# Society of Mary

An International Religious Congregation



## Marists in the United States

**April 19, 2024** 

# Marist School Atlanta, Georgia

**Honoring Legacy at Annual Mass of Remembrance** 









In Memorial: Dr. Anne Washington Saunders
(April 3, 1959 – March 29, 2024)



Marist Readers Defend Title in Archdiocese of Atlanta's Battle of the Books



Marist School is happy to recognize the 2024 Finalists from the Governor's Honors Program (GHP): Juliet Powell '25 for French, Alessio Toniolo '25 for engineering, Parks Kaiser '26 for German, Flannery Hipp '26 for communication arts, and Russell Markwalter '25 for math. These finalists have shown exceptional skill, creativity, and knowledge in their respective subjects. They will continue their academic journey in the GHP program hosted at Georgia Southern University this July, where they will join a community of bright minds and engage in enriching experiences.

Congratulations!











Pontiac, Michigan

### Notre Dame Prep Seniors Awarded Special Scholarship



How the IB Learner Profile
Helps Students Navigate the
Complex World of AI



#### Mastering the MYIG in Lansing



NDP Lower School Mass and Brunch with Grandparents











#### **NDV International Night**









NDP recently held its Senior Lock-In! It was an awesome night where students played basketball, video/board games, and decorated their senior tiles. They also enjoyed a catered dinner, late night snacks, and breakfast.

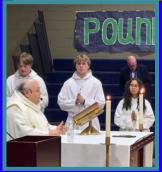








# ND Academy April Mass led by 11<sup>th</sup> grade students





In the Faith Forming Disciples recent session the OLA Latino Community children studied the Resurrection!



Members of the OLA Latino company recently helped move the new statue of Mary to the Garden of Memories at OLA.



Assumption

Recently the OLA coordinators of the Latino Ministries met for a time of prayer, fellowship and team building exercises.









Recently the OLA Latino Community surprised Father Robert with a birthday celebration!





Recent presentation for parents on how to deal with student frustration in different situations.











#### **Divine Mercy Sunday**









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## 20th Aniversary of "Maristes En Education" in the European Province A Growing Group of Lay Marists Working in Education

In October 2004, Mons. Cardinal Barbarin, then Archbishop of Lyon, registered "Maristes en Education" as a public association of the faithful. This was the starting point of a search based on the conviction that the Marist spirit needs a body in which to be embodied alive.

To mark the 20<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the association, the group reunited in February 2024 at La Neyliere and later at Fourviere to give thanks to the Lord for these 20 years and to entrust to Him the journey ahead. The theme of the reunion "togetherness" reminded the group that they are not alone in their mission. The search for meaning and the sacred is an opportunity to bring the Marist message to life. (Excerpts shared from *EuroInfo* newsletter, March 2024)





#### Creative workshop at "Feathers of the World"

Students of the "Dar Es Salam" boarding school of CSMH met and exchanged, on the afternoon of April 17th, Max Ducos, an author of Literature for Youth.





Sister Cristina Giustozzi, Superior General of the Marist Missionary Sisters, shares her experience participating in the International Marist Mission Assembly.

View the video **HERE**.





Some of the Marist Missionary Sisters in Tonga recently participated in a two day seminar on "Deepening Synodality in our Cultural Context", especially for the clergy and religious of the diocese of Tonga and Niue.





25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Canonization of St. Marcellin Champagnat (April 18, 1999 - April 18, 2024) - "A Heart that Knew No Bounds"

On April 18, 2024, the Church celebrated the 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the canonization of Saint Marcellin, which took place in 1999 at the Vatican.

Please keep in prayer the Marist Brothers (FMS), their ministries, and the whole Marist Family.

Click **HERE** for more information about the anniversary / prayers / photos.

Sisters Jane Frances, Karin Christieson, Margaret Vaney and Catherine Lawson represented the Marist Sisters at the blessing of the Marist Primary School Hall in Aoteraroa, New Zealand. The hall was used right from the beginning days of the school in 1927.







Sister Anna Khady Ndiaye, a Marist Sister from Sénégal, Africa, <u>shares</u> her experience participating in the International Marist Mission Assembly.

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#### Synodality Corner . . .

The Synod on Synodality is a three-year process of listening and dialogue that began in 2021. The first session of the Synod in Rome concluded at the end of October 2023.

Until the next session begins, let's remember some highlights of this first Synod session from Pope Francis.

"Pope Francis firmly believes that everyone who is baptized has something to say about the Church today, where it succeeds and where it fails, where it does a good job of mission and where it lets people down. In this Synod it is necessary that as many voices as possible be heard, so that we all have a clearer idea of how we can work together to foster a vibrant, living Church for centuries to come"

### **Vocation Corner**

On March 25th, the International Novitiate, 2024 - 2025 officially began with a solemn celebration at Cerdon, Eden, Philippines. During the celebration, each of the novices was invited personally to start his journey in the novitiate, with Christ and in the Way of Mary. The Mass was followed by a festive meal. The next day the novices started a silent retreat to reflect on what Fr. Colin desired for the Marists: being men of prayer, men of learning and men with a sense of the Church. The retreat concluded with the celebration of the Paschal Triduum. The novitiate community is composed of 12 novices and 3 formators.





Dulce and Sarai, young candidates of the Marist Sisters, have begun a new apostolate at Pedro Chanel School in Guadalajara, Mexicol, a school of the Society of Mary.



# Marist Community Experience Reflection by a pre-novitiate scholar at Marist College, Suva, Fiji



## Reflections on Key Elements of Marist Spirituality by Fr. David Kennerley, SM

The <u>article</u> found at the link below is the first in a series of 20 reflections on Marist Spirituality for educators by Fr. David Kennerley, SM. Fr. Kennerley originally created these reflections for teachers meeting at lunch. The idea was that they would have material to reflect on once a week across the school year. This series of reflections can be useful for any small group or personal reflection interested in deepening their knowledge of key elements of Marist Spirituality.

Fr. Kennerley was formerly Novice Master for the Society of Mary and later as the New Zealand Provincial. He is currently involved in spirituality in Hawke's Bay, New Zealand.

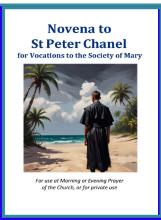
#### **Part 1: Introduction to Marist Spirituality**

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#### Novena to St. Peter Chanel

The Marists invite you to join us in a Novena to St. Peter Chanel whose feast we will celebrate on April 28th. The Novena prayers can be found **HERE**.





<u>World Day of Prayer for Vocations –</u> <u>April 21, 2024</u>

Read more **HERE**.



#### **Marist Vocation Prayer**

Jesus, Good Shepherd, we ask you to look on this family of Mary, your Mother, with eyes of mercy.

Lord, we ask you to enrich the Marist world with the fire of your Holy Spirit.

May Mary's subtle and delicate presence enable us to breathe her spirit. So that, committed to our own vocation, we will be credible witnesses of your Gospel.

And, renewed and strengthened with the fire of your Spirit, we may help bring to life the seed of a vocation which you have implanted in the hearts of the young.

Enable us to accompany them in the fulfillment of their personal vocation. Lord Jesus, give us vocations according to your heart. Amen.

Jean Claude Colin
- Pray for us.

#### Oración por las vocaciones Maristas

¡Oh Jesús, Buen Pastor! Dígnate a mirar a esta familia de María con tus ojos misericordiosos.

Señor, te pedimos que enriquezcas el mundo marista con el fuego de tu Espíritu Santo.

Que la presencia sutil y delicada de María nos conduzca a respirar su espíritu. Así, comprometidos con nuestra propia vocación, seremos portavoces creíbles de tu Evangelio.

Y, renovados y fortalecidos con el fuego de tu Espíritu, podamos ayudar a dar vida a la semilla de la vocación que has implantado en el corazón de los jóvenes.

Permítenos acompañarles en el cumplimiento de su vocación personal. ¡Oh Jesús, danos vocaciones según tu corazón! Amén.

Padre Juan Claudio Colín, ruega por nosotros.



