



Sisters of Providence
are Catholic women

of faith who reach out with
compassion to people in
need, especially those who
are poor and vulnerable. Our
lives are defined by ministry,
community and spirituality,
guided by humility, simplicity
and charity.



About Us

More than 175 years ago Emilie Gamelin, a young widow in Montreal, Canada, was moved to serve the many poor, hungry and sick people who lived around her. Responding to the call of religious life, she founded the Sisters of Providence. Her example inspired others to support her efforts. In 1856, Mother Joseph of the Scared Heart and four other Sisters of Providence traveled to the Pacific Northwest establishing schools, hospitals, orphanages and other homes of care for those in need.

The legacy of compassion and good works established by Blessed Emilie Gamelin (beatified in 2001) and Mother Joseph lives on, guiding those called to share their lives as Sisters of Providence. Contemporary sisters pursue the same goals as Mother Gamelin, while keeping pace with the changes in society today. The Sisters of Providence are urged by the love of Christ and inspired by Mary, Our Mother of Sorrows, to respond to those who suffer, particularly individuals and groups whose basic needs are not met, and those who are rejected, marginalized and voiceless.

Sisters of Providence International serves Argentina, Cameroon, Canada, Chile, Egypt, El Salvador, the United States, Haiti and the Philippines. Sisters of Providence, Mother Joseph Province, serves the western states of Alaska, Oregon, California, Idaho, Montana and Washington, as well as El Salvador and the Philippines.

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Seeking greater purpose?

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Providence**

Become a bridge of Providence
between God and His people.

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Challenged in Ministry

A woman of Providence is a visible sign of God’s Providence as she accepts the challenge to make a difference in the world. We share the gifts God has given us through ministries in education, parish support, health care, community service, housing, prison outreach, pastoral care, spiritual direction, retreats, and foreign missions.



Supported in Community

Sisters of Providence is an active, faith-filled community that embraces diverse nationalities, cultures and ages. We live and work together, enriching one another’s lives, strengthening our service to others, and witnessing gospel values.

Nourished by Spirituality

As Sisters of Providence, we seek a deeper relationship with God, with each other, and with the Earth on which we serve. Prayer, faith-sharing and trust in God’s Providence nurture our growth.



“Here I am Lord; I come to do your will.” –PSALM 40

“Whatever concerns the poor is always our affair.” –MOTHER JOSEPH



Discerning a Call

If you feel in your heart the urge to consider religious life and have recurring thoughts about it, these may be signs that you are called. We can help you explore your options and guide you through the discernment process.



Connect with us for more information or to attend a “Come & See” event.

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