

The Fourvière Promise



In the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit.

All for the greater glory of God and the honour of Mary the mother of the Lord Jesus.

We the undersigned, striving to work together for the greater glory of God and the honour of Mary the mother of the Lord Jesus, assert and make known our sincere intention and firm will of consecrating ourselves, as soon as ever it is opportune, to founding the most holy congregation of Marists.

That is why by this present act and our signatures we irrevocably dedicated ourselves and all we have, insofar as we are able, to the society of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and we do this neither childishly nor lightly, nor from any human motive or hope of temporal gain; but seriously, having taken timely counsel and weighed all before God, solely for the greater glory of God and the honour of Mary, mother of the Lord Jesus.



We pledge ourselves to endure all sufferings, labours, inconveniences, and, if needs be, torture because we can do all things in him who strengthens us, Jesus Christ: to him we promise faithfulness in the bosom of our most holy mother, the Roman Catholic Church, and adhering to its supreme head the Roman pontiff with all our force; also to our very reverend bishop, our ordinary; that we may be good ministers of Jesus Christ, nourished by words of faith and wholesome doctrines which, by his grace, we have received.

We solemnly promise that, under the most august name of Mary and with her help, we shall spend ourselves and all we have in saving souls by whatever way possible; all this is, however, subject to the wiser judgment of our superiors.

Praised be the holy and immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Amen.