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Here is our new web site where we may share what is taking place in our entities: www.montfortian.info

The Extraordinary General Council (Fatima, Portugal: 12 – 19 May, 2013

The Extraordinary General Council this time took place in Fatima from 12 – 19 May 2013. There were 25 participants. The venue was *Domus Carmeli*, situated very close to the Marian sanctuary of Fatima. After the initial welcome and inaugural address, Fr. General recalled the proposition of the General Chapter of 2011: *During the next six years, we want to let God come into us, among us and, through us, into the world.* Fr. General explained how the implementation has been done during these last two years by way of continental assemblies, formators' meetings, launching of a News website, international experiences, and taking steps to protect the children and vulnerable adults and promoting lay participation.

A picture of **formation** in the congregation was presented by Fr. Jorge Enrique and the steps that are taken in the formation of the formators. Every day there were talks followed by workshops. The Assembly also reflected upon the theme of **collaboration with the laity** both by way of working with them and by way of sharing our spirituality through the Association of Mary, Queen of All Hearts. To this effect a Committee for the Lay Associates was formed on the 15th December 2011.

The superiors of **the older entities** shared their concerns as to how the Montfortian presence is to be preserved in future in their entities. Fr. Claude Sigouin (Canada), Fr. Olivier Maire (France), Fr. Kieran Flynn (GB/I) and Fr. Matt Considine (USA) spoke of their plans and the kind of collaboration envisaged for the future. Four superiors spoke about the experiences of their collaboration with other entities. They are Fr. Cletus (India), Fr. Alexandre (Madagascar), Fr. Luizinho and Fr. Matt Considine. The sharing was followed by workshops and the plenary.

The next day was dedicated to reflection on creating a safe environment for **children and vulnerable adults**. The day was guided by Dr. Monica Applewhite and Fr. Fitzsimmons.

She highlighted the issue of sexual abuse by priests and religious and the complexity of the matter. She followed the "root cause analysis" to address the issue. She spoke about the effects of this abuse and what the abused want and the way to create a response. Then she spoke about the types of abusers and finally about how to prevent future abuse.



The next area for reflection revolved around **Fraternal Community**. In the workshops every one shared the strengths and the challenges of their communities at various levels. Fr. General introduced the theme of personal spiritual life where he said that the Gospel radicalism is the source of spiritual life. Our community and Mission always keep us linked to Christ. A consecrated person, who lives out the Beatitudes pronounced by Jesus, becomes an open person, a man of encounter, of confrontation, of research, of prayer, in union with all men and women of good will. Following the workshop, a presentation of the International Spirituality team at St. Laurent was done and the assembly also expressed its expectations of the team.

Fr. Peter Denneman introduced the book of Fr. Wiel Logister, S.M.M., *Touched by the Humility of God* and gave each confrère present there and each entity a complimentary copy. *The English Montfortian Prayer book* is prepared and is entrusted to Fr. Cletus, the superior of the entity of India to look into its printing.

Fr. General then spoke about the generosity of the northern entities and how they helped the southern entities in the past. Then he invited **the southern entities** to share about their efforts towards financial self-sufficiency. The entities of Madagascar, Philippines, Peru-Brazil, Indonesia, India, Congo, Papua New Guinea, Haiti, Ecuador and Colombia shared about their commitment and efforts towards financial self-sufficiency.

Fr. Georges Madore presented the plan for celebrating **the 300th anniversary of the death of Montfort**. The year-long celebration will begin on the 24 May 2015 at St. Laurent and will conclude on 11 September 2016 in Pontchâteau. He presented five objectives and suggested six projects.

A topic for discussion was presented: the **revision of the Constitutions and the General Statutes**. With regard to the General Statutes, four things need to be considered: first obedience, the length of mandate of the Superior General and his Council, the mandate of the Superiors of entities, and the juridical structure of a District.

The following half-day was dedicated to **Financial matters** and the presentation was made by Mr. John Tortolani, the consultant of BMT, New York. He explained to the members how the congregation's money is invested now and what is the possible financial future. He explained about the necessity of good investing to have better returns. The session ended with an exchange of opinions and the clarification of doubts.

The **change of juridical status of certain entities** was presented. Entities like Madagascar, Indonesia, and Papua New Guinea have presented their requests. Votes were taken and all their requests were approved.

The Sunday of Pentecost, there was the concluding Mass and the Missioning ceremony. It was then followed by the evaluation of the entire meeting.

FORMATION IN THE CONGREGATION:

- ► **Statistics** of the present situation:
 - o In Latin America there are 22 *Pre-Postulants* (19 Haiti and 3 in Colombia); *Postulants*: Haiti: 17; Peru-Brazil: 7; Colombia: 9; Ecuador: 3; *Novices*: Haiti: 6; Peru: 2; Brazil: 1; Colombia: 1; Ecuador: 1; *Scholastics*: Haiti: 8; Brazil: 6.
 - o In Africa and Madagascar: *Pre-Postulants*: Madagascar: 12; *Postulants*: Madagascar: 12; Africa-Anglophone: 16; Africa-Francophone: 15; *Novices*: Madagascar: 2; Africa-Anglophone: 4; Africa-Francophone: 6; *Scholastics*: Madagascar: 5; Africa-Anglophone: 14; Africa-Francophone: 9.
 - o **In Europe:** *Pre-Postulants*: Italy 5; GB/I 1; *Postulants*: Italy 2; Novices: Italy 2; *Scholastics*: Italy 6 and Portugal: 1.
 - o **In Asia:** *Pre-Postulants*: Indonesia: 7; India: 16; Philippines: 4; *Postulants*: Indonesia: 16; India: 14; Philippines: 5; *Novices*: Indonesia: 24; India: 2; and Philippines: 9; *Scholastics*: Indonesia: 49; India: 14; Philippines: 3.
- ► At the moment we have three International Novitiates:
 - The English speaking at **Bulacan** (Philippines)
 - French Speaking at **Montfort-Sur-Meu** (France)
 - Spanish speaking at **Paipa** (Colombia)
- ▶ At present we have the following International Scholasticates:
 - Nairobi: Africa (English & French) and the Philippines.
 - **Peru**: All of South America
 - Rome: (Italy, Croatia and Portugal)



First Professions

On 29 June 2013, at Paipa (Colombia): Menard Valcin (Province of Haiti), Rafael Tadeo Carrillo Gomez (Province of Colombia), Samuel Antonio Messias (Delegation of Peru-Brazil), Henry Espinoza Acero (Delegation of Peru-Brazil), Efraín Fernando Espinoza Carrasco (Delegation of Peru-Brazil), Héctor Jacinto Pesántez Atiencia (Ecuador, Province of France).

Final Professions

On 16 March 2013, at Andraisoro (Madagascar): Hervé RAFALISOLOHERINIRINA, Jean Marc Fidèle RAZAFIMAHATRATRA.

Diaconate Ordinations

On 15 September 2012, at Delmas, Port-au-Prince (Haiti): Milot FRÉDÉRIQUE, Norbert TIBEAU, Emile TOUSSAINT.

On 17 March 2013, at Antsobolo (Madagascar): Hervé RAFALISOLOHERINIRINA, Jean Marc Fidèle RAZAFIMAHATRATRA.

Priestly Ordinations

On 19 March 2013, in Port-au-Prince (Haiti) : Milot FRÉDÉRIQUE, Norbert TIBEAU, Emile TOUSSAINT.

On 6 April 2013, at Makati City, Manila (Philippines): Santiago CASING, Rene S. BUSTILLO, Sherwin Ybañez NUÑEZ.

On 13 April 2013, at Kadikira (Malawi): Samuel Paul SATIELE.

On 8 June 2013, in Balaka (Malawi): Felix Nefitale CHISAMBA.

On 13 June 2013, in Kisumu (Kenya): Jacob Ombidi OTIENO.

On 29 June 2013, in Mbarara (Ouganda): Francis Muhangi BUKARENGA.

New team for the International Noviciate at Bulacan (Philippines)

On the 14th March 2013 the Superior General with the consent of his council has appointed the following team for the International Noviciate at Bulacan, Philippines: **Father Mario BELOTTI** – Novice Master, **Father Ernest AKHONYA MUKAVANA** – Socius, **Father Sherwin Ybañez NUÑES** – team member. This appointment comes into effect from the 1st August 2013.

New Administration in Malawi (Delegation of Italy)

On 18 April 2013, Father Angelo Livio EPIS, Superior of the Province of Italy, after consultation of his council, named Father Domenico PEDULLÀ Superior Delegate of the Italian Delegation of Malawi, for a mandate of three years. The Councillors of Father Domenico PEDULLÀ are: Father Luigi FRATUS (vicar), Father Piergiorgio GAMBA and Father Luciano MARANGON.





P. Luigi Fratus P. Piergiorgio Gamba P. Luciano Marangon

Papua New Guinea - new juridical status

The Superior General, after the consultation with the Extraordinary General Council and with the consent of his Council, on 3 June 2013 accepted the change of juridical status of Papua New Guinea, from being an International Community attached to the Generalate to a **General Delegation**.

Madagascar - new juridical status

The Superior General, after the consultation with the Extraordinary General Council and with the consent of his Council, on 3 June 2013 accepted the change of juridical status of Madagascar, from being a General Delegation to a Vice-Province.

Indonesia - new juridical status

The Superior General, after the consultation with the Extraordinary General Council and with the consent of his Council, on 3 June 2013 accepted the change of juridical status of **Indonesia**, from being a *Vice-Province* to a **Province**.

Resignation of Fr. Georges Madore as Vicar General and Councillor

With regret but respectful of each person's way in life, the resignation of **Father Georges MADORE** as Vicar and General Councillor has been accepted and **Father Jorge Enrique GONZÁLEZ VÁSQUEZ** has been named as the new Vicar General. Father Georges assures us of his availability for certain specific tasks we would like to offer him and we are sure his contribution will remain precious and that we will benefit from his competence in many fields.

New Superior of the International Scholasticate in Nairobi (Kenya)

The Superior General with the consent of his council appointed **Father Felix Mabvuto PHIRI** as Superior of the International Scholasticate in Nairobi (Kenya) for a mandate of 3 years starting from the 1st July 2013. Father Frederick SCRAGG continues as a member of the formation team for time being.



Fatima: Fr. Peter Denneman presents the Superior General with the book written by Fr. Wiel Logister: "Touched by the Humility of God. Spirituality in the line of Louis-Marie Grignion de Montfort".

► To order copies please contact: provinciaal@montfortanen.nl by 31-08-2013 (10 Euro per copy)

SMM Statistics on 31-12-2012

| « ENTITÉ JURIDIQUE » (31-12-2012) | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|-----|----|-----|-------|
| | P. | F. | S. | Total |
| Adm. Générale | 5 | 0 | 0 | 5 |
| Afrique Angl. (Dél.Gén.) | 12 | 1 | 15 | 28 |
| Afrique Franc. (Dél.Gén.) | 8 | 1 | 9 | 18 |
| Allemagne (Dél.Gén.) | 17 | 1 | 0 | 18 |
| Belgique (Dél.Gén.) | 23 | 5 | 0 | 28 |
| Canada (V-Pr.) | 25 | 10 | 0 | 35 |
| Colombie (Pr.) | 41 | 1 | 0 | 42 |
| Équateur (Dél.FR) | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| États-Unis (Pr.) | 22 | 2 | 1 | 25 |
| France (Pr.) | 64 | 18 | 0 | 82 |
| GB/I (V-Pr.) | 11 | 3 | 0 | 14 |
| Haïti (Pr.) | 50 | 0 | 11 | 61 |
| Inde (V-Pr.) | 61 | 0 | 19 | 80 |
| Indonésie (V-Pr.) | 41 | 5 | 55 | 101 |
| Italie (Pr.) | 105 | 5 | 5 | 115 |
| Madagascar (Dél.Gén.) | 25 | 5 | 7 | 37 |
| Malawi (Dél.IT) | 13 | 2 | 0 | 15 |
| Pays-Bas (Pr.) | 39 | 7 | 0 | 46 |
| Pérou-Brésil (Dél.Gén.) | 28 | 2 | 4 | 34 |
| Philippines (Dél.Gén.) | 12 | 1 | 7 | 20 |
| PNG (Comm.Gén.) | 9 | 1 | 0 | 10 |
| Portugal (Dél.Gén.) | 13 | 1 | 4 | 18 |
| | 628 | 71 | 137 | 836 |

« LIEU DE TRAVAIL » (31-12-2012)

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|-------------|-----|----|-----|---------------|
| All | P. | F. | S. | Total |
| Allemagne | 24 | 1 | 0 | 25 |
| Argentine | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Bahamas | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Belgique | 21 | 4 | 0 | 25 |
| Brésil | 11 | 1 | 1 | 13 |
| Canada | 34 | 11 | 0 | 45 |
| Colombie | 39 | 1 | 0 | 40 |
| Congo (CD) | 6 | 2 | 1 | 9 |
| Croatie | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| Équateur | 6 | 0 | 0 | 6 |
| Espagne | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| États-Unis | 25 | 2 | 0 | 27 |
| France | 62 | 19 | 0 | 81 |
| GB/I | 12 | 3 | 0 | 15 |
| Haïti | 35 | 0 | 11 | 46 |
| Inde | 51 | 0 | 19 | 70 |
| Indonésie | 35 | 5 | 55 | 95 |
| Italie | 96 | 5 | 0 | 101 |
| Kenya | 2 | 0 | 23 | 25 |
| Madagascar | 21 | 3 | 7 | 31 |
| Malawi | 20 | 4 | 3 | 27 |
| Nicaragua | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Ouganda | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Papouasie | 9 | 1 | 0 | 10 |
| Pays-Bas | 37 | 5 | 0 | 42 |
| Pérou | 24 | 2 | 6 | 32 |
| Philippines | 13 | 0 | 4 | 17 |
| Portugal | 11 | 1 | 1 | 13 |
| Rome | 13 | 1 | 6 | 20 |
| St-Martin | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 |
| Zambie | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| | 628 | 71 | 137 | 836 |

« NATIONALITÉ » (31-12-2012)

| | P. | F. | S. | Total |
|------------------|-----|----|-----|-------|
| Allemagne | 16 | 1 | 0 | 17 |
| Angleterre | 11 | 1 | 0 | 12 |
| Angola | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 |
| Belgique | 14 | 3 | 0 | 17 |
| Brésil | 3 | 0 | 2 | 5 |
| Canada | 28 | 10 | 0 | 38 |
| Colombie | 42 | 1 | 0 | 43 |
| Congo (CD) | 7 | 1 | 9 | 17 |
| Croatie | 4 | 0 | 4 | 8 |
| Ecosse | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 |
| Équateur | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Espagne | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| États-Unis | 20 | 2 | 0 | 22 |
| France | 64 | 18 | 0 | 82 |
| Haïti | 50 | 0 | 11 | 61 |
| Inde | 64 | 0 | 19 | 83 |
| Indonésie | 46 | 5 | 55 | 106 |
| Irlande (IE/NIR) | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Italie | 131 | 8 | 1 | 140 |
| Kenya | 1 | 0 | 3 | 4 |
| Madagascar | 20 | 6 | 7 | 33 |
| Malawi | 7 | 1 | 6 | 14 |
| Nicaragua | 2 | 0 | 1 | 3 |
| Ouganda | 1 | 0 | 5 | 6 |
| Pays de Galles | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Pays-Bas | 50 | 9 | 0 | 59 |
| Pérou | 14 | 1 | 2 | 17 |
| Philippines | 12 | 1 | 7 | 20 |
| Portugal | 12 | 1 | 2 | 15 |
| Suisse | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Zambie | 1 | 0 | 1 | 2 |
| | 628 | 71 | 137 | 836 |



OUR DECEASED CONFRERES OF THE COMPANY OF MARY

whose obituaries you will find in the next edition of « In the House of the Father... »

| Jan | uary 2013 | | <u>age</u> | <u>profession</u> |
|------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|------------|-------------------|
| 4 | Fr. Denis BURBAN | Cholet (France) | 72 | 50 |
| 18 | Fr. Vincent CUNNINGHAM | Bay Shore, NY (USA) | 94 | 56 |
| 23 | Fr. Albert DEFÈSCHE | Monschau (Germany) | 94 | 72 |
| Feb | oruary 2013 | | | |
| 12 | Fr. Johannes (Jan) BECHTOLD | Eindhoven (Netherlands) | 87 | 63 |
| Ma | rch 2013 | | | |
| 2 | Br. Hervé JÉZÉQUEL | St Laurent s/S (France) | 91 | 75 |
| 2 | Fr. Efraín RODRÍGUEZ RODRÍGUEZ | Bogotá (Colombia) | 83 | 62 |
| 12 | Fr. Gioacchino SANGIORGIO | Bergamo (Italy) | 94 | 75 |
| 27 | Fr. Giuseppe CORTINOVIS | Costa Serina (Italy) | 63 | 40 |
| Ma | y 2013 | | | |
| 5 | Fr. Robert CLODIC | Nantes (France) | 87 | 67 |
| 9 | Fr. Alfons Maria MERTENS | Dillingen /Saar (Germany) | 83 | 59 |
| 14 | S. Gideon Justus KUBEBEA | Mangochi (Malawi) | 26 | 3 |
| Jun | e 2013 | | | |
| 24 | Br. Marcel (René LHUILLIER) | Illiers-l'Évêque (France) | 87 | 62 |
| July | y 2013 | | | |
| 13 | Fr. Henricus (Heinz) MENNENS | Herent (Belgium) | 100 | 79 |

Web Links to visit...



WORLD YOUTH DAY

From 23 to 28 July 2013 – Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) « Go and make disciples of all nations » (Mt 28:19). http://www.rio2013.com

The Pope live: http://www.radiovaticana.va/

THE MONTFORTIAN BLOG

On-going Formation on the Spirituality of St Louis-Marie Grignion de Montfort

« Childhood is always ahead of us, in Christus! »

http://blog.montfort.org/

31 MARCH-PILGRIMAGE WITH THE MONTFORTIAN FAMILY

130 Km in 7 days starting from St Laurent-sur-Sèvre (France)From Sunday 28 July 2013 to Sunday 4 August 2013.« Opening the door of Faith with Mary ».

http://www.pelerinage-montfortain-hospitalite.org/index.php/marche-montfortaine.html

 $\mathbf{5}^{^{TH}} \ \textbf{R.I.S.L.} \ \textbf{-} \ \textbf{International Meeting in Saint-Laurent-Sur-Sèvre} \ (\textbf{France})$

6 - 10 August 2013

« Open up to Jesus Christ! » « Jesus is the only Life that can animate us. » http://www.pelerinage-montfortain-hospitalite.org/index.php/risl.html

& texts to read...

| Consecration | Preparation for Total Consecration (Fr. Donald Macdonald, S.M.M.): The Spirit of the World ► Self-Knowledge ► Knowledge of our Lady ► Knowledge of our Lord. http://www.montfort.org.uk/AliveToGod/PrepProg.php |
|---------------|--|
| BIOGRAPHY | The life of Monsieur Louis Marie Grignion De Montfort (Joseph Grandet, p.s.s.): Translated from the French by Fr. Paul R. Allerton, S.M.M. http://www.montfort.org.uk/Documents/Grandet%20-%20Life%20of%20St%20Louis%20Marie%20de%20Montfort.pdf |
| LECTIO DIVINA | The Secret of Mary by Saint Louis-Marie de Montfort – Text and Integration Exercises: Animation Tool for 2013. http://www.montfortian.info/the-secret-of-maryle-secret-de-marie.html |



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|--|--|--|--|
| HÉLÈNE LE MAY, FDLS - DTHP | La Sagesse que chante saint Louis-Marie Grignion de Montfort; Ottawa; 2013; 419 pp. | | |
| ST. LOUIS DE MONTFORT | True Devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. Preparation for the Reign of Jesus Christ; Montfort Publications; 13 th Printing; New York; 2011; 159 pp. | | |
| LAWRENCE JOSEPH, S.G. | The man who walked with God ; Edited and published by Bro. George Kalangod; second edition; 1998; 104 pp. | | |
| SVÄTÝ L'UDOVÍT MÁRIA GRIGNION Z MONTFORTU | Obdivuhodné tajomstvo presvätého ruženca k obráteniu a spáse. (Z francúzskeho originálu: Le secret admirable du très saint rosaire pour se convertir et se sauver; preložil: Juraj Augustín); | | |
| SVÄTÝ L'UDOVÍT MÁRIA GRIGNION Z MONTFORTU | Sväté metódy, ako sa modliť svätý ruženec a ziskať milosti z tajomstiev života, umučenia a slávy Ježiša a Márie; (Z francúzskeho originálu: Méthodes pour réciter le rosaire et attirer sur soi la grâce des mystères de la vie, de la passion et de la gloire de Jésus et de Marie; preložil: Juraj Augustín); | | |
| HILDEGARD WAACH | L'udovít Mária Grignion z Montfortu / skica; (Z nemeckého originálu: Ludwig Maria Grignion von Montfort/eine Skizze; prekladatel' neznámy); | | |
| | Vydavatel'stvo Don Bosco; 2013; 381 pp. (en langue slovaque) | | |
| CARLENDEM JULES FREGO ANTENOR, S.M.M. | « L'Amour de la Sagesse éternelle » de Louis-Marie Grignion de Montfort. Une tendre et véritable dévotion à la Sainte Vierge, le merveilleux secret pour acquérir et conserver la Sagesse; License en théologie dogmatique avec spécialisation en Mariologie; Marianum; Pontificia Facoltà Teologica; Moderator: Corrado Maggioni, SMM; Roma; 2013; 113 pp. | | |
| | CD; Jhunkhara ; (<i>Hymns for the Mass</i>); by Fr. David Joseph, s.m.m.; Mysore (Inde); (<i>en langue kannada</i>) | | |
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