



# THE WAVES

Catholic Diocese of Gizo

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



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12 September Holy name of Mary  
Feast Day



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## BISHOP'S AUGUST MESSAGE



THE LAITY, HOLY AND FORMED FOR SERVICE For the third year the bishops of the church in PNG and SI and insisting on the vocation and mission of the laity? Why? Are the clergy lazy to do their job so that they call the laity to do it for them? Are the bishops calling the laity to do the job the priests must do? OR: Are the bishops for the third year calling the laity because the laity are lazy? Are the bishops telling us that our laity are sluggish, indolent, apathetic, living in lethargy and lifeless inactivity? Let us find the real reason why the bishops insist so much on this topic.

### We are all:

**Called to Holiness:** by a personal vocation. Each one is chosen, selected, hand picked by God Himself

**Baptized, formed and sent:** anointed with the grace of consecration in Baptism

**For service:** the mission is the purpose of the call and the reason for the consecration

It must be clear that the ones calling is not the bishops, the church nor the priests. It is only God who calls and the only one who can 'consecrate' make us 'sacred' and send us on HIS mission. He calls all to be members of his living body...The only reason for the call and consecration (anointing and being set apart...) is that we are all given a mission. Each one has a mission within the church... Baptism makes us members of the whole body, the church to which the mission to build the kingdom of God is entrusted.... Each one of us has a mission as members of the bigger body the church.

The mission is entrusted to the whole church lay and clergy with different roles. The ministerial priesthood is for the service of the common priesthood. Priests are at the service of the lay so the laity can do their job well at the service of society. They do so by teaching and sanctifying the lay... so the laity can seriously, passionately and professionally do their mission in the church. The priests do not

call, nor consecrate, nor sent the laity. The priests are also called consecrated and sent together with the laity within the same church and mission but with different roles.

**The church's Mystery and mission:** priests and lay work together as one, in communion, to proclaim and build the Kingdom of God: love, truth, justice and peace in their hearts and the hearts of all... This is done by living our identity as consecrated holy people in communion with each other. Communion is not only the way we proclaim the kingdom; it is the kingdom itself in practice, translated into a way of life... which can attract conversions...*It is therefore wrong to say that the clergy call the people to help them in their job as ministers in the church or because the laity are lazy...No... the clergy calls the people to do their own part as laity: consecrated for the kingdom while doing their own part of teaching and sanctifying themselves and others.*

**What are the roles of service that we can do as Clergy and as Laity together each in his own capacity?** Each one has a place in the family, in society, in the church.

The key word for this year's bishop's letter is "service". SERVICE is a very practical way of loving. It means to give priority to the needs of others above our own needs. Our duties at home will always be our priority above the needs of others, however the needs of others should come before our own needs. Both clergy and laity celebrating service above self, because of CHRISTIAN love, will make the church alive and attentive to the many needs of individuals, the family and society. Living in holiness and forming the laity for service is the role of the clergy. Living in Holiness and serving the family church and society is the professional role of the laity. The reason is the common mission of living and proclaiming the values of gods' kingdom: truth, love, peace, justice.

For you a Bishop with you a brother who loves you with a "Solo heart made in Italy"  
Sincerely in Christ

Bp Luciano Capelli, sdb, Bishop Gizo

# LAY PEOPLE FORMED FOR A MISSION



## Yearly **THEME**

**'Formed for Mission'**



### **DIOCESE PROGRAMS**

#### **COMING UP FOR THE YEAR 2020**

**Come & see program at Moli**

**7<sup>th</sup>—10<sup>th</sup> July**

**Lay apostolate training at Sirovanga**

**21<sup>st</sup>—24<sup>th</sup> July**

**Lay apostolate training at Moli**

**27<sup>th</sup>—30<sup>th</sup> July**

**Lay apostolate training for st Eusebius and Sacred Heart parish 7<sup>th</sup>—8<sup>th</sup> August**

**venue yet to be decided**

**Sunday school teachers training on liturgy at Moli 24<sup>th</sup>—28<sup>th</sup> August**

**Lay apostolate training St Peter Gizo**

**4<sup>th</sup>—6<sup>th</sup> September**

**Natural family planning and moral issues training at Nila 14<sup>th</sup>—17<sup>th</sup> September**

**Youth Encounter Follow Up Northern Deanery at Moli 9<sup>th</sup>—11<sup>th</sup> October**

**Lay apostolate training at Nila 12<sup>th</sup>—15 October**

**Priest meeting 26—29<sup>th</sup> October**

### **Discern your call**

A vocation, profession, job, mission and task are all terms used as per the circumstances. But a Christian understanding of the word vocation is a simple and clear definition meaning "a call from God". It would be understood as an individual's choice to a life of devotion, sacrifice, perseverance, rootless-ness in the soil, but rooted in the Lord. We should look at vocation more deeply and be able to understand it from the perspective of the faith we live in. Through the sacrament of baptism each one of us have been called to be a king (leader, animator) to his people, prophet (mentor or course director/setter) and priest (bridge builder, healer and at the service of faith) to his or her people.



To those of other faith the word vocation might be defined slightly different from us. But there is a common understanding that vocation is the call of an individual to a certain mission or occupation in life. It can be a call to be a married man and woman, to be a policeman, teacher, taxi driver, entertainer, nurse, baby sitter, singer or to live a single life forever.

Since vocation is known as a call there must be a caller and that also will kindle the idea of a sender. Usually and rightly so this caller also must have known the capacity, ability, skills, talents and so forth of the one who is called. Along this line of thinking, the right person to be credited as a caller would be the one 'who has knit him/her in the mother's womb'.

And so God who creates the human person would not allow you do what you are not capable of doing. We often think that what we do day by day is a matter of our own choices. An old friend and mentor of mine, would say, 'God does not select the equipped, but equips the selected'. 'He calls not the perfect, but gradually perfects the called' So don't be afraid to heed his call if you do hear His voice in the 'gentle breeze' or in the lullaby of the waves of the mighty south pacific ocean. Have faith do your part and God will do the rest.

### **ST PETER PARISH RIFLE TICKET**

A raffle ticket is now on sale at the St Peter Parish Canteen at \$10-00 and you have a chance of winning a price from the 14 listed prices. Buy one and try your lucky September 23 Sunday after mass will be a day to draw!!!

## **Christ the king Voruvoru Parish**

SISIKI COMMUNITY CELEBRATED THEIR PATRON SAINTS DAY. Sisiki Catholic community of Christ the king parish at northwest Choiseul celebrated the feast day of their patron saints, St. Peter and Paul on last Sunday. The first part of their celebration program was a holy mass presided over by the parish priest of Christ the king parish, Fr Henry Paroi (op) who expounded the characters of St Peter and Paul and urged the community to follow the examples of their patron saints who through the grace of God became strong and stood firm in their faith and became pillars of the church after their conversions. After mass a feast was held in the afternoon where all the invited guests and the community enjoyed and speeches were delivered to highlight the importance of the day.

*By Hon Nerio Ulemiki, media coordinator, Ctkp,nwCh.*

## **Sitokawa new kindy**

### **SR ANNA. M**

Good news for the Sitokawa community! Thank to the Christmas fund raising of an Italian Parish, their dream to have a kindergarten classroom become true.

It was long time that the Sitokawa community was asking to the parish priest to have the kindergarten in their place. The small pikinini couldn't walk to reach the Titiana one, so they were just staying at home, having difficulties to adapt themselves to the discipline of the primary when it was the time to go to school.

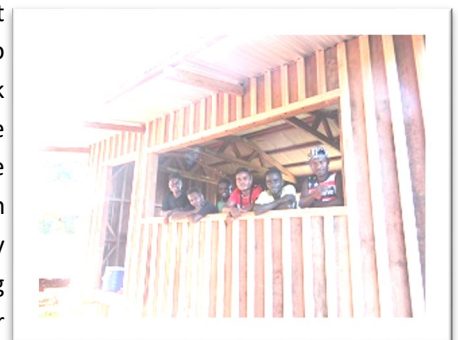
Fr Lawrence didn't hesitated to direct the fund to this project and the students of the St Peter Urban Training Centre, with their instructor, took the challenge to build it!

Some obstacles came on the way: last year (it is the time the project was approved) the road to go to Sitokawa wasn't in good conditions, and the continuous rain made impossible for a full load truck to travel on it! Finally this year the Province made beautiful roads along the isle, as well as Sitokawa in land



side, so it was possible to transport every timber and copper and cement, ready to build.....but COVID 19 came and the schools closed

down, as well as St Peter! After the two month COVID break there were no more obstacle to start the building and on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> of July the St Peter Building and Carpentry year 2 teacher and



students started with the profile of the classroom.

Every day the diocesan track (kindly put at use of the project by our Bishop Capelli) were bringing the team to the place. The Sitokawa communities, taking turn, were providing hot water for breakfast and full lunch every day. Same youth from the community avail themselves to give a hand and two days also the first year Carpentry students, with their instructor, went to be part to the project.

Every afternoon, coming back to the school, the sisters were waiting for them to have news, to listen about the progress, the difficulties, the happiness read in their eyes.

In the round of three weeks the classroom was done, for the joy of the community and the pride of the St Peter school.

Thank you, Mr Darison, Frank, Luther, Xavier, William, Pelo, Leon, for the good job, your willingness and hard working will be the happiness of many pikinini who will have easy access to the first stage of formal education: St Peter UTC is proud of you!

## **Chapel at Betania**

Betania has been used as a religious, retreat, and conference center for the diocese of Giza. The need to have its own chapel was a long term need. And now the chapel is on its way to completion. Thank you to our diocesan constructors for their availability and hard work.



## Keep yourself healthy

I would like to begin my article with the words from the Holy Father in the ECCLESIA IN OCEANIA article no. 34

### Health Care

“Jesus came to heal the sick and comfort the afflicted. As the Risen Christ, he continues his ministry of healing and comfort through those who bring God's compassion to people in their weakness and suffering. **This ministry of the Church of Oceania is for many people the most visible and tangible proof of God's love.** The messianic mission of mercy,<sup>(120)</sup> of healing and forgiveness, must be continued unstintingly and accomplished in new ways that respond to current needs”.

As we know the world is facing a very tiny and invisible enemy the Covid-19, which originated in Wuhan, China. and according to the data compiled by Johns Hopkins University as per July 2020, 188 countries and territories had confirmed cases of covid19 and only 12 countries have not reported any positive case of corona virus and Solomon Islands is one of them.

Being free from covid19 we can't be too confident that it won't reach our country that is the reason why our Leaders are updated on how to be equipped if the covid19 reach here in Solomon Islands.

One of the best weapon to battle against the deadly virus is to be prepared personally and as family.

How? Let us build our Immune system.



### What is immune system?

The immune system is the body's defence or soldier against infections, it attacks germs and helps keeps us healthy.

Immune system is spread throughout the body and involves many types of cells, organs, proteins, and tissues, crucially it can distinguish our tissue from foreign tissue.

How the immune system work?

If the immune system encounters a pathogen or infectious agent, for instance a bacteria, virus, parasite, which causes disease, it mounts / set-up a so-called immune response that defends the body from harmful and foreign substances.

### VITAMINS, MINERALS AND FOOD SOURCES TO BOOST THE IMMUNE SYSTEM

**Vitamin C** – has antibodies which help fight against bacteria and

infection.

Food Sources; Oranges, lemon, bell peppers, tomatoes, chilli peppers, guava and kale.

**Vitamin D** – is used to fight off infection as usual wee as works to maintain strong bones.

Food sources: oily fish, milk, eggs cereals, bread.

**Vitamin A** – helps to regulate the immune system and protect against infection by keeping your tissues and skin healthy.

Food sources: sweet potatoes, eggs, pumpkin, papaya, avocado, spinach and all yellow vegetables and fruits.

**Vitamin E** – is another essential antioxidant who's job is to fight cell damage.

Sources; Nuts, peanuts, pumpkins, red bell.

**Zinc**- works as an antioxidant and boosts the metabolism along with helping to heal wounds.

Sources: meat shellfish, beans, nuts and seeds.

Sr Alice S

**“Take care of your body as if you were going to live forever  
And take care of your soul as if you were going to die tomorrow”.  
St. Augustine**

**ONE OF OUR COMMITMENTS FOR THE DIAMOND JUBILEE OF THE DIOCESE IS TO WORK HARDER FOR VOCATIONS.**

**The vocation recruitment program of the diocese has been organized in these steps:**

**PHASE ONE: COME AND SEE** vocation camp-seminar for all candidates selected by the community after a common discernment of these vocation signs: prayerful, good health, form 6 graduate (exceptionally form 5), hardworking, active and with a good record in the parish apostolate. The Come and see vocation camp was held at Moli in July.

It was attended by 25 young men searching for signs of their vocation to the priesthood

12 candidates were seen as ready for this year phase two of the vocation program

**PHASE TWO: GO BACK FOR ACTION: GO AND DO, you came, you saw, now do it**

The 12 candidates have been entrusted back to their parish communities for a period of preparation for the NAC pre seminary Course

At this stage the community must take the responsibility to prepare them. The Parish priest will keep them at the station, assign a place and a job to be done

Working with spirit of sacrifice to provide for their food and part of their fees, and help the parish

Contemplating God: in payer, bible, Eucharist, confession, spiritual guidance

**PHASE THREE:** This consists of two years' preparation at NAC.

Making up for their studies especially for form 5 leavers Studying English, catechism, bible study

Maturing in the motivation: why do I want to be a priest?

Developing healthy relationships with others, including respect for ladies

Spiritual guidance to go the right way

Doing away with every kind of wrong habits

**PHASE FOUR: THE SPIRITUAL YEAR AT ARULIGO**

Discernment of God's will. This will be done at the spiritual year which we are starting this year

The candidates will be accompanied PERSONALLY TO DISCOVER God's will for their lives

They will be helped to respond to that grace by giving themselves totally to God

They will make a commitment to God, their diocese, their communities

**PHASE FIVE: HNM** seminary program made of seven years'

studies of Philosophy and Theology

Studies at the seminary: passing all the subjects

Pastoral year; exposure to parish life

Final year: Thesis and ordination to the diaconate

Ordination to the priesthood



**Our diocese now has**

12 candidates to the GO AND DO program

3 candidates at NAC

Two candidates at the HNM seminary

One candidate in the pastoral year Two candidates 'taking a rest' (may be eternal) Two deacons who will be ordained in October in Sareana (Rev Ben) and Harapa (Rev Aritoka)

*"Pray to the Lord of the harvest to send laborers to his harvest"*

Names	Date of birth	Parish
Lee Maoly	2/ 6/1997	Sirovanga Parish, St Dominic
Jude Malakana	25/1/1998	Moli Parish, St Joseph
Nason Vanasivala	1/8/1996	Moli Parish, St Joseph
Junior Kolekana	12/7/1998	Moli Parish, St Joseph
Joshua Tiqavalaka Alosio	9/10/1992	Taro Parish, St John Bosco
Benard Bapapa	28/1/1990	Taro Parish, St John Bosco
Francis Kop	21/3/1990	Nila Parish, Holy Rosary
Carlton Qorae	24/5/1996	Nila Parish, Holy Rosary
Micheal Tepi	3/6/1990	Nila Parish, Holy Rosary
Alex Haimae	9/2/1997	Nila Parish, Holy Rosary
Caephas Derekolo	14/10/1993	Nila Parish, Holy Rosary
James Auswarthy	24/12/1997	Nila Parish, Holy Rosary

**STATEMENT BY HIS EMINENCE CHARLES CARDINAL BO Hagia/Sofia**

Freedom of religion or belief is a foundational human right for everyone, of every faith and none. The right to choose, practice, express and change one's faith – or have no faith at all – is the most basic freedom for any soul. And it is a freedom I have consistently and passionately defended for Muslims, Buddhists, Hindus, Jews and Christians of all traditions, in my own country of Myanmar and throughout Asia.

Indeed often I have spoken in defence of the persecuted Muslim peoples in Myanmar, and I will go on doing so without hesitation and unequivocally. For true freedom of religion requires respect for others' freedom to practice, as well as the exercise and defence of

one's own liberty.

For that reason, the decision in Turkey to turn what was for 1000 years the world's largest Cathedral – Hagia Sophia – into a mosque grieves me. And as President of the Federation of Asian Bishops' Conferences, it is incumbent on me to say so.

It grieves me not because I want to deny my Muslim brothers and sisters places of worship. On the contrary, I defend their right to do so as much as I defend everyone's. Nothing I say here should be taken by those who persecute Muslims – in Myanmar or beyond – as justification for their actions: it never can be. Persecution of any kind should be countered by people of faith, hope and love and by humanity. But nor can the decision to turn Hagia Sophia into a mosque be seen as anything other than an unnecessary assault on freedom of religion or belief.

Faith is an affair of the soul, heart, mind and spirit. The temples of faith are within people, not buildings. Nevertheless, sacred buildings represent and embody history, heritage, art, iconography and the life-story of faiths throughout the millenia. When subverted, however, they can be used as symbols of power and subjugation.

In my country, Myanmar, mosques have been razed to the ground and I have spoken out – frequently and at some risk. In China, the Uyghur Muslims are facing what amounts to some of the

contemporary world's worst mass atrocities and I urge the international community to investigate. In India and Sri Lanka Muslims have faced appalling violence and I have condemned such inhumanity.

Similarly, In Indonesia, Ahmadiyya Muslim mosques have been destroyed by other Muslims, and churches have been forcibly closed. In Iran the Baha'is face an intense assault on their freedoms, and in Syria and Iraq sacred places have been wantonly destroyed while, sadly, closer to home, we have seen the same phenomenon in China with shrines destroyed, the Cross removed from places of worship, and even churches, like Xiangbaishu Church in Yixing, demolished."

Turning Hagia Sophia into a mosque represents a similar undermining of freedom of religion or belief, love for each other, respect for the dignity of difference.

At a time when humanity is enduring intense strains due to the global pandemic, we need to come together, not drive communities apart. We need to put aside identity politics, abandon power plays, prevent ethnic and religious conflicts and value the dignity of difference among every human being. And we must cherish diversity and the unity we find within it.

How does turning what was once the world's largest cathedral into a mosque do anything except sow tensions, divide people and inflict pain? How does placing Hagia Sophia into the hands of

people who have no sense of its history and heritage and who will destroy its Christian identity help bring people together? How does seizing Hagia Sophia uphold Article 18 of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights? It doesn't. It merely reopens wounds and exacerbates divides at a time when we should be healing humanity.

I work with my brothers and sisters from every major faith tradition every day of my life. And I will go to the ends of the earth to defend their rights. I will defend every mosque, every synagogue, every temple possible. And I know my fellow religious leaders working for peace would do the same for me. That's the spirit we need – to respect and defend each other's freedoms to worship as we wish, to express our faith in accordance with our traditions, to convert freely according to our conscience, but never to be coerced, never to impose and never to seize or grab.

In previous epochs of history we know that the seizure of one another's sacred and holy buildings and sites has caused untold distress and bitterness and in our generation we should not be so foolish as to repeat the mistakes of history.

**Reciprocity is a human and natural virtue.**

Let Hagia Sophia be.

*Charles Bo*

*President of Federation of Asia Bishops' Conferences*

*Archbishop of Yangon, Myanmar*



## Our Diocese of Gizo needs supports from our own people

By Fr Lawrence Kimaere OP

Our most Reverend Bishop **Luciano**

**Capelli** in his opening message to the waves the news letter of the Diocese of Gizo, he was strongly stated that **"We need to work harder and pray more for vocation"** in our Diocese. No seminarians, no priests in the future for the Diocese of Gizo. No supports to the seminarians in the seminary there will no future priests either. The Diocese needs more supports from our own giving in order to support our future priests of the Diocese.

I have to admit here that the study at the seminary is very expensive. The seminarians have to study for eight solid years including their pastoral experiences and the Diaconate exposures. The living costs at the seminary is just beyond our own imagination because everything is paid, such as food, medical, allowances, travellings and the subjects that they take in the seminary.

Let me share with you in brief when I was at the seminary in the Catholic Theological Institute (CTI) in Papua New Guinea that the subject was paid for K80-00 each. At the semester, each seminarian would take 6-7 subjects. There were three semesters a year. For one year, the seminarians would cover 18 different subjects. By the end of eight years each seminarians should cover the total of 144 different subjects.

Therefore the study at the seminary during my time was really expensive. I am sure that the seminary here in Solomon islands is very expensive because of the cost of living and other expenses are very high.

The challenge that I would like to address here to our good members of the Diocese of Gizo. Are we really to give the special gifts of our young men to the Gizo Diocese? It is not easy to give away one of the members of the family. Are we ready to give our full supports of prayers for our seminarians? If some families give their young men as the gift to the diocese, then the next questions is this. Are the members of the Parishes ready to give the financial supports to the seminarians or we just put our seminarians into the care of the Bishop? The Bishop of the Diocese of Gizo is doing lots of works. He shoulders lots of works in order to develop our Diocese. We are truly blessed to have him because we can see many good things that we never dreamt are just in front of our eyes. Praise God for this wonderful heart made in Italy is tirelessly giving us lots of gifts to our diocese.

In realistically speaking the Diocese of Gizo is very much depended on the oversea priests. The Diocese is still looking for more priests from oversea. To bring the priests from other countries is very expensive. The Diocese of Gizo owes many thanks to the congregations who are willing to give the sacrifices to the Diocese. It is now time for all the families of the Diocese of Gizo to open their eyes and give their special young men to the Church.

The members of the Diocese should ask ourselves more

deeply. Are the Parishes contributions are enough to support our seminarians. If no then what can we do? The seminary study needs money. Are we ready to support our seminarians or we just wait for the oversea benefactors to help them? This is our time to give supports and let us not selfish with what we have. Selfish is killing the Church. If we love our Church then let us support it. The members of this Diocese should open our hands to give to the Church. The church is giving us lots of good things and in return what can I give to the church.

I am not ashamed to ask this question because it is a challenge for you and me as the people of this Diocese. Why our bishop is still going to Italy to get the money? The faithfuls have their own answers but I would like to answer it by saying that he goes to overseas because the Catholic members of Gizo Diocese are still afraid to give from the hearts. For me God is watching us the members of Gizo Diocese. If we are not ready to give our full supports to our own seminarians then there will no future local priests of the Diocese.

It is nice to look at our near countries such as PNG, Bouganiville, Kiribati, Samoa and others, they give their full supports to their own Priests, Bishops, Seminarians. then why not us the Catholic members of Gizo? The Diocese of Gizo needs our full supports for our seminarians, our priests and our religious orders who are tirelessly working for saving the souls of the faithfuls in our Diocese of Gizo.

God bless our Diocese of Gizo.

## LAY FORMATION TRAINING ST. JOSEPH AND ST. JOHN BOSCO PARISHES. CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF GIZO.

Lay Formation training was held at the diocesan Pastoral Centre Moli. Fifty one (51) participant attended this lay formation training. The participants were representing the existing services in the parishes and the communities of St. Joseph and St. John Bosco parishes. The lay formation training started on July 27 and ended on the 31<sup>st</sup>. This training was designed to help the laity to know deeper their roles and responsibilities which derived from their Baptism. This is what exactly the facilitators of the lay formation



were trying to get across to the participants. The lay people have to contribute a lot for the growth of the Church.

The participants were happy and expressed that this training had helped them to know their roles and missions in the church and they came to realize to work in partnership with the ordain ministers.

The church is not truly established and does not fully live nor is it a perfect sign of Christ, unless there is a genuine laity existing and working a long side with hierarchy (from the lay formation)

Four days training really touched the lay faithful of St. Joseph Parish that moved them to take part in cooking and feeding the participants at lunchtime for four days. The participants from the two parish had drawn up their in-service program for their communities in the parish. They will organize similar training when they return to their communities.

So thank you so much Bishop for your great support in helping our parish financially to run this best program for us laity. Without this training, we will not understand our roles and missions in the church.

Our sincere thanks to the pastoral team of the diocese for their good work well done.

On the last day of the training, we discussed about the diamond Jubilee of the diocese and the gift that we want to give to the diocese. The two points that the participants discussed were:

Commitment of lay people to their responsibilities and missions.

Promote vocation to priesthood and religious life.

I do believe what they discussed will help them to live and promote priesthood vocation, which they said should begin in the family. I would like to end with the word of Pope Benedict xvi

said, "Unless we teach our youth how to pray, they would never hear God calling them into a deeper relationship with Him and into the discipleship of the Church."

Let us continue to attract our young people by the way we live, pray, work and talk to them about their vocation.

Thank you,

*George Pitatu.*

**LAY FORMATION TRAINING – ST. DOMINIC AND CHRIST THE KING PARISHES.**

Dear Readers,



Let me share with you about the lay formation training held at St. Dominic parish, Sirovanga, on the 20<sup>th</sup> – 24<sup>th</sup> of July 2020. This training was organized and conducted by our diocesan pastoral team with the help of our parish priest Fr. Simon Suvenava Op and his assistant Fr. Cally Tavisibatu OP.

Almost seventy participants not counting the observers attended the training. Four days training was really touched by all the participants and the observers as well. This training had helped them to know more about their roles and responsibilities in the Church, which derived from their Baptism. In order the Church will grow lay people should work in partnership with the ordain ministers which the laity so many times do not realize it. However, the training had put more emphasis on them that they laity have important roles to do not only in the church but in also whatever they do or

wherever they may be because they are members of the church called and consecrated by God himself in Baptism and sent for a mission. Most of the time we thought that we must do big things to be holy no but do little things with great love (Mother Teresa). Therefore, the people of St. Dominic parish have shown us one way to be holy. During the lay formation training, they used their five existing zones to do the catering for four days lunch. The foods prepared on the table were so good. The participants were really enjoyed the foods. Thank you so much people of St. Dominic Parish, Do continue with your great work, as it is your mission for the growth and life of the church.

Thank you catholic bishop's conference of Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands for your affirmation of the great Contributions of the laity in the Church. Through the sacrament of baptism we laity received, enable us to truly encounter Jesus Christ our Savior.

We continue to ask you our bishops to pray for us so that we will follow our model Blessed Peter torot.

Thank you our Bishop Luciano Capelli sdb, for your financial help and support towards this lay formation training. Without you we will not be able to know deeper our missions which derived from our Baptism.

Thank you the diocesan pastoral team for your deeper faith and knowledge that you have shared that reminds us again to do our mission. We will now do our mission with the help of the communal of Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

God Bless!

*(R. Kubin – observer.)*





**FRATERNAL MINISTERS PROGRAM FOR ECUMENICAL FATHERS AND MOTHERS**

“In Noro we as Fraternal Ministers (Ecumenical) Program arranged for fathers and mothers. The fathers program held in Catholic Church and mothers program held in Anglican Church”.

Saint Eusebius Noro parish has been successfully hosted the first ever ecumenical fathers programme within Noro township on the Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June 2020 by which parish priest of st Eusibius catholic church Visuvasam and had facilitated the role and responsibility of fathers according to bibles and goodness of the fathers and Mr. Ezra who is the representative of SSEC has given talk about the drug addict had facilitated. More than fifty fathers from various denominations and churches including their church leaders within Noro had attended the programme that day.

The theme of the programme is the role and responsibility of fathers in the bible and also “**THE GOODNESS OF THE FATHERS**”, which Father Visuvasam clearly introduced in his speech and short video presentation that evening. The participants are all overwhelm of the massage received and it is an eye opener to most of them fathers.

There are speeches and choir presented from other church members during the programme. The participants are given the opportunity to introduction themselves and some have shared their personnel experiences and encouragements.



Pastor Jude who is the assistant of AOG kingdom on the earth the first part had thanked all the participants for availing themselves to attend the programme. He also thanked for the speakers especially those who challenged and also to look at our as the head of the house the inspiring and motivating as fathers of the house Noro catholic community for their contributions in making the programme run successfully. Representatives of other churches also thank Fr.Visuvasam and Noro catholic community for hosting the programme. Closing of the programme the participants enjoyed refreshment prepared by Saint Eusebius women group.

In Anglican Church we as fraternal minister of ecumenical we arranged program for the mothers in July 19<sup>th</sup> 2020. This is also first time they come with different faith come together to pray and share together to build up his

kingdom on the earth the first part had special them how to be Good Samaritan in my house and society. They were also sharing very short reflection by singing in all the churches. Most of the different churches participated in this gathering. They also gave talk present issue in Solomon Island especially cervical cancer and how to be model as mother and also how to come out to give the values in the house and society in this challenging world. They were more than 200 mothers participated in this gathering. Really they felt very happy for this gathering. They also thanked and appreciated for their talk, entertainments program and also very delicious food served not only mothers and those who came for meeting.

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**A visit from the arch-diocese to Isabel**

We baptized three adult children and also they received their first holy communion. Thank you Bp for the arrangement. We now spiritually alive as we partake the holy Eucharist 3 newly baptized and also receive their first holy communion thank you Fr Mancent, Geoffy and Francis for the visit

## Fun stories that gives you lesson in life

### Four smart students



One night four college students were out partying late night and didn't study for the test which was scheduled for the next day. In the morning, they thought of a plan. They made themselves look dirty with grease and dirt. Then they went to the Dean and said they had gone out to a wedding last night and on their way back the tire of their car burst and they had to push the car all the way back. So they were in no condition to take the test.

The Dean thought for a minute and said they can have the re-test after 3 days. They thanked him and said they will be ready by that time.

On the third day, they appeared before the Dean. The Dean said that as this was a Special Condition Test, all four were required to sit in separate classrooms for the test. They all agreed as they had prepared well in the last 3 days.

The Test consisted of only 2 questions with the total of 100 Points.

1) Your Name \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Points)

2) Which tire burst? \_\_\_\_\_ (99 Points)

Options – (a) Front Left (b) Front Right (c) Back Left (d) Back Right

**Moral: Be Responsible else you too will learn your lesson!**

### The farmer and the snake



A Farmer walked through his field one cold winter morning. On the ground lay a Snake, stiff and frozen with the cold. The Farmer knew how deadly the Snake could be, and yet he picked it up and put it in his bosom to warm it back to life.

The Snake soon revived, and when it had enough strength, bit the man who had been so kind to it. The bite was deadly and the Farmer felt that he must die. As he drew his last breath, he said to those standing around, "Learn from my fate not to take pity on a scoundrel".

**Moral: There are some who never changes their nature, regardless of how good we behave with them. Always stay alert and maintain the distance from those who are there only thinking about their own benefits.**