

Via Latina 22

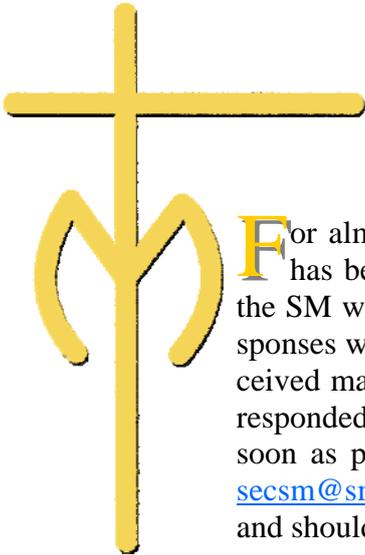
News From the General Administration - Society of Mary



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XXXIV GENERAL CHAPTER:

**ALL MEMBERS OF THE SM ARE ASKED
TO HELP IN ITS PREPARATION**



For almost two months the Preparation Committee for the XXXIV General Chapter has been conducting a survey among the members of the SM. All communities in the SM were asked to discuss and then submit a joint response to the survey. These responses were requested to be sent to the Secretary General by July 1. While we have received many replies, there are still many communities throughout the SM who have not responded. In light of this, we ask that those who have not yet responded please do so as soon as possible (by July 15). They may be sent to Michael McAward, SM at gen-secsm@smcuria.it. The documents of the survey were sent to all Unit administrations and should be available from them or from Bro. Michael at the address above.

DELEGATES FOR THE GENERAL CHAPTER

All Units, with the exception of those in Spain, have completed the selection of the delegates to the XXXIV General Chapter. The new Province of Spain will select their delegates following the union of the Provinces of Madrid and Saragossa scheduled to take place next September. The delegates were selected according to the norms set forth in our *Rule of Life*. Here is the list of delegates:

UNIT	NAME	UNIT	NAME
Argentina (1)	Andrés Tocalini*	Peru (1)	Rafael Luyo*
Canada (1)	Gérard Blais*	Suisse (1)	Leo Müller*
Chile (1)	José María Arnaiz*	Togo (1)	Maximin Magnan
Colombia-Ecuador (1)	Rodrigo Betancur*	Eastern Africa (1)	Valentine Chola Mulenga
España (6)	Miguel Ángel Cortés*, Rogelio Núñez + 4	United States (8)	Edward Brink Stephen Glodek James Heft* Joseph Kamis John McGrath* Bernard Ploeger Martin Solma* Oscar Vasquez*
France (4)	Eddie Alexandre*, Jean-Marie Leclerc, Robert Witwicki*, Christophe Muyuka Kolele	India (2)	Pragasam T* Darwin Joseph
Côte d'Ivoire (1)	Georges Gbeze*	México (1)	Edward Longbottom
Italy (2)	Luigi Magni*, Giorgio Arsuffi	General Administration (4)	Manuel Cortés* André Fétis* José María Alvira Edward Violet
Japan (1)	Isao Aoki*		
Korea (1)	Chan Bok (Dominic) Park*		
Meribah (1)	Thomas Cleary		
Austria-Germany (1)	Hans Eidenberger*		

APPRECIATION TO FR. LORENZO AMIGO, SM



After thirteen years of benefiting from his faithful and effective service, the communities of Via Latina 22 are bidding farewell to Fr. Lorenzo Amigo, SM. He will return to his new Province, the recently established Province of Spain, in which he has been called to serve as Assistant for Religious Life, an assignment he has accepted with the willing generosity that has characterized all of his service over the years.



Throughout these past years, in his role as Rector of the Marianist International Seminary, Lorenzo has been responsible for the formation of our priests. This



is not an easy task, not only for the normal difficulties associated with an important formation process, but also because of the plurality of languages groups and cultures, from which our seminarians spring. At the conclusion of this past scholastic year the current seminarians offered Lorenzo a fitting tribute in which they unanimously recognized and thanked him for the enormous help he has provided, his positive witness to the religious life and the priesthood, his knowledge and appreciation of the Marianist Charism, his graciousness, his capacity for providing wise guidance... Although unintentional, their words of gratitude echoed and confirmed what, year after year, the



reports from the visiting superiors had recognized during their official visits to the Seminary.

Besides all of this, the General Administration has other reasons for expressing its gratitude.



Throughout these years, Fr. Lorenzo assumed the role of Procurator General of the Society of Mary to the Holy See.

Thus, he has been part of the General Administration and, as such, has always been a willing and effective



collaborator in the exercise of his particular duties as outlined in our *Rule of Life* (cf. RV 7.63; 7.67). Furthermore, with his talent as a great polyglot, Lorenzo has served as an excellent translator, always willing to accept frequent requests, whether they be for modern languages or the classics!

Many thanks, therefore, dear Fr. Lorenzo, for your generous gifts and competent service which we will sorely miss! As you leave this house, which will always remain yours, we ask the Lord to bless you and the Virgin Mary to accompany you in your new mission!

CHANGES IN THE COMMUNITY OF THE GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

In accordance with Article 62 of the *General Finance Directory*, approved during the last General Chapter, Fr. Romolo Proietti, SM, member of the Province of Italy, has been named business manager and delegate of the Assistant General for Temporalities for the running of the *Curia Generalizia*, beginning on July 1 of this year. We thank him for his willingness to accept this responsibility.



Romolo Proietti, SM



Remy Sandah, SM and Giuliano Cortese, SM

Fr. Romolo, up until now, has been rector and head of the *Istituto Santa Maria*, the Marianist secondary school in Rome. He will begin his new work on July 1 taking the place of and responsibilities of both Bro. Remy Sandah, SM (Togo) and Bro. Giuliano Cortese, SM (Italy). These brothers are completing their terms of service as arranged with their respective Units, and will return to these Units. Bro. Remy had assumed the accounting duties at Via Latina 22 several years ago, and this past year also served as Vice Rector of the Seminary. Bro. Giuliano organized the staff in the upkeep of the physical aspects of the house

and property. We offer both of them our gratitude for their dedication to these very important services in the life and mission of the General Administration and the good organization of this house, which is quite complex and, therefore, not an easy task. As we all know, it requires a great attitude of service and self-sacrifice, which they have rendered to us all. We are certain that their reincorporation into their respective Units will be a big help for the life and mission of these Units. Thank you, Remy and Giuliano!

CHAMINADE YEAR: Have you taken advantage of the many resources available on our website at www.marianist.org ?

WORLD YOUTH DAY TO HAVE STRONG MARIANIST PRESENCE

From August 12-15, 2011, 250 young people from Europe will be on pilgrimage in the footsteps of Fr. Chaminade. They will visit Bordeaux, Périgueux and Zaragoza and conclude the gathering by attending the World Youth Day in Madrid (from August 16-21) where they will find other groups from the Marianist world. Similarly, from August 10-16, a group of 150 young people and more than 20 Marianist religious, all from the schools of the Province of Meribah, will also travel the path of the Founder through southern France and Zaragoza on their way to the WYD events in Madrid.

On August 17 at the parish of Santa María del Pilar in Madrid, there will be prayer meeting open to the Marianist Family. The actual time for this has not yet been fixed.

Please pray for all these young people and for those from around the world who will be gathered together during these days!



PRAYER INTENTION

The Region of Switzerland requests prayers through the intercession of Blessed Chaminade for their brother Jean-Guy Pannatier, SM, who lives in Fribourg. He is suffering with a very aggressive form of bladder cancer and is undergoing surgery and treatment. *Intention submitted on behalf of the Region of Switzerland by Fr. Leo Müller, Regional Superior*

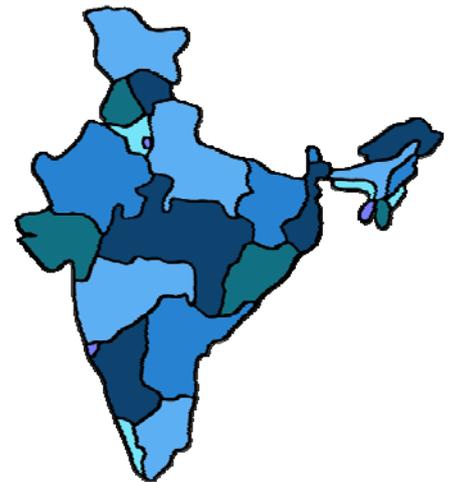


GENERAL ADMINISTRATION CALENDAR:

- **July 11-13:** General Council meetings in Rome
- **July 25-26:** Meeting of the XXXIV General Chapter Preparatory Commission in Madrid
- **August 17-21:** World Youth Day in Madrid
- **September 5-7:** General Council Meetings in Rome
- **September 9-11:** Inauguration of the Province of Spain, Madrid

VISIT TO THE DISTRICT OF INDIA POSTPONED

At the request of the District Council, the upcoming visit of the Superior General and Assistant General for Temporalities to the District of India, scheduled for September-October 2011, has been postponed to the Spring 2012. The exact dates of the visit will be confirmed soon.



ADDRESS CHANGES

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- Bro. Paul Jablinski (US): pauljablinski@gmail.com



G.A. COMMUNICATIONS RECENTLY SENT...

- **Death Notice:** # 21 - #23
- **May 9:** PREPCO survey for all communities of the SM sent to all Unit superiors
- **May 9:** PREPCO survey sent to all capitulants of the XXXIV General Chapter.

