

Members of the Community of Jesus Crucified are supported in their spiritual lives and apostolic endeavors by means of monthly gatherings in small cluster units in the various locales and a monthly ongoing formation meeting at the Community's headquarters.



Community of Jesus Crucified Headquarters/Mailing Address 103 Railroad Avenue St. Martinville, LA 70582

Members also operate a retreat facility, Our Lady of Sorrows, in St. Martinville, Louisiana, where they conduct a variety of classes and retreats, including retreats for married couples, guided and directed retreats, group preached retreats, and silent retreats for men and for women on various aspects of the spiritual life.

Our Lady of Sorrows Retreat Center

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THE COMMUNITY OF JESUS CRUCIFIED

The Community of Jesus Crucified is a Catholic Private Association of the Christian Faithful of diocesan right. In 1986, it was canonically erected in the Diocese of Lafayette, Louisiana.











Members have been involved in ministry with

- the sick and the dying
- those in nursing homes
- the mentally distressed
- the poor
- and those marginalized and suffering in society

Identity and Charism

The Community of Jesus Crucified has lay members, married and single, who live in their own homes, and Priest and Brother members in formation. who live a common life. Community members bind themselves together to freely consecrate their lives in service of a suffering and wounded humanity. The jovs and sufferings of its members are offered in union with the sufferings and passion of the Crucified Christ to the Father for the sake of the wounds of His Body, the Church. Members strive to live out the charism by enfleshing in their lay and religious lives the words of St. Paul, "In my own body, I make up for what is lacking in the sufferings of Christ for the sake of His Body, the Church (Col. 1:24)."

Perpetual Superior

The Community recognizes Mary, our Lady of Sorrows, as the first and perpetual superior of the Community of Jesus Crucified. They also have a Lay Superior, who is elected by the vowed community membership.

Formation and Mission

Following an extensive period of formation, lay community members take a private vow of Christian perfection; members of the Priest and Brother Servants assume vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience. By drawing upon the graces of their consecration, members participate in the charism by fidelity to prayer, the sacramental life, ongoing spiritual formation and conversion, participation in community and individual apostolates, and charitable works.

Members minister to those who are in most need and suffering, with priority given to those who are unserved or underserved. Community members are also committed to disseminating knowledge of the spiritual life to the laity by conducting retreats, offering classes and workshops on the spiritual life, promoting and participating in Eucharistic adoration, and in offering spiritual direction.