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CHANCERY NOTICE

OBITUARY

Bro. John Lek Soon Tee, FMS of the Marist Brothers in Singapore passed away on 9 December 2017. He was 77. Bro. John had suffered from cancer in his final years.

John Lek was born in Singapore on 27 December 1940. He entered the Marist Juniorate in Singapore in 1953 and became a postulant in 1959. He entered his novitiate training at St Ann's Hermitage, New York in 1960 and made his first profession one year after, on 15 August 1961. Bro. John Lek graduated from Marist College, USA in 1964 and was perpetually professed in Sibu, Malaysia on 8 December 1966. He obtained his professional diploma of education in Singapore in 1980.

Bro. John's life was dedicated to education and formation. After his graduation, he taught in St Joseph High School (1964) and then in Catholic High School in Sibu, Malaysia (1965-1969). He moved to St Francis Xavier's College and St Francis Xavier's School in Hong Kong (1972- 1975) and then to Sibu again, before returning to Singapore in 1978 to teach in Maris Stella High School (MSHS). He served as MSHS's Principal from 1982 to 1984, and as Vice- Principal from 1985 to 1988. From 1989 to 1996, Bro. John was the Provincial of the Marist Brothers of the China Province. Three years after his term as Provincial, in 1999, Bro. John volunteered to be involved in refounding the Marist Mission in China. His work in China bore sweet fruit when a new Marist Brother was professed in 2010.

After serving as Treasurer in the Marist community in Hong Kong in 2013, Bro. John returned to Singapore in 2014. He was diagnosed with rectal carcinoma, a suffering which he placed into God's hands.

Bro. John's wake is currently being held at Champagnat House, 15 Flower Road, Singapore 549404. Prayers are held nightly at 8.00PM.

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Details of Funeral

Date: 12 December 2017

Time: 3:45PM

Venue: Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (IHM),
24 Highland Rd, Singapore 549115

Cremation will follow after at Mandai Crematorium, Hall 3.

We invite you to pray for him in your masses and prayers.