



# SM bulletin

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## General Administration

The superior general and council are at present in the Marist Brothers house in Manziana together with the other three generals and councils of the Marist Family for their annual gettogether.

Next week the GA will have a week of plenary meetings in preparation for the local chapters which commence with Canada in May.

### CHANGE OF BURSAR GENERAL.



Fr Paul Martin

The Superior General with regret has accepted the resignation of Fr Paul Cooney as the bursar general. After 2 years of service in Rome Paul has returned to Australia where he is undergoing intensive immunotherapy, aimed at strengthening the capacity of the natural immune system to fight the cancer. The superior general thanked Paul for his dedicated service to the whole Society.

Fr Paul Martin of the Province of New Zealand has been appointed the new bursar general as from 1 March 2016. Paul (51) was the head master of St Patrick's College, Wellington, before becoming provincial councilor and provincial bursar.

Fr Larry Duffy is acting general bursar until Paul takes up his role.

### MARIST FAMILY GENERAL COUNCILS ANNUAL MEETING

As every year, the superior general and his council are gathered for three days with the other leaders of the Marist Family in Manziana, hosted by the Marist Brothers. They share about the life of each branch and about the most significant events and projects in a



fraternal atmosphere. This year a special time will be dedicated to reflecting on Pope Francis's encyclical *Laudato si* and how we can respond as Marists to his urgent call to find ways to care for our common home.

### NEW CHAPTERS OF COLIN'S BIOGRAPHY

Fr Justin Taylor has completed two more chapters of Fr Colin's biography, covering respectively the years 1847-1848 (chapter 21) and 1848-1850 (chapter 22). They are as usual available on our website, under the section "who we are"/"founder": <http://www.maristsm.org/en/founder.aspx>. Please note that as the biography is still in a provisional state, the available chapters can be used for private circulation only. No part of it may be quoted or reproduced in any way without the express permission of the author.

