

AN INVITATION TO BECOME A HOLY CHILD ASSOCIATE AMERICAN PROVINCE



"The invitation comes from God."

Venerable Cornelia Connelly Foundress Society of the Holy Child Jesus





WHO ARE HOLY CHILD ASSOCIATES?

Over 200 women and men are guided by Christ, the Incarnation of God, and the foundational insights of Venerable Cornelia Connelly. We find that our lives align with the principles and values of Cornelia which unite us with the mission of the Society of the Holy Child Jesus (SHCJ).

For this is the Society's mission—to help others to believe that God lives and acts in them and to rejoice in God's presence.

"Becoming an Associate is one of the best things I have done for myself." – ANN D.



WE SEEK

Simplicity... "Love what Jesus loves thus make your life one with Him."

Humility... "Do not hide the gifts God has given you. Remember of yourselves you can do nothing... in God, for God, with God you can do all."

Charity... "Yes Lord, always yes. Give me O Lord a love full of action; a love patient in labour, ... pure in intention."

JOY... "Be full of joy. Keep yourself in the presence of our good, good God."

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ASSOCIATES DESIRE TO GROW TOGETHER

Community

We gather with Sisters and other Associates for prayer, social activity, and significant events, bonding us to each other through the spirit of the Holy Child.

Personal Prayer

By prayer, reflection, personal connection with God, we become hearers and discerners of God's presence and action in us and in the world.

Spiritual Development

Together with the Sisters, we engage in a lifelong process of growth in Christ, in the spirit of the Society—for example, through communal prayer, retreats and reflection.

Ministry

Prayer and spiritual growth lead to Actions Not Words, to loving service within the family, at work, in the local or global community or in SHCJ ministries and initiatives. We support each other in the joys and challenges of discipleship.



"God has chosen to need women and men in every age to reveal divine love and to make known the reality of the Incarnation."

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Do you desire to respond to God's merciful love as Cornelia Connelly did, with *Simplicity, Humility, Charity, Joy*?

Do you desire to extend your response to the needs of our times with *Actions Not Words*?



Being an Associate is never about doing more; it is about being more.



TO LEARN MORE ABOUT BECOMING AN ASSOCIATE CONTACT: Judy Talvacchia at Associates-usa@shcj.org or (617) 519-1617



