



# SM bulletin

Friday, 14 November 2014

## General Administration

There was a General Council Meeting on Tuesday. The agenda included preliminary discussions on a proposed forum on education in 2017 and a workshop for formators in 2016; the approval of a land purchase in Davao for the building of a formation house and a district administration block; and the publication of the Poupinel documents.

Fr Kevin Duffy is in Senegal continuing his work on behalf of the school project.

Fr Alejandro Muñoz will be in France the next two weeks to attend a meeting of the European Education Forum in Toulon and the Council of the Province of Europe in Paris.

Fr Lote Raiwalui will leave on 23 November for a visitation of the district of Asia and subsequently a vacation in Fiji.

## Remembering Fr Colin on 15 November



On the anniversary of Fr Colin's death at La Neylière, we wish to draw your attention to the Founder's website [www.jeanclaudocolin.org](http://www.jeanclaudocolin.org). During 2014 many new resources were added to the website. Recently the German edition of the children's life of Colin in leaflet and booklet form was added. The booklet is now available for downloading in 10 languages and useful for schools, parishes and youth groups. A mini-biography (1,500 words) is now published in an illustrated booklet form in English and German. The Colin web site has over 500 items. 80% are in non-English languages.

## The School Project in Dakar

On 10 and 11 November in Dakar a planning group worked on a project proposal for a mixed school on the outskirts of Dakar. During the session they inspected the site the Society is currently negotiating to buy. The members of the group are (from left to right): Fr Didier Hadonou, the district superior, Miss Stefania Ranucci and Mr Yves Ruellan from France, Miss Thérèse Faye from Dakar, Fr Kevin Duffy, general assistant for Africa, and Fr Emile Kouma, a Marist confrere from Togo presently studying school administration in Dakar.



## Asking for Justice and Peace in Mexico



Yesterday a group of Mexicans from the Marist communities in Rome (FMS, Casa di Maria and the General House) organized with some other religious a demonstration at the Mexican Embassy regarding the 43 students from Ayotzinapa who have been kidnapped and allegedly killed by the local police, in an escalating human rights crisis. They and other representatives of non-profit organizations participated also in a meeting with the ambassador in which they were able to question the official government statement and asked the authorities to make greater efforts to bring back justice and peace to the country.