

A SPECIAL DEVOTION of the MARIANITES:

Seven Dolor Beads

Invoke the Holy Spirit. Pray one Our Father and seven Hail Marys between the meditations on each of the seven dolors (sorrows).

- 1 **Prophecy of Simeon**
- 2 **Flight into Egypt**
- 3 **Jesus lost in the Temple**
- 4 **Meeting with Jesus carrying his cross**
- 5 **Crucifixion of Jesus**
- 6 **Mary receives the dead body of Jesus in her arms**
- 7 **Burial of Jesus**



In honor of the tears shed by Mary in her sorrows, say three Hail Marys. Follow with the prayer, *Our Lady of Seven Dolours, pray for us* (7 times).

MARIANITE VISION STATEMENT

Faithful to the vision of unity which inspired our founder, Blessed Basil Moreau, we, Marianites of Holy Cross, strive to be artisans of communion participating in the transformation of the Church and the world.

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HOLY CROSS

WILL GROW

LIKE A

MIGHTY

TREE

AND

CONSTANTLY

SHOOT

FORTH

NEW LIMBS

AND NEW

BRANCHES.

Moreau

MARIANITE ASSOCIATE

PRAYER CARD

There is continuity between the inspiration of Blessed Basil Moreau which gave birth to the Associates of St. Joseph in 1837 and the spirit that animated the revival of MSC Associates following Vatican II.

PRAYER: *Prayed each Friday of the year:*

Gracious God, as I stand united with Mary at the foot of the cross, and in solidarity with the Marianite sisters and the family of Holy Cross, teach me to be a person of prayer. Please help me to incarnate the love and compassion of your Son, Jesus Christ. Called to be a prophetic presence in an ever-changing world, give me the courage to stand resolutely with those who are excluded.

Amen.

(Adapted from the Marianites of Holy Cross Mission Statement.)



COMMITMENT:

Made at least annually on or near September 15

In order to follow Christ more closely in the pursuit of spiritual growth, I,, joyfully and willingly renew my baptismal promises and commit myself as an Associate of the Marianites of Holy Cross. In the spirit of Basil Moreau, I believe that the cross is my only hope. Trusting in the forceful influence of the Holy Spirit, and under the protection of Mary who stood at the foot of the cross, I affirm my desire to serve the Church in faith, hope and love as so many Marianite sisters have done before me. *Amen.*

Rejoice and be glad...Ps. 118: 24



“I do not mean a prayer of thanksgiving but an “act” of thanksgiving.”

– Mother Mary of the Seven Dolors

In addition to celebrating Sunday Mass and the major feasts of the Church, Marianites and Associates celebrate the following congregational feasts and anniversaries:

January 6	<i>Blessed Brother Andre Bessette</i>
January 20	<i>Blessed Basil Moreau</i>
January 29	<i>Mother Mary of the Seven Dolors</i>
February 19	<i>1st Approbation of the Marianite Constitutions by Rome</i>
March 19	<i>St. Joseph</i>
June- Friday after Corpus Christi	<i>Sacred Heart</i>
September 14	<i>Exaltation of the Holy Cross</i>
September 15	<i>Our Lady of Seven Dolors</i>



“Seek God in all our actions, seek ourselves in nothing.”

– Blessed Basil Moreau

Decade of Days: January 20-29

Ten days of prayer and commemoration between the anniversary of the deaths of Father Basil Moreau and Mother Mary of the Seven Dolors, Founder and First Superior General, respectively.