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The Province of Our Lady of Loreto comprises the communities of France, Italy and Mexico. In spite of the advanced age of the Brothers, a good vitality is maintained in the mission, in the common mission with the laity of the Sa-Fa Family. The specific fields have expanded and varied over the years. In several communities there is no single mission. The Brothers in these cases may have different commitments and services, more linked to a particular Brother than to the whole Community.



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In these cases, they are small communities in which the Brothers are involved in parish and/or social work: catechesis, care for immigrants, accompaniment of prisoners in prisons.... Brothers of an advanced age are also involved in these activities, which indicates their strong commitment to the mission.

The Province also has some Brothers who, because of their catechetical background, offer a service of formation or catechetical accompaniment at parish, diocesan and even national or international level. Several of them have published highly appreciated publications on catechetics, both in Italy and in Mexico.

Another field of mission is education. The province has 4 educational centers (2 in France, 1 in Italy and 1 in Mexico). They offer quality education according to the guidelines of the Sa-Fa Educational Project.

HISTORY OF THE PROVINCE

1903: The Brothers arrive in Italy from France. The General Administration is established in Villa Brea.

1923: The Province of Europe is constituted. **1947:** France-Italy Province.

1959: Vice-Province of "Madonna di Loreto". **1963:** Acquires the status of Province.

1987: Foundation in Mexico. **2010:** France, Italy and Mexico form the Province "Our Lady of Loreto".

BROTHERS

Brothers	39
Communities	9
Brothers outside Italy	6
Nazarene Fraternities	3

MISSION

Kindergarten	4	Primary	4
Secondary	4	Lyceum	4
Post-baccalaureate	1	Total students	5.347
Parish and social ministry	3	Catechetical formation	1
Pastoral Teams	4	Convent Assistance	1



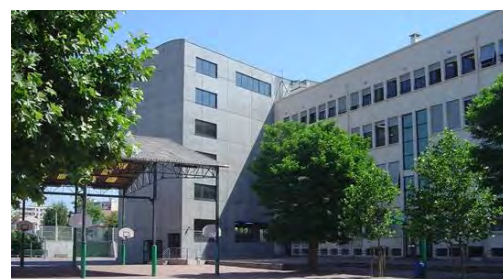
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Charles-de-Foucauld. Lyon

The origin of the Charles-de-Foucauld School goes back to the desire of Father Gilbert Garnier, parish priest of Saint Jeanne d'Arc in the district of Monchat (East of Lyon), who in 1954 wanted to provide his parish, where there was already a school for girls run by nuns, with a school for boys as well. The project seemed attractive to our Congregation and a community was established there. Brother Marcos Arnaud-Goded was director of the school until 1983 and gave the educational community a great dynamism of growth, always having as his motto: "To face

up to" ("faire face") all kinds of situations. The number of pupils at the school increased, so that in 1956 the College was opened, and in 1961 the Lyceum, thus completing the three cycles of primary and secondary education. In 1960, Brother Marcos and Mr. Poncet, president of the AEP (Association of Popular Education) signed the contract of the association with the State. An Association of Parents was made up by all the families with pupils at the school and was the owner of the property.

Today, Charles-de-Foucauld has more than 2,600 pupils (one of the largest in Lyon) and for the last five years has been running a post-baccalaureate section offering four specializations. In addition to the teaching activity, certified by excellent results, the educational community has set up an educational and pedagogical project inspired by that of the FSF Institute (2011) which includes numerous pastoral activities, solidarity, international exchanges, etc. The Parents' Association is very active and there is also a Nazarene Fraternity. A "management body", of which a Brother is a member of the board, manages the financial aspects of the establishment.



Saint-Luis. Dagneux

The College of Dagneux is reaching a thousand pupils. It has nursery, primary and secondary levels. They are planning to build a building to be used as a lyceum. Since 1999 the "Espace Gabriel Taborin" was added for students' sports activities and large playgrounds. The buildings are owned by the Congregation and two Brothers are members of the "management body", representing the owner (Tutelle). Dagneux currently has about 5,000 inhabitants and the College, which bears the name of Saint Louis Institution, is attended by pupils from three departments (provinces): Ain, Isère and Rhône (Lyon).

The College is therefore well established in the region and enjoys a good reputation thanks to its long history, its good academic results and the dynamism of its pastoral and catechetical activities, always in conjunction with the

parish of Dagneux-Monluel, in sports and in pedagogical and cultural initiatives. The Parents' Association ensures the link between the families and the school by participating in various solidarity activities.

The origins of this school go back to 1899 when Father Sevin of Belley, later Archbishop of Lyon, proposed to the Brothers to take over a boarding school run by the Braquy family, buying the property under their name. This enabled the Brothers to continue to run the institution without having to go into exile in 1903. The building and the surrounding land became the property of the Congregation in 1913. The Brothers also set up a formation house in the building which later became the community house until today. The number of boarders grew to more than 270 in the 1960s, about 120 of whom were half-pensioners and more than 50 external students. Today the students are all boarders and it is a co-ed school. Starting 1994 the College has been run by lay people.



<http://saintlouisdagneux.fr/>



Sacra Famiglia. Torino

This educational institution opened its doors in 1946 in Duca d'Aosta Avenue, Turin. In 1956 the building became too small and moved to its present location in Via Rosolino Pilo. As a private school, it has always been a quality offer for the families of the city. At present, 65 teachers attend to about 600 pupils.

An important characteristic of the school is that it has been able to adapt to the needs and demands of the families. The Classical Lyceum was added to the Primary and Secondary levels in 1967. In 1972 a sports pavilion with swimming pool was inaugurated. In 2002 the Scientific Lyceum was opened. In 2005 the "Kindergarten" (from 3 to 6 years) was opened and, looking to the future, in 2017 the "Economic Lyceum for Enterprise". This was born out of the need to prepare students to acquire a specific professionalism in the business world, without renouncing an adequate linguistic and cultural training.



<https://www.collegiosacrafamiglia.it>

The education, based on the Educational Project of the Sa-Fa Family, is complemented by the "Anima Sa-Fa" Team, which, together with the rest of the teachers, ensures a pastoral offer, with activities of formation and moments of faith growing for the different educational stages.

Today, Brothers and lay teachers, faithful to the value and charisma of the Founder, promote a welcoming and formative dialogue, guaranteeing a serene and stimulating family atmosphere, together with a climate of participation and collaboration between the school and the family.

Colegio Familia. México

In 1989 two Brothers from Italy opened the first school of the Holy Family in Mexico: Colegio Familia. At that time there was not yet an agreement between Mexico and the Vatican and it was not allowed to use religious references in the names of schools, hospitals, asylums... It was a simple and modest beginning: 22 students in the first year and 9 in the second and the infrastructure was not finished. The number of pupils increased and in the third year it was necessary to add a new floor. In 1992 we added a third floor and an additional building. In 1996, the Secondary School was built in a lot of 8.000 sqm, donated by the Government of Baja California Sur State, with resources from the Congregation. In 2002 a new building was completed in which the Secondary School and the first two groups of Senior High School were installed, while 5 groups of Primary School continued operating in the previous building. In addition, with the help of the Parents' Association, we were able to cover the sports court.

In 2006 it was necessary to provide additional space for the new primary school in Alta Brisa. In 2010 we opened the chapel, a cafeteria, a multi-purpose room and a 7-a-side football ground. In 2014 we opened an underground car park (with 44 parking spaces for our staff). On top of it we erected a roof for a basketball court. Finally in 2019 we added a fourth level to the primary building and in 2020 we did the same with the high school building.



<https://www.colegiofamilia.edu.mx/>

Colegio Familia currently has about 110 teachers and more than 1100 students in pre-school, primary, secondary and high school.

Simultaneously with the structural growth, we were carrying out formative work that highlighted the service of our apostolic presence. This has given the Centre a Christian identity in accordance with the charisma of the Sa-Fa Family.

On several occasions students have participated in A.I.S.F. activities.

AN OPEN MISSION ...

As mentioned in the presentation, the mission of the Province is marked by two characteristics: the advanced age of the Brothers and the variety of services. For this reason, the mission activities are adapted to the concrete reality. Always in collaboration with the laity and with an open attitude...

... **In the care of the Brothers.** The advanced age of several Brothers requires that the first mission is to take care of them in communities suitable for this purpose: this is the case of Belley and Villa Brea. In addition to technical help with hired personnel, some Brothers look after those who are already in need of help. Even so, some Brothers in these communities carry out a variety of mission activities: accompanying Christian groups, solidarity, reflection, etc.



... **To the missionary activity of the Institute.** The "missionary" attitude of the Province has been outstanding since its origin at the beginning of the 20th century: presence in the countries of the Rio de la Plata, then in Brazil. Also in Africa, in the Philippines and in East Timor, where Brother Luigi Ferrero died. Today, 6 Brothers from Italy still carry out their mission in other countries (Mexico, France and Ecuador). On many occasions (now also) Brothers of the Province have served at the General House in Rome. Finally, several Brothers of the Belley Community carry out important work in the Gabriel Taborin House, in the work of the Spirituality Centre.

... **To the presence in the local Church.** Brother Gabriel's first missionary "sending" was to the service of Belley Cathedral. From then until now, the presence of a Brother has been constant. Just as there has been a constant presence in Ars, today with Brothers from the Province of St. Anne. The insertion in the local Church has a good example in the activity of communities such as that of Marocchi, which also takes care of the pastoral work in Favari. A distinct presence in this area is the mission of the Taggia Community in the Convent of St. Dominic, but also in parish activities and in the Pastoral Council of the Diocese. The Brothers welcome visitors and pilgrims by presenting and offering the culture and spirituality of this convent.



... **To solidarity.** The Province is strongly involved in solidarity and has a long experience in this field: many Brothers have participated in a work camp in Burkina, several of them for many years. Silvestre Pia, who died in 2003 amidst the recognition of the whole population for his total dedication. At present, some Brothers are involved in activities of commitment with immigrants, visits to prisoners, etc. The work carried out by the Centre for Missionary Animation, CAM, is undoubtedly the most obvious manifestation of this. (See no. 2 of this publication).

And... **to catechesis.** The formation of the Brothers, particularly in theological-catechetical aspects, has always been a richness. This allows several Brothers to carry out an outstanding mission in the field of catechesis. This happens at local, diocesan and even national and international level through several Brothers.