

Blessed John Martin Moye

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A Coloring Book For Children

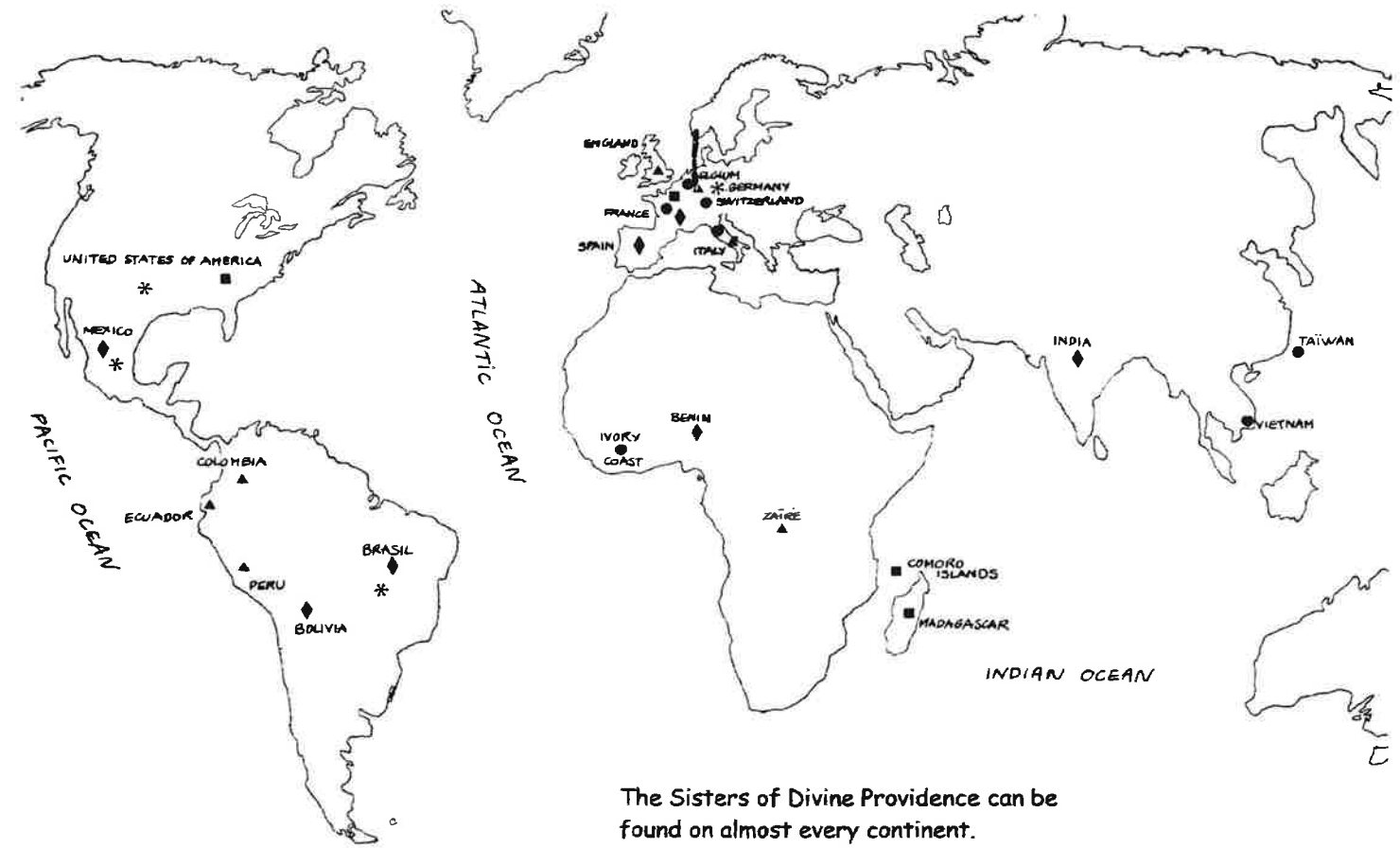


Draw or write about what you might like to be when you grow up.

John Martin Moye was born on January 27, 1730. He had 5 brothers and sisters. They lived with their mom and dad in a little village of Cutting, France.



His parents read the Bible to their children every evening.



The Sisters of Divine Providence can be found on almost every continent.

All things work together for the good of those who love God
(Romans 8:28)

"Stop worrying, then, over questions like, 'what are we to eat, or what are we to wear?' The unbelievers are always running after these things. Your heavenly Father knows all that you need. Seek first his kingship over you, his way of holiness, and all these things will be given you besides."

(Matthew 6:31-33)

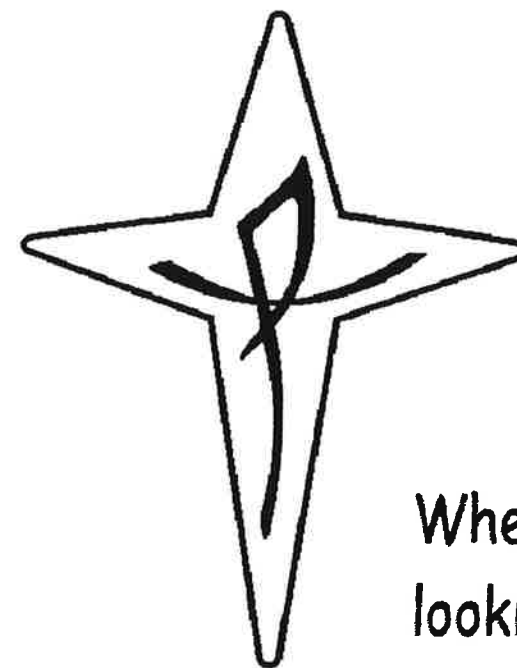
Loving Father, through Baptism you call us to be holy and you showed us how to serve others through your Son Jesus. We ask you to bless our parish with many young people who want to give themselves to you as a priest or a sister. Help all of us to be open to your will. We ask this through the intercession of Blessed John Martin Moye and all holy women. Amen.



John Martin wanted to be like his patron saint, Saint Martin. One day he went home without any shoes. His mom asked where his shoes were. He told her he met a boy who had no shoes, so he gave his to the boy.



John Martin liked school. He did his work very well. His teachers said he was an excellent student.

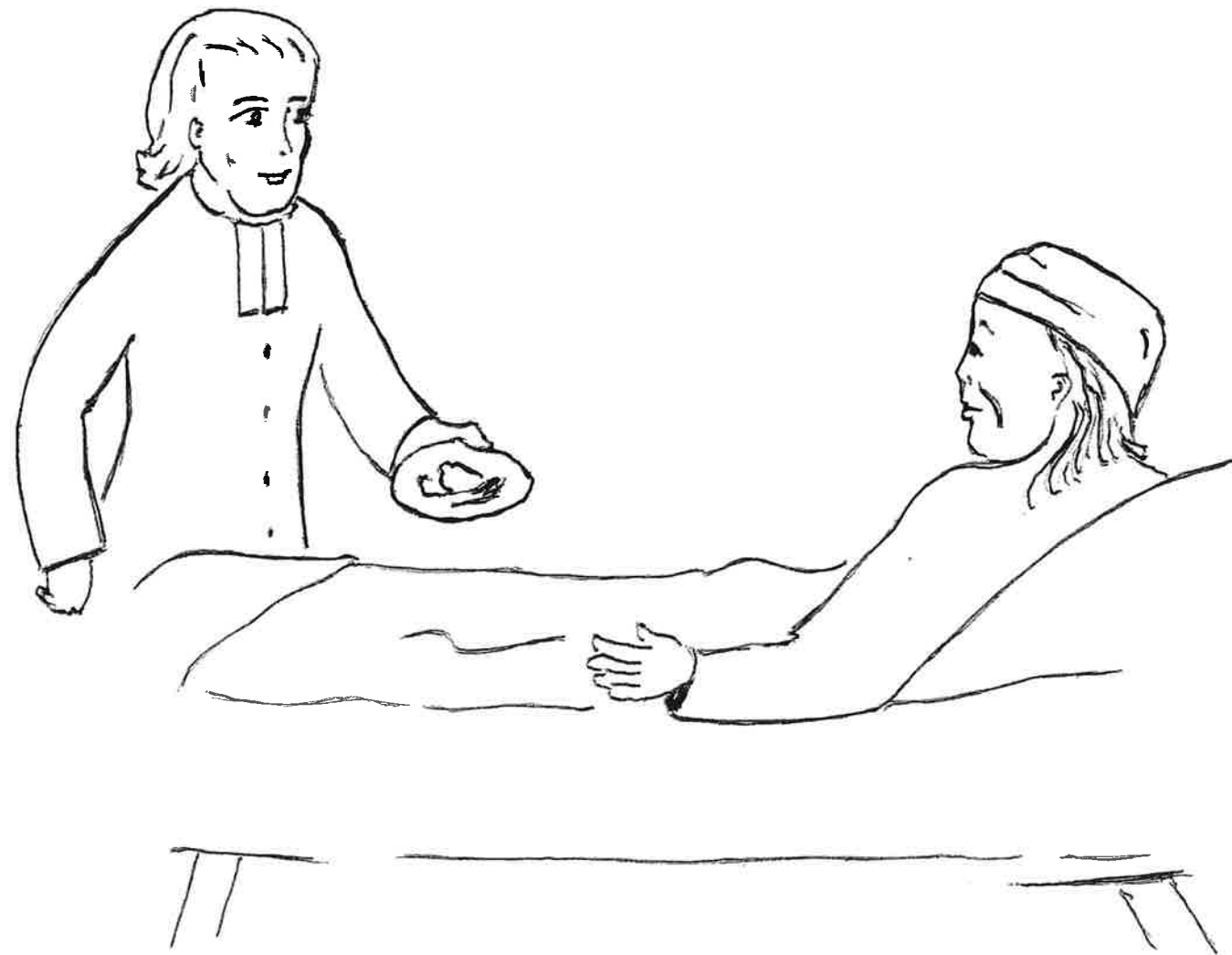


When you see this cross, you are looking at a Sister of Divine Providence.

The Sisters of Divine Providence live in a spirit of being poor, looking for God in all things, trusting that God will always care for us and our world, and being loving and caring towards others..

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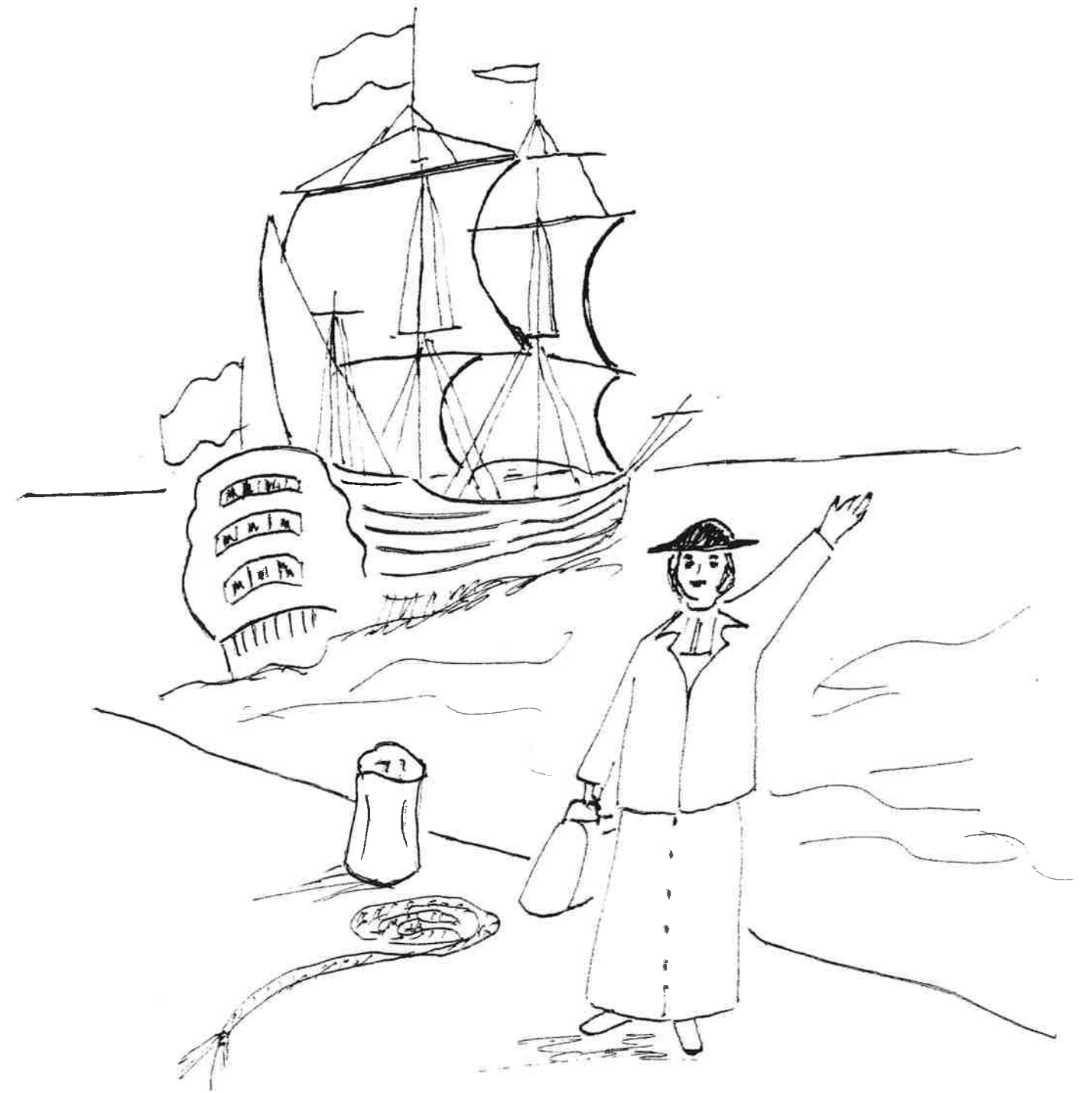
There was a very big war in France. Father Moye wanted to help the soldiers and be with those who were sick. Then he got sick too. Father Moye died on May 4, 1793.



John Martin wanted to be a priest when he grew up. He wanted to help people, especially the poor. When he was 15 he went to the seminary.



He became a priest on March 3, 1754. He was so happy. He loved God very much. He knew God would help him be a good and holy priest.



After some time Father Moyer learned of a need for priests in China. He left the Sisters in France for awhile and spent time with the people of China. Again he wanted to teach the women and children about God and how to read and write.



Many people watched the little group of teachers and how they depended on God for everything. They began calling them "Sisters of Providence." Later they became known as "Sisters of Divine Providence."



Father Moyer knew that the boys were in school but their sisters stayed home to work in the fields on the farm. He did not think this was right.



One day he met a young woman, Marguerite LaComte who could read. Father John Martin had a project in mind. He asked Marguerite if she would teach other girls to read and learn about God. She said she would.



Father Moye knew that God would help him get the project started along with Marguerite. Soon other women joined him in this work.