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ADMINISTRATION NEWS

Congratulations and best wishes to the Provincial and Councilors who were re-elected for another term: 2021—2023.



Provincial
Fr Setefano Mataele sm



Vicar Provincial
Fr Milikiade Rayalu sm



Councilor
Fr Justin Ratsi sm



Councilor, Prov Bursar
Fr 'Aisake T Vaisima sm

GRADUATION 2020

St Peter Chanel's Chapel, Pacific Regional Seminary, Suva was packed with family members and guests as they witnessed with joy the graduation ceremony for 2020

on Friday 13 November. From Marist College, seven were graduating. Two, Joe Tora (Fiji) and Maselino Kolio (Samoa) have completed their seminary formation and graduated with a Bachelor of Divinity. Joe Tora will be ordained deacon on 18 November. Five scholastics (4 from Bougainville and 1 from Fiji) graduated with a diploma in theology. They will continue their seminary formation in 2021. Due to the travel and border restrictions students will not be able to return home for the holidays.



DIACONATE ORDINATION



The newly ordained deacon, Rev Joseph Tora sm (center) with his formator, Fr Donato Kivi sm and the Provincial, Fr Setefano Mataele sm.

Rev Joseph Tora sm was ordained a Transitional Deacon by his Grace, Archbishop Peter Loy Chong in the St Peter Chanel chapel at the Pacific Regional Seminary (PRS) on Wednesday 18 November. Joseph, as in the article above, was graduated from PRS a couple of days earlier. The Marists in the Sector of Fiji were well-represented in the occasion, priests and religious from around Suva. The deacon's family were also present together with a bus load of parishioners from his home parish, Mt St Mary's parish, Nadi. The Marist College community hosted all to refreshments and lunch afterwards. Rev Joseph will minister as a deacon for some months before priesthood ordination in 2021.

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LEST WE FORGET

REMEMBERING JEAN-CLAUDE COLIN AND HIS CAUSE FOR BEATIFICATION

The three sm communities around Suva, the Provincial House, Varani St, and Marist College came together to remember with gratitude the life of Fr Founder, Jean-Claude Colin, who was called to eternal rest 145 years ago on **15 November 1875**. It was also an opportunity to promote and pray for the cause of his beatification. A presentation was given on Fr Founder and the history of the work on his cause and familiarizing everyone with the current work by the Society's Network for the cause. The departure of Marie Françoise Perroton from France in the Arche D'Alliance happened on the same day 30 years earlier in 1845 was also acknowledged. We joined with the SMSM

sisters in remembering this milestone 175 years later.

LEST WE FORGET—OUR DECEASED IN 2020



Br Clement
Bonhommeau
RIP 23.01.20



Fr Myles Moriarty
formerly of Oceania.
RIP 20.02.20



Bp Henk Kronenberg
formerly of Oceania.
RIP 25.03.20



Fr Falani Terry
RIP 12.04.20



S. Sosaia Vaka
RIP 12.09.20



Fr Maurice Linossier
formerly of Oceania.
RIP 14.10.20



Fr Roger McCarrick
RIP 16.10.20



Dernier Téné d'Antonin Musulamu (77)

He was originally from Futuna. He passed away on November 2nd at the Médipôle Hospital, Nouméa, after a long illness (cancer). He arrived in NC in 1964 as a postulant and made his novitiate at Nakety, on the East Coast, with Fr Jean-Baptiste Neyret. He renewed his vows for 9 years before leaving the Society and eventually got married. He spent most of his life with the Sacred Heart

Brothers at Bourail, teaching mechanics in their Technichal School. He was one the founding members of the Committee "Marche pour Notre Dame" in 1987 and the president of the Téné Diocesan Youth Rally, for 28 years. He was a kind-hearted person imbued with Marist values and dedicated to Mary's work in the Church. A great loss but another intercessor in heaven for all of us! From Fr François Grossin sm, New Caledonia.