



Friday Notes

JUNE 27, 2025

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Province News

With deep gratitude, we thank all of our USA Marist schools and communities who have contributed to our ongoing Province solidarity efforts this past year for fellow Marists in Venezuela and the Don Bosco Orphanage in Jamaica.. Previous contributions helped build a new school in Liberia, which graduated their first Kindergarten class recently!






Next weekend, over 25 members of our USA Province - Brothers, Province staff, Lay Marists, and Marist Young Adults - will embark on a Pilgrimage to Assisi and Rome as a way to celebrate the Jubilee year of the Catholic Church.

WELCOME HOME!

Br. Brian Poulin returned from Manzanera after completing the Senderos-Midlife program. Read more about the program [here](#).



UPCOMING EVENTS

-  **Kids 1 Camp**
Mid-Hudson Valley Camps
Esopus, New York
June 29 - July 5
-  **Province Pilgrimage to Rome and Assisi**
July 5 - July 12
-  **Molloy Freshman Camp**
Mid-Hudson Valley Camps
Esopus, New York
July 6 - July 12
-  **Provincial Council Meeting**
San Alfonso Retreat Center
Long Branch, New Jersey
July 14 - July 15
-  **Lay Marist Assembly**
San Alfonso Retreat Center
Long Branch, New Jersey
July 14 - July 17, 2026



Welcome, Campers!

Camp Marist, on the shores of Ossipee Lake, New Hampshire, welcomed campers and staff for the first Summer 2025 camp session last weekend!



Thank you, Alvaro!

Alvaro Righi de Leonço has been volunteering at the Marist Brothers Center in Esopus for the past month. As he prepares to return home to Brazil on Sunday, we give him thanks for all he has done during his time with us!



Visiting the USA Province

Br. Juan Sebastian Herrera (left), a Colombian Brother from the General House community in Rome, is visiting the USA Province this summer.



Home for all river of Life

marist 2025

23rd general chapter
l'Hermitage 200 years

As part of the preparatory process of the 23rd General Chapter, join the Marist Institute in monthly prayer and reflection. Each month will focus on key themes to spiritually strengthen our mission as one family.

This month, let us reflect together on how the experience of communion between Brothers and Lay Marists has affected us. May our hearts be a "Home for all" and a "River of Life."

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JUNE PRAYER**



Green Team leader Joshua Fernandez '25 was featured in an article from the Archdiocese of Miami for his ecological leadership at Columbus. Read the article, "[Valuing the Miracle of our home.](#)"

Are you interested in becoming a champion for climate action in your home state? The Catholic Climate Covenant is relaunching a State Captain initiative to support state level climate advocacy. If you are interested in volunteering, contact Annaliese Dorchinecz at annaliese@catholicclimatecovenant.org.

Join the Laudato Si' Movement on July 19 for the 10th Anniversary Global Gathering, the historic culmination of a year-long listening process. Join the gathering [here](#).

ARTICLES OF INTEREST:

Rebecca Randall, "[Up to 89% of the world wants more climate action. These Catholics find hope in that.](#)" June 24, 2025

Brian Roewe, "[Vatican program to turn Laudato Si' words into environmental action presses forward.](#)" National Catholic Reporter, June 25, 2025.



MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

Marist Brothers Center in Esopus

ESOPUS, NEW YORK

2025 VOLUNTEER WORK WEEKEND:

Nearly 40 volunteers of all ages — including USA Provincial Br. Dan O'Riordan! — gathered at the Marist Brothers Center in Esopus this month for the 2025 Volunteer Work Weekend. Volunteers built a new deck, installed a fire pit, fenced the pond, planted 13 trees, continued work on the center's solar panels, and all while also building community with each other! The Main House was also successfully converted from retreat season to camp season. The determination and teamwork from this group turned a soggy weekend into something extraordinary.



More Province News:

- **Celebrate the Fourth of July at Champagnat Hall!** Anyone interested in joining the Champagnat Hall community for a Fourth of July barbecue on Friday, July 4th at 12pm is asked to contact Steve Milan via text by Monday, June 30th. All are welcome!
- Each year, every Marist High School is invited to participate in a Global Marist Solidarity project that supports our Marist missions around the world. This year, Mount Saint Michael Academy contributed over \$12,000 to the St. John Bosco Vocational Training Centre in Jamaica, West Indies, to assist their programming for young men and women training to become chefs, crop producers, greenhouse technicians, and more!



MARISTS OF CHAMPAGNAT

SAVE THE DATE!

Marists of
Champagnat
Assembly

JULY 14-17, 2026

SAN ALFONSO RETREAT CENTER
Long Branch, NJ



MORE PICTURES



THURSDAY, JUNE 5

Br. Gerard Brereton

TUESDAY, JUNE 17

Br. William Lavigne

MONDAY, JUNE 23

Br. Eugene Birmingham

Br. Steve Schlitte

NEW READING THIS WEEK:



MATTHEW 7.1-14



MARIST NEWS



CANADA NEWS - JULY

This week, please remember in your prayers...

- Br. John Dunning, who was briefly hospitalized this week and is now back home in Esopus.
- Bill Taylor (Brother-in-law of Br. Ken Curtin) who is in critical condition in CICU after suffering from a massive heart attack.
- Jack Janecek, a former community member of the Marist Community of Welcome in Austin, TX, who recently died.
- Br. Francis Farrell, whose funeral is tonight at 7pm.

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*and let us remember...
to pray for each other!*