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General Administration

Fr Larry Duffy continues with the formators workshop in La Neylière.

On Sunday Fr Alejandro Muñoz will leave La Neylière to go to Lyons, where he will spend a week with the volunteers of MYI in further preparations for the Marist Youth gathering in Lyons later this month.

After attending the New Zealand chapter, Fr Lote Raiwalui will be again in Australia next week to continue his visitation of the province.

Fr Kevin Duffy is overseeing the Roman Theologate while the members of the formation team are in France.

PROVINCIAL CHAPTER IN NEW ZEALAND



This week the Chapter of the Province of New Zealand made statements on—amongst other things—community life, brothers, ecology and environment, formation, laity, Maori, migration & mission, senior Marists, parishes and vocations.

The Chapter has voted against the proposal to form a new province with the Province of Australia and the District of Asia. While opting against the proposal, the Chapter recommitted the Province to the ends and purposes of the Society of Mary in the Asia Pacific region including cooperation with the Province of Australia and the District of Asia.

The chapter elected Frs Tim Duckworth, Merv Duffy and Justin Taylor as chapter delegates.

FORMATION WORKSHOP IN LA NEYLIÈRE

The Formators Workshop at La Neylière began last Friday 1 July with the arrival of the participants: young formators or confreres beginning their formators training, coming from all parts of the globe. The workshop is led by Frs Larry Dufy, John Larsen and Paul Walsh. After a day of settling in there



was a walking pilgrimage to a nearby shrine to share about vocations stories and celebrate the Eucharist. The program proper began with sharing on each of the formation houses and exercises to see strengths and weaknesses of our formation. The group worked also on the expected outcomes of a Marist formation program. Much of the time to come will be dedicated to studying how to become better formators and how to harmonize and connect local formation with the international novitiate in Davao and the international theologate in Rome.