



District of the Pacific Update

Champagnat Marist

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Current News Items

13th September 2019

Most Holy Name of Mary

12th September - Anniversary Day of Reception and Profession of many Brothers

“Mary, how sweetly falls thy name
On my enraptured ear;
Oft do I say in holy love
Thy name when none are near.
Sing oh, my lips, and loudly proclaim,
Oh Mary, my Mother, how sweet is thy name.
Sweet as the warbling of a bird,
Sweet as a Mother’s voice;
So sweet to me is thy dear name;
It makes my soul rejoice.
Bright as the glittering stars appear,
Bright as the moonbeam’s shine,
So bright in my mind’s eye is seen
Thy loveliness divine!



District Dates

Saturday 14th September: Mr Dan Dungey working in Fiji until the 16th September

Sunday 15th September: Marcellin College pupils attending a REMAR gathering at Manly.

Monday 16th September: Mr Dan Dungey movers to Kiribati to run courses there.

Wednesday 18th September: Gathering at Onslow at 10.30am for Chapter discussion.

Extra Report:

Br Osmund’s Dementia article - August 19th

Marist Brother unworried by mild dementia diagnosis Further News on Brother Osmund’s Dementia Treatment



Brother Osmund, born Edward Macnamara, is part of a long-term study looking at dementia.

On the 9th August in the District Update there was an article about the programme that Brother Osmund is involved in. Please check the **Report** attached to this week’s Update to read further about the work of which Osmund is part.

District Chapter in Fiji – 11th – 16th December

Journeying Together on Mission

Prayer for the District Chapter

Father of all,

we praise your saving justice and your faithful love for all your creation.

We thank you for the work of your Spirit in us, and especially in the lives of our Leaders.

We know our weakness, our unfaithfulness, and our neediness. So we come to you in this time of special need.

We pray that we will open our hearts and minds to the constant presence of your Holy Spirit, who leads and guides us on our journey to the Chapter and beyond.

We pray that we will grow in communion and participation as we “make Jesus known and loved”.

We pray especially for courage and insight for our Delegates as they lead us on a new journey.

May we all be constantly inspired by the examples of Mary and Champagnat.

We pray in the name of your Son Jesus, our brother. Amen



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Brother Samisoni Talia Reports from Kaikohe in the North

Welcome Visitors

On the 21st of August, we welcomed our visitors from the General Council: brothers Luis Carlos, Carlos and Libardo together with Simon from Germany and Bryan Stanaway who accompanied them as driver and tour guide!!!

We treated them to a superb Kiwi meal...starting with oysters, the northern favourite sea food, followed by a delicious Maori hangi prepared by the community and finishing with pavlova and Kapiti ice cream. They left Kaikohe the following day for Auckland.



Student Learning Work Camping

The Te Kura students had their camp earlier this month, September 3rd to the 5th in the Waipoua Forest. There were nineteen students attending from Whangarei to Kaitiāia. There are two tutors, Geoff and Tris who runs the programme.

During the camping the students learn how to:

- prepare a possum trap
- drive (LUV) light utility vehicle
- use the weedicides to control the weeds.

