

Fifteen religious and six lay delegates gathered at Assumption College in Worcester (USA) from July 5-9 to implement the decisions and orientations of the general chapter. Two invited guests also attended, Fr. Richard Lamoureux, the outgoing superior general, and Fr. John Franck, a newly elected assistant general. Fr. Miguel Díaz Ayllón (Mexico), the newly appointed provincial, presided this session of the chapter with great enthusiasm, imagination, and good humor, even if he admitted to some nervousness.



Following the logic of communion strongly encouraged by the general chapter, the members of the provincial chapter decided to abolish all regions of the province and to create simple delegations. Not only did they do so in order to lighten structures, but also to emphasize the unity of the province spread over four countries (Canada, Mexico, the Philippines, and the United States). To reflect this unity, the province will now on be known as the Province of North America-Philippines. The delegates from the four countries, together with the provincial treasurer, will make up the provincial council. Delegates have been or will be named as well for various portfolios such as formation (Richard Lamoureux), the Lay-Religious Alliance (Claude Grenache), vocations/youth ministry, Bayard, Assumption College, etc.





