



Imprints of Venerable Jean-Claude Colin

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A publication about the mission of the Society of Mary-Marists around the world inspired by the Venerable Founder of the Marist Fathers and Brothers.

Marist Mission in the South of Thailand

In February 2026, the Marist Mission in Ranong celebrated its 20th foundation anniversary, a moment of gratitude, renewal, and hope. Established in 2006, the mission was born from a deep desire to respond to the urgent needs of Burmese migrants in southern Thailand. Today, it stands as a living witness to a vision rooted in compassion: to be present among those most in need.

This vision finds its inspiration in Venerable Jean Claude Colin, who called Marists to serve quietly and humbly, especially among the most neglected. For two decades, that call has taken flesh in Ranong. Migrant families, often burdened by poverty, displacement, and limited access to basic services, have found not only assistance but also dignity and belonging.

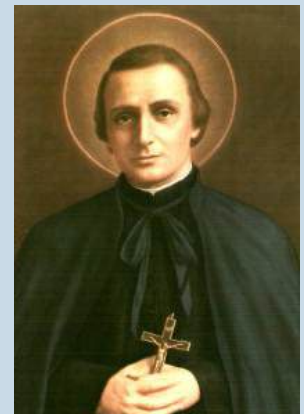
The anniversary celebrations on 26–27 February gathered a vibrant community of leaders, clergy, volunteers, and local partners. At the

heart of the celebration was a Eucharist of thanksgiving, honoring both the journey and the people whose lives have been touched. It was a powerful reminder that the mission is not just a place, but a shared commitment to love in action.

From its beginnings, the mission has focused on education, healthcare, and social support. Children who once had little access to schooling now find opportunities to learn and grow. Families facing hardship receive care and accompaniment. Programs addressing health concerns, including HIV/AIDS, continue to bring healing and hope.

The opening of the Marist Centre in 2013 marked a significant step forward, strengthening outreach and deepening community impact. Yet, the true strength of the mission lies in its spirit, a quiet, faithful presence among the poor.

As the Marist Mission in Ranong looks to the future, it carries forward Colin's vision: to go where the need is greatest, to serve with humility, and to remain a gentle sign of hope in the lives of those who need it most.



St. Peter Chanel

He is a Marist missionary priest, regarded as the proto-martyr of Oceania. Serving in Futuna, he witnessed Christ through humility and charity. His martyrdom in 1841 became a seed of faith, leading to the island's conversion and inspiring missionary zeal throughout the Pacific.

Feast on 28 April



Seeking Graces

... through the intercession of Venerable Jean-Claude Colin

Our Church teaches that the Saints in Heaven lovingly intercede for us here on earth. As we journey toward the Beatification and Canonisation of a holy person, we turn to God with trust, asking for His graces through that person's intercession.

Around the world, a growing number of people are seeking God's graces through the intercession of Father Colin. On this page, you will find some of these people and the intentions they hold in their hearts. Let us join together in prayer for them, asking God's help through the intercession of the Venerable Jean-Claude Colin.

France

Maël Faucon-Mouton

Young Maël lives near Lyon, France, aged 9 at the time of diagnosis with leukemia. His parents, friends and the Marists seek healing for Maël through the exclusive intercession of Jean-Claude Colin.



Bangladesh

Sr Jhorna Gomes SMSM

Sr Jhorna is the first Bengali woman to become a Missionary Sister of the Society of Mary. In recent times she has been on mission in Jamaica.

Sr Jhorna (50) has been diagnosed with lung cancer that has metastasized. Her Sisters invite you to join them in praying for healing through the intercession of Jean-Claude Colin.



Australia

Anthony de Salis

Anthony lives in Canberra, A.C.T., Australia, the nephew of Fr Michael Rego SM. In September 2019, in his final year of biochemistry studies at Australian National University, he was diagnosed with Hodgkin's Lymphoma. Since then he has graduated - and is now in full remission

from his illness. Anthony and his family are grateful for the prayers of many who have sought the grace of healing for him through the intercession of Jean-Claude Colin.



A prayer for graces

Loving God, you inspired
Jean-Claude Colin
to live a life faithful to the
Gospel and in the spirit of Mary.

If it is your will that he be
honoured as a saint to the glory
of your name, please show us the
favour he enjoys in your sight by
granting the grace we now ask
through his intercession:

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We ask this through Christ,
Our Lord. Amen



Prayer for a miracle

Loving God, you inspired
Jean-Claude Colin
to live a life faithful to the
Gospel and in the spirit of Mary.

If it is your will that he be
honoured as a saint to the glory
of your name, please show us the
favour he enjoys in your sight by
granting the miraculous grace we
now ask through his exclusive
intercession:

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We ask this through Christ,
Our Lord. Amen

If you or someone you know would like prayers offered through the intercession of the Venerable Jean-Claude Colin, please feel free to contact a member of our network near you. Please check for further details at

<https://www.jeanclaudecolin.org/cause/network>

Quote from Colin

“The Spirit of the Society leads us to choose the poorest foundations, because it is in these places that we can do most good in a hidden way; there is more good to be done there and with greater certainty.”

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