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General Administration

Next week will see the return of the Superior General and councilors to Rome ready to begin their plenary meetings beginning on September 1.

LAY MARISTS ON PILGRIMAGE

After attending the Lay Marists' European Encounter in Madrid, Lay Marists from most of the units in the Society went on pilgrimage to the Marist places of origin in France. The group was based in La Neylière from August 14th to 17th and was accompanied by Frs Jan Hulshof and Alejandro Muñoz.



Laity from Europe, Australia, New Zealand, Oceania, the Philippines, Canada, Mexico, Peru, Brazil, and the US (by Skype!), joined in prayerful pilgrimage together. They followed a well-planned agenda with the intention of working towards a worldwide organization which will allow better communication and sharing among themselves and with the religious branches of the Society. Part of their work was to respond to the Superior General invitation to find ways together to have their voice present at the General Chapter 2017. The pilgrimage proved a deep and fruitful experience for all.

CITY-CENTRE CHURCHES NETWORK WORKSHOP

In his City-Centre Churches Network Blog Fr Kevin Duffy reports on the opening of the workshop in San Francisco. The meeting began on Monday, 17 August and concludes on Friday 21. There are twelve participants associated with our city-centre churches: from Australia (St. Patrick's in Sydney) - Fr Michael Whelan and Sr Fidelis McTeigue sm; from New Zealand (Mary of the Angels in Wellington) - Frs Peter Roe and Kevin Conroy; from Europe (Notre Dame de France in London) - Fr Kevin Mowbray and Anne Marie Salgo; and the USA (Notre Dame des Victoires in San Francisco) - Fr René Iturbe, Mary Ghisolfo and David Kane, together with Fr Paul Frechette, USA provincial, and Fr Kevin Duffy from the GA. The workshop began in the hall situated underneath the church of Notre Dame des Victoires, Bush Street. The participants are enjoying the hospitality of the Marist community at Marist Center, Pine Street, with comings and goings discreetly coordinated by Br Pat Souza, a confrere with twenty seven years in San Francisco under his belt. The community house is a three story residence that backs on to the church, and adjoins the school Ecole Notre Dame des Victoires. The workshop is being facilitated by Br Sean Sammon fms.

