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Oelenberg

On July 4, 2014, Dom Jean-Marc Thevenet, Abbot of Acey and, by delegation, Father Immediate of Oelenberg, appointed **Father Dominique-Marie Schoch** as Superior *ad nutum* of Oelenberg.

Dom Dominique-Marie was born in 1948; he entered Oelenberg in 2000, made his solemn profession in 2005 and was ordained priest in 2008. He was Subprior before the appointment.

Humocaro

On July 7, 2014, **Mother Paola Pavoletti** completed her first term of six years as Abbess of **N.S de Coromoto - Humocaro** (Venezuela). On the same day, she was re-elected Abbess of the Community for a new six year term.

New Melleray

On July 15, 2014, the Community of **New Melleray** (archdiocese of Dubuque - USA) elected as abbot, for a six year term, **Dom Mark Scott**.

Dom Mark was born in 1948 in Sacramento (CA, USA). He entered New Clairvaux Abbey, in Vina, California, in 1978, and made his solemn profession in 1986. He was ordained a priest in 1987. At the time of his election, he was Superior *ad nutum* of New Melleray.

Bernardine Cistercians of Esquermes

On July 27, 2014, **Mother Mary Helen Jackson** was re-elected for 6 years as Prioress General of the **Bernardine Cistercians of Esquermes**

Prairies

After two months of almost complete blindness, **Dom Marcel Carbotte**, abbot of the monastery of N.-D. des **Prairies** (diocese of Saint Boniface, Canada) since 1969, presented his resignation to the Abbot General. With the consent of his Council, the Abbot General accepted the resignation which became effective on May 31, 2014.

Dom Marcel has recovered his sight. On August 7, 2014, Dom André Barbeau, Abbot of the monastery of Val Notre-Dame and Father Immediate of the monastery of Prairies, at the conclusion of the Visitation, after consulting the brothers, named **Dom Marcel Carbotte** Superior *ad nutum*.

Mount Melleray

On July 16, 2014, **Dom Augustine McGregor**, Abbot of Mount Melleray (diocese of Waterford and Lismore - Ireland) since 2010 presented his resignation to the Abbot General. On August 19, 2014, with the consent of his Council, the Abbot General accepted the resignation which became effective on August 30, 2014.

Dom Erik Varden, Superior *ad nutum* of Mount Saint Bernard (England) and delegated Father Immediate of Mount Melleray, appointed **Brother Boniface McGinley** Claustal Prior of the Monastery.

Ordo 2014-2015

A copy of the Latin **Ordo for 2014-2015** is now available on the website, and can be downloaded in PDF format : (« Resources/Liturgy/Ordo »)

The Year 2015 in Taizé

75th Anniversary of the Community of Taizé, 100th Anniversary of Brother Roger's Birth (12 May 1915 - 16 August 2005).

Throughout the year 2015, the community is celebrating the 75th anniversary of its foundation and it invites everyone to remember its founder, 100 years after his birth and ten years after his death, at the age of 90, killed by a deranged person during evening prayer

- Reflection Week on the Relevance of a Religious Vocation, From Sunday 5 to Sunday 12 July.

An international gathering for young people 40 and under living a monastic or religious life, both those in formation as well as those already committed for some years.

http://www.taize.fr/en_article16808.html

- International Colloquium on Brother Roger's Contribution to Theological Thought From Sunday 30 August to Sunday 6 September.

International colloquium for young theologians 40 and under: theology students, researchers or those already involved in ministry in the Church.

http://www.taize.fr/en_article16810.html

Central Secretary for Formation

Sunday, September 28, after closing of the General Chapter, the abbot general presided at a meeting of the Central Commission, during which the election of the central secretary for formation took place. **Mother Marie Mouris**, of the Monastery of Val d'Igny and former Superior *ad nutum* of Baumgarten (2013-2014), was elected. According to no. 70 of the *Ratio Institutionis*, her mandate is for three years and can be renewed.

Viale Africa

At the beginning of the month of November 2014, the community of Viale Africa had the joy of welcoming a new portress : **Sr. Graciela Guzmán** of the Monastery of Hinojo (Argentina).

The Death of Dom Mauro Esteva Alsina, OCist

On Friday, the 14th of November 2014, **Dom Mauro Esteva Alsina, OCist** died in the Abbey of Poblet (Spain).

Abbot of Poblet from 1970 to 1998, Dom Mauro had been Abbot General of the Cistercian Order from 1995 to 2010. He was 81 years old, had been in monastic vows for 55 years and 47 years a priest when the Lord called him.

The funeral took place on Monday, the 17th of November 2014 in the Abbey of Poblet at 11.00 a.m.

La Palma

Mother Martina Benito Prado completed her second term of six years as abbess of **La Palma** (Spain). On November 18, 2014, she was re-elected Abbess of the Community for a six year term.

Arnhem

Following the resignation of Mother Benedict Thissen, effective on October 1, 2014, Dom Bernardus Peeters, Abbot of Tilburg and Father Immediate of the Abbey of Koningsoord – Arnhem (The Netherlands) appointed **Sister Julian Pieters**, as superior *ad nutum* of Arnhem, on November 30, 2014.

Mother Julian was born in 1944, entered Arnhem in 1996 and made solemn profession in 2002. At the time of her appointment, Mother Julian was the Prioress of the Community.

The fifth member of the Abbot General's Council

The Abbot General and his Council have chosen **Father Santiago Ríos**, a Monk of the Community of Azul (Argentina), as the fifth member of the Abbot General's Council. He will begin his service at the beginning of the month of February.

Dom Santiago, born in Valentín Alsina (B.A., Argentina) in 1957, entered Azul in 1979, made solemn profession in 1985 and was ordained priest in 1989. At the time of his appointment he was the infirmarian of the community.

Dom Santiago will take up his new responsibilities in February.

Dom Santiago Fidel Ordoñez, whose mandate finished at the General Chapter of Assisi 2014, and whom we thank for his service, remains available at the Generalate until the arrival of the new Councillor.

Guimaras

On December 2, 2014, the Community of **Guimaras** (diocese of Jaro, Philippines) elected as abbot, for a six year term, **Dom Gerard Ingusan**.

Dom Gerard was born in 1963 in Balagtas (Philippines) and entered Guimaras in 1988. He made solemn profession in 1994 and was ordained a priest in 2002. At the time of his election, he was Superior *ad nutum* of Guimaras.

Sujong

On December 3, 2014, the Community of **Sujong** (diocese of Masan, Korea) elected as Titular Prioress, for a six year term, **Mother Juliana Tatara**.

Mother Juliana was born in 1945 in Asahigawa (Japan) and entered Tenshien in 1970. She made solemn profession in 1977 and had been Titular Prioress of Sujong from 1995 until 2001. At the time of her election, she was Superior *ad nutum* of Sujong.

Jacona

On December 12, 2014 the Community of **Virgen del Curutaran - Jacona** (in the diocese of **Zamora** - Mexico), was raised to a **Major Priory**, in accordance with the decision of the General Chapter of Assisi 2014.

On the same day, **Father Marco Antonio Maldonado Jaramillo** , Prior of the Community since 2013, was re-elected Prior for a new six year term.

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