



S.M. bulletin

Friday, 26 August 2016

General Administration

Fr John Hannan returns to Rome today. He and his council will be back together next week to prepare for their plenary meetings beginning on 5 September.

RETREAT FOR THE NOVICES OF THE INTERNATIONAL NOVITIATE

The 6 novices at the International Novitiate in the Philippines are having their second retreat from 25 August until 9 September. The retreat (Week 2 and 3) follows the Ignatian Spiritual Exercise. The second week is focused on contemplating on Christ's birth and baptism, his sermon on the mount, his ministry of healing and teaching. The third week is focused on contemplating Christ's suffering, the gift of the Eucharist as the ultimate expression of God's love, His passion and death. The Novitiate team, composed of Frs Fernando Ingente, Denis Revi and Br John Votaia, is directing the retreat. The novices come from Africa, New Zealand and Oceania.



SR GEORGEANNE SMSM ADDRESSES STAFF OF MARIST COLLEGES IN ATLANTA



On Friday, 12 August, Marist School Atlanta welcomed Sr. Georgeanne Donovan, who was recently reelected as superior general of the SMSM Sisters, for the annual faculty and staff retreat. To share in the experience, Marist School invited the faculty and staff of the two other Marist-sponsored schools in

Atlanta, Notre Dame Academy and Sophia Academy. Sr. Georgeanne helped guide all those present in embracing the Marist tenet of "Doing the Work of Mary", the theme of focus for the 2016-2017 school year. Sr. Georgeanne asserted that, in some way, each person faculty and staff person present at Marist School that August day had been influenced by the Marist spirit and were to discover what it means to follow Christ as Mary did. Mary had to welcome the unexpected throughout her faith journey. Marists, lay or religious, must do that as well, listening, pondering, and then acting in response.