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Dear brothers and sisters Feast of St Luke.

May the peace of the risen Christ be with you and encourage you.

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There are many **new** things to share with you. Firstly we have the news that death has been conquered in the resurrection of Jesus Christ from death allowing us to live in a new way. There is a **new** Vice-Rector, Fr Jaime Ramirez Chinchilla. There are four **new** seminarians for 2008. There will be two **new** priests ordained in mid November. We offer you a **new** investment opportunity.

NEW VICE-RECTOR.

Our new Vice-Rector was born in Colombia and was ordained five years ago from the Redemptoris Mater Missionary Seminary of Macerata in Italy. He has worked in various parishes in the Diocese of Macerata and was a member of the itinerant team of catechists of the Neocatechumenal Way in Austria. Fr Gonzalo is in Spain waiting to be sent itinerant in a team to announce the Gospel.

NEW SEMINARIANS.

For 2008 we are very happy to have four new seminarians coming to Perth. One is from Zambia, one from Ecuador and two are from Santa Domingo. We have begun their visa application and approval process which requires around three months. They should arrive for the beginning of 2008. Then there will be 22 seminarians from 14 nations*.

NEW PRESBYTERS.

You will find enclosed with this letter an invitation to the ordination to the Presbyterate of Rev Ernesto Gerutti (Argentina) and Rev Manoel Lopes (Brazil) together with two deacons from St Charles Seminary. We hope you can join us for this wonderful event.

NEW OPPORTUNITY.

We live completely in the hands of Providence. This year I am hoping we can send 8 seminarians home for holidays after two years here in Perth. Bookings are brisk. If you can assist some of these young men return home to their community and family for Christmas you receive 'one hundred for one' (better odds than the Melbourne Cup and you are sure who the winners are!), forgiveness of your sins and eternal life.

We are very grateful for your support. On the back page is a small summary of what you and we have achieved with the Lord's grace. Be assured of our prayers each Sunday.

Fr Michael Moore SM

Michael Marc SM

r Jaime Ramirez Chinchilla

Fr Nicholas Falzun OP

*ARGENTINA, AUSTRALIA, BRAZIL, CHILE, COLOMBIA, ECUADOR, ITALY, MEXICO, NICARAGUA, PANAMA, SANTA DOMINGO, THE PHILIPPINES, VENEZUELA, ZAMBIA

Archbishop Hickey will ordain two more priests in November bringing the total to 24 presbyters since 1997. Where are they? He has generously responded to the requests of a Cardinal, various Archbishops and Bishops around the world and around Australia.

FR MELVIN LLABANES is in the Cathedral Parish of St Kevins Helsinki Finland. "...there are only 12 Catholic priests counting the Bishop in all Finland. Last year the first ever Catholic seminary opened here - the Redemptoris Mater Seminary of Helsinki. The temperature here is going below zero now and will be 20 below by Christmas. I am learning Finnish and celebrate the Eucharist and preach a little in what is the second most difficult language in the world. And today I am happy following Jesus Christ here."

(phone conversation on October 4th)

FR DENIS SUDLA is in Katmandu, Nepal. The Catholic Church arrived in Nepal only 40 years ago. The new bishop is from Nepal and has only 8 priests in the one diocese of Nepal. "I have been part of a team giving catechesis for adults. Over 40 people have formed the community and many are young married couples. Most of the marriages are between Catholics and Buddhists or Hindus. Bit by bit they are all attracted by the announcement of the good news of Jesus Christ crucified. The evangelization is just beginning. On a clear day you can see Mount Kilimanjaro in the distance. Every week in the Sunday Mass I meet tourists from all parts of Australia." (called October 3rd)

FR EUGENIO ZURIAS DIAZ recently shifted from St Francis of Assisi Parish Humpty Doo in the Northern Territory to St Theresa's Parish of Balgo/Kutjunka in the Kimberley, Broome Diocese. The parish is 10 hours by dirt road from Alice Springs and 12 hours by road from Broome when the roads are dry. "I am here with Marcello a seminarian and Joseph a young teacher who has taken this year off to spend in service of the New Evangelization. The parish consists of three villages, Mulan, Billiluna and Balgo which have a total population of around 1000 people."

FR DANIEL CHAMA AND FR RICHARD TOMELTY are both in the Cathedral parish of Broome. FR JOHN ALLEN is based in Canberra in a team giving catechesis for adults in parishes in the Capital. In Darwin FR MILTON ARIAS is parish priest in Humpty Doo and FR JAMES D'SOUZA is chaplain of Darwin hospital in the Northern Territory. FR SAGAYARAJ AROKIADOSS AND FR JOHN HOGAN are respectively the parish priest and the assistant parish priest in Immaculate Heart of Mary Parish East Hampton Melbourne. They have been evangelizing in various parishes of Melbourne with a team of catechists of the parish. FR CLESIO MENDES AND FR JOSEPH PELLE are the priests of the inner Sydney parish of St Vincent de Paul Redfern.

Kiko, the initiator Neocatechumenal new Vice-Rector the new for 2008.



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