

## The writings of Jean-Claude Colin (1790-1875)

As part of presenting a person for beatification, the writings of the person have to be submitted for examination about the correctness of the teaching included. There is no modern edition of the writings of Colin. A first collection was handed in for the opening of the cause in 1899. However, the important material is included in critical editions of the sources of the Marist founder and the Society of Mary.

The main categories of his writings are: the different drafts and final versions of constitutions and other rules and regulations; his instructions for the staff at Belley College; the correspondence; circular letters; the homilies; other material like accounts, budgets on the missions, his testament, prayers and blessings, short notes and so on. Some of his writings may be lost: possibly an article he published as a young curate; a manual for home missionaries; notes on education.

Unique is the amount of oral statements written down by confreres at the time. Those are not included in this list on Colin's writings.

We list the major editions and publications which include his writings. The editions make up the dossier handed in for the diocesan and Vatican process for the cause as it was re-opened in 2017.

### 1 Constitutions and rules: 1816-1875

COSTE, Jean SM - FAGAN, Seán SM - LESSARD, Gaston SM (Eds.), *Antiquiores textus constitutionum Societatis Mariae* (FHSM, 1), 7 Fascicles, Rome, 1955 =

*Fasciculus Introductorius I (1816-1833)*

*Fasciculus II Constitutiones 1842 et textus affines 1836-1854*

*Fasciculus III Constitutiones R. P. Favre 1856-1866*

*Fasciculus IV Ultima Redactio a Padre Fundatore Facta 1868-1870*

*Fasciculus V Novissimae Editiones 1872-1922*

*Fasciculus VI Documenta Adnexa*

### 2 The origins of the Society of Mary: 1786-1836

COSTE, Jean SM - LESSARD, Gaston SM (Eds.), *Origines maristes (1786 - 1836)* (FHSM, 3), 4 Vols., Rome, 1960 – 1967 (= OM).

- Vol. 1: *Documents contemporains (docs. 1 - 419)*, Rome, 1960.

- Vol. 2: avec la collaboration de Seán Fagan SM, *Données narratives recueillies avant la démission du P. Colin* (docs. 420 - 791), Rome, 1961.

- Vol. 3: *De la controverse à l'histoire après la démission du P. Colin* (docs. 792 - 893), Rome, 1965.

- Vol. 4: *Compléments et index (Docc. 894 - 912; Subsidia; Mise à jour; Synopse historique; Index)*, Rome, 1967.

COSTE, Jean SM - LESSARD, Gaston SM (Eds.), *Autour de la règle, Vol. I: Règlements et pratiques maristes du vivant de Jean-Claude Colin* (FHSM, 8), Rome, 1991.

= Id. (Eds.), *En torno a la regla 1. Reglamentos y costumbres maristas en vida de Juan Claudio Colin*, 2 Vols., Madrid, 1993.

### 3 The Generalate of Jean-Claude Colin (1836-1854)

LESSARD, Gaston SM (ed.), *"Colin sup". Documents pour l'étude du généralat de Jean-Claude Colin (1836-1854)*, volume 1, *De l'élection au voyage à Rome (1836-1842)* (Fontes historici Societatis Mariae XII), Rome, 2007 (= CS 1).

= Id. (Ed.), *“Colin sup”*. *Documentos para el estudio del generalato de Juan Claudio Colin (1836-1854)*, Vol. I, *Desde la elección hasta el viaje a Roma (1836-1842)*, editados par Gaston Lessard SM, traducción par Luis de la Cámara SM, Madrid, 2008.

LESSARD, Gaston SM (Ed.), *“Colin sup”*. *Documents pour l’étude du généralat de Jean-Claude Colin (1836-1854)*, volume 2, *Du voyage à Rome au chapitre (1842-1845)* (Fontes historici Societatis Mariae XII), Rome, 2009 (= CS 2).

LESSARD, Gaston SM (ed.), *“Colin sup”*. *Documents pour l’étude du généralat de Jean-Claude Colin (1836-1854)*, volume 3, *Du chapitre de 1845 à l’été 1848* (Fontes historici Societatis Mariae XII), Rome, 2011 (= CS 3).

BOURTOT, Bernard SM (ed.), « *Colin sup* ». *Documents sur l’étude du généralat de Jean-Claude Colin (1836-1854)*, volume 4, *De l’été 1848 à la démission (1848-1854)* (Fontes historici Societatis Mariae XII), Rome, SM, 2009 (= CS 4).

GIRARD, Charles SM (ed.), *Maristes laïcs: Recueil de sources historiques* (FHSM, 9) Rome, 1992.

= Id. (Ed.), *Lay Marists: Anthology of Historical Sources* (FHSM, 9), Rome, 1993.

### 3 The third age (1854-1875)

LESSARD, Gaston SM (ed.), *Colin fondateur. Jean-Claude Colin de 1854 à 1875. Correspondance et autres documents* (Fontes historici Societatis Mariae XV), Rome, 2014 (= CF).

### 4 Other writings

BOURTOT, Bernard SM (ed.), *Conférences et discours de Jean-Claude Colin en paroisses, missions, retraites de jeunes dans les années 1816-1830* (Fontes historici Societatis Mariae, 13), Rome, SM, 2013.

DROUILLY, François SM, *Les avis de J.-Cl. Colin au personnel du petit séminaire de Belley - J.-Cl. Colin's Instructions To the Staff of the Minor Seminary of Belley* (Maristica, 3), Rome, 1990.

GREILER, Alois SM, *Dossier: Prayers and Blessings by Father Colin*, in *Forum Novum* 13 (2011) 112 - 117.

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