

continued from p. 16 There are also parishes recently entrusted to us at the request of the Bishops who can find no-one else willing to take them on: The Parish of St Sebastian of General Carneiro at Sabara (MG) ; the Parish of the Immaculate Conception of Mary, at Setubinha (MG). These are two parishes in the suburbs, where the work is essentially missionary in practice. We have young people who are at the point of fully committing their lives and entering

the Ministry of the Priesthood. People who little by little are creating a spirit of joy and hope throughout the Vicariate, and in the Region.

What about the future? It will be like the past has been: God will take the charism of St Michael where he wishes. And as for us... well, we will continue to do what we have always been known for : Forge ahead, with humble, docile, joyful and constant hearts.



If two men are united with each other and with God in this love, these two individuals make up the Catholic Church (Matthew 18,20). How come that these two individuals make up the Catholic Church? Because they are universal in spirit, the spirit of God, the spirit which strives to unite mankind with God, thereby to constitute the universal brotherhood of God's children. Are there such men in existence today? There are; they cannot but exist. (M 40)



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A WORD FROM THE SUPERIOR GENERAL

**You entrusted me with two talents;
here are two more that I have made
(Mt 25,22)**

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Devotion is a typical feature of Christian action, and therefore of Betharramite action. For the disciples of Jesus, this position is not pure coincidence, but rather the theological "place" where God makes himself present and reveals His will. Like Jesus, every Christian tries to please the Father by doing His will in all the situations he encounters in life. *"May Fathers Barbé and Cazedepats be where God wants them to be, in order to do what He wants and how He wants it. Within these boundaries, may they practise the vastness of charity; May they work perfectly towards their own salvation and perfection and dedicate themselves admirably to the salvation and perfection not only of the people who are entrusted to them, in great or small number, but also to ours and to that of many more people."* (Correspondence Vol.II, letter 215, pag. 49-50).

Devotion has a negative first step, that of dying to oneself, but a positive second step, that of dedication, giving, responsibility of faithfully meeting the

demands of our vocation and of our mission, whatever the cost. We have to do the best we can, with the resources we have, without complaining about their limitations. Complaining would be an excuse to avoid the demands of work, to not give our all in a difficult situation or even to think ourselves not good enough for the task ahead. It is by giving myself in a responsible fashion to my situation that it becomes better. To think that I would be better off in another situation is a fantasy because I know neither the people nor the circumstances nor the scope of this new situation. Devotion does not justify tactless action which is more the fruits of self-love than of giving oneself or of the service of others. This is why St Michael Garicoits insisted upon limits of situation, of vocation and of the gifts of grace in order to avoid dispersing ourselves in multiple activities chosen to make ourselves feel good, instead of concentrating on what has been asked of us.



Perfection consists of completing ordinary actions well, in fulfilling one's duties well. It is sometimes said: *if I were in another situation, in such a house, with such a superior, in such a class etc, I would make progress in my journey to holiness. What an illusion! To do everyday deeds well: sweeping, washing the dishes, dedicating yourself to the most humble service that you have been charged with. That's what God expects of you.* (DS 263)

We must always be dedicated. Whether we are seen or not, whether we are given recognition or criticism, whether it pleases us or pains us. There are two criteria for this: the will of God and the optimum service of others. Nothing else. The real disciple of Jesus doesn't do things thinking about himself, but rather in order to please God and serve his brothers. It has nothing to do with searching for honour, prestige or success. St Michael Garicoits said that success comes from God; we are simple servants. *Let's tremble at success. If I preach and they applaud me, the church is full, my confessional has a never-ending queue; it has to make to shudder. If I preach and it doesn't please them, they abandon the church saying: What pomp and ceremony! These trials must inspire me to be more bold and to persevere more in my efforts Young scholastics, ... please have the sentiments of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Be humble in success and, without doing anything*

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| | 12 | Buon compleanno | P. Maurizio Vismara P. Damiano Colleoni |

to look for it, do not trust in its consequences for others. I refer to diplomas, to these pieces of paper, and how much they make people swell with pride. (DS 182-183)

Magnanimity does not contradict humility: they are two virtues which complement each other. Humility cannot serve as an excuse for laziness or melancholy. The Lord has given us gifts, qualities, talents so that we are capable of carrying out our vocation well, our mission and our profession in the service of our brothers. Magnanimity consists of doing things as well as possible, fully using our potential. Magnanimity does not pride itself in having done things well, nor does it half do things to show a false incompetency. That would not be true humility which always lives in truth. My brothers need me to carry out my work responsibly and I have to commit my whole interest and capability to it, like an adult, because perhaps I am the only person who can carry out this service in this manner. In the parable of the talents (Matt 25:14-30), Jesus teaches this magnanimity to his disciples. This magnanimity demands total dedication to the activities of our mission, work and office, without impeding the responsibilities, competences and obligations of others, within the limits of our own situation. According to Jesus and St Michael Garicoits, it's about dedicating ourselves totally to carrying out the commitments and activities of our duty as well as possible and after having done so, to recognise that we are no more than mere servants. To practice love that has no limits within the limits of our situation.

Pope Francis says that one of the

temptations amongst the Church's pastoral representation today is an unpleasant selfishness: it pushes people to need to preserve their independent space. Lay people are afraid of losing their free time; priests obsessively guard their personal time. And that way, each avoids the duty of evangelisation, considered a dangerous poison, when it is really a happy response to the love of God which fills us and makes us bear fruit. The cause of this situation is not so much an excess of activities, but rather activities undertaken with a lack of adequate motivation and a lack of the kind of spirituality that demands action and makes it desirable. (EG. 81-83). St Michael Garicoits also fought this laziness which is sometimes hidden in complaints about the realism of a situation: *So, let's dedicate ourselves to our duty, day after day, because God wants us to and in the way He wants us to. Even if tomorrow we have to change our office and method, let's continue to dedicate ourselves, for the same reason which we cling to the office and method that we have today, ie for the sake of obedience.* (DS.235).

Gaspar Fernández Pérez, SCJ
Superior General

LIFE OF THE CONGREGATION

A plentiful harvest

IN JUNE, THE WIND BLEW FROM EAST TO WEST: THE GRAINS, SOWN ALMOST 10 YEARS AGO, HAD THE STRENGTH, THE RESOLUTION AND THE PERSEVERANCE TO GROW AND TO BLOOM TO THE GREAT JOY OF THOSE WHO NURTURED THEM DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY, AS FR AUSTIN HUGHES, REGIONAL SUPERIOR, REPORTS.

Today, like the joyful mysteries of the rosary God has given us 5 reasons to be joyful, and I thank God for the priestly ordination of my 5 younger Betharram brothers Saat, Nonthapat, Arthit, Pitak, & Thinakorn. Or perhaps I should say that we have 7 reasons to be joyful, like the 7 gifts of the Holy Spirit, because we also have a new priest for the Chiang Mai Diocese and a new deacon for the Thai Missionary Society. But

I know you will forgive me if I speak briefly about my 5 Betharram brothers, because they are the reason that I came 5,000 miles from England to be here on this joyful day. And even if from this day onwards they are called Father, they will always be my Brothers.

So firstly I want to thank the families that nurtured them and gave them life. When a new priest is ordained he has spent many years in study, and he has learned much about scripture, theology and pastoral work. But the place where he first heard about Jesus was in his own family. And I thank the families the teachers and the village catechists who helped make Jesus a real and living person for my brothers, and who planted in them the



first seeds of their vocation.

And secondly, they are the perfect illustration of the scriptural saying: one man sows, another reaps his harvest (John 4.37). And it is a tribute to the older missionaries from Europe ... some of whom are still alive! that we have a beautiful harvest today. I say thankyou to those who left their own lands ... Italy ... France.. Spain ... Ireland to help spread the good news or who baptised our new priests or help to educate them and whose example inspired them. Like the apostles who followed Jesus I know that they have been rewarded.

Then thirdly I would like to thank the Formators present today and those who have passed away who helped



Betharram.

We are continuing with the now well established educational activities: in the St Michael college at Passa Quatro and the St Joseph institute at Conceicao do Rio Verde. These are not grandiose colleges : they are warm and welcoming places engaged in work which seems to be increasingly less appreciated in Brazil; missionary work both for the laity and religious which seems to be increasingly an area where no one wants to go. Attention must be drawn to the work of formation in the religious life and the priestly ministry. This is a task which often may pass unnoticed, hidden in the routine of study, personal dialogue, discernment, silent prayer during retreats, vocation promotion and Aspirancy House, our Lady of Betharram

at Passa Quatro (MG), the Postulancy House in the Betharramite Seminary of Paulinia (SP), and the Regional Scholasticate of Sacro Cuore di Gesu at Belo Horizonte (MG).

A great deal of work done in the parishes, entire communities set up and encouraged to flourish

thanks to the work of different generations of Betharramites down the years: Our Lady of the Beautiful Branch at Vila Matilde (SP); Our Lady of the Beautiful Branch at Paulinia (SP); the Sacred Heart of Jesus at Nova Granada. [continued on p. 16](#)



The colourful new parish for Betharram in Brazil: Sabara

Following the division of The Congregation into Provinces in 1948, Brazil was initially part of the Province of America, as were Uruguay and Paraguay. The revision and final approval of the provinces led to the separation of Brazil from the other countries and to the birth of the vice province of Brazil which, in its initial developments, received the help of the newly founded vice province of Italy, which sent several priests and brothers to the new continent.

Today, the Brazilian Betharram runs 5 parishes, including those of Sabarà and Setubinha which have recently opened, as well as the original centres namely the boarding schools of Passa Quatro and Conceição; and finally, within the framework of the Regional organisation, based in Belo Horizonte, are the Head-Quarters of the Scolasticate of the Etchécopar Region.

Roberto Cornara

Its Present
& its future...

with Fr. Mauro Henrique Ulrich de Oliveira scj, regional vicar

The Betharramite presence in Brazil is about to celebrate its eightieth year: it was in fact in 1935 that the General Council authorised the founding. However, far from being an increasingly ageing and frail body, as one might expect to occur over time, this presence continues to show signs of youthful energy and strength. It has not been due to a human effort, either individual or collective. It has been more about a force of will which goes beyond all of us individuals and to me seems to demonstrate how much in need day to day Brazil is of the charism which St Michael managed to intuit....Gradually we are discovering that to do the will of God is the only method by which we can lead people to become fully realised, to a true happiness. The road travelled till now has been made up of joys and sorrows, of gifts received and of necessary acts of purification; a road that seems to have only just begun. There have been many experiences of lives given in



Fr. Mauro with the dean of the Betharram in Brazil, Fr. Enrique Lasuen, ...Argentinian!, who is about to celebrate his 92 birthday on July 16th. Happy Birthday, Fr. Enrique!

service to others, for the mission, without a care as to where and when; and we can also count many defectors, people who, for whatever reason, have not been able to stay the course. In God's eyes, all these are important and everyone has contributed in their own way towards a green and yellow

form and educate these young men in their training.... the novice masters ... the students masters .. the seminary teachers and the pastoral supervisors. Your work is absolutely essential but it is not considered glamorous. In our Congregation of Betharram we always try to follow the example of St. Michael our founder who imitated the call of the prophet Isaiah and answered God's call by saying 'Here I am, send me!'. But we have a joke in our Congregation that if someone asks you to go and become a Formator, we say 'here I am, send him!'. I often tell our Formators that working with young students, you cannot expect them to be very thankful for your work here and now, but if you are lucky they will thank you in 20 years time. So today I

thank especially the Formators. Fourthly I would like to thank the Bishops here present, Bishop Francis Xavier Vira and his predecessors who were always good friends to our Congregation, and also Bishop Joseph Piboon who has been so good to us in recent years as our brothers have worked in the western edge of Nakom Suwan Diocese. I always say that one of the first jobs of a bishop is simply to give encouragement, and that is something that we have certainly received in Thailand.

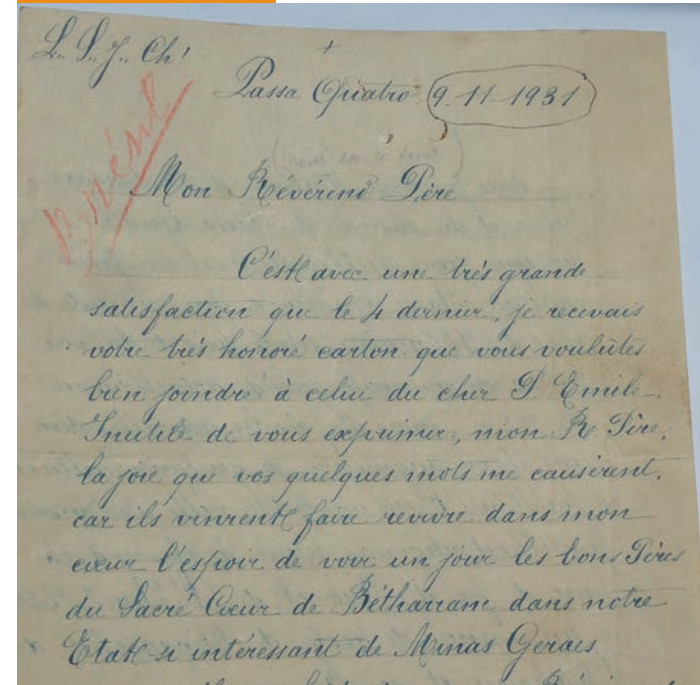
Fifthly I thank the many friends and lay people, who have supported our Congregation in so many ways, past and present. Some with their prayers .. some with their friendship ... some with their finances ... some with their love & devo-

Chiang Mai
Cathedral -
28 June 2014
Ordinations of
Albert Saat Prathansiphong,
Bithu Pithak,
Thinakorn Martin de Tours
Damrongisasin,
Nontaphat Mayoe, Athit Kasetsukchai with
the presence of
the Superior General



The Vicariate of Brazil

its roots



«... Rev Father, you can't imagine the joy your short note gave me, because it rekindled in my heart the hope that I would see one day the dear fathers of the Sacred Heart of Betharram in our interesting State of Minas Gerais ...
Excerpt from the letter of Sr Maria Octavia, of the Sisters of Providence, to Fr Sarthou, November, 9, 1931

The Betharramite presence in Brazil developed in the 30's at the specific request of The Sisters of Providence of Passa Quatro and with the approval of the Brazilian authorities. The first Community, the Ginasio São Miguel, was founded at Passa Quatro in March 1937 by Frs. Jean-Baptiste Apetche and Edouard Miéyaa (French), Dante Angelelli (Italian) and Francis Darley (English). Fr. Evald Huwel, an Argentinian (of German origin), a senior member of the congregation in Brazil, joined them at the end of that same year.

From the outset, the congregation concentrated on the young and the task of training the new

recruits to the Betharram congregation. During the war, around 1943, the Institute in São José, Conceição do Rio Verde, was created to accommodate a few classes from Passa Quatro, and a Betharramite pre-junior seminary. The seminary as such was founded in 1948 next to the Passa Quatro school; in 1951 the Brazilian Novitiate opened and the following year The Major Seminary, from which graduated the first Brazilian Betharramite Brothers: Frs. Joaquin Soares Moreira, Gabriel Rodrigues Moreira and José Luiz Arantes Vilela.

The Ordination of the first priests and the increase, albeit limited in the number of brethren, led to the creation of other Betharramite centres, with particular emphasis on Pastoral activity and parish work in the big cities such as São Paulo (1956) and Belo Horizonte (1961) and in the smaller urban centres such as Brumadinho (1969), Santa Luzia (1970), Paulinia (1983) and Douradina (1993).

tion some with their example and some with their honest criticism. We priests and brothers are only human beings, and although we are ministers of the gospel, we are in constant need of repentance and conversion ourselves. As St. Paul put it: we are simply the old clay pots in which the treasure is carried. (2Cor 4.7) On a good day these clay pots can be as loving and as wise as Jesus the good shepherd. On a bad day the pots

can be tired and irritable and stupid as a buffalo. So I thank God for all those who help us remember before God that we are human and that we can only work for him if we are in a constant state of conversion. Thankyou to all of you who love the clay pots and help us to safeguard the treasure.

Austin Hughes scj,
Regional Superior



THE REGION "FR AUGUSTE ETCHECOPAR" CELEBRATED THE EUCHARIST ON THE DAY OF THE SACRED HEART, FRIDAY 27 JUNE, WITH A GREAT MANIFESTATION OF ECCLESIAL FAITH: THE PRIESTLY ORDINATION OF FR WAGNER APARECIDO FERREIRA.

The City of Nossa Senhora do Perpétuo Socorro [our Lady of Perpetual Help] (in the State of São Paulo), in its centuries-old parish church packed with local faithful and many Betharramites come for the occasion, shared the solemn celebration presided by Mons Aloisio Pena Vitral, Bishop of Teófilo Otoni, "among trumpet sounds."

Fr Wagner (nicknamed "Wagninho"), was moved and he thanked his parents and all those present who accompanied him in the fulfillment of his vocation.

In a festive and solemn atmosphere, the Brazilian Beautiful Branch thanked the Lord for this fresh "shoot" given to the Church.

Fr Wagner will carry out his mission in Uruguay while attending a

course to prepare himself to be a formator of future Betharramites.



Fr. Wagner with Fr. Gustavo Agin, Regional Superior

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salvation for those who need to take up hope again on their journey. At the Renaissance, the church was situated near the north gate of the city of Rome. It was therefore the Virgin of Miracles who welcomed pilgrims arriving from the Via Francigena. The church was a safe port during a long and difficult route. During the course of our history, it was the virgin who welcomed

us after we had to leave the church of the Holy Guardian Angels. Today the Virgin still offers a shelter to escape from the noise of the Piazza del Popolo full of tourists, from its concerts, its human "river" formed by the daily comings and goings where everyone is a stranger to the next person, where you can be alone in the multitude, lost in the crowd.

The Virgin opened her maternal arms to two groups who meet here regularly: the charismatic group "Company of the friends of Jesus, Joseph and Mary" and the members of the "Association of separated Christian families".

Celebrating and praying to "the one who saves from the waters" is for us all today a recognition of this debt of welcome which

we have towards Mary: placed under her protection, we don't drown, she gives us reason to hope in the Lord Jesus who is the "Beautiful Branch" to which we cling to save us, the air which allows us not to drown but to stay alive.



Faithful to this duty of welcome, the mission of the community of Betharram in Rome consists of continuing Mary's gesture of salvation through prayer and welcoming those who

occasionally or regularly cross the threshold of this sanctuary to ask for the sacrament of forgiveness, to address a prayer to the Lord Jesus or more simply to find an ear attentive to their story. The Church still responds today to its vocation as a place open to the current of the world, a safe haven where Mary teaches us to welcome and carries us towards salvation. It is in this spirit of service and recognition that we prepare to celebrate the 490th anniversary of the miracle and the centenary of the presence of the Betharram community on 20 June 2015.

Simone Panzeri scj

The one who saves from the waters

WATER IS AN ELEMENT LINKING OUR LADY OF THE BEAUTIFUL BRANCH WITH OUR LADY OF THE MIRACLES. MANY ARE THE GRACES GRANTED BY OUR MOTHER MARY IN THE SHRINE NEXT TO THE RIVER GAVE AT BETHARRAM AND IN THE CHURCH AT PIAZZA DEL POPOLO (ROME), JUST A FEW STEPS AWAY FROM THE RIVER TIBER.

The Madonna loves to gather communities of Betharram around stretches of water. This is what could be concluded from the "twin" miracles which took place at Betharram and Rome. It's the course of history which reminds us of this. In Rome the miracle took place on 20 June 1525: a seven year old child fell in the Tiber in Rome and the current carried him away. His mother was in despair: who would be able to save him? Nearby on the bank of the river, there is an image of the Virgin Mary and it was to this image that the anguished mother turned. The child was saved and said that all the time he felt a hand holding his head above the water: the Virgin Mary saved him, preventing him from drowning. People flocked there in large numbers and towards the end of the year, a small chapel had already been built on the edge of the Tiber to honour our blessed Mary of Miracles. Later in 1679, the miraculous image was transferred to the church situated on the piazza del Popolo which was dedicated to her name.

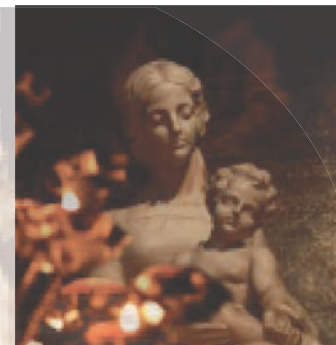
A hundred years ago, in 1914, the fathers of Betharram received from Pope Pius X the pastoral care of this Marian sanctuary which was so close to their origins. The priests went to live there the year afterwards in

1915.

Once again it was our Lady in White who took care of them and accompanied them in their mission, this time in Rome, after they lost their home at the Church of the Holy Guardian Angels which was demolished in order to build a tunnel in the nearby Tritone street.

This year the Betharram community in Rome, with our brethen from the General House, started the commemoration of the centenary of their presence at Our Lady of Miracles with a holy mass and with a prayer of supplication to the Holy Virgin to continue to guide and protect our history of salvation.

The story which links the Virgin of the "Beautiful Branch" with the "Virgin of Miracles" allows us to invoke the Madonna as "the one who saves us from the waters." That could simply seem like a nice story, but listening to all the tribulations of those who come to the sanctuary at Rome, you notice that many are "rivers" which threaten to "submerge" life and hope. In this way, the Madonna becomes an anchor of



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BIRD'S EYE VIEW OF THE CONGREGATION

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complexity of conflict management. They also expressed their gratitude to their formators for making their best to provide an all-encompassing formation.

Guidance ► From the 16th to the 28th June, Father Graziano Sala, our General Bursar, paid a visit to our three communities in Ivory Coast to see how they are coping with the book keeping software which is common to the whole Congregation and to help the Bursars to make good use of it. They spent several days loading the accounts from the communities and the Vicariate. Time was also spent in explaining the vocabulary it uses. Rendering account for one's self or for others, faithfully and regularly is a real sign of generosity; it is something which demands efforts which nobody notices; it also demands a certain strictness which is a bit boring and determination which never fails to surprise. In a word you could say that it is an ungrateful task? No, it is the way of conversion for all as was pointed out at our last general Chapter. To be careful of the common goods is our way of expressing our fidelity to our religious life and is our way of expressing our care for the good state of health of our mission. We should hold in highest esteem those brothers who, whether they like it or not, whether young or not so young, have embarked on this route and so offer this service to our Family.

Region



Argentina

Barracas ► On June 27, the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart, the Betharramite

Italy

Mission Anima-

tion ► Who are the missionaries? Why do they leave everything behind? Where are they? What is the daily life



of our peers in Africa? These are some of the questions along the «virtual travel», from Italy to the mission lands, of the 300 children and young people who, guided by their leaders, attended the summer youth club ("oratorio") at Montemurlo, in Tuscany, June 9 to 28.

Ivory Coast

Formation ► From 10 to 13 of June, soon after the Solemnity of Pentecost, in the formation house of Adiapodoumé, there took place a session on «Introduction to conflict management.» The session, led by Ms. Yao Therese, a specialist on this particular theme, and scheduled by Fr. Sylvain Dansou, Superior of the community of Adiapodoumé, was aimed at training young people entrusted to him by the Congregation, to carry out the mission in countries characterized by con-



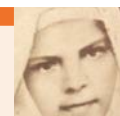
licts. At the end of the session, the participants stressed that the issue was relevant and it helped them to understand the



Parish consecrated to the Sacred Heart at Barracas (Argentina) celebrated its patron saint's Festival. Father

Giancarlo Monzani sent in this video to make us feel the joy of the celebration. The well-known song in the background was composed by Br Leandro on the occasion of the jubilee in honor of St. Michael Garicoïts that has just ended. The video shows images of the Eucharistic celebration, followed by a time of entertainment shared by the teaching community of the college.

Region



Thailand

Sampran ► On June 26, the community of formation "Ban Garicoïts", guided by Fr Peter Bancha, CSS, reflected on their vocational journey in our Congregation. During the gathering minds and hearts were enriched by the meaningful reflections shared by the brothers who were encouraged to discern more and more clearly the will of God in their life.



NOTICES FROM THE GENERAL COUNCIL

Decisions of the Superior General and his Council

- The Superior General, with the consent of his Council, gathered on July 9th 2014 **presented to priesthood** Dn **Osmar Cáceres Spaini** (Vicariate of Paraguay) and Dn **Davi Lara Aparecido Da Silva** (Vicariate of France-Spain);
- The Superior General, with the consent of his Council, decided also to admit to **Final Profession** the Brothers **Vincent de Paul Worou Dimon** and **Jean Paul Kissi Ayo** (Vicariate of the Ivory Coast).



Dn Osmar Cáceres Spaini



Dn Davi Lara Da Silva



Br. Vincent Worou Dimon



Br. Jean Paul Ayo Kissi