



SM bulletin

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General Administration

Fr John Hannan has left Rome for the Philippines today, where he will be present at the second session of the Asia District Chapter and where he will carry out the visitation of the International Novitiate in Eden, Davao.

Fr Larry Duffy has begun his visitation of the province of New Zealand.

Fr Alejandro Muñoz is in Mexico before attending the chapters in South America.

FORMATION COMMUNITY IN EUROPE



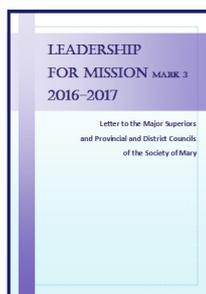
In the province of Europe a new formation house, *An Turas*, has opened its doors in Dublin, Ireland. The community consists of three confreres, Frs David Corrigan (Ireland) and Paul Walsh (Ireland) and seminarian Tom Kouijzer (the Netherlands). The community lives on two sites which are in close proximity, St Teresa's Parish presbytery and *An Turas*. The European province asks confreres to pray for the success of this new formation community.

COLLABORATION AFRICA-EUROPE

Fr Emile Kouma of the District of Africa has gone to France for professional training in order to take up a leadership role in the project for a new school to be run by the District on the outskirts of Dakar, Senegal. He will be based in Paris and Toulon, and will have experience of observing leadership teams at work in schools in the Marist network in France. He joins another African confrere, Fr Constant-Ephrem Amoussouga, who is now in a second year of a program in Paris where he is following professional courses to take up the role of the District Bursar in Africa. He too has been able to benefit from working alongside professional Marist collaborators in Paris. On the other hand, confreres from Europe have gone to Senegal to learn French, most recently Br Ivan Vodopivec (England), and Tom Kouijzer (Netherlands).



LEADERSHIP FOR MISSION, MARK 3



Three years ago, after CS2013, the Superior General wrote his first letter *Leadership for Mission: 2014-2017* to the major superiors and their councils, setting out an action plan to "propel our leadership forward". *Leadership for Mission: 2015-2017—Mark 2* followed on from ARC 2015. Now, in the wake of ARC 2016, Fr John Hannan has sent out *Mark 3* to the Society's leadership teams. In this letter he puts forward an action plan for provincials and district superiors and their councils, for the time leading up to next year's General Chapter. Some of the main areas are vocation promotion, pastoral formation of seminarians, safeguarding policy and practice, continuing reconfiguration, the Marist Laity contribution towards the General Chapter, the Initial Formation Endowment Fund, Society-wide preparations for the General Chapter.