

God of Journeys

You brought the Society of the Holy Child Jesus across ocean and lands. In struggle and hardship, with hopeful endurance and a desire to give their all to this new endeavor these women and their successors joyfully persevered.

Keep alive their vision in us. Our journey now is across minds and hearts. Help us to recognize your presence in all peoples and cultures, in our common humanity, our unique differences, our relationship with Earth, and in the wonder of all possibilities.

Be with us, O God, as we continue their journey in the spirit of your Holy Child. With courage and confidence, with simplicity and humility, with joyful zeal we commit ourselves this year, this day to your will and purpose so that your merciful love may prevail on earth as it is in heaven.
Amen.

—E. McDevitt, shcj

Prayer to celebrate SHCJ coming to America (150th anniversary)