

AUGUSTINIAN FEDERATION OF AFRICA



DIRECTORY



BRIEF HISTORY OF AUGUSTINIAN FEDERATION OF AFRICA

AFA is the umbrella body of all Augustinians in Africa. It embraces not only those affiliated to the order of saint Augustine, but also those who share in the Augustinian spirituality or make use of the Rule. The idea is to deepen a sense of togetherness and to promote the growth and spread of the Augustinian spirituality on the African continent.

AFA was founded in Hippo, present day Annaba in Algeria in the year 1979 by the Augustinian Curia through the then Assistant General Fr. Tom Hunt, OSA. It was established with the mission to spread and to depend the spirituality of our Holy Father St. Augustine across the continent of Africa. Also, AFA received the mandate to promote the Augustinian ideals and values among consecrated persons through regular conferences, seminars and workshops and by that means promote the growth of the Augustinian life on the African soil to advance the reign of God's kingdom among the African people. Currently, 18 religious congregations formally form the membership of AFA cutting across the length and breadth of Africa.

The idea behind putting together this directory is to help us know about other circumscriptions and to easily reach out to other brothers and sisters in or outside our circumscription.

It is my hope that this directory will help to promote inter-circumscriptional collaboration which is the very spirit behind the formation of AFA as a body.

I thank all those who helped in putting together this commendable guide, praying that it will help us all in our Christian work and walk.

In Augustine,

Very Rev. Fr. Eze Kenneth, O.S.A

AFA President

17th June 2025



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His Holiness



Assistant General for Africa

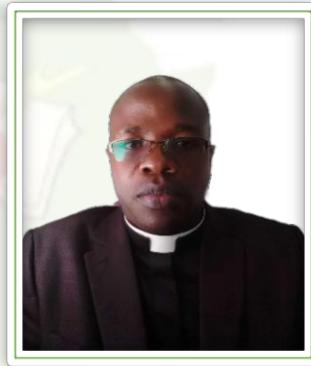
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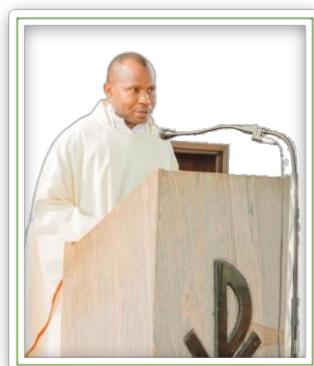
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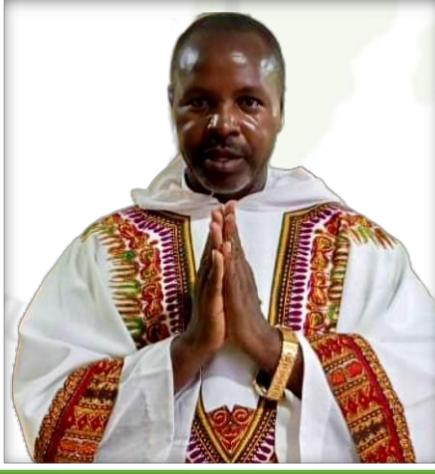
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SAINT AUGUSTINE DU BENIN (SSA)

CONGREGATION OF THE SISTERS OF SAINT AUGUSTINE OF BENIN (SSA)

History of the Congregation

After the Second Vatican Council, which strongly encouraged the Churches of Africa to have their own ecclesial components, His Excellency Monsignor Bernardin GANTIN, of venerated memory, then Archbishop of Cotonou, exhorted the Dahomean Sisters, members of the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of the Apostles, to serve the local Church more fully by forming an indigenous Congregation. He knew how to stir hearts and mobilize wills so that they would, in faith, commit to a new Religious Family, to be, above all, missionaries in the Church in Dahomey/Benin and in Africa, in order to embody the Gospel in African values. Thus, in 1968, thirty-one (31) professed Dahomean Sisters of the Sisters of Our Lady of the Apostles freely chose, in writing, to become members of the emerging Religious Family.

Sprouting from the soil of vocations of the missionary Sisters of Our Lady of the Apostles and from the initiative of Monsignor Bernardin GANTIN, the new Religious Family of the Sisters of Saint Augustine, officially authorized by Rome on January 25, 1968, was canonically erected on August 22, 1968, during the solemn Mass presided over by the founding Archbishop. It was named “Congregation of the Sisters of Saint Augustine of Dahomey.”

To allow the emerging Religious Family to start on solid legal foundations, Monsignor Bernardin GANTIN, on August 3, 1968, tasked Sister Marie Virginie de SOUZA, whom he appointed Superior General, and a team of Sisters to draft the rule of life of the new Congregation. He worked closely with them to make possible and well understood the separation of the Dahomean Sisters from the Congregation of the Sisters of Our Lady of the Apostles. This working team was assisted by Monsignor Noël BOUCHEIX, Bishop of Porto-Novo, and Father JOULIA, Professor of Canon Law from Rome, who came to support the drafting of the Constitutions. The founding Archbishop, with the approval of the Holy See, also appointed, in addition to the first Superior General, a council of four members: Sister Marie Florent MENSAH, Sister Marie Cyprienne QUENUM, Sister Marie Pauline GBEHA, and Sister Marie Paul HAZOUME. Monsignor GANTIN gave this leadership team of the new Religious Family in foundation delegated authority for four years.

Besides the thirty-one (31) professed Sisters, the newly born Religious Family also counted fifteen (15) novices and possessed four houses that were ceded to it by the Congregation of the Sisters of



Our Lady of the Apostles: in Cotonou Saint Michel (Mother House), in Allada (Primary School), in Bohicon (Primary School), and in Sakété (Novitiate and Primary School).

Our Charism

The charism of the Sisters of Saint Augustine is expressed as follows: **“To live charity for the sanctification and the integral promotion of the human person, especially of women, through evangelization, education, and social works.”**

Our Spirituality

The Sisters of Saint Augustine of Benin live Augustinian spirituality, which is summarized in three points:

- Interior life and search for God
- Fraternal life in community
- Service to the Church

Apostolate

To concretize their charism, the SSA Sisters invest in:

- Supporting associations and Catholic action movements
- Accompanying families
- Catechesis in parishes
- Teaching (nursery schools, primary and secondary schools, vocational and university structures)
- Education of children and young girls (nursery, boarding schools, centers for female formation and promotion)
- Caring for children in orphanages and centers for children with multiple disabilities
- Rural animation
- Health care in health centers
- Mobile care for the underprivileged in rural areas, etc.

The Stages of formation

The formation of the Sisters of Saint Augustine includes four mandatory stages:

1. **Pre-postulancy** – a time of preparation during which the young woman aspiring to Religious Life learns about the Congregation.
2. **Postulancy** – lasts one year.
3. **Novitiate** – spans two years.
4. **Juniorate** – begins after the first Religious Profession and covers the first six years of Temporary Vows. During this time, the young professed Sister continues her religious or professional formation in the Juniorate house or in another community of the Congregation.

Note: The pre-postulancy may be preceded by a more or less long period of **Juvenate**, during which the young girl, as a student, learns to mature her vocation; this is not a mandatory stage.

PLACES OF PRESENCE IN BÉNIN

- **Diocese of Abomey**

- Abomey – Primary School: B.P.65 Abomey
- Bohicon – Primary School: B.P.88 Bohicon
- Covè – Primary School: B.P.33 Covè
- **Archdiocese of Cotonou**
 - General House Cotonou Bon Pasteur: 01 BP 738 Cotonou – Tel: 21 30 12 83 / 21 30 36 74
 - Mother House – Cotonou Saint Michel – Saint Augustine School Complex and Boarding School: 01 BP 738 Cotonou
 - Cotonou “Juniorate Providence”: 01 BP 738 Cotonou
 - Cotonou Gbéto Sud: 01 BP 738 Cotonou – Saint Augustine Nursery School – Tel: 97 76 18 20
 - Cotonou Sainte Marie – Nursery “Les Neems”: 01 BP 738 Cotonou – Tel: 21 30 40 23
 - Houèdo – Agricultural Farm: 01 BP 738 Cotonou
 - Atropokodji – Saint Augustine Hospital: 01 BP 738 Cotonou
 - Allada – Orphanage and Primary School: BP19 Allada
 - Dékanmey – Vidjingni Center (Center for mentally disabled): BP 242 Ouidah
 - Saint Joseph Seminary Adjatokpa: BP 19 Ouidah
 - Dassa Bishopric: BP106 Dassa-Zoumé – Tel: 22 53 01 80
- **Diocese of Dassa-Zoumé**
 - Glazoué – Catholic Mission: BP 43 Glazoué
 - Pira: BP10 Bantè
- **Diocese of Djougou**
 - Djougou Bishopric: BP 125 Djougou
 - Djougou – School: c/o Bishopric BP125 Djougou
 - Djougou – Order of Malta Hospital: BP 172 Djougou
 - Pabégou – Dispensary: BP 10 Copargo
 - Partago – Nutrition Center, Orphanage “House of Angels” and Women’s Hostel: BP201 Djougou
- **Diocese of Kandi**
 - Gogounou Catholic Mission: BP 09 GOGOUNOU
- **Diocese of Lokossa**
 - Lokossa Bookstore: BP6 Lokossa
 - Agoué – Boarding School: BP 03 Agoué
- **Diocese of Natitingou**
 - Natitingou – Secondary School: BP387 NATITINGOU – Tel: 23 82 24 23
 - Natitingou Cathedral – Primary School: BP 435 NATITINGOU
 - Boukombé – Orphanage: BP 45 BOUKOMBÉ
 - Perma – Orphanage: BP 420 NATITINGOU
 - Tanguiéta – Primary School P. Chazal: BP 117 TANGUIÉTA
 - Bouyayindi: BP 441 NATITINGOU
 - Kouandé: BP 10 KOUANDÉ
- **Diocese of N'Dali**
 - Nikki – Saint Augustine School Complex: BP 14 NIKKI
- **Archdiocese of Parakou**
 - Parakou – St Paul Bookstore: BP90 PARAKOU – Email: libstpaul2004@yahoo.fr
 - Parakou – Sainte Cécile Hostel: BP90 PARAKOU
- **Diocese of Porto-Novo**

- Sakété – Orphanage: BP5 Sakété
- Porto-Novo Hospital (C.H.D-O): BP 161 Porto-Novo
- Wando – Saint Charles Lwanga Center: BP 297 Porto-Novo
- Novitiate Béthanie: BP161 Porto-Novo
- Banigbé: BP 23 Igolo

International Presence Outside Benin

- **Togo**
 - Nadoba Orphanage: BP. 61 KANTE (Togo)
- **Niger**
 - Niamey: c/o Archbishopric of Niamey – 8000 Niamey CTN – BP:10270 Niger
- **Central African Republic**
 - Bangui: Apostolic Nunciature of the Central African Republic
- **Chad**
 - N'djamena: Apostolic Nunciature of Chad
 - Doba: B.P. 22 DOBA (Chad)
- **France**
 - Istres: Maison Saint Joseph – 9501 Cros de la Carrière – 13800 ISTRES (France)
- **Italy**
 - Anagni Leoniano: Pontifical Collegio Leoniano – Via Calzatoria n.50 – 03012 ANAGNI
 - Anagni Cathedral: Via Leone XII n.1 – 03012 ANAGNI



ORDER OF SAINT AUGUSTINE, VICARIATE OF CONGO

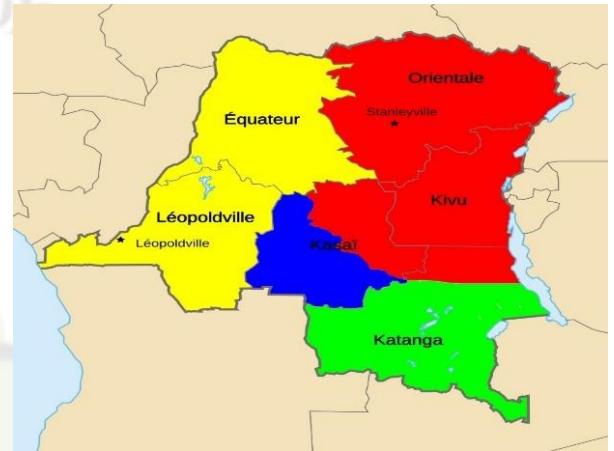
BRIEF HISTORY:

1952: The arrival of the first Augustinians in the region of Uélé, especially in Poko and Doruma.

1953: Arrival of the first Augustinians friars in Amadi

1958: Creation of the prefecture of Doruma, handed to the Augustinians friars by the Dominican fathers- OP already present in the region of Uélé since 1912. And the first apostolic vicar is Fr Wilhem Van den Elzen.

1962: Arrival of the friars in Dungu.



1964: Rebellion of the Simba

1967: Fr Wilhem van den Elzen is appointed first bishop of Doruma.

1971: The episcopal see is transferred from Doruma to Dungu and the Diocese is named Diocèse de DunguDoruma.

1981: First professions of the native lay brothers in Kembisa/ Amadi

1985: Creation of the minor seminary for Augustinian candidates in Dungu

1988: The beginning of the Novitiate for Augustinian candidates to priesthood in Amadi.

1991: The House in Kinshasa is bought.

1993: The foundation of the Federation of Congo.

1994: In Belgium, election of Fr Paul De Wit as the first regional vicar, the first assembly of the region of Zaire; first solemn profession of the native friars in the presence of Most Reverend Fr Miguel Angel ORCASITAS, Prior General of the Order.

1995: The region of Zaire became the Vicariate of Zaire

1996: Priestly ordination in Dungu of Frs Guillaume MIGBISIEGBE and Alexis DEMA, first Zairian Augustinians.

1998: Fr Paul De Wit, OSA is re-elected regional vicar

2001: Election of Fr Matthias HECHT, OSA regional vicar

2006: Election of Fr Michel MIVUNGUBA, OSA first black regional Vicar

2010: Election of Fr Martin BANGA, OSA regional vicar

2014: Election of Fr Georges MIZINGI, OSA regional vicar

LIST OF OUR COMMUNITIES:

1. Couvent Saint Alypius/ Amadi B.P.320 Isiro-Province Orientale.
2. Couvent Saint Augustin/ Dungu
B.P.20 Dungu-Province Orientale
3. Couvent Saint Augustin/ Poko
B.P.320 Isiro-Province Oriertnale
4. Couvent Sainte Rita/ Kinshasa
18e Rue, N°02, Limete-Industriel
B.P.681 Kinshasa.

DUNGU-Couvent St. Augustin

1. BP 20
2. Dungu
3. Rep. Dem Du Congo

Postulantatus

AMADI-Couvent St. Alypius

1. Par Isiro
2. Amadi

Centre de Developpement Ndendule

Novitiatus

Paroisse St. Therese

POKO-Couvent St. Augustin

BP320

Poko

Rep. Dem Du Congo

Paroisse St. Augustin

Praenovitiatus

KINSHASA-Couvent Saint Rita

BP 681

Tel: 811648721

18°, Rue Limete

KINSHASA

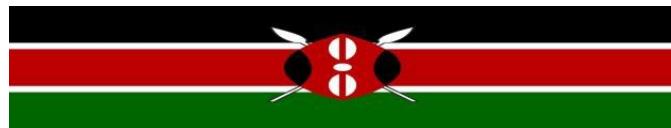
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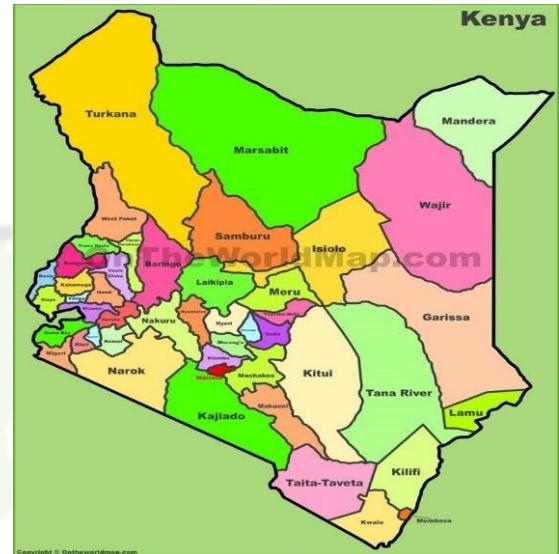
ORDER OF SAINT AUGUSTINE, VICARIATE OF KENYA

HISTORY AND THE PLACES WE SERVE IN KENYA JANUARY 2016 EDITION

Introduction

History of the Augustinians in Kenya

In 1597 Augustinian friars were sent to Mombasa (Kenya) by their Superior Alexis Meneses (O.S.A) of Goa, India. They preached the gospel mainly through education and health care to the locals. On 21st August, 1631, four Augustinians and 152 lay Christians were killed in Mombasa by a formerly Christian Sultan. Since that martyrdom took place, the Augustinians made their come back to Kenya in 1977 when the Augustinian contemplative nuns from Mira Porte Italy established a monastery in Ishiara (Eastern part of Kenya-Embu Diocese). In 1984, Spanish Augustinian Missionary Sisters through the invitation of Bishop Silas Njiru of Meru diocese opened a girl's secondary school at Ishiara and gave it the name St. Monica. In 1989, through the invitation of the Bishop of Embu (now Cardinal) John Njue, the Prior General asked the Irish Province and Nigerian Vice-Province to send Augustinians to help in running the Ishiara parish and give spiritual care to the contemplative nuns. In 1990 Augustinians took up the newly established Sacred Heart parish in Baba Dogo Nairobi. In 1994 Cardinal Otunga (Archbishop of Nairobi) asked the Prior General in Rome if the Order of Saint Augustine would set up a formation house in Kenya and accept Kenyan vocations. "After all," he said "You were the first missionaries to bring the faith to Kenya." In 1997, a formation house was built in Southlands Nairobi and Kenyan candidates were accepted. In 2004 an International house (Friary) was blessed and opened for the formation of Augustinian theologians in Karen Nairobi. In 2006 Augustinians took up a newly established parish after invitation from the Archbishop of Kisumu. The parish is located in Nyamasaria area and it is called St. Monica parish. In 2013, the Augustinians took up a parish in Eldoret diocese after invitation by the Bishop of Eldoret. The Parish is called St. Joseph the worker. The delegation has had four delegation superiors who were all from the province of Ireland. These were: Fr. John Joe (O.S.A), Fr. Denis Mason (O.S.A), Fr. Thomas Sexton (O.S.A) and Fr. David Fitzgerald (O.S.A). During the delegation general assembly on 21st October 2015, a new delegation superior was announced. His names are Fr. Robert Karanja Ireri (O.S.A). He is the first indigenous delegation superior. The future appears bright, as the blood of the Mombasa martyrs and patronage of St. Rita continues to bear fruits.



List of all the solemnly professed members of the Vicariate

- 1.** Fr. Jacob Ariek
- 2.** Fr. James Wambugu
- 3.** Fr. Caesar Wachira Miaririe
- 4.** Fr. Joseph Oduor
- 5.** Fr. Robert Karanja Ireri
- 6.** Fr. Geoffrey Muthama Kyule
- 7.** Fr. Hesbon Otieno
- 8.** Fr. Peter Imatari Emoit
- 9.** Fr. Augustine Juma
- 10.** Fr. Meshack Zedi Shiundu
- 11.** Fr. Henry Khakavo Sunguti
- 12.** Fr. Paul Muthie Gathu
- 13.** Fr. Stanislaus Wamache Makokha
- 14.** Fr. Boniface Owiyo
- 15.** Fr. Fredrick Lewis Sakwa
- 16.** Fr. Peter Mbuvu
- 17.** Fr. Edwin Orina
- 18.** Fr. Fred Wekesa
- 19.** Fr. Patrick Owino Barasa
- 20.** Fr. Nicodemus Kiprono
- 21.** Fr. Deacon Cyril Mulupi Sitire
- 22.** Fr. Stephen Nyamwaya Obwoge
- 23.** Fr. Matthew Ngimbi Muasya
- 24.** Fr. Geoffrey Imujaro Barasa
- 25.** Fr. Daniel Male Peter
- 26.** Fr Rmmanuel Kipchumba
- 27.** Fr. Atanasio Mwaniki Nyaga
- 28.** Fr. Francis Muange Wambua
- 29.** Fr. Eliakim Mitula Osogo
- 30.** Fr. Titus Kioko Mutie
- 31.** Fr. Isaac Rutoh Kipng'eno
- 32.** Fr. Michael Ngei King'ele
- 33.** Fr. Solomon Wanjala Bitali
- 34.** Fr. Augustine Kitaka Matata
- 35.** Fr. Dominic Kipkirui Mutai
- 36.** Fr. Moses Ngumbao Ruwa
- 37.** Fr. Peter Ochieng' Odhiambo
- 38.** Fr. Cyrus Muchira Karara

Augustinian communities within the vicariate

Currently, there are four parish communities in the vicariate and one formation house for postulancy. The Kenyan novices go to Tanzania for the one-year novitiate while the theologians go to the International house for theology (Friary) situated in Nairobi, Kenya. For some years, the Curia has sponsored some of the Kenyans to do theology in Rome. In Kenya we also have the Augustinian contemplative nuns at Ishiara (Embu diocese) and Kaplamai (Kitale diocese), The Augustinian missionary sisters Ishiara (Embu diocese), the Augustinian recollect nuns Makueni (Machakos diocese) and Lodwar diocese and the Augustinian Assumptionists in Nairobi archdiocese. The following is a presentation of the Augustinian communities in the delegation:

- O.S.A Community Ishiara
- Baba Dogo Sacred Heart Parish
- St. Monica Community, Kisumu
- St. Joseph The Worker Catholic Parish, Kapyemit
- O.S.A Community Southlands
- The Augustinian International House-Nairobi, St. Augustine's Friary, Nairobi
- Holy Family Community Mbwiru
- St. Luke's Kebeneti, Kericho Community

ORDER OF SAINT AUGUSTINE

VICARIATE OF ST. RITA KENYA.

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Rev. Augustine Kitaka MATATA

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KENYA

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P. WAMACHE, Stanislaus, Ass. Parish P.

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KENYA	
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P. ODHIAMBO, Boniface Owayo,	
P. NGUNZU, Peter Kyalo Mbuvi , Oec, Sac, Oec Del, Mod reg Vo	
P. MUASYA, Mathew Ngimbi	
P. NYAGA, Atanasio Mwaniki Secr Vic.	
P. KYULE, Geoffrey Muthama	
NAIROBI - Baba Dogo Parish	
Fundata: 1998	
P.O. Box 65125 RUARAKA - 00618	
NAIROBI	
KENYA Tel: 020 85 62 743	
Baba Dogo Parish - Parochia	
P. IRERI, Robert Karanja, Vic. Vicar,	
P. Jacob ARIEK, Vic Par,Oec	
P. SAKWA, Fredrick Lewis, Par	
P. PETER, Daniel Male	
P. JUMA, Augustine.	
NAIROBI - St. Augustine's Friary	
Fundata: 2004	
PO Box 777 Karen Langata South Road	
00502 NAIROBI	
KENYA	
Tel: 02 89 17 83	
02 89 17 85	
02 89 18 04	
St. Augustine's Friary - Dom. Form. Professorium	
P. Peter Imaji (NIG), Soc Mag Pr	
P. WAMBUGU, James Mwangi (KEN), Soc Mag Pr	
P. CHRISTOPHE KUMBOYO, Dieudonné (CON), Oec	
P. CHRISTIAN NTIBI, Pr, Cons Vic.	
Studentes	
St. Vatia Daniel	
St. Fredrick Odongo	
St. Morgan Otieno	

St. Fred Atera

St. Patrick Mutinda

St boniface Mutua

St. Denis Murithi NJERU

St. Reuben Tarus

St. Dennis Wekesa BARASA

St. Fred Mukisa

St. Philip Munalo-Approved for solemn profession

St. Sylvester Sulwe-Approved for solemn

ELDORET- KAPYEMIT- PAROCHIA

Fundata: 2013

St. Joseph the Worker, Kapyemit Eldoret

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P. KIPCHUMBA Emmanuel, Vic Par, Oec

P. KIOKO, Titus Mutie

P. SHIUNDU, Meshack Zedi

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Fundata: 2016

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THE SISTERS OF MARY OF KAKAMEGA (SMK)

Brief History

The Congregation of the Sisters of Mary of Kakamega (SMK) was founded in **1932** by **Bishop Gorgonius Brandsma**, a Mill Hill Missionary of Dutch origin and formed by **Ursuline Sisters of Bergen (Netherlands)**. It is of a Diocesan Rite. On **1st May 1952**, the Congregation received its First Constitution. It Admits African girls only. It is mainly in East Africa **KENYA**, **UGANDA**, **TANZANIA** and it has of late extended its mission in America in Oregon State. The sisters are serving in the Diocese of Baker as Pastoral workers in Parishes, school, hospitals and a home for the aged. In Kenya we serve in the following Dioceses: Kakamega, Bungoma, Archdiocese of Kisumu, Kisii, Kericho, Lodwar, Kitale, Archdiocese of Nairobi, Homabay, Isiolo, Eldoret, Nakuru and Nyahururu. In Uganda we serve in the following Dioceses: Archdioceses of Tororo, Jinja, Archdiocese of Kampala, Soroti, Moroto, and Kotido while in Tanzania you will find us in Arusha Diocese, Same and Dar es alaam.

The **Charism**: “Sharing in the Redemptive mission of Jesus Christ, the Great Teacher and Healer”, **Spirituality**: Augustinian Spirituality, **Mission**: Continue Christ’s mission of proclaiming the Good News and make Him present in the world today”, Vision: “To promote God’s glory and the sanctification of His people”, **Spirit**: “Persevering Love and Service”, Core Values; “Unity in diversity, Perseverance, Commitment, Humility and Hospitality”.

Our Motto: “To Love and Serve”.

The SMK engage in the following **apostolates**: **Catechism, Pastoral work, Teaching at all levels, Medical, Accountancy, Communication, Social Work, Secretarial works, Catering, Farm Management, Housekeeping, Care of Children, Special needs, Care of the elderly, the sick, Civil Lawyer and Youth Ministries.**

The congregation at the moment has a population of four hundred and fifteen (415) professed sisters, Thirteen (13) Second year Novices, Thirteen (13) First year Novices and Twenty-three (23) Postulants.

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6)	Sr. Amica Nambozo
7)	Sr. Veneranda Wolayo
8)	Sr. Veronica Kwamboka
9)	Sr. Renilda Nalisi
10)	Sr. Emily Nasimolo
11)	Sr. Gabriel Apondi
12)	Sr. Eleonora Musuya
13)	Sr. Dymphina Oseko
14)	Sr. Ludovica Onsare
15)	Sr. Seraphine Chebet
16)	Sr. Alexia Nyaboke
17)	Sr. Celesta Anyango
18)	Sr. Clarentia Nagudi
19)	Sr. Antonella Wegosasa
20)	Sr. Margaret M. Wanyama
21)	Sr. Emerentia Wabuyaga
22)	Sr. Charles Boromeo
23)	Sr. Anselm Bunyasi
24)	Sr. Mary Lunyolo
25)	Sr. Eugene Apali
26)	Sr. Gertrude Mwambu
27)	Sr. Philippa Sulumeti
28)	Sr. Giovanni Adeke
29)	Sr. Lydia Inya
30)	Sr. Eileen Nasimiyu
31)	Sr. Felistas Kakayi
32)	Sr. Assunta Kassedde
33)	Sr. Leonard Mukenya
34)	Sr. Fidelis Simiyu
35)	Sr. Albina Mwangale
36)	Sr. Bibiana Khasoha
37)	Sr. Caroline Lishenga
38)	Sr. Gemma Akinyi
39)	Sr. Jane Francis Malasway
40)	Sr. Perpetua Nafula
41)	Sr. Symphrose Maigut
42)	Sr. Paschalia Chiro
43)	Sr. Teresa Nakayenze

44)	Sr. Anne Rose Khaitsa
45)	Sr. Cosmas Imonje
46)	Sr. Catherine Khasoha
47)	Sr. Joselyne Mukolwe
48)	Sr. Mary Goretti Ingaso
49)	Sr. Monica Matata
50)	Sr. Immacula Neumbe
51)	Sr. Donata Kharono
52)	Sr. Sylvia Nafuna
53)	Sr. Maureen Oyiolo
54)	Sr. Rufina Bosibori
55)	Sr. Dorothy Namaemba
56)	Sr. Eliza Naliaka
57)	Sr. Julita Awinja
58)	Sr. Anne Teresa Kemunto
59)	Sr. Laura Nagudi
60)	Sr. Felix Mutambi
61)	Sr. Mary Pius Sabina Mbenge
62)	Sr. Josepha Atswele
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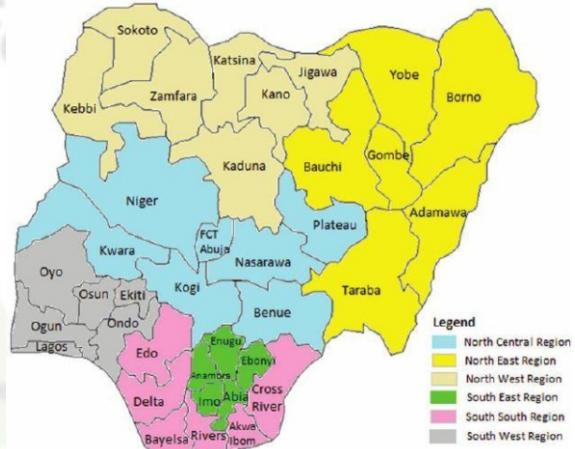
BRIEF HISTORY PROVINCE OF ST. AUGUSTINE OF NIGERIA

The first coming of Augustinian friars to Nigeria dates from the early 16th century, when Portuguese Augustinians arrived Warri and Benin kingdoms located in the west of the Niger Delta, in present day Delta and Edo states. This mission ended in the mid-18th century owing to a lack of priests to continue the mission.

The second coming of the Augustinians to Nigeria is traceable to the decision of the Irish Augustinian Chapter of 1936 to apply to Rome for a mission territory in Africa. When the Holy See entrusted the old Adamawa Province to the Irish Augustinians, Frs. D.B. Redmond, P.A Dalton and T. G. Broder were appointed to Nigeria. They left Liverpool on 12 October 1938 and arrived in Jos on 2 November 1938.

It is noteworthy that Irish Augustinians did not come to Nigeria with the intention of establishing the Order but of evangelising the old Adamawa Province as entrusted to them by the Holy See. So that the office of the Augustinian Religious superior in Nigeria was concerned with the organisation of the Adamawa mission and not the establishment of the Order. It was when Fr S. Coffey became Superior in 1963 that the first steps towards establishing the Order in Nigeria were taken. The first Canonical Augustinian house and parish was established in 1963 in Mubi. Fr M. T. Flynn, was appointed its first Prior in 1965. Owing to a decision to later move to Maiduguri, Mubi was returned to the diocese of Maiduguri in exchange for St. Augustine's Maiduguri. By this singular act, Mubi lost its bride of place as our first Canonical house. This honour is now with Iwaro Oka which was opened in 1966. Fr J. G. Cunnane was appointed as Superior and Parish priest and Fr G. J. Bresnan as Rector of St. Patrick's Secondary school, Iwaro Oka. The next community to be opened was St Augustine's Major Seminary in 1967 followed by Bekaji Parish in 1980. The first Nigerian Augustinians were ordained priests in 1980- Frs Barth Chidili and Joseph Ekwu.

Since then, a number of parishes have been opened in different parts of the country alongside a steady growth in priestly ordination of Nigerian Augustinians. This growth saw the election of James Daman as the first indigenous Vice Provincial in 1997. The growth and expansion of the Order in Nigeria was recognised by the General Chapter with the elevation of the then Vice Province to the status of a Province in 2001. Patrick Akinrimisi led the Province from 2001-2005. John Niyiring succeeded him from 2005-2007, when he was appointed bishop of Kano. Brendan MacDonell managed the Province until the Chapter of 2008 when Hyacinth Kangyep



was elected Prior Provincial. At the end of his mandate in 2012, John Abubakar was elected Prior Provincial in 2012. At the completion of his four-year mandate in 2016, he was re-elected for another term in 2016 at the end of which, in 2020, Anthony Kanu was elected Prior Provincial and re-elected in 2024.

As at today, the Province has about twenty parish communities in Nigeria, four outside Nigeria (Italy, South Africa, Benin Republic). Also, there are three formation houses, one hospital, three boarding secondary schools and an institute of Philosophy which is being prepared to grow into a University.

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Jaji

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AUGUSTINIAN SISTERS OF THE MERCY OF JESUS, MONASTERY OF OUR LADY OF CONSOLATION, JALINGO. TARABA STATE, NIGERIA

THE BRIEF HISTORY OF THE AUGUSTINIAN SISTERS OF THE MERCY OF JESUS

Augustinian Sisters of the Mercy of Jesus, Religious of the canonical order, we were born of the needs of the church and the recognition of the face of Jesus in the poor and the sick. Being of one mind and heart like the primitive Christians community in Jerusalem (Acts 4:32) and according to the rule of St. Augustine. We are a Congregation of Pontifical Right.

Our primary purpose as a Religious Order is the praise of God through daily Mass, the divine Office and serving Christ in the poor and the sick through works of mercy.

Our style of life like Augustine's is both Contemplative and Apostolic.

CHARISM:

Our Charism is Mercy, which finds expression in Canonical life founded on: --

- Liturgical and Personal Prayer
- Sharing all things in Community
- Service of the poor and the sick through works of Mercy
- All lived in the **Stability of a Monastery.**

ORIGIN

The origin of the Augustinian sisters is situated Dieppe (France) somewhere about the middle of the XI Century. They have in fact existed from the very foundation of the town about 800A.D. A group of pious women serving the poor and the sick in the **HOTEL DIEU** (House of God) There were also a group of brothers running a hotel Dieu, to them were joined in 1055 A.D these women as sisters. They took care of the poor and the sick throughout the town as well as in the hospital itself.

During the second half of the XII Century 1250A.D they became Regular Religious, living according to the rule of St. Augustine and professing the 3 solemn vows of Religious as well as that of serving the poor and the sick. They attached themselves to the Hermit of St. Augustine and wore their habits. Progressively, the brothers disappeared and the sisters were giving the full charge of Hotel Dieu from 1480A.D. The name at the time was The Sisters of the Mercy of Jesus of the Order of St. Augustine. Unfortunately, some part of our history is lost. Dieppe was pillaged in 1562, no trace remains of this period or of the one which followed up to the present. The most ancient document discovered 1980, is the Dablon manuscript of 1616 which retracing the history of the Hotel Dieu of Dieppe, enables us to know that in 1480, Religious having the charge of the government of the poor were to be found there.

In 1676; Dieppe made a foundation in Guingamp, France. From where in 1902, sisters set out to make a foundation in Park House, Waterloo, Liverpool in England. In 1946 a Federation of the Monasteries was recognised by Rome. Mother Yvonne Aimee Beauvais became the First Superior General. In 1970, Park House in Waterloo, Liverpool at the urgent request of Bishop Timothy Cotter OSA, missioned four sisters to Shuwa (North-East Nigeria) in the Diocese of Maiduguri, to take care of the sick and women education. They arrived Shuwa on the 2nd of October 1970. A Novitiate was opened and blessed by Late Bishop Timothy Cotter, OSA to train the indigenous sisters on the 21st November 1984.

The Olive branch has borne fruit again in the Diocese of Jalingo at the request of Bishop James Nanman Daman, OSA, three sisters were missioned to Jalingo. The community was opened and blessed by Late Bishop James Daman, OSA on the 22nd of February 2007.

Augustinian Sisters are also present in Mubi, Maiduguri Diocese since 2010 where they run a Secondary School for girls. Due to BOKO HARAM persecution, the Olive tree arrived in the Diocese of Idah on the 6th of March 2014.

AIMS AND OBJECTIVES OF THE AUGUSTINIAN SISTERS OF THE MERCY OF JESUS

The aim and Objectives of the Augustinian sisters:

- a. We are "born of the needs of the Church and recognition of the face of Jesus in the poor and the sick through works of Mercy."
"Born of the need of the Church" It is in the heart of the Church that we were born, that the Order emerged to respond to the needs of a particular age. Thus, we are servants of the Church, particularly those who are weakest.
"... the recognition of the face of Jesus in the Poor and the Sick" To recognise the face of Jesus in the poor and the sick is above all, an attitude of faith, which opens our heart towards the other: the sick, the stranger, the marginalised, the outcast...
"Created in the image of God" and calling for our welcome, our respect, our hospitality, our mercy... We imitate the humble Christ who spent His time doing good and He alone can fashion in each of us the being of Mercy which we are called to become. He who teaches us to recognise Him in each person.
- b. Praise of God through Daily Mass and the Divine Office.

MAIN ACTIVITIES/ SPIRITUALITY

Our main activities are:

- i. Nursing
- ii. Teaching
- iii. Pastoral and social work

Augustinian Sisters of the Mercy of Jesus take a fourth Vow of the Service of the Poor and the Sick through works of Mercy. The Charism of Mercy is expressed in our different Apostolates.

Our Spirituality: Contemplatives in Action.

The Core of Augustinian Spirituality: Interiority, community life, Our search for God and the life of poverty.

AUGUSTINIAN SISTERS IN JALINGO DIOCESE

The Olive tree bore fruit in Jalingo Diocese in February 2007 at the request of late Bishop James Daman, OSA (of the blessed memory) who was then the Bishop of Jalingo Diocese. Three sisters were sent from the Mother House in Shuwa, Maiduguri Diocese to begin the foundation. Since then the number of the sisters has increased due to bountiful vocation promotion to our religious Order in Nigeria. Since then the sisters have been working in Jalingo Diocese as a filial house under the Monastery of Our Lady Queen of Angel Ejule, Idah Diocese, Kogi State. During our General Chapter of 2022, in France, the General Council gave autonomy to the filial house of Jalingo, this was to enable us live our Canonical life in accordance with our Constitutions. Since then Augustinian sisters in Jalingo are independent of the Augustinian sisters of Ejule. They had their first elections on the 20th October 2023.

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3	Sr. Mildred Dadi	01/02/1999
4	Sr. Maria Utaji	19/03/2002
5	Sr. Helen Mary Godwin	20/03/2004
6	Sr. Esther John	27/02/2008
7	Sr. Ruth Orga	18/02/2009
8	Sr. Veronica Moses	11/02/2011
9	Sr. Anna Akpe	11/02/2011
10	Sr. Monica Yedzumi Emmanuel	24/06/2013
11	Sr. Paulina Francis	24/06/2013
12	Sr. Mary Esther Abakai	28/02/2014
13	Sr. Rose Bucham	15/08/2015
14	Sr. Agnes Ogbuzuo	15/08/2015
15	Sr. Juliana Joseph	20/08/2016
16	Sr. Maryann Musa	07/04/2018
17	Sr. Martina Pius	07/04/2018
18	Sr. Amelia Dauda Vimtim	08/09/2019
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20	Sr. Paulina Daniel	16/05/2025

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AUGUSTINIAN SISTERS OF THE MERCY OF JESUS NIGERIA, IDAH, KOGI STATE.

CANONESES REGULAR HOSPITALLERS OF THE MERCY OF JESUS OF THE ORDER OF ST. AUGUSTINE

ORIGINS: The History of our origin is situated in DIEPPE, FRANCE, Somewhere about the XI Century. A Hotel-Dieu (God's hotel) which served by the Nursing Brothers, to them were joined about the year 1055 women who took care of the poor and the sick throughout the town as well as in the hospital itself.

During the second half of the XII Century, these women became Regular Religious, living according to the Rule of St. Augustine, and professing three solemn Vows of Religion as well as that of the serving the poor and the sick.

We are a congregation of Pontifical right. Religious of a Canonical Order, born of the needs of the Church, and the recognition of the face of Jesus in the poor and sick, together we are seeking God having but one mind and heart turned towards HIM.

Our primary purpose as a Religious Order is the Praise of God through Holy Mass, Divine office and serving Christ in the poor and the sick through works of Mercy.

Our style of life like Augustine's is both Contemplative and Active.

CHARISM: Our charism is Mercy, which finds expression in the Canonical life which is founded in Liturgical and Personal prayer, sharing all things in community and Service of the poor and sick through works of Mercy, all lived in stability of a Monastery.

ARRIVAL IN NIGERIA: In 1970, Park House in Waterloo, Liverpool at the urgent request of Bishop Timothy Cotter OSA of blessed memory sent out four sisters: Sr. Mary Carmel Gill, Sr. Agnes Minchin, Sr. Concepta Galway and Sr. Kevin Daly to Shuwa Northeastern Nigeria) in the Diocese of Maiduguri, to take care of the sick and women education. They arrived in Shuwa, in Madagali LGA of Adamawa State on the 2nd October 1970. Sr. Benedict Butler was the Prioress of the Monastery at that point in time.

A Novitiate to train indigenous sisters was opened and blessed by Late Bishop T. Cotter OSA on the 21st November 1984.

The Olive branch borne fruit in the Diocese of Jalingo on the 22nd of February 2007 the community was opened and blessed. Another House was blessed in Mubi, Adamawa State, on the 24th October 2012 to take up the challenge of the girl child education.

COUNTRIES PRESENT

France, Canada, England, Haiti, South Africa, Burkina Faso and Nigeria.

APOSTOLATES:

Nursing, teaching (Nursery/Primary, secondary) school, working with the Physically Challenged.

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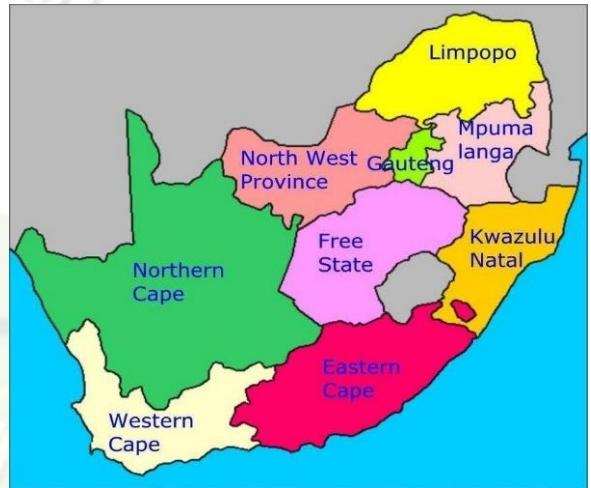
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CANONNESSES REGULAR HOSPITALLERS OF THE MERCY OF JESUS OF THE ORDER OF ST AUGUSTINE, SOUTH AFRICA

Balloons in the Air

Recently, we celebrated our 125th Anniversary. The glorious event took place on 22 October 2016, at Estcourt. The celebration was graced by the presence of a cardinal, an archbishop and two bishops. The Provincial of the Order of St. Augustine of the Province of Nigeria was present together with other superiors from various congregations. The homily during the mass was delivered by Bishop Barry. The Mass was succeeded by a great reception with lots of cultural display put together for the entertainment of all. The celebration has served as a point of reminiscence into the past How did we begin? How did we get to this juncture?



Our beginnings, lost in the mists of time, were in Dieppe in Normandy in the North of France. Women in the culture of the day in Europe went around their neighbourhoods caring for the poor, the pilgrims, the sick and wounded because they saw the face of Jesus in those they served. One such group of women was established in Dieppe. As the years passed they came together and formed a Religious Community. The first existing written reference to them was by Pope Honorius IV in 1285 by which time they had already been established for a considerable time. The Augustinian Canonesses of Reims were present at the baptism of Clovis, the first Christian king of France, in 496. At first the sisters worked in the Hôtel Dieu with the Hermits of St Augustine (Augustinian Friars). They adopted the Rule written by St Augustine and followed a life, based on that of the first Christian community (Acts 4:32-35), that he had lived in North Africa; a life of Contemplation and a Mission of Mercy to the poor and sick of the town.

In the 12th Century a new form of Religious life called Canonical life arose. It began with priests living in a community with their Bishops and developed into a way of life where the community prayed the Divine office of the Church together and, unlike the Benedictine monks, the priests or sisters went out of their Monasteries to care for those in need. This was when the sisters exchanged their black habits for white ones. The Council of Trent (1545 to 1563) set the whole Church on the path to reform. It was a turning point for Religious Orders and it certainly was for the Augustinian Sisters of Dieppe. They had to draw up new constitutions, with the help of Fr Lignier SJ to comply with the directives of the Council. These were approved in 1631. Under pain of suppression as religious, strict Papal enclosure was introduced.

Soon, the ancient olive tree began to spread its branches and the fruit of Mercy was carried further afield. From 1635 the Community of Dieppe began establishing foundations in other parts of France. Vannes/Malestroit, Rennes, Bayeux, Morlaix ... King Louis XIII of France, impressed with the sisters' endeavours, gave them his personal support and wanted to entrust all the hospitals in his kingdom to their Care. In 1639 the Order spread to Canada where, with the Ursulines sisters, we were the first missionary women ever to venture abroad from Europe. The Augustinian Sisters went to Canada at the request of the Jesuit Missionaries there to provide much needed nursing and medical care to the settlers and indigenous people.

One Augustinian, Catherine of St Augustine, who left Bayeux in Normandy in 1648 for Quebec Canada is considered one of the founders of the Church in Canada and was beatified by Pope John Paul II in April 1989.

During the French Revolution ruthless persecutions were inflicted on Religious Communities. Many sisters, even whole communities suffered imprisonment and martyrdom. Monique L' Huillier, who entered the Monastery of Château Gontier in 1776, aged 32 years, was greatly admired by all who knew her for her deep faith, generosity, and openness to the Holy Spirit even in times of trial. During the Revolution she refused to take the Oath of Liberty and Equality and was guillotined in 1794. She was beatified along with the Martyrs of Laval in 1955 by Pope Pius XII.

On the 31st October 1891, at the invitation of Bishop Charles J. Olivet nine Augustinian Sisters from the Monasteries of, Pont L' Abbe, Vitré, Fougères, and Dieppe arrived in Durban. They came to establish Hospitals and medical care for the people of this country. After a long trek to Estcourt the sisters were established there on the 6th November 1891 where they opened a school and Hospital. From here they opened hospitals in Durban, Ladysmith, and Pietermaritzburg and they always offered medical care from these centres to the local people in the district. They also established schools and homes for children who were in need of care.

The second Vatican Council's invitation for all Religious Communities to revisit their origins and rediscover their original Charism and Spirit ignited our rediscovering the gift of Canonical life with its Contemplation and Mission of Mercy to the poor. It was at this time that the Papal Enclosure imposed on us by the Council of Trent was lifted. As we sought to discover the will of God for our Order in the 'Signs of the Times', some Monasteries were closed and new initiatives were undertaken. Two new Communities were founded; in 1965 a group of sisters from different Monasteries in France went to Banfora in Burkina Faso, and in 1977 the sisters of Park House in England started a mission in Shuwa, Nigeria.

This was a time of openness, of new beginnings, and of challenge. We faced a crisis in vocations to our way of life, and difficulties in adapting to a changing Church and world. We too closed several of our large communities and works and reached out anew to the poor and sick who had no-one to care for them. It was at this time that the mission in Pomeroy began. Following the upheaval brought about by the Vatican Council we entered a time of diminishment, the drop in vocations has meant that our community has become smaller. But this has also been a time of transformation. Even as in South Africa we are transitioning from a culture dominated by

European values to one that is truly South African; so in our Community we are making the same journey.

One really great grace in the years since we celebrated our Centenary has been the presence of the Augustinian Friars (Hermits of St Augustine) among us as they were when our order first took shape in Dieppe. When these Provinces were no longer able to continue in this mission we were happy to welcome our Augustinian brothers from Nigeria. Their presence is of great spiritual support to us and we hope that in the future the Order of Hermits of St Augustine will be established in South Africa and be richly blessed with Vocations to their way of life.

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TANZANIA

ORDER OF ST. AUGUSTINE, VICARIATE OF TANZANIA

The first Augustinian assignment in Tanzania began on 3rd November 1977 when Rev. Fr. Agustín Pérez, OSA and Rev. Fr. Vitalino Malagón, OSA came for the first time in Tanzania. The two priests became in charge of St. Michael Parish of Mahanje in the Archdiocese of Songea in Ruvuma Region-Tanzania.

The second community here was St. Augustine Morogoro which was officially opened on 28. 08. 1996. It is a community of those who are seeking admission to the Augustinian Order who study Philosophy and Theology. The first Prior of this community was Rev. Fr. Padro Rubio, OSA.

The opening of the second community marked the beginning of the Delegation. The first Delegate Superior of Tanzania was Rev. Fr. Teodomiro Gonzalez Olea, OSA from 1994-2008. The second Delegate Superior was Rev. Fr. Javier Antolin, OSA. The third Delegate Superior was Rev. Fr. Kosmas Asenga, OSA. The Fourth Delegate Superior was Rev. Fr. Thobias Amuko, OSA. The fifth Delegate Superior was Rev. Fr. Edgar Ngowi, OSA from 2018 to December 2021 when we became officially Vicariate of St. Augustine Tanzania.

The first Regional Vicar Superior to the present is Rev. Fr. Kosmas Baltazar Asenga, OSA.

Distribution of the Communities (Eight Communities):

1. Augustinian Community Mahanje

P. O. Box 22, Madaba

SONGEA (1978)

Parishes under this Community:

1. St. Michael Archangel Parish Mahanje (26/06/1926)
Archdiocese of Songea

P. O. BOX 22, Madaba

SONGEA

2. St. Augustine Parish Madaba (27/07/2017)
Archdiocese of Songea



P. O. BOX 22, Madaba

SONGEA

2. St. Augustine House

P. O. Box 1947

MOROGORO (1996)

Parishes under this Community:

1. St. Augustine Parish Bwawani (27/06/2020)
Diocese of Bagamoyo

P. O. BOX 16, Chalinze

PWANI

3. St. Monica House Mavurunza

P. O. Box 79168

DAR ES SALAAM (2001)

Parishes under this Community:

1. Mary Immaculate Conception Parish Mavurunza (06/01/2001)
Archdiocese of Dar es Salaam

P. O. BOX 79168

DAR ES SALAAM

2. St. Ambrose Parish Tagaste (13/01/2013)
Archdiocese of Dar es Salaam

P. O. BOX 62170

DAR ES SALAAM

4. St. Alypius House

P. O. Box 4080, Nyegezi-Mkolani

MWANZA (2007)

Parishes under this Community:

1. St. Augustine Parish Mkolani (2007)
Archdiocese of Mwanza

P. O. BOX 4080

MWANZA

2. St. Ambrose Parish Tagaste (21/12/2016)
Archdiocese of Mwanza

P. O. BOX 1071

MWANZA

3. St. Ambrose Parish Tagaste (20/11/2022)
Diocese of Musoma

P. O. BOX 93

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4. St. Thomas the Apostle Quasi-Parish (2023)
Diocese of Musoma

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MUSOMA

5. St. Augustine Tagaste Sec. School Community

P. O. Box 31644

DAR ES SALAAM (2013)

6. St. Thomas of Villanova Community

P. O. Box 935, Njiro-Korona

ARUSHA (2017)

Parishes under this Community:

1. St. Josephine Bakhita Parish (08/08/2017)
Archdiocese of Arusha

P. O. BOX 935 Njiro – Korona

ARUSHA

7. St. Possidius Community

P. O. Box 3044, Enduimet

ARUSHA (2017)

Parishes under this Community:

1. Mary Mother of the Church Parish Kamwanga (17/05/2017)

Archdiocese of Arusha

P. O. BOX 3044

ARUSHA

2. St. Joseph the Worker Parish Enduimet (20/08/2017)
Archdiocese of Arusha

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ARUSHA

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DAR ES SALAAM (2022)

Parishes under this Community:

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Archdiocese of Dar es Salaam

P. O. BOX 12557

DAR ES SALAAM

2. St. Rita of Cascia Parish Temboni (22/05/2016)
Archdiocese of Dar es Salaam

P. O. BOX 15833

DAR ES SALAAM

3. St. Augustine Parish Temboni (07/07/2022)
Archdiocese of Dar es Salaam

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BROTHERS IN THE VICARIATE

DATES OF SIMPLE VOWS

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| 1. Fr. MLELWA, Faustin John | 28.12.1989 |
| 2. Br. MSAFIRI, Sylvanus Paul Lyaruu | 28.12.1989 |
| 3. Br. KUCHUNGULA, Anthony Yohanis | 28.12.1989 |
| 4. Fr. MATANDA, Aloyce Edgar | 28.12.1989 |

5.	Fr. ASENGA, Kosmas Baltazar	01.07.1993
6.	Fr. MSIGALA, Efrem Festo	27.09.1998
7.	Fr. MGANI, Erastus Elias	02.09.1999
8.	Ep. MUSOMBA, Stephano Lameck	02.09.1999
9.	Fr. KAHUKA, Emmanuel Markus	02.09.1999
10.	Fr. MATAVIKA, Gontardo Fidelis	27.09.2000
11.	Fr. ZENGO, Athanas Edward	27.09.2000
12.	Fr. AMUKO, Thobisa Patrice	11.06.2001
13.	Fr. KASHINJE, Zakaria Richard	11.06.2001
14.	Fr. NYONI, Erasto Renatus	11.06.2001
15.	Fr. KINYERO, Urick Damian	16.06.2003
16.	Fr. KASSASE, Xavery Herman	16.06.2003
17.	Fr. NGOWI, Edgar Aloyce	16.06.2003
18.	Fr. MWAGENI, Seraphin Bercumans	15.06.2004
19.	Fr. MSEMWA, Nolasco Paschal	01.06.2005
20.	Fr. MHOWA, Filbert Walter	01.06.2006
21.	Fr. MLOWE, Bernald Romanus	01.06.2007
22.	Fr. FUSSI, Castor Kandidus	01.06.2007
23.	Fr. NZIKU, Joel Melchior	02.06.2009
24.	Fr. NDIU, Festo Narzice	02.06.2009
25.	Fr. MUSHI, Hilary Josephat	02.06.2009
26.	Fr. MLELWA, Constantine Magdula	28.08.2010
27.	Fr. LUAMBANO, Afrates Angelus	30.06.2012
28.	Fr. MWINUKA, Godvolker Faustin	30.06.2012
29.	Fr. MGAYA, Gideon Aidan	01.07.2013
30.	Fr. MBADWE, Amos James	01.07.2013
31.	Fr. MLELWA, Edgar Nathanael	01.07.2013
32.	Fr. NCHIMBI, Tasilo Nathanael	01.07.2013
33.	Fr. NGUGO, Geofrey Apolinary	01.07.2014
34.	Fr. KOMBA, Jerasko Timoth	01.07.2014

35. Fr. MTUY, Richard Gabriel	01.07.2014
36. Fr. MLELWA, John Pius	01.07.2014
37. Fr. SIKAHANGA, Wilson Joseph	01.07.2015
38. Fr. MAYENJA, Daniel Michael	01.07.2015
39. Fr. KUYELA, Titus Raphael	01.07.2016
40. Fr. KALINGA, Aidan Anton	01.07.2016
41. Fr. MTITU, Geofrey John	01.07.2016
42. Fr. NGONYANI, Onesmo Longinus	01.07.2016
43. Fr. NKANDA, James Martin	01.07.2016
44. Fr. MASABO, Onesmo Joseph	01.07.2016
45. Fr. NGONYANI, Festo Seraphion	15.07.2017
46. Fr. MATEMBO, Wilbert Wilbert	13.07.2018
47. Fr. TEMANYA, Laurent Joseph	13.07.2018
48. Fr. NDILLAH, Ladislaus Anthony	13.07.2018
49. Fr. NZIKU, James Germanus	13.07.2019
50. Fr. MNENUKA, Ansfried Ansigar	13.07.2019
51. Fr. LUAMBANO, Exaudy Annold	13.07.2019
52. Fr. MSHANA, Joseph Elias	07.11.2020
53. Br. NTENGO, Kenedy Blasius	07.11.2020
54. Fr. KILEWO, Edward Vicent	10.09.2021
55. Fr. MGAYA, Wolfram Kanisius	10.09.2021
56. Fr. MWAGENI, Ayubu Sadick	10.09.2021
57. Fr. KITALI, Aidan Alexander	10.09.2021
58. Fr. MBUNDA, Anno Felix	10.09.2021
59. Fr. MWESIGWA, Valence Dioniz	10.09.2021
60. Br. MAKACKY, Vicent Mark	30.07.2022
61. Br. MWENDA, Nelson Damian	30.07.2022
62. Br. MSHANGA, Emanuel Julian	30.07.2022
63. Br. MADARAKA, Onesmo Mwombeki	30.07.2022
64. Br. MLUGE, Bernard Pantaleo	30.07.2022

65. Br. KASULENDE, Paschal Ndamo	27.07.2024
66. Br. NJEGERE, Petro Mtaki	27.07.2024
67. Br. REVELIAN, Matrus Rwetembula	27.07.2024
68. Br. NDANJI, Joseph Vicent	27.07.2024
69. Br. SHIRIMA, Genes Barnabas	27.07.2024
70. Br. NYEMBEKE, Cleopatias Thadei	27.07.2024
71. Br. SUMAYE, Norbert Thomas	27.07.2024
72. Br. MROSSO, Jacob Peter	27.07.2024
73. Br. SHAYO, Gregory Henry	27.07.2024
74. Br. MUSHI, Geofrey Babhu	27.07.2024
75. Br. JOHN, Regan Florian	27.07.2024
76. Br. PONERA, Athanas Benedict	05.07.2025
77. Br. JENGE, Bonimax John	05.07.2025
78. Br. NGIMBA, Charles Theonas	05.07.2025
79. Br. MBENA, Edgar Alto	05.07.2025
80. Br. MGHEN, Samwel John	05.07.2025
81. Br. NGUGUVALE, Vicent Thobias	05.07.2025
82. Br. ELIAS, Yoel Dastan	05.07.2025
83. Br. MBARAKA, Barnabas Abdallah	20.07.2025
84. Br. MUSHI, Evarist France	20.07.2025
85. Br. KYAUKI, Silvano Augustine	20.07.2025
86. Br. NDAGO, Zenobi Gaspar	20.07.2025



THE CONGREGATION OF THE AUGUSTINIAN MISSIONARY SISTERS, ARUSHA, TANZANIA.

Origins of the Congregation

In 1883 a group of Augustinian Tertiaries of an Augustinian monastery (Beaterio) in Barcelona responding freely and bravely to a concrete need of the Church, took on Missions in the Philippine Islands, involving themselves wholeheartedly in the education of young girls orphaned by a cholera epidemic. The sister's apostolate now with the mission of total service to God through the Education and human development especially overseas countries. The sisters are working in 14 countries; Spain, Brazil, Colombia, Argentina, Peru, Santo-Domingo, Mozambique, Tanzania, Kenya, India, Algeria, Taiwan, China and Philippines.



On 6th May 1890 three of them, Mothers Querubina Samarra, Mónica Mujal and Clara Cantó, founded the Congregation of the Augustinian Missionary Sisters (Agustinas Misioneras) in Madrid looking towards the apostolic work begun in the Philippines.

The Congregation is a feminine branch within the Third Order of Saint Augustine that looks to St. Augustine as Father and Teacher and is guided by his Spirituality expressed principally in his Rule and our Constitutions. It was aggregated to the Order on 2nd October, 1892. In 1962 it received approval as a Congregation of Pontifical right, during the pontificate of Juan XXIII. The *Augustinian Missionary Sisters (AMS)* is an international, apostolic-missionary religious congregation, envision to accomplish the ideal of St. Augustine *living in unity having one soul and one heart in God* and to announce the Good News for a world in which, all persons are aware of their dignity as sons and daughters of God, through a process of full self-realization and thereby are healthy, critical and open to transcendental values, and committed by means of the Kingdom for the promotion of justice, peace and integrity of creation.”

Spirituality

The fundamental source of our spirituality is the Gospel lived out in history, and the spirit of Saint Augustine lived out in a context of:

1. The search for God and Interiority
2. Fraternal communion lived in community
3. Service to the Church

Charisma

The following of Christ leads us to carry out our mission in complete availability to the calling of the Spirit. **We do this through education and human development programs paying attention to areas of poverty and great need and to mission territories “ad gentes”.**

We live this out in a community of faith, love and prayer, in attitude of searching, openness, and evangelical simplicity that takes up and shares in the task entrusted to each sister.

Mission

The universal and missionary character of the Congregation requires of us a total availability to the calling of the Spirit.

Our specific mission to evangelize through education and human development programs is fulfilled today in:

1. Schools and colleges
2. Working with abandoned children and in the situation of risk.
3. Working with youth
4. Human development programs with special attention for women and children.
5. Social work and health care.
6. Different pastoral activities where sisters are present.

Augustinian Missionary Sisters in Tanzania Origins and Arrival in Tanzania

1. Augustinian Missionary Sisters in Mahanje- Songea

The Augustinian Missionary Sisters, rooted in the spiritual tradition of St. Augustine, are a Catholic religious congregation committed to evangelization, education, and human promotion. Their mission in Tanzania began in **1978**, just a year after the Augustinian Fathers arrived in **Mahanje**, a remote parish in southern Tanzania. Responding to the needs of the local community, the sisters joined the effort by establishing:

- **A Medical dispensary**—a vital lifeline for thousands of underserved residents offering the following healthcare services:
 - **Maternal and child health services**
 - **Basic medical care and vaccinations**
 - **Health education and outreach**
- **Malaika children's home**—Founded in **2013**, named after the Swahili word for *angels*. It's a loving home for **orphaned and vulnerable girls** in the southern highlands of Tanzania, located in **Mahanje**, within the **Archdiocese of Songea**. This mission is a heartfelt response by the **Augustinian Missionary Sisters** to the deep needs of children in the region. We strive to create a **family-like environment**, where each child is nurtured with dignity and love.

2. Augustinian Missionary Sisters in Wino- Songea

The Augustinian Missionary Sisters began their mission in **Wino**, a small town in the Archdiocese of Songea, on **May 22, 1984**. The first initiative was the **St. Augustine Nursery School**, which opened on **October 24, 1984**.

St. Monica College – Training Nursery School Teachers was started in Wino. It was a specialized training center founded by the Augustinian Missionary Sisters to prepare nursery

school teachers for early childhood education. Rooted in the sisters' mission to uplift communities through education, the college equipped young women with the skills, values, and spiritual formation needed to teach and nurture children during their most formative years. Due to changing needs over time, the college was eventually converted into:

"St. Monica Wino Girls Secondary School - It was officially registered on August 13, 2018 Located in Wino Ward, within the Madaba Council of the Ruvuma Region, the school was founded by the Augustinian Missionary Sisters as part of their mission to promote girls' education and empowerment in rural Tanzania. The school has become a cornerstone of female education in the region, helping students grow intellectually, spiritually, and socially.

3. The First Augustinian Missionary Sisters Community in Arusha – Fire

The first community of the **Augustinian Missionary Sisters** in **Arusha** was officially founded on **January 18, 2001**, in the **Fire neighbourhood** of the city. This marked a significant expansion of their mission in Tanzania, bringing their values of **love, service, and education** to the northern region of the country. This first foundation in Arusha laid the groundwork for later missions, including the **Mother of Good Counsel Community in Moshono**, which became the **headquarters of the Tanzanian delegation** in 2002. Together, these communities reflect the sisters' enduring commitment to building a more just and compassionate society.

St. Monica School Moshono: A Beacon of Learning- We launched St. Monica School in **January 2007**, beginning with a nursery section that accommodates **more than 300 pupils** across six classrooms. Over the years, the school expanded to include:

- **Primary education** (started in 2010)
- **Secondary education** (launched in 2016)

St. Monica Moshono Girls Secondary School is a boarding school for girls, welcoming students from all religious backgrounds. It operates under Catholic values and follows the Tanzanian Ministry of Education's guidelines.

Through St. Monica School, the Augustinian Missionary Sisters promote:

- **Wisdom through love**—the school's guiding motto
- **Academic excellence and moral formation**
- **Empowerment of girls through holistic education**

Tagaste Novitiate Community – Arusha, Tanzania- This is a vital centre for the formation of young Augustinian Missionary Sisters. Named after **Tagaste**, the birthplace of **St. Augustine**, this novitiate embodies the spirit of contemplation, learning, and missionary zeal that defines the Augustinian tradition. At present, there are 18 novices from four different countries. The novitiate offers a **two-year program** focused on spiritual growth, community life, and theological education. The Tagaste Novitiate is not just a place of learning—it is a sacred space where hearts are formed for a lifetime of service, echoing the Augustinian call to "be of one mind and one heart on the way to God."

The Augustinian Missionary Sisters in Tanzania are more than caregivers and educators—we are **builders of hope**. Through our tireless work in health, education, and spiritual formation, we continue to uplift communities and embody the love of Christ in action.

LIST OF THE SOLEMNLY PROFESSED SISTER IN TANZANIA

	NAMES	DATES OF PERPETUAL VOWS
1	Rozi Daudi Lupogo	09/06/2007
2	Mathia Chiwalo komba	09/06/2007
3	Libelina Tomas MOTHO	09/06/2007
4	Melina Mikael HAULE	09/06/2007
5	Salome Mukami NDWIGA	27/09/2008
6	Beatrice Wanja NJERU	27/09/2008
7	Margaret Njoki NGONDI	26/09/2009
8	Stella Gaceri GITONGA	20/07/2013
9	Rita Wawira MUNENE	20/07/2013
10	Collettaeh Wanjeri KIMANI	20/07/2013
11	Pauline Nasike ETYANG	10/06/2017
12	Yuster Andrea MBILINYI	08/12/2016
13	Stephanina Karimi NJERU	10/06/2017
14	Lena Wawira MBUYA	14/09/2019
15	Irene Mwongeli MBITHI	14/09/2019
16	Pascalia Ndunge LUMBUTU	08/09/2020
17	Purity Kagendo MUNYI	23/10/2022
18	Linet Atieno, OCHIENG	02/02/2024
19	Agnes, PHILIPPO GAMBAY	02/02/2024

NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF OUR COMMUNITIES IN TANZANIA

NAME OF COMMUNITY	ADDRESS	PLACE OF APOSTOLATE
OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL COMMUNITY	P.O BOX 1554, ARUSHA	ARUSHA-TANZANIA
ST. MONICA COMMUNTY	P.O BOX 1409, ARUSHA	ARUSHA- TANZANIA
TAGASTE NOVITIATE COMMUNITY	P.O BOX 1554, ARUSHA	ARUSHA -TANZANIA
ST. RITA COMMUNITY	P.O BOX 117, MADABA	SONGEA-TANZANIA
ST AUGUSTINE COMMUNTY	P. BOX 69, MADABA	SONGEA- TANZANIA

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AUGUSTINIAN FATHERS, - LOME, TOGO

The Convent of Saint Rita of Cascia in Lomé (Togo) is the fourth house of the Belgian Province. This community was founded at the invitation of Bishop Denis Amuzu-Dzakpah, then Archbishop of the area, according to his note dated August 3, 2017. The Prior General, Fr Alejandro Moral Anton, OSA officially established this new community on November 17, 2017. This new mission of the Belgian Province, which is also a house of formation, officially began its activities with the opening Mass, marking the official entry into the postulancy of six (6) candidates on November 25, 2017, within the said convent. Having begun in a rented house, we are currently the owners thanks to the support provided by the Province of Belgium.



Called the "Order of Saint Augustine in French-speaking West Africa" (O.S.A.W.E.S.T.A.F.), this mission's primary objective is the formation of young candidates from West Africa who wish to become Augustinians. The formation house, located in Togo, therefore aims to welcome all aspirants to religious life from French-speaking West Africa.

As the Order advises us, this formation must take seriously not only the religious and academic aspects of formation, but also the psycho-affective, human, and pastoral aspects; in short, it is about forming the complete person. To achieve this goal, the formation team, in agreement with the then provincial, Fr Paul de Wit, has established projects to help the brothers in formation grow in the Augustinian spirit and prepare them to face life's difficulties. To this end, we also have small development projects in which the brothers actively participate. We want to help young people become aware of the wealth that the African continent abounds in and how they can participate in their own economic development through small businesses.

On the pastoral level, we have a chapel built with the help of the Belgian province. This chapel is open to the public and was consecrated on December 18, 2022, by the late Bishop Nicodème Barrigah-Benissan.

Thus, our presence is a community project that takes concrete form in the establishment of a structure to assist the Church in Africa and to be present to the suffering of the African people based on Augustinian spirituality.

We currently have 16 brothers in formation, from Benin, Mozambique, South Sudan, Nigeria, and Togo. This small community is led by two formator-brothers, including Father Doméfa Komi Brice AKAGBO, Father Prior of the community.

Statistics:

Augustinian Fathers worldwide: 2,438

Members of the Belgian Province (Belgium, Benin, Togo): 33 in solemn vows (from various countries: Belgium, the Netherlands, Vietnam, Benin, Togo, Ivory Coast, South Sudan, Congo, 44 brothers in formation).

Convent of Saint Rita of Cascia, Lomé

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INSTITUTE OF THE SISTERS OF OUR LADY OF THE TRINITY,

BP54 ATAKPAMÉ, TOGO

The Institute of the Sisters of Our Lady of the Trinity was born on October 7, 1985, in Atakpamé. In fact, in the search for a resolution to the crisis affecting both the Church and the Togolese state, Pope Paul VI sent an apostolic delegate to tell the President of the Republic of his desire to donate a hospital to the government and the people, but under four conditions:

1. The hospital must be built in the Diocese of Atakpamé
2. The location will be chosen by the Head of State
3. The new bishop will lay the first stone
4. Once built, the new bishop will be responsible for finding a religious congregation to operate it.

It was this fourth clause that led Monsignor Philippe Kpodzro, after knocking on several doors of religious congregations without success and aided by the late Monsignor Robert Casimir DOSSEY, to initiate the foundation of this institute. Monsignor Kpodzro, informed by the latter of the existence of a clause in the decree establishing the novitiate of the Sisters of Providence, which stated:

“With an authentically missionary aim, the congregation, starting from this novitiate, will strive to constitute as soon as possible an indigenous congregation born from the trunk.”

Monsignor Kpodzro, having contacted the Sisters of Providence and after several negotiations and a long process of decision and reflection, some African Sisters of the Providence of Saint Andrew of Peltre chose to begin this adventure with Monsignor Kpodzro in a spirit of sacrifice and poverty. The two pioneers were Sister Christine Marie FRANC and Sister Marie Amienne KOUTO. They endured the trial of being reduced to secular status by the mother congregation before making their vows again in the hands of the bishop on February 11, 1986, during a Mass in the Saint Bernard chapel of the bishopric of Atakpamé.

From that day, the pious union took shape. This courageous sacrifice was later followed by the commitment of ten other Sisters, as well as temporary professed Sisters and second-year novices at the end of their formation, who opted for their first vows in the pious union.

On May 20, 1989, the pious union was publicly presented to the Church of Togo during a Eucharist gathering all the bishops of Togo. Then, on February 11, 2007, it was erected as an institute of diocesan right.

Today, the Institute of the Sisters of Our Lady of the Trinity includes:

- 67 professed religious Sisters
- 5 second-year novices
- 4 first-year novices
- 6 postulants

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THE INSTITUTE OF THE SISTERS OF OUR LADY OF THE CHURCH (NDE) TOGO

The Institute of the Sisters of Our Lady of the Church (NDE)

The Institute of the Sisters of Our Lady of the Church (NDE) is a religious institute of diocesan right founded on August 15, 1952, in the Archdiocese of Lomé (TOGO) by His Excellency Msgr. Joseph STREBLER (SMA), then Apostolic Vicar of Lomé, with the approval of the Sacred Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith on July 20, 1952.

Initially called the “Congregation of the Little Togolese Servants of the Sacred Hearts of Jesus and Mary,” the Institute was renewed after the Second Vatican Council by Msgr. Robert DOSSEH-ANYRON, then Archbishop of Lomé and successor to Msgr. Joseph STREBLER. He placed it under the Rule and spirituality of Saint Augustine, designating it as the “Institute of the Sisters of Our Lady of the Church (NDE)” on August 22, 1966.

From its foundation, Msgr. Joseph STREBLER called upon the Sisters of the Little Servants of the Sacred Heart of Menton to ensure the formation of the young Congregation. The delegation was led by Mother Marie Nicolas PECLAT, appointed Superior General, and Mother Joseph Damien MAUCHET, Mistress of Novices, accompanied by other Sisters.

On April 13, 1953, the Constitutions of the young Congregation were approved. The Lord inspired vocations from Benin, Ghana, and Côte d’Ivoire. August 22, 1957, was a day of joy and celebration for the entire Church of Togo, which witnessed a triple event: entrance into the Novitiate, temporary profession, and perpetual profession of the first two Sisters sent by Msgr. Joseph STREBLER to Calavi (Benin) to the Oblate Catechist Sisters, Little Servants of the Poor (O.CPSP).

As noted earlier, on June 10, 1962, Msgr. Robert Casimir DOSSEH-ANYRON succeeded Msgr. Joseph STREBLER as head of the Archdiocese of Lomé. Thus, the young Congregation, being of diocesan right, came under his jurisdiction.

On July 13, 1964, Msgr. Robert DOSSEH-ANYRON called upon the Sisters of the Assumption of Paris for a five-year mandate to enhance formation and guide the Congregation toward autonomy, in order to realize within its life, the Togolese experience of Catholic religious life, with the approval of the Founder.

Since July 13, 1969, the Institute achieved autonomy with its first Superior General, Mother Marie Bernadette MENSAH, assisted by four councilors. The first General Chapter took place in Noépé on August 1, 1973, during which the identity of the Institute was redefined and its Constitutions revised.

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Tel: 22 51 59 51 / 22 51 89 60 / 90 25 86 44
7. **Community Saint John Paul II – Doumasséssé**
Tel: 90 17 00 41 / 90 81 11 57
8. **Community Ugandan Martyrs – TOKOIN**
BP. 8019
Tel: 22 21 49 43 / 91 47 33 55 / 92 47 20 40
9. **Community Saint Joseph the Worker – TOKOIN Couture**
BP. 8019
Tel: 22 22 08 08 / 92 86 49 30
10. **Community Christ the King – Kodjoviakope**
Tel: 22 22 15 19 / 90 16 53 05
11. **Community Our Lady of Angels – Amoutivé**
BP. 117
Tel: 22 22 19 72 / 22 21 27 25 / 90 36 55 67
12. **Community Stella-Matutina – Amoutivé**
BP. 117
Tel: 22 22 46 47 / 99 46 90 40
13. **Community Saint Augustine – Lom Nava**
Tel: 22 21 13 14 / 22 20 01 65 / 90 19 39 88
14. **Community Mgr Jean-Marie CESSOU – Lomé / Archbishopric**
BP. 348
Tel: 22 21 22 72 / 90 25 53 90
15. **Community Immaculate Heart of Mary – Lomé / Beach**
BP. 511
Tel: 22 21 27 24 / 90 28 71 63
16. **Community Sainte Thérèse of the Child Jesus – Adamavo**
Tel: 90 34 85 18
17. **Community Our Lady of Mercy – Tsévié**
BP. 59
Tel: 23 30 43 31 / 90 17 65 03
18. **Community Casa Gloria Dei – Atchanvé**
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19. **Community Nazareth – Agbélouvé**
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20. **Community Mary Queen – Assahoun**
Tel: 23 35 43 11 / 99 27 41 82

REGION OF KPALIMÉ

21. **Community Saints Peter and Paul – Aného**
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22. **Community Our Lady of the Lake – Togoville**
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23. **Community Holy Spirit – Kpalimé**
BP. 98
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THE CONGREGATION OF THE SCHOOL SISTERS OF NOTRE DAME (SSND) PROVINCE OF AFRICA

A BRIEF HISTORY OF THE SCHOOL SISTERS OF NOTRE DAME IN AFRICA

The School Sisters of Notre Dame is an international congregation of women religious founded on October 24, 1833 in Bavaria, Germany, by the Blessed Mary Theresa of Jesus Gerhardinger. Being one of the great contributors in the modern era to the Christian formation of the family and the general society, she had the vision to provide holistic and transformative education for the youth with special emphasis on the training of girls. From that moment to date, the SSND has been shaped and defined in character by this vision of its foundress.

Accordingly, the School Sisters of Notre Dame are educators in all that they are and do. "For us, education means enabling persons to reach the fullness of their potential as individuals created in God's image and assisting them to direct their gifts toward building the earth" (*You Are Sent*).

Our common heritage, charism, community life and mission promote and strengthen the unity which binds our sisters across nations and cultures, to Christ, to one another and to the people to whom we are sent. At the moment, the congregation is made up of approximately 2500 religious women who serve in 32 countries worldwide and spread across the continents of Europe, the Americas, Asia, Africa and Oceania.

The African side to the Story.....

In the early years of the Congregation's foundation and during the lifetime of Blessed Theresa Gerhardinger, slave girls who were ransomed were brought to the Motherhouse in Munich, Germany for education.

However, the project failed to materialize since the ransomed young women, destined for the SSND holistic education, died as a result of the weather. For a moment, the vision to reach out was stalled but not ended.

Motivated by Vatican II's call to reach all nations with the Gospel of Christ (*Missio ad Gentes*), and spurred on by what Mother Theresa describes as the charism (contagion of love), sisters from Baltimore, Dallas, St. Louis, Wilton and Mankato Provinces in the united states of America, starting from the 1970s courageously ventured into the continent of Africa to witness to Christ. Sisters sent on mission to Africa were stationed in Ghana, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Liberia and Kenya.

In 1990, sisters from the Polish Province also came to Africa, beginning a ministry in The Gambia. Originally, these places were mission extensions of the sending provinces but as time went on, the desire of the sisters to be united as one entity became very strong. This called for

various dialogues, meetings and discernment leading to the formation of the District of Africa on February 2, 1996 and its birth on 24 October in the same year.

The sisters of The Gambia became part of the District of Africa in October 2005. Although it all started as an entirely foreign missionary activity in Africa, with time, young indigenous African women desirous of participating in the ministry of the congregation, enthusiastically joined up. On August 28, 2011, sisters serving in five countries of Ghana, Nigeria, Kenya, Sierra Leone and The Gambia came together to form the Province of Africa. Over the years, the membership component of Africans in the SSND has grown by leaps and bounds, working side by side with their sisters from elsewhere across the continents.

Currently, the School Sisters of Notre Dame of the Province of Africa live and serve in five countries: The Gambia, Sierra Leone, Ghana, Nigeria and Kenya.

Either as indigenous religious or foreign missionaries, the sisters of the Province of Africa continue to fan into flame the Congregation's founding vision which, being rooted in the gratuitous love of God, holds education as key to transforming the world. Because of this, SSND sisters serve as teachers, administrators, nurses, counsellors, social workers and pastoral ministers. etc.

Being School Sisters of Notre Dame, we are blessed with the richness of diversity in our intercultural communities, and shaped by our worldwide vision and perspective of things. Through transformative education we have become truly SSNDs and our charism of unity is evident in the way we live, longing to direct our entire lives towards that oneness which is only realized in Christ Jesus.

Since God himself guides and molds the work of his handmaids, his providence has protected the ministry of the SSND for the past fifty-one years of its presence in Africa. "Let us continue to serve the Triune God all our lives with joy, to obey him, to love him above all". (MT714)

Members

91 professed sisters (Perpetual Profession [69] Temp. Profession [20] Volunteers [2]),

10 novices,

8 postulants.

20 communities.

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