MARIST SOLIDARITY ENTITIES IN THE PROVINCE OF NIGERIA

1. SOLIDARITY/JUSTICE AND PEACE COMMISSION
Organise the activities of Marist Solidarity in the Province and beyond as well as advocate for justice and peace in order to have a fair and just society.
It operates in nine states of the federation where the Brothers are working
MAIN ACTIVITIES

- Approves all scholarship awards into Marist Schools in Nigeria in collaboration with the Provincial and Council
- Approve all solidarity ventures in the Province
- Study the social teaching of the Church and keep the Brothers informed about it
- Receive, evaluate and respond to all applications for financial help in the Province
- Write projects to international funding agencies asking for help on behalf of the Province
- Regular supervision of how the beneficiaries of Marist Solidarity make use of them
- Visit and organise regular visitations to the homes of the Brothers both living and dead in collaboration with the Patrimony Commission
The Physically Challenged dancing during their graduation ceremony
MISSION

- Advocacy for the right of the child in the Province of Nigeria and beyond
**MAIN ACTIVITIES**

- Produce and ensure the implementation of Child Protection Policy in the Province
- Create awareness on child’s right among the Brothers, Marist Staff and students
- Regularly remind the Brothers of the central place of the children and young people in our apostolate
- Initiate and involve other schools in organising inter-school seminars and conferences on child’s right
- Evaluate the activities of the school Counsellors, and Matrons/Patrons in our schools
- As an external body, visit and confronts/advise especially difficult students in our schools
- Advice the Provincial and Council on matters of Child’s Right
WORKSHOP FOR MARIST STAFF ON CHILD’S RIGHT PROTECTION IN NIGERIA
SEMINAR FOR MARIST STAFF ON CHILD’S RIGHT PROTECTION
CHILD’S RIGHT AWARENESS CREATION OF SOME CHILDREN IN ENUGU, NIGERIA

- Five Brothers and two Lay Persons are involved in the animation of Child’s Right
Creation of Marist NGO in Nigeria

Provincial and his Council after consideration see the creation of a Marist NGO as a need in Nigeria.

This was a follow up of the April, 2017 meeting in Rome after reporting to the Council the outcome of the meeting.

Provincial and his Council have approved the creation of this NGO.

Solidarity/Justice and Peace and Child’s Right Commissions have been mandated to work out the modalities and legal requirements for this Marist NGO Nigeria.
Many solidarity ventures are taking place in the Province, but without much coordination.

This future NGO will coordinate these solidarity ventures in the Province.

The “selfish question” some Brothers ask is what is the benefit of this network to the AU’s?

Finally, the network of Marist NGO in the Institute is a welcome initiative. However, in the quest for this global initiative, local needs have to be factored into the entire vision.
The Province has no institutionalized solidarity project as such.

ACTIVITY: (a joint initiative of 2 Marist schools and the Province)

Every Christmas they share food, cloths and entertain people from very poor backgrounds.

Food and cloths are offered by students from well-off Marist schools (students and pupils are encouraged to offer what they have).
NEW SOLIDARITY VENTURE

- An initiative of the Marist alumni (a group of former students who feel the need to “give back” what they received from the Marists)
- To create a fund in order to pay some poor children’s school fees (scholarships)
- It is still at the conceptual stage
PHOTOS OF SOME BENEFICIARIES