



# SM bulletin



Friday, 20 February 2015

## General Administration

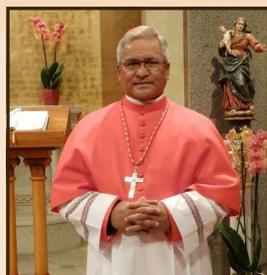
The superior general and members of the GA met with Fr Paul Frechette, provincial-elect of the USA, for his orientation program.

Frs Andrew Murray and Noel Connolly ssc completed the Roman section of their review of international formation.

Fr Larry Duffy continues his visitation of Fiji.

Fr Kevin Duffy will be visiting Notre Dame de France, London, before returning to Rome at the end of the month.

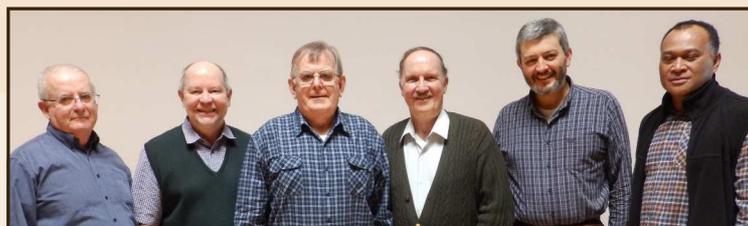
## Bishop of Tonga created Cardinal



The General House was privileged to provide hospitality to Cardinal Mafi of Tonga on the occasion of his creation as cardinal by Pope Francis. Growing up in Tonga, studying at PRS Suva, and ministering in Tonga, Cardinal Mafi has been closely associated with Marists. As a school-boy he spent two years at St. Patrick's Marist College, Wellington, New Zealand.

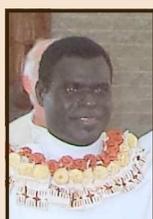
## Provincial-Elect of the USA meets with GA

This week Fr Paul Frechette was in Rome for meetings with the members of the GA to prepare for his new ministry as



major superior of the province of the USA. Fr Paul was General Assistant during the general administration of Fr Jan Hulshof, and is currently member of the USA provincial council. He will take up his new role on 1 July of this year.

## Ordination in Bougainville



On 14 February Fr Ambrose Kakatai was ordained to the priesthood in Buin, Bougainville, by Bishop Bernard Unabali. Fr Ambrose is from Buin, and entered Marist College Bomana in 2007, He made his Novitiate in Tutu in 2009, did his Marist Mission Experience in Samoa and completed his Seminary Studies last year. He is appointed to the community of Buin, in South Bougainville, which looks after four parishes.

## Ascent to Fourvière

A booklet has been produced to mark the commemoration of the Bicentenary of the Fourvière Pledge, which will be celebrated in 2016: *Montée à Fourvière / Ascent to Fourvière / Subiendo a Fourvière*. It contains two articles: the history of the pledge written by Fr Justin Taylor, and a reflection by Fr François Drouilly. The publication may help the reflection of confreres during the coming Fourvière Year: 23 July 2015 – 23 July 2016. The booklet has been sent out to the provinces and districts this week for distribution, and also the Marist Sisters and SMSM sisters will distribute the same booklet among their members. The Marist Brothers will publish the booklet themselves later.

