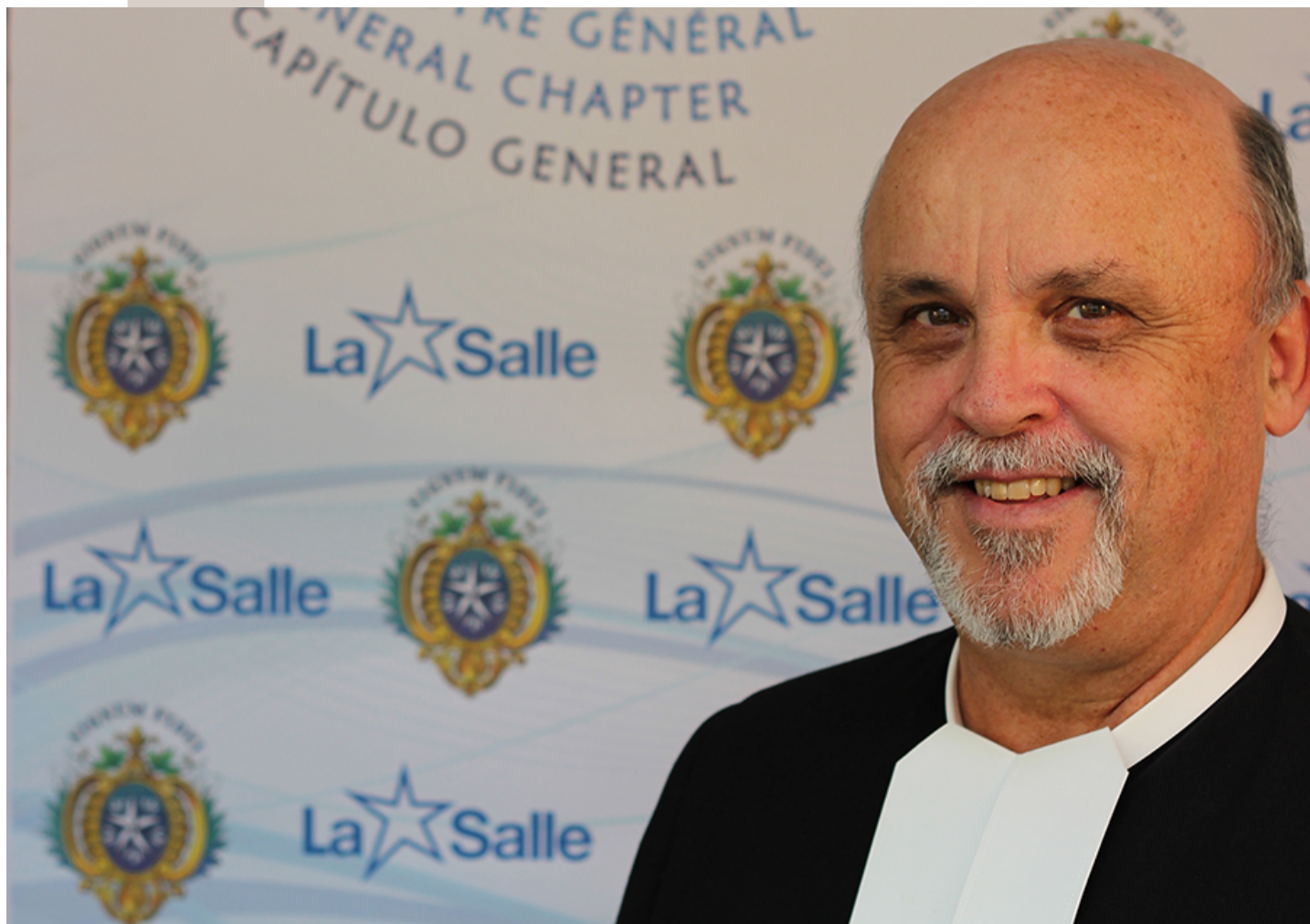




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**Br. Robert Schieler FSC is the 27th Superior General.** Today, May 20, 2014, the capitulants of the 45th General Chapter elected Brother Bob Schieler as the 27th Superior General of the Brothers of the Christian Schools. Brother Bob has some connection with LEAD as he served as a missionary in the Sector of the Philippines for 11 years. As a young Brother, he was assigned to La Salle Academy in Iligan and was recalled in the late 80s to do administrative work in his own District.

In a moving ceremony, the Capitulants all filed out of the Aula Magna after the election and passed by the central staircase into the chapel while singing “Laudate Omnes Gentes”. Brother Superior was the last one in and he knelt in front of the relics of the Founder to pray.

There will be a simple celebration tonight and the rest of the week will be devoted to the election of the Vicar and the General Councillors.



“The Institute of the Brothers of the Christian Schools during its 45th General Chapter in Rome has elected Br. Robert Schieler for the mission of Superior General in the coming years.

“Brother Robert Schieler was born in 1950 in the city of Philadelphia, USA. He made his final profession in 1979.

In its first year he served as a teacher in his own country and spent 13 years as missionary in the Philippines. He studied Modern European History and has a Ph.D. in Educational Administration.

From 1991 to 1998 he was Auxiliary Visitor of the District of Baltimore, served as Director of Education for former USA-Toronto Region from 1998 to 2001; later he was Visitor of his district from 2001 to 2007. During the last seven years he has been a General Counselor for the new Lasallian Region of RELAN (USA and Canada) residing in Washington.

“The Institute of the De La Salle Christian Brothers and the entire Lasallian Family, we all congratulate Br. Robert Schieler and would like to offer him our unconditional support and prayer for the new endeavor entrusted to him as the 27th successor of St. John Baptist de La Salle.

“We thank Br. Alvaro Rodríguez for the excellent work of government and animation performed during the two term mandate during which he has served as Superior General.” ([www.lasalle.org](http://www.lasalle.org))

“Brother Robert Schieler, FSC, who has served for the past seven years as General Councilor for the Lasallian Region of North America (RELAN), was elected Superior General today! He is the 27th successor of St. John Baptist de La Salle.

“Brother Robert was elected as General Councilor for RELAN in 2007 after serving as Visitor of the Baltimore District from 2001-2007. As a General Councilor he had specific responsibility for RELAN. Before becoming Visitor, Brother Robert was the Director of Education for the United States-Toronto Region. He also served as Executive Secretary for the Regional Education Board and College Presidents Association. Prior to this, Brother Robert served seven years as Assistant Provincial and Director of Education for the Baltimore District. A missionary to the Philippines for 11 years, he has served in a variety of administrative positions from Assistant Principal to Superintendent of Schools. A delegate to the 44th General Chapter in 2007, he also attended the 43rd General Chapter in 2000 and the 42nd General Chapter in 1993. He sits on several boards, including Saint Mary’s University of Minnesota and Bethlehem University. He is a graduate of La Salle College (now University) in Philadelphia, PA, where he has also served on the Board of Trustees.” (<http://lasallian.info/>)

Faternally,

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