

### **File 3 – MASSABIELLE : FROM THE 1970s TO NOWADAYS**

After the hurricane Inès in 1966, La Maîtrise de Massabielle continues its path in order to be rebuilt.

The requirements from the new national school curriculum forces the school to keep on investing : six new classrooms are built, the playground is widened ...

In 1971, the OGECs (Organisme de Gestion de l'Enseignement Catholique) are created.

On **December 20<sup>th</sup> 1978**, it is officially registered at the subprefecture of Pointe-à-Pitre.

From 1964, the school opened new classrooms, particularly for the secondary school under the leadership and management of Father Henri BAUMLIN.

With the growing numbers of students on the site of Pointe-à-Pitre, in 1988, Father BAUMLIN, decides to move the primary school to La Jaille, in Baie-Mahault.

The objective is to free the site of Pointe-à-Pitre in order to install a complete secondary school.

Massabielle 2 stayed in La Jaille until 2019. Then, it moved to the site of Lacroix, in Les Abymes.

Nowadays, the entire school is situated on two poor areas.

The secondary school opened a technological section since 2009.

Today, La Maîtrise de Massabielle has got more than one thousand students.

“La Maîtrise de Massabielle” and “Massabielle 2” are both under the protection of “Notre Dame de Lourdes”, celebrated on **February 11<sup>th</sup>**.

**To the question : Who are we ? We answer :**

“La Maîtrise de Massabielle” is a Catholic school, under contract with the Education Department. It is a place where everything is organized for an individual to blossom and develop all his skills on the intellectual, human and spiritual levels.

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**DOCUMENTS USED to create the file 3 :**

- Research work collected by M. Albert SARKIS, accountant in La Maîtrise de Massabielle.
- Archives from the diocese of Guadeloupe “Massabielle historique” transmitted in November 2022.
- « Rapport d’auto-évaluation », ensemble scolaire Massabielle (école, collège, lycée), school year 2022-2023.