



Friday Notes Newsletter

April 3, 2020 | WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF THE PROVINCE OF THE USA

PROVINCE NEWS

"May God bless and comfort all who suffer. And may Jesus Christ, the Savior of the world and healer of the sick, make His light shine through human weakness as a beacon for us and for all mankind. Amen."

Pope John Paul II, May 31, 1982

- Please join our fellow USA Marists in our special Marist Novena to pray for an end to the Coronavirus Pandemic worldwide.
- The Provincial Council continues to meet today via Zoom Conference.
- Br. Brian Poulin has been elected to serve on the national board of the National Religious Vocation Conference (NRVC).
- Congratulations to Dr. & Mrs. Juan Villa on the birth of their new son, Marcos Villa. Juan currently serves as one of the assistant principals at Christopher Columbus High School in Miami.
- Br. Ken McDonald, the President of FMSI, [released a message](#) about the COVID-19 crisis this week.
- Dr. Kathryn Baal has been named the new Principal of Marist High School in Chicago. [Read the full announcement here.](#)

QUICK LINKS

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

Marist Novena
April 1st -
April 9th

International Religious
Brothers Day
May 1st

Marist Youth Gathering
May 22nd -
May 25th



MBCE UPDATE

Amid cancellations due to the coronavirus, the MBCE has been using extra downtime to work on various projects about the property.



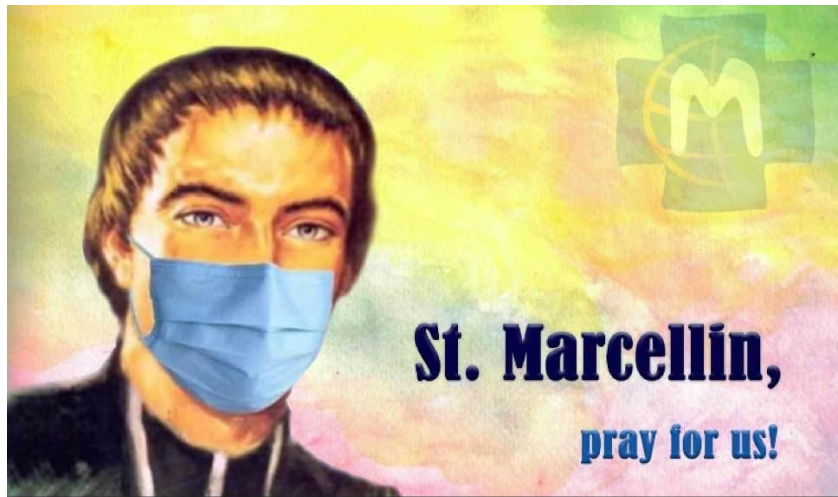
Friday, April 3rd
Br. Thomas Petite

Saturday, April 4th
Br. Benedict LoBalbo
Colleen Pochly
Campus Minister at
Marist High School in Chicago

Wednesday, April 8th
Br. George DiCarluccio

#MaristsPray ForEachother

- [Here is a PDF version](#) of the Province's Novena prayer cards in case you need extras copies.
- Many of our schools are finding many creative ways to continue to pray together including online prayer services, online masses and many other prayer resources.



- [Sign up to Pray with us!](#) Marists of all ages, youth, young adults, and adults are invited to join us each day in a Memorare at 12 noon local time.
- [Click here](#) to listen to an inspiring new prayer about dealing with the crisis from an Irish Capuchin

Munchin' With the Monks!

A little home cooking segment from
Esopus!

Munchin with the Monks!



No Matter How Far, One Table For All!

@MaristAdult

Over the next couple weeks look for more fun content and opportunities to pray together.

Thank God It's Saturday!

A BLOG BY BR. BRIAN POULIN (CO-DIRECTOR OF VOCATIONS WITH BR. AL RIVERA)

Have you checked our Br. Brian Poulin's weekly blog series "Thank God It's Saturday!"

Read his latest post, and be sure to catch his new posts each weekend!

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RELIGIOUS BROTHERS UPDATE

Religious Brothers Day is On for May 1

Register for our Free Virtual Gathering - and invite all Brothers to join

REGISTER FOR THIS YEAR'S VIRTUAL GATHERING

Working from Home at the Community of

Welcome in Austin, TX

Since the city of Austin has mandated "Shelter-in-Place" all six members of the community are working from home. Ryan (our newest member) is doing sales work from the front porch, Blake - a grad student is working from the living room, Andres - who works at a local parish - is in the guest room, Peter - is all over the house, Luke is recovering from ACL surgery and Rob does Spiritual Direction by the side of the creek in the backyard via FaceTime.

The community welcomed Ryan Richter back (who lived with us this past summer) with a party and BBQ Thursday night (as per the city ordinance - only community members were present). Welcome back Ryan!



Let's Not Forget Those in Need...



PRAYERS

For any Marists of Champagnat, colleagues, family members, or friends who are suffering from COVID-19 or other illnesses, depressions, or anxieties.

Br. Bernard Yamaguchi who is hospitalized in Japan with pneumonia.



IN MEMORIAM

Florence Blanchfield, sister of Br. Alfred George, who died yesterday.

Lee LePage, nephew of Br. Alfred, who passed away last week.

Br. Joseph Maura who is hospitalized in Miami with pneumonia.

Richard Cuneo (MSMA Class of 1963) and Dr. Bob Stickles (RCHS Alum and former RCHS President), who are both in serious condition in hospitals with the Coronavirus.

Paulette Karas, Director of Province Development, who is recovering from surgery in Illinois. (Please send get well messages to Paulette at her office)

Br. Robert Andrews, Br. Aquinas Richard, and those in special nursing care facilities.

For all of our senior Brothers, other Marists of Champagnat, family members, and friends who are ill. May the Lord bring healing, and our Good Mother bring comfort to them.

For all of our Brothers throughout the world, our affiliates, our family members, and benefactors.

For all those who have died as a result of the Coronavirus, and for all their family members who grieve and mourn their loss.