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## From the Editor

# Sharing the Spirit of Christmas with the Urban Poor

**W**hat's more exciting this Christmas season is the examination of our conscience to our day-to-day encounter of people. Even in our experience of the very self that we have has a great challenge on this moment of celebration. Well, the sorrows, joys and sufferings, mixed feelings are sometimes the foundation of our encounter with Jesus. During this time, we will remember the people who in one way or the other help in forming us into a better person. It is a time of thanking the Lord and to the Blessed Mother Mary for all. How to put this into practice is now our duty. We cannot just remain in the

corner and remember all of them but to reach out to people bringing the goodness that the Lord has entrusted to us. We can do love our fellow not exclusively on material things that we possess or give to somebody but most especially to how we treat each other with dignity.

We will continue sharing the goodness of the Lord through our good deeds in the community. Let us simply turn our attention to the true meaning of Christmas deeply in our hearts. Let us praise Him for up to now the Lord still give us a time to celebrate Christmas in our hearts. We offer to God all especially our situations as of this very moment for



Sem. Richard Adalim

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despite of how sinful we are the Lord unceasingly loves us. Our response now is simply on living Christ's way amidst the commercialization of Christmas. How we will celebrate Christmas will greatly depends on our true relationship with Him.

Have a bountiful Christmas to all!!!



"Photo by Bullit Marquez / AP / SIPA"

suffering.

The baby is opening her eyes to the world. It is said that Rilke, a great poet "had the intuition that a newborn look introduced into the whole world a new perspective, because a very newlook aroused a very new world. "

Once again, through this purely symbolic picture, God failed us. He always takes the path of the small, the poor, the neglected. At the heart of this Christmas 2013, let us be surprised by this God who is so close to the man that he became incarnated in our humanity. In Jesus, God not only approached the man, but he became man becoming, as wrote our founder Father Jean-Emile Anizan, "one of them, loving with them, suffering with them. "

So, since that Christmas night, our poverty and our smallness are where God takes birth, the place where God gives us an appointment.

Dear friends Filipino, on this day of the birth of Jesus, I am sure that God is someone in your area, in this Filipino people, resilient and courageous. This is a child of the country, it is this little girl Bea.

## *This is the child*

**S**tarting to write these few lines from the distant France, a friend sends me several pictures of Typhoon Haiyan, made by a photographer of an agency. On one of the pictures, amid the rubble left by the typhoon, a woman has given birth to a baby girl. Her name is Bea Joy. She was born in a building of the Tacloban airport. She has the same name as her grandmother, Beatriz, who disappeared during the typhoon. The mother is lying on a mattress, the child is in the arms of another person, worn as a jewel, a treasure.

The picture of this miraculous birth reminds me in a concrete way the birth of Jesus at the heart of our people, our neighborhoods so often

MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Fr. Pierre Tritz, General Superior of the Sons of Charity.  
December 5, 2013



## Sons of Charity's 95<sup>th</sup> Year in the Mission of the Church

The year 2013 marks the 95th founding anniversary of the Sons of Charity congregation. This very young religious congregation was founded in France by Fr. Jean-Emile Anizan which gained approval on 25<sup>th</sup> of December 1918, at the end of the first world war, by Pope Benedict XV.

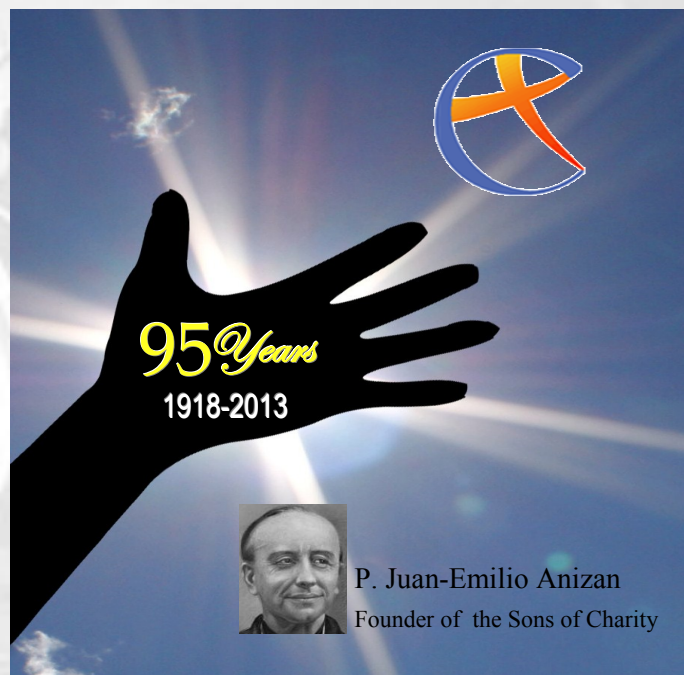
Aware of the deep sufferings and abandonment of the huge crowds in the suburbs of great cities and likewise the treasures of great generosity and love present in the hearts of the poor, Fr. Jean Emile Anizan received the mission to found a religious family "for the glory of God and the evangelization of the poor and workers." Through the pastoral ministry and other activities in order to attend the needs to people.

The congregation's work is to participate in an evangelical presence among the urban poor communities. They try to live the mission as Jesus the Good Shepherd, bringing the Good News to the poor, living among them a mission of compassion, human and spiritual uplifting, working for integration of those who are rejected, teaching and announcing salvation of God for all men and women and His love for the poorest of the poor.

Fr. Jean Emile Anizan's ideal of love, found in the example of Jesus Himself, has three facets. He called it "Our Triple Ideal" of holiness, apostolic fecundity, and the evangelization of the poor. Holiness means following the same path as Christ. This religious family desire God to be the chief relationship in their lives. They have espoused His ambition to awaken the crowds through charity. Apostolic fecundity means wishes to place all our faculties in the service of the Church's mission. The Sons of Charity wish to let the Spirit of God shape to them the heart of an apostle in the image of Christ, friend of the poor. Their concern is to communicate to them the life of God. Lastly the evangelization of the poor means paying great attention to the "material and spiritual" needs of the people in their neighborhoods, as well as their treasures. It is important for the congregation to bear the face of Christ incarnated, living out God's life and compassion for those who "live from hand to mouth" in precariousness.

### The Presence of the Congregation around the World

At the end of the last century the Sons of Charity was present in Europe, South and North America and



Africa in twelve countries so after consulting different "Authorities" in Rome, the congregation decided to go to the Philippines in order to offer the charism of the congregation to the Asian world. After three years of preparation they started in 1995 with two fathers only because they are small family in the squatter area of Laura, Villa Beatriz, and Kaligtasan, in barangay Old Balara, Quezon City. But the Lord blessed abundantly their confidence in Him and His love for the poor.

The year 2013 is not only a time for great feast and celebration for the Sons of Charity to the said occasion, because this year also will be the beginning of the five long years preparation for the centenary celebration of founding anniversary of the congregation on 2018. Series of conferences and spiritual activities for all the Sons of Charity all over the world will be facilitated during this time internationally and locally. Together with the members of the congregation, the different lay partners, friends, families and benefactors are joyfully celebrating to the said momentous event.

But then more than the celebration of the foundation anniversary of the Sons of Charity, December is one of the very important time for all the members of the community since at the same period is the celebration of the world for the birth in our dear Lord Jesus Christ who is the first and only Son of Charity.

Sources and data from the archives of the Sons of Charity





## *"If you don't become like little children... Mt. 18:3"*

By Fr. Daniel Godefroy, FC

Children are everywhere: The population of Jesus of Nazareth parish is very young. Children are so numerous that every day, Laura Street looks like a play ground. One of our priorities is to adapt our pastoral to this reality. The Public Elementary School of our Barangay is just near the house of Sons of Charity. This school welcomes around 7,000 children. Two catechists are teaching catechesis in this school and we have a monthly mass for different levels. December is the time of first communion and this year about 250 celebrated with great joy their first communion in Jesus of Nazareth parish. A team of young volunteers with our catechists leads activities with the children every Sunday afternoon. What a joy to see children happy to discover Jesus and to let Him become their best friend. Activities are also prepared in order to develop creativity of children and young teenager: big games, Hand-mime (with black light), Dance, Children Choir, or Community band that children and teen-agers become active, develop their talents, and learn responsibilities. December 1, first Sunday of advent, was a time of recollection for them to understand better what Advent means, and what is Christmas. Several groups of children have regular prayer activities like "Legion of Mary" children or "Our Lady of Fatima" ministry who bring an image of Mama Mary in different families and pray rosary with them.

To reach the poorest: Last December 2, a Christmas party which is yearly sponsored by Kraft Asia Company, was an opportunity for 300 children of 6 to 8 years old, from the poorest families to have joyful time with the mascot of Jollibee, they shared a meal and received a gift which is a school bag with some clothes and groceries. Last August an animation with clowns coming from abroad gave joy to 500 small children. And every summer time (April and May) one holiday week near the sea is offered freely for 150 children of 6 to 9

years old from our parish. This project is lead by a religious congregation, for children who are all from very poor area of Metro Manila and have no opportunities to have this kind of summer time with their families. For these activities, the children are excited, joyful and very participative.

With the help of our Health program, professional doctors who will become pediatricians are doing immersion in our community in order to visit the poorest families and they have now a project to lead a feeding program of 6 month for the so numerous under-weight children (0 to 6 years old).



Our parish is also blessed to have a scholarship program which is able to offer help for more than 80 children and youth for their studies from Elementary to College level. The leaders of this program are all former scholars who understood the chance they received to have opportunity to study and have now a regular job. They dedicate time and talent in order to lead this scholarship program with the help of "Enfants du Mekong"

Foundation which is the canal for sponsors from abroad helping the beneficiary children of poor families in the Philippines.

To become like small children: Taking care of children in our pastoral activities is not a burden but a joy. I thank all leaders, catechists, doctors, mothers who are area leaders in regular contact with families of their area, and the sponsors who offer help to reach the most unfortunate children.

Often times, I am always surprised and happy when small children run joyfully after me to ask for blessing. Jesus said: "The greater in a community has to be like a little child. If you do not become like them you will not enter the Kingdom of God". For me to be closer to the children is to be closer to God. Jesus became a little child in Bethlehem; he grew in Nazareth with his family and even during his public life, he never loses his child-like soul. And He is the one to lead us to our Father.

# Special Feature

## *Where is Christ in all of these?*

By Sem Christopher Labrador



**W**hen Christmas comes around, you would always see colorful decorations in malls, streets, and even in your neighbors' house. People are busy preparing foods for 'Noche Buena' and wrapping items for gift-giving party. You would hear too children knocking in your door and singing a Christmas carol. As I reflected our way of celebrating Christmas today, I mused: Where is the Christ in Christmas?

One day I went to a shopping mall and was greeted by a big Christmas tree with colorful decorations beside a pile of gifts and a life size image of talking Santa. As I observed shoppers, including me, felt the spirit of Christmas. After a moment, I was looking for a Belen but found none. This is the reason why, now a days, I feel Christmas is turning into "decorationmas" or "Clausmas" or "foodmas". There is nothing wrong in doing and preparing these stuff that we think it is a symbol of Christmas. It is just that sometimes we are more focus on the material symbolism in celebrating Christmas instead of the real spirit of the celebration.

Witnessing the modern ways of celebrating Christmas I pondered the question of 'where is the Christ in Christmas? I groped for answers.

I vividly remember the time I was invited for gift-giving party by a charismatic group of our parish, held in a home for the aged. The group leader instructed us to bring some food to share during the meal and some gift items for the residents.

The day for party celebration arrived, and I prepared the food and the



gifts for the "lolos" and "lolas". As I am about to leave the house, the group leader texted me: "Chris, please wear something green or blue, so the photos will look good". I murmured, "Are we going there just for the picture taking or for the aged? Despite of my desperation, I still follow.

During the celebration I met a "lola" who had Tuberculosis and was not visited by her family since she arrived on that institution. While other old people were dancing and laughing, she was saddled to her place. She was very timid and it was very difficult getting her to smile, maybe because of her illness. But despite the pain in her face she manage to speak and uttered words of thanks-giving to me. After a moment she cried and hugged me. I was moved by that warmed expression of joy.

True enough, the answers to my question lies everywhere. The old woman's name is Patricia. The answer

there all along, clear and well answered by the experience.

Christ is in each one of us—in the aged people we care of; In the sick people we visit in hospital and home; In the rejected and abandoned people of societies whom we serve for; in poor workers and people unjustly treated by the high class societies; In our community who are always there; In a family who love and cares.

Truly, joy doesn't comes in colored decorations in the Christmas trees and from beautiful packages as 'gifts' from someone. It comes from the abyss of our self. It is from within us. These answers, when we uncover, untie, and unwrap the gifts we have and used it in service to others. It is when we do simple things for others out of love to the Jesus who is to come.

Together as we celebrate the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ—we uncover the inner gifts we receive from Him and share it to others.

Share your joy.

Share love.

Bring back the real spirit of Christmas.

That's the Sons of Charity's Christmas spirit!

Merry Christmas to all!



# The Poor Have Evangelized Me



## CHRISTMAS

By: Fr. Joseph Bouchaud, FC

It is eleven o'clock in the evening. Tomorrow will be Christmas. The Church in the populated quarter of Mexico City will fill up little by little with families who come to the "misa de gallo" - the Christmas Mid-night Mass. In a few minutes

there will be more than a thousand people. I am at the entrance of the church to greet the people as they arrive. But today I am waiting particularly for Juan and Maria.

Juan and Maria live in a very poor house in a street adjacent to the Church. All their lives, they have worked in a factory: he as a mechanic; she as a day-laborer, in order to raise their seven children.

Today their children are married and Juan and Maria had saved peso by peso, the needed amount. They had already bought their two plane tickets to spend three weeks in Palestine. On this December night they should be celebrating Christmas at the Grotto of Bethlehem... they had announced this good news to all their neighbors and friends. They had explained enthusiastically to members of their Base Community how trip was an act of faith and renewed hope for their commitment.

Juan and Maria have not left. I await them with some apprehension to console them in their great disappointment.

Among their neighbors, there is Martha, a widow who spends all her days washing clothes in order to raise her five children. Her eldest, Hector, is only sixteen years old. He is intelligent and gets every good grades in his studies. But he still has three more years to get his diploma which will allow him to work for a salary sufficient to support his family.

About a month ago Juan met Hector in the street in front of his house. And he saw that he was quite sad. "What's the matter, Hector?" he asked him. "Is someone sick at your house", "Oh, no, it's not that." "Well, What

*"Glory to God in the Highest and Peace on Earth to those of Good Will"*

is it?" after a rather long silence Hector said to him, "I have to drop out of school." "Drop out of school! You're crazy! Why?" "Because I have to pay for my books. They are very expensive.. Mama has only the money she earns washing clothes... for us five; it's enough..."

A light shot through Juan's eyes. "Stay here, Hector, wait for me. I believe that something can be arranged."

He went into his house. He spoke with Maria; they both came out a few minutes later. And Juan said to Hector: "Come to our house tomorrow. We will find what you need for this month... and each month we can give you what you need. We know of a little 'treasure' that will be enough for your three years of school."

Hector remained silent. His look met that of Juan, that of Maria. Their eyes told him that it was neither a lie nor paternalism, but real love... simple he asked them: "And what can I do to say 'Thank you'?"

Maria answered him: "Be a man, Hector. Be a man worthy of the one born in Bethlehem."

That same day the plane tickets for Palestine were reimbursed... and the next day Hector went to buy his books.

I was not able to speak with Juan and Maria at the church entrance. I was busy with another group when they arrived. At the end of Mass, I hurried toward them in order to console them.

... but their eyes were shining with a deep happiness. Juan told me simply: "Father, this is our most beautiful Christmas." "Oh, yes, much more beautiful than the one over there", continued Maria.

And I, I thought of consoling them. I have nothing to give them. I had only to receive the simple true love of the shepherds, the magi, Joseph and Mary, through the happiness of Juan and Maria.

*Help others achieve their dreams  
and you will achieve yours.*

Les Brown



This is one of the stories of Fr. Joseph in his little book in titled "The Poor Have Evangelized me". If you are interested to have a copy just send your request at [sonsofcharity@yahoo.com](mailto:sonsofcharity@yahoo.com)

# News Bits

By Seminarian Osben Pantorilla



## The Visit of Vicar General to the Philippine-Branch

"Always live with the Triple Ideal of Father Anizan"

**T**hus remarked Vicar general Fr. Calixto Martinez, FC to the Sons' of Charity in the Philippine Branch, he yield the message during the holy mass the night before he left from the country last November 04, 2013 at St. Joseph house, Marikina City Manila.

The Sons of Charity are living with indispensable triple ideal of Fr. Anizan, which is Saintliness, to desire God to be the chief relationship in the lives of the Sons



and to awaken the crowds through Charity. Apostolic fecundity, to let the spirit of God shapes in the individual as to have a heart of an apostle in the image of Christ, friend of the poor and to have concern to communicate them to God. The evangelization of the poor which pays great attention to the "material and spiritual needs of the people and to bear the face of Christ incarnated, living at God's Life and compassion for those who "live from hand to mouth" in precariousness. His reminders invoke to rekindle the significance of triple ideal.

Fr. Calixto arrived in the Philippines last October 23, 2013 as his regular visit in the Branch and it was a great pleasure for the Sons (in the Branch) to have Fr. Calixto for a short period of time. His visitation was a time for conversation and dialogue for evaluating some schedule, orientation for some projects and discussing plans for the future.

Precisely, the Sons of Charity in the Philippines is aiming to produce brothers and priests in religious life, following the footsteps of Fr. Anizan. In fact the branch has already two aspirants, one postulant and five seminarians who are currently studying in theology including one newly professed as a Sons of Charity.

## New Vineyard for the Sons of Charity

**A**fter time of sharing, reflections and discussions, the Most. Rev. Francisco de Leon, the parish priest/rector and with Rev. Fr. Reynate Tolentino the Parish administrator of Our Lady of the Abandoned parish in Marikina city, gave their blessings to the Sons of Charity to help them in pastoral works and in liturgical celebrations in the community of Sto. Niño chapel. Fr. Gabriel Goullin, FC and Fr. Jhonas Enopia, FC are the pastors in charge to this community of Sto. Niño, together with the theology student seminarians and Bro. Nanding Maaño as pastoral team. They were formally introduced to the Christian faithful of Sto. Niño chapel during the concelebrated mass on November 10, 2013. They were warmly welcomed by the mini-pastoral council, its members and the Christian faithful of Sto. Niño..

Sto. Niño community is one of the chapel community of Our Lady of Abandon parish in the diocese of Antipolo and it belongs to the barangay Sto. Niño, Marikina City.



*The image and chapel of Sto. Niño de Marikina,*





# Vocation Promotion Corner



## Sharing of my Discoveries

By Sem. Leonardo Sinoy

**F**or five years in my formation here in the Sons of Charity I could picture out myself a little bit formed and mature. The reasons are: I develop more my Pastoral skill to listen and see myself through the experiences of other people whom I met in my exposure. My experiences with them are not so far from my own situation in life. I can relate easily for the people in my apostolate especially the poor. I am now more open to the formation which the community offers. I will do my best in response to the generosity of the congregation knowing that I learn now to love this community. It is a blessing from God knowing that this simple community/congregation "Sons of Charity" is now my family. This realizations will motivate me to hold on in the grace of God. I have to be always mindful and responsive in trying moments that will come along the way.

Hence, the decision to pursue my studies is a simple sign of my love to this congregation where there is simplicity and humble acceptance of my strengths and weaknesses. "Ad Majorem Die Gloriam". This is all "for the greater glory of God". I still have many "discoveries" in the long run of this formation. For this preparation, I have to shield my journey with prayers and trust in the Lord.

Merry Christmas and a Bountiful New Year.

## *You are a Priest forever . . .*

By Sem Christopher Labrador

"ABS-CBN kaba? Bakit? Because you are always ready for the service of the Pilipino people". This is one of the greetings that Fr. Jhonas Enopia, FC received early morning on his red letter day.

On the 18<sup>th</sup> day of November 2013 the 4<sup>th</sup> year sacerdotal anniversary of Rev. Fr. Jhonas F. Enopia, FC was celebrated at St. Joseph house in Marikina city. The said occasion started with a thanksgiving mass presided by the celebrator himself, followed by a simple agape and words of congratulations by the members of the community and friends.

It was truly a simple yet a festive day for the Sons of Charity for on the same day was a celebration of the birthdays of Bro. Arnel Bodota, FC and seminarian Richard Adalim. Joining the blissful celebration of the community were the members and friends from the Companions of Anizan.

After the banquet, Fr. Jhonas and the two birthday celebrants expressed their words of thanksgiving to all and asking for more prayers for their religious vocation.

## *Photos of Happenings*



# Inspirational Christmas Story

## A Marvelous Love Story of Mother and Son

by Bill Bright

<http://www.thoughts-about-god.com>



**O**n a cold Christmas Eve in 1952, when Korea was in the throes of civil war, one young woman struggled along a village street, obviously soon to deliver a child. She pleaded with passersby, *Help me! Please. My baby.*

No one paid any attention to her.

A middle-aged couple walked by. The wife pushed away the young mother and sneered, *Where's the father? Where's your American man now?*

The couple laughed and went on.

The young woman almost doubled up from a contraction as she watched them go.

*Please . . .* she begged.

She had heard of a missionary living nearby who might help her. Hurriedly, she began walking to that village. If only he would help her baby. Shivering and in pain, she struggled over the frozen countryside. But the night was so cold. Snow began to fall. Realizing that the time was near to deliver her baby, she took shelter under a bridge. There, alone, her baby was born on Christmas Eve.

Worried about her newborn son, she took off her own clothes, wrapped them around the baby and held him close in the warm circle of her arms.

The next day, the missionary braved the new snow to deliver Christmas packages. As he walked along, he heard the cry of a baby. He followed the sound to a bridge. Under it, he found a young mother frozen to death, still clutching her crying new born son. The missionary tenderly lifted the baby out of her arms.

When the baby was 10 years old, his now adoptive father told him the story of his mother's death on Christmas Eve.

The young boy cried, realizing the sacrifice his mother had made for him.

The next morning, the missionary rose early to find the boy's bed empty. Seeing a fresh set of small footprints in the snow outside, he bundled up warmly in a winter coat and followed the trail. It led back to the bridge where the young mother had died.

As the missionary approached the bridge, he stopped, stunned. Kneeling in the snow was his son, naked and shivering uncontrollably. His clothes lay beside him in a small pile. Moving closer, he heard the boy say through chattering teeth:

*Mother, were you this cold for me?"*

That story reminds me of another mother and Son who sacrificed so much. One winter night, Jesus left his home, His glory and the warmth of heaven to be born in a stable to an unwelcome world. Just before He was born, Mary, His mother, was not welcome in any of the cozy inns in Bethlehem. Instead, she delivered her baby in the darkness of a cold stable. The Creator of the Universe, the Perfect Judge who could destroy the world with a single word, was willing to endure this inauspicious beginning for you and me. That is unconditional love!

We who have experienced God's unconditional love are commanded to share that love with others. John writes in 1 John 4:11,

*"Dear friends, since God loved us that much, we surely ought to love each other"* (New Living Translation).

God wants us to express His supernatural love to others. We become examples of God's love to the world as we love our neighbors through the enabling of His Holy Spirit.

My prayer for you is the same as Paul's prayer for the believers in Ephesians 3:17,18:

*"May your roots go down deep in to the soil of God's marvelous love. And may you have the power to understand, as all God's people should, how wide, how long, how high, and how deep His love really is"* (NLT).

You may confess, "I don't have that kind of love to share with anyone." To experience God's supernatural love, claim it by faith. We have the potential to love anyone God puts in our path. One of the greatest lessons I have learned in my Christian life is "how to love by faith."

When we by faith invite God's unconditional love to flow through us, we will discover a rekindled love that is alive and well. That is true for an "unlovable" spouse, boss, employee, or anyone.

Nothing breaks the hardened ground of unforgiveness and bitterness like sincere acts and words of love. Sometimes you and I, by faith, must take the first step of restoration. A positive response may not be immediate, but keep on loving and reaching out. There is no power on earth stronger than God's supernatural love.

## Prayer for Vocation

Holy Father, eternal source of existence and love, who, in living man, show the splendor of your glory, and who put in his heart the seed of your call, let no one ignore or lose this gift, but may everyone walk, with wholehearted generosity, towards the realization of your love.

Lord Jesus, who in Your pilgrimage along the roads of Palestine, chose and called the apostles and entrusted to them their task of preaching the Gospel to the poor, feeding the faithful, curing the sick and celebrating divine worship, ensure that today, too, Your Church may not lack holy brothers and priests in the congregation inspired by Father Anizan, who can help bring to suffering humanity—the poor and the workers—the fruits of your death and resurrection.

Holy Spirit, who sanctify the Church with the constant pouring out of Your gifts, place into the hearts of those called to the consecrated life a deep rooted and resolute passion for the Kingdom, so that with a generous and unconditioned "yes", they may place their entire existences at the service of the Gospel

Most Holy Virgin, who without hesitation offered yourself to the Almighty for the carrying out of His plan of salvation, pour trust into the hearts of young people so that there may always be zealous pastors who are able to guide the Christian people on the way of life with justice, truth and grace, and consecrated souls in the Sons of Charity who may know how to witness, in chastity, poverty, and obedience, to the freeing presence of your risen Son.

Amen.

O Most Sacred Heart of Jesus,  
have mercy on us.  
Our Mother, the Immaculate Conception,  
Pray for us.



VOCATIONS



# Diwa ng Unang Pasko

By Mr. Boy Llenarizas



Ang Pagdamay sa mga Maralita ay isang napakagandang pagbabahagi ng Diwa ng Pasko ng Pagsilang ng ating Panginoon Hesus. Sa mga pagdamay na ginagawa ng Companions of Anizan Philippines, ay tunay na naihahatid ang Diwa ng unang pagdating ng ating Panginoon. Nakapagdudulot ito ng galak at sumisibol ang Pananampalataya, naihahatid din natin ang Pag-ibig ng Diyos at nagkakaroon sila ng Pag-asa mula sa Diyos.

Ilan sa ating mga nadamayan, tulad ng ilang pamilya mula sa maliit na komunidad (BEC) na sakop ng Hearts of Jesus and Mary Parish ang ngayon ay aktibo sa mga gawaing pang Simbahan at naging marubdob ang pagsisikap na makatapos sa pag-aaral ang kanilang mga anak. Sa Villa Biatriz, isang

lugar na sakop ng Jesus of Nazareth Parish, isang pamilya ang galak na galak ng sila ay madamayan, naramdaman nila na sila ay may halaga sa lipunan.

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