



2025 Programs at the International Centre

Stepping into the Past, Living in the Present, Journeying toward the Future – April 23-29, 2025

Welcome to Le Puy! Come and enjoy an exciting opportunity to discover, in fresh ways, the history, spirituality, and charism of the Family of Joseph as it unfolds for a new day. Come and listen to the ageless echo of the footsteps of the first members on the cobble-stone streets of France. Let them touch your soul. Explore the resonance and relevance of the echo from the past animating us to life in the present. Journey, with others, into the promise and hope of an evolving and unknown future at the very heart of this beautiful and dynamic charism. Come to appreciate ever more deeply your special place, your own call and journey into the mystery of relationship with God and with others. Embrace anew the spirituality that calls us always to “expansive and inclusive love” in the realities of the contemporary world. This seven-day program will integrate prayer, reflection, presentations and sharing, visits to special sites in the story of the Family of Joseph and the enjoyment of “walking together” in the movement of the Spirit. Come and be in Le Puy!

Presenter: Sr. Mary Rowell, CSJ, is a Sister of St. Joseph in Canada and is vocation and first formation director for her Congregation. She currently works in retreat and environmental ministries at Villa St. Joseph in Cobourg, Ontario. In that capacity, Sr. Mary provides presentations and retreats across Canada and the United States, many of which focus on the CSSJ charism for all members of the “Joseph Family”. She also facilitates general chapters for various Congregations.

Living Synodality from Our St. Joseph Spirituality – August 17-23, 2025

Our *charism* of Trinitarian, unifying love is needed more than ever! With the church declaring synodality, which is our *charism* in action, as ‘constitutive’ to its life, we followers of the Little Design are called to live synodality ourselves and to model it with others. Come explore how to integrate synodality into all we are and do, drawing on the Resurrection narratives, our Primitive Texts, our shared history and spirituality, and our lived experiences as well as those of the peripheries. This program is intended for lay and religious congregational, ministerial, and institutional leaders who desire to learn, deepen, and integrate a synodal way of being into their lives and service.

Presenter: Sr. Dolores Palencia, CSJ. Mexican and Sister St. Joseph of Lyon with decades of experience in leadership (provincial, congregational, now as Coordinator of Albergue Guadalupano which receives thousands of refugees and asylum seekers each month). Dolores served as a Presidential Delegate to the 2022-2024 Synod on Synodality. She speaks French and English, along with her native Spanish.

Mission Alive! – September 6-13, 2025

This program offers a pilgrimage for lay partners in mission and provides an immersion experience into the original spirit and global dimension of the *charism* and spiritual tradition of the Sisters of Saint Joseph. If you are associated with one of the ministries founded by the Sisters of Saint Joseph as an administrator, staff person, board member, or supporter, this program is for you! Come deepen your learning, nourish your imagination and strengthen your conviction in participating in a world-wide movement that fosters union with God in drawing all into one. The week-long experience offers a rhythm of presentations, interactive participation, prayer, and visits to historic sites in Le Puy-en-Velay. A day trip to Lyon is also included.

Presenter: Sr. Dolores Clerico, SSJ is a Philadelphia Sister of Saint Joseph (USA) with ministry experience in the academic, parish, diocesan, and congregational arenas. She is a frequent speaker, workshop presenter, and retreat facilitator for sisters, associates, and partners in mission throughout the United States and annually at the International Centre.

The Lace is Not Yet Finished – September 16-22, 2025

In each generation since, the Holy Spirit has awakened God's compassionate presence in the hearts of women to respond to the ever-changing needs of the people of God. In this program participants will get in touch with and claim once again the transformative power of this *charism* in our midst and into the future.

Presenter: Sr. Jane Delisle, CSJ is a Sister of St. Joseph from Orange, CA, USA. Jane has come to Le Puy-en-Velay many times with sisters and staff from the Orange Health Systems.

Suggested contribution for all programs:

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675 to 775 Euros (if paid with a bank transfer)

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