



SM bulletin

Friday, 31 March 2017

General Administration

At their meeting this week the council gave particular attention to proposals for a four year theological/pastoral integrated program for theologians at the Rome theologate.

Fr Paul Martin has spent the week at EUR, Rome, on a workshop conducted by the Marist Brothers Generalate for their bursars from all their administrative units.

NEWS FROM THE COLINIAN RENEWAL PROGRAM



Fr Tony Kennedy, the director of the Colinian Renewal Program in *la Neylière* reports:

We have come to the end of the first of five weeks and the days are moving quickly. Since the participants arrived at *La Neylière* on Ash Wednesday we have taken time to get to know each other, the house, the local community and a little bit about living in France.

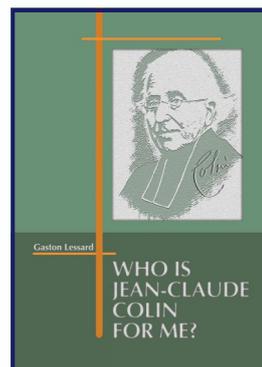
Last week we paid a visit to the Marist community at Sainte Foy. After mass and lunch we were given a short talk by Bernard Bourtot who informed us of some of the history of the house. We all learnt a lot about some of the difficulties that the Marists faced over the years and the times when we were not able

to use this house. Jean Chevillard then showed us around the library.

The participants have begun their first retreat this week. The retreat will finish next Wednesday and your prayers would be greatly appreciated.

"WHO IS JEAN-CLAUDE COLIN FOR ME?"

At the request of the Superior General Fr Gaston Lessard from the province of Canada has written a booklet on Fr Colin : "Who is Jean-Claude Colin for me?". Introducing the booklet, Gaston writes: *Jean-Claude Colin has been my companion for the last sixty years. I single out three moments in this long fellowship. The first is the summer of 1956, which I spent with Jean Coste as we visited the places where Colin had lived. The second came soon after: I spent two years indexing the Mayet Memoirs. The third came much later and lasted longer: it is the time I spent editing the letters that Colin wrote until the end of his life.* The booklet is now being printed in English, French and Spanish and will be distributed before Easter to all confreres.



DECEASED CONFRERES

We pray for

Br Edward Jones, aged 79, of the Province of Oceania (Samoa), who died on 8 March,
Fr Piet van der Aart, aged 74, of the Province of Europe (Nederland), who died on 21 March,

Fr Nicolas Wagner, aged 81, of the Province of Oceania (New Caledonia), who died on 23 March

May they rest in peace.