



Friday Notes Newsletter

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PROVINCE NEWS

"Theology on Tap" style presentation to a group of Archbishop Molloy faculty on the topic of being a Marist educator in a Marist school. The event was held at Manor Oktoberfest in Forest Hills and was a special session of "Come Home to the Hermitage", an ongoing program offered at some of our schools to help faculty members reflect on their participation in Marist spirituality, mission, and community.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

School Board Meeting



• The Brothers from Los Fresnos visited with Br. Hank and Frank Pellegrino this week.



- On Saturday from 2:00-4:00, Bro. Brian
 Poulin will be offering an Advent afternoon of
 reflection and prayer in the parish hall of St.
 Frances of Rome in the Bronx. All are
 welcome to attend and participate.
- Check out the latest <u>MARCELLINEWS</u> newsletter from the Marcellin Foundation in the Philippines.

Mount Saint Michael
December 17th

Feast of the Foundation of the Marist Institute January 2nd

School Board Meeting

Marist HS Chicago

January 13th

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> Marist Youth Encounter January 16th -January 19th

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School Board Meeting Saint Joseph Academy January 20th

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February 9th February 11th

MARIST YOUTH INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

- Br. Pat and Br. Dan will be meeting with the Brothers of Lawrence tonight and with the Brothers of Queens next Thursday.
- Br. Pat and Br. Dan joined the staff of Camp Marist for a Christmas gathering last night.



 Teachers from Marist HS Chicago gathered for a reunion of those who participated in the 'Come Home to the Hermitage' program two years ago for reunion dinner and faith sharing for Advent.





A new internship program to support the work of Marist Youth and Young Adult Ministry has been created.

We are still accepting applications for one more intern for next semester!

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MBCE UPDATE

Undeclassmen students from Archbishop Molloy High School will be arriving for an overnight weekend retreat at the MBCE today.



Saturday, December 14th Br. Jerry Dowsky

Tuesday, December 17th Alice Miesnik

Principal at Marist High School in Bayonne, NJ

Lisa Parrinelli

Treasurer at
Mount Saint Michael Academy

Thursday, December 19th Br. Sumner Herrick



The United States Province is part of the Arco Norte Marist region, which includes the Provinces of América Central, Canada, México Central, México Occidental, and Norandina.



Have you checked our Br. Brian Poulin's weekly blog series "Thank God It's Saturday!"





Read his latest post, and be sure to catch his new posts each weekend!

Download the latest news from the General House in Rome **here!**



Cookie Decorating for Mercy Children in The Bronx



The brothers of the Champagnat Hall community are finding new ways to live out their vocation and call to help poor children. This past week, several Brothers and members of the staff took an afternoon to decorate Christmas cookies meant for a children's Christmas Party at Mercy Center, Bronx. Mercy Center is a program inspired by the tradition of the Sisters of Mercy, which empowers women and their families in the South Bronx to liberate themselves from economic poverty.



These families include children and the Brothers and the staff thought of a creative way to connect with them. Maria Hughes our Province Health Coordinator made the cookies and the Brothers did the decorating!



Each of the cookies were packaged in a decorative cellophane bag along with other Christmas sweets for distribution at the center's Christmas Party later this week.

Our Brothers in Champagnat Hall may be officially retired from an established apostolic ministry, but their vocation and call to mission as Marist's who want to "make Jesus known and loved" remains alive and well!

LAVALLA 200>

Interested in learning more about the international LaValla200> communities?

Read this letter from Rome about new initiatives!



Inservice Training for Health Aides at Champagnat Hall

In an effort to share our mission and charism as



Marists of Champagnat, the Home Health Aides at Champagnat Hall are participating in monthly training sessions focusing on one of our five Marist characteristics: Presence, Family Spirit, Simplicity, Love of Work, and In the Manner of Mary.

Each session includes input and information on one of each of the "pillars" by Maureen Hagan, Director of Ministry Formation. To spark deeper thought on how these characteristics can be lived out, each session includes a short reflection by one of the Brothers from the Champagnat Hall community focusing on how he sees the Health Aides exhibiting these Marist Characteristics in their daily work. In the context of lunch, a discussion follows to help process the experience.

This month's reflection on Simplicity was offered by Br. Kevin Moran, last month's reflection on Family Spirit was offered by Br. Francis Farrell, and October's reflection on Marist Presence was offered by Br. Alfred George.

The in-service program will conclude in February. Our hope is that our aides and the Brothers of the community will come to realize and appreciate our common effort to live out our Marist spirit and mission.

Let's Not Forget Those in Need...



The Parish Community at Most Blessed Sacrament Church in Franklin Lakes, NJ, where Father John Job is Pastor. The church was destroyed by an early morning fire on Wednesday. John was Principal of St. Joseph Regional High School ichurchn Montvale, from 1997-2007 and Asst. Principal at Marist High School Bayonne 1992-1997.

Barbara Jaspan, Grandmother of Matt Fallon, who has been placed on hospice at home.

Br. Robert Andrews, who is at Cabrini Nursing Home.

Br. Dominic O'Brien had a heart procedure and is resting at home in Jacksonville, FL

Br. Gerry Brown began chemotherapy treatments in Blue Island, IL.



Monsignor James E. White, friend to many Brothers, who passed away in New York on Wednesday, December 11th. Br. Rene Roy who is recovering from a procedure.

For all of 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.

For all of our Brothers throughout the world, our affiliates, our family members, and benefactors.

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