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### Michael Garicoits, God's shepherd (3)

not to offend God whom you are about to receive.”

Michael never revealed the secret of that First Communion. All that is known is what the people saw, retained and related later on when questioned “Holy Mother, never had we seen a communicant like him!”

Soon afterwards Michael left the Anghelu family, with 100 ecus and a little flock. The sheep had had lambs and he was bringing his flock home when a thieving soldier had the cheek to try to grab a lamb.

Hi, my friend! You're not going to get away with it like that” Michael leaped, ran after him, and recovered his lamb, and full of joy returned to his native village. But is he going to stay there for long?

(to be continued)

*Father Etcheccpar wrote...* to his sister Julie, March 16th 1868

*Let's understand what we are, and let's show ourselves to be what we are. This means that: "We prove we are servants of God by great fortitude in times of suffering (...) by our purity, knowledge, patience and kindness, by a spirit of holiness, by a love free from affectation; by the word of truth and by the power of God..." (Corinthians 2/4-10). For we are the ambassadors of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Our Lady will help you by her example which you must continually contemplate and by her protection which obtains all favours for us. Saint Joseph will obtain for you chastity, humility and fidelity; he will obtain for you also the grace to persevere in Egypt surrounded by deadly worries and the fear of famine and he will help you in your uneasy exile, but in the company and possession of Jesus. Let's pray, be humble, watch and unite ourselves to God's Will, to his good pleasure, to a loving and blind obedience. Let's have great faith and so we can move mountains. Ah! Faith! That says it all. It is the foundation stone of everything. Let's ask for it for each other.*



# Family News

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## A word from the Superior General

## To live chastity out of love

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I knew Adrian who accompanied Viviana to the celebration of the Reconciliation Service for year six of Primary at the College of St Michael Garicoits where Viviana was a teacher. Adrian was in charge of switching on and turning off the lights at the moment of the Rite of Light. With what love, sensitivity and tenderness Adrian accompanied Viviana! What a fine couple! Yet how they had suffered not to have children. They had adopted Ramiro, and then Augustine and Joachin arrived. What joy for both!

We may know many young happy couples. We also know old couples who love each other dearly. They are seen to love each other, but all may have not been so easy for them. Those who know their story, may be aware of what they have been suffering together. Yet they have learnt to love each other even more through this. I also know sisters, religious and priests who radiate happiness, and those who are close to them realise how deeply they are committed to Jesus Christ and his kingdom. And there are many of these. Yet this doesn't stop me realising that there are those consecrated to God who are embittered, just as there are among married people, even if they are in the minority.

The secret of the former is love. The secret of the latter is bitterness, lack of love. In fact we are created for love and are made to love. He who loves develops, he who doesn't love becomes impoverished. Our sexuality when integrated

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with such love enables us to grow, sexuality divorced from love encloses a person into himself, and sometimes leads to violence.

In the case of Adrian and Viviana I knew what they had suffered and yet each was living for the other and the children, having the humility to accept the many good things received from each other which made them better people. I saw Adrian stay at home with the children so that his wife could go to college. I also knew that Viviana after class took care of the children, cleaned the house, and did the cooking. In all this, one recognizes true and genuine devotion. To share, means making many sacrifices, giving up things, purifying and healing oneself of the desires which lead us to think only of ourselves rather than others.

The same renunciation and the same purification is required of those who have chosen to live in consecrated love through the programme of chastity. All those who have been attracted by Jesus are called to follow Jesus, immolated so as to please his Father and serve others so that all men may have a life, Jesus who chose for his programme a life of chastity, yet upholding the value of marriage. The chastity of Jesus and ours which strives to imitate him, presupposes a readiness to offer ourselves more and more: to love without expecting in return love, affection, a hug, and no intimacy of a wife and children to love. This willingness to offer more, doesn't arise from a superior perfection, but from a very deep need. It is not a matter of loving more, but of loving differently.

What we cannot afford to lose is love. The programme of a chaste life is not for everybody, no more than marriage is. Both marriage and consecrated chastity require fidelity and a serious commitment. These are the two major values, made by our choice by an act of free will, but achievable by the grace of God. Without genuine chastity one cannot understand the value of marriage. Couples who live their

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Michael is now installed with the Angelu family. While guarding his sheep he studies French and his catechism. He is employed at Oneix as well as at Ibarre, to the great satisfaction of the Parish Priest who calls him "the little Doctor". His employers also are pleased with him and, three years later, offer to triple his wages so as to keep him on.

At that precise moment he is 14 years old and an important event is going to decide his future. What has happened? Well, our friend Michael has such a deep longing to make his First Communion that he even spoke about it with his Parish Priest, who did nothing to encourage him. The poor lad doesn't know where he is. He worries over it. He can neither eat nor sleep. He is making himself quite ill.

Then one fine morning, as he was leading his flock out, stooped and heart broken between the desire and fear of making his First Communion, suddenly everything becomes clear; he is no longer afraid; he knows, he feels it, he can see. God wants him at the Communion Table and later on at his Altar. He will make his First Communion and he will be a priest. It's what God wants; it's what he will do!!

He carries on walking without noticing the road nor the flock of sheep, not even the stone which trips him up and crashes him to the ground. But now that he knows, what a fall, a bump or grazed knees to Michael He returns quickly to see the Parish Priest at Oneix, and tells him of this sudden light which has flooded his heart into which God has entered with a call which will never be effaced. This time the priest sees God's Will and accepts it.

"Michael, I am going to enrol you for the next First Communion class! Make a good preparation and take care

### **A light on the way...**

In order to help his family Michael becomes a farm boy. Rose Dardennes continues the story in the *Fripoune* magazine in 1967... and for us 40 years later.



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M A R C H

15	Joyeux anniversaire Happy birthday	Fr. Paul Lamothe Br. Antony J. Livin Fernando
17	Buon compleanno	P. Natale Re
19	60 ans de profession	félicitations, P. Jean Gillet
21	Feliz cumpleaños	P. Bruno Ierullo P. Jorge Murias P. José Gogorza
22	Joyeux anniversaire	P. Gabriel Verley
23	Buon compleanno	Fr. Butrus Alhijazin
24	Happy birthday	Br. Michael Richards
25	Happy birthday	Br. Chaowit Phraisokhumwong
27	Feliz cumpleaños	Hno. Daniel Pavón Galeano
29	Joyeux anniversaire	Fr. Jean-Pierre Nécol
30	Happy Birthday	Fr. Pairo P. Nauchachawan
31	Buon compleanno	P. Piero Trameri

A P R I L

1	Joyeux anniversaire Feliz cumpleaños	P. Jean Gillet P. Daniel González
2	Buon compleanno Happy birthday	P. Angelo Riva Br. John Dawson Fr. Jiraphat Raksikhao
3	Buon compleanno 25° di sacerdozi, auguri	P. Franco Cesana P. Ermanno Rasero P. Maurizio Vismara
4	Joyeux anniversaire	P. Jean Casenave
5	Buon compleanno	P. Tiziano Pozzi
6	50th of priesthood, congratulations	Fr Edward Simpson Fr Anthony Box
8	Happy birthday	Br. Denis Cutinha
9	Happy birthday	Br. Abraham S. Nadackalaya Br. Leo Jesu Dinesh Leenus
10	Buon compleanno Happy birthday	P. Aldo Nespoli P. Mario Zappa Fr. Subancha Yindeengarm
12	Joyeux anniversaire	P. Gérard Badie P. Laurent Bacho
13	Buon compleanno Happy birthday	P. Ugo Donini Br. Shaju Kalappurackal

wedding vows seriously help us to be faithful to our consecrated life in chastity, and vice versa. These programmes are not exclusive nor do they contradict each other. These two vocations need each other, they should help and complement each other mutually.

Gaspar Fernandez Perez,SCJ

**March 19th**

### Saint Joseph, master of life

St. Joseph is the patron saint of the minor seminary of Bangkok Archdiocese where I usually spend my weekend with the staff and the seminarians as one of them. I consider it a good experience to be part of the formation team and a companion of the young boys. The formators are also happy about my presence among them to accompany our young boys, both Diocesan and Betharramite, because I am involved in guiding them and in taking decisions.

Personally I am very impressed about the virtues and values St. Joseph had lived. Although he was a descendent of the greatest king of Judah, David, and of the ancient and illustrious patriarchs, his true glory consisted in his humility and wisdom.

He was a simple man who lived a life according to God's will. He is a great model for Christians with regard to faithfulness to God. Through his generous cooperation, he helped in the Salvation plan of God. Despite various hardships and troubles he patiently looked after Mary and the child Jesus. He rejoiced at the child's birth but also had to undergo a great fear: the furious king Herod had sought to kill the child, and the whole city was in an uproar about the matter. Saint Joseph's total obedience and commitment help to bring about the fulfilment of God's plan.

Joseph has been depicted as a faithful spouse, and as a religious minded man, who tried to personalize the



inspirations from God and remained truthful to them. The conception of Mary troubled him at the beginning but later the angels told him that Mary had conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit, and he believed and accepted Mary as his wife. Thanks to his unshakable faith in God, nothing could deter him.

So I take this opportunity to share some of the blessings and remarkable events that inspire me to imitate his virtues of humility in accepting the will of God through the authority. He encourages me to be a good example for the young boys and to form them according to their potentialities. I pray that we all may follow the example of St. Joseph to be close to Jesus our Savior and to Mary, the mother of Jesus and our mother.

May St. Joseph lead us to be faithful and righteous like him to be good models in carrying our daily crosses. Faithfulness to God requires our commitment towards Him and towards our brothers and sisters.

#### *At the grotto of Nazareth*

### Theology of joy

It was five o'clock in the afternoon at the grotto in the Basilica of the Annunciation on Ash Wednesday, the first day of Lent; the time to return to our origins. "Remember man that you are dust and to dust you will return." It is the time to ask ourselves the question; "who am I?" It is a question that bears within it sadness, wretchedness and above all the fact that one day we will die. In regard to death I can remember, Diala a girl of 12 who had brilliantly danced in a ballet on the stage of the Theatre last Christmas and today-two months later-finds herself lying in bed fighting against cancer. I pray for this singularly gifted child. The Word was made flesh is the phrase carved above the altar of the grotto where Mary received the message of the Angel Gabriel, a phrase that brings great consolation in such moments, that brings me strength and confronts me with the reality of death.

### Prayer for vocations

God, our Father, in the name of Jesus  
And through the intercession of Mary  
We ask you to send your Holy Spirit on the whole human race  
and to arouse countless vocations for the whole Church, and  
especially for our Congregation.

Send men and women of today who heed God's call, and  
whose deep desire resembles the dream which fills your Heart,  
for each one of us.

Give us priests and religious **who walk in the footsteps of Jesus,**  
Souls consecrated by God and who dedicate their whole life to others.

Give us lay people **imbued by the Holy Spirit**  
who, with a ready and generous heart, answer the voice of Christ  
inviting all men to come and work in his vineyard.

Give us married couples, **pilgrims of God's Will**  
who help their children to grow up well  
and who help other married couples to remain faithful to their marriage vows,  
their promise of fidelity, with generosity, joy and simplicity.

Give us young people who are committed, and who reflect Christ  
In their life style, and method of approaching those desperately in need of love.  
Give us children who by prayer reach to the Heart of Jesus.

Help us to build the **community,** and to live in community with our brothers;  
For we need each other in order to grow in love and  
to remain faithful to the Holy Spirit received from Jesus.

Make us aware of the need for a universal brotherhood,  
A love of our neighbour, full of mercy and without conditions or limits.  
May we, nourished by the Word of God and the Body of Christ,  
Through prayer, self abnegation and charity,  
continue our way in the spiritual life  
And open our hearts to those in greatest need.

#### ***Come, Lord Jesus!***

Make us holy and capable of carrying out God's plan,  
His project of love which will complete our happiness.

#### ***Come, Lord Jesus!***

Help us to want what you want,  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen.

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Prayer written by  
Argentine lay people  
for the ELAB 2007

***With hind sight, what are the main difficulties and the finest fruits of your mission?*** - In my mission I have been through tough times - on my own, without help or means. God gives justice, and with the passage of time truth is established. And that's what happened. What is important is to look straight ahead and not to stir up too many bad memories. In my mission, the first fruit was an easy awareness of a task done for love. In the Congregation, one must see the responsibility of our vice-province in the hands of a team of whom four have been my novices. Part of the fruits there is the joy of being a Betharramite and having been called to the priesthood.

***Why propose Betharramite Religious Life in Brazil today?*** - For this reason which is stronger every day: all who know the Betharramites, their life and spiritual message, feel that Betharram has always been and must continue to be an evangelical reference for many in this land of Brazil.

***According to you, what is important for the young and the not so young in St Michael's message?*** - The young are all worried about their future and they know that there will be no lack of obstacles in their path. Michael was never afraid; he always believed that with God everything will succeed. "*God will help us*", he used to say to the Fathers. His motto was "*Forward march!*" In today's world where the young are victims of the impulses and upheavals of the moment and which always lead into a blind ally, St Michael's example helps them to see the wisdom God gives those - superiors, parents, educators- who are examples and guides for the good of their neighbour. For the young lad whose happiness consists in doing what he likes or following what his mates do or say, St Michael is a reminder that the most important and surest path is to do God's Will.



"Who are you?" makes me think again about my mortal destiny: "remember man that you are dust and to dust you will return"... This grotto brings to mind that the Word was made flesh here; a witness of God's immense love for humanity, and it makes me think about my other destiny: remember man that you are a son of God and to God you will return. Christian life is a journey or better still a return to our origins. God stands at the beginning because He is the creator but he also stands at the end of our journey, because he is our fulfilment and joy. Our point of departure hasn't been we had to forfeit personal freedom but we have liberty to decide the point of our arrival. God became man to give to us joy when death brings to an end each of our journeys. Diala will meet Him soon, but by meeting the One who is beyond the obscurity of the tomb.

The meaning of the discourse of God is to uncover another road on our journey towards Him, that God awaits us beyond the door of death which opens into new life... The time of Lent is not a time of strife, tears and lamentation, it is on the other hand the time of returning to our origins, *return to me with all your heart*, it is the time of knowing and living with dignity and joy: remember man that you are a son of God and to God you will return; your destiny is God, not death. That's yours, dear Diala. Your destiny is not death, notwithstanding that the wood of your bed has become for you the wood of the cross.

A week after it was the first of March, the month when flowers bloom in the spring... Second meeting with Diala on the wood of her bed... a sweetest agony surrounded by all, accompanied with prayers mixed with tears... I turn again to the grotto of Nazareth... the grotto of joy... but here it is the grotto of Diala who is going to close her eyes on the springtime and to bloom as a flower in the Kingdom of joy... Diala is dead and at the end of the day enters another yet different day. Remember Diala that you are a daughter of God and to God you will return, you will return to eternal joy.

Today is the second Sunday of Lent, the gospel of the Transfiguration. Jesus is clothed with great joy, which confirms our dignity. “You are my son, the chosen one”. “Master it is wonderful to be here”. No, we must go to Jerusalem, to the wood of the cross. No, Lord, it is beautiful here, let us be filled with great joy... joy comes only after the wood of the cross... Let us go!

Now.... Jesus knew what he wanted and where he had to go and to whom... Do we know what we want and where we are going? Yes, towards the God of my joy.

A FRUITFUL LENT, AND HAPPY AND JOYFUL  
FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION.

## IN MEMORIAM

France

### Fr Raymond Laulom (1921-2007)

Born on 30 May 1921 at Mugron (Landes), he followed the classic formation route for religious of his day: Novitiate at Balarin (Gers) and first vows in 1939; scholastic in the Holy land: final profession at Bethlehem, priestly ordination at Jerusalem (29 June 1946).

His life as a religious–priest unfolded in a particular manner. As a priest he found himself in China from February 1947 to October 1952. The communist regime chased him out, along with his other confreres. Then his life was turned this way and that: a few months here, two or three years there; with, however, a longer stay (1961-1973) in the Paris region as school chaplain to the Lycée Lakanal in Sceaux (diocese of Nanterre).

For a long time he retired to his house, which was always open to his brothers whenever they asked hospitality; he himself loved to go to Sarrance, where he was a historian of sorts.

In 2001, he chose to rejoin the community of the Maison-Neuve our house of retirement. He thought he would not last long: in any case in less than five years, in 2005, he thought his time has come, so much of his strength had gone; but then he rallied a little and began his daily walks again. In recent times he became weaker; and he left us peacefully on Saturday 24 February 2007.

Let us unite in prayer for our brother.

visiting the parishes, supplying literature to the members of the vocations team and suggesting meetings for the young who are thinking about a vocation.

Actually the vocations pastoral with the laity is functioning in four of our parishes. For example, in Paulinia, the group initially from our parish in Belo Ramo is made up of 12 couples, that is two for each grass roots community. Besides the vocations promoter, there are Betharramite postulants as well as one for the Daughters of the Cross. The result is that two young men from Paulinia have entered with us, one is novice and the other is doing his philosophy. Our monthly meetings discuss the following topics: (1) What is a vocation? (2) Different vocations. (3) The vocation of the ordained minister. (4) The vocation to the religious life. (5) Vocations of the non-ordained minister.

*At Paulinia there is a “Betharramite Seminary”. What is it exactly?* - Our house in Paulinia is rather a place for discerning, experiencing community life, getting to know oneself and the mission of Jesus, rather than a seminary in the usual sense. We only accept candidates who have been accompanied, either by a Betharramite, Diocesan Priests or other religious.

The length of time spent at Paulinia depends on the individual. Anyone with the high school diploma can stay for six months to a year. Anyone who must finish his secondary education stays for longer. The course includes formation to prayer life, secular studies, improving one’s mother tongue, learning a foreign language, studying the Sacred Scriptures, Betharramite spirituality, music etc. Four times a year, as part of the Conference of Religious of Brazil, the postulants go to the neighbouring town, Campinas, for sessions on self knowledge which are given by a Sister psychologist. Finally, they help with the upkeep of the house, the orchard and the vegetable garden to make them aware of the value of things and to make them responsible for their use.



## 8 MINUTES WITH... Father Paulo Vital

Fr. Paulo Vital Campos is vocations promoter for the vice province of Brazil, where there are as many religious with perpetual vows (16) as young religious information. This detail urges us on to know more about it.

*Nef - Father Paulo, you have been made responsible for vocations in your vice-province. To begin with, can you tell us something about your own vocation?* - From childhood, about the age of eleven, I had a deep longing to be a priest. I never said anything about it to my parents. Through shyness and the fear of not being helped as I was from a very poor background. I don't know. The problem was resolved the day I met Father E. Mieyaa at the door of the college in Rio Verde. He asked me "What is your name? Paul. What a lovely name for a priest. Would you like to be a priest?" Yes, I said. Straight away Father Eduardo spoke to my parents about my vocation and took such a keen interest in it that he introduced me to St Joseph's College, which was to be the first step on my way to the Seminary in 1952. My experience leads me to say that meetings can play an important part in the discovery of a vocation. The *Elis* of this world are always important in helping the countless *Samuels* to listen and to answer the Lord. (cf. 1 Samuel 3, 1 – 10). When the Lord calls we are often distracted, says John Paul II.

*How did you come to accompany vocations and what exactly is your role?* - Caring for vocations and making Betharram better known has always interested me. No sooner was I ordained than I was named provincial *head-hunter* (That was the name!) During my training in the novitiate, I brought out information packs and Betharramite vocation literature, which is still in use in the Vice-Province. As assistant priest in Conceicao do Rio Verde, I organised the vocations pastoral. The result was that six candidates for Religious Life emerged: four for Betharram, one for the Trappistes and one for another Congregation. Since being moved to Paulinia in 2004 and at the request of Father Batista, I am now Vocations Promoter. It means organising and reorganising this service with the laity,

Fr Laulom wanted to have the lift system installed in the house of retirement as a gift to the religious. Eventually the lift was working. But has he ever tried it...? I can see this as a typical trait of his life. He was a man of highs and lows and then once more of highs. Through his readings he used to like to recall history, century by century, King by King, up to the Romans at the beginning of our history. What a treat!

*For the inhabitants of Lestelle*, those of the village, towards the cross on the hill, he was a man who, at strange hours when no one was abroad, climbed in the full heat of the day the hills, clothed no less strangely, bare to the waist if weather permitted. The mayor with some concern asked about this man so regular and yet so unknown... where did he come from?

*For us*, a brother, once strong and weak like ourselves, fashioned by highs and lows. The child who sang admirably, they used to say! A searcher, a constant critic, sometimes eager and sometimes depressed, yet always bouncing back with a surge of brilliant intelligence, long-time deciding to face up to things, when brought low, and then arising from it; surprising us all. Up to his final illness which proved fatal, nothing was ever clear, a certain obscurity surrounded him.

*For his family*: he was the nephew of the celebrated Canon Lahitton whose studies on vocations marked an era! Did the uncle have anything to do with his choice of life?

*For God*: a child of God like us, marked by grace like us, marked by sin like us. His ascent to the Father was often in the mist and he returned with difficulty to his brothers.

*On the earth*, people knew him. He liked to take his holidays at Sarrance, the object of his researches in the heart of the Aspe valley.

In heaven, his rest will be in the merciful love of the Father. Come, all who are ready for the banquet!

So, the lift will always be for us a little place of prayer for our brother. May they both help us climb towards the One whom we know... so little!



*Good and tender Mother of the healthy and the sick, of those who wear the crown and those who have gone away barefoot, Our Lady of Sarrance*

Gabriel Verley, SCJ  
Testimony at the vigil prayer  
Community of the Maison Neuve,  
26 February 2007

## Generalate House

**Fraternal meeting** ■ On February 27th, Sister Marthe Perugorria, Superior general of the Daughters of the Cross, and her councillor, Sister Gracy Çabalette, have taken the opportunity of a canonical visitation of their Italian communities to meet our Superior general, Father Gaspar Fernandez and his vicar, Father Enrico Frigerio. During an informal and fraternal meeting, they made a survey of collaboration between our Congregations, at the time when our elder sisters are celebrating 200 years of their institute.

**Archives : a new letter from Saint Michael ?** ■ Born in 1811, ordained priest for the diocese of Bayonne in 1855, P. Salvat Etchégaray joined Bétharram where he made his first profession in 1855. Quite soon after that, he was sent to Ste-Ursule School of Pau as a chaplain. One day Father Garicoïts needed him for another post. Since Fr Etchégaray was very well appreciated as a chaplain, a lot of resistance was set up. The rest of the story is told by Fr Etchégaray himself, quoted by Fr Etchécopar (letter of March 14th, 1893): "A letter arrived for me from Bétharram; it contained three lines: My dear friend, your ministry at Ste Ursule's has come to an end. (First line) Leave for this mission post [Anglet]. (The second line) Say nothing to anybody. (Third line) I bless you. Garicoïts priest. Immediately, I packed up, full of joy; and without saying anything to anybody, I informed only the superior of the house. *But*, he said, *we need a substitute; wait, let us see the letter - I am not allowed to show it to you*, I replied respectfully. *I am told to leave; I am informing you about that. I leave.* And leave I did". Beautiful example of obedience by love!

## Province of Italy

**15 years fighting against aids and for the persons** ■ From 1992, the betharramite community of Monte Porzio, helped by the association *Il Mosaico*, welcomes in the house "Villa del Pino" AIDS patients who have neither roof nor family support. Even if the conditions of the disease have changed over the years, the demand of shelter, health care and social assistance have not decreased (there is a waiting list of approximately 200 requests in the area of Rome).

To mark this anniversary, a forum entitled: "AIDS:



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Michael Region

Reception and philosophy of the care - the therapeutic homes in front of new social policies" will be held in Monte Porzio on Friday, March 16th. It will pool together different speakers from the health sector, homes managers, health authorities, teachers and religious. On March 17th, after a mass of thanksgiving, a candle-lit procession will lead the participants to the Villa del Pino for a meal.

## Province of Rio de la Plata

**Happy... academic year!** ■ In Argentina, the academic year started on March 12th. All in all, more than 5000 pupils attend betharramite schools (10.000, adding those of Paraguay, Brazil and Uruguay). In line with the pastoral educational Project, every institution takes to heart to be a centre of evangelization and catechism for families. And all this in the living tradition of a certain Michael Garicoïts...

## Vice-province of Brazil

**Freedom and responsibility in formation** ■ From 5th February to 9th February the community of the scholasticate did his retreat on the coast near Sao Paulo. Talks, prayer and sharing helped to interiorise the project of formation following the five dimensions: human, community, spiritual, socio-cultural and missionary dimensions. The joyful presence of an old religious from Brazil, Fr Henrique Lasuen was appreciated by everybody. For this academic year, the scholasticate "Fr Evaldo Huwel" is made up of 5 brothers (Eder, Francisco, Luiz Henrique, Marcelo, Robson) and three priests (the superior: Fr Francisco, the spiritual guide Fr Jose, a priest doing pastoral ministry: Fr Wagner).

## Vice-province of Thailand

**Foundations of the building and... of our hope** ■ The construction of the new betharramite seminary of Sampran started at the beginning of March. The future house of formation should welcome 22 senior seminarians, 10 postulants who will begin in June their philosophy, and 32 junior seminarians. To finance such a project, supported by the cardinal of Bangkok, the Thai vice-province appeals to the public generosity. In this period of Lent; this would be a proper way of supporting a "young Church", wouldn't it?...



Fr Etchécopar  
Region



Blessed  
Miriam Region