

SMbulletin

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GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

Greetings to all from Villa Santa Maria on this Feast Day of Saint Joseph!

On Monday the city of Rome was designated a “red zone” which means that it is in the highest level lockdown again because of a consistent increase of covid-19 cases. The members of the General House staff continue working from home or at the General House when needed.

The General Administration proceeds with its weekly meetings and continues carrying out its tasks.

The Superior General had a zoom meeting this week with the leaders of the other religious branches of the Marist Family to coordinate their work in common fields of interest.

FINANCIAL MANAGER



The General Administration is pleased to announce the hiring of Giovanni Maria Manozzi, as of 1st March 2021, as the part-time Financial Manager for our congregation. He joins the general administration's financial team after years of

experience in finances. Giovanni is married with four sons.

His duties will be to absorb a significant number of the duties of the bursar general and oversee the financial operations at the general level of the Society of Mary. This will make the replacement of bursar generals much easier for a congregation with few members who truly qualify for this position. Besides working with the bursar general, he will work closely with the superior general and his council. A more complete description was sent to the major superiors and unit bursars.

Giovanni is working closely with the other three members of the team in the finance office, as well as with John Harhager who retains the position of bursar general.

WEBSITE

The Society's website has a few new sections and services:

- [The Marist and Pacific Mission History Library](#) which was created by Fr Andrew Murray sm. It contains a collection of electronic copies of publications on the Pacific mission from the four branches of the Marist Family, and also other works of interest on these topics.
- Also in the field of publications, a special section has now been created to host the monthly [Reflections from the Superior General](#).
- Under the title of Mission/JPIC a page was created to host material on [Laudato Si'](#).
- As announced in last week's SMbulletin you can find material related to the *Year of Saint Joseph* in the [prayer section](#). We have added now also a link to a hymn written for the occasion by our New Zealand confrere Chris Skinner: “Guardian Protector”

On the website an automatic translation button is available now to help non-English speaking visitors.