



SM bulletin

Friday, 20 July 2018

General Administration

Fr John Larsen is back in Rome after a short stay in France visiting Marist places .

Fr John Harhager is spending the final days of his visitation of the province of Oceania in Fiji. Before returning to Rome he will spend a few days in the United States.

In Australia Fr Ben McKenna is concluding his visitation. He is expected to be back in Rome by the end of next week.

Also Fr Juan Carlos will come back to Rome next week.

INTERNATIONAL MARIST YOUTH MEETING IN GUATEMALA

Recently representatives of the four Marist religious branches gathered in Guatemala city along with the local Marist Laity for further preparations of the International Marist Youth Meeting in January 2019 in Guatemala City. The members of the commission – including General Assistant for vocations and youth, Fr Juan Carlos Piña - reviewed the program, activities to be organized, responsibilities and facilities, logistics, translations, visas, and reviewed the objectives of the meeting including the main theme: Weaving life. The meeting was hosted by the Marist Brothers in the provincial house of Central America, and all were delighted with the kind and fraternal welcome of the brothers.



WORKSHOP ON EDUCATION



In June a Workshop for Marist educators was held in Atlanta, USA, organized by the US province. The 42 participants – both religious and laity - were from Mexico, New Zealand, Thailand and the US, all involved in education and youth ministry. The presenters were Frs Justin

Taylor (Z), Jim Strasz (US), Bill Rowland (US) and Frank Bird (As) and Mr Mike Coveny. The group visited Marist School in Atlanta and the Martin Luther King Center.

US PROVINCIAL RETREAT

51 members of the US Province gathered at the Bergamo Center of the Marianists in Dayton, Ohio from 25 to 29 June. Fr Justin Taylor, who is in the process of publishing his biography of Fr. Colin, preached



the retreat in 8 conferences bring his insights from the work to help in a spiritual reflection on key aspects of the spirituality of Colin. It was very well received and led to some fresh dialogues on the implications for contemporary Marist Life.