

# NEWS

## Visitation to the Province of Canada



*"Choose life so that you will live, you and your descendants,  
"loving Yahweh your God, listening to his voice. Living united to him"*  
(Dt. 30, 19-20)

Sister Monica Joseph RJM, Superior General and Sister Alejandra Diaz RJM, Councilor for America, visited the Province of Canada; the communities and works in Peru, from the 5<sup>th</sup> to the 12<sup>th</sup> of September 2018 and the communities and works in Canada, from October 14 to November 12, 2018. Beginning on November 6, Sister Nuria Cuadras RJM, General Bursar joined us to meet the Provincial Bursar, and end the visitation together with us.

This is the first official visitation to the Province after a long process of unification of the two ancient Provinces of Montreal and Quebec. We thank the Government Teams which have been involved and done everything possible on their part so that union could be a reality, thanks to each one for her contribution.

The Provincial Conference was celebrated on November 11, in the Provincial House of Levis, with the presence of 84 Sisters. Sister Mary Furuya RJM came as representative of the religious who live in Peru.

The Province is present in two countries: Canada and Peru. In both of them the Charism of Claudine is an actual response.

The arrival of Jesus and Mary to Canada was in the year 1855 and to Peru in 1991.



In Canada, JM is in two civil Provinces: Quebec and Nouveau Brunswick. And it dreams of going to other cities and provinces of Canada.

In Peru, JM is present in two cities: Lima and Arequipa.

## At present there are:

12 Communities: 9 in Canada and three in Peru

115 religious of perpetual vows: five Peruvians, one Mexican and the rest Canadian

1 Peruvian religious of temporary vows will make her perpetual profession on November 25, 2018.

The average age in the Province is 80 years.

There are four Canadian religious who are rendering service outside the Province: Sister Claudette Lemyre RJM in the Mother House in Lyon and who forms part of the Province. Sisters Pauline Madigan RJM and Anne Marie Paquet RJM, Margaret Quirion RJM form part of the Delegation of Africa. Many thanks to them and to the Province for its generosity!

Something which characterizes this Province is its missionary spirit, which impelled the Province to extend its frontiers, founding in Gabon and in Peru.

Sister Françoise Barras RJM during several years was Mistress of Tertianship in Rome. Her wisdom and spiritual accompaniment have helped many religious.

Sister Josée Therrien RJM is responsible for UNANIMA in representing our Congregation and she helps us to keep informed about the work of UNANIMA and to be more aware of our participation.



This Province has given us the gift of a faithful daughter of Saint Claudine, our dear Dina Belanger. She is greatly loved by the religious and by many persons who go to the different Centers or Shrines of Dina. Many Sisters work to make her life and her message known.

Good News: in Sillery there will be a Parish called "Blessed Dina Bélanger". The Diocese is restructuring, and they are going to create a new Parish from the union of three. There was consultation to the faithful and they chose the name of Dina.

The religious are grateful and thank Sister Lourdes Rossell RJM, Postulator of the Cause of Dina, for her precious work. Together we thank God for all the favors received through the intercession of Dina and let us ask for a miracle for her canonization.

Statue of B. Dina.  
It is in the Chapel of  
Saint-Michel

## Its Mission:

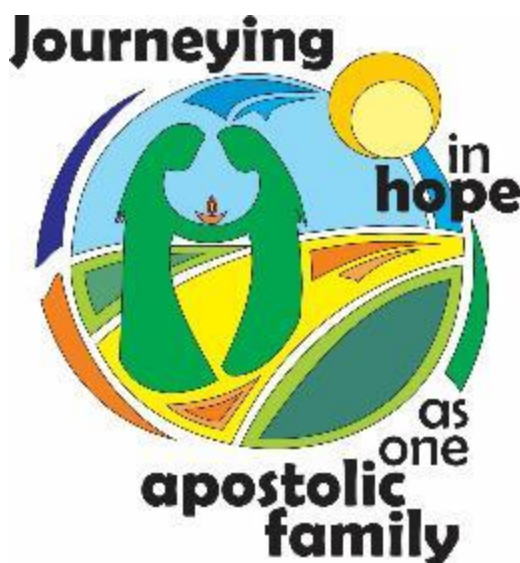
- 3 JM High Schools: 2 in Canada and 1 in Peru.
- 1 Primary and Secondary School; it belongs to the Diocese in Peru.
- 1 Music School in Lévis (Canada) for children, young people and adult
- The House of the children in Saint-Roch. (Canada)
- Presence in the School of Sillery (Canada)
- 1 Center of Faith, in Laméque (Canada) which includes the Workshop Providence.
- Mission and presence in Parishes: activities of catechesis, consolation, formation Liturgy, accompaniment, visit to the families, missionaries of the street, human promotion.
- Diffusion of Blessed Dina Bélanger, making her life known and accepting the pilgrims who go to ask God for graces through her intercession.
- Humanitarian and missionary Projects in different countries especially in Latin America for groups of young people and groups of adults.
- Commitment in favor of refugees.
- Work with Organizations and Foundations to seek financing and implementation of Projects of help countries in greater need.

On June 18, 2017 the Government Team began for a period of 4 years. The members are:

Sister Françoise Barras RJM  
Sister Véronique Lacroix RJM  
Sister Céline Latulippe RJM  
Sister Diane Fortier RJM  
Sister Josée Therrien RJM  
Sister Robéa Duguay RJM

Provincial Superior  
Councilor, replaces Provincial Superior  
Councilor, Bursar  
Councilor  
Councilor  
Official, Superior of the Delegation of Peru

Our Lady of Visitation, messenger of the Good News, open our hearts so that filled with joy and hope, we set out on the journey to encounter our brothers and sisters as Saint Claudine did. Amen.





With some images, we will try to share some aspects of its life and mission. .

## In Perú...



with students



Communities



New school in Arequipa







with AFJM



with the brother of the Sacred Heart



with teachers

## In Canadá...



with students





For the others...



Communities moments



Dina Bélanger



with AFJM



with Street's friends



Together, in the closing of the visit

