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Marist Fathers and Brothers
in the European Province for a
COLLOQUIUM

**In the face of “the globalisation
of indifference” is there still
a place for mercy?**

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translation will be provided
in French, Italian and English
which are the working languages.

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not to be missed!

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When: **March 29th – 31st 2016.**

Participants are expected to arrive for the
evening meal on Monday March 28th and to
depart after breakfast on Friday April 1st.

More detailed information will be
made available in October



29-31 March 2016



Would you welcome space to reflect on your experiences in the field of social justice and solidarity ministry?

In the face of *'the globalisation of indifference'* today, is there still a place for mercy?



This question will be the subject of the seminar which takes place during the Church's Jubilee Year of Mercy 2015-2016.

The seminar is an opportunity to consider your experience in the light of the three themes **Dialogue**, **Welcome** and **Solidarity**.

Who might benefit from participating in this seminar? Marists, their partners in action for social justice and all *"people of good will"*!

The Society of Mary was born at a turbulent time of post-revolution and restoration in France 200 years ago and these experiences influenced the attitudes and values of Fr. Jean-Claude Colin and the founding Marists.

What do these attitudes and values mean in contemporary society? For Marists the seminar is the opportunity to define for today, what it means "to become, in their Founder's words, ever more effective 'instruments of divine mercy'" (C.11).

The seminar coincides with the 200th anniversary of the Pledge of Fourvière, a motivational text for the Society of Mary.

It is an effort to bring together work already done on solidarity ministry, current papal thinking and our own experience of the challenges we face. By so doing, we hope to find ways of reinterpreting some of these insights for our contemporary lives and apostolic activity.

Three keynote speakers will share their insights on the theme:

Gillian Paterson: DIALOGUE

Gillian is a theologian, currently a research associate with Heythrop College, London. Since 2008 she has run a series of annual colloquiums, bringing together academics, practitioners and policy makers to explore difficult moral issues in today's society.

Fabio Corazzina: WELCOME

Fabio is a priest of the Diocese of Brescia, Italy. For a long time he has been involved both locally and nationally, with issues of peace, disarmament and solidarity. His parish is an open space of encounter and dialogue between different realities and affiliations.

Gilles Rebèche: SOLIDARITY

Gilles is a deacon of the Diocese of Toulon. He founded the partnership organisation *Union diaconale du Var*, which is an umbrella organisation of more than 40 charitable initiatives concerned with social action and inclusion in and around the South of France.