



# Friday Notes

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## Province News

The 23rd General Chapter continues with its second week in the Philippines. A few highlights of this week included an inspiring talk from Bishop Charlie M. Inzon, OMI, as well as a day of immersion experiences at local ministries, including a prison and an orphanage, as well as a local Eco-Spirituality and Laudato Si' farm. On Wednesday afternoon, a number of innovative Marist ministries from across our world were highlighted, including our USA Evangelization programs with Matt Fallon presenting on our Province Marist Young Adult Program.

Br. Brian is returning to the Philippines this weekend to re-join the General Chapter.

**"THE SYNODAL CHURCH:  
A HOME FOR ALL"**  
**Bishop Charlie M. Inzon, OMI**

Our Province Green Team's first meeting of the year takes place next Thursday via Zoom. The Province Finance Team will meet next Thursday.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Province Green Team Meeting**  
via Zoom  
September 25, 2025 [JOIN](#)
- Sharing Our Mission: Creating a Community of Belonging**  
MBCE - Esopus, New York  
September 27 - September 30, 2025
- Season of Creation Closing Prayer Service**  
Feast of St. Francis [JOIN](#)  
October 4, 2025
- Marist Young Professionals Retreat**  
MBCE - Esopus, NY  
October 10 - October 13, 2025
- Community Leaders Meeting**  
Archbishop Molloy, Briarwood NY  
October 26th



### Esopus Century Ride

Blessings on all riders (and their support cars!) who are participating in tomorrow's Esopus Century Ride, which is now dedicated to the late Mr. Patrick Carroll, a long time volunteer and friend to Esopus.



### Upcoming Board Meetings

The School Boards of Central Catholic High School and Mount St. Michael Academy, as well as the board of Camp Marist will meet next week. We are grateful for all of the generous men and women who help foster our Marist Mission in our USA Ministries.



### Happy Birthday, Br. Charlie!

Br. Charlie Filiatrault celebrated his 90<sup>th</sup> birthday this week! In previous years, Brother Charles served as simultaneous translator for two General Chapters at the General Administration in Rome.



## Home for all river of Life

**marist 2025**  
23<sup>rd</sup> general chapter  
l'Hermitage 200 years

As the 23rd General Chapter commences this month, join the Marist Institute in praying for all gathered at the Chapter in Tagaytay. May the Holy Spirit accompany them throughout this time of discernment..

This month, we reflect on the spiritual significance of the Hermitage, constructed by the early Marists 200 years ago. As we seek to symbolically build a new Hermitage today, may our hearts be a "Home for all" and a "River of Life."



You are invited to join our first Green Team meeting of the school year on Thursday, September 25th at 7pm ET. We will hear from student leaders across our Marist schools about grassroots efforts to care for our common home. **Here is the Zoom link** to join! Follow ongoing activities of the Marist Green Team on instagram at [@MaristGreenTeam](https://www.instagram.com/MaristGreenTeam).

This Feast of St. Francis on October 4th, celebrate the close of the Season of Creation with a Laudato Si' movement ecumenical prayer service on "Peace with Creation" (Isaiah 32:14-18). **Click here** for the link to join.

### **Calls to Action:**

- Adopt Meatless Fridays
- Plant community gardens
- Switch from single-use plastic and styrofoam cutlery to reusable and compostable materials when possible.

# MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT

## *Marist Community of Welcome*

AUSTIN, TEXAS

This year marks the 7th year of the USA Province initiative - **The Marist Community of Welcome**, located near the University of Texas in Austin. Since it began, 24 young adults have been members of the community under the leadership of Brother Rob Clark. This year's members (all students at the University of Texas) represent cultural heritages from: Mexico, the Philippines, Brazil, India, Poland and Russia - truly a "global Brotherhood." We've also welcomed the first graduate of Saint Joseph Academy (Brownsville, TX) to join the community!



# More Marist News...

You're Invited to the 2025 MYP

## FALL RETREAT

# Wherever we go

**Oct. 10-13**  
Columbus Day Weekend

At Esopus  
\$250 including travel  
Sign up by 9/27  
ellen@maristbr.com

Join fellow Marists in their 20s & 30s (21+) for a peaceful weekend with time for personal reflection, group sharing, prayer experiences, and the joy of Marist community.

WEBINAR | SPIRITUALITY NETWORK

ARCO NORTE  
MARISTES MARISTAS

## SPIRITUAL INTELLIGENCE

"Live from the essence that we are"

 **Br. Carmelo San Millán**  
Norandina Province

September 30

7:00 Eastern  
6:00 Central  
5:00 Mountain  
4:00 Pacific

Via Zoom  
\*available in English

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# SEPTEMBER Birthdays

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 1  
Br. John Dunning

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7  
Br. Tom Long

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15  
Br. Charles Filiatrault

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20  
Erin Gilbert (Director of Communications)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22  
Br. James Adams

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 29  
Br. Brian Poulin

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 30  
Br. Steve Milan

SAVE THE DATE:

The Mount P.A. invites you to

## HALLOWEEN BINGO

Saturday, November 1st  
Mount St. Michael Academy Gym  
4300 Murdock Avenue, Bronx, N.Y. 10466

[LEARN MORE OR REGISTER HERE](#)

# MARISTS OF CHAMPAGNAT

2026 Marists of Champagnat National Assembly

## Beacons of Joy

Save the Date  
July 14-17, 2026

Living the Marist Mission  
San Alfonso Retreat House  
Long Branch, NJ

**\*\*ALL MARIST BROTHERS AND MARISTS OF CHAMPAGNAT ARE INVITED!\*\***



### COMING SOON:

Information nights for Cohort 6 and Pathway 1 will be held October 22 and 23, with registration opening for both shortly thereafter. If you or anyone wishes to be on our mailing list to receive Zoom links and further information, use [this expression of interest form](#) and return it to Lindsay Irwin, membership chair.

## NEW READING THIS WEEK:

 [MATTHEW 11.16-24](#)

 [MARIST NEWS](#)

 [CANADA NEWS](#)

*This week, please remember in your prayers...*

- Steve Poulin, father of Br. Brian, who died last weekend.
- Erin Gilbert, who is recovering from surgery at her parents' house in Wisconsin.

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

[DOWNLOAD PRAYER LIST](#)