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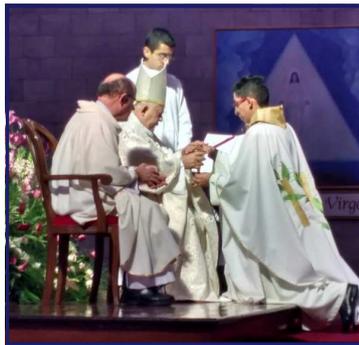
The General Council has commenced its plenary meetings. The first days have been spent in reporting on the responses of each province / district to the Action Plan set out in *Leadership for Mission—Mark 2*, the letter to the major superiors of the Society.

NOVENA FOR VOCATIONS IN PREPARATION FOR THE FEAST OF SAINT PETER CHANEL

On Tuesday, 19 April, the traditional Novena for Vocations preceding the Feast of Saint Peter Chanel begins. Communities and individuals, as always, are asked to pray for this great need of new members for our little Society.



ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD IN MEXICO

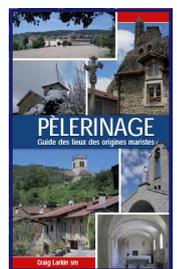


On Saturday 9 April Fr David Sánchez Garduño from the province of Mexico was ordained to the priesthood. The solemn celebration took place in the Cathedral of Toluca, where David was ordained by bishop Francisco Chavolla Ramos of the diocese of Toluca. After the celebration the guests were received in the University pastoral center, *Centro de Proyección Universitaria*, where David has been ministering since he came back to Mexico after his studies in Rome.

A video with images from the ordination is available on youtube: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5xKJrT89hkA&feature=youtu.be>.

FRENCH TRANSLATION OF "PILGRIMAGE"

The Region of France has taken care of the translation of Fr Craig Larkin's book on the Marist places of Origin in France. The richly illustrated book provides a guide for those who visit the Marist places in and around Lyons, and is giving particular attention to the history of the foundation of the four religious branches of the Marist Family. "Pèlerinage, guide des lieux des origines maristes" will soon be published in Rome. Those who are interested in the book may contact Fr Bernard Thomasset of the French Region.



"FOURVIÈRE WEEK" IN MARIST SCHOOL ATLANTA

This week our Marist College in Atlanta, USA, marked the 200th anniversary of the Fourvière Pledge by celebrating "Fourvière Week" involving the whole school community. Each morning, at their school prayer, there were special prayer intentions referring to the Fourvière pledge, accompanied by the school bells playing the opening bars of the "Salve Regina". There were also a few more playful events, such as Italian ice cream for all students.