



SM bulletin



Friday, 17 April 2015

General Administration

The General Council met this week to prepare for the Plenary Sessions which will take place from Monday 20 April until Friday 8 May.

On Tuesday they also had a meeting with the newly appointed facilitators for the General Chapter.

The second half of the week the superior general and the general assistants are spending three days of reflection in preparation for their plenary sessions.

General Chapter 2017: Preparations

The superior general has appointed Sr. Christine Anderson fcj and Mr. Duncan MacLaren as facilitators for the general chapter to take place in general house from September 19th – October 11th, 2017. Christine whom a number of Marists already know and Duncan are



members of **Faith and Praxis**, the FCJ organization for global leadership. In order to become more familiar with the workings of the Society of Mary Internationally they will be the facilitators of ARC, the annual meeting between the major superiors and the general administration, for the next two years.

In facilitating these meetings they replace Fr. Michael Mullins of the Australia province who has given many years of service as a facilitator/consultant to the General Administration. He has facilitated the development of the annual meeting of ARC, which has such an effective arm of the international government of the Society of Mary. The GA is grateful to him for his generous work on behalf of the Society.

Novena for Vocations



The Province of New Zealand has prepared a document "Called to be instruments of Mercy", with texts which can be used for personal and community reflection during the Novena for Vocations, which traditionally precedes the feast of St Peter Chanel on 28 April. The document is available in English, French and Spanish on the GA website, www.maristsm.org.

The Novena starts on Monday, 20 April.

Perpetual Profession in Oceania

In the province of Oceania Dennis Levi (Solomon Islands) was perpetually professed on 11 April. Dennis has done all his theological studies at the Pacific Region Seminary, his novitiate in Tutu and two years of Mission Experience in New Caledonia. He is currently in his final year of initial formation.



Orders to ATF for Letters from the Marist Missionaries

As there have been difficulties in contacting ATF press for orders of the *Anthology of the Letters from the Marist Missionaries* in English, it's recommended to contact ATF for orders via e-mail to Mr Hilary Regan: hdregan@atf.org.au. Please add the information that you are a Marist and that you would like to order the book for the Marist price.