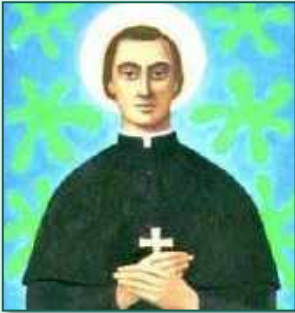


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Friday, 28 April 2023

Happy Feast of Saint Peter Chanel!



Today Marists worldwide celebrate the Feast of Saint Peter Chanel with prayers of thanksgiving for his gracious life and martyrdom in service of the people of Oceania, the Church and the Society.

At the General House a Mass will be celebrated with representatives of the Marist Family: Sisters, Missionary Sisters and Brothers, along with other friends of the Marist Community, united with confreres worldwide. During the celebration they will pray with St Peter Chanel's chalice.

OUR MARIST FORMATION HOUSES DEDICATED TO ST PETER CHANEL

In the Society there are three formation houses dedicated to St Peter Chanel: in Belo Horizonte (Brazil), in Yaounde (Cameroon) and in Davao (Philippines). As this is a time of prayer for vocations, we wish to highlight today these St Peter Chanel communities for young people in formation.



BELO HORIZONTE, BRAZIL

The formation community of Belo Horizonte is composed by Frs Arnaldo da Silva, José Maria da Silva, Alfred Rösener, and three postulants coming from Brazil and Peru. They study Philosophy at university and besides their Marist formation program they study Latin and English. During the weekends they are engaged in Pastoral work in the Parish.

YAOUNDE, CAMEROON

There are currently fourteen postulants in the formation community in Yaoundé, coming from Togo, Cameroon, Burundi and the Democratic Republic of Congo. They are accompanied by Frs Yvan Carré, Martin Simna and René Godard. They study their Philosophy in French. Those who are anglophone learn French while francophones learn English.



DAVAO, PHILIPPINES

In the formation community in Davao there are currently two postulants and four aspirants. The community was until recently composed only of Filipino's but it has recently been enriched with the presence of a Vietnamese candidate. The other members of the Community are Frs Roque Rebito, Lauro Arcede and Gil Casio. The students are involved in Pastoral work, especially with the poor, and in teaching.