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Meet Father Wieslaw Spiewak, C.R.

Father Wieslaw Spiewak, C.R. has accepted the appointment to serve as Postulator for the cause of Mother Mary Lange at the level of the Congregation for the Causes of Saints in Rome.



A member of the Congregation of the Resurrection, Father is completing the Positio for one candidate, initiating the cause of the founder of his congregation at the diocesan level in Poland, and serving as Roman Postulator for the cause of Mother Lange. To say he has a "full plate" especially as he travels back and

forth between Poland and Rome, seems to be an understatement. Yet, trusting that since Father Wes was recommended, noting his obvious experience, and the fact that he accepted the challenge of the M. L. cause, hopes are high. "With God all things are possible." With his interest and the prayers of thousands of Mother Mary Lange's devotees, his efforts will succeed in a timely fashion.

All members of the Mother Mary Lange Circle of Prayer are called upon to lift Father Spiewak up daily that the Spirit will inspire and guide his interest and time, and will lead to success the work he has generously accepted in Jesus' name.

Way to Go, Paterson!

The Diocese of Paterson (NJ) introduced children to Mother Mary Lange through an innovative program. From the *BEACON* (diocesan newspaper) comes the heartwarming story of a curriculum designed and taught by primary teachers of St. Anthony of Padua School (Passaic) through the use of *The Mother Mary Lange Coloring Book*.



"The diocesan Communications Office in conjunction with the school launched a program introducing students to Mother Lange. Marianna Thompson, diocesan communications director, primary teacher Rose Mary Sang and colleagues, armed with encouragement of the principal, Sr. Bernadette Agregado, OP, created a mini-curriculum around Mother Mary Lange's story..."

The story of Mother Lange became the springboard for study in various disciplines: social studies, religion, church history. Hearing of the trials and tribulations caused by slavery, segregation and discrimination, the children, reported the *Beacon*, "were happy that times had changed."

"The children watched the video *Providence Will Provide* and learned something of the canonization process. Upon hearing of the need for a miracle, the children exclaimed 'She can do it. She can do it. We'll see her a saint in our lifetime.'"

Out of the mouths of babes!

Other Paterson schools plugging into the program were St. Anthony of Padua, Our Lady of Victories, Mt. St. Joseph Children's Center, Martin de Porres Learning Center, and Public School # 4 (Newark, NJ, Grades 1-4).
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Quotes from;

(*The Beacon*, News of the Diocese of Paterson, 2/24/05)



(This photo) First Graders at St. Anthony of Padua School, Passaic (NJ)

(Middle left photo) Students engage in activities from the *Mother Mary Lange Coloring Book*.

