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Rev. Fr. Jean Yves Le Tue MSFS, Provincial All the Confreres of the Franco-Swiss Province, All the Family Members and friends of Jean-Paul Fournier MSFS All the MSFS Confreres world-wide

MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCES AND PRAYERS

May the Peace and Joy of Christ be with you! Shalom!

My heartfelt condolences to Fr. Jean Yves, the Provincial of the Franco-Swiss Province, to the family members, and to all our Confreres worldwide on the demise of our Confrere, **Father Jean-Paul Fournier MSFS**.

Born on June 26, 1942, Fr. Fournier hailed from Valais. He was ordained priest in the MSFS Congregation on April 13, 1969. For some years, he served as chaplain at Florimont. He earned a Licentiate in Psychology. He became the Director of Novices in 1983. He played a pivotal role in re-launching all Salesian Spirituality initiatives in the Franco-Swiss Province starting in 1984. He was also Chaplain to Geneva University before being appointed Rector of Bonlieu. Fr. Fournier served as a Provincial councillor for nearly 30 years and was later elected Provincial. He died on February 22, 2025.

With sincere gratitude to God and to Fr. Fournier, I recall to mind, his significant contributions to the growth of the Mission and the MSFS Congregation as a dedicated priest who served in various capacities. I also extend my thanks to the family members who entrusted the young Fournier to the MSFS Congregation to serve God, Church and humanity.

Throughout his life, Fr. Fournier was actively involved as a formator, spiritual guide, and animator of Salesian groups. He exemplified the virtues of St. Francis de Sales, embodying humility and gentleness. Known for his discretion, he spoke little but was systematic and well-oriented in his approach.

May the soul of Fr. Jean-Paul Fournier, through the mercy of God, rest in peace! Amen.

Yours in Christ Jesus, on behalf of the General Curia

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Fr. Johnson Kallidukil MSFS Superior General Hyderabad, India, February 24, 2025

