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Dear Friends



Life has been very busy. Peter Corcoran and I are now resident in Ramsgreave, Blackburn. We took possession of the new house on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> July and all the furniture, from the Sidcup house, which had been in store, arrived promptly for an early start at 8am on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> July. Everything went well and our new house took shape. Since then we have had to deal with all the details and now that we are clear of



joiners, plumbers and carpet fitters we have a home. We have been fortunate enough to find a house keeper and so will be able to welcome Henry Graystone and Myles Moriarty at the beginning of September. All last year it seemed as if it would never happen but is has and things are looking up.

On Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 36 people will set off for a visit to Passau and the Marist Community in Furtenszell. This is a new adventure and we hope to be able to visit a number of monasteries, the birthplace of Pope Benedict XVI and absorb much of the catholic atmosphere of the area.

**DAY OF RECOLLECTION** Members in the south have arranged to meet in Sidcup on Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September. The day will be conducted by Sr Magdalen SM and Fr Des Hanrahan SM. Please contact Mary Hawes (020 8300 0521) [maryt.hawes@gmail.com](mailto:maryt.hawes@gmail.com) for details of the arrangements.

**YOUR CHARITABLE PRAYERS** Are requested for the repose of Josie Coleman, my brother terry's wife, Eileen Riley, Sheffield, and all other members of the Marist Way who have died in the past months. Moving house plays havoc with any filing system and I do apologies for not being able to mention by name a lady from Barnstaple and a number of other people. We remember all who have died and may they rest in peace. Amen

*Marist Liturgical Calendar and Mass Intentions 2013*

Date	Feast or Celebration	Mass Intention
12 <sup>th</sup> Sept	Holy Name of Mary. Titular Feast	Society of Mary
24 <sup>th</sup> Sep	Anniversary of First Professions 1836	Society of Mary

M. Coleman SM, Marist Way Regional Animator

YEAR OF THE FOUNDER

Week 33 'I feel impelled towards the poor classes, towards country missions, towards the poor of Lyons. To seek out outcasts, to give catechism instructions, to help the beggars. These are the thoughts that pursue me.' (FS 61:9)

Week 34 'At the start of our enterprise things were very hazy. The whole of creation was against us, we lacked everything. We had to rely on God alone; there was only him. On the other hand, I felt impelled to this work, not by the ardour of youth, as you often see, but by an impulse that I felt came from above. It was that which gave me the habit of praying always and for everything.' (75)

Week 35 He spoke passionately against the spirit of self-indulgence, against those he called mollycoddled. 'Let us keep all who like to coddle themselves far, far away from the Society,' he said, contrasting them with our confreres in Oceania. (FS 115:3)

Week 36 He told us that it was very important to change superiors every three years and move them from one house to another. 'That preserves the spirit of the Society,' he said. 'Everyone has his own way of doing things. One sees what another has missed, and this man puts right what that man established or allowed.' (FS 82:5)

Marists take Mary as their model in all that they do.  
They come gradually to think judge,  
feel and act in a new way—Mary's way.  
This is an entire approach to life  
and acquiring it flows from the action of the Holy Spirit at work  
in the Marist throughout a life-long process.  
It may seem paradoxical,  
but this new way calls for a deep relationship with Mary,  
without, however, making her the central focus of one's life.  
The emphasis here is not on piety towards Mary  
or keeping her constantly in our spiritual life,  
but rather on living like Mary,  
adopting her faith, her point of view, her whole approach to life.  
In the most profound sense,  
this means to make Mary present to our world today.

For the early Marists, both men and women,  
Mary became a living presence in their lives.  
In our own times, we are called to be a living  
Marist presence in the Church and in the world.

We are called to do the WORK of MARY.