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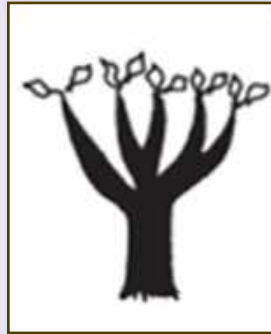
Friday, 11 December 2020

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Fr Ben D'souza (New Zealand) was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Michael Gielen, Auxiliary bishop of Auckland, on 28 November in the Sacred Heart Church in Auckland. Many confreres were in attendance, as well as Marist seminarians, most of Ben's relatives and many others. Ben celebrated his first mass the following morning with Fr Peter McAfee preaching. Ben was appointed as assistant to the Parish Priest, in the newly established parish of Christchurch South.



FORUM NOVUM 2020



The 2020 edition of Forum Novum for Marist History and Spirituality consists in two volumes. They are published online only, on the GA website www.maristsm.org/forum-novum/.

The local superiors are invited to print out a copy for each community to see and read.

Volume 22, 1 brings together various studies, with an emphasis on spirituality, education and Marists and *Laudato Si'*. It also honours the late Fr Bernard Bourtot for his outstanding work in the field of Marist studies as author and editor.

Volume 22, 2 offers seven contributions by Fr Alois Greiler on Marist history: an overview on Marist studies over 200 years, studies on Marist sources, and reflections on how to translate our charism for Marist life today.

Both volumes honor the Marist Founder, Fr Jean-Claude Colin, and link his insights with Marist practice in our modern world.

Attached to this SMbulletin you will find the table of contents of both volumes.

A New Website for the Marist Training Centre in Tutu



The *Marist Rural Training Centre* in Tutu, located on the island of Taveuni (Fiji) has recently developed a new website which gives information about its vast work through the years: www.tutufiji.com.

The *Tutu Rural Training Centre* was founded by the Marists in 1969 and has trained since then

many generations of young farmers and their families in modern agriculture and in value based principles of living. The aim is to provide a place in which the people of Cakaudrove and beyond are empowered to become more autonomous and take charge of their lives in a rapidly changing world. Its vision is "To be Mary, our Lady of Lura, in using her soil to provide joy through the development and empowerment of people, so that the door to a hopeful future is open to them".