

General Administration

In the final week of their plenary meetings, beside making a number of appointments, the General Council gave attention to various possibilities for a future mission outreach in light of the directives of the general chapter; set a draft agenda for ARC 2018; received the Auditor's report for 2017; gave further consideration to the process of reconfiguration of the North American provinces.

The members of the General Council are in Nemi, where they are at present meeting with members of the General Administrations of the four religious branches of the Marist Family.

Fr Ben McKenna has set off to visit the District of Asia, where in Ranong he will attend the meeting of MAP, with representatives of the leadership teams from Asia, Australia and New Zealand. He will then visit Australia where he will be present at the second session of their Extraordinary Chapter.

APPOINTMENTS

The Superior General, on the advice of his council, has made the following appointments:

- Fr Jacques Arguin (Canada) as the director of the next Colinian Renewal Program, to take place in La Neylière in 2020;
- Fr Larry Duffy as the vice superior of Casa di Maria, the International Theologate in Rome;
- The team members of the International Novitiate for the coming year: Frs Fernando Ingente (Asia), Superior, Jacob Aba (Oceania), *socius* and Joaquín Fernández (Europe) as the "third man".
- Fr Juan Carlos Piña as procurator to the Holy See, to succeed Fr Tony Corcoran.

MARIST STUDIES WORK GROUP



At the invitation of the Superior General, Frs Alois Greiler, Tony Kennedy and Justin Taylor, along with Fr Paul Walsh from the GA, met to formulate ideas on the future of Marist Studies. Others had been invited but could not come for that day. The working group reports:

"The task was to review the current state of Marist Studies, with a view to future orientations. The imminent publication of Justin Taylor's biography of our Founder offers a good starting point. Some of the topics addressed: how best exploit what has been made available in recent years, facilitating communication between those doing research, publishing on line versus in hard copy, the future of *Forum Novum*, possible theme for a Marist conference, making the most of the new biography of Colin, updating the curriculum for Marist studies, Marist themes in houses of formation and in programmes of renewal, increasing interest among confreres. Keep your eyes on this spot for further developments coming from this very fruitful meeting."

DECEASED CONFRERES

We pray for

Fr Luciano Carnino, aged 85, of the Province of Europe (Italy), who died on 11 May, Fr Petero Tagidrau, aged 43, of the Province of Oceania (Fiji), who died on 25 May, Fr François Xavier de Viviés, aged 77, of the Province of Oceania (New Caledonia), who died on 26 May,

Fr Mario Santirocchi, aged 84, of the Province of Europe (Italy), who died on 1 June, and for

Fr Matteo Imbrici, aged 72, of the Province of Europe (Italy), who died on 4 June. May they rest in peace.