

MARY'S IMPACT ON YOUTH TODAY (1)

WEAVING LIFE

Gather with prayer, Then someone read: 1 Cor. 13:11-13

When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, and I thought as a child. But when I became an adult, I put away childish things. For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then, we shall see face to face. Now I know only in part, but then I will know fully, even as I have been fully known. So now abide faith, hope, and love, these three. But the greatest of these is love.

Listen to the CD or read the Script.

Simply use these questions as starters to guide your sharing.

- What stands out for you in the Scripture above?
- Antonia speaks about 'community, interiority, solidarity and mission'. Share what each term means to you.
- When you think of those four terms, which ones are most well developed in your life?
- How could a 'mirror' experience of seeing yourself honestly help you grow in relationship with God and others?
- The event was called Weaving life. What are some ways you weave your Marist identity and mission into your everyday life?

Take a moment to read this Easter Reflection

We have passed from death to life

Paul writes to the Christians of Colossae: "You are risen with Christ!". As if our entry into eternal life had already been accomplished, even if we are not there yet.

The resurrection is on the march when a man or a woman rises from their tomb of hatred and violence, when they flee from the rancour that gnaws at them.

The resurrection is at work when a man or woman frees themselves from the tomb of sin and welcomes in life the joy of God's forgiveness.

The resurrection manifests itself when someone emerges from the grip of alcohol, drugs or misguided sexuality.

The resurrection is sown when a person abandons the tomb of their own failure, in order to still believe in life, happiness, love and simply to carry hope in them.

The resurrection is signaled by a hand extended in solidarity, in help and service freely given, in indifference defeated and in every gesture of peace.

We could extend this list of empty tombs where the light of the Risen One of Easter shines.

May we all live resurrected!

(Father Joseph Proux, published February 2015).



Conclude in prayer together: Then pray...

Thank you Lord for the gift of belonging in Mary's family.

Renew our identity and commitment as part of the global Marist world.

Weave us together as a community committed to the compassion, challenge and mission of the church with joy, embraced in the mantle of Mary, And in the name of Christ Our Lord. Amen