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FIRST EXERCISES FOR THE MARIST FAMILY

MARIST FATHERS, BROTHERS, SISTERS & LAITY PARTICIPATE IN PRAYER EXERCISES

This summer the branches of the Marist family gathered for the first time to take part in exercises from Aug. 21 – 27 at Los Molinos in the province of Madrid.

Brother Hipólito Pérez, of the Brothers Today Secretariat, animated the encounter, which included one Marist Sister, two lay Marists, seven Marist Brothers and 16 Marist Fathers.

On Aug. 27, they ended the gathering by celebrating the bicentenary of Fourvière with the local community of the Big Brothers of Our Lady of the Rock in Collado Villalba, a municipality of Madrid. There, seven lay people of Madrid and Leon joined the group.

"It's the first time we have lived this experience as a family," affirmed Father Ángel Antón. "We have all felt very comfortable and as a family."

"The simple, heartfelt, well elaborated, documented and prepared animation



on behalf of Br Hipólito was crucial," he added. According to Fr Ángel, "the sharing in prayer, in the Eucharist, at the table and in groups was fraternal and

with faith."

"Hopefully, this is the beginning of a collaboration that our founders always wished for."

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Since August 27, Superior general Brother Emili Turú has been visiting Marist communities of South Africa after having taken part in the Chapter of the Southern Africa Province.

Brothers Antonio Ramalho and Ernesto Sánchez have ended their visits to the communities of Mozambique, where they were from Aug. 27 to September 4.

From August 30 to September 2, Brother Michael de Waas participated in a seminar with the Provincial Council of Southern Asia.

From September 5 to 9, the fifth meeting of the Preparatory Commission for the next general chapter is taking place at the general house. Vicar general Brother Joe McKee is coordinating the Commission.

NEW CO-DIRECTOR OF THE SECRETARIAT OF THE LAITY

As Tony Clarke finishes his second triennial as co-director of the Secretariat, the General Council has appointed Kate Fogarty as new co-director for a first triennial.

Kate will take part in the encounter of the continental commissions, which will take place in Hermitage in October. She will also participate in the meeting with the extended Secretariat, which will take place af-





she began her love towards the Marist life. She dedicated most part of her work (including the four years at the 'Red Centre' of Alice Springs of Australia) to the Marist Youth Ministry and to teaching in Marist schools.

She is currently the director of Assumption College, Kilmore, one of the oldest schools of Australia and one of the most popular Marist centres.

Kate forms part of the Council of the Marist Association of Australia and she is also national councillor of Caritas Australia.

She participated in the Marist Assembly of Brazil in 2007.

In accepting this role, Kate shows her desire to provide a service to the Marist world internationally.

Tony Clarke has offered a beautiful contribution as member of the Secretariat from the start along with Brother Pau, for three years, and then as co-director during the past six years.

A sincere thank you to Tony.

ter the encounter. Kate was educated with the Marists in Sale, a rural school in southern Australia and there

CALENDAR OF THE GENERAL COUNCIL AND DIRECTORS OF SECRETARIATS: SEPTEMBER – OCTOBER 2016

Aug. 27 – Sept. 09: Superior general Brother Emili Turú visits South Africa

Sept. 05 – Sept. 10: The general chapter's preparatory commission gathers in Rome. Brothers Josep McKee (vicar general, coordinator), Carlos Huidobro (general secretary), Pau Fornells (superior general's secretary, commission's secretary) will participate on behalf of the general administration.

Sept. 12: Members of the general administration and of the other Marist branches will meet with the Marist Sisters at their general house in Rome for the Holy Name of Mary celebration.

Sept. 13: Regular meeting of the general council.

Sept. 15 – 16: Arco Norte's meeting of provincials: Brother Chris Wills.



Sept. 17: An encounter on the 17 Martyrs of Algeria in Lyon, France, with the participation of superior general Brother Emili Turú.

Sept. 20 – 24: Meeting on the planning of the future of the Marist Life and Mission in Honduras: Brothers João Carlos do Prado and Miguel

Ángel Espinosa Barrera, director and vice director of the Secretariat of Mission.

Sept. 21 – 24: Gathering of the provincial council of Santa Maria de los Andes in Chosica, Peru, with the participation of general councillor Brother Víctor Preciado.

NEWS IN BRIEF

AUSTRALIA

From September 8 to 17, the Brothers of Australia held five encounters for the different regions. The main topics included contemplative life, the general chapter and professional rules.

COMPOSTELA PROVINCE

The new Marist educators of the Compostela province met in Roxos from Aug. 28 - 31. They were invited to reflect on the call to be "experts in humanity", following the dream that Marcellin asks of us in our current times.

CHANGING DIRECTORS

Twelve Marist directors of eight different countries that belong to five provinces of America have exchanged experiences in schools and social works of the Province Brasil Sul-Amazônia, during the month of August of 2016.

PERPETUAL PROFESSIONS

In the past few days, three Brothers have done their perpetual vows to live the religious life in the Marist Institute: Ralaiarison Beloved Julien (Madagascar), Chamara Hettiarchchi (Sri Lanka) and Brian Poulin (United States).

Sept. 23: Youth encounter of Ibérica Province in Lardero, Spain, with the participation of general councilor Brother Ernesto Sánchez.

Sept. 24: Meeting to organise the encounter of 'Tutti Fratelli' in Rome in November: Brothers Tony Leon and Hipólito Pérez, director and vice director of the Brothers Today Secretariat.

Sept. 28 – Oct. 02: Meeting of the Council of the OIEC in Cebu, the Philippines: Brothers João Carlos do Prado and Carlos A. Rojas, director of the Secretariat of Mission and his successor.

Oct. 3 – 8: Meeting of the Continental Commissions of Laity at L'Hermitage with the participation of Brothers Emili Turú, Antonio Ramalho, Javier Espinosa, Miguel Ángel Espinosa Barrera and Tony Leon.

Oct. 4 – 8: Extended General Council of Asia in Bangkok, Thailand.

Oct. 6 – 7: Accompaniment of Brothers taking part in the Thresholds (Umbrales) programme (El Escorial – Madrid): Br Hipólito Pérez, Brothers Today Secretariat.

Oct. 9 – 10: New Models Meeting with the Councils of Asia in Bangkok, Thailand: Brothers João Carlos do Prado and Carlos A. Rojas, director of the Secretariat of Mission and his successor, and general councilor Brother Michael de Waas.

Oct. 9 – 10: Meeting of the extended secretariat of the laity in l'Hermitage: Brother Javier Espinosa.

Oct. 11: Meeting of the directive committee of the International

Marist Network of Editorials in Recife, Brazil: Brother Miguel Ángel Espinosa Barrera, vice director of the Secretariat of Mission.

Oct. 11 – 14: National Marist Congress of Education in Recife, Brazil: Brother Miguel Ángel Espinosa Barrera, vice director of the Secretariat of Mission.

Oct. 12 – 15: Extended General Council of Oceania in Mittagong, Australia.

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Oct. 16 – 21: FMSI meeting with Asia-Pacific Marist NGOs in Brisbane, Australia: Brothers Mario Meuti and Manel Mendoza, directors of FMSI of the Rome and Geneva offices.

Oct. 19 – 20: MAPAC Board meeting in Manila, Philippines, with the participation of Brother Joseph McKee.

Oct. 24: Regular meeting of the General Council.

Oct. 31 – Nov. 04: Encounter of formators of the Americas in Curitiba, Brazil: Brother Hipólito Pérez, Brothers Today Secretariat.

Oct. 31 – Nov. 03: Extended general council meeting of the province of Europe in Guardamar, Spain.

CONVOCAION OF THE 22ND GENERAL CHAPTER

The letter of the Superior General titled "A New La Valla" will be published on next Thursday, September 8. It will convoke the 22nd General Chapter, to be held in Colombia, beginning on 8

September 2017. The Brothers will receive the text directly from their provincials and material will also be available on the Institute's website: www.champagnat.org.

MARIST WORLD



Syria: The team of the Blue Marist



Argentina: Meeting of Pastoral teams in Luján



Colombia: Noviciate La Valla in Medellín



Sri Lanka: New Provincial Council of South Asia



Malawi: New Council of Southern Africa



Brazil: Fourth Youth Assembly of the Brasil Centro-Sul Province

ON THE WAY TO THE HERMITAGE

MEETING OF THE CONTINENTAL COMMISSIONS OF LAITY

Over 50 people – members of the Continental Commissions and guests – will participate in the meeting that will take place from October 3 to 8 at the Hermitage.

Since the beginning of the year, they have been reflecting about the topics presented by the Secretariat in order to develop proposals for the General Chapter.

With the contributions they are already sending in, we will draw up a working document that will be the main input for our reflection at the Hermitage.

We have ensured the participation of all continents and Administrative Units.

It will be an opportunity to enhance our international communion, and



consolidate an identity in which the Marist laity throughout the world can mirror themselves.

The fact of living this process at the Hermitage also aims at a closer experience of our foundational sources in

order to strengthen the new beginning all together. The Lay Commission Coordinators from two Regions will meet after the event at the Hermitage: the American Continent in Ecuador (November), and Europe in Les Avellanes (December).

MARIST UNION OF BRAZIL - UMBRASIL

5TH INTERNATIONAL MARIST CONGRESS ON EDUCATION

From 11 to 14 October 2016, the Marist Union of Brazil - UMBRASIL will promote the fifth edition of the International Marist Education Congress, at Pernambuco Convention Center in Olinda, Brazil.

The event will gather around 3,000 educators and Marist managers as well as professionals from other systems and public and private education networks, along with entities associated with education, guests, partners and academics in order to discuss and enhance the promotion of the right to quality on integral education and academic excellence.

Since 1996, the Marist Congress on Education has been a distinguishing feature in the promotion and organization of educational events.

We had the opportunity to discuss, in the four previous editions, rele-

vant themes of the school routine as: Education in the 21st Century, Education and Citizenship, Educator Role in the Knowledge and Space Society, Time and Horizons in the Children and Youth Education.

For the year 2016, UMBRASIL is preparing meaningful content and that address the theme "Quality Education : senses, experiences and horizons."

Thus, Congress is organized in major conferences and simultaneous activities - where each panelist will make the choice of subject - communication of scientific papers and problem situation rooms.

On the official opening, to be held on the evening of October 11, will have the musical of Antonio Nobrega, in honor of the renowned Brazilian playwright and poet Ariano Suassuna.



The complete program and registration are available at: www.congressomarista.com.br.

The participation, formation and exchange of experiences among Brothers and Laity of the Marist world will make of the event an even more special moment.

DIPLOMA IN MARIST SPIRITUAL PATRIMONY FOR THE PERU SECTOR

INVESTIGATIONS OF MARIST DOCUMENTS ON OUR ORIGINS



The Champagnat School of Lima did the second version of the diploma in Marist spiritual patrimony for the Peru sector from July 29 – Aug. 6.



This experience provides a documented solid base on the Marist charism, so that they can find what they are looking for in their vocational process and consolidate their mission and life in each one of the works and communities



This instance is experiential and inductive, which means a good time for personal and group research.

Attendants have extensive contact with the writings of Marcellin, the first Brothers and other related people.

This diploma is guided by Brother Patricio Pino, associate professor, and his assistant, Sara Sánchez.

"The participants began the pace of the research of Marist documents of our origins," explained Br Patricio. "This experience will finish in January of 2018 and it is

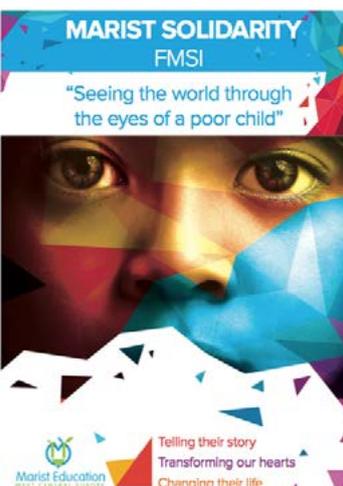
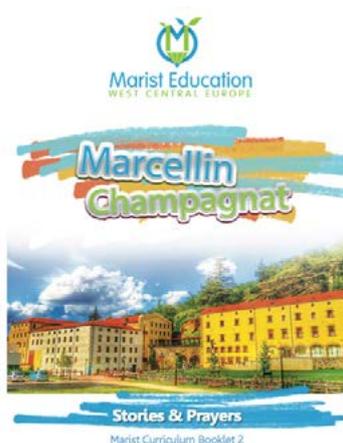
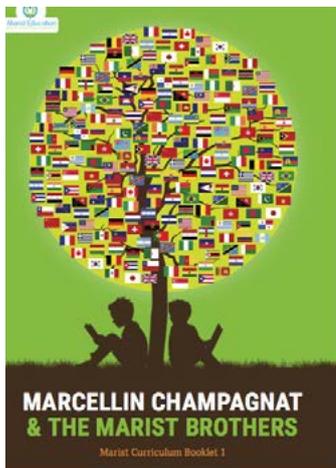
important to mention that it is accepted by the Marcellin Champagnat University of Lima."

The extent of this formation is three semesters in person and a virtual stage of four months. The participants, which are full of love for their work, are mostly lay people of Marist works in Peru.

"This experience provides a documented solid base on the Marist charism, so that they can find what they are looking for in their vocational process and consolidate their mission and life in each one of the works and communities," Br Patricio affirmed.

MARIST EDUCATION

LAUNCH OF THE NEW MARIST CURRICULUM IN WEST CENTRAL EUROPE



Marist Education in West Central Europe launched the new Marist Curriculum for schools in the Province. The curriculum will be available for all schools and projects in the province.

The curriculum has been created into four individual A5 booklets.

Students will begin with booklet one which details the life of Marcellin Champagnat and outlines the Marist community in the province and worldwide.

The second booklet explains in detail some of the key Marist stories and introduces students to some Marist prayers and reflections.

Booklet three looks closely at the Marist values and what they mean in today's world.

Finally, booklet four focuses on the work of Marist Solidarity FMSI worldwide and encourages students to support and learn more about this work.

Each booklet provides activities and project work for students with printable resources available.

A Marist liturgy has been created for each year group at the end of booklet.

Each booklet is available in digital form on www.maristeu.com with supporting resources and liturgies.

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