



May 15, 2023

Dear CCN confreres

Warm greetings from Sydney in autumn...

Expanded Network

In recent months our Colin Cause Network has grown, with a number of smaller groups joining in the work of spreading the fama of Fr Founder. Three groups are made up of student Marists, one from Tutu farmers and another is a panel to assist me here in Australia.

And there are other groups in the making.

My hope is that by 2025 (the 150th anniversary of the death of Jean-Claude Colin) many people across the world will be part of the groundswell of awareness of Fr Founder and his influence on the mission of the Church.

To bring us all up-to-date, here is the Colin Cause Network as it currently stands:

Central group

- Africa: Stephen Ihejirika
- Asia: Lauro Arcede
- Australia: Ron Nissen
- Canada: Mario Béland
- Europe: Alois Greiler
- Gen Admin: Ben McKenna
- NZ: Ben D'Souza
- NZ: Justin Taylor (consultant)
- Oceania: Lutoviko Manu
- S America: Arnaldo Da Silva
- USA: Leon Olszamowski

SPC community, Davao:

- Angelo Bautista
- Jun Bernadio

Marist College, Suva:

- Fred Kado
- Cameron Mota
- Iona Tawake
- Patrice Teguebou
- Mikaele Vakaloloma
- Adriano Vakaoqotabua

Casa di Maria, Rome:

- Jean-Paul Dieme
- Joël Eyango
- Clinton Kube
- Eduardo Limon
- Joseph Mijares
- Joe Ondoua

Tutu, Fiji

- Knights of Fr Colin

Australia:

- Nicholas Enrico
- Pius Jones
- Kevin & Trish McGrory
- Ron Nissen

New ideas...

... are already emerging from our network, including from younger confreres, for initiatives to spread the fama. Eventually we can share these by Zoom, Bulletin and website.

Anniversaries

A recent addition to the Colin website is a list of anniversaries (see *Resources* menu). You will be aware that there are 13 days when we are asked to offer Mass for particular intentions. These are already listed on our *Kalendarium* and will be noted on the next Colin calendar. Not surprisingly, Fr Founder is associated with most of these.

Calendar and website

Work on the **2024 Colin calendar** has begun, with thanks to confreres helping with the first round of translations.

Development of the **Colin website** is ongoing.

Coming anniversaries

- Jul 23, Aug 07, Sep 12, Sep 24, Nov 15
- Each is an opportunity to focus on Jean-Claude Colin
- 2025: the sesquicentenary year of Fr Colin's death

Translations

I have been assured by members of each CCN group that there is no need for translations from English in our Bulletins or emails.

Blessings on these coming times

Two requests

Can you please consider:

- one or two **quotes** from Marists (incl perhaps yourself) on 'What Jean-Claude Colin means to me?'
- one or two **photos** of Marists on mission, in community, at prayer or study

Any I have received by **mid-June** I would hope to upload to new pages on the Colin website as well as being able to make a selection for the 2024 calendar.

Some suggestions are appended on page 2 of this Bulletin.

Thank you in anticipation for your response.

Suggestions for quotes and photos

Quotes

*Brief responses to any **one** of these questions...*

- ◇ 'What does Jean-Claude Colin mean to me?'
 - ◇ 'What quality/ies of Jean-Claude Colin do I most admire?'
 - ◇ 'Why should the Church regard Jean-Claude Colin as a saint?'
 - ◇ 'How does knowing Jean-Claude Colin affect my ministry/ community/study/prayer?'
- Identify the Marist only by age and nationality
 - Maximum of 50 words
 - In any language of English, Dutch, French, German, Italian, Portuguese or Spanish

Photos

Some ideas to help....

- Preferably in landscape format
- Active rather than posed
- Interesting rather than ordinary
- Depicting mission, community, study or prayer
- Reasonably high resolution
- Thoughtful composition

Timing

- It may take a day or two, especially in prayer, for a confrere to ponder the question and a response.
- It may be helpful to suggest a time frame of a couple of weeks for his response and the offer of a reminder as the promised date draws nearer.
- If not already available, photos, too, need thoughtful planning. Likewise, a time frame and reminder will be helpful.
- A target date is **Jun 15**.