

## SISTERS OF ST. ANN'S OF PROVIDENCE

The Congregation of Sisters of St. Ann was born through the Providence of God amidst the tumultuous historical events of the early nineteenth century, the Industrial and the French Revolution. Again very uniquely and providentially on 10<sup>th</sup> December 1834 the Congregation was founded in Turin by a married couple Marquis Carlo Tancredi of Barolo and Marchioness Giulia Colbert of Barolo.

This noble and wealthy couple were childless, moved by the grace of God to compassion and concern for the children who were neglected or left orphans because of the Industrial and French Revolution. They desired to offer the Church a new Religious Institute that would dedicate itself to the Education and Christians Formation of childrenand young girls belonging to the poor and needy families. Thus the Congregation of the Sisters of St. Ann of Providence came into existence which is today spread over five continents and whose members dedicate themselves mainly to the education of children, youth and to works of mercy.

## THE ORIGIN OF THE INSTITUE- 1834

The Marchioness recruited in her own palace some generous young ladies ready to consecrate themselves to the service of the Church, in the field of education. With the help of an exemplary nun she engaged for the purpose, she trained them to piety, study and the other duties of their vocation. On the 10<sup>th</sup> of December, 1834, the first ten

Novices received the religious Habit in the private Chapel of Villa Barolo at Moncalieri, under the name of the SISTERS OF SAINT ANN.

Today we the Sisters of St. Ann are working in India and it was possible only because of our Mother Enrichetta our Co-founders, who took up the task of carrying on the works of our Congregation after the death of our Founders. Mother Enrichetta was a woman of prayer and had great love and vision for the Mission and in particular the Mission in India. She founded thirty religious houses and opened the Indian Missions in 1871. They were 97 Italians Sisters in 28 batches who generously offered their services to the Indian soil.

So we offer our services in all over India. Our main work is educating the poor and the needy. We also have Hospitals and Social Service centres, through which we reach out to the poor and the needy.





















