



## Marist Family Provincials

**Mary Jane Kenney, SMSM:** Sr. Mary Jane is the Superior for the Missionary Sisters. She is the Regional Superior of 95 sisters in the USA, Peru and Jamaica. Presently, there are six young Marist Missionary Sisters in temporary vows living and participating in a nine-month ongoing formation program at 62 Newton Street in Waltham. The Marist priests continue to provide Eucharist several days each week for the SMSMs in Waltham and twice a week at the Maristhill Nursing Home. The SMSMs international novitiate will also be held in the greater Boston area, in Belmont, MA, with three postulants from Oceania.

**Pat McNamara, FMS:** Their novice Luis Ramos will take his first vows on August 8 at Marist College in Poughkeepsie, New York and Br. Samuel will take his final vows at Marist high school in Chicago, where Sam has been teaching. The brothers are opening a house of hospitality at St. Edward's University in Austin, Texas and Robert Clarke, FMS will be the coordinator. Several Brothers have begun a new apostolate with the migrants in El Paso, Texas.

**Linda Sevcik, SM:** Sr. Linda serves as the leader for the Marist Sisters in the USA and teaches a summer course for seminarians in human development at Creighton University. In her free time she serves on international committees for their general administration and is a counselor for many people.

**Paul Frechette, SM:** We shared how to continue to build bridges between the four branches of the Marist Family here in the USA. One of our favorites continues to be the annual joint Marist Vocation Directors' presentation to the students at Marist School in Atlanta every January which went well again this year. Paul shared about the recent Marist Partnership Dinner held in Atlanta on April 13 at the high school with a good crowd from the Our Lady of Assumption parish as well. There were 70 in attendance. Similar events are planned in September at Notre Dame des Victoires parish in San Francisco and at St. Louis King of France parish in St. Paul, Minnesota. We are looking forward to the launching an updated Marist Website at the end of May thanks to the help of Elizabeth Avila. There has been a national meeting in Atlanta on a "Strategic Plan for Implementing Sponsorship of Marist Schools in the US" with a mission council at the provincial level and at the Pontiac and Atlanta schools.

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