



MSA Newsletter

A newsletter for Member Schools of Marist Schools Australia published fortnightly during term time



From Dr Frank Malloy

Dear Colleagues,

Jesus calls young people together to fashion and live a life rooted in love, to pray from their lived experience, to proclaim with their joyful and eager lives that genuine love is possible, and as their journey unfolds to recognise the presence of the God of Life.

(paragraph 84 "Evangelisers in the midst of youth")

Our key Marist reference document, *Evangelisers in the midst of youth*, urges Marists to specifically and particularly nurture a sense of Christian ministry among young people. The term "Youth ministry" invites and encourages a call to action and to community. Across Australia there are many and varied successful Youth Ministry initiatives that have a profound impact on the young people with whom we work. Bringing young people together from different schools and settings has long been part of the Marist way, and in the recent school holidays the 2017 Marist Youth Festival was held at St Joseph's College Hunters Hill. This gathering brought together young people in their final years of senior school, recent school leavers, as well as generations of other Marists of different ages.

There were approximately 180 young people present and 60 others, including many Brothers, teachers, Principals, Priests, and Association members. Bishop Columba from the Forbes-Wilcannia Diocese was an active participant and wonderful presence throughout. The Festival was an outstanding success and would not have been possible without the determined and gifted leadership of Brother Greg McDonald, Ms Jeni Miller, the Festival Planning Committee, the Marist Youth Ministry Team, and many others who so willingly gave their time. We are indebted to them for their generosity. Particular thanks to Mr Ross Tarlinton, the Headmaster of St Joseph's for his hospitality, presence, and careful planning that ensured the festival went smoothly.

With 2018 being the 10th anniversary year of World Youth Day in Sydney, and nominated by the Australian Bishops as a Year of Youth, the 2017 Marist Youth Festival provided opportunities for prayer, conversation, reflection, and renewal, which it is hoped will help participants contribute significantly to the Australian Catholic Youth Festival in December, during Advent this year. Many Marists have been actively involved in the preparations and planning for this national gathering and a strong Marist youth presence will be evident at the Festival. God willing, the Year of Youth will present young Australian Catholics with new ways of being together and recognising the presence of "the God of life". As Marists we need be attentive to efforts in Parishes and Dioceses and seek ways in which we can encourage our young people to engage and create anew the life of the Church.

Yours sincerely,

Dr Frank Malloy
NATIONAL DIRECTOR

COMING UP...

21 July	Remar Gold Helm Inservice NSW	16-19 Aug	Contemplative Retreat
30 July-1 Aug	Marist Schools Biennial Conference	25-27 Aug	Remar Gold Retreat NSW
3-5 Aug	Care for the Soul Retreat	26-27 Aug	Marist Educational Leadership Program
5-6 Aug	Marist Educational Leadership Program	27-30 Aug	Footsteps1 - Mittagong
6-9 Aug	Footsteps1 - Mittagong	4 Sept	Marist Leaders Next Gen 1 Brisbane
12 Aug	Bicentenary Mass - Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne	6 Sept	Marist Oratory Competition
11-13 Aug	Remar Gold Retreat VIC	7-8 Sept	Marist Deputy Principals Meeting, Adelaide



Marist Daily Prayer App

Have you **downloaded the Marist Prayer App** yet?

CLICK HERE to read what a member of the Association had to say about the Prayer App.



Called to be Leaders

MARIST DEPUTY/ASSISTANT PRINCIPALS MEETING

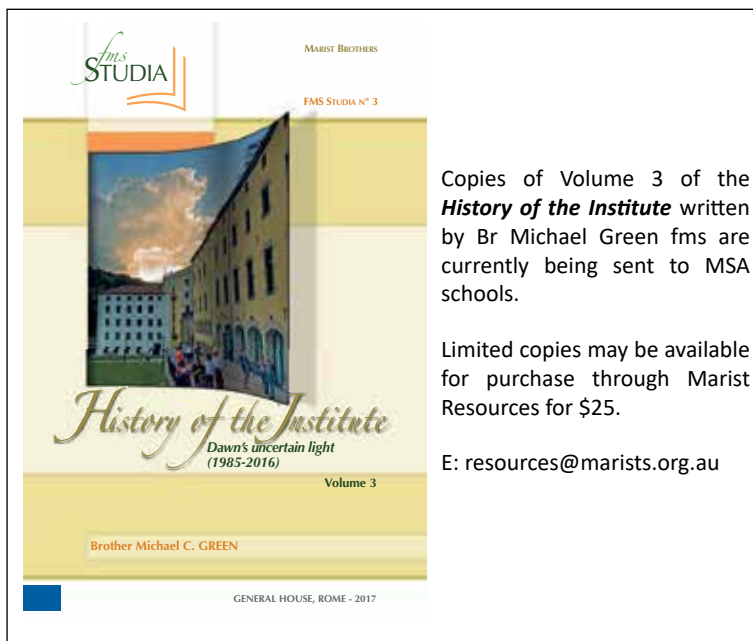
Marist Schools Australia will host the Inaugural National Marist Deputy/Assistant Principals Meeting with guest presenter, Australian Catholic Educator, Dr Mark Turkington.

Thursday 7 September - Friday 8 September 2017

**Brother Joseph McAteer Centre
Sacred Heart College**

195 Brighton Road, Somerton Park, Adelaide
(own arrangements for all travel and accommodation)

[REGISTER HERE](#)



fms STUDIA
MARIST BROTHERS
FMS STUDIA N° 3

Copies of Volume 3 of the **History of the Institute** written by Br Michael Green fms are currently being sent to MSA schools.

Limited copies may be available for purchase through Marist Resources for \$25.

E: resources@marists.org.au

History of the Institute
Dawn's uncertain light (1985-2016)
Volume 3

Brother Michael C. GREEN

GENERAL HOUSE, ROME - 2017

Commemoration of the 2017 Marist Bicentenary - Our Marist Heart -

In seeking to commemorate the Marist Bicentenary, Marist schools and ministries may wish to consider the acquisition of the newly Australian designed and Australian produced Marist Heart.

This new design has been developed by T&S Signcraft of Sydney who have a long-standing relationship with Marist schools in New South Wales and Queensland, but most significantly with St Joseph's College, Hunters Hill.

More information can be found [HERE](#).

Daniel Lynch on behalf of the Province Bicentenary Committee



MARIST MISSION AND LIFE FORMATION



MARIST PILGRIMAGE 2017, 16 April - 9 May 2017

The Marist Pilgrimage 2017 led a group of 29 pilgrims, to the Holy Land, Rome and France. As well as visits to all the places associated with Marcellin and the founding generation of Marists, the group also benefited from a number of sessions on Marist history, education and spirituality led by Brother Michael Green while at the Hermitage. The support the Pilgrimage attracts every year from Marist schools and ministries all around Australia is testament to the value that Marist Principals and ministry leaders see in it. It continues to be a real investment in our future. A letter to principals and ministry leaders including application forms for the 2018 Marist Pilgrimage was emailed out last week (see brochure on page 6 for details).

CARE FOR THE SOUL RETREAT

Our first Care for the Soul retreat for 2017 was recently held at Mittagong. Ten people gathered to experience the tranquil environment that Mittagong has to offer. The retreat offers an opportunity to nurture the spiritual within, regaining some sense of balance from the busy nature of our lives. The retreat included input from Brothers Bill Sullivan, Robert O'Connor and Bill Tarrant as well as a variety of prayer experiences, Eucharist, spiritual accompaniment and plenty of quiet time.

"Overwhelmingly insightful and informative, thank you".

There are a few places available for the October 27-29th weekend.



MARIST CONTEMPLATIVE RETREAT, 16 - 19 August 2017

The Marist Contemplative Retreat is a 2.5 day retreat for those drawn to Marist spirituality, particularly to the way of St Marcellin Champagnat and the inspiration he drew from Mary. It allows time and space to come to know God and ourselves in the midst of life.

Each day there will be the opportunity to attend the Eucharist and join with other retreatants in silent and shared prayer. The Contemplative Retreat is held at The Hermitage, Mittagong NSW.

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MARIST YOUTH FESTIVAL

To celebrate the Marist Bicentenary, Marist Youth Ministry held the Marist Youth Festival from Friday 30 June to Monday 3 July. St Joseph's College, Hunters Hill, was transformed as 240 Year 12's, young adults, school supervisors, volunteers and Brothers from Australia, South Africa and the Philippines gathered for 'Awaken'.

Thank you to **Br Peter Carroll**, the **Marist Association Council** and the **Province of Australia** for backing and financially supporting the festival; to **Dr Frank Malloy**, National MSA Director, our **Regional MSA Directors** for their support and backing; to our **School Principals and Ministry Leaders**, for sending/sponsoring your students and staff to our national event and to many **Brothers Communities and individuals** who financially supported a number of young people in enabling them to attend. In particular, a big "Thank you" to the amazing **Supervising Teachers** and **Marist Volunteers** who gave a big part of their well-earned Term 2 holidays to enable students and young people to connect with their wider Marist family. A huge thanks to you all!

See the following pages for some wonderful photos.

MARIST DEVELOPMENT AGENCIES FORM ALLIANCE ON TWO CONTINENTS

Last week two members of the Australian Marist Solidarity (AMS) team, Br Allen Sherry (CEO) and Ashley Bulgarelli (Projects and Partnerships Co-ordinator), met with the team of the largest Marist NGO in Europe called SED (Solidarity, Education and Development). This meeting was hosted by Brother Javier the CEO of SED at their offices in Madrid. It represents a very significant potential collaboration for AMS as we have already shared resources for the MSA and Spanish Marist schools.

One example of this new collaboration was the agreement that the offices would work together to fund search for Phase 2 of the first Marist school in Mouloubazaar, Bangladesh. With international agencies moving away from formal education funding then the Marist schools in both countries will be significant contributors to this project in 2018. We also expect to collaborate on other new projects in Asia in the future.

This SED-AMS alliance, as it is called in Spanish, represents the first significant development of a new international network of the 23 Marist NGOs for development across all continents. It has the possibility to open up exchange between MSA schools and Marist schools in Spain.

As internationality is a significant element of the original vision of St Marcellin, and arising within the Marist mission at global level, it is promising that AMS is able to support this initiative because of the generosity of our Australian school communities.

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NSW/ACT MARIST YOUTH MINISTRY Dates for Term 3

LOCAL CONNECT

Dates for MYM Sydney are:

Macarthur	11 August	John Therry Catholic High School Rosemeadow
Eastwood	18 August	Marist College, Eastwood
Randwick	23 August	Marcellin College, Randwick

NB: All Connects start at 5pm to 7pm. Dinner will be served and school uniforms are not required to be worn.

YEAR 11 SOCIAL JUSTICE FORUM

22 – 24 September The Hermitage, Mittagong

For all enquiries please contact Jeni Miller, Sydney MYM Coordinator, on 9218 4000.

Mrs Jeni Miller
Marist Youth Ministry Regional Coordinator

MARIST YOUTH FESTIVAL



Thank you to Ross Tarlinton and the staff at St Joseph's College Hunters Hill for extending their hospitality and facilities to us.



Thank you to Bishop Columba Macbeth-Green from the Wilcanna-Forbes Diocese for celebrating Eucharist at the festival.



Contemplation and prayer moments were greatly appreciated by participants, especially for Taize prayer.



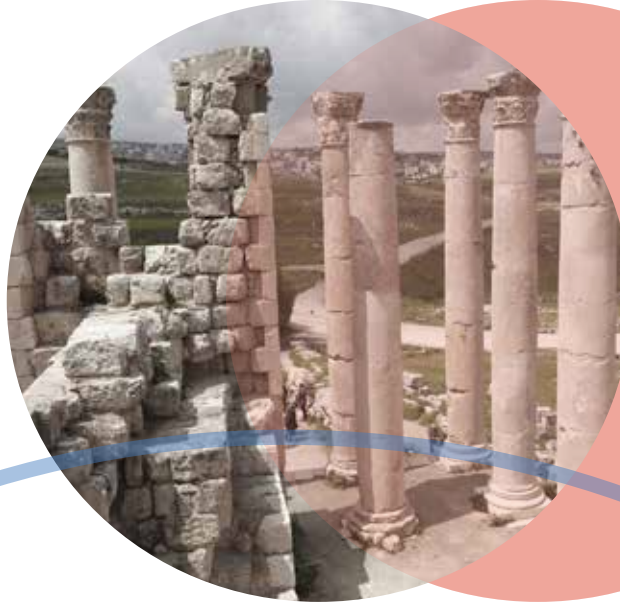
We were blessed to have four wonderful keynote speakers including Nicholas Marchesi and Lucas Patchett from Orange Sky Laundry Australia, Jessica Alampi from Notre Dame College Shepparton, Br Tony Leon, and Chantelle Ogilvie-Ellis and resettled refugees from the Sydney Alliance.



Thank you to the students of Champagnat College, Pagewood for sharing their ancient dances with us and introducing our Acknowledgement of Country.



The National Marist Youth Ministry team with Steve Angrisano, musician and spiritual story teller from the USA, and Br Peter Carroll, Provincial for the Marist Brothers.



**HOLY LAND
8 NIGHTS**



**ROME
3 NIGHTS**



**LYON
2 NIGHTS
&
NOTRE DAME
DE L'HERMITAGE
7 NIGHTS**

WHAT YOU NEED TO PROVIDE

- PASSPORT
- TRAVEL INSURANCE
- SPENDING MONEY

PILGRIMAGE ORIENTATION MEETING

THERE WILL BE A PILGRIMAGE ORIENTATION MEETING FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS ON EITHER 17 MARCH (MELBOURNE) OR 18 MARCH (SYDNEY) 2018.

COSTS \$10,700 PER PERSON

SINGLE ROOM ACCOMMODATION IS PROVIDED THROUGHOUT THE PILGRIMAGE.

PRICE INCLUDES

- AIRFARES (ALL PARTICIPANTS WILL DEPART FROM THEIR CLOSEST CAPITAL CITY)
- TRANSFERS TO AND FROM THE AIRPORT
- TRAIN AND COACH FARES
- MOST MEALS & ACCOMMODATION

FOR FURTHER ENQUIRIES

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Marist Tertiary Programs Newsletter

Together we Learn and Grow

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A message from Br John McMahon...



Dear Friends, Colleagues and Brothers,

We are in the throes of preparing for our Third Annual Marist Educational Leadership Program. Our 2017 program is being held at St Joseph's College, Hunters Hill in Sydney on 5 & 6 August and 26 & 27 August. The program continues to evolve. This year we are welcoming Dr Jennifer Elvery to our team. She and I will be sharing the teaching of this program which covers topics like The Meaning of Leadership, Marcellin Champagnat's Leadership and the Emotions of Leaders. Dr Jennifer works with ACU in Brisbane after a long and fruitful stint at Marist College, Ashgrove in Brisbane.

It is encouraging to see so many Marists across our MSA schools participating in our ACU accredited programs. The details of how to participate are outlined on our website at www.mte.org.au This approach to completing degrees allows students to pursue those topics they like researching and addressing. Good work is produced as a result.

I am grateful to Grace Johnstone for producing this Newsletter. We are keen to profile individual Marists who are undertaking our programs. Please feel welcome to send your photo and contribution to Grace at grace.johnstone@marists.org.au. In this edition we are featuring Jim Sutton from Catholic College, Sale.

We are always happy to assist you with your studies and wish you well in your endeavours.

With best wishes
Br John McMahon
NATIONAL DIRECTOR

"Unless the Lord builds the house, those who build it labour in vain".
Ps,127

News

New Course on Mary

As Marists, Mary has a special place in our hearts. We continue to learn more about her and to understand the significance of her role in the life of Jesus. Across the centuries numerous devotions to Mary have emerged. Today, there is an increasing focus on the contemplative Mary and on Mary as archetype.

Our new course is titled 'Marian Theology and Educational Leadership'. It will be taught at our Marist Centre Melbourne. We are in the process of seeking accreditation for this unit with Australian Catholic University at the Masters level (AQF Level 9).

The planned modules for this Unit are:

1. Mary in the Gospels and the Christian Church
2. Mary and Vatican II
3. Contemporary Understandings of Mary
4. The Experience of Theological Experience
5. Contemporary Theories of Educational Leadership
6. Contemplative Leadership
7. Wellbeing for Learning
8. Marian Perspectives on Leadership

Further information can be obtained from Br John McMahon at john.mcmahon@marists.org.au



ARE YOU STUDYING AT UNIVERSITY?

Why not use one of our programs for accreditation..

Universities offering Accreditation

- Australian Catholic University
- University of Notre Dame
- University of South Australia
- BBI—The Australian Institute of Theological Education

Marist Programs with University Accreditation

- ◆ Footsteps 1
- ◆ Footsteps 2
- ◆ Marist Pilgrimage & Study Tour
- ◆ Marist Educational Leadership
- ◆ Marist Methodology for Catholic Education Program

*For further information visit our website
www.mte.org.au*

Together we Learn and Grow



In this edition we are featuring Jim Sutton from Catholic College in Sale, Victoria.

Over the last couple of years, I have completed two Marist Tertiary Programs that I have had accredited to my ACU Master of Educational Leadership degree.

In 2015 I was a participant in the annual Marist Pilgrimage and Study Tour to the Holy Land, Rome, Lyon and the Hermitage. I used this experience to complete an essay titled 'A critical analysis of Marcellin Champagnat's way of educating young people and its relevance in contemporary Marist schools'.

In 2016 I completed the Marist Educational Leadership Program at Marist College Canberra. This program included two assignments which focussed on the Marist nature of my workplace.

I feel very privileged to have been able to complete these programs. Both programs were insightful, engaging and provided a great opportunity to meet and have dialogue with fellow Marists. The sharing of ideas and experiences and the wealth of knowledge and experience from the leaders of these programs provided an opportunity for professional and personal reflection.

I certainly feel as if my leadership base has expanded through my participation in these programs and I am hopeful that this is reflected in my daily work.



Marist Pilgrimage in Jerusalem 2015 and Le Puy 2016

Upcoming Programs

◆ Marist Educational Leadership Program

This program is offered to people studying at university or to people who simply wish to learn more about Marist leadership.

Program Dates & Location

St Joseph's College, Hunters Hill
5-6 & 26-27 August 2017

◆ Marist Methodology Unit for the Graduate Certificate in Catholic Education

Program Dates & Location

The Unit includes 12 two hour Sessions taught between May to September 2018
Sacred Heart College, Adelaide

◆ Marian Theology and Educational Leadership

Program Dates & Location

Marist Centre Melbourne 5-6 & 26-27 May 2018



Dr Jennifer Elvery

Education Consultant and
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to be held in August 2017.



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