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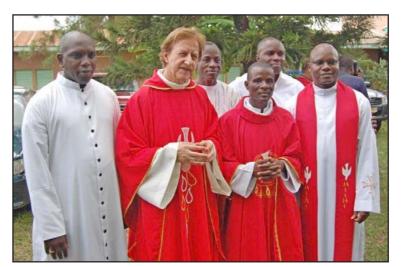
NEWSBRIEF OF THE GENERAL DIRECTION

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Installation of the Council of the Vice-Delegation of the Ivory Coast

The ceremony took place in two parts: a meeting of the Viatorians with the representative of the General Council and the Delgate of France at the Foyer Jeune Viateur in Bouaké on Saturday, May 26. Fr. André Crozier brought greetings from the General Direction and read a message sent by Fr. Pierre Demierre.

The second part of the ceremony was the celebration of Pentecost on May 27 at the Parish of Our Lady of Nazareth that was very well prepared. Both the pastor and the liturgy committee should be congratulated. Fr. Crozier, with a good number of concelebrants and a large assembly both inside and outside the church presided over the handing over of the torch by Fr. Carlos Orduna to Fr. Augustin Koné. The official act of inauguration of the Vice-Delegation was proclaimed and the first Council of the Vice-Delegation was installed.



Council of the Vice-Delegation of Ivory Coast and the Secretary General after the celebration.

Br. Wilfried Houessinon, Fr. André Crozier, Mr. Marcel Konaté, associate, Fr. Augustin Koné, new superior,

Mr. Philippe Néri Kouassi, associate, Fr. Jean-Didier Sohotodé

During the same celebration the novices Arnaud de Toussaint Aba Amanfou and Ghislain Bandama Koffi made their first vows and Brothers Maurice N'Guessan and François d'Alex Koyé Hobbah made their perpetual vows.

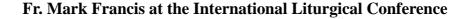
The Celebration of 50 years of Religious Life





Two confreres of the General House are celebrating 50 years of religious life. Brs. Pierre Berthelet and Gilles Gagné will mark their fifty years of vows in the Congregation on August 15. They are joined by four other Viatorians who celebrated this event on May 19.

We take great pleasure in congratulating them and assuring them of our best wishes for their many years of service and happiness in the Viatorian family.





Fr. Mark Francis gave a talk entitled "Devotions within the Liturgical Space" at the 10th International Liturgical Conference held at the Ecumenical Monastery of Bose in northern Italy. The conference took place from May 31- June 2 and had as its theme "Identity and Transformation: Shaping the Liturgical Space."

Witness for Peace Delegation to Colombia

Fr. Thomas Long of the Province of United States is one of the organizers of a group witness for peace in the Cauca and Valle de Cauca region of Colombia. This trip, which will take place August 1-10, 2012 is aimed at learning about the negative impact of the military and economic policies of the Colombian and U.S. governments on the Afro-Colombian and indigenous people in this part of Latin America.

Priesthood Ordination

Saturday, August 18, 2012, Br. Frank Enciso of the Foundation of Colombia will be ordained a priest by Bishop Christopher Glancy, Auxiliary Bishop of Belize and Belmopan at the Parish of St. John of Avila in Bogotá.

Saturday, September 1, 2012, Br. Carlos Arancibia, of the Province of Chili, will be ordained a priest by Bishop Ricardo Ezzati, Archbishop of Santiago, at the Chapel of the Colegio St. Viator in Macul.

We offer our sincere congratulations and prayers to Frank and Carlos for a fruitful priestly ministry!

Imminent Opening of the General Chapter

As the delegates prepare to arrive in Rome our thoughts turn to the beginning of the 29th General Chapter which will start its work in Ariccia on July 4.

The Chapter itself will begin by two days of reflection on the religious life. Fr. Felicísimo Martínez, o.p., a well respected international theologian of the consecrated life will lead the Chapter in reflecting on the current issues concerning religious life today.

After the official opening of the Chapter, a Director of the Program and a Director of Community life will be elected to constitute the Committee of the Program with the Superior General. With the moderator, this group will guide the 39 capitulars in responding to the 39 questions posed by the international Community to the General Chapter.

As the beginning of the Chapter approached we invite all Viatorians to pray for the success of its work and for wisdom in addressing the questions that affect the whole of the international Viatorian Community.

Associates by Age and Province or Delegation as December 31, 2011

Age	Canada	Chile	Spain	USA	France	Total	
21 - 30	0	0	0	2	0	2	
31 - 40	8	3	8	10	2	25	
41 - 50	16	1	12	16	15	53	
51 - 60	22	14	17	24	15	93	
61 - 70	33	5	13	15	12	85	
71 - 80	15	1	6	9	2	38	
81 - 90	5	0	0	6	3	14	
91 - 100	0	0	1	0	0	1	
Total	99	24	57	82	49	311	

Distribution of Religious by Age and by Country as December 31, 2011

Age	Ca	BF	Ha	J	P	T	Ch	Во	E	Но	US	Be	Co	F	IC	GD	Total
21-30		2	14		2							1	2		8		29
31-40	2	10	15	1	1		5				1	1	4		24		64
41-50	3	1	5	1			1		9	2	3	1	5	1	6		38
51-60	4		1		2		5	1	18	1	8		3	1	1	1	46
61-70	27	1		1	1	1	2	1	23	3	18	1		5	3	5	92
71-80	62	4	3	3	3	1	5	2	17		13		1	19		1	134
81-90	52		1	1	1		2		8		11			13			89
91-100	11								1		1			1			14
Total	161	18	39	7	10	2	20	4	76	6	55	4	15	40	42	7	506