



Lay Marist Scotland

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Celebration and Reflection

In 1979 Brother Charles and Brother Mungo, both teachers at St. Mungo's Academy in Glasgow, invited senior pupils at the academy to work at Camp Marist as Summer Counsellors. The aim of this project was to develop skills in sports and leadership, and to contribute to the ongoing work of St Marcellin Champagnat. This initial invitation by Brothers Charles and Mungo (sadly, now passed away) established a long tradition of Scottish counsellors working at Camp Marist, a tradition which still continues in 2018.

Camp Marist was founded by Brother Sylvan in 1949, to support young boys from poor inner-city communities of New York during the hot summers. This echoed the establishment in 1888 of Celtic Football Club by Brother Walfrid with a similar purpose in mind, to support poor children in the impoverished areas in the East End of Glasgow.

In 2019 Camp Marist will celebrate its 70th anniversary and in parallel, Scottish staff will celebrate 40 years of continued service to Camp Marist.

During a period of 40 years, Scottish staff have contributed to Camp Marist as Counsellors, Prefects, and Mentors, produced two Assistant Camp Directors, and through our children, have produced a number of Counsellors in Training (CITs). Collectively, Scottish staff have supported fundraising events and spread the message of Champagnat to our friends and family.

In preparation for the celebrations in 2019, a mass will be held at St. Mary's, Abercromby St, Glasgow, to celebrate the work of St. Marcellin Champagnat and the long tradition of Scottish counsellors working at Camp Marist.

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Throughout 2019 the Camp Marist Scottish community will be creating an environment in which all past and present Camp Marist staff and campers can prepare to celebrate the anniversaries together.

We plan to hold regular social gatherings to support and share the Marist Mission through service to others.

There are several events planned throughout the year, which will be communicated via the website and emails.

An important date for the diary will be;

Sunday morning mass 10am
St. Mary's Abercromby Street

June 2nd 2019

We hope you will join us

Should you require any further information regarding the content of this Newsletter, please don't hesitate to contact us (details below).

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