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Friday, 13 December 2024

CHANGE OF LEADERSHIP AT CASA DI MARIA



A warm celebration, attended by all members of the community, the Superior General and several friends, took place at Casa di Maria in Rome to mark the change in leadership of our Marist Theologate. After 7 years of service, Fr Tony Kennedy (Australia) finished his mandate as Superior of the formation community. Tony is traveling back to Australia this week where, after a break, he will take up his role as District Superior on 1 February 2025. At the same time Fr Albert Kabala (Africa) was welcomed as the new Superior of the seminary. Albert arrived in Rome at the beginning of November, after having been the District Superior of Africa for two mandates. The other members of the formation team are Frs Larry Duffy and Roque Rebito.

MEXICO DISTRICT SUPERIOR



In the past weeks the GA has carried out a consultation among the members of the District of Mexico. As a result, the Superior General in Council has asked Fr Joaquín Fernández, the current District Superior, to continue his mandate until 28



April, 2025. On the Feast of St Peter Chanel Fr Daniel Fernández will take over from him as District Superior for a term of 3 years. Both of them are originally from Province of Europe (Spain).

INTERRELIGIOUS YOUTH CAMP IN RANONG

From 6 to 8 December an Interreligious and Intercultural Dialogue Youth Camp took place in Ranong, Thailand.



17 young people

camped on the grounds of the Marist Asia Foundation Harmony Centre. 3 of them were Thai, all Catholics, and 14 Burmese: 7 Christians, 2 Muslims and 8 Buddhists. The goal of the Marist Camp was to encourage friendships between young people from diverse cultures and faith traditions, build relationships of mutual respect, understanding and appreciation, break down stereotypes and prejudices and become promoters of compassion and peace.

The Camp created an unthreatening opportunity for youth leaders, who would never normally meet each other because of the cultural walls surrounding their daily lives, to build friendship and understanding. Participants were struck by the warm welcome extended to the group while visiting each other's places of worship.

LET US PRAY THAT OUR DECEASED CONFRERES MAY REST IN PEACE

P. Paul Fontanier

Europe / France

20.04.1920—23.11.2024

P. Philip S. Gage

United States of America

30.10.1942—25.11.2024

P. Mauro Filippucci

Europe / Italy

10.09.1940—06.12.2024