

General Chapter *News*

10 September 2009



NEW SUPERIOR GENERAL



**Earlier today, at the General Chapter ,
during the 3rd ballot,
Fr John Hannan SM
currently provincial of Europe,
was elected as the 13th Superior General
of the Society of Mary.**



PROFILE



**Born in Limerick, Ireland on 31 March 1943
Professed on 24 September 1963 in La Neylière, France.
Ordained a Marist priest in Dublin on 21 December 1968.
Further studies in the Institute of Theology, Lyon, 1970-'72.
Higher studies in Trinity College, Dublin 1974-'78 and 1983-'85.
Principal ministries:
Formation: 1972-'85
Retreat Work: 1978-'79
Education: Dean of Discipline 1969-'70. School Principal 1985-'90.
Provincial of Ireland: 1991-97 and from 2003-2008.
Provincial of Europe: 2008-
Languages: English and French.**



CONGRATULTIONS FROM JAN HULSHOF



Fr Jan Hulshof warmly congratulated John on his election. He wished him God's richest blessing for his ministry of leadership of the Society for the next eight years. He called the new Superior General to rely on the support of Mary, the first and perpetual Superior of the Society, and he assured his successor on behalf of the Society of his religious obedience and fraternal collaboration.

