To all our Brothers, Companions in Edmund, and Partners in Mission, the Province Leadership Team of Edmund Rice Christian Brothers North America send Greetings and Blessings for a Happy New Year.

CLT Appoints New PLT

Following a nominations process of the Edmund Rice Christian Brothers North America Province, the Congregation Leadership Team in Rome has appointed the next Province Leadership Team, effective July 14, 2020. The new team will consist of Brothers:

Br. Kevin Griffith, Province Leader
Br. Peter Zawot, Deputy Prov Leader
Br. Michael Segvich, Councilor
Br. Jim Hamilton, Councilor
Br. Peter O’Loughlin, Councilor

We thank these Brothers for their willingness to serve in these roles and we offer them our prayerful support.
Latin American Region Appointment

The CLT has appointed Brother Michael Lynch (Buenos Aires, Argentina) to serve on the Latin American Region’s Regional Leadership Team. Michael’s appointment fills the seat vacated by the untimely death of Brother Pablo Keohane this past summer. We offer Michael our prayerful support as he begins his time of service in this new role.

VOW RENEWAL

Congratulations to Brother Jorge Tavera of the Latin American Region on the recent renewal of his vows as an Edmund Rice Christian Brother. We offer our prayerful support to Jorge as he continues to journey with us as a Christian Brother.

Appointments and Announcements

The Province Leadership Team has reappointed Brother Greg McNally for a three-year term as Community Leader and Pastoral Care Coordinator of St. Joseph’s Residence in New Rochelle, NY, effective July 1, 2020.

While remaining a member of the St. Joseph’s Residence Community in New Rochelle, NY, Brother Donatus McCormack will now be in residence at the St. Cabrini Nursing Home in Dobbs Ferry, NY, effective immediately.
Following thirty-three years of dedicated and committed service as a staff member of the St. Joseph’s Residence in New Rochelle, NY, Brother Tom Higgins has made the transition from staff member to resident at St. Joe’s. We thank Tom for his loving service at St. Joe’s all these years, and we offer him our heartfelt prayers and best wishes for a fulfilling retirement from formal active service.

Congregation Reports

In recent months, we have received numerous reports in preparation for the 2020 Congregation Chapter in Lima, Peru. These reports have come from the Congregation Leadership Team, the Congregation Bursar and the Transition Support Team. We thank our Brothers and communities for engaging in generative conversations around these reports and for the written summaries of your many conversations that have been forwarded to the Province Life and Renewal Team. Let us continue to pray for the guidance of the Holy Spirit on the Chapter process.

Edmundian Thank You

Many thanks to the Edmundian Society of North America (former Christian Brothers) for their recent generous donations that will assist the following Christian Brother ministries in North and Latin America:

- The work of our Brothers in Peru, Latin America.
- Guadalupe Regional Middle School in Brownsville, TX.
- Iona College students in New Rochelle, NY who are financially challenged.
The Edmund Rice Christian Brothers Art Foundation has invited all Edmund Rice Christian Brother schools in both North and Latin America to participate in the 2020 edition of the Gallery of Student Art. The project offers an opportunity to highlight student creativity and to achieve national and international acclaim at the North American Annual Meeting of School Leaders to take place at Brother Rice High School in Bloomfield Hills, MI from April 20-22, 2020.

School communities are encouraged to promote the arts, encourage creativity and define a process for the selection of the works and artists to represent their school. The window for posting entries will be from January 31 - February 28, 2020. For additional information, please contact Brother Sean Moffett (psmoffettfc@gmail.com) or Bryan Donovan (cbartfoundation@gmail.com).

Orientation Program

For the past four months, Brother Damian Ryan has participated in the Congregation’s Our Way into the Future Orientation Program in Nairobi, Kenya. Below is a photo from the final days of the program.

Standing: David, Alphonce, Ismael, Sunil, Eric, Pious,
Seated: Clement, Denis, Prince, Sr Alba, Damian Ryan and Moses

Attachments:

There are two attachments:
- A flyer from the Archdiocese of Chicago, Office for Religious
- Retreat information from Jericho House
Calendar of Events

January 01, 2020  New Year’s Day
January 14 - 17, 2020  PLT Meetings in Elizabeth, NJ
January 26 - February 02, 2020  Catholic Schools Week (USA)
February 01, 2020  Archdiocese of Newark Consecrated Life Mass
February 02, 2020  Consecrated Life Day
February 02, 2020  Black History Mass – Archdiocese of New York
February 02, 2020  Province Life and Renewal Team Meeting, New Rochelle, NY
February 08, 2020  Archdiocese of Chicago, IL, Consecrated Life Mass.
February 08, 2020  Partners in Education Workshop: Palma School – Salinas, CA

Please Pray For

- All of our Brothers at St. Joseph’s Residence and other care facilities throughout North America.
- Edmundian Peter (Raymond ’49) Johnson, scheduled for surgery in January.

The Repose of the Soul of …

†  Brother Gordon Raphael Bellows, Mt. St. Francis Community
†  Leo Maher, brother of Brother Michael Maher, Mulmur Community.
†  John Warner Cronin, brother of Brother Bill Cronin, St. Joseph’s Residence Community.
†  Tom McKenna, brother of Brother Chuck McKenna, Bethlehem Woods Retirement Home
†  Jerry Basso, cousin of Brother Kevin Griffith, PLT
†  Eugene Stefanik, brother-in-law of Brother Louis Stanich, St. Joseph’s Residence Community
†  Robert Reidy, brother of Michael Reidy, Board Member, St. Joseph’s Residence
†  Edmundian Monsignor James (Raphael ’66) White.
†  Edmundian Earl (Jeremiah ’61) Hanley
†  Msgr. Pedro Lopez-Gallo, a retired priest and a good friend of the Brothers in Vancouver, BC.
†  Geisl Crino, mother-in-law of Anthony Dougherty, Province Legal Counsel.
†  Reinaldo Garza, the father of Dr. Virginia Miller, principal of Guadalupe Regional Middle School
†  Brian Wade, member of the All Hallows Foundation Board.