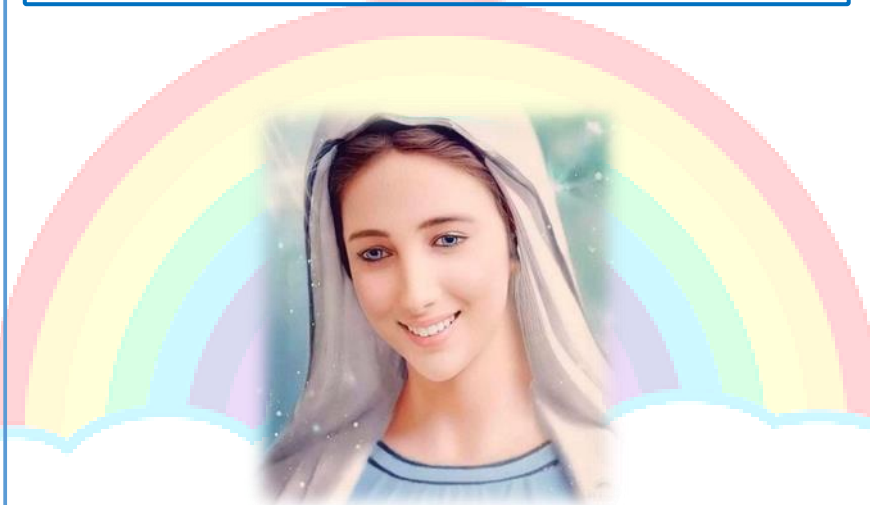




CSAC *Marist*
Newsletter

Conference of Superiors of the African Continent, (CSAC)
Conférence des Supérieurs du Continent Africain, (CSCA)



**United as Marists of Champagnat
of the African Continent and beyond...**

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From the CSAC President...



Warm and tender greetings from the Conference of Superiors of the African Continent, (CSAC) during this month of our Good Mother Mary – Month of the Holy Rosary.

This is the first Newsletter in a series of those anticipated to be produced at quarterly intervals in a year. The Conference and its Secretariat is of the view that a number of good works by both Marist Brothers and Lay associates take place in Marist Africa. However, very little is known about them except for the region or province in which they occur.

This Newsletter comes as a means for Marists of Champagnat in African to share good practices and learn from each other in the manner of Making Jesus known and loved. It is hoped that more and more Marists would come to a realization that they are not alone in their following Jesus in the way of Mary

but interconnected with other Marists of Champagnat in Africa whose mission is to evangelize and educate the youth of Africa.

To this effect, a plea is made to all Marists of Champagnat in Africa to contact the CSAC Secretariat if they so wish to share their good practices with the larger Marist Family of Africa and beyond.

The Conference of Superiors of the African Continent (CSAC) appointed Bro. Patrick Kasaba BUSHILYA as CSAC Executive Secretary. This appointment took effect on 1st September, 2021. Brother continues to offer his services to the Church and the Congregation as Headteacher of Chassa Secondary School in Zambia.



Bro. Patrick Kasaba BUSHILYA

The CSAC is very grateful to Brother for accepting to take up this

responsibility and wishes him well in his new apostolate.

Following its meeting of 1st October, 2021, the Conference of Superiors of the African Continent (CSAC) appointed Bro. Moses FEGHER as the Vice Principal – Academics of Marist International University College (MIUC) in Nairobi - Kenya. The appointment took effect on 4th October, 2021.



Bro. Moses FEGHER

Brother continues to offer his services to the Church and the Congregation as a formator (MIC) and the Head of Department for Education (MIUC).

United in Jesus Christ's name and in the company of Mary, Joseph, and St Marcelline.

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President of CSAC

Provincial of West Africa

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Provincial OF Southern Africa

Bro. Norbert Mwila

Provincial of Madagascar

Bro. Michel Mami

Provincial of Central East Africa

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Beimoyato - *incoming*

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Bro. Nnodu

Province of Southern Africa

Bro. Brito Leonard

Province of Madagascar

To be updated...

Province of Central East Africa

Bro. Teo



New Provincial of Central East Africa Announced...

[Rome -15th August, 2021]



Provincial/Administrative Units Secretaries ...

Province of West Africa

Bro. Augustine

Our Superior General - Bro. Ernesto Sánchez Barba, announced on the Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary, the decision of the General

Council to appoint Bro. Venceslas Baindekeli Beimoyato as Provincial of the Province of Central East Africa for a period of three years. In the words of the Superior General,

Bro. Venceslas will start his mandate as Provincial on the occasion of the celebration of the Provincial Chapter of PACE, to be held from 14th to 17th December 2021.

Prior to that announcement Brothers of that Province participated in the sondage for the appointment of the new Provincial.

The Superior General expressed gratitude to the outgoing Provincial Bro. Théoneste Kalisa for his service as Provincial for the last six years.

Province of Madagascar...



The Provincial Chapter of Madagascar took place between 4th and 7th January 2021 at the Centre Spirituel Ste Thérèse de L'Enfant Jésus, Antananarivo.

It saw Bro Maminiaina Michel Razafimandimby beginning a second 3-year term as Provincial of the Province of Madagascar. The animation team working with the provincial is made up of the following Brothers:

1. Camille Marie Ramarosandratana (Vice Provincial),
2. Toussaint Randriamanantena,
3. Jean Albert Thomas
4. Randrianantenaina and
5. Maurice Juvence Heriniaina.



Final Professions in Nigeria...



Saturday, 18th September 2021 has gone in the history of the Marist Province of Nigeria when Seven junior brothers celebrated in Orlu their perpetual profession. These are Bro. Magnus INYANG, Bro. Israel ATAKWU, Bro. Francis ABOKO, Bro. Julius EGBO, Bro. Andrew NNOHAM, Bro. James ODOH, and Bro. Peter ONAH.

The ceremony was attended by priests, religious, as well as the parents and relatives of the

Brothers, teachers, Marist staff and students. The occasion was graced by the Catholic Bishop of Orlu Diocese, who seized the opportunity to congratulate the newly perpetually professed Brothers. It was a day of great joy for the entire Christian community.

The Brothers who celebrated their perpetual profession were presented by their parents to the Provincial. During the celebration, they committed themselves as youth

apostles to evangelize, teach, advise, challenge, console and love the

young with the ultimate purpose of leading them to Jesus through Mary.

First Professions in Kumasi...



Are you counting properly? Oh Yes, 20 of them!

Blessings come in various forms. This was witnessed on on the 12th of June 2021, at the Sacred Heart Catholic Church, Trede, about 2 kilometres from the Novitiate Community. Twenty Marist novices from the Marist International Novitiate, in Kumasi – Ghana (aka Marist Formation Centre, Sabin-Akrofrom) made their first profession. It was for the first time in the history of the Kumasi Novitiate that up to twenty (20) Novices committed themselves to their Religious Vows at a time.

The junior Marist Brothers who made their First Profession were Bro. Alladoum Aime (Chadian), Bro. Dingamadji Franklin (Chadian), Bro. Gregory Oppong (Ghanaian), Bro. Kouassi Konan Jules (Ivoirian), Bro. Nsom Clovis Njini (Cameroonian) and Bro. Wirsiy Clinton Berla (Cameroonian). All from Marist Province of West Africa.

Others were Bro. Akalite Emmanuel Paul, Bro. Ebokpo Mark Ben, Bro. Eze Christian Emeka, Bro. Ezenwamba Godwin Somtoo, Bro. Iorbee Mathias Tarwanger, Bro.

Ndife Chigozie Innocent, Bro. Ngamefule Claret Chizoba, Bro. Nor Bundebuun Felix, Bro. Nweze Michael Chinedu, Bro. Ogiri God'swill Vincent, Bro. Omengui Saviour Ehinor, Bro. Onozie Cyprial Chibuike, Bro. Orugbala Nnabuike Callistus and Bro. Ozour Jeremiah

Chika. All are Nigerians from the Province of Nigeria.

Due to the COVID-19 protocol of social distancing and other restrictions, the social activities that normally characterize First Professions were not all observed.

Celebrations of 25, 50, and 75 Years - Malawi...

On 12th October, 2021 the Malawian Nyasa times online newspaper carried a story written by Watipaso Mzungu entitled: *Marist Brothers reaffirm commitment to improving education standards in Malawi* <<https://www.nyasatimes.com/marist-brothers-reaffirm-commitment-to-improving-education-standards-in-malawi/>>.



The occasion was on the celebration of the Golden Jubilee of Bro. Denis Ntacycia, the Silver

Jubilee for Bro. Boniface Chirambo and Frank Mwambucha as well as the

Platinum Jubilee of Marist presence in Malawi. The colorful event took place at Marist Secondary School in Dedza.

It was noted that the Marist presence has contributed greatly to the formation of young people through education at Secondary School level. The Provincial Councillor of Malawi for the Province of Southern Africa Bro. Francis Jumbe was grateful to God the Almighty for his

protection to the Marist Brothers and their collaborators for the 75 years of service to mankind. He mentioned that despite the challenges that the early missionaries faced such as tropical diseases, they withstood them with the guiding grace of God. This has led to the reward of 34 local Marist Brothers who have joined to serve in the vineyard of the Lord Jesus Christ as local missionaries.

The Provincial Councillor who is also the acting headteacher of Marist Secondary School thanked the government of Malawi for giving Marist Brothers the platform to help in the development of the country through education. He expressed the need for improvement of the education of the girl child:

“Our target is now focusing on improving girl’ education after noticing that most girls drop out of schools due to reasons that can easily be solved by for instance constructing boarding schools.”

The article takes note that the Congregation of Marist Brothers was founded by St Marcellin Champagnat and the first missionaries went to Malawi in 1946. The Marist presence is in 79 other countries in which Marist works speak volumes about education delivery and evangelization in the ways of Mary.



Here and there in Pictures...



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1., and 2. Bro. Magnus INYANG, Bro. Israel ATAKWU, Bro. Francis ABOKO, Bro. Julius EGBO, Bro. Andrew NNOHAM, Bro. James ODOH, and Bro. Peter ONAH;



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3. Bro. Frank Mwambucha, Bro. Denis Ntacycia and Bro. Boniface Chirambo in Malawi;



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4. Bro. Frank Mwambucha and Bro. Boniface Chirambo in Malawi after their Silver Jubilee Celebration; and

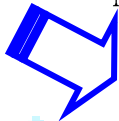


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5. Bro. Atakwu Israel with family members in Nigeria.



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