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APPOINTMENTS CASA DI MARIA



The Superior General has appointed Fr Albert Kabala (Africa) as Superior the Marist International Theologate in Rome, as from 1 December 2024. Albert is currently District Superior of Africa and will succeed Fr Tony Kennedy (Australia) who has been the Superior of Casa di Maria since 2017. Also Fr Roque Rebito (Asia) has been appointed, as the Third Man on the Formation Team for the academic year 2024-2025. They will be the new team along with Fr Larry Duffy (Europe) who has been re-appointed as Vice-Superior and Dean of Studies for a third term earlier this year.

DISTRICT CHAPTER IN MEXICO

The District of Mexico has had its chapter with almost all the members of the District. Also present, as observers, were Frs Juan Carlo Piña from the GA, Miguel Angel Contreras, District Superior of South America, and 2 temporary professed Mexican confreres. The Chapter took place in *La Jordana* from 15 to 18 July, and was facilitated by Br Faustino Ferrari (Italy). In a prayerful and fraternal atmosphere a series of orientations for the life and ministry of the District were discerned. Fr David Sánchez was elected as a delegate to the 2025 General Chapter.



PROVINCIAL CHAPTER IN EUROPE

From 16 to 19 July, the European Province had its chapter in La Neylière. Four delegates for the 2025 General Chapter were elected: Frs Jean Marie Bloqueau, Declan Marmion, Martin McAnaney and Thilo Saft. The Chapter approved a roadmap for the future of education in Europe and a proposal to the General Chapter on the future of La Neylière. Other items suggested for the General Chapter Agenda were Vocations Promotion and the Mission of the Society.



MARIST SCHOOL PILGRIMAGE

Marist School, Atlanta GA, USA, sponsored an eight-day pilgrimage to Marist places in France. There were twenty-five participants with Marists Bishop Mgr. Joel Konzen and Fr John Harhager acting as chaplains, along with a diocesan friend of Bishop Konzen. Sister Terri O'Brien sm provided her enthusiastic expertise to the trip - helping make it a Marist Family event. The participants were staff members including the president and principal of the school, alumni and parents of alumni. Most of the Marist sites were visited, including Fourvière, Le Puy, St. Bonnet-le-Troncy & Coutouvre, Cerdon, Belley, La Neylière, and L'Hermitage.

