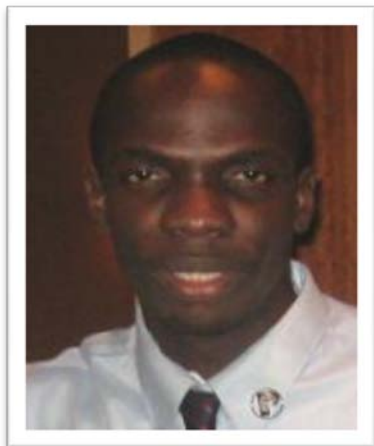




Novitiate News – Killarney, Ireland (Presentation Brothers)



This is a newly established Novitiate, and there is one Novice, Andrew Saul from British Guyana. He started his Novitiate in September 2009, having spent his Postulancy with the Brothers in Grenada – where there is a Christian Brother, Paul McNiven, living with the Presentation community and doing excellent work in the school.

Retreat offer

Michael Dyer invites you to a Retreat experience entitled “Flaring Forth” which he will conduct from Friday 13 August to Sunday 15 August 2010 at Doran House, 35 Stanwell Avenue, Stanwell Park NSW.

RSVP Michael Dyer at dyerlog@tpg.com.au or visit the website: www.chrysaliscpsnulting.com.au for full details.



Sincere sympathy

By now you would have heard the news that the father of our Cyril Bosco has died in Sydney. Sincere sympathy to you Cyril and the family.

We will hold your Mum and sisters and yourself in our thoughts and prayers.

Inter-faith Calendar

July	8	Lailat al Miraj	Islam
	9	Martyrdom of the Bab	Baha'i
11	11	Feast of St Benedict	Catholic Christian
	13-15	Ulambana (Obon)	Buddhist

On the move

Carl Sherrin

The temporary appointment of Brother Carl Sherrin has been announced to the community at St Mary's Cathedral College, Sydney, which is part of NSW/ACT Cluster B effective 20 June 2010.



Stanis McGuire

Brother Stanis McGuire has been appointed, effective from 30 June 2010, to the Edmund House Community in Waverley (Charingfield) which is part of NSW/ACT Cluster B.

Peter Hardiman

On the 18th May Peter Hardiman returned to Perth after spending time in Burwood, Sydney. Peter will be leaving his Perth Waterford Community on Monday 12th July to joining his new Waterford Community in Ireland where he will probably be for

about three years

Terry Cant

Terry Cant returned to Perth on the 21st May after spending some 10 years in America studying and ministering in San Francisco. At present Terry is discerning his next ministry in Australia and is availing of a bit of free time to do many health check-ups after being out of the country such a long time. During this discerning period Terry is living at Westcourt. He hasn't wasted time in visiting most Perth Communities. It's good for us to keep in our prayers Terry and all those Brothers who are going through the process of discerning their next ministry.

Barry Buckley

Ben Scanlan has been assigned as Office Manager at the Edmund Rice Centre Auckland, effective from the start of July. His email for the office is mbscanlan@edmundrice.org. He replaces Brother Barry Buckley who returns to Australia. Barry's contribution from the start of this venture last year has been very much appreciated and we wish him well as he returns home.

Immersion

Over the coming weeks, Embulbul community, Nairobi, Kenya, will be welcoming two immersion groups from Melbourne, Australia. One will be lead by John McKenna from St Bernard's College, Essendon. John has led such groups before and was instrumental in raising funds for the building of the Bungalow at the back of the brothers' property in Embulbul. He also continues to raise awareness of the needs of the Embulbul students through Education Support donations. He will be here with a group of six others. Also at Embulbul, Tom Purcell from St Kevin's College, Toorak will be coming with a group of young ex-students for an immersion experience at Embulbul. Tom was here last year with a group. We welcome these two groups at Embulbul and hope that their immersion experience is one of a fruitful cultural exchange with the staff and students.

Gerard Ellul

Other Ways: growing alternatives to violence.

A Special Event, 24 September, hosted by the National Council of Churches, Christians and other people of goodwill engaged in action to overcome violence and promote peace on the interpersonal, community and global levels are invited. In these the best and worst of times, gather to share your experiences, celebrate achievements, learn together and build networks for the future at this day to mark the end of the Decade to Overcome Violence. The program from 1.00pm to 9.00pm at Santa Sabina College Strathfield, will include local and international speakers,

facilitated conversations and a public dinner www.ncca.nsw.org.au Inquiries to the PEJ Centre. See a Study guide "Telling the Truth About Ourselves and the World" at www.oikomene.org

Province Appointments

Catherine Tesoriero

The Oceania Leadership Team is happy to announce the appointment of Catherine Tesoriero from Perth to the position of *New Pathways Co-ordinator* for the Christian Brothers Oceania Province. Catherine takes up the position on 1 July 2010. Catherine is a member of the Edmund Rice Network in Perth. Most recently Catherine was seconded from Trinity College to work as a member of the Formation Team for Western Australia and South Australia. Currently Catherine is spending time 'at home' caring for her first child.

In her role as *New Pathways Coordinator*, Catherine will work one day a week for six months in order to establish focus groups among individuals who have expressed an interest in exploring new pathways of connection to the Edmund Rice charism.

Catherine's work will involve liaising with local ERN and Formation Regional Coordinators and exploring the profiles of interested people to determine groupings seeking similar expressions of the charism of Edmund Rice. In collaboration with ERN Co-ordinators, Catherine will establish Focus Groups to work together to describe the pathways expressions to which they are being drawn.

Damien Price cfc

Currently Damien Price is working within the Formation Directorate and remains within the St Alban's Community in Melbourne. Damien is continuing his formation coordination work within New Zealand and retains the formation work with Volunteers in Victoria, Tasmania and New Zealand. Damien will also be working across directorates as he undertakes a number of Province-based research projects for the remainder of 2010. One such project involves the renewal of Edmund Rice Communities within Oceania. Damien will be working with current Edmund Rice Community Members, Reference Groups, Community Leaders and Regional Coordinators as he engages them in reflective processes. Also, Damien will be walking alongside those who are looking to establish an Edmund Rice Community in the near future.

The Life and Mission Directors offer Damien their full support as he embarks on this critical work. The Directors are excited by Damien's interest in and willingness to engage with new challenges. We have confidence in Damien's competence and experience to energetically lead these Oceania projects and to bring to them a deep understanding and appreciation for the charism of Edmund.

Peter Hay

Peter Hay continues to be Director of Amberley as well as a formator within Victoria and Tasmania. The formation aspect of Peter's work, however, will be enhanced through his willingness to take on the Formation Programs Co-ordinator's role within Victoria and Tasmania. Peter's enhanced role within formation complements his work as Director of Amberley.

The Life and Mission Directors, along with Damien, have great confidence in Peter and offer their support as he takes this opportunity to meld the two dimensions of his role into a unique formation response within the Province.

Congratulations to Catherine, Damien and Peter. We are grateful to them for their flexibility and insights as they respond to the emerging needs within the Oceania Province by engaging with new work. Catherine, Damien and Peter will provide updates on their work and we are confident that such a dynamic approach will result in good outcomes.

Mary Murphy

Wadeye celebrations

One surprise was the Congregation was presented with a cross in appreciation of our place in the history of Wadeye. It was hand painted by Vicki Clark (nee Walker) Mutthi Mutthi from Lake Mungo. She has a long connection with the monks in Melbourne re the Indigenous ministry.



Oceania Directors' Meeting Summary – 10 June 2010

The Directors' Meeting was held on 10 June 2010 at the Oceania Province Centre where the Directors namely Anne Pinzon, Steve McLaughlin and Peter Clinch attended with apologies noted from Mary Murphy and Max Montisci.

The meeting encompassed a range of topics such as:

- The 2011 budget process;
- The feasibility of the World Youth Day Project 2011;
- Summary of the Australian Indigenous meeting held at Balmain, Sydney. How is the Indigenous voice heard and valued at Directors' meetings?
- Mary Murphy's report of Jan Novotka's visit to Oceania;
- Planning of Edmund Rice Regional Group Encounter dates and venue; and
- Discussion and endorsement of Province policies. These were *Children in the Workplace Policy*; *Acquisition Policy*; *Preservation Policy*; and the *Sabbatical Guideline for Brothers*.

Peter Clinch

Province Project Officer for Developing Nations

The Oceania Leadership Team has appointed Brother Shane Wood as Project Officer for the Developing Nations ministries of the Province for the remainder of this year (six months). At the conclusion of this six month period, Shane's role and performance will be reviewed and a decision made on the future of this important position within the Province. During this time, Shane will remain based in Broome.

While stationed in Broome since 1998, Shane has been involved in work with the Catholic Education Office, the Diocesan Office, and more recently with teaching on the Broome Campus of the University of Notre Dame Australia. He has continued his study over the years and during his sabbatical year in Dublin, Ireland (2001/2) he added to his BA by gaining a Master of Philosophy (International Peace Studies) from Trinity College, and last year completed his Master of Arts (Theological Studies). He is currently undertaking a Graduate Certificate in Education Law through ACU.

During his ten years in Broome, Shane has come to appreciate cross-cultural issues in sharing country with the local Indigenous people, and to understand more compassionately some of the negative aspects of the legacy of colonization, evangelization, and dependency. Shane is a keen writer and a strong advocate for justice especially for the poor and marginalized, and his writings have appeared in a number of places over the years – Online Catholics, Opinion Online, Eureka Street to name a few.

Shane has agreed to travel to the Philippines in the near future with Ian Robertson to assist the Australian Brothers welcome the two Indian Brothers who arrive in Maasin, Philippines, on June 27. Shane and Ian will spend nearly three weeks listening, learning and offering assistance in planning a sustainable future for an Edmund Rice presence in the Philippines.

The Province Leadership thanks Shane for his willingness to undertake this significant role within the Province and wish Shane every blessing as he immerses himself in the life and community of the people in Timor Leste, Papua New Guinea and Philippines.

Peter Clinch
Director of Ministries

Now Is the Time Gathering

From Friday 2 July until Sunday 4 July the *Now Is the Time Gathering* is happening at Riverglenn Conference Centre

Each region in the province has been asked to set up Wisdom reflection groups to discern the direction for the Edmund Rice Network. Over 35 delegates from those wisdom groups will meet with members of the OLT, some of the Province Directors as well as with some Directors from EREA.

The focus will be to tell the story of the ERN in Oceania, to clarify what is meant by network and networking and the possibilities for the future.

This process will then be shared with other groups in each region as the Network works towards an identity, a commitment and a parallel structure to meet in 2014 at the same time as the brothers' chapter meets.

Please keep them in your prayers.

Mount Isa Flexible Learning Centre opens



Premier of Queensland Anna Bligh (left) opened Mount Isa Flexible Learning Centre with Tim Young (Principal FLC) and State Member Betty Kiernan



Chair of FLC Board Professor Alan Rix with ERERA Youth+ Director, Dale Murray at opening of Mount Isa FLC

Global Website

All are encouraged to keep a regular check on the Congregation website www.edmundrice.net, for stimulating reflections on life and mission today. Your own contributions would be gratefully received by Oceania Province contact person Neville Thornton (ntthornton@edmundrice.org for passing on to Michael Burke, the Web Editor.

Hail and Farewell



The Clayfield Community hosted a function last Saturday June 26 to farewell outgoing Cluster Leader Tony Hemenstall and to welcome Ian Roberston who takes his place. Over thirty Brothers together with the Josephite Sisters from the Archer gathered to pray in thanksgiving for the gift Tony had been to the Cluster and to pray for God's blessing on Ian in his new role. Peter Harney led the group in prayer and thanked both men for the leadership given and for the prospects ahead. A barbeque lunch was enjoyed by all the participants who signed cards wishing Tony and Ian well. Tony departed for Oakland California on 30 June and Ian took up the reins as Cluster leader and moved in to Mount Archer community.

Oceania Updates

Please send any information or news items for Oceania Updates to the Province Publications Coordinator, Brother Nev Thornton, Email: ntthornton@edmundrice.org

I am particularly interested in receiving any good quality images of people, places, sights and faces throughout Oceania.