

Work and conversations on Agrégées occurred in pockets across the Congregation.
1990s

“We affirm the distinct forms through which we live the mission.”
2007 Acts of Chapter

“We intentionally welcome, foster, and develop emerging ways of living the charism, such as temporary commitment, Agrégées and partners in ministry.”
2013 Acts of Chapter

At a CLG meeting, four leaders from across the Congregation agreed to meet regularly and include persons called to Agrégées in order to animate the 2013 chapter directive.
September 2016

“We stand in communion with all who share our passion, charism and mission: St. Joseph Workers, partners in mission and ministry, friends, emerging and ongoing relationships such as Agrégées and all those enlivened by our Charism.”
2019 Chapter Directive

2025 Acts of Chapter

Agrégée Companions' Evolutionary Process

2010–2016

Formal and informal conversations and meetings included those who felt a growing call to Agrégées.

2017 Retreat: Reflection on Agrégées

Lisa Lazio CSJ (SL) facilitated a weekend retreat for six interested persons (one from LA and five from SP); the retreat was held in St. Paul.

2018 Retreat: Sacred is the Call

Agrégée & Sister Companions from across the congregation gather in St. Paul to build relationships, review existing Agrégée materials, and develop foundation documents.

June 2018 (Ongoing)

Communication with Congregation in “We Are Carondelet,” Province websites, and produced a video introducing Agrégée Companions. Agrégée Companions financed and published *Origins of the Sisters of St. Joseph: A Call to Apostolic Mysticism*, 3rd edition written by Consuela DeBiase, CSJ, edited by Shawn Madigan, CSJ. Offered as free download to any CSSJ congregation (3/2021).

2019 Retreat: Heritage Joseph, Fr. Medaille, Mother St. John Fontbonne, Early Sisters & Agrégées

Facilitated by Agrégée Companions, including a family and focused on agrégées from the founding with Fr. Medaille, to the French Revolution, and to today.

2020 Retreat: Living Simply

Agrégée and Sister Companions gather virtually to build relationships and continue development of foundational documents.

2021 Retreat: Gifts We Bring; Gifts of Mary

Sharing the Heart and State of the House

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