



SM bulletin

Friday, 16 November 2018

General Administration

Fr John Larsen is in Senegal, and is due to come back to Rome at the beginning of next week. He will then attend the annual USG meeting of Superiors General in Rome.

Yesterday Fr John Harhager arrived back in Rome.

Fr Ben McKenna continues his visitation in the United States of America, where amongst other things he visited this week Marist School Atlanta and the parish in Brownsville, Texas at the Mexican border.

Fr Juan Carlos Piña returns to Rome this weekend after having attended the meeting of the European Council of the Province in Paris.

A SECOND TERM FOR THE PROVINCIAL OF EUROPE



The Superior General has appointed Fr Martin McAnaney (Ireland) for a second term as provincial of the province of Europe. In the passed weeks a consultation of the members of the province was carried out. In a letter to Martin and the European confreres, Fr John Larsen thanked them for their generous response and confirmed that "As a result of this consultation it is very clear that Fr. Martin's leadership is most appreciated and so I am happy to appoint Fr. Martin for a further term of three years". His term will start on 1 July 2019.

A HOUSE FOR OUR MISSION IN LA INDEPENDENCIA, MEXICO

On 11 November the inauguration of a new pastoral house took place in the Parish Mission Centre at La Independencia, in the South East of Mexico (Chiapas). Our confreres have been working in this rural mission since 2001, collaborating with the Eucharistic Franciscan Missionaries Sisters. During the war, the Marist team could not live in the mission area. Two years ago, the almost 50 communities of the parish launched a project to raise funds for the building of a parish. With the help also of the German bishop conference, the parish house was erected, and for the first time in its history the parish team will now be able to live on its territory. The celebration was an expression of deep joy, and was attended by more than 2.500 people.



A NEW STAFF MEMBER IN THE GENERAL HOUSE FINANCE OFFICE



For the first time in many years the General Bursar combines his role with that of being a General Councilor and is also the Vicar General. To respond to the workload of the combination of these roles for Fr John Harhager, the General Council has decided to employ a third part-time staff member in the General Finance Office. This week Ms Monica Sebastiani joined Mr Paolo Mancinelli and Ms Aline Gamberale in assisting the General Bursar.