



# MARIST LAITY NZ

INSTRUMENTS OF MERCY IN DAILY LIFE.



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News

## **Seminar Day: Monday 5th June**

**Marist beginnings & Heritage in Oceania** and  
the launch of – **Far Distant Shores**

*A history of the Marist Brothers in the Pacific 1838-2013* by  
Br Edward Clisby FMS

**Date: Monday 5 June** (Queen's B.D. Mon.)

**Location:** Good Shepherd College, Ponsonby

**Time:** 10am - 4 pm (Morning - Tea from 9:30am)

**Lunch** provided **IF YOU RSVP** by **Mon. 29 May**  
to Kerri Clayton: [nzmarist@fmsoacific.com](mailto:nzmarist@fmsoacific.com)

*You're welcome to any or part of the day*

9:30am Morning tea available

10:00am Welcome and prayer

10:10am Fr Alois Greiler SM

11:00am Fr Justin Taylor SM

11:50am Br Edward Clisby FMS - *Book launch*

12:45pm **Lunch** – **REGISTER for catering**  
**or else BYO**

1:30pm Br Romuald Gibson FMS

2:15pm Sr Gemma Wilson SM

3:00pm Sr Patricia Leamy SMSM

3:45pm Finish - *afternoon tea will be available*



Hi everyone, I trust you are well as winter begins and June is upon us...

**Pentecost** - I am writing this just before the Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians and we are about to enter the feasts of the Ascension, Visitation and Pentecost. Acts 1 says the disciples "*devoted themselves to prayer, together with Mary.*" Let's ask the Blessed Mother to accompany us as we move into Pentecost and beyond. You could pray a Novena and if you haven't been to Confession lately, why not go before Pentecost. Consider some other effort as a way to "*devote ourselves*" more fully to prayer.

- Read the Ascension, Visitation and Pentecost stories and pray
- Ask Mary to teach you how to pray for the Holy Spirit e.g. "*Mary, loving Mother, intercede for me that I may be filled with the Holy Spirit as you and the first disciples were.*"

**KAUTAHA MALIA:** On Saturday 22nd April about 60 Tongan Marist young people aged 10-25 gathered in Auckland for their retreat day. Then 40 Tongan Marist adults gathered in May for a full weekend retreat. Apart from the sadness of a member passing away that weekend it went

very well also. Bev gave one of the morning sessions for the youth and was inspired by their commitment and Marist identity. More pictures will be on the news page of the website.

The International Marist Laity News is almost ready and will be sent soon. Please keep praying for the Chapter and for Bev and a French Lay man who have been invited to attend the Chapter for 4 days - more on this later.

***We hope to see some of you on the 5th.***

*It will be a great day. God bless,  
Bev and Vanessa.*

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