

Blessed Marianne Cope
1838-1918



**Missionary to Leprosy Patients of
the Hawaiian Islands 1883-1918**

*I am not afraid of any disease; hence, it
would be my greatest delight, even to
minister to the abandoned 'lepers'*

Prayer for the Canonization of Blessed Marianne Cope*

Lord Jesus, You gave us Your commandment of love of God and of neighbor, and identified Yourself in a special way with the most needy of Your people; hear our prayer.

Faithful to Your teaching, Blessed Marianne Cope loved and served her neighbor, especially the most desolate outcast, giving herself generously and heroically for the victims of leprosy. She alleviated their physical and spiritual sufferings, thus helping them to accept their afflictions with resignation, as a pledge of God's love and their eternal happiness.

Through her merits and intercession, grant us the favor which we confidently ask of You (mention request) so that the People of God,

following the inspiration of her life and apostolate, may practice fraternal charity, according to Your word and example. Amen.

Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be.
(with ecclesiastical approval)

If your prayers are answered through the intercession of BLESSED MARIANNE COPE, please write to:

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... and one day when Father Leonor knocked at the Franciscans' door in Syracuse, she knew that her song was to be written on the desolate cliffs of Molokai.



BLESSED MARIANNE COPE of the Sisters of Saint Francis of Syracuse NY, spent thirty years at Kalaupapa, Molokai, in caring for leprosy patients. As religious superior of the convent and as matron of the government home for leprous girls, Blessed Marianne exemplified in word and in act of the ideals lived by St Francis: all-embracing compassion, entire self-forgetfulness, and deep love of Christ. The spirit of this valiant woman, who died August 9, 1918, continues to inspire Franciscan Sisters and others throughout the world.