

# ONE HEART & ONE MIND FOR LIFE AND MISSION

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## Renewing Personal and Communal Commitment through Contemplation and Deep Prayer.

#### **OMP NEWS**

Finance Committee Meeting 10th -12th of April 18.



L-R. Fr. Aisake V, Fr Kevin M, Fr. Brian W. Mr Lawrence C (OMP accountant)
Absent from the Photo is Mr John Gorman OMP investment Manager and Fr Ofa Vaihu sm.

### Sick Confreres Bishop John Doaninoel sm

According to Bishop Chris, "Bishop John Doaninoel was thrilled to be back to Solomon Island after one year and seven months in Philippines. Bishop John is thin but eager to be back in his own place with Solomon food and friends. His prognosis is uncertain at present but they are hoping for the best. Bishop is still continuing with his treatment. It seems that the best Medicine for Bishop John is the visitation from his friends and confreres. The Oceania Marist Province is grateful to Bishop Chris for taking care of Bishop John. Fr. Antoine Tamaraka

Fr Francois Grossin reported that Fr Antoine is recovering very well.

**Week One:** Community Reflection in Preparation for Council of the Province Meeting 30th of June to the 5th of July 2018

General Chapter 2017- Decision # 9a "Search for creative ways to grow constantly in lives of contemplation and lead others along the path of discipleship and mission rotted in deep prayer." Statement #30 "Contemplation as the energy source, the mystical heart of Marist mission is intimately linked with our identity as Marist religious. To form a communion for mission, we need to deepen the contemplative dimension of our lives (cf Const. 118). With Jesus at the center we can, like Mary, be missionaries of hope." Decisions #32 "Marists are recommended to spend one hour in private prayer each day." #33 "Leadership at different levels in the Society shall endeavor to support Marists in deepening the quality of their prayer both individual and communal."

**Provincial Chapter 2017 – Statute #1** "The first aim of the Society of Mary is for its members to grow in personal holiness (Const. 10). The Marist's relationship to God in prayer is the foundation of his religious and apostolic life. Our Mission Statement encourages us to be committed to prayer."

**For the Report:** The Superior of the community could appoint one of the community members to write the main points of the discussions and send it to the Sector Leader to compile it together.

- 1. What are the current states of personal and community prayers that are happening in the Sector's communities? (Strength and weaknesses)
- 2. What are the PRACTICAL WAYS in which the community, with COURAGE and IMAGINATION, would encourage the RENEWAL of personal and communal commitment to contemplation and deep prayer? (Opportunities)



ST JOHN'S COLLEGE, CAWACI FIJI

HIT BY ANOTHER CYCLONE

St John's College in Cawaci, Ovalau, Fiji has been hit by another cyclone, this time by Tropical Cyclone *Keni*. Although the damage does not appear as severe as tropical cyclone Winston in 2016, it has affected 315 students.

The school's principal, Mr Alosio Saukuru, said they were in desperate need of funds to rebuild so that students could continue their classes normally. The building that has lost its roof is an old one that was reconstructed after tropical cyclone . (news from Cawaci)