Friday, 31 August 2018

General Administration

The Superior General and council have spent three days in reflection in preparation for their plenary meetings in September.

COMMISSIONS FOR ECOLOGY AND INTER-RELIGIOUS DIALOGUE

The Superior General has established

the Marist Commission for Ecology and the Marist Commission for Inter-Religious Dialogue.

The foundation members of the first commission are Frs Donato Kivi (O) (chair) and Peter Healy (Z). The foundation members of the second commission are Frs Hermes "Larry" Sabud (As) (chair),



Oscar Ichiba (S), Michael Jacques (S) and Kevin Medilo (As).

The overall goals of the two Commissions are:

- "To strive for a higher level of professionalism in missionary involvement through further education, research, teaching, publishing and advocacy" (cf GC 2017, n. 9b.)
- To contribute to local life by offering on-going formation, education, seminars and awareness-raising exercises for the local people in the respective areas of the commissions.
- To contribute to the living of the Marist missionary vocation more authentically by working within the Society of Mary to help everyone respond well as Marists and Marist communities with the leadership of the respective Commissions.

The first steps in the work of the two commissions is due to be on the agenda of ARC in the beginning of October. The plan is to establish later also two other commissions, one for Youth and one for Migrants. The hope is that over time the commissions will expand throughout the Marist world.

DECEASED CONFRERES—JULY

We pray for

Fr Paul Cooney, former Bursar General, aged 65, of the Province of Australia, who died on 5 August,

Fr Reg Riley, aged 88, of the Province of Europe (England), who died on 6 August, Bishop John Doaninoel, aged 68, auxiliary bishop of Honiara, Solomon Islands, who died on 7 August,

Br Benno (Josef) Engraf, aged 79, of the Province of Europe (Germany), who died on 15 August,

Fr Pierre Chabanet, aged 89, of the Province of Europe (France), who died on 17 August.

May they rest in peace.