



SM bulletin

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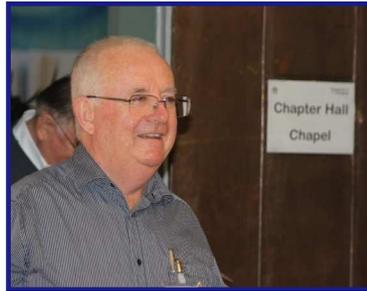
General Administration

Fr John Harhager continues his visitation of the province of Oceania. He has been in Tonga and Samoa and will be back in Fiji next week.

Fr Ben McKenna continues his visitation of the province of Australia.

Frs Paul Walsh and Juan Carlos Piña are both in their home countries for retreat and holidays.

ELECTION OF THE PROVINCIAL OF AUSTRALIA



The Superior General has confirmed the election by the extra-ordinary Chapter of the Province of Australia of Fr Anthony Corcoran as provincial. Fr Tony has been a member of the General Administration since 2006, when he took up the role of Secretary General. Later he became also the Procurator General and the Superior of the General House community. He will finish his service in Rome by 1 November 2018, and then take up his new role as provincial on 1 January 2019. During his term Fr Tony will have –amongst other things- the challenging task of leading the province into a new governance structure, as decided by the Australian Chapter earlier this year.

COUNCIL OF THE PROVINCE IN OCEANIA



Last week the Council of the Province for Oceania took place. The meeting was composed of the Provincial and his Council, the Sector delegates and the rector of Marist College. Fr John Harhager, on visitation of the Province, was in attendance. The provincial presented his report describing the state of the province which led to some significant discussion on the strengths and challenges of the province. The provincial bursar's report and the reports from each sector offered opportunities to share in the concerns expressed for the membership in the sectors and the responsibility of the council. The council visited Marist College, and the Marian Ecological Centre (Dwasamu), a new mission arising from Marian spirituality and the environment. Manuals for sector delegates and local superiors were explained and distributed to all the members. The reaction of the participants was very positive for the fraternal and caring response to the issues surfaced during the meeting and the sense of co-responsibility of the leadership of the province.

DECEASED CONFRERES

We pray for

Br Raymond Kelleher, aged 80, of the Province of New Zealand, who died on 26 June, Fr Norman Arkwright, aged 86, of the Province of Europe (UK), who died on 26 June, and for

Fr Brian Conaghan, aged 86, of the Province of Australia, who died on 2 July. May they rest in peace.