

# Province News



SPEAK, LORD, YOUR SERVANTS ARE LISTENING

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#### In Gratitude



Br. Kevin Griffith

The Province Leadership Team on behalf of the Edmund Rice Christian Brothers North America Province and the Latin America Mission Area expresses deep gratitude and appreciation to Brother Kevin Griffith for his dedicated service to the Province. To quote Brother Peter Clinch (Congregation Leader): "Kevin's nineteen years as a member of the Province Leadership Team, included eight years as Province Leader. Kevin has been tireless in his efforts to meet the varied challenges experienced by the Province. He leaves his Province Leadership role with the Province functioning well with a robust system of management and a group of dedicated staff. Kevin is a committed, competent, and hard-working leader." We wish Kevin all the very best in his future endeavours. The PLT has assigned Kevin to the Iona Preparatory Community effective October 6, 2022.

# Province Leader Edmund Rice Christian Brothers North America Province

With the resignation of Brother Kevin Griffith as Province Leader of Edmund Rice Christian Brothers and the Latin America Mission Area, Brother Peter Clinch (Congregation Leader) and the Congregation Leadership Team has appointed Brother Peter Zawot, effective September 16, 2022, as the Province Leader for the Edmund Rice Christian Brothers North America Province and the Latin America Mission Area. We offer Peter our prayers and support as he moves into this new leadership role for the Province.



Br. Peter Zawot





## **Province Chapter**



The Province Chapter was held July 15 - 20, 2022 at the San Alfonso Retreat Center in Long Branch, NJ. The Chapter theme: *Speak, Lord, your servants are listening*. The Province Chapter focussed on co-creating our future together as Edmund Rice Christian Brothers. Thanks to the Chapter Planning Committee: Ms. Mary Ragan (Chapter Facilitator), and Brs. Sean Whitty, Rick

(Chapter Facilitator), and Brs. Sean Whitty, Rick Fowler and Peter O'Loughlin for their hard work in planning the Chapter. Thanks to Ms. Mary Ragan for her skilled facilitation. Thanks to all the

Brothers who were able to attend. We particularly delighted to welcome Br.

were

Peter Clinch, Congregation Leader.



**Br. Peter Clinch** 



## **Latin America Mission Area Assembly**



The Latin American Mission Area Assembly took place from July 23 - 27, 2022, in Chaclacayo, Lima, Perú. The Assembly focused on continuing generative conversations began prior to the Congregation Chapter in Lima and Dublin.

The Assembly reviewed the current model of commissions and the relationship between the LAMA and ERCBNAP. Congregation Leader (Br. Peter Clinch) and Province Leader (Br. Kevin Griffith) were present for this Assembly. Brother Michael Lynch has been appointed LAMA Delegate to the Province Leader for a three-year term beginning January 2023.



Br. Michael Lynch

The new Commission coordinators, effective January 2023 are:

The Commission of Finances and Administration - Brother Ever Cieza

The Commission for Mission - Brother Eduardo McArdle.

The Commission on the Life of the Brothers - Brother Miguel Braulio.



Br. Ever Cieza



Br. Eduardo McArdle



Br. Miguel Braulio

We thank Br. Michael Lynch (LAMA Delegate to the Province Leader) and the planning committee for their efforts in preparing this wonderful Assembly.

## Pilgrims in Perú

The Pilgrims in Perú immersion program took place in Lima from July 17 - 25, 2022. This program is sponsored by the Province Office of Educational Services under the direction of Dr. Cristiana Ritchie-Bonomo, Director of OES. Participants from our schools and other ministries had the opportunity to enter into the lives of the local people giving them first-hand knowledge and experience which they can now share with their colleagues. Thanks to Cris and Br. Steve Casey for organizing and coordinating this program.







**Br. Steve Casey** 





# Vancouver College 1922-2022



The Province Leadership Team on behalf of the Province sends best wishes to the Vancouver College School Community as it celebrates its 100<sup>th</sup> year.

Centenary celebrations will be occurring throughout the year.



# Damien Memorial 1962-2022



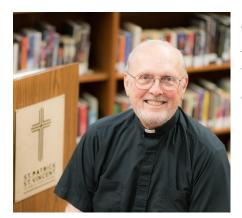
The Province Leadership Team on behalf of the Province sends best wishes to the Damien Memorial School Community as it celebrates its  $60^{th}$  year.

# Colegio Cardenal Newman 1948-2022

The Province Leadership Team on behalf of the Province sends best wishes to the Colegio Cardenal Newman Community as it celebrates its 75<sup>th</sup> year.



# Thanks to the visitors of Brother Dominic Murray

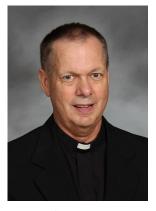


**Br. Dominic Murray** 

The Province Leadership Team thanks all those Brothers who, throughout last year, took time to travel to Salinas, California to be with Br. Dominic Murray. Dominic was most appreciative of these visits.

# **SOAR Grant 87th Street Chair Lift**





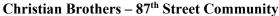
**Br. Steve Hayes** 

Christian Brothers Foundation is pleased to announce receipt of a Grant from SOAR (Support Our Aging Religious). The Grant money was used to install a chairlift for the CB-87<sup>th</sup> Street Community in Burbank, IL. We thank SOAR and its generous donors for making this gift possible, and we pray for God's blessings upon them. We thank Mr. Sal Pennino and Br. Sean Hayes for helping to secure this Grant.



Mr. Sal Pennino







Brothers Gerard Gremley (RIP) and Pat Varilla inspecting the new chairlift.

#### **CLT International Zoom**

On September 17, 2022 approximately 70 Brothers came together for the second International ZOOM. Led by Brothers David Ryan Silva and Senan D'Souza, the Brothers reflected on their experiences of love as an Edmund Rice Christian Brother as a response to the Congregation Chapter statements. We thank the Brothers of the Province for your participation. The next Congregation ZOOM will be November 19, 2022. More details will be forthcoming.

# Jericho House Ecological Retreat

The eleventh annual Jericho House Ecological Retreat took place from July 23 - 29, 2022 at Jericho House in Wainfleet, ON. This retreat was sponsored by Jericho House and the Office of Province Life and Renewal. We thank Neve Brennan for leading this Retreat. We also thank Br. Sean Whitty for his organization. Thanks to Sister Jacquie Keefe and Br. Bill Carrothers for their welcome and hospitality.



## Assignments/Appointments



Presentation The PLT has assigned Br. John Buckingham to Presentation Manor in Toronto, Ontario as of September 8, 2022.

Manor

The PLT has assigned Br. Jim van Koolbergen to St. Joseph's Residence, New Rochelle, as of September 27, 2022.

### **Brad Simmons '75 Alumni Hall**



Mr. Brad Simmons

In genuine and deep appreciation for all Brad Simmons has meant to so many, and in tribute to his singular standing as a beacon of mission among the thousands of Brother Rice graduates, Brad Simmons '75 Alumni Hall was recently dedicated at Brother Rice HS, Bloomfield Hills, MI. Brad is a member of the Brother Rice HS Sponsor Council.



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#### Calendar of Events

September 24, 2022 September 28 - 30, 2022 September 29 – October 2, 2022 October 04 - 07, 2022October 05, 2022 October 08, 2022 October 08, 2022 October 11 - 14, 2022

October 13 - 15, 2022

West Park Memorial Mass All Hallows – OES validation Advocacy Coordinators Workshop, Tampa, FL School Leaders Retreat, Baltimore, MD Annual SOAR Dinner Community Support Corporation Meeting Br. Joe Morgan 50<sup>th</sup>, Iona Prep, New Rochelle PLT Meetings, with Treasurers, Elizabeth, NJ Student Leadership ACTION, Kearney, NJ

October 18, 2022 October 19 – November 03, 2022 October 21, 2022 October 24, 2022

All Hallows Annual Meeting
Province Leader to the River Plate region of LAMA
Westcourt Meeting
Callan Foundation Meeting, Toronto, ON

# **Please Pray For**

- All those who continue to be affected by COVID-19.
- The people of Ukraine and peace in Eastern Europe
- Our Brothers at St. Joseph's Residence in New Rochelle, NY and in other care facilities across the Province.
- Jake Lofgren, the son-in-law of Tom Ondrla (former President and Principal of St. Laurence HS, Burbank, IL) who is being treated for cancer.
- Edmundian Adam (Kamiano '67) as he recovers from a serious medical treatment.

# Repose of the Soul of...

- + Bro Harold Thorne, Mulmur, ON.
- + Bro Gerard Gremley, 87<sup>th</sup> Street Community, Burbank, IL.
- + Roseann Fosina Hunt, mother of Br. Kevin Griffith (Mt. Sion Community).
- + Mary Hayes, sister of Br. Louis Bucher (Prince George Community, Vanderhoof, BC).
- + Diane Hyland, sister-in-law of Brother Ben Boyle, RIP
- + Edmundian Neil (Francis '57) Sirignano.
- + Edmundian Jerome (Januarius '59) Vuoso.
- + Edmundian John (Hubert '56) Kelly.
- + Donald Keefe, brother of Sister Jacquie Keefe (Jericho House Community).
- + Jeanette Gautschide Olivero Quintana, mother of Alberto Olivero, (Director of Colegio Cardenal Newman, Buenos Aires).
- + Associate Wayne Gage, former teacher at Bishop Hendricken HS.

