

Friday Notes

WEEKLY NEWSLETTER OF THE PROVINCE OF THE USA



October 12, 2018

News of the Province

- The Community Leaders of all USA Marist Brother communities will gather tomorrow at the Province Center in Forest Hills.
- Br. Patrick and Frank Pellegrino will be in Chicago from Monday until Wednesday to visit with Br. Hugh and Paulette Karas to go over the designation report for the development fund.
- Br. Dan will be attending the CMSM Justice and Peace Committee meeting next Thursday.
- Br. Brian Poulin will be home from Dominican Republic next week to take part in the Marist International Finance committee meeting, which will take place at the Province Center in Forest Hills.
- Marist Catholic's 50th Anniversary Gala in Eugene, Oregon was a HUGE success with nearly 300 alumni, parents, staff, coaches, donors, supporters and founders - including five Marist Brothers - in attendance. [Click here](#) to view their 50th

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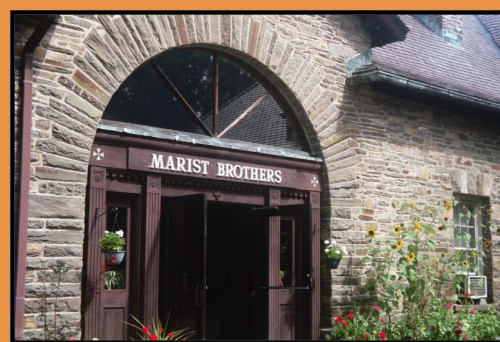


Sunday, October 14th
Br. Al Rivera

Friday, October 19th
Br. John Raeihle



- Opal Vadhan, a Molloy graduate and an active USA Lay Marist was at the University of Oxford this week for a meeting and had the opportunity to meet Malala Yousafzai, the youngest Nobel Peace Prize winner in history and a leading advocate for the right of girls and all young people to be educated.



MBCE Update

This weekend students from Roselle Catholic High School will be at the MBCE for a retreat.

Faculty and staff from Marist schools around the country will arrive in Esopus on Sunday for the Embracing Our Call Retreat.

Next Thursday, Marist Youth from schools around the country will gather at the MBCE for the first Encountering Christ Retreat of this school year!

Thank God It's Saturday!
A BLOG BY BR. BRIAN POULIN (CO-DIRECTOR OF VOCATIONS WITH BR. AL RIVERA)

Br. Brian Poulin has started a new blog series called "Thank God It's Saturday!"

Read his latest post, and be sure to check out the website every weekend for



Last weekend was the seventh-annual LaValla Weekend Service Retreat at the Marist Brothers Center in Esopus.



[Read a full recap of the weekend here!](#)

Lay Marist Update

new posts!

Also, follow the new USA Vocations Instagram page!
[@calledmarist](#)

Friends in Solidarity

Solidarity with South Sudan is celebrating its 10th anniversary this year. This mission is an initiative of the UISG/USG at the request of the Bishops of Sudan. Solidarity is seeking personnel for this important work.

If you would like more information, or wish to discuss the possibility of working in South Sudan, contact
brbillf@yahoo.com.au



Br. Brian Poulin has begun an online fundraising page for a mountainous trek with Blue Missions Group in Pico Duarte in late November. If you would like to sponsor him, [follow this link](#).

All funds will go directly to provide safe water access and dignified latrine facilities in rural Dominican communities.



Br. Patrick sent out a letter earlier this week announcing the creation of a Steering Committee for the Lay Marists in the United States. The steering committee is made up of Matt Fallon, Maureen Hagan, Adam Wouk, Lindsay Irwin, and Chris Sullivan.

[Read the full letter **HERE!**](#)

Let's Not Forget Those in Need...

- Br. John Herrmann, hospitalized in the Bronx this week. (hopefully he'll be discharged soon.)
- Br. Tom Petite, out-patient surgery this week in NJ.
- Br. Brendan Brennan at Cabrini Nursing Center, Dobbs Ferry, NY
- For all our senior brothers, other Marists of Champagnat, family members and friends who are ill, that the Lord will bring healing, and our Good Mother will bring comfort to them.
- For all of our Brothers throughout the world, our affiliates, our family members, and benefactors.



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HAVE FAITH. END HUNGER.

Bread for the World is an organization which hopes to end world hunger. They recently started their 2018 Offering of Letters campaign, where they ask people to write letters to Congress urging them to pass spending bills that strongly invest in programs like WIC, summer meals, global nutrition, and poverty-focused development programs.

[Learn More Here!](#)

Upcoming Events:

Community Leaders Meeting
Saturday, October 13th

Embracing Our Call
Sunday, October 14th - Sunday,
October 16th

Encounter Retreat
Thursday, October 18th - Sunday,
October 21st

CMSM: Region 2 Meeting
November 15th

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- Br. Martin Healy, whose funeral will be on Monday. May the angels lead him into Paradise.
- Sister Mary Immaculae Carroll, Marist Missionary Sister.