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Current News Items

The Feast of the Epiphany 5th of January

Epiphany is celebrated 12 days after Christmas on 6th January (or January 19th for some Orthodox Churches who have Christmas on 7th January) and is the time when Christians remember the Wise Men (also sometimes called the Three Kings) who visited Jesus. ... Epiphany is mainly celebrated by Catholics and Orthodox Christians.



District Dates

6th January 1814: Marcellin Champagnat and Jean-Claude Colin received Minor Orders from Cardinal Fesch, Archbishop of Lyons.

Monday 6th January. Walls Road Office opens for 2020.

Extra - Attached Report: No extra report this week

10th January 2020

Christchurch Community Celebrate Our Foundation Day Brother Peter Horide Reports

The Christchurch community held a simple function for about 40, to mark the Foundation anniversary. Friendly folk convened for a lunchtime gathering that evolved into a very pleasant social afternoon. Visitors from out of town, friends, relatives and longstanding supporters enjoyed the simple hospitality and a great chance to catch up.





Brother Marcel still conducts English Classes

While Brother Marcel was living at 215 Richmond Road he went off several days a week to run English classes for Chinese Students. When he went to live at Elizabeth Knox Home, he continued going out to teach. Here are some photos which were taken at the happy gathering with Brother Marcel and the English Class students of ACCC at Elizabeth Knox on the 31st December 2019.









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Brother John Hazelman Reports on Brothers' Movements

- 1. Brother Kevin Wanden will be attending the International Marist Mission Commission Meeting in Rome which will start on January 13th to 17th, 2020. We wish Kevin well as he starts his term on this commission.
- 2. Brother Christopher Poppelwell departs Auckland for Manila on January 16th, 2020. We wish Chris God's Blessings as he heads off to join our young men at the International Post Novitiate: Marist Asia Pacific Center.

Brother John Reports About Samoa Visit of Brothers

Due to a BLOCK OUT of Samoan Passport Holders from entering American Samoa in relation to the Measles outbreak in Apia, the District Leader was not able to visit the Brothers in American Samoa as planned. Therefore, Brothers Kevin O'Malley, Donald Teixiria and David Lavin flew to Apia and were able to have our proposed meetings in Apia. The District Leader will also be meeting the Bishop of American Samoa in relation to the ministry of our Brothers on this territory of the United States. The Brothers from the two Samoas enjoying quality time together.



Brother John Reports on the Good Work of the Marist Old Boys in Samoa

The Samoa Marist Brothers Old Pupils Association (MBOPA) donated WST \$120,000.00 to our two Marist Brothers Schools in Samoa. This donation resulted from the Association's major fundraising drive 'The Marist Corporate Dinner' that was held at the Auckland Skycity Convention Center last November. Both Marist Brothers Primary School Mulivai and St Joseph's College Alafua received a sum of WST \$60,000.00 each. Brother Siaosi Ioane (Principal of Marist Mulivai) and Mr Tuala Petelo (Head of Discipline at St Joseph's College) received the donation from Aumua Ming Leung Wai and members of the MBOPA EXECUTIVE.

