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Kopua

On July 20, 2015, Dom Steele Hartmann, Abbot of Tarrawarra and Father Immediate Delegate of Kopua, appointed **Brother John Pettite** as Superior *ad nutum* of the Community.

Brother John was born in 1951, entered Kopua in 2003 and made solemn profession in 2011. At the time of his nomination, Brother John was Prior of the Community. He has been ordained priest on August 15, 2015.

Kasanza

On September 21, 2015 **Dom Franco Ndulama** completed his term as Prior of **N. D. de l'Emmanuel, Kasanza** (diocese of Kikwit, R.D.C.).

On September 22, with the consent of Abbot General, the Father Immediate, Dom Nathanaël Koninkx Abbot of Westmalle, appointed **Fr. Franco Ndulama** as Superior *ad nutum*.

Martyrs of Viaceli

October 1st, 2015, the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments published the texts for the Office and the Mass of the Blessed Martyrs of Viaceli, whose celebration is fixed to December 4.

The Congregation for the Causes of Saints has decided that the Beatification of the martyrs of Viaceli and the martyrs of Algemesí will take place at 12.00 hrs. on Saturday, October 3, 2015 in the cathedral of Santander, Cantabria, Spain.

Postulator General of the Order

On April 22, 2015, memorial of Blessed Maria Gabriella, **Mother Augusta Tescari** of Vitorchiano, after 17 years of dedicated and enthusiastic service as the Postulator General for the Causes of Saints of the Order, has offered her resignation from this position. After consultation with his council and with the permission of Holy See and with the consent of Abbes, Mother Rosaria of Vitorchiano, the Abbot General has appointed **Mother Gabriella Masturzo**, also of the community of Vitorchiano, to succeed Sr. Augusta as Postulator General.

The appointment was presented to the Holy See on 2 June, 2015. The appointment was approved by the Holy See. The appointment became effective on 5 October 2015, with the completion of the Beatification of the Spanish Martyrs.

Grateful for the services of Mother Augusta as Postulator we offer our prayers and promise of cooperation to Mother Gabriella as she assumes this service for the Order.

Bricquebec

On October 9, 2015 Dom Gérard-Marie Meneust, Abbot of N. D. de Melleray and Father Immediate of **N. D. de Grâce, Bricquebec**, appointed **Dom Charles Robillard**, Abbot Emeritus of Bricquebec, as Superior *ad nutum*.

Le Phare

Dom Aloysius Yokouchi was elected abbot of Our Lady of Phare on June 26, 2015. His abbatial blessing was celebrated on September 19, presided by his Excellency, Bernard Taiji Katsuya, bishop of Sapporo. Also in attendance were Bishop Martin Tetsuo Hiraga, of Sendai and Bishop Rafael Masahiro Umemura, of Yokohama.

Armenteira

On November 9, 2015, **Mother Ana Carmen Moneo Castel-Ruiz** completed her term as Prioress of the monastery of **Armenteira** (diocese of Compostella, Spain).

On the same day, she was re-elected Prioress of the Community for a new six year term.

Oseira

On July, 2015 **Dom. Gerardo-Luis Martín Sánchez** completed his service as Superior *ad nutum* of **Oseira**, (diocese of Ourense, Spain). After some months of discernment the Father Immediate, Dom Juan Javier Martín Hernández, Abbot of San Isidro de Dueñas, Palencia, appointed **Br. Alfonso Lora Astudillo** as new Superior *ad nutum* of Oseira. The nomination became effective on November 11, 2015, in the feast of St. Martin of Tours.

Dom Alfonso was born in 1950 in Fuentes de Andalucía (Sevilla); entered Oseira in 2008 and made solemn profession in 2013.

Sobrado

On November 25, 2015, at the end of his second term as Prior, **Dom Carlos Gutiérrez Cuartango** was re-elected Titular Prior of **Sta María de Sobrado**, La Coruña (Spain) for a new six year term.

A centenarian at Val d'Igny

Sister Gérard Emond was born on **December 3, 1915** in Epernay (France). She entered Igny on August 17, 1943 and made her solemn profession there on November 20, 1948.

Gifted of an artistic temperament (music, painting, embroidery), Sister Gérard devoted herself with ardor as mistress of choir, mistress of ceremonies, sub-mistress of novices and was responsible for the wardrobe for many years.

*Happy Birthday, **Sister Gérard!** And thank you for your witness and your fidelity...*

Viale Africa

On December 4th, **Sr. Maria Teresa Caminada** of Vitorchiano who ensured the interim of the Secretariat at the Generalate returned to her community. We thank her very much for her invaluable help and her availability.

Sr. Claire Boutin agreed to take on this task again.

La Oliva

On December 15, 2015, **Dom Isaac Totorica Izaguire** completed her first term of six years as Abbot of la Oliva (Spain). On the same day, he was re-elected Abbot of the Community for a new six year term.

Ordo 2015-2016

A copy of **the Latin Ordo for 2015-2016** is available on the website, and can be downloaded in PDF format : (Resources/Liturgy/Ordo)

Central Secretary for Formation

Since January 2015, the Central Secretary for Formation sends by e-mail, every two months, a newsletter on Formation to the all Superiors and Regional Secretaries of our Order. This initiative seems to elicit a real interest and it seems advisable to continue with this kind of information.

This letter is available in the three languages of the Order and you can find it now on the website (Formation/Newsletter).



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