

YOUNG MARISTS ON MISSION



Gather with prayer, then someone read: Mt 5:13-16

"You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses its saltiness, how can it be made salty again? It is no longer good for anything, except to be thrown out and trampled underfoot.

"You are the light of the world. A town built on a hill cannot be hidden. Neither do people light a lamp and put it under a bowl. Instead they put it on its stand, and it gives light to everyone in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.

Listen to the CD or read the Script.

Simply use the questions below as starters to guide your sharing.

- * What stands out most for you from the Scripture / Reflection?
- * Maggie describes a desire to 'save the world'. When you think of the world today what is your deepest desire? How does being Marist help?
- * Who has helped or influenced you in to be attracted to Marist Lay identity and mission?
- * How important is hospitality and the sense of family connection in your Marist journey?
- * "Rather than going in circles thinking about what I can do, I came to realise it starts with who I can be". Share what 'who I can be' means to you as a Marist Lay person.

Their call is to be truly missionary: They are to go from place to place, announcing the word of God, reconciling, catechizing, visiting the sick and the imprisoned, and doing the works of mercy. They attend especially to the most neglected, the poor, and those who suffer injustice.
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Concluding Prayer Time:

For your own intentions and others needs.

E te Atua, God of Love,

Thank you for the communities in which we live and grow;
Our whānau, our groups of friends, our parish, our neighbourhood.
Strengthen our awareness of the needs of those who orbit around us.

Help us to put people and relationships
before products or appearances.

Challenge us to go out of our comfort zones to interact
with people from different backgrounds, cultures and generations.
Help us to be generous with our time and our talents.

May we remember like Mary at Cana, that respect
and care matters deeply, and that every need is
about a person and their story Remind us of the
need to be open and compassionate,
as we build a future of mercy and love for everyone.

Amen.

