

# Colin Cause Network

Bulletin - March 2021



Dear Confreres

Warm greetings from Sydney where we have been relatively free of the virus, but nevertheless prayerfully aware of other countries and communities 'doing it tough'.

## Cause Process

As reported in a recent **SM Bulletin**, the 'official' part of the Cause has taken a further step following the conclusion of theological and other investigations in Lyon Archdiocese.

Vice-Postulator, **Bernard Thomasset**, continues to be our man on the spot in France and has been part of the meetings in Lyon.



## 'Au Bout du Monde'

Bernard has also been involved with the design and publication of 'Au Bout Du Monde', a well-produced, hard cover cartoon story of the beginnings of Marist life and mission. It is an initiative of the Marist educators and youth workers in France and already suggestions have been made that it be translated into other languages.

## Marist Litany

Following on from the Colin novena,



**Alois Greiler** has begun developing a 'Marist Litany', invoking confreres who have inspired us throughout our history and in many parts of the world.

Ben and I are working with Alois to offer ideas for developing this. We will be consulting you about including further names of significant men in all our units. So please start thinking...

## St Joseph project

Inspired by the **Year of St Joseph** and locked down in Dublin, Alois Greiler has been working on another new resource. St Joseph was revered by Fr Colin as our second patron, so Marists are well placed to promote devotion during this dedicated year.

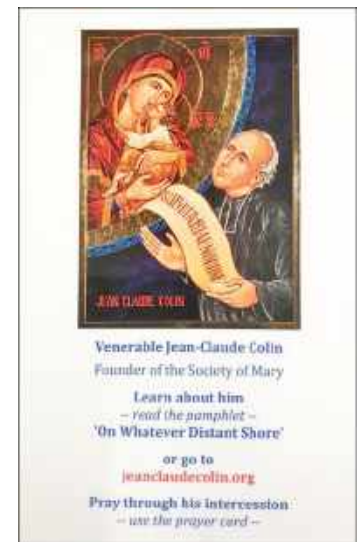
Alois' preliminary notes include quotes from Fr Colin, historical summaries, commentary by Anthony Ward SM, litany, liturgy, prayers and blessings.

## Parish packs in NZ

An initiative by Kev Head involves the distribution of Colin packs throughout parishes in the NZ

province. Kev describes the contents:

'There's an A4 laminated poster with one of the pics of Fr Colin for display in the foyer, to go next to the Covid app check-in sign and with different pictures of the Founder on each, but the wording is the same.



'Also, 20 copies of 'OWDS' for each church (to start with) and 50 prayer cards (25x graces and 25x miracle).'

Kev is hoping to have a supply of prayer cards printed commercially. He says, 'I'm going to need about 600 for all the Marist churches in NZ.'

## Emails

Thank you to those confreres who have responded to emails sent from me. It helps to know that you are receiving them.

God bless you and keep you safe.

Faternally

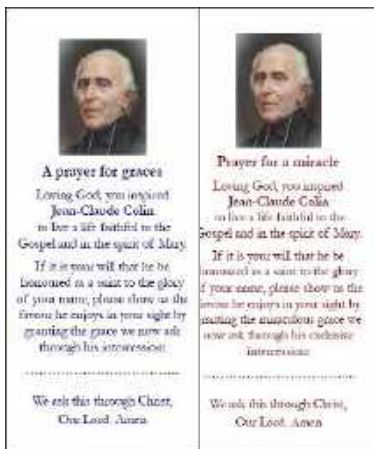
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## What's new on the Colin website

### Prayers for graces

- two prayers: for graces and for a miracle



- the only difference between them is the title and the inclusion of the words 'miraculous' and 'exclusive' in the second prayer
- the prayers are now in seven languages (Dutch included, thanks to Peter Westerman)

- there are two formats: regular and large print
- location: on two menus: *Cause / Seeking Graces* and *Resources*

### Network page

- location: from *The Cause* menu
- the foot of the page has been tidied: CCN Bulletins are now included, with Zoom link



## Zoom Mar 17/18, 2021

Our next Zoom session will be on Thu, Mar 18, 8 am Sydney (Australian Eastern Daylight Saving time)

The times will straddle Wednesday afternoon/evening and Thursday morning.

The table below is a **guide**; please check your local time against the Sydney time.

The session will not be recorded unless you wish to arrange this for yourself.

2-day reminder: I will email this and the agenda on Mon, Mar 15. If you have a suggested item please send beforehand.

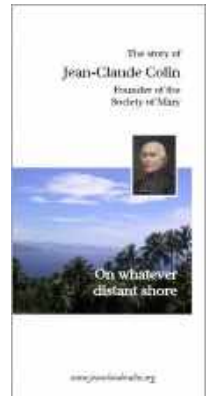
If you cannot be available, would you please arrange a substitute confrere, advising him of the Zoom link, etc, and to take notes? Link remains at foot of Network page.

		Wed, Mar 17
David	Mexico City	3 pm
Yvan, Leon	Quebec, Pontiac	4 pm
Arnaldo	Brazil	6 pm
Alois	Dublin	9 pm
Ben, Christian	Rome, Yaoundé	10 pm
		Thu, Mar 18
Lauro	Davao	5 am
Ron	<b>Sydney</b>	<b>8 am</b>
Aisake	Suva	9 am
Kevin, Justin	Wellington; AKL	10 am

### 'On whatever distant shore'

- this 1,500 word biography leaflet is now in five languages.

- location: *His Life / On whatever distant shore*



### Colin calendars

- Electronic 'flipbook' calendars, in six languages are in two locations: *Home page* and *Resources / Calendars*.

### Seeking graces page

- location: from *The Cause* menu
- there are now ten persons mentioned
- updates are on pdf pages, with the most recent and one previous update where possible
- updates indicate that Fr Colin has been at work

### 'Writings' links - not so good

The links to the GA website from *The Cause / Writings* page are not working as planned. Some repairs to be done.