



District of the Pacific Update

Champagnat Marist

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10th August 2018

Current News Items

Celebration of Greymouth Jubilee event reported by Brothers Osmund and Alan



On Friday evening 3rd August, the committee and their spouses, including Janet and Chris Webster, sat down to enjoy each other's company over a generous meal in celebration of a job well done early December 2017. The photo shows Janet and Chris Webster enjoying themselves. Janet is the DRS at JP II High School.



A Brief Word from Port Moresby Brother Douglas Reporting

Our community officially numbers three but this week we expand to thirteen including two novices (here before they head back to their Novitiate in Sri Lanka). We have an Extended District Council meeting which two lay people attend, followed by the District Council meeting (two Brothers arrive for that), a third councillor is already here, assisting his cousin from the Solomon's who is here for meetings, as well as our postulant from Bougainville here till the end of the year, receiving help from Doug with English and work on Marcellin. We also have an SMSM sister here, awaiting her visa to enable her to return to her work in the Philippines. It's indicative of the spread of the District of Melanesia that people come from Vanuatu, Solomon's, Bougainville and elsewhere in PNG for such meetings. Never a dull moment here!



Tomorrow's Schools' Review Gathering

Fifteen Brothers gathered at Onslow Avenue last Friday night to discuss the questionnaire put out by the Ministry of Education seeking views and suggestions on how to update the process involved. Taking the eleven questions in turn there was a lively debate plus several suggestions on how to improve the current situation involving schools, Boards of Trustees, parent groups, the local community around the school, processes involving schools such as enrolments, curriculum, parental involvement, etc. After the meeting was completed an enjoyable evening meal and social time followed.



District Dates

Wednesday 15th — Assumption of Mary Feast day.

Friday 17th — District Council Meeting in Fiji.

Wednesday 22nd — SHC Hostel Meeting.

Links:

[Marial Prayer—Week 18](#)



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New Champagnat Institute Driveway Opened in Fiji



Brother Fergus cuts the ribbon



driven by Brother Kees



—here comes the first car to use it —

Feast of the Assumption

15 August 2018

This is an invitation to pray in solidarity with:

Brother Anitelea Fidow who will renew his vows at MAPAC Manila in the Philippines

Ienraku Temoai as he begins his novitiate

Ieremia Karekennatu as he begins his novitiate

Mary, your life tells us that the journey of faith is a pilgrimage, a breaking away from old ways and from ties that hold us back, a pilgrimage on which we have no other support except the Word of God. Be with Anitelea, Ienraku and Ieremia as they mark another step in their journey in faith. Amen.

