## Friday, 12 July 2019

# General Administration

During the General Council Meeting the report of the General's visitation to Mexico was received and preparations were made for the meeting of Marist Laity in Dublin and the Formators' meeting at the General House in August, as well as remote preparations for the ARC meeting in October.

Fr John Larsen will be on retreat next week.

Fr John Harhager who is currently on holiday in the US, will come back to Rome next week.

Fr Ben McKenna will spend three weeks in Ireland.

## COUNCIL OF THE PROVINCE IN OCEANIA



The Council of the Province meeting for Oceania was held at the provincial house in Suva from 2 to 5 July. All sectors of the province were represented. The vicar general, Fr John Harhager presented an overview of the international Society to serve as a foundation to the meeting. This report was followed by

that of Fr Setefano Mataele, the provincial. Then there were financial reports on the province and the sectors, followed by a presentation on initial formation. The majority of the meeting was spent on the reports coming from the sectors and the substantial discussions on them.

#### **BISHOP TOM BURNS SM RETIRES**

Pope Francis has accepted the resignation of Bishop Tom Burns sm on the grounds of age, and has appointed Archbishop George Stack to be Apostolic Administrator of the Diocese of Menevia, Wales, UK. Bishop Tom has welcomed the appointment of Archbishop George, who will assume his additional responsibilities with effect from 11 July 2019, the Feast of St Benedict, Patron of Europe. Bishop Tom has served 17 years as a Bishop of the Armed Forces and then of Menevia.



### **DECEASED CONFRERES**

We pray for

Br Joseph Lamb, aged 84, of the Province of New Zealand, who died on 15 June, and Fr Edwin L. Keel, aged 76, of the Province of the United States of America, who died on 1 July.

May they rest in peace.