



March 4, 2022

PROVINCE NEWS

UPCOMING EVENTS

Marist Youth Encounter

March 3rd -
March 6th

Province Lenten Retreat

March 12th

Saint Patrick's Day

March 17th

Sharing Our Mission

March 26th -
March 29th

Presidents and Principals Meeting

Miami, FL
April 3rd -
April 5th

Marist Youth Encounter

April 7th -
April 10th



Br. Dan arrived in Rome this morning to attend the upcoming General Conference and other meetings.

Br. Francis Garza will be honored today at St. Joseph Academy with the Presidential Award for his many years of outstanding service to SJA. Br. Hank Hammer will be present at the event to represent the Provincial Council.

All are invited to join our USA Province for a special Solidarity project during this season of Lent to assist our fellow Marist Educators and Marist students in Venezuela. [**Click Here**](#) to Learn more about the Project or [**click here to view a video**](#). [**Click Here**](#) to make a donation.

The NJ Lay Marist Vocation Forum group will be meeting on March 9th at the Brothers' residence in Roselle, from 8:30 AM to 2:30 PM. All are welcome

Easter Sunday

April 17th

Sharing Our Call 1

May 1st -

May 3rd

Province Marial Themed Retreat

July 11th -

July 15th

Pilgrimage to L'Hermitage

July 21st -

July 26th



The school boards of Saint Joseph Academy and Marist High School in Chicago will meet next week.

Continued blessings to all of our school board members who help to foster the Marist Mission in the USA.

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to join us. Contact [Maureen Hagan](#) for more information.

All are invited to the Province-Wide Lent Retreat hosted by the Formation Committee of the Lay Council. The retreat will take place via Zoom on **Saturday, March 12** from 10am - 12pm EST. The theme for the retreat is the Marist Pillars. Participants will have the opportunity to hear witness talks from five Marists of Champagnat on their experience of striving to live the pillars as well as spend time in small group sharing and prayer. No sign up is necessary and all are welcome.



[ZOOM LINK HERE](#)



MBCE UPDATE

Students from 5 schools around the Province are gathered this weekend in Esopus for a Marist Youth Encounter.

Next week, students from Mount Saint Michael Academy and Fordham Prep will be on property for retreats.



Monday, March 7th
Br. Donnell Neary

Wednesday, March 9th
Br. Frank Kelly

Thursday, March 10th
Br. Edmund Sheehan

A Reflection on Sharing Our Mission: Diversity, Equity and Inclusion



Sharing Our Mission (SOM) is a part of our adult formation programs, offered for various constituencies in the USA Province. The more well-known SOM is for Campus Ministers, Religion Department chairs, and school liaisons, and has been meeting annually for 20+ years. In the past, we have offered SOM for coaches and athletic directors, as well as for development directors. In October 2021, responding to a need expressed by many in our schools, we conducted a Sharing Our Mission for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion personnel.

This was an opportunity for deep conversations, which prompted all of those in attendance to reflect on personal and professional behavior re: race and gender issues. We had great facilitators and presenters in Dr. Alice Prince, JR Zerkowski, Ali Belkus, and LaToya Hayes. As a result, we have continued to meet for reports on how things are going, for opportunities to process our work, and for sharing of ideas and resources. Alice Miesnik, one of the organizers of the DEI Sharing Our Mission, has started a biweekly book discussion that has turned into a safe place for sharing on how the processing is going.

Good things are coming from this group! As a follow up, Lori Wilson, who recently came on board at Archbishop Molloy as Director of Campus Ministry and Marist Mission, wrote a very personal reflection on her own journey. With her permission, we share it here, in hopes of prompting all of us to continue to not only reflect, but also to act in dismantling the systems that continue to oppress people of color and people in the LGBTQ+ communities. Our Marist mission is to make Jesus known and loved, and we must take a serious look at how we're doing this in regard to race and gender, especially among the young people with whom we work. Thank you to Lori for sharing this.

[READ THE FULL REFLECTION HERE](#)

PROVINCE MARIAL- THEMED RETREAT

July 11th - July 15th



[RETREAT AND REGISTRATION
DETAILS](#)

PILGRIMAGE TO L'HERMITAGE

July 21st - July 26th



****LIMITED SPOTS REMAINING.
CONTACT BR. DAN IF
INTERESTED****

PROVINCE SUMMER MISSION TRIP OPPORTUNITIES:

Magnificat Farm, KY
June 22nd - 29th

Brownsville, TX
June 28th - July 3rd

El Paso, TX
July 1st - 7th

Lawrence, MA
July 17th - 23rd

[CLICK HERE FOR MORE DETAILS](#)

The Year of St. Joseph





NEWSLETTER FROM 2/24/22

Thank God It's Saturday!

NEW MARCH BLOG
POST!

Alumni of the former St. Joseph Academy in Laredo, TX have erected this statue in gratitude to the Marist



Brothers in the Laredo Catholic Cemetery. Eight Marist Brothers are buried in this cemetery not far from this statue.

Let's Not Forget Those In Need...

IN OUR PRAYERS

Pray with us for all those who are greatly suffering or have died as a result of the attacks in Ukraine.

For all of the Marist Youth making the Encounter Retreat this weekend.

For Br. Joe Scanlon, Br. Alfred George, Br. Gerard Cormier and Br. Ken Robert who are in hospital.

Brother Sean Sammon, who will have heart surgery on Monday, March 7th at Westchester Medical Center.

Brother Donnell Neary, who will have eye surgery on Tuesday, March 8th at the Manhattan Eye, Ear and Throat Hospital.

Edward Norton, brother of Br. James Norton, who is recovering from a stroke.

Mrs. Maria Pellegrino, who is in Calvary Hospital on Hospice care.

IN MEMORIAM

Thomas Nichols, cousin of Brother Donnell Neary, who died this past week of cancer.

Herbert Williams, father-in-law of Mrs. Thelma Evans of the Province Development Office, whose funeral services are today and tomorrow.

Ms. Patricia Gatti.

Rev. Fr. Richard LaMorte.

Mr. Dave Isenberg, teacher at
Christopher Columbus High School.

Please continue to remember healing
and support for Brothers Bernard
Yamaguchi, Gerry Brown, and Patrick
Hogan.

For all 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.