



Marist Tertiary Programs Newsletter

Together we Learn and Grow

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'In giving us Mary's name, Fr Champagnat wished us to live her spirit'. Const.4



A message from Br John McMahon...

Dear Friends, Colleagues and Brothers,

As we begin to prepare for 2018, it is pleasing to witness the increase in the number of participants taking our Marist tertiary programs. This increase normally follows successful participation in our Mission and Life Formation Programs. Our new tertiary program in 2018 titled 'Leadership from a Marian Perspective' will add a fifth program to our offerings. This program will be taught in Melbourne during May 2018.

We are seeking to build a more formal network of people studying Marist tertiary programs at university. It seems an online approach would be best. If you have any suggestions about how we might follow this through, or wish to undertake such a task, please let us know. Some have even suggested inviting schools to set up small Marist Tertiary Learning Centres.

We wish you well for the final term of 2017.

With best wishes

Br John McMahon

NATIONAL DIRECTOR

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 'Leadership from a Marian Perspective'. It will be taught at our Marist Centre Melbourne across two weekends: May 5-6, 2018 and May 26-27, 2018. 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 Tradition*
2. *Mary and Vatican II: A Paradigm Shift*
3. *Marian Perspectives of Leading in a Contemporary Catholic School*
4. *Contemplative Leadership*



Further information can be obtained from
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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**

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In this edition we are featuring Simon Martino

"I have been fortunate enough to participate in several Marist programs that have inspired me to explore further the role of the Church today. For my Master of Theology, I recently completed a unit that allowed me to explore a topic of my choosing. I was drawn to exploring the importance of living the Marian dimension of the Church. My experience and involvement with the Marists allowed me to research a topic that is important for the Church today but also something that I am passionate about. My participation in one of the Marist programs challenged me both professionally and personally. It helped me to better understand my commitment to the Marist charism as well as better understand the role the Marist story plays for the wider Church. The beauty of the programs I undertook is their commitment to dialogue and sharing of ideas that could be applied to my work. As I continue to develop my knowledge and continue my study, I will always look for programs that inspire and challenge. Thankfully the Marist programs not only do that but also encourage me in my faith."

We are featuring Raeleen Austin from All Saints College, St Peter's Campus, Maitland



"I was fortunate enough to be a part of the Marist Educational Leadership program in August. This opportunity was enriching to my personal and professional learning as we gathered, as fellow Marists, examining and challenging ourselves as to what it means to be a leader within our Marist context. The passion of our facilitators and each of the participants allowed for open and honest sharing and networking of resources and ideas. I would encourage anyone within our Marist communities to open yourselves to this level of learning and to grow in your understanding of what it means to be leaders in our own communities. Marcellin was challenged by the issues of his time and persevered to make a difference in the lives of the young people and so we are challenged to persevere in our contexts 'to make Jesus known and loved' for our young people. Take the challenge!"

Upcoming Programs

♦ **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

♦ **Leadership from a Marian Perspective**

Program Dates & Location

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



Marist Educational Leadership, Sydney 2017

'I am currently in Rome undertaking a renewal program at our Marist General House. Our program includes reflections on Marist spirituality and Marist life and mission, as well as pilgrimages to the Hermitage in France and Assisi in Italy. We have seventeen participants from across the Marist English-speaking world. Brs John Klein and John McDonnell from the United States are leading our program. Visiting speakers come to speak on different topics. Updates can be found at our Marist Blog: www.johnmcmahon@marists.org.au'. I look forward to sharing the journey with you. Br John McMahon

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