



———— **THE HEAVENLY BANQUET** ————

I would like to have the men of Heaven in my own house;
with vats of good cheer laid out for them.

I would like to have the three Marys, their fame is so great.

I would like people from ev'ry corner of Heaven.

I would like them to be cheerful in their drinking.

I would like to have Jesus sitting here among them.

I would like a great lake of beer for the King of Kings.

I would like to be watching Heaven's family drinking it through all eternity.

10th century

(attributed to St. Bridget., translation by Sean O'Faolain from the Irish)

———— **BEREAVEMENT** ————

John Paul Oluoch lost his two grandparents in the first week of January. His maternal grandmother Elizabeth Anyango Miriro and his paternal aunt, Rose Achieng who succumbed to lung cancer while he was on home leave. We pray for the repose of the souls of the deceased and for the consolation of John Paul and his family during this time of great loss.

We continue to pray for the repose of the soul of Br Frank Llyod, who passed away on 2nd January in Melbourne. Frank was instrumental in the establishment of our brotherhood in East Africa in early 1990's. Please read more in the article that follows.





BR FRANK LLOYD RIP



L-R Gerard Ellul, Frank O'Shea, Kevin Delaney (Paul Follas) missing. As they raise up a glass in honor of Br Frank Lloyd (RIP)

On January 3rd we were all shocked to hear of the sudden death of our friend and brother, Frank Lloyd. Four of us (Frank O'Shea, Gerard



Early pioneers of our Brotherhood in East Africa (Back Row L-R) Gerard Bennett, Peter Hudson, Frank Llyod (RIP), Michael Podbury. Seated (L-R) Chris Shearer (RIP), Rex Elmer, Peter Cole and Peter Ellis. Photo taken 1st July 1991, Courtesy of Michael Podbury

Ellul, Kevin Delaney and Paul Follas (the photographer) were at one of Frank's great memorials, The Christian Brother Training Centre at Shams Arusha Tanzania.

Frank had come to Tanzania in 1989 and took responsibility for building the

then Purka Secondary School (now Edmund Rice Sinon) and the Training Centre. We found a photo album that triggered a flood of memories about those pioneering days and the man himself. We all had our own special memories of him and reflected on how he had





touched our lives. Mine were around flying out of Australia with him in 1983 for Tonga where he led the 'charge' there. Of course later at Edmund Rice Sinon Tanzania, his life and spirit were accompanying me as I rejoiced in the growth of the School built on the great foundations set down by Frank.

Well done Frank and may you rest in peace.

Frank O'Shea

———— **FORMATION MEETING IN LUSAKA** ————



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Brothers processing in the meeting hall during the opening ritual

Twenty-six members of various formation and leadership teams of the Africa Province are meeting at the International Spirituality Centre in Lusaka for two weeks. The meeting is the culmination of the extensive consultation process conducted throughout the Province to review the current formation program.

In the opening ritual, one of the symbols in the centerpiece is of an expectant mother, symbolizing something we hope to bring to birth during these days of prayer and reflection.

The importance of this meeting is underlined by the presence of the Congregation Leader – Br Hugh O'Neil and member of the CLT Br





Julian McDonald, Province Leader Br Michael de Klerk together with other members of PLT and DLTs.

One purpose of having an extended period for this meeting is to identify and analyse formation issues and to provide participants with adequate opportunity to form the kind of community envisioned by our Nairobi Chapter.

George Massay

———— **AMBERLEY TUTEMBEE PAMOJA IMMERSION 2016** ————



"Tutembee Pamoja" (Let us walk together) Immersion Group from Melbourne

A group of young people from Australia is in Arusha undergoing an immersion program sponsored by Edmund Rice Centre Amberley. Andrew Gurisi and Jessica Kustura are facilitating the program, with the assistance of the Tanzanian Edmund Rice Camp Leaders.

The immersion program termed "Tutembee Pamoja" is aimed at giving an opportunity for Australian young people to immerse themselves in the Tanzanian culture and to share something of their own culture with the local people. This clearly helps to enrich the lives of both groups. While in Tanzania, the Australian group will lead the Edmund Rice camps for Kids in Arusha. We thank them for visiting us and sharing their time and resources with our people.

George Massay





EDMUND RICE KARIBU CAMPS FOR KIDS



While badly missing our traditional Eddie Rice friends from Melbourne and Perth (Tanzania's gain!) who used make January so exciting and motivating, we kicked off the season on Saturday rather less dramatically at the old Edmund-Mary Rice Centre after the more salubrious Regina Pacis (now Briar Rose) was deemed unavailable. Thanks to Sammy Muga for smart negotiations.



The children (from 7 different schools) kept going at a huge energy level despite the dust and heat while a few of the leaders found the non-stop 5 hour physical activity a bit more than they were fit for. Fortunately the art-craft and skits session enabled recuperation. Still at least 20 leaders managed full bore, jumping with delight and playing hard for the veritable 'sheep station' or the 'ballon d'or'!! We all agreed it was a big success.

Br. Peter Cole





BIRTHDAYS

JANUARY	02	DANIEL KYALO (Embulbul)
	05	KELVIN OTIENO (Second year novice – Tamale)
	15	RUSSELL PETERS (Otiende)
	16	PETER COLE (Otiende)
	19	ISAAC ODONGO (Second year novice – Tamale)
	26	DANIEL LYIMO (ISC Lusaka)
	28	TOM KEARNEY (Embulbul)

CALENDAR

- 10-23 January** – Province Formation Meeting Lusaka
- 4 February** – Missioning of the novices to Lusaka
- 5 February** – Beginning of the novitiate program in Lusaka

Many blessings of the New Year

George Massay

