



# SM bulletin



Friday, 13 March 2015

## General Administration

Fr Larry Duffy returns to Rome from the South Pacific at the weekend.

Fr Alejandro Muñoz is visiting the District of Brazil.

## News from the Colinian Renewal Group



The director, Fr Bernd Kordes, reports: "The first retreat in the program brought a lot of joy, depth and courage to the participants. With two films, on the situation of refugees in our days, and another about « The Mission » of the Jesuits in Paraguay, they continued their journey, always referring to the origins and the aims of the Marists. This week, they traveled to Fourvière, Lyon. The outing was prepared in lively discussions and with the will to becoming committed to the project like the young aspirants in 1816. There was a longer time in silence and the concelebration of the Eucharist with the touching words of Fr Chris Ganzon as main celebrant in the Chapel of Our Lady. The confreres got a deep experience of what it was and is all about to be a committed Marist."

## Letters from the Marist Missionaries in Oceania in English

This week a communication was sent out to the Major Superiors on the publication of *Letters from the Marist Missionaries in Oceania (1836-1854)*. It is the English translation of the anthology of letters of the early missionaries of Oceania to Fr Colin edited by Fr Charles Girard. The work has mainly been done by the New Zealand Province with cooperation of Australia, guided and brought to completion by Fr Alois Greiler. Please contact your major superior if you are interested in purchasing copies.

*"These Letters - Received from Oceania - are pearls of great value. They allow us insight into the lives of the early missionaries; their hopes, dreams, joys and consolations together with their concerns, problems, disappointments and frustrations. It is clear reading them that a fire burnt in their hearts for the work to be done. Their task came from God, from Mary whom they believed had called them to it, and from their religious superiors in the church."* (Fr Tim Duckworth in the Preface to the English edition)

## Workshop on Leadership and Administration in Mexico



This week a two day workshop on Leadership and Administration took place in Claveria, Mexico. 16 Marists participated: all members of the provincial council, superiors, bursars and work's directors. The workshop was the replica in Spanish of the workshop held in Rome by Fr Brian Cummings last October. Frs Pedro Alarcón, Juan Carlos Piña and Alejandro Muñoz who were all present at the first workshop, were the facilitators.