



# SM bulletin

FOURVIÈRE 1816 - 2016

Friday, 11 September 2015

## General Administration

In its second week of plenary meetings the GA considered the report of Fr Larry Duffy on his visitation of Oceania, approved the withdrawal from the pastoral ministries of Palmerston North and Otaki-Levin, New Zealand, and the closure of the associated communities. Most of the week has been given over to preparing for ARC.

A response to Pope Francis' appeal for religious communities to respond to the plight of refugees was given attention.

On September 8, the community of the General House joined the SMSM together with the Marist Sisters' and Marist Brothers' General House communities for an early celebration of our patronal feast.

### ERRATUM

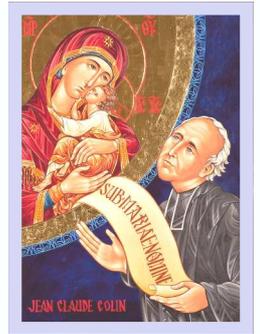
In last week's bulletin it was reported that the 19th chapter of Fr Colin's biography ended in the year 1834. That should be 1845

## HAPPY FEAST OF THE HOLY NAME OF MARY!

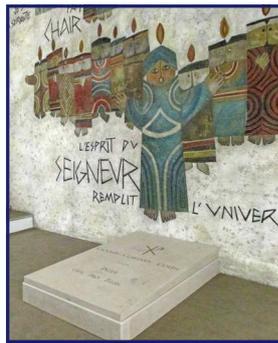
*Let them pray for all members of the Society, living and dead, and for the members of other Marist congregations, particularly on September 12, Solemnity of the Holy Name of Mary and name day of the Society.*

*Their prayer should be that the Lord may govern the Society, increase it, defend it from all error, and keep it faithful to its true spirit.*

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## A NEW TOMBSTONE FOR FR COLIN



Upon his death in 1875 Fr Colin was buried in the grounds of *La Neylière*. The inscription on the tombstone read simply: 'Joannes Claudius Colin. Pater, ora pro filiis' -- 'Jean-Claude Colin. Father, pray for your sons'. Around 1960 the Founder's remains were re-interred in a new coffin and with a new tombstone. Now, 55 years later, as part of the renovation of *La Neylière*, a new elevated tombstone replaces the previous one, the third one since Colin's death. The renovated buildings of *La Neylière* will be inaugurated this weekend with festive celebrations in the presence of Card. Barbarin of Lyons, the superior general of the Society, and many confreres and friends.

## ORDINATION TO THE DEACONATE

On Thursday 3 September David Sánchez from the province of Mexico was ordained to the diaconate in Toluca, by Bishop Francisco Javier Chavolla. The ordination took place in the university parish church which was filled with confreres, family and friends. The parish is the base of the *Centro de Proyección Universitaria*, the campus ministry to which David has been appointed.



## A SONG FOR THE FOURVIÈRE YEAR

A special song has been composed to mark the Fourvière Year. The music and the partitions can be downloaded from the Fourvière website, [www.maristinter.org](http://www.maristinter.org), from the French section / resources, or directly through this link: <http://www.maristsm.org/pub/musica%20fourviere/Fourviere%20Mix%20FR.zip>. Lyrics by Br Maurice Goutagny fms and Music by Pep Buetas.

