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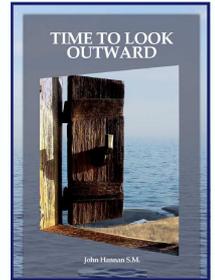
Friday, 8 April 2016

General Administration

In preparation for their plenary meetings during April, the Superior General and his council are spending three days in reflection at Torsanlorenzo.

TIME TO LOOK OUTWARD: A NEW CIRCULAR LETTER

The Superior General has written a new circular letter to the membership of the Society: *Time to look outward: the mission of the Society of Mary today*. The letter will soon be sent out to the major superiors who will take care of the distribution to every confrere. It will appear in English, French, Spanish, Italian, German and Dutch and will also be made available online through the members section of the Society's website www.maristsm.org.



FOURVIÈRE DAY PROGRAM



On the Fourvière-website, www.maristinter.org, the program for the celebrations in Lyons, on the occasion of the bicentenary of the Fourvière Pledge, has been made available. A solemn mass—presided over by Fr John Hannan—will take place on 23 July at 10.30 in the Basilica of Fourvière, Lyons, at the same place where the promise took place 200 years ago in presence of members of the various branches of the Marist Family and friends of the Marists. At the conclusion of the liturgical celebration a lunch buffet will be provided in "la Solitude", which is one of the sites of the Marist school in Lyons. The lunch will be accompanied by a concert by students from Marist Schools of Europe, and a special production for the Bicentennial Year "Sherlock and the Marist dossier". Those who wish to be present should register before 15 June: paul.loubaresse@gmail.com.

NEW MARIST LAITY GROUPS IN ITALY



Recently a group of 13 lay people of Pratola Peligna, Italy, completed the first stage of formation in Marist spirituality. The group was accompanied and guided by lay people from the Castiglion Fiorentino community. During a Sunday Mass the members of the group read and signed the promise. In the meantime, in Turin, 6 members have now completed their formation, and they will join this weekend the Marist Laity in the fraternity of the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Lourdes.