

New Provincial for the Province of Australia

Brother Peter Carroll was born in Brisbane, the middle of three children. After completing his secondary schooling at Marist College Ashgrove he commenced the Postulancy in 1977 and entered the Novitiate in 1978. Peter took first vows in January 1980 and made Final Profession in 1986.

During the post-Novitiate period he completed studies at Macquarie University and post-graduate studies at what is today the Australian Catholic University. His mid-life renewal was particularly satisfying. He had his first real experience of international community at Manziana and completed a Masters in Religious Education at Loyola University Chicago in 2001.

From 1984 Peter's ministry was exclusively in secondary schools where he specialised in Religious Education. He then spent fifteen years in school leadership as Principal of St Peter Claver College Riverview, Marist College North Shore and Trinity Catholic College Lismore. He has been Community Leader at Booval, Lismore and Fitzroy.

Peter was first elected to the Provincial Council of the former Sydney Province in 2003, elected to the Provincial Council of the Australian Province when it was formed in 2012 and appointed by Br Jeffrey Crowe as his Deputy Provincial at the same time. Over the past three years he has supported the Provincial, assisted with a range of pastoral matters and been involved in the professional standards area.

Br Emili appointed Peter as the Provincial of the Australian Province in January 2015 and he assumed office at the Provincial Chapter on 27 September.

Peter feels that the good Lord has blessed him in many ways: having truly admirable parents, being raised in a loving home with supportive family, being called to the Marist way, being given so many opportunities over the past thirty years. He feels honoured and privileged to have been appointed as Provincial of the Australian Province, and look forward to collaborating with many wonderful Marists both within and beyond Australia, especially in our region of Oceania.