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HAPPY FEAST OF THE HOLY NAME OF MARY

On 12 September the whole Society celebrated along with other members of the Marist Family the Feast of the Holy Name of Mary. As it is a tradition in Rome for many years, the General Councils of the religious branches of the Marist Family joined for a Mass and festive lunch, which was hosted by the SMSM Sisters.

PREPARATION FOR PERPETUAL VOWS

In preparation for perpetual vows, seven seminarians—Samuela Tukidia, Guy Roger Assogoma, Benedict D'souza, Youssouph Stev Youm, Floyd Gatana, Ricardo Navarrete Gutiérrez and Leandro Martins da Silva—have spent a month in La Neylière and the Marist places of origin. They were directed by former Superior General Fr John Hannan. A part of the experience was a pilgrimage to Cerdon, Belley and the Bugey region, accompanied by Sr Terry O'Brien, sm. They celebrated Mass before the shrine of our Lady of Le Puy and made a pilgrimage to Ars. The experience has highlighted essential components of Marist spirituality as a response to the challenges of our times. They finished their time in France with Mass at the shrine of Fourvière.



GENERAL

ADMINISTRATION

All members of the General Administration are in Rome where they have had weekly General Council meetings, during which two of the main topics have been a report on the recent Marist Laity meetings, and outcomes of the Workshop for Formators.

Next week they will be on retreat for 3 days in preparation of the upcoming plenary session, which will start on 23 September.



A second term for Fr Roberto Furtuoso in South America

After a consultation of the confreres of the district, the Superior General has appointed Fr Roberto Furtuoso for a second term as Major Superior of the District of South America. His term will start on 15 November and will be for three years. Fr Roberto was appointed 3 years ago as the first Major Superior of the unified District of South America.