



MSC European Novitiate 2016/17 "Community Life" Myross Wood, Ireland



Myross Wood House



**Myross Wood House** is one of the 6 MSC houses in Ireland. The majestic edifice serves as both a home for MSC confreres and a retreat center and is situated on south-west coast of Ireland near the village of Leap, about 70 km from the city of Cork.

The foundations of the house were laid in the middle of 18<sup>th</sup> century and some other extensions were made in early 19<sup>th</sup> century. In the course of the centuries several rich families occupied the large residence until 1943 when the last male heir of the Townshend family died. The property had to be sold.

In 1946, the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart bought it. We first used Myross Wood as a novitiate & study house for our own young religious, making some adaptations to suit its new purpose. Since 1970 it has served as a retreat center.

# Surroundings in Cork County? Breathtaking...







### NOVICES & NOVICEMASTER & HOUSE

Riga





Born to be happy and laughing <sup>(2)</sup> (joy of gospel?)

# Piotr (Łódź, POLAND)





## Domeníco (Quadri, ITALY)





his hands dirty

Inspiring with his paintings, eager to know new things, willing to play any sport!

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What will be my

next mission?

### Giacomo (Urbino, ITALY)

practicing to aim at people's hearts..

**Cooking** excellent Italian food...

likes sharing time with friends and good coffee :)

### Daniel (Stupava, SLOVAKIA)

Always willing to help, fix, repair, improve, reconstruct...



likes nature (and new countries?)

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Even in trouble...

#### Michael novicemaster (Monheim. GERMANY) likes watching (and playing) soccer

always ready

to help...

Excellent teamplayer always caring about his flock :)





... and advise



### Members of the team

<u>Fr. Michael</u> – kind at all times, an excellent singer and skilled manager of Myross Wood house. <u>Fr. Nick</u> – always well prepared for class, a gentle listener and an ingenious storyteller <sup>(2)</sup>. <u>Fr. Dan</u> - diligent and relaxed, with kind wit; an assiduous fighter against the lawn O.

<u>Fr. Pat</u> and <u>Fr. Gerry</u> – MSC priests in parishes of Leap and Unionhall, always bring positive energy into our house <sup>©</sup>.



### Hardworking novices?



Team work led by novicemaster. Dream of every religious order ©



Well fed novice = happy novice. In other words - eat while you can before the missions start..;)



## **Diligent students**





### Teamwork



and teamwork in prayer.

### **Mission beginnings**



Looking for lost sheep, we found cows instead ©



We are fishermen... but for now of sunk chairs reclaimed from the sea bottom :))



First listeners to our preaching...



