

#### Friday, 10 August 2018

# General Administration

Next week Fr John Larsen will be out of Rome for a short while on R&R, hopefully somewhere much cooler than the Eternal City.

Fr Pat Devlin is back at school learning Italian.

Fr Paul Walsh returns from Ireland early next week.

Members of the general house, residents and workers, whose memories of his time with us are very fresh, are mourning the death of Fr Paul Cooney, former general bursar—may he rest in peace.

## LEADERSHIP WORKSHOP IN LA NEYLIÈRE



From 22 to 28 July almost 40 confreres involved in leadership from the European province gathered in La Neylière for a workshop. They were assisted by Fr Michael Mullins (Australia) who acted as consultant to the event. The aim of the workshop—which was also a fraternal opportunity

to meet one another—was to explore and understand the role of the leader at both local and provincial levels, and to devise ways of supporting those in leadership in their roles. In his message to the participants, the Superior General reminded them that the workshop is critical for the future life and mission of the Society, not just in Europe but in the wider word. Participants shared about their experiences, including the challenges they face. Former Superior General, Fr Jan Hulshof, led the group in considering some reflections of Fr Colin on the task of the superior and the meaning of spiritual leadership. Participants drew up a plan for their own particular situations and national groups of local superiors, and made some proposals for more effective ways leadership con be exercised collectively in the province in order to animate Marist life and mission.

#### **BEWARE OF SCAM**



The general secretariat draws the attention of all confreres for fraudulent messages off all kind circulating in the (Marist) world. It happens that members of the GA as well as members of local administrations or single confreres are contacted by external people, presenting themselves as Marists, who are often very well informed of some internal

whereabouts which they use to convince people of their right intentions. We wish to alert you to the existence of these more and more sophisticated ways to mislead people, and ask everybody to be vigilant and suspicious enough to detect fraudulent practices.

## **DECEASED CONFRERES—JULY**

We pray for Fr John Jago, former Superior General, aged 85, of the Province of Australia, who died on 17 July. May he rest in peace.