



MARIST NEWS

Ralph Olek SM

Catholic Schools Week is an annual national observance that focuses on the faith-building, academic and community contributions of the schools. This year's theme was "Catholic Schools: Communities of Faith, Knowledge and Service."

The Atlanta Archdiocese began Catholic Schools Week with the annual Archbishop's Banquet for Catholic Education. The banquet gathers faculty and staff—including directors, teachers, custodians, principals, administrative assistants, coaches and others—from the archdiocesan (18) and independent (7) Catholic schools in the Atlanta area. One employee from each school is recognized as an outstanding employee of the year chosen by their peers.

Marist Ralph Olek was selected as the honoree from Marist School and recognized for his service to Catholic Education. Fr. Olek has taught English at Marist for over 30 years. Congratulations, Ralph!



Atlanta Archbishop Wilton Gregory presenting Marist Ralph Olek his award.



Fr. Phillip d'Auby has enjoyed making music many of his 92 years. He lives in San Francisco with Fr. Coyle and other Marists.

Fr. Paddy Coyle continues to celebrate Eucharist at 101 and was able to concelebrate with Pope Francis in Philadelphia last September.



Tito Cruz SM

In March, **Tito Cruz, SM**, Associate Dean of Academic Affairs at Seattle University, was in Frankfurt, Germany. Upon the invitation of the Diocese of Limburg, he facilitated conversations with scholars and church leaders on the pastoral care of migrants and refugees. Tito presented his current research to the Institute of Mission and Global Church of the German Conference of Catholic Bishops, located at Saint George Jesuit School of Philosophy and Theology.

(Tito is second from left ~ photo courtesy of IWM-Sankt Georgen)

