

4.1 Institutes that honor Vincent de Paul as one of their patrons.

AUSTRIA

4.1-AUS.839.3.1F

Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul of Innsbruck

Founded 1839 at Innsbruck, Austria, as a development from the Sisters of Charity of Strasbourg (see 1.2-FRA.734.3F) to educate the young and care for the sick and elderly in their homes. The first candidates for this institute were formed at Munich. In 1839 it sought pontifical approval of its rule, but Rome reverted to the rule of the institute at Vienna (see 1.2-AUS.832.1.11) by the same name and appointed Reverend John Duille as their ecclesiastical superior. This institute is a member of the Vincentian Federation.¹⁴⁸ (Generalate: Rennweg 40; 6020 Innsbruck, Austria.)

4.1-AUS.841.1.2

Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul of Graz

Developed 1841 at Graz, Austria, from the Sisters of Charity of Strasbourg via the diocesan foundation at Munich (1832) (see 1.2-FRA.734.3.11F). The diocesan institute (twenty-four sisters in four foundations) led by their superior general, Sister Leopoldine de Brandis, (1815-1900), united with the Daughters of Charity, Paris, in 1850 (see 1.1-FRA.633.22). When de Brandis died in 1900 the province had 2700 sisters and 210 houses. In 1882 this institute assisted the Sisters of Charity of Salzburg in uniting with Paris (see 4.1-AUS.844.3.1.2). Brandis had previously founded a lay Association of Visiting Nurses (see L-2.2-AUS.878.11) and the Nursing Sisters of Mary of the Miraculous Medal (see 2.2-AUS.880.11.2 and 2.2-SLO.878.1.11).¹⁴⁹

¹⁴⁸AP, 1603; "Les Soeurs de la charité de Strasburg," *La Tradition Vivante*, 33; Fischer to McNeil, 15 July 1993; DIP, s.v. "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, de Innsbruck" 2: 368; Mezzadri, "Quando La Legge libera," 31.

¹⁴⁹M. Adelina Cizmesija, Croatian Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul, 29 January 1993, Survey S-33, VSI Family Tree Project; Jost to McNeil, 2 August 1993, Ljubljana, Slovenia. "Les Soeurs de la charité de Strasbourg," *La Tradition Vivante*, 33; ADCP, "Communautés religieuses qui sont rattachées à celle des Filles de la Charité"; Lawlor to McNeil, 23 March 1993, Paris; "Brandis, Deceased Sisters 1900-1903, 56; DIP, "Brandis, Josefina" 1: 1561. See also Chapter 2, "Findings," note 12.

4.1-AUS.844.3.1.2

Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul of Salzburg

(Sisters of Mercy of Saint Vincent de Paul)

Founded 1844 at Schwarzach, Austria, by Cardinal Frederick Joseph von Schwarzenberg (1809-1885), archbishop of Salzburg, with the collaboration of the Sisters of Charity of Strasbourg via the diocesan foundation (1832) at Munich (see 1.2-FRA.734.3.11F) in the formation of the first sisters: Madeleine Preisinger and Catherine Königsberger. It was established in order to remedy widespread poverty in the mountainous regions that lacked hospitals. In 1882 this institute, led by Mother Marie Vinzentia Praxmarer (1822-1903), united with the Daughters of Charity, Paris (see 1.1-FRA.633.22). Praxmarer became the first visitatrix (1882-1902) after the union with Paris. Encouraging the union was Sister Leopoldine de Brandis, visitatrix of the Daughters of Charity, province of Graz, and Reverend Ferdinand Médits, C.M., (1841-1915). Schwarzenberg wrote Praxmarer regarding the union with Paris: "I have been informed of your union with the true Family of Saint Vincent de Paul. I am most happy on account of it. In 1844 I earnestly desired this but insurmountable difficulties prevented it; to my successor [Archbishop Albrecht Eder, O.S.B.] it has been granted to accomplish the work and I rejoice in it."¹⁵⁰

4.1-AUS.889.0

Congregation of Christian Works of Saint Joseph Calasanctius

Founded 1889 at Vienna, Austria, by Reverend Anton Maria Schwartz (1852-1929) for pastoral ministry and education among youth, especially through group work. Vincent de Paul is secondary patron of this diocesan institute. Schwartz had been the spiritual director of the Sisters of Charity of Vienna-Gumpendorf.¹⁵¹ (Generalate: Gebrüder Langgasse 7; 1150 Vienna, 15 Austria.)

¹⁵⁰M. Adelina Cizmesija, Croatian Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul, 29 January 1993, Survey S-33, VSI Family Tree Project; "Les Soeurs de la Charité de Strasbourg," *La Tradition Vivante*, 33; ADCP, "Communautés religieuses qui sont rattachées à celle des Filles de la Charité" Lawlor to McNeil, 23 March 1993, Paris; ADCP, "Province de Salzburg: La Famille Vincentienne"; personal communication Anne Marie Magermans, D.C., to Betty Ann McNeil, D.C., 1 March 1995, Paris; "Province of Salzburg," *Echo*, no. 11 (November 1991): 455-59; "Fiftieth of the Union of the Sisters of Charity of Salzburg with the Community," *Echo*, no. 9 (September 1932): 198-206; "Remarks on Sister Marie Praxmarer," *Lives of the Deceased Sisters 1901-1905*, 81-84.

¹⁵¹Christa Bauer, D.C., to Betty Ann McNeil, D.C., 5 August 1993, Graz, Austria; *DIP*, s.v. "Operai Cristiani di San Giuseppe Calasanzio" 6: 733-34; "Schwartz, Anton Maria" 8: 1066-67.

BELGIUM ¹⁵²

4.1-BEL.672.1.2

Sisters of Charity of Verviers

Established 1672 at Verviers (now Belgium, then a town within the electorate of Cologne), by Reverend René Alméras, C.M., (1613-1672), second superior general of the Congregation of the Mission and the Daughters of Charity (1661-1672), who, in collaboration with Sister Mathurine Guérin, D.C., (1631-1704), third superioress general of the Daughters of Charity (1667-1673; 1676-1682; 1685-1691) sent two Daughters of Charity there for the care of the elderly. In the home for the aged which they founded hangs a portrait of Sister Augustine Ancroy, D.C., (1647-1693). This group separated from Paris (although there is no record when this happened) probably at the time of the French Revolution. At the beginning of the nineteenth century, the sister nurses, who had become dependent on the local bishop, continued their services to the elderly. One day the original contract signed by Alméras and Guérin was discovered and the sisters realized that the institute had once been attached to the French Daughters of Charity. Despite some difficulties, Jean Baptiste Étienne approved a reunion. This institute united with the Daughters of Charity of Paris in 1854 and placed it under the leadership of Sister Marie Ligarde, D.C., (1822-1889).¹⁵³

4.1-BEL.756.0F

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Rumbeke

Founded 1756 at Rumbeke, Belgium, by Reverend Peter Francis Valcke, for charity to the poor, especially the sick. Originally known as Daughters of Charity, this was the first institute in Belgium to assume the name of Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul, after its patron. The institute strives to live in humility, simplicity, and charity. The founder was inspired by the example of Saint Vincent to respond to the urgent social needs of eighteenth-century Belgium. This institute

¹⁵²For all Belgium foundations see also S. Marguerite, D.C., to Betty Ann McNeil, D.C., 11 August 1993, Brussels, Belgium.

¹⁵³Sister Marie Ligarde, D.C., also transmitted the Vincentian tradition to two other communities which had united with Paris: Châlons-sur-Marne in France and later Vienna (Lisbon) in Portugal. *Remarks on our Deceased Sisters [1889-1894]:* 44-48. Lawlor to McNeil, 23 March 1993, Paris; "The Direction of the Lazarists," *Genesis of the Company 1633-1968* (Emmitsburg: Daughters of Charity, 1968), 82; "With Our Most Honored Mother in Portugal," *Echo* [December 1957]: 499.

survived the invasions of the revolution, and fell under Dutch jurisdiction for a time. It was legally reconstituted in 1824 as an institute of diocesan right. In 1957 it joined a Vincentian federation with others in Belgium.¹⁵⁴ (Generalate: Kloosterstraat, 1; Rumbeke, 8810 Roeselare, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.790.2

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Ichtegem

Founded 1790 at Ichtegem, Belgium, as a school for lacemaking by pastors at Ichtegem (in succession don Valcke, Martelé, Langendonck, and Bruwier) who were concerned about the education of youth. Ultimately this evolved into a religious community (1854) under the title of Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul. In 1954 the congregation united with the Sisters of Faith of Tielt.¹⁵⁵

4.1-BEL.791.2

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Torhout

Founded 1791 at Torhout, Belgium, by Maria Moke Coutteau for education of youth and care of the sick. This institute of diocesan right united in 1955 with the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Handzame.¹⁵⁶ (Generalate: Viaductstraat, 2; 8820 Torhout, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.794.0

Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul of Louvain

Founded 1794 at Louvain, Belgium, by Reverend Jean Baptiste van Cauwenberghe, (1749-1798), for education of youth, and care of the sick and elderly in the parish of Saint Jacques as an institute of diocesan right.¹⁵⁷ (Generalate: St. Jacobsplein 13; 3000 Louvain, Belgium.)

¹⁵⁴S. Benigna, Sisters of Vincent de Paul of Rumbeke, 30 July 1993, Survey S-62, VSI Family Tree Project; S. Marguerite, D.C., to Betty Ann McNeil, D.C., 11 August 1993, Brussels, Belgium; *DIP*, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Rumbeke" 8: 968."

¹⁵⁵*DIP*, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Ichtegem" 2: 959-60; "Fede, di Tielt, suore di" 3: 1429.

¹⁵⁶*DIP*, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Torhout" 8: 970; "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Handzame" 8: 958-59.

¹⁵⁷*DIP*, s.v. "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Louvain" 2: 368-69; "Van Cauwenberghe, Jean-Baptist" (volume not yet published).

4.1-BEL.801.2

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Zonnebeke

Founded c.1801 at Zonnebeke, Belgium, in 1833 united with the Sisters of Our Lady of Ten Bunderen.¹⁵⁸

4.1-BEL.803.0

Sisters of Charity of Jesus and Mary

Founded 1803 at Lovendegem, a village near Ghent, Belgium, by Reverend Pierre Joseph Triest (1760-1836) in collaboration with Maria Teresa van der Gauwen (Mother Placide) for education, charitable services including care of orphans and nursing according to the spirit of Saint Vincent de Paul, patron of this institute. The rule reflects the double inspiration of charity of Vincent de Paul and the contemplation of Saint Bernard. Triest wanted to obtain the *Common Rules* of Saint Vincent but was unable to do so. Triest also founded three other Belgian institutes: the Brothers of Charity (1807), the Brothers of Saint John of God (1823) to nurse the sick at home, and the Sisters of the Holy Childhood of Jesus (1835) for the care and education of foundlings. In 1954 the Hospitallers of Saint Vincent de Paul of Eeklo (see 4.1-BEL.837.2a) united with the latter. Because of his great compassion for the needy in the post-revolutionary era, the founder was known as the Vincent de Paul of Belgium.¹⁵⁹ (Generalate: 25 rue Saint Bernard; 1060 Brussels, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.803.2

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Zomergem

Founded 1803 at Zomergem, Belgium, when some pious young women came together to dedicate themselves for instruction of youth, and care of the sick and elderly. In 1963 this institute of diocesan right united with the Sisters of the Infancy of Jesus.¹⁶⁰

¹⁵⁸DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Zonnebeke" 8: 974; "Nostra Signora Ten Bunderen, suore di" 6: 433-34.

¹⁵⁹AP, 1477; Ludo Vercammen, Sisters of Charity of Jesus and Mary, 17 September 1993, Survey S-81, VSI Family Tree Project; Van Winsen to McNeil, 28 August 1993; NCE, s.v. "Triest, Peter Joseph"; DIP, s.v. "Carità di Gesù et di Maria, di Lovendegem" 2: 334; "Triest, Pietro Giuseppe" (volume not yet published). The rule and constitution of this institute influenced the Sisters of Charity of Saint Joseph of Ypres founded in 1824. See DIP, "Carità di San Giuseppe, di Ypres" 2: 363.

¹⁶⁰DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Zomergem" 8: 973-74; "Infanzia di Gesù, Suore" 4: 1693-94.

Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul of Courtrai

Founded 1807 at Courtrai, Belgium, by Frans Jozef de Smedt (1745-1815), bishop of Brugge, for works of charity in collaboration with Marian Teresa Holvoet (b.1764). This institute was influential in the development of the Sisters of Charity of Kortrijk. Later this institute united with the Sisters of Faith of Tielt.¹⁶¹

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Lichtervelde

Founded 1810 at Lichtervelde, Belgium, by Reverend James D'Hooghe (also the founder of the Sisters of Charity of Lichtervelde in 1824). In 1937 this institute united with the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Roeselare.¹⁶²

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Lendeledede

Founded 1811 at Lendeledede, Belgium, by Reverend Benedict de Beir (1763-1854) and Sister Catherine van Ooteghem who inculcated a Vincentian spirit of service to the sick poor and youth, as well as other charitable works. In 1955 this institute of diocesan right united with the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Menen.¹⁶³ (Generalate: Dorpsplein, 2; 8860 Lendeledede, Belgium.

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Avelgem

Founded 1814 at Avelgem, Belgium, by Maria Anna van Saceghem to educate poor youth. In 1954 the institute united with the Sisters of the Addolorata of Ruiselede.¹⁶⁴

¹⁶¹DIP, s.v. "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Courtrai" 2: 366-67; "Desmedt, Frans-Jozef" 3: 455; "Carità, di Kortrijk, suore de'" 2: 319-20; "Fede, di Tielt, suore de'" 3: 1429.

¹⁶²DIP, s.v. "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Lichtervelde" 5: 962; "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Roeselare" 2: 967.

¹⁶³DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Lendeledede" 8: 962-63; "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Menen" 2: 963; personal Communication John Rybolt, C.M., to Betty Ann McNeil, D.C., 26 September 1994, Paris.

¹⁶⁴DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Avelgem" 8: 955; "van Saceghem, Maria Ann" (volume not yet published); "Addolorata, Suore dell'" 1: 100.

4.1-BEL.814.2b

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Kortrijk

Founded 1814 at Kortrijk, Belgium, by the Misses Dassonville, Crombet, and Planckaert with the approbation of Frans Jozef de Smedt (1745-1815), bishop of Brugge, in order to establish a school and later care for poor abandoned infants. Saint Vincent de Paul was named as their patron. In 1956 the institute united with the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Kortemark.¹⁶⁵

4.1-BEL.815.0

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Saint-Nicolas-Waas

Descendant of a seventeenth-century foundation (1648) and re-founded in 1815 at Saint-Nicolas-Waas, Belgium, for instruction and education of youth by Marie Catherine Tyvaert and Marie Anne Moyaert (1792-1859) as an institute of diocesan right.¹⁶⁶ (Generalate: Kalkstraat, 28; 9100 Saint-Nicolas-Waas, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.818.0

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul, Servants of the Poor of Ghent of Gijzegem

Founded 1818 at Gijzegem in Ghent, Belgium, by Baroness Elizabeth Marie le Candèle de Ghysseghem (née Robiano, 1773-1864) for the instruction of youth, and care of the sick at home. The original rules were based on those of Saint Vincent de Paul who is patron of the institute. Humility, simplicity, and charity are the characteristic virtues. The constitutions of 1840 were revised with the assistance of Reverend Vincent Lemaître, S.J., who had been inspired by Vincent de Paul's teachings. The sisters of this institute of diocesan right wore a habit and cornette like the French Daughters of Charity, but modernized it in 1964.¹⁶⁷ (Generalate: 30, rue Brichaut; 1030 Brussels, Belgium.)

¹⁶⁵DIP, s.v. "Carità, di Kortrijk" 5: 319-20; "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Kortrijk" 8: 961-62; "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Kortemark" 8: 962; "Desmedt, Frans-Jozef" 3: 455.

¹⁶⁶DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Saint-Nicolas-Waas" 8: 970.

¹⁶⁷AP, 1603; Marie Claude Cersier, *Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul, Servants of the Poor of Gijzegem*, 19 December 1993, Survey S-95, VSI Family Tree Project; "A Família Vicentina no Brasil," *Informativo São Vicente* 15 (November-December, 1981), 69-76; Van Winsen to McNeil, 28 August 1993, Panningen; DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, Serve dei Poveri" 8: 975-76; "Le Candele, Elisabeth-Marie" 5: 557-58; "Vincenzo de' Paoli" (volume not yet published).

4.1-BEL.818.2

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Roeselare

Originally founded 1818 at Roeselare, Belgium, by Louise Feys (1796-1861) and Idonia Sofia Verhaeghe (b.1791) to educate young poor girls. It was known as the Sisters of Charity and Mercy. In 1930 the institute united with the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Zwevezele and in 1937 with the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Lichtervelde. In 1965 this diocesan institute associated itself with the Sisters of Our Lady of Perpetual Help of Kortrijk, the Sisters of Charity of Wervik, the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Anzegem, and the Sisters of the Holy Family of Kortrijk and later to the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Rumbeke and the Sisters of the Immaculate Conception of Mary and the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Emelgem.¹⁶⁸ (Generalate: Rodenbachstraat, 14; 8800 Roeselare, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.821.2a

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Geluwe

Founded 1821 at Geluwe, Belgium, by Reverend Louis de Brouwer. In 1927 united with the Sisters of Our Lady of Ten Bunderen of Moorslede.¹⁶⁹

4.1-BEL.821.2b

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Emelgem

Founded 1821 at Emelgem, Belgium, by four women volunteering to do works of mercy. In 1959 united with the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Anzegem.¹⁷⁰

4.1-BEL.822.2a

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Gits

Founded 1822 at Gits, Belgium, by Reverend Florent Barbier (1785-1822) with the help of Anna Demeulenaere. Following the spirit of Saint Vincent de Paul, they aim to educate youth, serve the sick and

¹⁶⁸DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Roeselare" 8: 967; "Feys, Ludovica" 3: 1489.

¹⁶⁹DIP, s.v. "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Geluwe" 2: 958; "Nostra Signora di Ten Bunderen" 6: 433-34.

¹⁷⁰DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Emelgem" 8: 958; "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Anzegem" 8: 954.

elderly, and do missionary work. In 1956 this diocesan institute united with the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Klerken.¹⁷¹ (Generalate: Gitsbergstraat 17; Gits; 8830, Hooglede, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.822.2b

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Handzame

Founded 1822 at Handzame, Belgium, by Teresa Stael and Reverend Charles Dewilde (who also founded the Sisters of Mary of Pittem in 1837). Once a flourishing diocesan institute, when vocations diminished, the congregation united in 1955 with the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Torhout.¹⁷²

4.1-BEL.824.2.2

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Kortemark

Founded 1824 in Kortemark, Belgium, by Reverend Peter Mulle (1787-1846) for the education of youth and later for the care of the sick in their homes. This diocesan institute united in 1955 with the Annunciation of Furnes and again in 1956 with the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Kortrijk.¹⁷³ (Generalate: Handzamestraat, 16; 8610 Kortemark, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.827.2

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Meulebeke

Founded c. 1827 at Meulebeke, Belgium, for the care of the sick and elderly and education of orphans. Based on the 1814 legacy of Coletta Loncke (1782-1815) for the construction of an hospice under the direction of Reverend John Platteau (1766-1843). In 1955 united with the Sisters of Faith of Tielt.¹⁷⁴

¹⁷¹DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Gits" 8: 958; "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Klerken" 8: 960.

¹⁷²DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Handzame" 8: 958-59; "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Torhout" 8: 970.

¹⁷³DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Kortemark" 8: 961; "Mulle, Petrus" 6: 191; "Annunciate, di Furnes/Veurne" 1: 657-58; "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Kortrijk" 2: 319-20; "Carità, di Kortemark" 2: 319.

¹⁷⁴DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Meulebeke" 8: 963; "Fede, di Tielt, Suore de'" 3: 1429.

4.1-BEL.829.2

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Brugge

(Suore Verrue)

Founded 1829 at Kortrijk, Belgium, by Theresa Verrue for care and education of infants and orphans. In 1954 the institute united with the Sisters of Faith of Tielt.¹⁷⁵

4.1-BEL.830.2a

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Anzegem

Founded 1830 at Anzegem, Belgium, by Thérèse Busschop (1790-1875) and Reverend Charles Deracke who wanted an institute to teach poor girls in his parish. United with the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Emelgem in 1959.¹⁷⁶ (Generalate: Kerkstraat, 84; 8570 Anzegem, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.830.2b

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Zwevezele

Founded 1830 at Zwevezele, Belgium, by Reverend Joseph Mark Volckaert. In 1930 united with the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Roeselare.¹⁷⁷

4.1-BEL.831.1

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Zele

Founded 1831 at Zele, Belgium, by Reverend Livinus Francis van Belle (1771-1838) for the care of the sick and elderly. Founded a hospital (1829) staffed by three Religious of Notre Dame. When the institute and hospital became separated, the sisters elected to remain and became known as the Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul, forming the nucleus of a new institute of diocesan right.¹⁷⁸ (Generalate: Koevliet, 2; 9240 Zele, Belgium.)

¹⁷⁵DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli (Suore Verrue)" 8: 976; "Verrue, Theresia" (volume not yet published); "Fede, di Tielt, suore di" 3: 1429.

¹⁷⁶DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Anzegem" 8: 954; "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Emelgem" 2: 958; "Busschop, Thérèse" 1: 1683.

¹⁷⁷DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Zwevezele" 8: 974; "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Roeselare" 2: 967.

¹⁷⁸DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Zele" 8: 973.

4.1-BEL.831.2

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Viane

Founded 1831 at Zele, Belgium, by Reverend Stalens, Miss Ponchaut, Petronilla van Belle, and Reverend J. B. van Belle (1796-1879), vicar of Geraardsbergen. The institute originated in an education apostolate but later expanded to include the care of the sick. In 1955 it united with the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Deftinge.¹⁷⁹

4.1-BEL.832.0

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Sint-Denijs-Westrem

Founded 1832 at Sint-Denijs-Westrem, Belgium, by Reverend Leonard de Lavie (1793-1864) especially to teach young girls the craft of spinning. At a time of great misery in the area, he obtained a benefactor and built a school. Juliana De Potter Kervyn financed the work providing thirty spinning wheels plus rent for the building. The first sisters were formed by the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Zomergem. This diocesan institute was placed under the patronage of Saint Vincent de Paul.¹⁸⁰ (Generalate: Loofblommestraat, 6; Sint-Denijs-Westrem, 9051 Ghent, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.832.2

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Deftinge

Founded 1832 at Deftinge, Belgium, by Louise De Sterke and Reverend John van Damme for instruction and education of youth, and care of the elderly and sick. In 1955 this diocesan institute united with the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Viane.¹⁸¹ (Generalate: Kerkstraat, 10; 9570 Deftinge; Lier, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.833.1.2

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul, Handmaids of Our Lady of the Seven Sorrows of Hamme

Founded 1833 at Hamme, Belgium, by Caroline van Hove and Clara van Laer based on a pre-existing convent founded by the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Saint-Nicolas which became autonomous.

¹⁷⁹DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Viane" 8: 971; "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Deftinge" 8: 956.

¹⁸⁰DIP, s.v. "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Sint-Denijs-Westrem" 2: 968; "Lavie, Leonardo di" 5: 505; "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Zomergem" 2: 973-74.

¹⁸¹DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Deftinge" 8: 956; "Sterke, Louise de" (volume not yet published); "Van Damme, Joannes" (volume not yet published); "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Viane" 8: 971.

The institute aimed to do education, nursing for the sick and elderly. In 1964 the institute united with the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Dendermonde. (See 4.1-BEL.856.1.2.)¹⁸²

4.1-BEL.833.2a

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Menen

Founded in 1833 at Menen, Belgium, by Reverend Peter Louis Sabbe, pastor, and Nathalie Bareel (in religion, Sister Vincent). Members dedicated themselves to education of youth, care of orphans and the elderly. Initially known as the Pauline Sisters (1837-1955), in 1955 they united with the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Lendeledede (see 4.1-BEL.811.2).¹⁸³

4.1-BEL.833.2b

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Wachtebeke

Founded 1833 at Wachtebeke, Belgium, by Reverend George Dominic van Rossen and Caroline Gillis (1800-1854) for the instruction of youth and care of the sick, especially the poor. In 1955 this diocesan institute united with the Visitation of Mary of Kruibeke.¹⁸⁴ (Generalate: Dorpstraat, 25; 9185 Wachtebeke, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.834.0

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Poperinge

Founded 1834 at Poperinge, Belgium, by Reverend Bruno van Merris (d.1859) for basic education, catechetics and training in making lace. The early sisters adopted the name of Saint Vincent de Paul for this diocesan institute since they had been formed by the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Kortrijk.¹⁸⁵ (Generalate: Loviestraat, 18; 8970 Poperinge, Belgium.)

¹⁸²DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, Ancelle di Nostra Signora dei Sette Dolori, di Hamme" 8: 974-75; "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Sint-Niklaas" 8: 970; "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Dendermonde" 8: 957.

¹⁸³DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Menen" 8: 963; "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Lendeledede" 8: 962-63.

¹⁸⁴DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Wachtebeke" 8: 971-72; "Van Rossen, Dominicus" (volume not yet published); "Visitazione di Maria, di Kruibeke" (volume not yet published).

¹⁸⁵DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Poperinge" 8: 967; "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Kortrijk" 2: 319-20; personal communication John Rybolt, C.M., to Betty Ann McNeil, D.C., 26 September 1994, Paris.

4.1-BEL.834.22

Sisters of Charity of Heule

Founded 1834 at Heule, Belgium, by Sister Agatha Rosalie Lagae (1799-1864) for service to the poor. The first sisters were inspired by the example of Saint Vincent de Paul, and like him aimed at responding to the needs of the time by devoting their lives to the service of the poor and the sick through works of mercy. In 1955 the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Wevelgem (see 4.1-BEL.837.2d) merged with this institute.¹⁸⁶ (Generalate: Mellestraat, 1; 8501 Heule, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.835.2F

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Oostnieuwkerke

Founded in 1835 at Oostnieuwkerke, Belgium, by Reverend Peter van Houwaert for instruction and education of youth and care of sick. In 1972 this diocesan institute established a federation with the Sisters of Maricole of Brugge, the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Werken, and the Sisters of Our Lady of Westrozebeke.¹⁸⁷ (Generalate: Slijperstraat, 1; Oostnieuwkerke, 8840 Staden, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.835.2

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Saint-Eloois-Winkel

Founded 1835 at Saint-Eloois-Winkel, Belgium, for education of youth and care of the sick, following the 1814 establishment of a school by Reverend Francis Joseph Vandenbussche (1759-1817) to teach spinning. The founder is considered to be Reverend Peter Joseph Bastiaen (1798-1867) who was pastor (1833-1851) where the sisters were working. The order was based on the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Kortrijk and of Lendeledede. In 1954 the institute united with the Sisters of Mary of Ingelmunster.¹⁸⁸

4.1-BEL.837.11

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Deinze

Founded 1837 at Deinze, Belgium, by Reverend Constantine Janson (1796-1848) in collaboration with Mary Phillipina Martens (1785-1848)

¹⁸⁶DIP, s.v. "Carità, Suore di, di Heule" 2: 318; "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Wevelgem" 8: 972.

¹⁸⁷DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Oostnieuwkerke" 8: 965; "Maricole di Brugge" 5: 995; "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Werken" 8: 972.

¹⁸⁸DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Sint-Eloois-Winkel" 8: 969; "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Kortrijk" 2: 319-20. "Maria, Suore di, d'Ingelmunster" 5: 937.

for the education of girls and to serve the poor, elderly, and infirm. (See 4.1-BEL.856.1.2.)¹⁸⁹ (Generalate: Meulenstraat, 24; 9800 Deinze, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.837.1

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Buggenhout

Originally founded 1837 at Deinze, Belgium, by Reverend Constantine Janson (1796-1848) and revised 1854, but became autonomous as a diocesan institute in 1861. (See 4.1-BEL.837.11.)¹⁹⁰ (Generalate: Kloosterstraat, 15; 9255 Buggenhout, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.837.2a

Hospitallers of Saint Vincent de Paul of Eeklo

Founded 1837 at Eeklo, Belgium, by Mother Stanislas Meyers (1806-1889), a sister of Saint Vincent de Paul of Zele, and approved 1840 as a congregation of diocesan right by Louis Joseph Delebecque (1798-1864), bishop of Ghent. The purpose of the institute was to educate orphans and care for the sick and elderly. In 1954 the congregation united with the Sisters of the Holy Childhood of Jesus founded by Reverend Pierre Joseph Triest.¹⁹¹

4.1-BEL.837.2b

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Koekelare

Founded 1837 at Koekelare, Belgium, by Reverend van Couter with the collaboration of Angela Blontrock and four other young women for the education of youth and the care of the sick. In 1953 the institute united with the Sisters of Charity of Roeselare.¹⁹²

4.1-BEL.837.2c

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Merkem

Founded 1837 by Reverend De Jean at Merkem, Belgium, for education of youth and care of the aged. This institute developed from the 1780 establishment of a pious society of teachers (Barbara Matton,

¹⁸⁹DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Deinze" 8: 957; "Janson, Constantinus" 5: 297.

¹⁹⁰DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Buggenhout" 8: 956; "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Deinze" 8: 957; "Janson, Constantinus" 5: 297.

¹⁹¹DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Eeklo" 8: 957-58; "Ospedaliere di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Eeklo," 6: 974; "Meyers, Stanislas" 6: 1272.

¹⁹²DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Koekelare" 8: 960; "Carità, di Roeselare" 2: 967.

Maria Devusch, and Theresia Casier (d.1879, of Moorslede) who became their first superior. Their works included education, health, and care of orphans. In 1955 the institute united with the Sisters of Mary of Ingelmunster.¹⁹³

4.1-BEL.837.2d

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Wevelgem

Founded 1837 at Wevelgem, Belgium, by Reverend Peter Joseph Lerycke for education of youth and works of mercy. In 1955 it merged with the the Sisters of Charity of Heule.¹⁹⁴

4.1-BEL.839.0

Brothers of Our Lady of Mercy

Founded 1839 at Mechelen, Belgium, by Reverend Victor Jean Baptiste Cornelius Scheppers (1802-1877, venerable 1987) for the education of youth. Scheppers received the inspiration for this institute on the feast of Saint Vincent de Paul whom he designated as its patron. The rule of this institute contains several specific references to Saint Vincent and his spirit of charity. Scheppers founded the Sisters of Our Lady of Mercy in 1844 to educate young women in lace making. He also established the Saint Vincent de Paul Society in Mechelen.¹⁹⁵

4.1-BEL.840.0

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Waarschoot

Founded 1840 at Waarschoot, Belgium, by Reverend Peter de Vos de Walhoucke (1789-1851) with the help of Bernardine de Neve (1790-1851) who is considered the founder. This diocesan institute is dedicated to the care of the sick, elderly, and youth.¹⁹⁶ (Generalate: Schoolstraat, 33; 9950 Waarschoot, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.840.2

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Poeke

Founded 1840 at Poeke, Belgium, by Joanna Rampelbergh (1808-1896) and Reverend John Baptist van Den Hole (1798-1869). The

¹⁹³DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Merkem" 8: 963; "Maria, Suore, d'Ingelmunster" 5: 937.

¹⁹⁴DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Wevelgem" 8: 972.

¹⁹⁵DIP, s.v. "Scheppers, Victor Cornelius" 8: 1033-34; "Fratelli di Nostra Signora della Misericordia" 4: 683-84; "Nostra Signora della Misericordia, Suore di" 6: 400-401; MEGVIS 8, no. 11 (November 1930): 201-63; MEV (1930): 261-63.

¹⁹⁶DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Waarschoot" 8: 971; "Neve, Bernardina de'" 6: 281.

purpose of the institute was to assist the poor and for Christian education of young girls and orphans. In 1955 following the recommendation of Bishop Justin Calewaert, this institute, as well as Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Poeke and those of Leupegem, united (1955) with the Little Apostles of Saint Joseph of Wetteren.¹⁹⁷

4.1-BEL.841.0

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Nieuwkerke

Founded 1841 at Nieuwkerke, Belgium, by Barbara Debruyne for care of the sick and education of youth as a diocesan institute.¹⁹⁸ (Generalate: Seulestraat, 8; Nieuwkereke, 8951 Heuvelland, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.841.2

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Klerken

Originated in a school founded 1826 at Klerken, Belgium, by Reverend van den Broucke. This evolved in 1841 into a religious community which later united (1956) with the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Gits.¹⁹⁹

4.1-BEL.842.0

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Boezinge

Founded 1842 at Boezinge, Belgium, for a school at the request of Reverend David Butseraen. In 1955 merged with the Sisters of the Holy Family of Ieper.²⁰⁰

4.1-BEL.843.0

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Sint-Kruis

Founded 1843 at Sint-Kruis, Belgium, by Reverend Arcadius van Haverbeke. In 1878 united with the Sisters of Marie of Pittem. The inspiration of the institute came from the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Lendeledede who trained the first sisters for this institute (see 4.1-BEL.811.2).²⁰¹

¹⁹⁷DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Poeke" 8: 966; "Bernardine, di Oudenaarde" 1: 1386.

¹⁹⁸DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Nieuwkerke" 8: 964-65.

¹⁹⁹DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Klerken" 8: 960; "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Gits" 8: 958.

²⁰⁰DIP, s.v. "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Boezinge" 8: 955-56; "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Klerken" 8: 960; "Fede, di Tielt, suore de'" 3: 1429.

²⁰¹DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Sint-Kruis" 8: 969; "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Lendeledede, Suore di" 8: 962-63; "Suore di Maria, di Pittem" (volume not yet published).

4.1-BEL.844.0a

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Beveren-Waes

Founded in 1844 at Beveren-Waes, Belgium, by Reverend John Francis Cools (1787-1866) for instruction and education of youth and care of the sick as a diocesan institute.²⁰² (Generalate: Cretenborchlaan, 9; 9120 Beveren [Waas], Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.844.0b

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Oostakker

Founded 1844 at Oostakker, Belgium, by Leonard de Lavie (1793-1864) and Caroline de Vos as a diocesan institute. De Lavie had also founded the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Sint-Denijs-Westrem.²⁰³ (Generalate: Sint-Rafaëlstraat, 7; Oostakker, 9041 Ghent, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.846.2

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Zevecote

Founded 1846 at Zevecote, Belgium, by Charles Joseph Rabaut for the education of youth. In 1911 this institute united with the Sisters of Mary of Pittem.²⁰⁴

4.1-BEL.847.2

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Opwijk

Founded 1847 at Opwijk, Belgium, by Reverend Peter van Hemel and Melanie Hofmans (1829-1905) for teaching literacy, Christian education, and to assist the poor, sick, and elderly. In 1874, the institute accepted the rule of the Third Order of Franciscans and was affiliated with the Orders of Friars Minor. In 1965 this diocesan institute united with the Augustinian Hospital Sisters of Merchtem.²⁰⁵ (Generalate: Kloosterstraat, 38-40; 1745 Opwijk, Belgium.)

²⁰²DIP, s.v. "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Beveren-Waes" 8: 955.

²⁰³DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Oostakker" 8: 965; "Lavie, Léonard de" 5: 505; "Vos, Carolina de" (volume not yet published).

²⁰⁴DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Zevecote" 8: 973; "Suore di Maria, di Pittem" (volume not yet published).

²⁰⁵DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Opwijk" 8: 966; "Van Hemel, Petrus" (volume not yet published); "Agostiniane Ospedaliere, di Merchtem" 1: 231; "Hofmans, Melania" 4: 1541; "Francescane de San Vicente de Paoli" 4: 440.

4.1-BEL.850.0F

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Werken

Founded 1850 at Werken, Belgium, by Reverends Bendel and Debrue and Sister Catherine Stragier of the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Klerken for education and instruction of youth as well as works of charity. In 1971 this diocesan institute formed a federation with the Sisters of Maricole of Brugge, the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Oostnieuwkerke, and the Sisters of Our Lady of Westrozebeke.²⁰⁶ (Generalate: Hogestraat, 15; Zarrenwerken, 8610 Kortemark, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.852.3

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Hekelgem

Founded at Hekelgem, Belgium, in 1852 by Jeanne Julie Bruyninckx (1827-1904) with the assistance of Reverend John Peter Reyntjes (1779-1867) in order to assist the sick, and the poor and instruct youth. The founder was formed by the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul at Opwijk, which also lent two sisters to facilitate the community's development. It is an institute of diocesan right.²⁰⁷ (Generalate: Bellestraat, 4; Hekelgem; 1790 Affligem, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.854.0

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Moerzeke

Founded after 1854 at Wichelen, Belgium, by Hendrika Vermeulen and Isabel Johanna Clinckspoor with the guidance of Reverend Theodore van Herzele (1811-1893) for the education of youth and care of the sick and elderly. Actually a preexisting association of pious youth became this institute of diocesan right.²⁰⁸ (Generalate: Molenstraat 7; Moerzeke; 9220 Hamme, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.856.1.2

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Dendermonde

Founded 1856 at Dendermonde, Belgium, by three Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul of Deinze (See 4.1-BEL.837.11.) The primary purpose of this institute was to educate youth, especially the

²⁰⁶DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Werken" 8: 972; "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Klerken" 8: 960; "Maricole, Suore, di Brugge" 5: 995; "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Oostnieuwkerke" 8: 965.

²⁰⁷DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Hekelgem" 8: 959; "Bruyninckx, Jeanne-Julie" 1: 1616.

²⁰⁸DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Moerzeke" 8: 964; "Vermeulen, Hendrika" (volume not yet published).

handicapped, and to care for the sick and infirm. Rosalie Huvenne (1807-1883) (Sister Marie) may be considered the founder of this diocesan institute. In 1964 it united with the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul, Handmaids of Our Lady of the Seven Sorrows of Hamme.²⁰⁹ (Generalate: Kerkstraat, 97; 9200 Dendermonde, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.856.3.2

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Houthulst

Founded 1856 at Houthulst, Belgium, with the help of the Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Lendeledede (see 4.1-BEL.811.2). Later the local community at Houthulst became independent. In 1954 the institute united with the Sisters of the Sacred and Immaculate Heart of Mary at Vladslo.²¹⁰

4.1-BEL.890.0

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Moorsele

Founded 1890 at Moorsele, Belgium, by Reverend Gesquière and Julia Gesquière for care of the sick. It is a diocesan institute.²¹¹ (Generalate: Pater Lievensstraat, 20; 8690 Moorsele, Belgium.)

4.1-BEL.926.2

Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Oostvleteren

Founded (no date given) originally in Oostvleteren, Belgium but in 1926 joined with the Sisters of the Holy Family of Ieper.²¹²

FRANCE

4.1-FRA.816.0

Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus of Saint-Jacut

Founded 1816 by Angélique Le Sourd (1767-1835) at Saint-Jacut in Morbihan, France, as an institute of diocesan right with Saint Vincent de Paul as its patron.²¹³ (Generalate: 56220 Saint Jacut Les Pins, France.)

²⁰⁹DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Dendermonde" 8: 957; "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Deinze" 8: 957; "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, Ancelle di Nostra Signora dei Sette Dolorei, di Hamme" 8: 974-75.

²¹⁰DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Houthulst" 8: 959; "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Lendeledede" 8: 961-62; "Suore del Sacro e Immacolato Cuore di Maria, di Vladslo" (volume not yet published).

²¹¹DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Moorsele" 8: 964.

²¹²DIP, s.v. "San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Oostvleteren" 8: 965; "Sacra Famiglia, di Ieper" 8: 121.

²¹³DIP, s.v. "LeSourd, Angélique" 5: 615; "Sacro Cuore de Gesù, Suore de'" 8: 342-44; Chalumeau, "La Descendance Spirituelle," 18; Delarue to McNeil, 16 July 1993, Le Mans.

4.1-FRA.822.0a

Daughters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary of Crehen

(Daughters of Divine Providence of Crehen, Mothers of the Poor)

Founded 1822 at Crehen in Côtes d'Armor, France, by the Reverend Guy Homery (1781-1861) for service of the poor, the care of orphans, nursing the sick, educating youth, and spiritual retreats. Vincent de Paul is a patron of this institute. The founder wished to imitate him as a model for the clergy of France, and he wished his members to be involved in the active apostolate without the cloister. Members make a fourth vow of service to the poor. Homery told his daughters that this institute of diocesan right had the same mission as that of Vincent de Paul.²¹⁴ (Generalate: 11, rue Guy-Homery; 22130 Crehen, France.)

4.1-FRA.822.0b

Sisters of Mercy of Sées

(Servants of Jesus and Mary; Sisters of Charity)

Founded 1822 in Sées, France, by Reverend Jean Jacques Bazin (1767-1855) for the care of abandoned children as well as for the corporal and spiritual assistance of the sick in their homes, especially the poor. Reverend Napoléon Alexandre Théodore Durand (1804-1877) assisted Bazin in the development of the rule for this diocesan institute which has Vincent de Paul as its patron.²¹⁵ (Generalate: 60, rue d'Argentré; 61500 Sées, France.)

4.1-FRA.823.3

Daughters of the Charity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Founded 1823 at LaSalle-de-Vihiers in Maine-et-Loire, France, by Reverend Jean Maurice Catroux (1794-1863) and Rose Giet (1784-1848) for education in the faith, education of children, care of the sick, and parish ministry. The founder spent some time with the Daughters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul at the Hospital Saint Jean in Angers

²¹⁴Marie Paul Duvignac, *Daughters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary*, 1 May 1994, Survey S-106, VSI Family Tree Project; *DIP*, s.v. "Homery, Guy" 4: 1542-43; "Figlie della Divina Provvidenza" 4: 1576-77; Chalumeau, "La Descendance Spirituelle," 18; Delarue to McNeil, 16 July 1993, Le Mans.

²¹⁵*DIP*, s.v. "Bazin, Jean-Jacques" 1: 1140-41; "Misericordia, di Sées, suore della" 5: 1412; Chalumeau, "La Descendance Spirituelle," 18; Delarue to McNeil, 16 July 1993; J. et J. Letourneur, *Le Chanoine Jean Bazin 1767-1855* (Sées: Maison Mère des Soeurs de la Miséricorde, n.d.); Sister A. M. Courcier to Anne Marie Magermans, D.C., 24 October 1994, Sées, France.

and placed this institute under the patronage of Saint Vincent de Paul. Giet had been influenced by a Daughter of Charity, Sister Cellier. The original habit was partly modeled on the seminary habit of the Daughters of Charity. This diocesan institute follows the spirituality of the French School.²¹⁶ (Generalate: 23, Promenade des Cours; 86000 Poitiers, France.)

4.1-FRA.827.0

Daughters of Holy Mary of the Presentation of the Virgin

Founded 1827 at Broons, France, by the Reverend Joachim Fleury (1762-1849) with the collaboration of Louise Lemarchand (1800-1885) and her sister Laurence Lemarchand for the education of youth and care of the sick. Vincent de Paul is a patron of this diocesan institute and members serve the poor after his example in a spirit of humility, simplicity, and charity.²¹⁷ (Generalate: 27, rue de la Barrière; 22250 Broons, France.)

4.1-FRA.836.2

Franciscan Sisters of Saint Vincent de Paul

Founded 1836 at Voiron in Savoy, France, by Julie Point (1788-1849) with the collaboration of Véronique Galle (1784-1849) and Anne Garzavel (1795-1848). Point had noticed three orphans wandering through the streets and encouraged them in caring for themselves, then prepared them for their first communion in her own home. This attracted others who wanted to collaborate with her as the number of orphans increased. This institute was later absorbed by the Sisters of Saint Marie Postel in 1952. Many institutes known as Franciscans were founded in the nineteenth century for nursing or health care.²¹⁸

²¹⁶Rosina Bechard, *Daughters of the Charity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus*, 15 January 1993, Survey S-14, VSI Family Tree Project; *DIP*, s.v. "Catroux, Jean-Marie" 2: 716; "Giet, Rose" 4: 1177-78; "Figlie della Carità del Sacro Cuore di Gesù" 4: 1538; Delarue to McNeil, 16 July 1993, Le Mans; Chalumeau, "La Descendance Spirituelle," 20.

²¹⁷*DIP*, s.v. "Fleury, Joachim" 4: 76; "Figlie di Santa Maria della Presentazione" 3: 1725-26; "Lemarchand, Louise" 5: 582; Chalumeau, "La Descendance Spirituelle," 19; Delarue to McNeil, 16 July 1993, Le Mans.

²¹⁸*DIP*, s.v. "Franciscane di San Vincenzo de' Paoli" 4: 440-41; "Maria Maddalena Postel, santa" 5: 963-64; "Santa Maria Maddalena Postel, suore di" 8: 724-25; Chalumeau, "La Descendance Spirituelle," 19.

4.1-FRA.896.0

Sisters of the Holy Family of Grillaud

(Little Sister Nurses of the Sick)

Founded 1896 at Nantes, France, by Reverend Jean Marie Laurent (1822-1890, vicar of Nantes, 1852) for care of the sick, orphans, and abandoned children. Members of this institute of diocesan right which have Vincent de Paul as their patron.²¹⁹ (Generalate: 50, rue Condorcet; 44150 Nantes, France.)

4.1-FRA.918.0

Sons of Charity

Founded in 1918 at Notre Dame Auxiliatrice of Clichy at Paris, France, by Reverend Jean Émile Anizan (1853-1928) for evangelization of the masses and works of charity. Anizan belonged to the Religious of Saint Vincent de Paul and became their superior general (1907-1914) but was deposed by Rome because he was suspected of modernism. After Anizan returned from serving as a chaplain in World War I, he and several other priests wished to dedicate themselves to service of the poor. Anizan founded this new community inspired by the Vincentian charism and chose Vincent de Paul as a patron for the institute.²²⁰ (Generalate: 10 rue Louis Blanc; 75010 Paris, France.)

4.1-FRA.926.0

Auxiliaries of Charity

Founded 1926 at Paris, France, by Reverend Jean Émile Anizan (1853-1928) and Thérèse Joly (1879-1956) for the evangelization of workers. After Anizan returned from serving as a chaplain in World War I, he and several other priests established this new institute and designated Vincent de Paul as a patron. The founders exhorted the members to humility, simplicity, and charity.²²¹ (Generalate: 9, rue Erlanger; 75016 Paris, France.)

²¹⁹DIP, s.v. "Sacra Famiglia, di Grillaud" 8: 119-20; "Laurent, Jean-Marie" 5: 501.

²²⁰AP, 1429; Pierre Le Clerc, Sons of Charity, 1 May 1994, Survey S-112, VSI Family Tree Project; DIP, s.v. "Ausiliatrici della Carità" 1: 994; "Anizan, Jean-Émile" 1: 654-55; "Figli della Carità, d'Issy" 3: 1492; "O Instituto dos Filhos da Caridade," *A Família Vicentina no Brasil*, 33-35. See also Robert Jouffrier, ed., *Chantiers des Fils de la Charité* (Issy les Moulineaux, France, June 1990): 86.

²²¹AP, 1467; DIP, s.v. "Ausiliatrici della Carità" 1: 994; "Anizan, Jean-Émile" 1: 654-55; "Fratelli di San Vincenzo de' Paoli" 4: 620.

GERMANY

4.1-GER.832.1.11F

Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul of Munich

Developed in 1832 at Munich, Germany, from the Sisters of Charity of Strasbourg, (see 1.2FRA.734.3.11F) with Ignatia Jorth as the first superior (1780-1845). Established at Innsbruck, 1839; Graz 1841; Salzburg 1844; Augsburg 1862. This institute of diocesan right made foundations at Graz and Salzburg, which joined the Daughters of Charity in 1850 and 1882 respectively. This institute is a member of the Vincentian Federation.²²² (Generalate: Nussbaumstrasse 5; 80336 Munich, Germany.)

4.1-GER.834.1.11F

Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul of Fulda

Developed 1834 at Fulda, Germany, from the Sisters of Charity of Strasbourg (see 1.2-FRA.734.3.11F) and became autonomous in 1970. This institute is a member of the Vincentian Federation. (See 4.1-IND.973.1.3F.)²²³ (Generalate: Kanalstrasse 22; 36037 Fulda; Germany.)

4.1-GER.858.1F

Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul of Untermarchtal

(Congregation of Sisters of Mercy of Saint Vincent de Paul of Untermarchtal)

Developed 1858 in the diocese of Stuttgart-Rottenburg at Gmünd Untermarchtal, Germany, from the Sisters of Charity of Strasbourg (see 1.2-FRA.734.3.11F). The institute aims to serve the Church, the society in general, and especially the poor through health, education, pastoral ministry, and foreign missions (especially in Tanzania). This institute of diocesan right is a member of the Vincentian Federation.²²⁴ (Generalate: 89617 Untermarchtal, Germany.)

²²²DIP, s.v. "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Monaco" 2: 370-71. Fischer to McNeil, 15 July 1993, Cologne; "Les Soeurs de la Charité de Strasbourg," *La Tradition Vivante*, 33.

²²³AP, 1603; DIP, s.v. "Carità, di Fulda" 2: 317; Fischer to McNeil, 15 July 1993, Cologne; "Les Soeurs de la Charité de Strasbourg," *La Tradition Vivante*, 33.

²²⁴Gabriel Winter, Sisters of Mercy of Saint Vincent de Paul of Mbinga, Tanzania, 19 November 1993, Survey S-91, VSI Family Tree Project; DIP, s.v. "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Untermarchtal" 2: 373. Fischer to McNeil, 15 July 1993, Cologne; "Les Soeurs de la Charité de Strasbourg," *La Tradition Vivante*, 33.

4.1-GER.862.1F

Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul of Augsburg

Developed 1862 at Augsburg, Germany, from Sisters of Charity of Munich (see 4.1-GER.832.1.11F). This institute of diocesan right is a member of the Vincentian Federation.²²⁵ (Generalate: Gogginger Strasse 93; 86199 Augsburg, Germany.)

4.1-GER.921.1.11F

Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul of Mainz-Heppenheim

From 1921, this institute, located in Heppenheim, Germany, was a province of the Sisters of Charity of Strasbourg (see 1.2-FRA.734.3.11F), and in 1970 it became independent. Its mission includes service of the poor through elementary education, nursing, and care of the elderly. Members follow the spirituality of Saint Vincent de Paul. The institute is a member of the Vincentian Federation. (See 4.1-IND.973.1.3F.)²²⁶ (Generalate: Kalterer Strasse 3; 64646 Heppenheim, Germany.)

INDIA

4.1-IND.927.0

Sisters of the Destitute

Founded 1927 by Reverend Varghese Payyapilly at Chumangumvely in Kerala, India, in the archdiocese of Ernakulam, to nurse the poor aged and infirm, to care for destitute and handicapped children, and to educate them. Saint Vincent de Paul is the principal patron of the institute which also has a group of lay auxiliaries, called Marthas who come from poor and uneducated backgrounds.²²⁷ (Generalate: Thottumugham P.O.; Aluva 683 105; Kerala, India.)

²²⁵DIP, s.v. "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Augusta" 2: 366; Schnelle, *MEGVIS* (January 1986): 10; Fischer to McNeil, 15 July 1993, Cologne; "Les Soeurs de la Charité de Strasbourg," *La Tradition Vivante*, 33.

²²⁶AP, 1604; S. M. Cecilia, Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul of Heppenheim, 1 December 1993, Survey S-93, VSI Family Tree Project; DIP, s.v. "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, di Heppenheim" 2: 317-18; Fischer to McNeil, 15 July 1993, Cologne; "Les Soeurs de la charité de Strasbourg," *La Tradition Vivante*, 33.

²²⁷Sister Jenis, Sisters of the Destitute, Survey S-119, VSI Family Tree Project; personal communication Rybolt to McNeil, 28 January 1995; DIP, s.v. "Abbandonati," 1: 22-23; "Payyapilly, Varghese" 6: 1299; *Catholic Directory of Kerala. 1986 The Catholic Directory of India. 1994* (New Delhi: Catholic Bishops Conference of India, 1994).

4.1-IND.973.1.3F

Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul

Founded 1973 at Mananthavady in Kerala, India, as a new branch of four distinct German congregations of Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul of Freiburg, Fulda, Heppenheim, and Paderborn, members of the Vincentian Federation. Each of these institutes had members from the different Syro-Malabar and Syro-Malankara dioceses in India. An agreement to erect a common filial house was reached in a 1973 conference of these four Congregations held at Strasbourg, France. The founding congregations formed an administrative body called the Referat for Indian Mission which provided governance through a regional superior until the Indian foundation became independent. This institute also belongs to the Vincentian Federation of Germany and became fully independent, with its own superior general, 29 August 1994. The founding congregations thought it better that their sisters work together in India, not in separate German based institutes. (See 1.2-GER.846.1.11F; 4.1-GER.834.1.11F; 4.1-GER.921.1.11F; 1.2-GER.841.3.1.11F.)²²⁸ (Generalate: Vincentgiri, P.B. No. 4; Mananthavady 670 645; Wayanad Dt., Kerala, India.)

ITALY

4.1-ITA.727.0

Daughters of Charity under the Patronage of Padre Filippone

Founded 1727 at Palermo, Italy, by several pious women who revered the charitable example of the late Reverend Nicolò Placido Filippone, and with the collaboration of Michelangelo Sozzi and the Priests of the Union of Saint Vincent (see 4.1-ITA.745.0) in the same city. Their purpose was to care for the sick, orphans, and widows. Reverend Louis de Bras, C.M., (1678-1761, superior general, 1747-1761), approved an affiliation with the Daughters of Charity in Paris (1754). Since 1778 its administration had been by government appointed deputies. This small diocesan community was led by Sister Vincenza Giovanna Filippone, one of the founding sisters. In addition to Reverend Nicolò Placido Filippone, Vincent de Paul is patron. This diocesan

²²⁸Sister Roselind, Congregation of the Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul, Survey S-116, Family Tree Project, 17 March 1995; personal communication Rybolt to McNeil, 28 January 1995; *Catholic Directory of Kerala*. 1986; *The Catholic Directory of India*. 1994.

institute is administered by two deputies, one lay and one ecclesiastical.²²⁹ (Generalate: via Filippone, 14; 90138 Palermo, Italy.)

4.1-ITA.745.0

Priests of the Union of Saint Vincent de Paul

Founded c.1745 in Sicily, Italy, this diocesan institute was involved in the establishment of a similar community for women in Palermo. (See 4.1-ITA.727.0.)²³⁰

4.1-ITA.830.0

Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul of the Prince of Palagonia

Founded 1830 at Palermo, Italy, by Francis Paul Gravina (1800-1854), the Prince of Palagonia and the Count of Ventimiglia, for education and instruction of youth, care of orphans, and assistance to the elderly. The prince was a Third Order Franciscan whose request for Daughters of Charity could not be satisfied, therefore he established this institute. In addition to the evangelical counsels, there is a fourth vow regarding service of the poor. Vincent de Paul is patron of this institute whose motto is *Caritas Christi Urget Nos*. Members are urged to read the conferences of Vincent de Paul to the Daughters of Charity.²³¹ (Generalate: via Antonino Pecoraro 102; 90144 Palermo, Italy.)

4.1-ITA.840.0

Handmaids of Charity

Founded 1840 at Brescia, Italy, by Saint Maria Crocifissa di Rosa (1813-1855, canonized 1954) for care of the sick, lepers, and elderly. Saint Vincent is considered one of their patrons.²³² (Generalate: via del Casaletto, 538; 00151 Rome, Italy.)

²²⁹DIP, s.v. "Figlie della Carità sotto il Titolo del Padre Filippone," 3: 1548; ACMR, *Regole e Direttorio delle Figlie della Carità sotto il titolo del P. Filippone*; "Circular Letter of M. De Bras, Paris, 1 January 1755," *Recueil des Principales* 1: 581; ACMR; Chalumeau, *Communautés Religieuses*, "Soeurs de l'Union de Saint Vincent," unpublished notes (n.d.).

²³⁰ACMR, "Circular Letter of M. De Bras, Paris, 1 January 1755," *Recueil des Principales Circulaires* 1: 581.

²³¹AP, 1479. Aurelis Bulare, Sisters of Charity of the Prince of Palagonia, 1 May 1994, Survey S-101, VSI Family Tree Project; Sacchi to McNeil, 23 August 1993, Rome; DIP, s.v. "Carità di San Vincenzo de' Paoli, del Principe di Palagonia" 2: 378; "Gravina, Francesco Paolo" 4: 1405-06.

²³²AP, 1474. ACMR, "Casa di Chieri," 1; DIP, s.v. "Anelle della Carità" 1: 552; "Maria Crocifissa di Rosa, Santa" 5: 947-48; MEV 8, no. 9 (1930): 206-07.

4.1-ITA.858.0

Vincetian Sisters of Mary Immaculate

Founded 1858 at Lanzo Torinese, Italy, by Federico Albert (1820-1876, venerable 1953) for education, health care, and care of orphans. The institute is diocesan.²³³ (Generalate: Piazza Albert, 3;10074 Lanzo Torinese, Italy.)

4.1-ITA.872.0

Institute of Consolata Missions of Turin

(Daughters of Consolation)

Founded 1872 at Turin, Italy, to minister in homes for working women (where they could both work and go out to work).²³⁴ This institute is diocesan and is under the patronage of Saint Vincent de Paul and Saint Joseph.²³⁵ (Generalate: viale delle Mura Aurelie, 12; 00165 Rome, Italy.)

4.1-ITA.886.0

Servants of Charity

(Opera Don Guanella)

Founded 1886 at Pianello Lario in Como, Italy, by Blessed Luigi Guanella (1842-1915, beatified 1964) and Marcellina Bosatta (1847-1934) in collaboration with Reverend Carlo Coppini to care for orphans and the elderly, as well as to educate youth. This diocesan institute is under the patronage of Saint Vincent de Paul.²³⁶ (Generalate: piazza S. Pancrazio, 9; 00152, Rome, Italy.)

JAPAN

4.1-JAP.937.0

Sisters of Charity of Miyazaki

Established 1937 in Miyazaki, Japan, by Reverend Antonio Cavali (1888-1972) and erected in 1938 by Monsignor Vicente Cimatti, prefect

²³³ACMR, "Casa di Chieri," 3; EC, "S. Vincenzine di Maria Immacolata (Torino); DIP, s.v. "Albert, Federico" 1: 463-64; "Vincenzine di Maria Immacolata" (volume not yet published).

²³⁴This is a different institute, though having the same name, as that founded in 1910 also at Turin by Blessed Joseph Allamano (1851-1926) who previously had founded a religious institute of priests under the name of the Consolata Missions of Turin in 1901.

²³⁵ACMR, "Casa di Chieri," 2.

²³⁶ACMR, "Casa di Chieri," 2; DIP, s.v. "Guanella, Luigi" 4: 1458; "Figlie di Santa Maria della Provvidenza" 3: 1726-29; "Bosatta, Marcellina" 1: 1532-33; MEV 8, no. 10 (1930): 234-36.

apostolic of Miyazaki.²³⁷ Cavali previously organized a woman's lay conference of Saint Vincent de Paul to serve the sick and poor which developed into this institute. Their motto is: "Blessed are the merciful" and "Go preach the Good News to all creation." The spirit of this diocesan institute is to serve the poor, including education in Christian doctrine, visiting of the sick, and other forms of social services. The institute suffered greatly during World War II but afterwards spread internationally.²³⁸ (Generalate: Igusa 4-chome, 20-5; Suginami-Ku, Tokyo, Japan.)

MEXICO

4.1-MEX.918.0

Sisters of the Sacramental Heart of Jesus

(Hermanas del Corazón de Jesús Sacramentado)

Founded 1918 at Nochistlán in Zacatecas, Mexico, by Blessed José María Robles Hurtado (1888-1927) for the care of the sick in hospitals and the education of children and youth in schools, as well as for pastoral missions. Community celebrations are planned around the feast of Vincent de Paul, a patron of this diocesan institute.²³⁹ (Generalate: José Vasconcelos 722; Fraccionamiento Miraflores; 44270 Guadalajara, Jalisco, Mexico.)

NIGERIA

4.1-NIG.961.0

Daughters of Mary, Mother of Mercy

Founded 1961 in the diocese of Umuahia, Nigeria, by Bishop Anthony Gogo Nwedo, C.S.Sp. (b.1912), to live a life of prayer and penance, to care for the poor and needy in hospitals, orphanages and homes, to teach in schools, and to work in parishes. Vincent de Paul is patron of this institute. His conferences, as well as spirit of humility, simplicity, and charity, are recommended. The founder of this insti-

²³⁷Also spelled Cavoli in *DIP*.

²³⁸*Vicente de Paul en el Perú de hoy*, 6-7; *DIP*, s.v. "Pia Società Caritas, di Miyazaki" 6: 1537; "Cavoli, Antonio" 2: 726.

²³⁹Esperanza María López Gómez, *Hermanas del Corazón de Jesús Sacramentado*, to Betty Ann McNeil, D.C., 14 September 1993, Survey S-107, VSI Family Tree Project; *DIP*, s.v. "Robles, José María" 7: 1870-71; "Cuore di Gesù Sacramentato" 3: 342-43.

tute of diocesan right has as his episcopal motto: *Evangelizare pauperibus misit me*. There was some early influence on the founder by the Daughters of Saint Vincent de Paul of Graz and Innsbruck.²⁴⁰ (Generalate: PO Box 1383; Umuahia, Abia State, Nigeria.)

4.1-NIG.970.0

Sons of Mary, Mother of Mercy

Founded 1970 in the diocese of Umuahia, Nigeria, by Bishop Anthony Gogo Nwedo, C.S.Sp. (b.1912), to help the poor in parishes and to teach in schools. Vincent de Paul is patron of this institute of diocesan right and his conferences, as well as spirit, are recommended. The founder stated: "I also thought of the poor and the work of Saint Vincent de Paul; and so took him as one of the secondary patrons of the two congregations."²⁴¹ (Generalate: PO Box 99; Umuahia, Abia State, Nigeria.)

THE NETHERLANDS

4.1-NTH.820.0

Daughters of Mary and Joseph

Cofounded 1820 at 's Hertogenbosch, The Netherlands, by Reverend James Anthony Heeren (1775-1859) and Katarina van Hees (1769-1825) in order to contribute to the solution of the social needs in the area. The mission of the congregation is to do works of charity according to the spirit and frame of mind of Saint Vincent de Paul without regard for person, nationality, or religion. Vincent is a patron of this institute and his name is engraved on the profession ring, along with the names of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. The founders recommended reading Saint Vincent's conferences to members of this diocesan institute along with the practice of humility, simplicity, and charity.²⁴² (Generalate: Choorstraat 7; 5211 KZ 's Hertogenbosch, The Netherlands.)

²⁴⁰Mary Anthony Josefa Igboka, Daughters of Mary, Mother of Mercy, 4 February 1993, Survey S-38, VSI Family Tree Project; Bishop Anthony G. Nwedo, C.S.Sp., to Betty Ann McNeil, D.C., 16 November 1993, Umuahia, Nigeria; *DIP*, s.v. "Nwedo, Anthony Goyo" 6: 488; "Figlie di Maria, Madre di Misericordia" 3: 1627.

²⁴¹Sister Bruno, D.M.M.M., Sons of Mary, Mother of Mercy, 31 March 1994, Survey S-102, VSI Family Tree Project; Bishop Anthony G. Nwedo, C.S.Sp., to Betty Ann McNeil, D.C., 16 November 1993, Umuahia, Nigeria; *DIP*, s.v. "Nwedo, Anthony Goyo" 6: 488.

²⁴²Aine Vink, Daughters of Mary and Joseph, 13 September 1993, Survey S-88, VSI Family Tree Project; *DIP*, s.v. "Heeren, Jakob Anton" 4: 1520; "Figlie della beata Maria Vergine e di san Giuseppe" 4: 1524. In his unpublished notes Chalumeau records that Vincent de Paul is named forty-one times in their rule. ACMP.

4.1-NTH.844.0

Congregation of Brothers of Our Lady, Mother of Mercy

Founded 1844 at Tilburg, The Netherlands, by Reverend Johannes Zwijzen (1794-1877), later bishop of 's Hertogenbosch and archbishop of Utrecht, as a lay congregation (originally with priests) to serve the poor, especially youth, according to the Vincentian tradition primarily in educational apostolates. Humility, simplicity, and charity are its characteristic virtues. Vincent de Paul is a secondary patron and his spirituality is followed by this diocesan institute. (See 1.2-NTH.832.11 and 4.1-USA.970.11.1.2.)²⁴³ (Generalate: Gasthuisring, 54; 5041 DT Tilburg, The Netherlands.)

4.1-NTH.873.0

Congregation of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Fathers of Utrecht
(Congregation of the Priests of Utrecht)

Founded 1873 at Utrecht, The Netherlands, by Archbishop Andrew Ignatius Schaepman (1815-1882) to make the members of the institute perfect, to sanctify them, and to be useful to one's neighbors by the practice of charity. The 1878 rule states that their mission is twofold: service of neighbor and personal sanctification. Vincent de Paul is a patron of this diocesan institute and his rule has been adapted.²⁴⁴ (Generalate: Kromme Nieuwegracht, 84; 3512 HM Utrecht, The Netherlands.)

POLAND

4.1-POL.926.0

Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul

Founded 1926 at Stanislawow, Poland, in the Byzantine Rite.²⁴⁵

²⁴³Emeric Goossens, Brothers of Our Lady, Mother of Mercy, Survey S-83, 1 October 1993, VSI Family Tree Project; *Congregatio Fratrum Beatae Mariae Virginis, Matris Misericordiae*, 1 October 1993, Survey S-85, VSI Family Tree Project; DIP, s.v. "Zwijzen, Joannes" (volume not yet published); "Familia," *Informativo*, 37-39; Marietta Welsch, D.C., to Betty Ann McNeil, D.C., 17 May 1993, Shreveport, Louisiana; *MEV* 8 (1930): 261-63.

²⁴⁴Wilfried van der Zoll, Congregation of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Brothers of Utrecht, 27 September 1993, Survey S-90, VSI Family Tree Project; DIP, s.v. "Fratelli di Nostra Signora del Sacro Cuore" 4: 684-85; "Schaepman, Andreas Ignatius" 8: 1031.

²⁴⁵Edward Gicewicz, C.M., to Betty Ann McNeil, D.C., 30 March 1993, Concord, New Hampshire.

SPAIN

4.1-SPA.860.1

Religious of the Holy Family of Urgel

Founded 1860 at Cervera, Spain, in the diocese of Urgel by Sister Ana María Janer y Anglarill (1800-1885) who had originally been a Sister of Charity of Cervera but because of civil war (1836) had to emigrate to France, seeking refuge for four years with the Daughters of Charity in Toulouse. The bishop of Urgel asked her to come to his diocese and direct the hospital there. Two postulants accompanied her, and the institute grew and expanded into educational works also. The founder chose Vincent de Paul as a primary patron of the institute until 1872. However, Bishop José Caixal (1803-1879) subsequently imposed Ignatian direction and rules and changed its patronage (1872). It is of diocesan right.²⁴⁶ (Generalate: Carretera de Caldas, Km.14, Apartado postal 85; 08191 Rubi, Barcelona, Spain.)

UNITED STATES

4.1-USA.970.11.1.2

Sisters of Charity of Our Lady, Mother of the Church

Established in 1970 in the diocese of Norwich, Connecticut, United States, by Mother Marie Alma as an independent foundation of the Sisters of Charity of Our Lady, Mother of Mercy (see 1.2-NTH.832.11) which traces its roots to the 1832 foundation at Tilburg by Reverend Johannes Zwijzen (1794-1877), later bishop of 's Hertogenbosch and archbishop of Utrecht. Their mission is primarily for the education of poor children. Vincent de Paul is patron of the congregation, and his writings and teachings are recommended for spiritual reading. In 1974 the American province of the Sisters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul of Zams (see 1.2-AUS.823.1.11.3) united with this diocesan institute. (See also 4.1-NTH.844.0 and 6.1-GER.808.0.)²⁴⁷ (Generalate: P.O. Box 691; Baltic, Connecticut 06330, USA.)

²⁴⁶DIP, s.v. "Janer y Anglarill, Ana María" 5: 292-95; "Sacra Famiglia, di Urgel" 8: 134-36; "Caixal y Estradé, José" 1: 1697-98; "Mananet y Vives, José" 5: 871-73; Chalumeau, "Descendencia espiritual," 244-49; Mas, "Fundación," ACMHC 85-86 (1978): 106-40; Mas, "Fundación," ACMHC 85, nos. 7-8 (1977): 127-30.

²⁴⁷Mother M. Theresita, Sisters of Charity of Our Lady, Mother of the Church, 28 January 1993, Survey S-31, VSI Family Tree Project; DIP, s.v. "Carità di Nostra Signora Madre della Chiesa, Suore di" 2: 346; "Leysen, Michaël" 5: 636-37; Dodin, C.M., *Vincent de Paul and Charity*, 71-72.

L-3.2-FRA.929.0

Fraternity of Vincent de Paul

(La Fraternité Saint Vincent or Le Petit Groupe)

Founded 1929 at Paris, France, by Martha Ferditie, Yvonne Perrot, Blanche Paviot, and several other women who desired to become Daughters of Charity but who had certain impediments (such as poor health, illegitimacy, or family responsibilities). Sister Marie Maurin, D.C., and Reverend Theodore Bogaert, C.M. (1877-1942), were instrumental in first accompanying the group. This institute was composed of women with individual family and professional responsibilities who lived in the world but desired to follow Christ in the school of Louise de Marillac and Vincent de Paul by serving Jesus Christ in the poor. The group adopted a rule and made private vows (including a fourth vow of service to the poor). They saw themselves as an auxiliary of the Company of the Daughters of Charity of Saint Vincent de Paul which supported the group by providing a sister to assist in formation and leadership. After Vatican II this association became autonomous (1977). It had begun in the house of charity at 8, rue Championnet in Paris and spread to Marseilles before its demise in 1989 because of aging and death of its members.²¹

4.1 Institutes having Vincent de Paul as one of their patrons.**ITALY**

L-4.1-ITA.942.0

Hospital Auxiliary of Saint Vincent de Paul

Founded 1942 at Rome in Italy to provide free medical care to the indigent.²² (Generalate: Via XX Settembre, 65/b; 00185 Roma, Italy.)

²¹André Poyer, C.M., "Fraternité Vincent de Paul," *Vincentiana*, no. 6 (1989): 595-610.

²²Sacchi to McNeil, 23 August 1993, Rome.