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## Annual Superiors Meeting

The Delegation of Taiwan of the Camillian Philippine Province hosted the "Annual Meeting of the Superior General, Members of the General Consulta, Major Superiors and Delegates" in Luodong, Taiwan on June 18–22, 2018, with the theme "Together in Asia to Learn about the Past, to Celebrate the Present and to Peer into the Future, to Re-motivate the Camillian Missionary Spirit."

The director of St. Mary's Hospital and Fr. Jose Eloja formally welcomed the guests.

In the morning of Day 1, Fr. Leocir Pessini (Superior General) gave his talk entitled, "Some Introductory Notes

on Ethical, Socio-Cultural, Historical and Asian Religions from China," tracing the beginning of the Camillian mission in China and its development in Asia. He addressed the role and influence of Asian religions in relation to the Church. Then he announced forthcoming meetings of the Order like the Lay Camillian Family (Rome, Oct. 2018), Camillian Charismatic Family (Rome, March 2019) and "Our Works" representatives (São Paulo, 2019).

Fr. Giovanni Rizzi, a Camillian missionary in Taiwan for 64 years now, recalled the first Camillian mission in China in 1946 up to the religious' expulsion in 1952 that paved the way for their presence in Taiwan. He acknowledged the great works and accomplishments of early Camillians, particularly those from the Lombardo-Veneto Province.

In the afternoon, Fr. Mbwi Khohi, a Congolese priest who has lived in Taiwan for about 30 years, presented a paper on "State of the Church in Taiwan." He was followed by Fr. Louis Gendron, a Jesuit, who gave a paper on "Foreign Missionaries in Taiwan."

On Day 2, Fr. Giuseppe Didone (Taiwan Delegation Superior), Fr. Baby Ellickal (Provincial Superior of India),

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Fr. Jose P. Eloja, MI



The profession of solemn vows is the definitive “yes” that we, religious, give to the divine call we have heard and followed with faith and trust in Jesus. We proclaim before the Church, represented by the liturgical assembly, our resolute intention to follow Christ as religious and in our case as Camillian religious. Jesus reminded his disciples that they did not choose him, but He chose them. We heard the voice of Christ calling us to follow him in this particular way, as Camillian religious. No one should think that to be a religious is a simple human project. The vocation to the religious life is a gift of the Lord and the one who is called can only accept this gift and answer “yes” as the Virgin Mary did, but no one can presume to be a religious if not called by the Lord.

The main purpose of religious life is to be a sign of the presence of Christ among people and to help them meet him. In particular, religious life is to make visible the way of life Jesus adopted when he lived as a human in this world. This is the importance of the vows. They are not the sacrifice of the good things in life, such as getting married, or having and using property or possessions, or realizing personal project.

The religious vows should be a clear sign of the way of life of Christ. Jesus did not get married so as to be free to love God and humankind to the point of giving up his life for them. He did not have a place to rest his head so as to remind us of the love of God, who looks after the birds in

the sky and takes care of every creature. He did not have any personal project, but his food was to fulfill the will of the Father.

We are religious not to pursue a personal perfection, but to be a sign of the heavenly kingdom for all of God’s people, as the Second Vatican Council reminds us: “The profession of the evangelical counsels... appears as a sign which can and ought to attract all the members of the Church to an effective and prompt fulfillment of the duties of their Christian vocation. The people of God have no lasting city here below, but look forward to one that is to come” (*Lumen Gentium* ch. VI no. 44).

All the religious make the three vows of chastity, poverty and obedience, but we as Camillians have also another vow that we call the fourth vow—the vow that expresses our specific charism. Our father and founder St. Camillus de Lellis founded our Order for service to the sick even at the risk of his own life. We, Camillians, still consecrate ourselves to God by this special vow, by virtue of which we promise to give up our lives, as Christ gave his life for us, in service to the sick. This is what we are doing with the profession of vows.

May God who began this good work in us, by the intercession of St. Camillus de Lellis, and with the maternal protection of Mary, Our Lady Health of the Sick, bring it to fulfillment.

## Admission & Renewal

“Rejoice as you submit yourselves to the Lord like what Mama Mary did when she submitted herself to the Lord.” This was the gist of Fr. Jose Eloja’s homily during the celebration of the Holy Eucharist which coincided with the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (the visit that prompted God’s plan in motion) at St. Camillus de Lellis and St. Lorenzo Ruiz Church on May 31, 2018.

After the homily, he welcomed to the Camillian community three young men, namely, Sems. Kian Crisfer E. Condez, Niel Christian Q. Alquizar, and Fr. Joseph Dong (a diocesan priest from China) during the Rite of Admission to the Novitiate.

This was followed by the Renewal of Profession of Vows by Schs. Benjie Ang, Jose Emmanuel Cabarles, Dennis Morales, Richard Ricky Fajardo, Andrew YeongMin Kang, and Almar Roman.

The Himig Anunciata Choir, with their angelic voices, animated the Eucharistic celebration which was attended by Camillian priests, families, friends and employees of The Camillian Fathers, Inc. – CamUp





# POSTCARDS FROM TAIWAN

Fr. Giuseppe Didonè, MI



**May 19, 2018:** In Makung, there were celebrations for the 20th anniversary of the nursing home. Many people attended, including all the local personalities.



**June 8, 2018:** There was the solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, patron of the chapel of St. Mary's Hospital. We celebrated also a solemn Mass at the Sacred Heart of Jesus Church in Hanxi.



**May 26, 2018:** For the first time a procession was organized from the St. Camillus Church to the grotto of Lourdes in the Nursing College. More than 300 Catholics attended.



**June 17, 2018:** Funeral Mass of the late Fr. Antonio Didone (died June 13, 2018), a great Camillian missionary who spent most of his life serving the sick and the people of Luodong, Taiwan. He served as Director of St. Mary's Hospital for more than 20 years. He also held the post as Vice Provincial of the then Far East Vice Province. He had supported very much the Camillian Philippine mission. Our gratitude and honor to you Father! May your life example inspire more to serve God and neighbors. May you rest in peace.

# FEATURE: Father Antonio Didonè (1933–2018)

Translated from St. Mary's Hospital FB page



## GOODBYE, FR. ANTONIO!

In the evening of June 13, 2018, the lights of the Holy Church were lit... our beloved Fr. Antonio finally bid goodbye and returned to the Lord's embrace!

June 13 is the feast of your patron, St. Anthony de Padua. All these years we celebrate it by your bedside, praying for you...

On June 13 this year, we look at you in the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Silently we miss you and we will not be able to hold your hand again.

Patients call him Santa Claus; the pediatric patients call him grandpa's grandfather.

He is a God-sent shepherd, an angel from God. He is our beloved father and he is our forever director!

Fr. Antonio Didonè was born on Dec. 8, 1933 in the Italian province of Padua. At the age of 13, he entered the seminary and was ordained priest at the age of 25. In 1961, the 28-year-old priest came to Penghu, Taiwan to serve in a public hospital, the initial step of the Camillian's lifelong mission in bringing health care to the people. At that time, Taiwan's medical resources were inadequate. Although he was the director, he was into several other jobs: giving medical care, doing hospital and external chores. In order to be more integrated into the local life and be able to communicate with the residents, he studied and learned the Taiwanese language. During this period, the hospital expanded to 60 beds (from the original 25). Fr. Antonio helped improve the health care of the local people. In order to solve the problems of the people's livelihood, he engaged in projects such as building villages and piers, drilling water supplies, etc.

In 1967, Fr. Antonio arrived in St. Mary's Hospital due to shortage of personnel. Regardless of job designation, everyone would roll up his/her sleeves to work: boil water, wash and clean spittoon, and take care of patients. Fr. Antonio would busy himself the whole day from early morning over Lan Yang's idle lands, preparing and cultivating the soil inch by inch. He saw the need to help more suffering patients that they receive proper care, and, thus, the primary task to train medical personnel. So in 1973, at the age of 40, Fr. Antonio went back to Italy to study Medicine and returned after four years as the fifth director of St. Mary's Hospital.

Fr. Antonio's management style was consistent, cordial, and democratic that created a warm atmosphere in the hospital like that of a big family. During his term, he set up the following: Kidney Foundation of Friends, Preterm Children Fund, and General Poverty Fund to help many dialysis patients, premature children, and economically disadvantaged families survive. For the patients and their families, Fr. Antonio was a "generous millionaire," a kind Santa Claus, a director to small patients, a grandpa's grandfather; for the employees, he will be forever director in their hearts and minds.

Fr. Antonio's devotion to health care service for countless patients, especially the poor and the disadvantaged, was his lifelong mission. He said: "Help those who need the most." Fr. Antonio dedicated his life in Taiwan, which he regarded as his hometown. And now, he is buried in the place he called home.

*"For God is not so unjust  
as to overlook your work  
and the love which you showed for his sake  
in serving the saints, as you still do."*

Hebrews 6:10 (RSV)







# OUR LADY OF LA PAZ PARISH: Pista 2018

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Ang kapistahan ay isang kaugaliang Pilipino na impluwensiya sa atin ng mga Kastila at hanggang ngayon ay bahagi pa rin ng ating kultura. Ito ay isa sa mga pagdiriwang na kinasasabikan nating mga Pilipino. Dito sa La Paz, ipinagdiriwang ang kapistahan tuwing unang linggo ng Mayo. Sa simbahan ay mayroong siyam na araw ng Misa (*Novena Mass*) na pinangungunahan ng mga inimitahang paring Kamiliano kasama ang mga opisyal at miyembro ng mga samahan sa simbahan.

Higit na naging makulay ang pagdiriwang ng kapistahan sa pamumuno ni Padre Rey Sentillas. Katulong niya ang Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) sa pangunguna ng Evangelization Ministry na nagkaroon ng “Night Market” kung saan ang mga miyembro ng mga kawan ay nagkaroon ng pagkakataon na magtinda ng dalawang sunod na linggo bago magpista. Sa gabi ng Kapistahan, May 6, 2018, nagmisa ang mga Kamilianong Pari sa pangunguna ni Padre Rodel Enriquez. Pagkatapos ng Misa ay masaya silang nakiisa sa pagdiriwang at nanood ng pagtatanghal ng bawat kawan na labis na nagpasaya sa selebrasyon ng kapistahan.

Bukod sa masayang pagdiriwang ng kapistahan, ang higit na mahalaga ay ang layunin ng simbahan na paigtingin ang Basic Ecclesial Community (BEC). Inaasahan na ito ay simula pa lang ng marami pang pagsasama, pagtitipon at pagkakaibigan upang unti-unting mabuo ang isang mapayapang komunidad na may malalim na ugnyayan na ang sentro ay pagmamahal at pananampalataya sa Diyos.





# ISKRONICLES: Solemn Profession and Diaconal Ordination

Sch. Richard Ricky A. Fajardo, MI



An eventful two days came to pass to our dear brother Sch. Jose Emmanuel "Jec" Cabarles: his Solemn Profession of Vows on June 29, 2018 and his Ordination to the Sacred Order of Deacons the following day.

At 6:00 pm on June 29, Fr. Jose P. Eloja, the Provincial Superior presided over the Holy Eucharist concelebrated by Provincial Council members Frs. Rodel Enriquez, Renato Maliwat and Gabriel Garcia at Sts. Camillus de Lellis and Lorenzo Ruiz Church in Loyola Heights, Quezon City. After the homily, Sch. Jec made his Solemn Profession of Vows.

After the Eucharistic celebration and Solemn Profession, the guests flocked to the Pastoral Care Center Hall for dinner. The scholastics together with the three Korean brothers from the diocese of Jeonju and two adult formands presented a song number. Later Camillian priests, batchmates, and parents of Sch. Jec were asked to give their message to him. Some of the relatives of Sch. Jec and his former batchmates stayed behind after dinner for the continuation of the celebration.

The most-awaited day finally came on June 30, 2018 when the Most Rev. Isabelo C. Abarquez, DD, ordained him to the Sacred Order of Deacons. The church was filled with people who witnessed the occasion, including Rev. Jec's family, relatives, lay people, friends from Luzon, college seminarians, scholastics, and Camillian priests representing their respective communities. The ordination was also witnessed by Fr. Jorg Hans Gabriel, Provincial Superior of the German Province, Fr. Festo Liheta, Delegation Superior of Tanzania together with Fr. Manuel Tamayo.

After the ceremony, the guests gathered again at the Pastoral Care Center Hall for lunch as thanksgiving for the gift of vocation entrusted by God to Rev. Jec.

The two successive days were joyful and meaningful with grace-filled celebration. Being a deacon for Rev. Jec is a reminder to him to continue serving the poor-sick. A truly apostolic ministry is a representation of Christ's *diakonia* to the Church; thus, the ordained deacon must in turn be a radical representative of this ministry to all God's creation.



# Camillian Philanthropy Health Development

## Mission's Cup Presscon

Khalil Añonuevo

**T**hirteen clergy teams from all around the country came together to promote Spring Rain's 5th season Mission's Cup: Inter-clergy Basketball Tournament. The press conference was held at City Sports Club, Ayala Center in Cebu last June 18, 2018. The aim of the Mission's Cup is to raise funds for each team's chosen mission. According to Spring Rain's CEO, Dr. Glenda Antonio, this is part of the ideology "Sustainability through Philanthropy." Representatives from the teams were also in attendance to endorse their missions.

CPHDO Director Fr. John Paul Alvarado attended the press conference to discuss the Camillians' mission—CPHDO's Scholarship Program. This advocacy provides academic support through scholarships to deserving indigent students and seminarians and for the upgrading of educational systems and structures. Through the selling of raffle tickets, donations and sponsorships, the Camillians are hoping to raise enough money to support their mission.

On their rookie year, the Camillians will be pitted against the Padres Recoletos, Rogationist, Maasin Clergy, Pari It Akean, Manila Clergy, Ubuntu, Davao Gilas, Antique Clergy Greenkeepers, Cebu Clergy, Survivors Clergy (Region 8), Canossians Selection and Augustinians.

The Mission's Cup is part of the weeklong celebration of Spring Rain's 10th year of service, kicking off with Holy Mass on July 16, 2018. Aside from the basketball tournament, other activities such as the exhibit of the different philanthropic offices and the anniversary dinner will also be held. Products from different sponsors will be raffled and given away throughout the week. The celebration will culminate with the championship game on July 20, 2018.



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# ST. CAMILLUS HOSPITAL CALBAYOG

Ms. Nezzy Valenzuela

On May 25, 2018, a mass was offered in honor of St. Camillus de Lellis and to grace the day's double celebration.

For this day, the St. Camillus Hospital of Calbayog celebrated its 22nd founding anniversary and its annual Sportsfest.

After the motorcade, the commencement of Sportsfest 2018 began with the lighting of the torch and ended with the hyped cheering competition of the different teams.

With the theme "22 Years of Competent and Compassionate Service," the management and staff of SCH Calbayog together with the invited guests and participants gathered for the program at 6:00 o'clock in the evening. After being inspired by the words of Mr. Renato L. Limsico, Jr., PhilHealth Regional Vice President, service awards were given to employees who have been competent and compassionate in extending Camillian service to the sick and the poor for 10, 15 and 20 years in the institution.

The crowd enjoyed the night as the Camillians sang and danced to the highly anticipated Doble Kara and KPop dance competitions.

This year's chosen anniversary color was copper to signify prosperity, perfection and good fortune, which are essential tools for the Camillians as they continue their mission to work with competence and serve with compassion for the years to come.



## 22nd SCH Founding Anniversary and Sportsfest 2018







## St. Camillus Social Center Blessed in Maumere, Indonesia

Last May 25, 2018, Mons. Kerubim Pereira, SVD, the Bishop of Maumere, blessed and inaugurated the new St. Camillus Social Center in Maumere in the presence of local authorities and about 300 guests and friends of the Camillians.

The new center will become a shelter for students coming from faraway areas of the island of Flores who are in need of a safe environment, protection and formation. The young students will have also the possibility to attend English and computer courses and other formative activities.

The facilities of the center include a conference room that can accommodate more than a hundred people, 26 bedrooms with individual toilets, 4 dormitories, kitchen and canteen. It will have also a physiotherapy department for patients with physical and mental disabilities.

Another service of the center is the production and distribution of mineral water, called Aqua San Camillo, which somebody has already baptized as "miraculous water."

A future dream is a parlor with typical Italian ice cream. Certainly, this will be the first in the whole island of Flores and many children are already dreaming with joy.

The new St. Camillus Social Center has become part of the hundreds of Camillian institutions spread in the world (hospitals, clinics, nursing homes, pastoral centers, etc.) and will fulfill, once again, the dream of St. Camillus to see his Order spreading in other countries of the world.

Today, the Camillians of Indonesia have a further reason to be happy and, even a little proud, because another "Camillian red cross" is appearing on the façade of the St. Camillus Social Center of Maumere. This will become indeed a referral point and a symbol of love for hundreds of needy and sick people of the island of Flores.





# FR. LUIGI'S 50TH SACERDOTAL ANNIVERSARY

Ms. Nezy Valenzuela



More than 20 years ago, Fr. Luigi Galvani founded St. Camillus Hospital of Calbayog. On June 15, 2018, he returned and was warmly welcomed by the Camillians to celebrate with him his 50th anniversary as servant of God.

To grace this significant milestone, a mass was offered presided by the Bishop of Calbayog, Most Rev. Isabelo Abarquez.

Spending half a century in the service of God is definitely not without difficulties, but with the great help and trust in the Lord, Fr. Luigi was able to do what he has got to do. At the newly built SCH Annex, which was named after Fr. Luigi himself, a commemorative marker was unveiled to mark the momentous day and to honor Fr. Luigi's contribution to the people of Samar, most especially to the sick and the poor.

Through a simple program and dinner, there was a golden opportunity for the former and present SCH staff, LCF-Calbayog family, collaborators, guests and visitors to spend a little more time together and get to know Fr. Luigi better, thus, making the celebration an even more meaningful and memorable one.

## Happy "50th" Fr. Luigi

In celebration of his 50th sacerdotal anniversary, Fr. Luigi Galvani led a concelebrated Mass in April. In his homily, he shared his faith-filled and wonderful experience as parish priest of Our Lady of La Paz. He recalled the many meaningful dealings and interactions with different members of the faithful of La Paz that made his experience and vocation life all the more worth remembering.

Fr. Luigi, after the Mass, had a thanksgiving dinner together with past friends and new leaders of the parish.

Wishing you more years of faithful service, Fr. Luigi! We look forward to the next 50 years of your priestly vocation!

— Chris Polanco





## New Historical Marker Unveiled



(From L to R): Unveiling of the new marker led by Rene Escalante, Msgr. Pedro Cañonero (hidden), and Fr. Evan Paul Villanueva; Signing of documents; Fr. Evan and Fr. Salvador Cariño (back) pose with Dumagats

PHOTOS BY: RAMON FIGURASIN MARINAS

It was a happy occasion for the parishioners of Nuestra Señora de la Anunciata and the Camillians last June 14, 2018 as the Old Bosoboso Church was officially presented with a new historical marker by the National Historical Commission of the Philippines (NHCP).

After the Holy Mass, the unveiling ceremony was held led by Mr. Rene Escalante, NHCP chairperson; Msgr. Pedro C. Cañonero, chancellor of the Diocese of Antipolo; and Fr. Evan Paul Villanueva, the current parish priest, and it was witnessed by Camillian priests, Antipolo diocese clergy and Anunciata parishioners.

The new marker's inscription, which is in Tagalog, includes the restoration of the church by the parishioners and Camillians in 1995, and its administration since 2004. The old historical marker was returned to NHCP.

### Brief History of Camillian Presence in Bosoboso

The Camillians arrived in Bosoboso in May 1986. Fr. Ivo Anselmi saw the ruined church when he was driving in the area with some seminarians. He asked around and met with the Little Sisters of Jesus, who at that time, were ministering the residents there and nearby communities. The Sisters welcomed them and invited them to celebrate Mass in the church every Sunday. Because of lack of vocation, the Sisters were leaving the area so they requested the Camillians to continue their work.

In 1987 Fr. Raul Uson together with some scholastics began celebrating Masses in Bosoboso and Kaysakat. A monthly medical mission was also conducted that year with Dr. Nelson Sugcang.

In 1989 Fr. Rolando "Rolly" Fernandez took over. Together with the scholastics, he implemented the community-based health care program that paved the way for the formal creation of community health care volunteers in Nov. 1992.

With Fr. Rolly at the helm, other Camillian priests and brothers became immensely involved in uplifting the well-being of the people of Bosoboso and neighboring sitios. "Heal the sick, preach the gospel" was the Camillians' primary concern. Medical missions and feeding programs were conducted to the remotest areas. In 1993, the people of Bosoboso with the help of Nuestra Señora de la Anunciata Foundation started the restoration of the church until 1995.

In May 2004 the diocese of Antipolo made Bosoboso into a parish called the Nuestra Señora de la Anunciata Parish. Fr. Domingo Barawid was installed as the first parish priest. Other Camillian parish priests who succeeded him were Frs. Charly Ricafort, Rene Sales, and Wilson Peñaranda.

(Source: Cancino, Dan. *Camillian Update*, Vol. 9, No. 8, Aug. 2009)



# 35TH INTERNATIONAL AIDS CANDLELIGHT MEMORIAL

Gerlita C. Enrera, RSW

Several activities were held at SM Megamall on May 30, 2018 in observance of the 35th International AIDS Candlelight Memorial.

To increase awareness of the HIV basic information, a special screening of the film, Bugso, was shown at SM Megamall Cinema 9 in the morning. The movie revolves around three main characters who got affected with HIV and their stories are intertwined towards the film's end. The film showing was attended by representatives of organizations, colleges and non-sectarian schools who are members of the Philippine Catholic HIV AIDS Network (PhilCHAN). Students from schools, organizations working in healthcare, and barangay health workers from as far as Biñan, Laguna also attended. There was a discussion on the basic HIV information before the special screening.

Through the lead of the Camillian HIV and AIDS Ministry in cooperation with SM Megamall Chapel of the Eucharistic Lord, a Holy Eucharist was offered at 6:00 in the evening to remember and reflect on the lives of people who died because of the effects of HIV and prepare for the future as we continue to fight the dreaded disease. The mass was celebrated by Fr. Dan Cancino Jr. as the main celebrant with Frs. Rolly Fernandez and Bon Arimbuyutan as co-celebrants.

The churchgoers witnessed the Lotus Ceremony with the reading of names of those who passed away (which was quite a long list). We have to acknowledge the efforts of the community leaders for whatever responses and interventions we currently have although much are still needed to reach out to those people who are at risk of infection and their affected families.

Our gratitude to all partners for their support: Shell Foundation, Save the CHILDREN, UNAIDS, PNGOC, ASP, PNAC, QCSAC, PINOY PLUS, ACTS, CEAP Schools and Parishes' health care ministries.

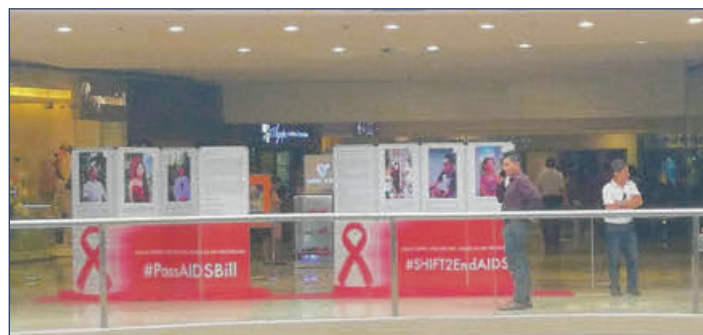


Photo Exhibit to continuously make the community aware of the issues and concern of HIV AIDS



Mass for those who passed on due to the complications of HIV



The Lotus Ceremony

Registration of attendees during the "BUGSO" at the Cinema 4 SM Megamall



Candle lighting after the Lotus Ceremony



# CAMILLUS MEDHAVEN: The Merry Month of May

Maribel Bantilan

May has always been an eventful month in Camillus Medhaven Nursing Home. Last May 13, 2018 we celebrated Mother's Day; all mothers in the community were blessed by Fr. John Paul Alvarado during our morning Eucharistic mass celebrated by Fr. Salvador "Buddy" Cariño. As a simple treat, we prepared ice cream in the afternoon and set up a photo booth so that relatives, staff, personnel and caregivers can take pictures with the residents and send to their relatives. This was a way of showing love and compassionate care for them. Even if they are far away from their families, Medhaven is here to celebrate life with them in simple but meaningful way. Resident mothers and employees received a greeting card from Fr. Rodel R. Enriquez.



Joseph Hung (Camillian Scholastic from Vietnam) according to their character's concept, symbol, float, gown, audience impact and color motif. The winners of Mr. & Mrs. Flores de Mayo 2018 were Reyna Elena and escort (Zenaida Guerrero and Danilo Caparras), who also got the Stars of the Parade award. Among the special awards given, the Supportive Caregiver award went to Juvy Rabo and Orzenith Requina. The Best Float was awarded to Reyna Delas Flores (Beatriz Pestaño).

Another run of Mr. & Ms. Flores de Mayo 2018, this time for the staff, personnel and private caregivers, was held last May 31. The activity started at 3pm with Mass by Fr. Rodel and Fr. Buddy followed by the procession on the streets around Medhaven. After the procession the competition started. The judges were Fr. Buddy and two of our residents, Mrs. Filomena Medina and Mrs. Lili Alba. The criteria for judging were gown, symbol, arch, and audience impact. The Reynas represented the different departments and sections. The award for Mr. & Ms. Flores de Mayo 2018 went to Ms. Andrea Gayda and Mr. Ryan Salvador.

After the program, happiness can be seen on everyone's faces. But let us not forget the true goal of these activities—to care for our elderly with heart in our hands, give them the quality of life in their remaining time and make them feel precious and dearly loved the Camillian way.



On May 17–18 and 22–23, Camillus Medhaven staff, personnel and private caregivers, who were divided in two batches, attended a seminar on "Pastoral Care to the Sick" with Fr. Rodel as speaker, while Sch. Dennis Morales gave a seminar on "Human Development." The half-day seminar held at SCCS (Laboratory) in Marikina City was a way to empower the carers of the sick and let them be more competitive.

The month will not end without celebrating Mr. & Mrs. Flores de Mayo 2018 that was held last May 19 at the dining hall and participated by 26 residents. Fr. Bon Arimbuyutan celebrated the Mass in the morning and our Lolos and Lolas offered flowers to Mama Mary. In the afternoon, due to unpredictable weather, the procession was done inside the Medhaven compound.

The participants were judged by Fr. Buddy and Br.





Next, the General Consulta members, namely Br.

Day 4 activities were visits to Taipei's famous landmarks like Taipei 101 and Legislative Yuan, while Day 5 visits were to Camillian health institutions including Lan Yang Youth Catholic Center and Nursing College in Yilan. During their visit in Sanxing District, the Camillians participated in the laying of the cornerstone for the future Center for People with Alzheimer's.

The weeklong meeting ended with a paper by Fr. Laurent Zoungrana (Vicar General) on the various aspects of formation of the Order and the overall assessment of the annual meet.



Laying of the cornerstone for the future center for people with Alzheimer's.

# A N N I V E R S A R I E S

### *Birthdays*

Sch. Richard Fajardo	01/05/1990
Fr. Manuel M. Tamayo	14/05/1963
Fr. Francis Zhang Zhirong	15/05/1963
Fr. John Jay C. Magpusao	20/05/1979
Fr. Giuseppe Didonè	26/05/1940

### Perpetual Professions

Fr. Renante T. Sentillas	25/05/1997
Fr. Gabriel V. Garcia	31/05/2002
Fr. Primitivo S. Gunit	31/05/2002
Fr. Jaime A. Roa	31/05/2002
Fr. Angel V. Crisostomo	31/05/2006
Fr. Renato D. Malivat	31/05/2006
Fr. Wilson D. Peñaranda	31/05/2007
Fr. Francis Zhang Zhirong	31/05/2008
Fr. Alfons Oles	31/05/2009
Fr. Marven G. Ruyeras	31/05/2009
Fr. Cyrelus Suparman Andi	31/05/2010
Fr. Avensius Harung	31/05/2010
Fr. Placido B. de Jose	31/05/2010
Fr. Brian Vincent Q. Rances	31/05/2010
Fr. Mushtaq Anjum	31/05/2011
Fr. Rodolfo V. Cancino Jr.	31/05/2011
Fr. Ignasius Sibar	31/05/2011

Fr. Roderick R. Tampus	31/05/2011
Fr. John Paul B. Alvarado	31/05/2012
Fr. Jayson A. Labrador	31/05/2012
Fr. John Jay C. Magpusao	31/05/2012
Fr. Eliseo L. Navarro	31/05/2012

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Fr. Thomas C. Welu	13/06/1938
Fr. Eliseo L. Navarro	14/06/1968
Fr. Roderick R. Tampis	17/06/1980
Sch. Almar S. Roman	21/06/1990
Fr. Cyrelus Suparman Andi	26/06/1979
Fr. Rodel B. Enriquez	27/06/1976

### *Perpetual Professions*

Fr. Michael G. Gimena	25/06/2006
Sch. Jose Emmanuel B. Cabarles	29/06/2018

### Presbyterate Ordinations

Fr. Amelio Troietto	19/06/1976
Fr. Salvador Cariño	19/06/1993
Fr. Felice Chech	21/06/1970
Fr. Giovanni Rizzi	22/06/1952
Fr. Gian Carlo Michelini	23/06/1963
Fr. Celestino Rizzi	23/06/1963

Fr. Giuseppe Didonè	23/06/1964
Fr. Luigi Galvani	23/06/1968

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### *Birthdays*

Fr. Matteo Kuo Ching Kao	01/07/1949
Fr. Bon L. Arimbuyutan	05/07/1986
Fr. Gian Carlo Michellini	07/07/1935
Fr. JungJu Seo	11/07/1985
Sch. Mensianus Aman	20/07/1990
Fr. Marven G. Ruyeras	23/07/1981
Fr. Luigi Galvani	24/07/1941
Fr. Domingo S. Barawid	25/07/1971
Fr. Jaime A. Roa	25/07/1956

### Perpetual Professions

Fr. Rodel R. Enriquez	03/07/2004
Fr. Henry Angupa II	04/07/2015
Fr. Paul Tran To Hoi	04/07/2015
Fr. Tex Rico V. Buntal	11/07/1998
Fr. Robert S. Chua Jr.	11/07/1998
Fr. Rolando J. Fernandez	14/07/1984
Fr. Joseph Yang Gaochao	14/07/2012
Fr. Thomas C. Welu	18/07/1967
Fr. Anthony A. Ongcal	29/07/2017

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Fr. Renato P. Sales	14/07/1990
Fr. Thomas C. Welu	22/07/1967
Fr. Joseph Pham Van Dong	22/07/2017
Fr. Paul Tran To Hoai	22/07/2017

## AUGUST

### *Birthdays*

Fr. Mushtaq Anjum	01/08/1974
Fr. Remigio E. Jamorabon	04/08/1948
Fr. John Paul B. Alvarado	04/08/1984
Fr. Ivo Z. Anselmi	14/08/1947
Fr. Davide Maria Tai Chuen Lee	26/08/1944
Fr. Joseph Pham Van Dong	20/08/1983
Fr. Robert S. Chua Jr.	30/08/1967

### *Perpetual Professions*

Fr. Ruben J. Mandin	14/08/1999
Br. Paolo Kuo Chien Han	20/08/2000

### Presbyterate Ordinations

Fr. Manuel M. Tamayo	10/08/1991
Fr. Raimondo Chia-Men Yang	17/08/1980
Fr. Joseph Yang Gaochao	28/08/1991
Fr. Francis Zhang Zirong	28/08/1991

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