MARIST PROVINCE OF WEST AFRICA

RELIGIOUS CALENDAR: NOVEMBER 2026

POPE'S INTENTION: FOR THE PROPER USE OF WEALTH

Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

November 1 – Sunday – SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS
Office: Proper Vestment: White

Liturgy: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14. "I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language."
1 Jn 3:1-3. "We shall be like God because we shall see him as he really is."
Mt 5:1-12a. "How happy are the poor in spirit."

Anniversaries: In 1805 Saint Marcellin entered the seminary in Verriers.
In 1968 First Marist foundation in Paraguay.

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT

In his experience with a young boy who was about to die without ever having heard much about God, Marcellin sensed the calls for help of thousands of young people who, like him, were victims of tragic spiritual and material poverty. These events confirmed his earlier intuition and moved him to action.

Intentions: We pray for children and young people living in spiritual and material poverty, that they may encounter God's love through caring and committed people.

November 2 – Monday of the THE COMMEMORATION OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED (ALL SOULS' DAY)
Psalm: Proper Vestment: Violet

Liturgy: Is 25:6a, 7-9. "The Lord will swallow up death forever."
Rom 5:5-11. "Now we have been reconciled by the death of his Son, surely we may count on being saved by the life of his Son."
Mt 11:25-30. "You have hidden these things from the wise and revealed them to children."

Anniversaries: In 1816 Marcellin Champagnat meets John Baptist Audras for the first time.
In 1853 Brother Stanislaus died at the Hermitage.

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT
The **first Brothers**, all from poor rural families, were a diverse group, differently disposed, as the case may be, to a life of prayer, contemplation, and apostolic activity. Marcellin welcomed them "as if they had been sent by Mary herself."

Intentions: We give thanks for all vocations and pray for open hearts to welcome each person as a gift from God.
For all the deceased of our families, our brothers and all those who were dear to us

November 3 – Tuesday of the 31st Week in Ordinary Time
Psalm: Week 3 Vestment: Green

Memorial of Saint Martin de Porres, born in Peru, was the son of a Spanish father and an African slave mother. He became a medical assistant and later joined the Dominican Order, where he continued to provide medical care to the poor while living a humble and austere life with great devotion to the Eucharist. He died in 1638.

Liturgy: Phil 2:5-11. "Christ humbled himself but God raised him."
Lk 14:15-24. "Not one of those who were invited shall have a taste of my banquet."

Birthday: Br. Ivo Njongai (1966) from Cameroon.

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT
As far as was possible and always in accordance with the legal requirements, Marcellin offered his followers initial and ongoing human, spiritual and professional formation. The Hermitage, therefore, can be described as the crucible of Marist pedagogy.

Intentions: We pray for those responsible for formation to follow Marcellin's example in providing holistic and faithful formation within our communities.

For Bro. Ivo, his family, community, friend and all his intentions.

November 4 – Wednesday of the 31st Week in Ordinary Time
Psalm: Week 3 Vestment: White

Memorial of Saint Charles Borromeo, Bishop. He was Archbishop of Milan and Cardinal. He played a leading role in the implementation of the Council of Trent. He was a prominent defender of the faith at the time of Counter-Reformation; he drafted the Catechism and established seminaries and Catholic schools. He died in 1584.

Liturgy: Phil 2:12-18. "Work for your salvation, for God is working in you."
Lk 14:25-33. "Anyone who does not carry his cross and follow me cannot be my disciple."

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT
The first printed edition of the Rule of Life of the Little Brothers of Mary (1837) gave structure to both their life as a religious community and their work in the school.

Intentions: For Provincial and his intentions.
For balance and harmony between community life and apostolic work, inspired by the Rule of Life.

November 5 – Thursday of the 31st Week in Ordinary Time
Psalm: Week 3 Vestment: Green

Liturgy: Phil 3:3-8a. "I was faultless according to the law; but without knowing Christ I was nothing."
Lk 15:1-10. "There will be rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner."

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT
With a heart that knew no bounds, Marcellin also helped other vulnerable people and those who were excluded from society such as those who were orphaned, elderly or in physical need.

Intentions: For hearts like Marcellin's, open to serving the poor, the elderly, the orphaned, and all who are vulnerable or excluded from society.
For our lay collaborators in our schools.

November 6 – Friday of the 31st Week in Ordinary Time
Psalms: Week 3 Vestment: Green

Liturgy: Phil 3:17 - 4:1. "Our homeland is in heaven, and from heaven comes Christ to transfigure us."
Lk 16:1-8. "The master praised the dishonest servant."

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT
Marcellin himself wrote to a Bishop who asked him for brothers: "Every diocese in the world figures in our plans"

Intentions: For an increase in vocations to the Marist way of life, that the Founder's dream may be fulfilled and the mission may reach every diocese in the world.

November 7 – Saturday of the 31st Week in Ordinary Time
Memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Psalms: Week 3 Vestment: Green

Liturgy: Phil 4:10-19. "With the help of the one who gives me strength, there is nothing I cannot master."
Lk 16:9-15. "Use money, tainted as it is, to win your friends."

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT
The source of his apostolic energy was ***his trust in God and in Mary, and his love for children and young people.***

Intentions: For immigrant and displaced people.
That we may draw our apostolic energy from trust in God and Mary, and from a deep love for children and young people.

Marist Saturday – Special prayers for vocation to the province.

November 8 – Sunday of the 32nd Week in Ordinary Time
Psalms: Week 4 Vestment: Green

Liturgy: Wis 6:12-16. "Wisdom is found by those who look for her."
1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14. "Do not grieve about those who have died in Jesus."
Mt 25:1-13. "The wise and foolish virgins."

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT
To secure the work of the brothers, he did not hesitate to act in a realistic, practical, and resilient manner. Realistic and practical in buying land and houses, constructing, renovating, and enlarging buildings to make them suitable for religious community life and formation. Resilient in facing and dealing with problems, as is evident in his efforts to gain official recognition for his Congregation.

Intentions: For our family members who are sick.

For those who mourn loved ones who have died in Christ, that they may find comfort and hope.

November 9 – Monday of the 32nd Week in Ordinary Time
Psalms: Week 4 Vestment: White

Feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

The Basilica of the St. John of the Lateran is the Cathedral of Rome and, as such, the cathedral of the Pope, Bishop of Rome. This feast reminds us of the symbolism of the church as places where Christian people gather to worship God.

Liturgy: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12. "Wherever the water flows, it will bring life and heal."
1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17. "The temple of God is sacred, and you are that temple."
Jn 2:13-22. "Destroy this sanctuary and in three days I will raise it up."

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT

Marcellin became an authentic leader, cultivating a particular style of leadership, with determination and commitment. He was a servant leader:29 "He hitched up his cassock, cut away the rock and built the house of the Hermitage".30 His style, so evident in his closeness, presence, and care as "father" and brother, inspired others in their service and leadership in Marist ministry.31

Intentions: That, following the example of Saint Marcellin Champagnat, we may grow as servant leaders, marked by commitment, closeness, and care in our Marist ministry.
For the gift of prayer upon all the brothers of the province.

November 10 – Tuesday of the 32nd Week in Ordinary Time
Psalms: Week 4 Vestment: White

Memorial of St Leo the great, pope and doctor of the Church

Liturgy: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14. "You must preach the behavior which goes with healthy doctrine."
Lk 17:7-10. "You are merely servants."

Reminder: Beginning of the Canonical Visit of the Provincial to the Postulancy Community.

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT

Key to his leadership was the way he empowered his brothers.
He established a system for training leaders, especially the head teachers of the schools, in the areas of administration, accounting, exercising co-responsibility, relating to other brothers, and teamwork.

Intentions: For the grace to implement effectively the skills we have learned through the various seminars organized at the provincial and general administration levels, especially in the area of servant leadership.
For the success of the canonical visit to the postulancy community.

November 11 – Wednesday of the 32nd Week in Ordinary Time
Psalms: Week 4 Vestment: White

Memorial of St Martin of Tours, Bishop and Martyr. He was a soldier in the Roman army until his conversion and Baptism. He was made bishop of Tours, France in 372. He spread the monastic life and is remembered by his love and sharing with poor.

Liturgy: Ti 3:1-7. "It was purely by his own compassion that God saved us."
Lk 17:11-19. "No-one has come back to praise God, only his foreigner."
Birthday: Br. Kevin Ngoran – 1965, from Cameroon.
Br. Valentine K. Meyanui – 1986, from Cameroon.
David Cooney – 1943.
Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT
Educator Of Children and Young People: Over time Marcellin became a good educator. In Marlhes, during his holidays from the seminary, he gathered children and even adults who came from quite a distance to attend his catechism lessons.33 In La Valla, the young curate transformed the parish by his welcoming and simple manner and by the careful preparation of catechism classes and his Sunday sermons, linking faith and life.34
Intentions: For all the Religious in the Dioceses where we work.
For the intentions of Our Brothers Kelvin, Valentine and David as they celebrate their Birthdays.

November 12 – Thursday of the 32nd Week in Ordinary Time
Psalms: Week 4 Vestment: Red

Memorial of Saint Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr. Born in Ukraine in 1580. His reform as bishop aroused hostility and he was murdered during a pastoral visit.

Liturgy: Phlm 7-20. "He is a slave no longer, but a dear brother in the Lord."
Lk 17:20-25. "The Kingdom of God is among you."
Birthday: Brother Michael Telewa from Ghana.
Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT

He also showed himself to be a committed educator of young people. His success in transforming young men who wanted to be Brothers into capable Christian educators was extraordinary. Marcellin was present among them, gave them good example, and helped them to develop humanly and spiritually, becoming a point of reference for their lives.

Intentions: That we may follow Saint Marcellin's example by guiding and forming young people through our presence and example, helping them grow humanly and spiritually.

For Brother Michael, his vocation, family, personal intentions and his apostolate in Buokrom.

November 13 – Friday of the 32nd Week in Ordinary Time
Psalms: Week 4 Vestment: Green

Liturgy: 2 Jn 4-9. "The commandment which you have heard since the beginning is to live a life of love."

Lk 17:26-37. "When the day comes for the Son of Man to be revealed."

Anniversaries: In 1941, cure of Jean Ranaivo, a pupil of the brothers in Madagascar. His cure was accepted by Rome as one of the miracles needed for the beatification of Fr. Champagnat.

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT

Together with them he drew up and refined a system of educational values inspired by Mary, the educator of Jesus at Nazareth.36 He worked hard to create a climate of good relationships with children and young people. Likewise, he was innovative in incorporating the most effective pedagogical methods of his day into their teaching.37 38

Intentions: That, inspired by Mary and Saint Marcellin, we may build loving relationships with young people and educate them with wisdom and creativity.

For people who are oppressed and marginalized in our countries.

For the Marist Community of Koumra, Chad.

November 14 – Saturday of the 32nd Week in Ordinary Time
Psalms: Week 4 Vestment: Green

Liturgy: 3 Jn 5-8. "It is our duty to welcome missionaries and contribute our share to their work."

Lk 18:1-8. "The parable of the unjust judge."

Reminder: End of the Canonical Visit of the Provincial to the Postulancy Community.

Anniversaries: In 1934 the Cause of Brother François was introduced in Rome.

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT

Marcellin showed a personal interest in each of his brothers, guided them spiritually, accompanied them, encouraged them to be properly prepared, and entrusted them with responsibilities. He visited their schools and assisted each brother in his mission as teacher and catechist.

Intentions: That, as missionaries ourselves, we may welcome one another with generosity and faithfully support the mission God has entrusted to us.
For all those persecuted for their faith.

Marist Saturday – Special prayers for vocation to the Church.

November 15 – Sunday of the 33rd Week in Ordinary Time
Psalms: Week 1 **Vestment: Green**

Liturgy: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31. "A perfect wife—who can find her?"
1 Thes 5:1-6. "God will bring him those who have died in Jesus."
Mt 25:14-30. "You have been faithful in small things: come and join in your master's happiness."

Anniversaries: In 1845, Françoise Perroton left France to begin her missionary work in Oceania, where she founded the Marist Missionary Sisters.
In 1873: Father Jean-Claude Colin died at La Neylière, France.

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT

Marcellin showed a personal interest in each of his brothers, guided them spiritually, accompanied them, encouraged them to be properly prepared, and entrusted them with responsibilities. He visited their schools and assisted each brother in his mission as teacher and catechist.

Intentions: That all our brothers may feel supported and guided, and may faithfully carry out their mission as teachers and catechists with dedication and joy.
For sick people in the hospitals and for all those caring for them.

November 16 – Monday of the 33rd Week in Ordinary Time
Psalms: Week 1 **Vestment: Green**

Memorial of Saint Margaret of Scotland (c. 1045–1093). He was a queen known for her deep faith, charity, and care for the poor. She worked to renew the Church in Scotland and lived a life of prayer, humility, and service.
Saint Gertrude the Great (1256–1302) was a Benedictine nun and mystic. She was known for her great love for Jesus, her devotion to the Sacred Heart, and her spiritual writings that continue to inspire the Church.

Liturgy: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5. "Think what you were before you fell, and repent."
Lk 18:35-43. "Son of David, have pity on me."

Reminder: Beginning of the Canonical Visit of the Provincial to the Kwadaso Community.
International Day of Tolerance.

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT

With his closeness to the people of his area and a sharp sense of their disadvantage in a changing world, Marcellin dared to imagine other possibilities beyond the vision of his contemporaries in Church and government. His determination and drive led him to gather followers to found a new religious community within six months of his ordination. The source of his apostolic energy was his trust in God and in Mary, and his love for children and young people.

Intentions: That we may remember our first love for the Lord, repent sincerely of our faults, and renew our faithfulness with humble hearts.
For religious tolerance and inter-religious dialogue in Africa.

November 17 – Tuesday of the 33rd Week in Ordinary Time
Psalms: Week 1 Vestment: White

Memorial of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious. She was a daughter of the King of Hungary. After her husband's death, she lived with complete austerity, visiting the poor and caring for the sick.

Liturgy: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22. "If one of you hears me calling, I will come in to share his meal."
Lk 19:1-10. "Salvation comes to the house of Zacchaeus."

Birthday: Brother Leonard Buhven (1991) from Cameroon.

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT

Key to his leadership was the way he empowered his brothers. He established a system for training leaders, especially the head teachers of the schools, in the areas of administration, accounting, exercising co-responsibility, relating to other brothers, and teamwork.

Intentions: For leaders among us to be well formed, collaborative, and responsible in their service.
For Brother Leonard Buhven, his vocation, family, personal intentions and his apostolate in Bafut.

November 18 – Wednesday of the 33rd Week in Ordinary Time
Psalms: Week 1 Vestment: Green

Memorial of the Dedication of the Basilicas of Saints Peter and Paul, Apostles
This feast celebrates the dedication of two major churches in Rome honoring Saints Peter and Paul, the principal apostles of Christ. It commemorates their role in spreading the Gospel and the establishment of these basilicas as centers of worship and pilgrimage.

Liturgy: Rv 4:1-11. "He was, he is and he is to come."
Lk 19:11-28. "The parable of the talents."

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT

The roots of our understanding of shared mission are to be found in the experience of intimacy between Jesus, his disciples, and the Church, which is expressed as a shared and missionary communion. This communion mirrors the divine nature of God, who is communion - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit in perfect unity. As one people, we go out to proclaim the Gospel to all without fear or exclusion.

Intentions: That we may wisely use the gifts and talents God has given us, multiplying them for His glory and the good of others.
For the Marist community Korhogo, Côte d'Ivoire.

November 19 – Thursday of the 33rd Week in Ordinary Time
Psalms: Week 1 Vestment: Green

Liturgy: Rv 5:1-10. "The blood of the Lamb bought men for God."
Lk 19:41-44. "Jesus sheds tears over the coming fate of Jerusalem."

Birthday: Brother Erong Sebastian Kanguri (1973) from Ghana.
Anniversaries: in 1875 departure of the first Brothers for New Zealand.

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT

As Christians, we are invited to live out together our common Baptism, which unites us with Christ and with one another, and to respond to our shared call to mission. Embracing the principles of synodality, we recognize the importance of listening to and discerning the voices of all members of the Church as we journey together in faith and mission.

Intentions: That we may live our baptismal calling together, listening and discerning as one Church in mission.
For Brother Sebastian, his vocation, vocation, personal intentions and mission in Liberia.
For the brothers and works in New Zealand.

November 20 – Friday of the 33rd Week in Ordinary Time

Psalms: Week 1 Vestment: Green

Liturgy: Rv 10:8-11. "I was told to swallow the scroll, and to prophesy."
Lk 19:45-48. "You have turned God's house into a robbers' den."

Reminder: End of the Canonical Visit of the Provincial to the Kwadaso Community.
Universal Children's Day Africa.
Industrialization Day.

Anniversaries: In 1939 Mrs. Grondin in Waterville, Maine, USA was cured of cancer through the intercession of St Marcellin Champagnat.

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT

Marist spirituality shapes our way of life, our attitudes, and permeates our whole mission. As we journey with God, we are inspired by the vision and lives of Marcellin and his first followers. We freely make a life choice for simplicity, humility, and modesty.

Intentions: That Marist spirituality may guide our lives and mission in simplicity, humility, and modesty.
For the Marist community of the Provincial House in Accra, Ghana.

November 21 – Saturday – 33rd Week in Ordinary Time
Psalms: Week 1 Vestment: Green

Memorial of the the Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Reminds us of a life freely offered to God from the beginning. Mary teaches us openness, trust, and total availability to God's will, inviting us to place our own lives in His hands with faith and humility.

Liturgy: Rv 11:4-12. "The Prophets will die who have been a plague to the world."
Lk 20:27-40. "In God all men are alive."

Reminder: Provincial's online encounter with Temporary Professed Brothers in Community.

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT

While we identify with Marcellin's charism in different yet complementary ways, we all witness to a shared story, spirituality, mutual trust and common endeavour.

Intentions: That, united in Marcellin's charism, we may grow in shared spirituality, mutual trust, and common mission.
For the Marist community of Bafut, Cameroon.

Marist Saturday: Let us pray for generous vocations to religious life, especially within the Marist family.

November 22 – Sunday of the SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING
Office: Proper Vestment: White

Liturgy: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17. "The Lord will judge between sheep and sheep."
1 Cor 15:20-26, 28. "Christ will hand over the kingdom to God the Father; so that God may be all in all."
Mt 25:31-46. "I was naked and you clothed me; sick, and you visited me."

Reminder: Beginning of the Canonical Visit of the Provincial to the Buokrom Community.
International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women.

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT
We bring our own individual qualities, as well as the fruits of our personal commitment, our professionalism, and the experience we have of the ordinary circumstances of community, family, and social life.

Intentions: For an end to violence against women, and for hearts that recognize and serve Christ in the vulnerable.
For the success of the provincial's meeting to Buokrom Community.

November 23 – Monday of the 34th Week in Ordinary Time
Psalms: Week 2 Vestment: Green

Liturgy: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5. "The redeemed have Christ and his Father's name written on their foreheads."
Lk 21:1-4. "The widow's mite."

Birthday: Br Birkem Pascal Funsa (1979) from Cameroon.
Br Alfred Ngaro Samedi (1982) from Chad.
Br Allahodjim Sidoine (1996) from Chad.

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT
As **Christians**, we witness to the possibility of finding in Jesus Christ the ultimate meaning of life, and of living according to the values of the Gospel.18 We bring a freedom to be dedicated and bold in apostolic enterprise and a flexibility to go to serve where we are needed.

Intentions: That, rooted in Christ and Gospel values, we may serve with freedom, boldness, and availability wherever we are needed.
For Brothers Pascal Birkem, Alfred Ngaro, and Allahodjim Sidoine, for their vocation, families, personal intentions, and apostolic mission in their communities.

November 24 – Tuesday of the 34th Week in Ordinary Time
Psalms: Week 2 Vestment: Red

Memorial of St André Dung-Lac, Priest and Companions, Martyrs

Liturgy: Rv 14:14-19. "The harvest and the vintage of the earth are ripe."
Lk 21:5-11. "The destruction of the Temple foretold."

Birthday: Brother John Kusi Mensah (1958) from Ghana.

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT

…We journey together, led by the Holy Spirit who has distributed gifts among us as the Spirit wills. Moved by this charism we continue Jesus' mission to extend the Reign of God.

Intentions: For Brother John, his family, personal intentions and his community at Buokrom.
That, guided by the Holy Spirit, we may use our gifts together to continue Jesus' mission and build the Reign of God.

November 25 – Wednesday of the 34th Week in Ordinary Time
Psalms: Week 2 Vestment: Green

Memorial of St. Catherine of Alexandria. Virgin and Merthyr.

Liturgy: Rv 15:1-4. "The victors sang the hymn of Moses and of the Lamb."
Lk 21:12-19. "Your endurance will win you your lives."

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT

As evangelisers of children and young people, we are convinced that we render the best service of all through the witness of our joyful lives, which model what it is to be a committed Christian in today's world.

Intentions: For all students in our schools, that they may grow in wisdom, faith, and responsibility.
For lasting peace and reconciliation among the nations of Africa.

November 26 – Thursday of the 34th Week in Ordinary Time
Psalms: Week 2 Vestment: Green

Liturgy: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23; 19:1-3, 9a "We are waiting for our lord Jesus Christ to be revealed"
Lk 21:20-28 "No-one has come back to praise God, only this foreigner"

Reminder: End of the Canonical Visit of the Provincial to the Buokrom Community

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT

We nourish our own spirituality through our personal relationship with Jesus Christ, with our planet and with other people, so that we will be better able to share our faith with young people.

Intentions: For grateful hearts that always give thanks to God.
For faith and hope in God during difficult times.

November 27 – Friday of the 34th Week in Ordinary Time
Psalms: Week 2 **Vestment: Green**

Liturgy: Rv 20:1-4, 11—21:2 "The book of life was opened, and the dead were judged"
Lk 21:29-33 "My words will never pass away"

Reminder: Beginning of online Provincial Council Meeting

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT

In addition to professional and pastoral formation, we take an active part in programmes on Marist identity, spirituality and educational practice, which assist us in integrating faith, culture and life.

Intentions: For hearts ready to face God's judgment with hope and trust.
For confidence in God's Word, which never passes away.
For the success of the Provincial Council Meeting.

November 28 – Saturday of the 34th Week in Ordinary Time
Psalms: Week 2 **Vestment: Green**

Liturgy: Rv 22:1-7 "The Lord God will shine on them; It will never be night again"
Lk 21:34-36 "That day will be sprung on you suddenly, like a trap"

Reminder: End of online Provincial Council Meeting

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT

In a special way, the women and men who lead our ministries are invited to be **bearers of Marcellin's charism, people of vision who articulate and live by our core Marist values and lead others to live by them.

Intentions: For all women and men who lead our ministries, that they may faithfully live and share Marcellin's charism, guiding others with vision, humility, and Marist values.

Marist Saturday: A Day of prayer for Marist Vocations.

November 29 – First Sunday of Advent
Psalm: Week 1 Vestment: Violet

Liturgy: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7 "O that you would tear the heavens open and come down"
1 Cor 1:3-9 "We are waiting for our lord Jesus Christ to be revealed"
Mk 13:33-37 "If he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep"

Reminder: Br. Philip Ninfaasie (1955) From Ghana

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT

In our daily work, we seek to create an environment where everyone feels respected and co-responsible. Furthermore, among ourselves we develop a strong sense of companionship, affirming one another and offering mutual support and encouragement.

Intentions: For Br. Philip, his vocation, family and community at Buokrom.
That in our daily work we may build communities of respect, co-responsibility, mutual support, and true companionship.
For the Marist mission throughout the world, that the spirit of missionary zeal begun by our founders may continue to bear fruit today.

November 30 – Monday 1st Week in Ordinary Time
Office: Week 1 Vestment: Red

Feast of Saint Andrew, Apostle

Liturgy: Rom 10:9-18 "Faith comes from what is preached, and what is preached comes from the word of Chris"
Mt 4:18-22 "I will make you fishers of men"

Anniversaries: 1857: foundation of the Missionary Sisters of the Society of Mary – Françoise Perroton.
1871: The first Marist Brothers set out for Australia.
1911: The first Marist brothers set out for Madagascar.

Reflection: IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARCELLIN CHAMPAGNAT

We know that, at both the interpersonal and group level, mistakes will be made, misunderstandings will occur, sensitivities will be offended, and differences will arise. Expressing our mutual forgiveness through sincere dialogue, understanding and reconciliation helps us keep our mission life-giving for ourselves and those we serve.31

Intentions: For the grace to forgive one another through sincere dialogue and reconciliation, so that our mission may remain life-giving.

In thanksgiving to God for the blessings received in the month of November.