# Society of Mary Marists in the United States



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# CNN Interview with Fr. Tony O'Connor, SM

The Marists are very proud and supportive of the ministerial work of Fr.Tony O'Connor, SM, pastor of San Felipe de Jesus Parish, Brownsville, Texas. We encourage you to <u>view</u> this touching video sharing how Fr. Tony is using technology to help unaccompanied migrant children exercise their freedom of religion during the pandemic.





# **Immigration With Empathy**

Notre Dame Prep (Pontiac, Michigan) and Marist School (Atlanta, Georgia) students explore U.S. border challenges in virtual exchange program. Read full story <u>HERE</u>.





# Legion of Mary

Our Lady of Perpetual Help (OLPH), Tampa Florida

On Sunday, April 18, 2021, Baudilio and Rosario Hernandez parishioners of OLPH made the legionnaires' promise. The Legion of Mary is a Catholic Association, which pursues the sanctification of its members through evangelization, prayer and service to the Church.

Under Mary's banner, they prepare to serve the construction of the Kingdom of God. In our parish the Legion of Mary serves in various ministries such as liturgy, visit to the sick and the elderly, evangelization, catechesis prayer and, via Zoom the Spiritual Exercises of St. Louis-Marie of Montfort. We pray that God who began the good work will be faithful in completing it in them. We pray for them that the Lord will bless them and continue to sustain them with his grace.



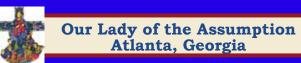
Fr. Hector Cruz, SM, (OLPH Pastor), blessing the Miraculous Medal



Some of the members of the Legion of Mary



Baudilio y Rosario Hernandez



On April 21, 2021, Archbishop Gregory Hartmeyer of Atlanta, Georgia blessed the recently renovated offices and rectory at Our Lady of the Assumption.







## Bee Helpful: How to plant a pollinator garden

In the latest <u>blog</u> by the NDPMA admissions department, Carolyn Tuski – an NDP alum, science teacher and facility manager for the greenhouse and botany lab, gives us a primer on setting up a pollinator garden.



# Mother's Mass and Brunch April 25, 2021



# **Modified Irish Week Celebration!**











### All School Mass for Feast of St. Peter Chanel

At an all-school Mass on April 28, 2021, Marist School students, faculty, and administrators celebrated the feast day of St. Peter Chanel, the first saint of the Society of Mary. The Mass also included the commissioning of 47 juniors as Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. These students, their parents, and seniors who are Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion attended Mass in person in Young Gym, while the rest of the school community remained in classrooms to view the Mass via livestream. The juniors served communion to their parents while the seniors ventured to locations across campus to distribute Holy Communion to teachers and fellow students.





#### Virtual Grandparents Day!

On Friday, April 16, 2021 Marist School students celebrated Grandparents Day – Virtually!. Click <u>HERE</u> to watch the Grandparents Day Video. Marist School students love their grandparents and appreciate their support!



On Sunday, April 25, 2021 family, friends, former players, and coaches at Marist School got a chance to surprise and celebrate Athletic Director Tommy Marshall. Coach Marshall is retiring after a 25-year tenure during which Marist's athletic program became nationally ranked, acclaimed for its sportsmanship and teamwork, and renowned for all-around excellence in state titles won and college athletes produced.







#### Notre Dame Academy - Spirit Week!

Last week Upper School students at NDA celebrated spirit week! Between Pajama Day, TikTok Day, the class of 2021 dressing for prom, and so much more, the students had a blast! The seniors even got to end the week with a lock in at the George Student Center until Saturday morning.



Duluth, Georgia

# Middle School Catholic Fest

On April 28, 2021 NDA Middle School students participated in a retreat, Middle School Catholic Fest, in the George Student Center at NDA. The students got to spend the day writing affirmations and setting themselves up for success through Joe Melendrez's talk, 4 Main Ways to OVERCOME. Students also got to participate in a service-learning project where they made Decade Rosaries and participated in Adoration.







# **Class of 2026 First Communion Mass**

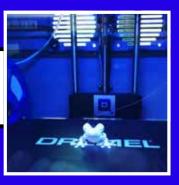








Readers, this is not just any frog! This is the first ever frog printed on NDV's brand new 3D printer that will be used in Technology classes!



# **Marist International Novitiate**

The next International Novitiate will begin with two months of orientation starting about November 6th, and will take place in Italy. The permanent place for the novitiate remains "Cerdon" in Davao, Philippines, but for reasons of the pandemic, at this time of planning, Italy seems to be a more accessible and suitable country to host the novitiate. The actual location is currently being arranged.

The Superior General has appointed Fr. David Sanchez from the Province of Mexico as the International Novice master. The other members of the formation team will be Frs. Sione Hamala (Oceania) and Joaquín Fernández (Europe).



Fr. David Sanchez, SM

# **Marist Scholasticate Update**

There are currently nine students in residence at Casa di Maria scholasticate in Rome, Italy. They are from five different countries.

Please remember them in your prayers as they continue their studies.



