To be a Rosminian is to follow a particular way of fulfilling the Christian vocation of Holiness the way, Rosmini was Inspired by the Holy Spirit to introduce into the life of the Church. We do not desire to carry out specific type of work but any and every work that Christ calls us to undertake.

#### THE AIM OF THE INSTITUTE OF CHARITY

The Institute of Charity (Rominians) is founded in Love to Love. Its aim is to sanctify its members and thus sanctify others.

# BELOW IS THE EMBLEM OF THE INSTITUTE OF CHARITY: THE PELICAN



Rosmini chose the Pelican as the emblem to represent the Institute and its members. The pelican feeds its chicks with its own blood in time of

famine. Total giving of oneself should characterized those aspiring to be Rosminians.

### **FORMATION PROGRAM**

After a period of communication an aspirant is invited for a "COME AND SEE PROGRAM" conducted in one of our houses of formation. This period is variant but it mainly lasts from one to two weeks. The period of Advent and between the holy weeks and Easter Octave has been the most preferred.



Fr. Emilian Kibiriti Provincial receiving the first vows of the ten novices.

#### **BACKGROUND**

Antonio Rosmini was ordained priest at the age of 23 and founded the Institute of Charity in 1828. This happed after years of ups and downs.

Our Institute is named after Charity or what is known as Love, the characteristic of any disciple of Jesus. Love sums up all the commandments and laws and it is the only commandment that our Lord left us, the new one. (Read Jn. 15:12)

The Institute exists so that its members can follow the command of the Gospel - Love of God and neighbour.



Fr. General Marco Tanghetti and some Scholastics in the chapel of Ngong house of formation - Kenya

## **SPIRITUAL CHARITY**

INTELLECTUAL CHARITY,
TEMPORAL CHARITY

THE INSTITUTE OF CHARITY (ROSMINIANS)

THE EAST AFRICAN PROVINCE OF ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA.

(KENYA, TANZANIA, UGANDA)

The Rosminians are formally known as the

Institute of Charity - I.C. Antonio Rosmini founded the Institute in 1828 and it was recognized as a Religious Congregation by the Church in 1838. In the following decades it spread to England, Wales and to Ireland. Subsequently it was also established in Tanzania, Kenya, Venezuela, New Zealand and India.

The Rosminians have been in East Africa since the 1940s when the early members include Frs Frank Kennedy, Edmund Spillane, Benedict

Forsyt. Arrived for many years it was involved in the missions and education in the Diocese of Tanga - Tanzania.

Since 1980s Rosminians also have missioned in Kenya and have established a Formation House at Kibiko in the Diocese of Ngong. Members of

Province also minister in various pastoral ministries including Parishes, Schools and health Centers. Rosminians include Priests and Brothers Rosminians Sisters of Providence, Ascribed Members, Adopted Sons and Daughters.

### ADORE, BE SILENT, REJOICE!



BLESSEDANTONIO ROSMINI 1797 - 1855 FOUNDER OF THE INSTITUTE OF CHARITY AND THE SIS TERS OF PROVIDENCE

#### **POSTULANCY**

This period is aimed at making known to the postulants about the nature of the religious life in general and in particular about life in the Institute of Charity, Currently the Postulancy takes place in Lushoto, Tanzania and lasts for six months. At the ends of this period the Postulant makes a written request for admission to the Novitiate.

#### THE NOVITIATE

Time to enter more deeply in understanding and living the Rosminian Charism, which also includes some time for apostolic work in the second year.

The East African Province Novitiate House in currently located in Lushoto Tanga Diocese, Tanzania. After the successful completion of the Novitiate period, a Novice makes a formal request to be admitted into the vowed life in the Institute of Charity and is accepted for temporal Vows.



Rosminians and the novices in East African Province at the closure of the annual assembly posing for a photo in front of Novitiate Chapel in Lushoto Tanzania.



Formator and the scholastics in the Chapel. After mass celebration - Ngong house of formation

#### **SCHOLASTICATE:**

This is a period after admission into Temporal Profession.

For Priestly formation one undertakes Philosophical and Theological Training at designated colleges/ Universities in Tanzanian, Kenya, and Italy.

By committing oneself to the Perpetual Vows after a period of special preparation called Third Probation, a Scholastic becomes a Coadjutor.

# IS GOD CALLING YOU TO BE A ROSMINIAN?

Do you Feel Called to Living the commandment of Love as Inspired by BI. Antonio Rosmini?

Are You Baptized and Confirmed Catholic?

Do you have Division I - III (in Tanzania & Uganda) or equivalent.

KCSE - C+ (or above or equivalent)

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The first vows of the ten novices 2022.

# Rosminians' Motto:

Legis Plenitudo Caritas ("Love Fulfils the Law" Roma. 13:10)