



District of the Pacific Update

Champagnat Marist

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Current News Items

3rd January 2020

The Feast of the Most Holy Name of Jesus

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and let all that is within thee bless His Holy Name. Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all He hath done for thee.



Brother David Lavin Reports from American Samoa

We had Christmas dinner with Peka and Randy Baker, great supporters and members of the Champagnat Marist family, along with Sister Soana (SMSM). Then today we were shouted to dinner at Sadies by the Sea with Bishop Peter Brown - and the other wonderful people.

As everyone does in American Samoa, over-eating and having to find the exercise now to beat it all off!!!



District Dates

Thursday 2nd January 2020: Marist Anniversary 1817 - Foundation of the Institute and in 1917 Foundation of the New Zealand Province.

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

Extra - Attached Report:

2020 Jubilarians
Champagnat Marists –
District of the Pacific
 Kiribati, Fiji, Samoa, American Samoa,
 Aotearoa New Zealand

Our grateful thanks and appreciation to these men for so many years of loyal and faithful service in Mary's and Marcellin's names.

75 years
Brother Fidelis Kiely

70 Years
Brother Michael Taylor
Brother Richard Dunleavy

60 Years
Brother Bryan Stanaway
Brother Donald Teixeira



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Brothers Report to Brother John Hazelman after Fiji's Cyclone

Talofa John,

Pretty much ditto to Kees Statement. A couple of families from the school compound came up and stayed here on Friday night but returned early Saturday morning. No damage - a few fallen branches - lots of rain and wind gusts. We had no power most of today but okay now obviously. People in Galoa seem okay. Mass attendance on Sunday was full up. Cheers from Chris Maney

Bula John.

We are all well thanks. Haven't heard from Lomeri or our other schools. But no structural damage to the houses. The Vatuwaqa compound lost a few trees including a very old and well established baka tree. The cyclone has passed the group but we're still getting strong winds while it hangs around just out of reach of Fiji.

Regards from Kees

Brothers Gather at Onslow to Celebrate Our Foundation in 1817

On the 2nd of January a large number of Brothers gathered at Onslow Avenue in Auckland to celebrate two Feast Days - the founding of the Institute by Saint Marcellin Champagnat in 1817 and the Foundation of the New Zealand Province in 1917. It was a good time to come together to enjoy each other's company, to share a prayer together and have a discussion about forming a District policy about care of our environment. This was followed by a very good lunch and more socialising.



Brother John Hazelman Reports on their Foundation Celebration in Samoa

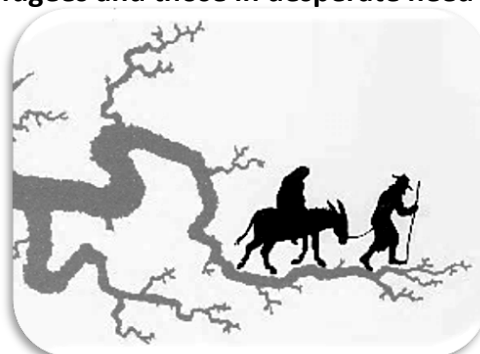


Five Brothers and an a possible new aspirant (Robert) were at the Mulivai community to celebrate our 203rd Foundation Day Anniversary. It involved a prayer prepared by John and delicious dinner cooked by Siaosi. Brother Kevin O'Malley from American Samoa joined the celebration.



"The Flight into Egypt"

At this time let us remember all Refugees and those in desperate need of safety and peace in their lives



God's blessings and our best wishes for a safe and wonderful New Year to you all.