



# District of the Pacific Update

## Champagnat Marist

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### Current News Items

#### Congratulations and our thanks To Brother Kieran Fenn



Br Kieran's award ceremony was reported in last week's District Update but we would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge Kieran for his dedication and the tireless energy he puts into all the work he undertakes and we wish his every blessing as he continues into the future.

### District Dates

Wednesday 18th—Property Meeting at 8.30 am at Onslow Avenue.

Wednesday 18th—College Companies AGM at Onslow Avenue at 4.00 pm.

Friday 20th—District Council Meeting at Onslow Avenue.

Monday 23rd—Fourvière Day. Also the beginning of Term Three for New Zealand Schools.

13th July 2018

#### Brother Samisoni with News from Kaikohe

Greetings to you on behalf of all our community from Kaikohe, in the North. On Saturday evening, 2<sup>nd</sup> of June, the Brothers, Lay Marists and the S.M. Sisters came together to celebrate the Feast Day of Saint Marcellin Champagnat in our community. We had a beautiful and simple gathering. We started with a prayer that was prepared by Brother Romuald and shared stories before the main meal.



We were happy to have Brother Osmund with us for few days. He visited our community and also had an opportunity to visit his friends around the North. He is full of life and funny stories, especially about his favourite sport - cricket. It is good to see some Brothers are keen to visit our place in the north.

#### St Paul's College



Brother Colin Reporting: The St Paul's College successful Junior League Team at Halberg Park, the home of the Marist Saints, Owairaka.



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### **Blessing of 100A Victoria Street Foundations**

On Sunday the 8<sup>th</sup> of July, fifteen Brothers from around Auckland gathered in the chapel of 102A Victoria Street to pray over and bless the foundations of the new house being built next door. After our prayer together, we took in turns to sprinkle water over the foundations and then returned to the chapel where we enjoyed each other's company over afternoon tea.



### **2018 Year 13 Boarders Project Report – Levuka Island Brother Kees Reporting from Fiji**

Last week on the 29th of June our Year 13 boarders and 2 Hostel Staff went to paint the graveyards of early missionaries who are buried in Tokou Village in the island of Levuka. They are Father Joannes Baptista Breheret S.M. (Marist Priest) and Brother Sorlinus Gente F.M.S. (Marist Brother). Brother Sorlinus was a Marist Brother - teaching Brother but did not come and teach but assisted his friend Father Breheret in other missionary work. They both came together to Levuka from France in 1851 as missionaries. The graveyard has never been painted for many years. The Cross on Brother Sorlinus's grave was last painted by the Year 13 of 2015 in which Brother Luke and I came with the group. This year the Year 13 went to paint the two graveyards, Cross on Brother Sorlinus's grave and the remembrance Cross. According to the Roko Tui Tokou, the Chief of the village, that this Remembrance Cross on the graveyard site which was built by two missionaries to be used for Celebration of the Mass for All Souls. According to history that Tokou village is the first village in Levuka to convert to Catholicism.

