



# SM bulletin

Friday, 14 June 2019

## General Administration

All members of the General Administration will be in Rome next week, where a combined council will take place of the leadership of the four religious branches of the Marist Family.

### THE SUPERIOR GENERAL ON VISITATION IN MEXICO



Fr. John Larsen has completed his visitation of the province of Mexico, during which he dedicated much of his time in personal interviews of the confreres. He has also met the youngsters of the two youth centers (campus ministry) ministered by our confreres in Mexico City and Toluca City.

These youngsters belong to different apostolic groups organising activities such as retreats, missions, biblical courses, catechesis, etc. The campus ministry focusses on high school and university students, communicating to them the gospel and helping them to grow in their own faith through accompaniment and ongoing formation. During the vespers of Pentecost Fr. John encouraged them to witness the love of God in the way of Mary and to keep serving our beloved Church with passion and fire, especially those in great need.

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### MISSIOLOGY WORKSHOP

In Wellington, New Zealand, twenty Marists attended A Missiology Workshop on 29 – 30 May lead by Fr Noel Connolly SSC at the Home of Compassion Retreat Centre. The workshop followed four major themes: Mission - Mother of the Church and Theology, Pope Francis's Theology of Mission, Mission as Prophetic Dialogue – "a simple but complex reality", and Living happily and creatively in a multicultural Church. For an hour on the Tuesday evening Fr Noel chaired a conversation on the topic of Marist Mission. Those attending were treated to challenging ideas about the context in which we minister today and they actively participated in discussions.

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### AUTHENTIC AND TRANSFORMATIVE LEADERSHIP IN THE MARIST SCHOOLS IN OCEANIA

Recently a workshop organised by the Marist Brothers on "Authentic and Transformative Leadership" took place in the Marist Brother's Novitiate in Lomeri, Fiji, for leaders from Marist schools in Melanesia and the Pacific. There were 24 participants from both Marist brothers and Marist Fathers schools. The key topics were *Christian Servant Leadership* and *Creating Learning Communities*. It was the first time that educators from both sm and fms schools came together to collaborate for a common purpose. The program was found most fruitful by its participants and will continue in 2020.