion Visited NACMS,
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- Recent Publications and Recordings,
- And our Juneteenth closure.



Celebrating Adèle and Father's Day

This month, we honor Adèle de Batz de Trenquelléon on the anniversary of her beatification (June 10) and her birthday. We also recognize Father's Day on June 15, 2025. Please join us in prayer to celebrate Adèle and invoke the intercession of St. Joseph for all fathers in the Marianist Family.

Prayer in Gratitude for Adèle



O God, source of all holiness, we thank you for filling the heart of your servant Adèle with an ardent missionary spirit and a deep love for the Blessed Virgin Mary. We thank you for the enthusiasm with which she spread the Gospel of love for Christ and his mother, Mary. Lord, help us to follow her in being a sign of your love for all our brothers and sisters. Amen.

Prayer to St. Joseph

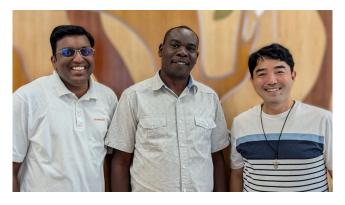
Joseph,

it was to you that the Father entrusted his Son and the Virgin Mother. Continue to be for us a sign of the Father's love in the Church, Mary's family today. By the inspiration of your faith and love, draw our community closer to Mary, our Mother, and to Christ, the source of our unity. Form us in the ways of work as you formed Christ, so that we may labor for the building up of the city of God. Amen.



Prayer Sources: The Marianist Family Prayer Book, Second Edition (Dayton: NACMS, 2019).

Concluding the Marianist Specialist Training Program for 2024–2025



In May, Marianists Fr. Renny Markose, Bro. Erick Otiende, and Fr. Bosco Shin completed their year-long engagement with our **Marianist Specialist Training Program**. As they return to their home countries, they will take the skills learned in this NACMS-led program and apply them to the needs of their home

provinces. We wish them the very best and pray for their safe travels and continued success in Marianist scholarship.

Lead with Mary Immersion Visited NACMS



Students and staff from the three Marianist universities gathered in Dayton, Ohio, for the 2025 LEAD with Mary Immersion to learn about food access and hospitality. As part of their visit to Mount St. John, George Lisjak provided a tour of NACMS, and Caitlin Cipolla–McCulloch shared an interactive presentation focused on Marianist history, the history of the Mount St. John property, and each individual's role within the Marianist Family today. We were grateful to join this year's group as they Listened, Encountered, Acted, and Deepened (LEAD) their call to serve God and one another. Keep reading to learn more about our latest podcast episode reflecting on the 2024 LEAD with Mary Immersion experience.

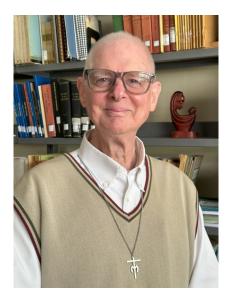
Caitlin Cipolla-McCulloch's Recent Contributions to Marian Scholarship

Caitlin Cipolla-McCulloch, the NACMS program administrator, has written "What Peru's Virgen de la Puerta represents about unity and inclusion," which appears in The Conversation. The article connects Pope Leo XIV's previous ministry in Peru, La Virgen de la Puerta in Otuzco, and Caitlin's own observations of Mary's significance to the marginalized people of Peru.

Caitlin was also interviewed as part of Diálogos Porteños 2025 for the Catholic Pontifical University of Valparaiso in Chile. This interview was organized with support from the Institute of Religious Studies and Philosophy at the Catholic University of the North in Chile. Caitlin spoke about Pope Leo XIV, the Marianist Family in Otuzco, hope, and living prophetic lives. Her interview is **available on YouTube** in Spanish (with English subtitles).



Recent Publications and Recordings



"Mission and Ministry in Our Marianist Charism" by Tom Redmond, SM: Drawing upon the theology of Edward Schillebeeckx, Bro. Tom Redmond, SM, shares a heart-centered approach to the Incarnation as a prolonged, everlasting, and uninterrupted event that invites each of us into an everdeeper relationship with God and with one another. Mary is our model, and her spiritual maternity guides the Marianist Family today, just as she initially did in Saragossa, Spain. This free e-publication is a version of a keynote presentation that Bro. Tom delivered at a Marianist Charism Day for the Society of Mary's Region of Eastern Africa.

Podcast Episode 49: LEAD with Mary – Exploring Immigration and Hospitality: What happens when students from three Marianist Universities come together for a powerful service– immersion experience? In our latest episode of *Sharing Our Marianist Stories*, Sarah McLeeson (University of Dayton), Esmeralda Lopez ("Esme," St. Mary's University), and Isaiah Atalig (Chaminade University) dive into their journey of building community and grappling with the complexities of immigration through the 2024 LEAD with Mary Immersion. Hear firsthand how this immersive service opportunity deepened their faith, ignited a stronger call to serve others, and strengthened their engagement with the Marianist Charism.

Sharing Our Marianist **Stories**



Thanks to Fr. Renny Markose, SM, and Bro. Erick Otiende, SM, for visiting our Lawrence J. Cada, SM, Recording Studio, and to Bros. Alex Roman, SM, and Pepe Gutiérrez, SM, who connected with us virtually in May. If you have a person or topic you'd recommend for an upcoming episode of *Sharing Our Marianist Stories*, email Mike Bennett, media administrator, at **mbennett3@udayton.edu**.



"All these hardships taught Adèle she could not place her hope in the things of this world—wealth, power, prestige—for she saw how all these and more could be taken away in an instant. But God? God was everlasting. Because of these early challenges in her life, Adèle wrote the following on her twenty-first birthday: "Let us place our hopes, our desires, and our joys in the Well-Beloved, for he alone is able to fill a heart which has been created for God alone."



- Gabby Bibeau

Continue to keep an eye out on our Facebook and Instagram accounts as we share quotes on hope from prominent Marianist scholars, including the Marianist Founders, in celebration of the 2025 Jubilee.

Source: Gabrielle Bibeau, "Living in a Time of Crisis: It's in Our Marianist DNA," North American Center for Marianist Studies, Apr. 30, 2020, 5. https://nacms.org/epubs/living-time-crisis-its-our-marianist-dna.

Juneteenth Closure



The NACMS Office will be closed on Thursday, June 19, and Friday, June 20, in observance of Freedom Day. Our office will reopen on Monday, June 23, as scheduled.

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