

# SMbulletin

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## A BLESSED HOLY WEEK AND HAPPY EASTER!

*"The hope that does not disappoint"* is the central message of the Jubilee. May it be the focus of our Lenten journey towards the victory of Easter.

**Christ, my hope, has risen! He lives and reigns in glory!**

Death has been transformed into triumph,  
and the faith and great hope of Christians rests in this:  
the resurrection of Christ!

(From Pope Frances' [Lenten Message](#) 2025)



## FORMATORS MEETING



A zoom-gathering of our Marist Formators took place last week. The meeting was chaired by Fr Setefano Mataele (GA) and the formators shared their experiences, both positive and challenging, as a sign of their common responsibility and support for one another in this important ministry. The discussion was guided by Const. 33, reminding them that their commitment to their role as Formators is fostering the living of the Gospel and sharing in the common vocation of the Society of Mary. During the meeting, the formators bid farewell to Frs. David Sánchez and Anthony Kennedy, who have been called to new ministries. The formators expressed their gratitude for their contribution and wished them well in their new roles.

## 150TH ANNIVERSARY OF FR COLIN'S DEATH

The coordinator for the 150th anniversary celebrations of our Founder is Fr Jean-Marie Bloqueau (France). He recently met online with Fr Ron Nissen (Promotion of Fr Colin's Fama); Frs Albert Kabala and Xavier Sariman (International Formation) and Fr Ben McKenna (GA / Founder's Cause). The purpose of the meeting was to discuss scenarios for celebrations this year. Ideas include focusing on the Vision of Jean-Claude Colin, developing a Liturgy – songs, prayers, text, a retreat, a Pilgrimage, a Novena and more. Some resources are available [here](#).

## MARIST DAYS IN BURY-ROSAIRE

Recently the students of our two Marist schools "Bury-Rosaire" in the North of Paris, France, experienced two memorable Marist Days. Fr Rafael Ramila, who is the Chaplain, was joined by Frs Mika Tuilau and Christian Abongbung, and by Marist Missionary Sisters and a Marist Sister. Also Fr Kevin Duffy, the Provincial of Europe joined the team for one afternoon. The Marist Family group met with students from several grades to testimony about our Marist charism and to make the Marist Family more visible among students and teachers.

