

SMBulletin

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PERPETUAL PROFESSIONS IN SUVA AND ROME



On 26 September the provincial of Oceania received the perpetual vows of Brs Ratu Adrea Naleba and Joseph Tora from Fiji. Both are students from Marist college Suva. Joe is in his final year and will await diaconate ordination at the end of the academic year. Adrea has finished his studies and will continue managing the development of the Marist Eco Centre at Dawasamu.



On 3 October, during a celebration in the General House Chapel, the Superior General received the perpetual vows of Brs Charles Mbara Apéké (Africa) and Hayden Powick (New Zealand). They will both continue their studies in Rome this year: Charles will study Missiology at the Gregorian and Hayden Spirituality at the Angelicum.

Ordination in Mexico



On 26 September Ricardo Navarrete was ordained to the priesthood in the Marist Parish of Claveria (Mexico City). Richi concluded his international formation program and arrived in Mexico in August as a deacon. Since then he has been ministering in the parish, collaborating also in the Parish Soup kitchen where more than one hundred meals are served every day. The celebration took place with severe restrictions, but in a lovely Marist spirit of joy and simplicity. Richi has been appointed by the Superior General to our Marist Mission in Ranong, where he will go once the pandemic will allow it.

PROVINCIAL ASSEMBLY IN AUSTRALIA

Last week the Province of Australia held two Provincial Assemblies. The unwelcome split was the outcome of border restrictions resulting from the pandemic: one in Sydney, attended by 30 confreres, and the other in Brisbane with 7 with the help of Zoom. The process, facilitated by Mr. Paul Bullen, gave the opportunity, in the spirit of synodality, for everyone to express his views and to hear those of his brothers. The province members have been able to engage in the decision-making leading up to the decision-taking Chapter. A proposal on the change in the province's government structures and organization for the coming decade, together with related statutes, was the main item on the agenda. Also reports on finances, prioritized ministries, health and aged care and professional standards were received and discussed.

**LET US PRAY THAT OUR
DECEASED CONFRERES
MAY REST IN PEACE**

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