



The Camillians

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Phil Prov Camillians Gather For Annual Retreat



Thirty-six Camillians from the Philippine Province gathered at St. Paul Center for Renewal in Alfonso, Cavite on April 17-21, 2023 for their annual spiritual retreat. Most Rev. Charlie Inzon, OMI, bishop of the Apostolic Vicariate of Jolo, was the retreat facilitator.

With the theme, “The Pathways and Strategies in Living Our Consecration as Religious,” the Camillian confreres came out with eight insights to reflect on, among the highlights of which are:

“1) PATH

- a) our vocation started with a DESIRE to join,
- b) transformed into DUTY as service, and finally,

c) into a DEVOTION, a radical decision to self-giving despite our own brokenness.

2) OVERCOMING CHALLENGES – we need

- a) temperance, i.e., self-mastery, and
- b) interdependence which means supporting one another.

3) PROPHETIC MYSTICISM – we need to practice contemplation to see God in the poor, as St. Camillus believed.”

The retreat ended with the celebration of the 25th year anniversary of Priestly Ordination of Fr. Renante Sentillas, a Camillian Filipino missionary to Australia. (*source: camilliani.org*)



Hand in Hand for a Mission

As we leaf through the pages of this issue, we are reminded of something special—the power of togetherness. This isn't just about the Camillians; it's about each one of you—our benefactors, collaborators, healthcare workers, lay partners, the lay Camillian family, our parishioners, and friends. You're not just supporters; you're part of our family, part of a mission that's much bigger than any one of us: THE MISSION OF GOD!

This mission, rooted in love and care, really comes alive in the everyday. Think about the spiritual retreats where our Camillian priests and brothers deepen their faith, or the milestone celebrations at St. Camillus Hospital in Mati and in Calbayog. These aren't just events; they're reflections of our shared commitment to bring more light and healing into the world.

But let's be real—it's not always easy. We're up against big challenges: from looking after our environment to addressing health needs and social gaps. That's where our combined strength makes a difference. Your participation—be it through donations, hands-on service, or a simple prayer—fuels this mission. It's about being there for each other, in the big moments and the small ones.

So, here's an invitation straight from the heart: let's keep walking this path together. Whether you're giving your time, sharing your resources, or lifting us up in prayer, you are making a real, tangible difference. We're in this together—caring for the sick, mending our world, and spreading a message of hope and compassion. With your continued support, we're not just dreaming of a better world; we're actively building it, one day at a time. With the guidance of our Blessed Mother and the inspiration of St. Camillus de Lellis, let's keep this spirit alive and carry our mission forward, hand in hand.

Fr. Evan Paul Villanueva, MI
Provincial Superior



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Caring for our Common Home and Future

The Camillians in the Philippines joined the entire world in celebrating Laudato si' Week (May 21-28, 2023) with action impelled by faith and love in God and the whole of humanity.

On May 21, 2023, the Camillian Task Force Philippines led by Fr. Rodolfo V. Cancino introduced Laudato si' in the simplest way possible to more than 50 children at St. Camillus Health Care Center, Cainta, Rizal.

After Lumen fidei (The Light of Faith), Laudato si' (Praise be to You) is the second encyclical of Pope Francis that urges everyone to action in saving the environment from further deterioration brought about by greed and consumerism.

These children live in an urban poor community between Pasig and Cainta where the Camillians minister to. Through playing games, the children were made to understand the beauty of the encyclical, that is caring for the "Common Home."

With their seeming vibrance and hope on their faces, the children raised many questions and suggested concrete actions to take.

Teaching the children to care assures the next generation of a bright future--care for one another, care for themselves, care for nature--care for every one and for all. Care begins in the family. Parents care about their children so much so that parents will sacrifice enormously, even their lives, to ensure the safety of their children.

As persons for and with others, people also strive to be for and with all of creation. With an awareness of interconnectedness and with compassion and commitment, people walk together to transform their knowledge, attitudes, habits and practices in order to reconcile themselves with all beings, all elements of the world, and with the Creator.

One brings to mind the beautiful lesson in The Little Prince of Antoine de Saint-Exupéry: the fox teaches the boy that the flower has meaning in relation to his care for it. With caring, the hard line between self and other softens and blurs--it even disappears.

So when anything precious in the world is cast aside, we destroy part of ourselves and our families too because

we are completely connected. This helps to explain why the Church promotes the greatest respect for human life, from conception to natural death. Destruction of human life at any stage violates the absolutely fundamental human dignity upon which all human rights and responsibilities rest.



One way of caring for the environment is through recycling of plastic materials.

Reflection

Bear Fruit in Abundance

EVERYONE'S CRY:

It's not just Mother Nature, the earth, and the poor who are now crying out. Everyone is now suffering the effects of global warming—the poor, the middle-class, and the wealthy alike. Floodwaters and fires make no distinction between people and trees. One of our greatest fears is that climate change will move into our living rooms just like COVID, affecting everyone.

CHANGING THE CRY:

We have choices to make. We can choose to be like the proverbial frog who does nothing as the temperature

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of the water in which it is immersed rises till it perishes. Fortunately, we are a lot smarter than that. We can react. If we are prepared, we can avoid most of the disasters.

We need a major plan to build resilient communities, able to withstand adversity and use it as an opportunity to grow and be successful!



At St. Camillus Mission Station, the vegetables are now bearing fruit.

Capacity Building of SCCHH Staff

Janelle M. Villamor, MAPsych, MSHM-TM

The St. Camillus Center for Humanization in Health (SCCHH) conducted its Educational Tour and Hotel familiarization tour last April 22, 2023. The activity gave the staff an excellent opportunity to broaden their knowledge regarding the level of quality service strictly followed within the Food and Beverages, Accommodation and Events sector of the Hospitality Industry at present. The SCCHH staff tour started at Chinatown in Binondo, Manila, considered to be one of the oldest Chinese towns in the world, where they were able to enjoy in their immersive food experience sampling a variety of Chinese delicacies at several restaurants and food stalls. The next stop was at The Okada Manila Resort Hotel which is the Philippine’s largest integrated resort located in the Entertainment City gaming strip in Parañaque. This is where they were able to fully immerse themselves to the amenities and services of a five-star hotel displaying world class hospitality and level of entertainment.

Aside from these exposure tours, Ms. Janelle M. Villamor, Administrator and Program Director for Wellness also conducted a seminar on workplace etiquette held last June 3, 2023 where she talked about the importance of communication and mutual respect in the workplace. All these activities are in line with the Japanese philosophy of “Kaizen” which means continuous improvement which Ms. Villamor fully believes in, thus, with the support of the Executive Director Fr. Placido de Jose, MI and the approval of the Council officers of the Camillian Fathers, a monthly staff training on various topics relevant to their job and well-being will be administered.

At present, the SCCHH offers not only room accommodations and an events venue but it has evolved into a pastoral location that offers various programs and activities on mental health and wellness. Among these programs are Camillian Mental Health Awareness Program, Online Stress Debriefing, “It’s OK to be Not OK,” “Feel It to Heal It,” “Happiness in Hard Times,” Introduction to Self-care and Good Grooming, Self-care Activities, Workplace Etiquette, Quality Service Management, and the Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE).

For room accommodations, events venue reservations or inquiries regarding mental health and wellness programs, please call at 0917-554-7836 or send an email to centerforhumanizationph@gmail.com



SCCHH staff: Mr. Andy Ecija, Ms. Renalyn De Guzman, Ms. Marlyne Jacinto, Ms. Almira Aquino, Mr. Giovanni Suacillo and Mr. Karl Martinez with Ms. Janelle M. Villamor



SCCHH staff receive their certificates of completion

HEALTH INSTITUTIONS

St. Camillus Hospital – Calbayog

Journeying Together Towards Compassionate Service: SCH-Calbayog Turns 27

Coinciding with the 473rd birthday of St. Camillus de Lellis and the feast of the Camillian Martyrs of Charity, St. Camillus Hospital of Calbayog celebrated its 27th year foundation anniversary on May 25, 2023 with the theme, “Journeying Together Towards Compassionate Service” as inspired by the Synod of Synodality of the Catholic Church. SCH-Calbayog acknowledges the importance of walking and serving together as One in order to serve More.

The celebration started with the thanksgiving Mass presided by the Hospital Director, Fr. Gabriel Garcia, MI, followed by a motorcade and the opening of 2023 Sportsfest, that will conclude on July 14, 2023, St. Camillus’ feast day.



In the evening, stakeholders, government agencies, business partners and distinguished guests actively participated in the Program Activity capped with the search for Mr. & Ms. St. Camillus.



Early on, as part of SCH-Calbayog’s pre-anniversary activities, the celebration of the 48th town fiesta of San Jorge, and the feast of Our Lady of Fatima, a medical mission was held at San Jorge, Samar covered court last May 13, 2023. The medical mission was in collaboration with the Retired Teachers Association, San Jorge Chapter (to commemo-

rate its 1st anniversary), and with active cooperation of the municipality of San Jorge thru Mayor Leo Uy and its municipal officials; the Rural Health Unit of San Jorge, Samar; barangay captains of Poblacion 1 and 2; Parroquia de San Isidro Labrador, San Jorge, Samar thru Fr. Bernard Comilan; San Jorge, Samar PNP; Alpha Phi Omega (San Jorge chapter), and the San Jorge Alumni Association. With the vast support from the government and private sectors, the medical mission was a success!

SCH-Calbayog offered free medical assistance such as laboratories, checkups, and medicines for children, adults, and senior citizens of San Jorge. About 298 patients were attended to that day.

Then on May 23, 2023, Fr. Gabriel V. Garcia blessed the new Pharmacy and reopened Dental Clinic.



The mission of the Ministers of the Infirm focuses on the merciful love of Christ, caring for the sick with love and compassion, alleviating pain, and then leaving the hospital with joy. Having the vision, mission, and core values intact to every employee, St. Camillus Hospital of Calbayog has successfully survived over the years.

(SCH-Calbayog thanks the following during its anniversary activities: San Policarpo National High School Faculty: Peter Even M. Napuran, Rey Nicholson G. Salurio, Nikko Franklin Syer R. Quintana, John Jayson Chan, Jessa Mae B. Escareal, Yvonne Claire Villarin; Motorcade Marshals: BJMP, Kabalikat Civicom 427 Chapter, Calbayog City Police Station, and CCDA Traffic Management; Drum Corps: SPNHS Drum and Bugle Corps; Official photographer: JRoa Vlog and Tito Obi; Sound System: Charter Macanip; Production Director: Floyd Nepomuceno; Media Coverage: Infinite Radio Calbayog, Samar Daily News Online, Samar Island Bulletin, Kabalikat Civicom 427 Chapter.)

SCH-Mati Goes Silver!

April 14, 2023—St. Camillus Hospital of Mati steps into its 25th year... 25 years in serving the poor and the sick of Mati, Davao Oriental as St. Camillus de Lellis, the founder of the Camillian Order, believed: To see Jesus in the sick and to be Jesus for the sick, to be the compassionate Jesus for the sick while looking at the suffering Christ in the person of the sick.

It was 25 years ago when the then-bishop of the Diocese of Mati, Bp. Patricio Alo invited the Camillians to put up a clinic to care for the sick people of the diocese. What was supposedly a modest clinic then is now a hospital catering to more than what was initially intended.



This year's feast began with a Eucharistic celebration, the best way to thank the One who made things possible "to serve with heart in our hands." The Mass was presided over by the Camillians' Provincial Superior, Fr. Evan Paul Villanueva, concelebrated by Frs. Marven Ruyeras, Rolly Fernandez, Rene Sales, and John Paul Alvarado. This was followed by a motorcade parade by the SCHM-FI employees, doctors, and Camillians, as festive drums and bugle corps from the Mati National Comprehensive High School played along. After the parade, Fr. Evan and Fr. John Paul unveiled the commemorative marker, which also signaled the official opening of *Tunhay*.

Tunhay is a Visayan word which means "everlasting."



It features the hospital history photos, historical narratives, and community experiences that serve as a tribute to the hospital's commitment to providing a wide range of healthcare services, depicting the everlasting effect of the Camillian mission 25 years and beyond.

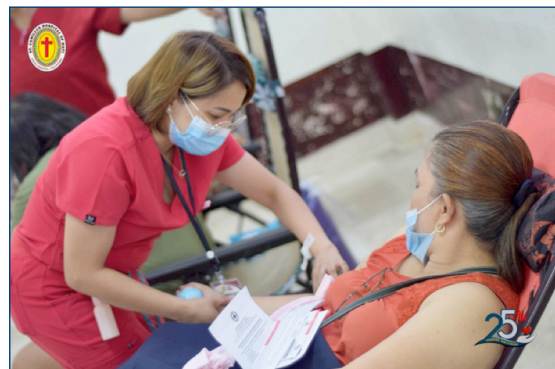


A Grand Silver Awards Night was held at Honey's Hotel and Restaurant attended by Bp. Abel Apigo, Atty. Alejandro Aquino, Office of the City Mayor of Mati, Office of the Congressman in the 2nd district, Office of the Provincial Governor, and the Office of PhilHealth of Mati. It was a very memorable and meaningful night for everybody who has been a part of the journey: the employees, the Camillians, the partners, and the guests.

As part of SCH-Mati's weeklong anniversary celebration, on April 10, 2023, a medical-dental mission and blood-letting activity were conducted at the hospital's lobby area, assisted by the hospital employees, medical staff and doctors.

A number of 226 patients were attended to, 25 patients were served for the dental services and 194 prescribed medicines were released.

Meanwhile, the blood-letting activity was a successful collaboration between the Philippine Red Cross and the hospital's Laboratory department where a total of 42 heroes chose to donate blood and save lives.



SCP-Makati Launches Outreach Programs

Maria Christina Miguel-Nepomuceno, MD



Many activities in April happened at SCP-Makati that impacted the lives of some of our fellowmen. On April 13, 2023 the staff of SCP-Makati visited the community of Sitio Apia, Brgy. Calawis, Antipolo City and had an outreach program from 8am to 12nn. Fr. Dan

Cancino and Fr. John Jay Magpusao celebrated the Holy Eucharist at San Vicente Ferrer chapel. The staff played a few games with the children and distributed vitamins and cough and colds medicine. For that short period of time, the staff experienced genuine smiles and warm welcome from the residents of Sitio Apia.

The staff then went to Viewscape Nature Park in Tanay, Rizal for team building activities. That afternoon, despite the strong winds and rain, Fr. Dan extended his time with the staff to share his knowledge of the true meaning of team building—it aims to strengthen communication between members to achieve their common goal for the company.



Team Building has four stages: Forming, Storming, Norming and Performing. The team first comes together as new members then faces difficulties because of the differences and uniqueness of each member. As the members begin to understand each other and are able to function as a team then they have reached the norming stage. Performing is when the members are able to deliver very well because they are now a high functioning

team. This cycle goes back and forth as a new member arrives or an old member has to leave.

The staff experienced the true beauty of nature through camping and walking along the grounds of Viewscape. There was no electricity at night because the park was solely powered by solar panels. The staff stayed in the park until April 15, 2023.



Another outreach program focusing on women's health was held on April 18, 2023 at the polyclinic in coordination with the Knights of Columbus St. Camillus Council. Fourteen pregnant women received free ultrasound services. The program aims to promote good maternal health and the importance of regular prenatal checkup.

Then on April 25, 2023, through the efforts of the polyclinic's director, Fr. Dan Cancino, and the sponsorship of Selecta Philippines, the SCP-Makati staff were able to distribute a total of 300 tubs of Selecta coffee jelly flavored ice cream to SCP doctors, barangay staff, fire volunteers, tricycle drivers, street vendors, BEC members, OLLP parish staff, PPC officers and youth officers. The ice cream distribution was definitely a cool way to fight this hot summer season.



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Panjoban Medical Mission

St. Camillus Hospital of Calbayog is committed to reach out and serve the different communities of Calbayog City and in other municipalities of Western Samar through Medical Mission.

The SCH-Calbayog Medical Mission team served 161 patients in the Island of Panjoban, Almagro, Samar on April 29, 2023. Medical assistance through free laboratories, ECG, checkups, and free medicines were offered to the beneficiaries. Febrile patients and patients with difficulty of breathing were given immediate care.

Thanks to the following collaborators: Mayor Amelia P. Cano of Almagro, Samar LGU, RHU Almagro, Samar Sacred Heart of Jesus Parish, and PNP Almagro, Samar.



Care for Creation and Environmental Share

A tree planting activity was conducted last April 9, 2023, in celebration of the SCHMFI's 25th Founding Anniversary in Brgy. Tagbobolo, City of Mati.

Together with the hospital employees and staff in collaboration with the City Environment and Natural Resources Office, F. John Paul Alvaradoled in planting 60 fruit-bearing trees.

This activity is in response to Pope Francis' encyclical "Laudato Si" which is the hospital's commitment to promote environmental protection and development.

Meanwhile on April 13, 2023, Volunteers from SCH-Mati collaborated with Amihan sa Dahican Balud sa Paglaom Inc. for a clean-up drive in Brgy. Dahican. The goal of the campaign was to promote a cleaner and healthier environment, as well as to raise awareness about the impact of inappropriate trash disposal on our ecosystem, particularly the increasing volume of microplastics in our ocean.

Volunteers scoured the Dahican coastlines together, collecting significant volumes of rubbish and microplastics for recycling and disposal. Despite the searing heat, the team's excitement and energy did not waver as they worked diligently towards their goal.



Building Partnerships

The St. Camillus Hospital of Mati and Kinesis-360 Physical Therapy Clinic entered into a Memorandum Of Agreement on April 5, 2023 at St. Camillus Hospital Lobby.

The MOA Signing Ceremony was attended by Hospital Director Fr. John Paul B. Alvarado, MI, Hospital Administrator Mrs. Ronna Cuizon, and the Hospital's Marketing Officer, Ms. Cherry S. Condemina as representatives of SCH-Mati.

The representatives from Kinesis-360 Physical Therapy Clinic were Levi Canonigo, PTRP- Rehabilitation Manager, and Carlos Cabardo, PTRP- Chief Physical Therapist of the said establishment.

This partnership is part of the hospital's commitment to ensure continuity of care for its patients especially those in need of physical therapy.



Fire Safety Re-Orientation

The Mati City Fire Station had a Fire Safety Re-orientation led by SFO2 Arnold O. Suralta, FO1 Rey Raphael D. Angco, and FO1 Fauja M. Gani on April 26, 2023.

Employees and staff of SCH-Mati attended the orientation, which was led by the hospital's Safety Officer, Mr. Alvin Jacobo, and was held at the hospital's Multi-Purpose Outdoor Activity Facility.



This exercise prepares the employees for disasters and demonstrates the hospital's dedication to its advocacy of safeguarding the safety of all its stakeholders.



Advocates of Good Stewardship

On April 26, 2023, the Bulano Accounting and Auditing Firm held its exit conference for the hospital's 2022 annual financial audit at St. Camillus Hospital of Mati.

Ms. Irish P. Bulano, CPA- Operations Manager, led the team. The audit was conducted in the presence of Fr. John Paul B. Alvarado and Mrs. Ronna Cuizon with the team from the Accounting, Human Resources, Purchasing and Central Supply departments.

The Bulano firm presented its audit findings and recommendations for the hospital's further improvement.



SCH-Mati Offers 24-Hr Lab Services

"To be able to see Jesus in the sick and to be Jesus for the sick, to be the compassionate Jesus for the sick while looking at the suffering Christ in the person of the sick," SCH-Mati extended its services more than it usually does.

Its tertiary-level laboratory services are now available 24 hours, providing its clients with quality, accurate, and timely testing results. Its state-of-the-art equipment is operated by a highly trained and experienced team committed to providing the best possible service.

Its laboratory is equipped to handle a wide range of tests like Histopathology, Parasitology, Hematology, Clinical Microscopy, Thyroid Panel, Blood Banking, and other services such as Expanded Newborn Screening, Anti-HBS (Quantitative), Prostatic Specific Antigen (PSA), Rapid Antigen Test (RAT) for COVID and COVID Antibody Testing.

SCH-Mati prides itself on its ability to continuously provide accurate results and exceptional customer service. Availing of its tertiary-level laboratory services is just a phone call away and it is always ready to provide humanized care through service with "heart in our hands."

PARISH

Our Lady of La Paz – Makati

OLLP Celebrates Fiesta

The feast of Our Lady of La Paz is observed every first Sunday of May. This year 2023, the Our Lady of La Paz (OLLP) Parish fiesta was held on May 7. Like any other parish, OLLP Parish had humble beginnings.

In the early 1950s, the parish community was once a part of Barrio Palanan with only five families. As it grew in numbers, the families felt the need to be independent of Palanan, thus paving the way for the birth of Barrio La Paz, which subsequently led to the creation of the La Paz Civic Club and the La Paz Women's Club, those responsible for the community's first barrio fiesta in May 1954 and the building of the permanent church from the makeshift altars in private-owned garages as temporary weekend chapels.

Canonically erected in February 1976 by then-Archbishop Jaime Sin, DD, Our Lady of La Paz Parish was formally inaugurated on March 14, 1976, with the installation of Fr. Alberto Roman, OSC, as its first parish priest. It was after the appointment of the first parish priest that Traders Royal Bank donated the lot where the church stands now.



As part of the pre-fiesta activities, on May 5, Fr. Ivo Anselmi, MI, the parish priest of OLLP, blessed and led the reopening of the OLLP adoration chapel.

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On the eve of the fiesta, on May 6, there was a *Kumpilang Bayan* at 9am by Fr. Rolando P. Garcia, Jr., Episcopal Vicar of Makati. In the afternoon was the recitation of the 9th-day novena prayers and a Holy Mass for the Solemnity of Our Lady of La Paz followed that was presided over by Fr. Fernando Urbano, SDB, the parish priest of Saint John Bosco Parish. A procession took place at 7pm led by Fr. Benjie Ang, MI, the parochial vicar of OLLP, with the images of Our Lady of La Paz, St. Joseph, and Sto.

Niño de Paz from Greenbelt Chapel as the parishioners recited the holy rosary led by OLLP Parish Youth Ministry (OLLP-PYM).

On the day of the fiesta, May 7, at 6pm, a celebration of the Holy Eucharist was presided over by the provincial superior of the Camillian Philippine Province, Fr. Evan Paul Villanueva, MI, and concelebrated by Fr. Ivo Anselmi and Fr. Benjie Ang. There were other Camillians in attendance to complete the celebration.

FORMATION

St. Camillus Novitiate

Celebrating Commitment and Dedication: First Profession and the Renewal of Vows at St. Camillus Novitiate

Sch. Lymer Ramoso

Baguio City, May 31, 2023 — A joyous atmosphere filled the halls of St. Camillus Novitiate as the Camillian religious community gathered to witness the First Profession of Vows of Novices Junilo Arma, Lymer Ramoso, and John Loyd Rombo. The event was made even more significant with the Renewal of Vows by Scholastics Ruel Tesoro Fernandez, Paul Austin Añana Echavez, Carl Cerdeño Masip, Leoneil Jonh Fausto Seriosa, and Joeseeph Cayao Nortega.

The First Profession of Vows is a significant milestone in the journey of a religious. It marks the transition from the initial stage of discernment and formation to a deeper commitment to the Camillian way of life. Novices Junilo, Lymer, and John Loyd made their vows of poverty, chastity, and obedience, pledging to serve the sick even in danger of life and emulate the compassionate example set by St. Camillus de Lellis, our saintly father.

The ceremony was attended by fellow religious, family members, and friends who offered their prayers and support to the newly-professed novices. The atmosphere was one of celebration and gratitude for the dedication shown by these individuals, who have chosen to devote their lives to the service of the poor-sick.

Equally important was the Renewal of Religious Vows of Scholastics Ruel, Paul, Carl, Leoneil Jonh, and Joeseeph. This renewal symbolizes their ongoing commitment to the Camillian mission and their continuous growth in spiritual and personal formation.

The St. Camillus Novitiate, located in the serene and

picturesque city of Baguio, serves as a training ground for those seeking to become Camillian religious. The novices and scholastics undergo a program of formation, prayer, and study, preparing them for a life dedicated to serving the sick, the marginalized, and the suffering members of society.

As the sun set on this momentous day, the Camillian community and their guests gathered for a joyful reception, sharing stories and experiences that reflect the transformative journey each individual has undertaken. The event served as a reminder of the importance of selflessness, compassion, and unwavering commitment in a world that often needs healing and care.



Phil Prov Welcomes New Deacon

It was an auspicious day for Br. Andrew Yeongmin Kang on May 27, 2023 for this was the day that he formally presented himself to the Order of the Ministers of the Infirm (Camillians) by his Solemn Profession of Vows and consequently, his Ordination to the Sacred Order of Deacons.

Most Rev. Nolly C. Bucu, JCD, DD, the Auxiliary Bishop of Antipolo, officiated the rites incorporated in the Holy Mass held at Sts. Camillus de Lellis and Lorenzo Ruiz Church. The special occasion was graced by the presence of the Provincial Council led by Fr. Evan Paul Villanueva (provincial superior), Fr. Rodolfo Cancino (pro-

vincial vicar), Fr. Placido de Jose (provincial secretary), Fr. Marven Ruyeras (provincial financial administrator) and Fr. Angel Crisostomo (provincial councilor), fellow Camillians, Korean priests, guests and friends. Not to miss this memorable event were his parents who were in their traditional *hanbok* attire.

Before the mass ended, Rev. Andrew thanked all who came to witness this significant milestone, especially his parents who flew all the way from his native country, South Korea. Everyone is looking forward for him to reach yet another milestone after six months, that is, his Ordination to Priesthood.



DEO GRATIAS!

Rev. Kang Yeongmin Andrew, MI

It has been a week since I pronounced my final vows as a Camillian religious and was ordained as a deacon on May 27, 2023.

But I am still overwhelmed by God's overflowing grace that I received on that day, and He continues to pour his blessings upon me to let me not fail to recognize His abundant mercy and kindness. He is indeed alive and brings a new life to the weak.

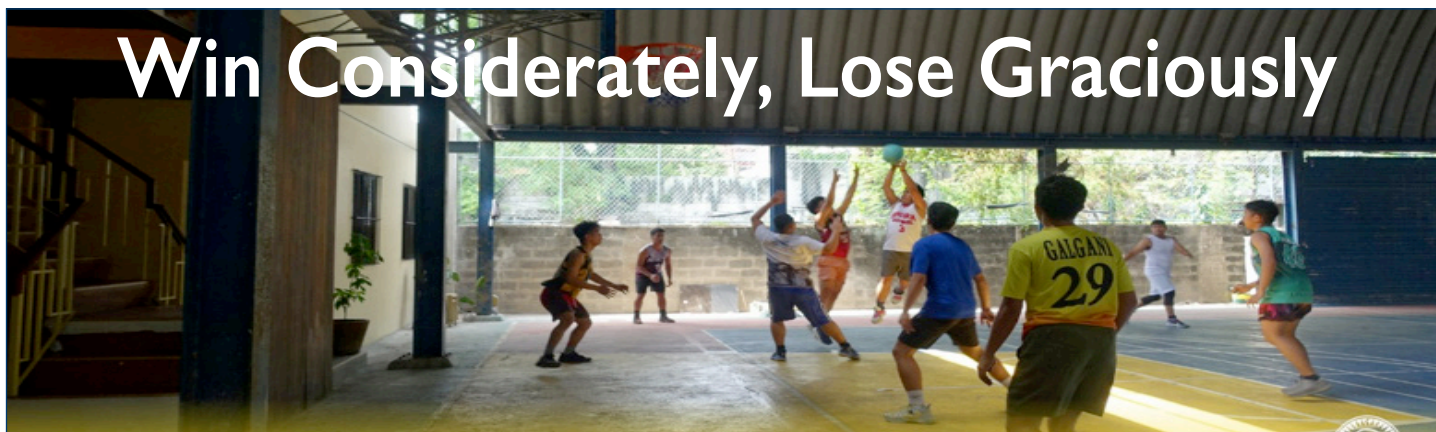
I am so blessed to be part of the Camillian family. I have wonderful brothers in the province and in the Order. They let me feel that God is with me always and leads me to the right path that I should walk on.

I am grateful to God for having so many generous friends, collaborators, benefactors, and all the people that I have encountered in my apostolate areas. To me they are the manifestations of God's generosity and compassion.

Lastly, I would like to thank my parents who allowed me to enter the religious life as a Camillian. They were Mary and Joseph to me who, from the very beginning of my life, prepared me to be who I am now and taught me to see the needs of the least who majority of the people in the world does not care about. I owe them my vocation as a Camillian.

Please continue to pray for me that I may remain a humble and faithful servant of our Lord.

May God bless you and keep you strong in His Love. Amen.



April 12, 2023 was a special day for the Seminary. It was the first day of the Sports Fest 2023 of St. Camillus College Seminary. The day began with an opening Mass and the blessing of the sports equipment led by Fr. Placido de Jose. After the Mass, Sem. Charvic Cabuwagan, chairman of the seminary sports committee, led the torch-lighting to officially open the festival. In the morning, the seminarians played 3X3 basketball; in the afternoon, volleyball. For lunch, they had boodle fight.

Sports Fest builds strong bonds within the community because it promotes camaraderie and rapport among students, instructors, and administration. It encourages

healthy competition among students to instill discipline and promote the value of teamwork and sportsmanship—not to be arrogant and learn to be humble. It also helps to showcase their talents to inspire others. Going into sports helps the person “develop his psychomotor and fine-tune motor skills with coordination, movement, strength, dexterity, grace, and speed, and provides healthy outlets for energy.”

Just like in any contest, there are winners and losers. But the most important thing is how one plays fairly and how one accepts the outcome, that is, win considerately and lose graciously.

ANNIVERSARIES		
BIRTHDAYS		
April	01	Fr. Alfons Oles
	01	Fr. Dennis Morales
	03	Rev. Samuel Hampu
	05	Rev. Engelbertus Frederik Ariesto Klau
	13	Fr. Marcelino Digal
	20	Sch. Darmanus Yorda Tua
	21	Br. Davide Angelo Cattaneo
May	14	Fr. Manuel Tamayo
	15	Fr. Francis Zhang Zhirong
	15	Sch. Kamilus Warjaya
	20	Fr. John Jay Magpusao
	21	Nov. Eugenius Koresy Bour
	26	Fr. Giuseppe Didonè
	29	Sch. Gema Galgani Galung
	31	Rev. Robertus Raflianto Arsan
June	11	Sch. Adeel Robin
	13	Fr. Thomas Welu
	14	Fr. Eliseo Navarro
	17	Fr. Roderick Tampis
	21	Fr. Almar Roman
	24	Sch. Placidus Sufandi
	26	Fr. Cyrelus Suparman Andi
	26	Sch. Virgilius Sumantri Nonci
	27	Fr. Rodel Enriquez
	30	Sch. Yolenta Safi Nalut
PERPETUAL PROFESSIONS		
April	17, 1993	Fr. Diosdado Haber
	17, 1995	Fr. Marcelo Pamintuan Jr.
May	25, 1997	Fr. Renante Sentillas
	27, 2003	Fr. Andrew Yeongmin Kang
	31, 2002	Fr. Gabriel Garcia
	31, 2002	Fr. Primitivo Gunit
	31, 2002	Fr. Jaime Roa
	31, 2006	Fr. Angel Crisostomo
	31, 2006	Fr. Renato Maliwat
	31, 2007	Fr. Wilson Peñaranda
	31, 2008	Fr. Francis Zhang Zhirong
	31, 2009	Fr. Alfons Oles
	31, 2009	Fr. Marven Ruyeras
	31, 2010	Fr. Cyrelus Suparman Andi
	31, 2010	Fr. Avensius Harung
	31, 2010	Fr. Placido de Jose
	31, 2011	Fr. Mushtaq Anjum
	31, 2011	Fr. Rodolfo Cancino Jr.
	31, 2011	Fr. Ignasius Sibar
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