



SM bulletin

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Friday, 29 April 2016

General Administration

The GA completed its plenary meetings this week.

Fr Alejandro Muñoz has returned from Mexico. His mother's health has stabilised. He thanks all those who have been praying for his mother.

CONVOCAZIONE OF THE GENERAL CHAPTER

On Sunday, May 1, the Superior General's letter of convocation of the 29th General Chapter of the Society of Mary will be promulgated. The chapter will take place from 20 September to 11 October 2017 in Nemi, Italy.

The letter will be sent to the major superiors to be distributed to the members of each of their provinces/districts.

ST PETER CHANEL FEAST DAY

The General House community hosted a gathering of the Marist Family to celebrate the feast. Marists from the three other general house communities, together with the members of Casa di Maria, our theologate, and representative from our Italian confreres in Rome, were joined by the sisters and staff of Monteverde for the Eucharist and luncheon.

PERPETUAL PROFESSIONS IN THE DISTRICT OF ASIA



John Guo Wang (China), Niño Memorial and Roque Rebito (Philippines), made their Perpetual Profession at the Carmelite Monastery chapel in Davao City on the Feast of St Peter Chanel. All the branches of the Marist family were represented and many friends joined in the liturgy and fellowship. Our three confreres will be ordained Deacon on 11 May and will minister in the Davao region.

THE GENERAL HOUSE WELCOMES A SYRIAN REFUGEE

On Sunday the community welcomed Nekhleh, a young man originally from Homs in Syria. Nekhleh came to Italy from a refugee camp in Lebanon as part of the "Humanitarian Corridor" of the Sant'Egidio community. He will remain with us while his application for full legal refugee status is processed. We are expecting a companion for him in the near future.

FR COLIN'S BIOGRAPHY—THE GENERALATE

The work on Fr Colin's biography is proceeding well. Fr Justin Taylor, who was asked by the Superior General in 2012 to write a new biography of our Founder, is in Rome for a few months to do further research work in the general archives. He has completed the draft of all the chapters covering the years 1836-1854, when Fr Colin was superior general of the Society of Mary. They are available on our website www.maristsm.org, in the section "who we are" - "our founder".