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The "Mary" Month of May

By Maris Katigbak-San Juan

The month when flowers bloom and colorful *fiestas* abound in many towns, is also the month of *santacruzans*, *flores de mayo*, pilgrimages to Marian shrines in Antipolo, Manaoag, Lipa, and even those in far off places in Europe, such as Lourdes, Fatima, Medjugorje and Guadalupe – some of the ways we honor our Blessed Mother in May.

In the Western hemisphere, May, which marks the end of winter and the beginning of spring, the season of fecundity and new life springing forth from the womb of Mother Earth, has thus been closely associated with motherhood. In many countries, children honor their mothers on the 2nd Sunday of May, while Christians, especially Catholics, have dedicated the entire month to the greatest of all mothers, the Blessed Mother, in whose honor we celebrate the "Mary" month of May.

In May, we find three beautiful Marian feasts: Our Lady of Fatima on the 13th, Mary Help of Christians on the 24th and the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary on the 31st

OUR LADY OF FATIMA

This was the title given to Our Blessed Mother, who first appeared on 13 May 1917 to three young children: Lucia, Jacinta and Francesco, while they were herding sheep near their home in Cova da Iria, Fatima, Portugal. From then, between June to October 1917, Our Lady appeared five more times to the children every 13th of the month, except in August, when she appeared on the 15th, the feast of the Assumption. In her apparitions, Our Blessed Mother asked the children for prayers and sacrifices and

revealed to them three secrets, which were eventually revealed to the world through the Catholic Church.

Devotion to Our Lady of Fatima is closely associated with the Rosary. She is also known under the title, Our Lady of the Rosary of Fatima.

It is interesting to note that, a few days into his papacy, our new pope, Pope Francis, requested Cardinal Policarpo of Lisbon to consecrate his pontificate to Our Lady of Fatima.

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

In our Parish, St. John Bosco in Makati, we honor Our Blessed Mother, our Patroness under the title of Mary Help of Christians. We celebrate her feastday on May 24 as declared by Pope Pius VII to fulfil a promise he made to Our Blessed Mother for his triumphant return to Rome and the victory

of the Christians through Mary's intercession.

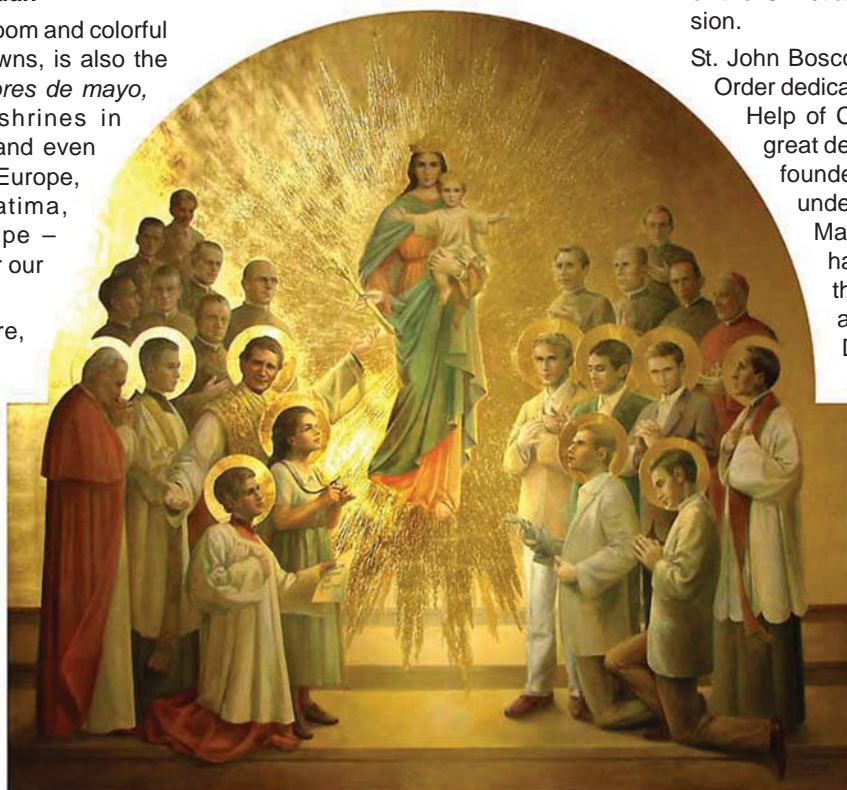
St. John Bosco who founded the Salesian Order dedicated his congregation to Mary Help of Christians. He promoted the great devotion to Our Lady and even founded a congregation for women under the name of Daughters of Mary Help of Christians, which has advanced the devotion to this day. In our parish, another association founded by the Don Bosco, the Archconfraternity of Mary Help of Christians affectionately honor the Blessed Mother every 24th of the month. This May, we offer to our Heavenly Mother together with the Salesian priests, our love, continuous devotion and flowers as we greet her, "Happy Mother's Day".

VISITATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The first joyful mystery of the Holy Rosary, the Annunciation, when the angel Gabriel announced to Mary that she would become the mother of Jesus, is followed by the Visitation of the Blessed Mother of her cousin Elizabeth. The joyful occasion when the two pregnant cousins, as well as the babies in their wombs, Jesus and John, greeted each other is celebrated with a feastday on the 31st of May.

Upon seeing Mary, Elizabeth greeted her with the words: "blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of your womb". In turn, Mary replied with a beautiful canticle which is known as the Magnificat – the song of Mary praising God for His greatness and goodness.

We, her children, can also imitate Mama Mary and sing canticles of praise glorifying God – our own magnificat.





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Monday to Friday:

6:30am • 7:30am • 12:15pm • 6:00pm

Holy Hour every Thursday after the
6:00 pm Mass

Saturday:

6:30am • 7:30am
6:00pm (Anticipated Mass)

Sunday:

6:00am • 7:15am • 8:30am • 10:00am*
11:15am • 12:30pm • 4:00pm • 5:30pm
7:00pm • 8:30pm

*with sign language interpreters

Confessions are available during all
the Masses

Adoration Chapel - open daily from
7:00am to 8:00pm

PARISH OFFICE & RELIGIOUS STORE HOURS

Monday to Friday (except Thursday)

8:00am - 11:30am • 12:30pm - 6:00pm

Thursday:

8:00am - 11:30am • 12:30pm - 4:00pm

Saturday:

8:00am - 12:00pm • 1:00pm - 5:00pm



The **merry month of May** is again upon us! PAGASA, the government weather station, predicts that the hottest month of the year will be this very month. But tell that to young kids who will enjoy any game or gimmick even under the searing sun; tell that to teenagers and their friends, who with some cash, will venture out to any mall under the sun; tell that to the sports-minded hunk or adrenaline-junkie who will go the distance, anywhere in the country to sweat it out in a favorite sport or the latest adventure. No matter how scorching or humid, May is a fun time for the young and the young-at-heart. Teachers and school administrators spend some days away from now-quiet-schools for retreats, trainings and holidays, business people would cash in on "hotly" demanded items like summer clothes, cooling devices and thirst quenchers; entire families escape to summer getaways to relax and spend time with each other, while their kids spend days on end happily splashing away in pools, beaches and streams. With weeks of summer vacation still stretching lazily ahead, May has always been a time to be happy and gay (as in merry).

In a more serious vein, we can likewise call this month the **Mary month of May** because this has been the time-honored month to venerate, celebrate and draw closer to our Blessed Mother. Go to any town or city in the country during May, and you will not fail to witness countless devotions and festivities done in her honor. Even in the midst of this scorching summer month, we Filipinos shall not be deterred in showing our love and devotion to Mary.

SJB Parish will organize several events this month in her honor. There is the daily recitation of the holy rosary before the 6PM Mass by assigned Parish organizations, the same organizations which, later, during the evening Mass, lead the rest of the assembly in the traditional "Alay" or offering of "a rose for Mary".

The Youth Ministry of the Parish will sponsor and facilitate the 33-day Preparation for Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary, beginning 6 May. This will be our Parish's preparation for the Consecration of the whole Philippines to the Immaculate Heart of Mary on 8 June, a CBCP initiative.

On 7 May in the evening, come and listen to a former protestant Pastor, Bro. Noe Dora, talk on his beautiful conversion experience through the intercession of Mary.

After weeks of venerating Mary with her other titles during the visits of several guest Marian images, being a Salesian Parish, we shall celebrate, with great solemnity, the Feast of Mary Help of Christians on 24 May. We shall follow this with a Marian Rally in the Parish Gym on 25 May and shall end Mary's month on 31 May with the traditional *Flores de Mayo* organized by the *Floristas* of our Parish.

We enjoin all of you, dear parishioners and friends to come and join us as we celebrate Mary; together let us honor and show our love for our Blessed Mother with childlike eagerness and joy, making May truly a merry and Mary month.

— **Fr. Ting Miciano, SDB**



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ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER AND THE GOSPEL OF WORK IN THE YEAR OF FAITH

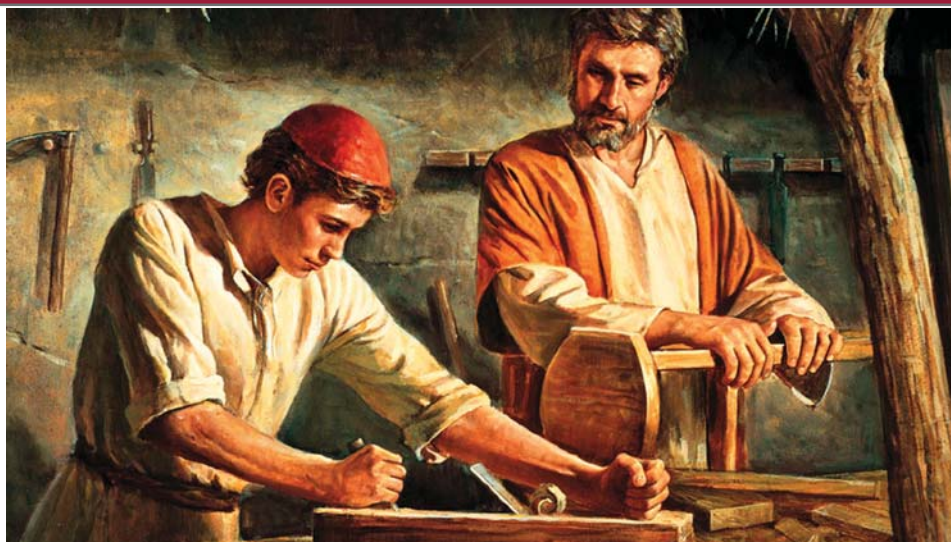
by Gorgonio B. Elarmo, Jr.

"Tell the world of His love!" This exhortation, a call to proclaim God's goodness and share His love to others, has now become more relevant to us Catholics, as we celebrate the Year of Faith, which ushers in an era of new evangelization.

There are, of course, many ways of proclaiming the Gospel, the good news, which Jesus gave to humanity. This month of May, a month which begins with the commemoration of the feast of St. Joseph the Worker, evangelization may be made through the proclamation of the "gospel of work" in an apostolate of labor.

In his 1985 homily delivered in Venezuela, Pope John Paul II describes the "gospel of work" as "living the message of Jesus in work and knowing that Christ is close to the worker in his everyday life, that He belongs to the world of labor and that work too bears that sign of His cross: suffering, effort, frustration, and pain". Pope John Paul II explains further that when Jesus, the Son of God and the Eternal Word, worked in manual labor beside St. Joseph as a carpenter or an artisan for the many years of His hidden life at Nazareth, Jesus "united human work to the work of the Redemption of the world, and also confirmed the dignity of man's work which has its beginnings in God" (Id.) Work thus takes on a new value for man: it becomes something sacred" (Pope John Paul II, message delivered on 18 March 1984 in Rome).

St. Joseph the Worker is the model of evangelization in silence and simplicity. In the Bible, he did not speak a lot but he made a



big difference. He is truly a man of action and not of words. By accepting God's will as relayed by the angel, he affirmed his firm and abiding faith in God and expressed his willingness to share Jesus to humanity. Under his paternal care, by being a *pater familia* or a good father of the family, the young Jesus grew in age and wisdom. Working beside him and toiling with him in a workshop in Nazareth, Jesus had been known as the "son of the carpenter" and He thereby sanctified and dignified labor.

Through work, man obeys the command given by God in His first words to him: "Be fruitful and multiply and subdue the earth" (Gen 1:28). Work, therefore, is an act of being God's co-creator and co-worker. Through work, man makes use of and improves on the various God-given resources around him to produce new things for his

own good, the good of his family and the good of the community.

Moreover, work is a service of love. (Pope John Paul II, address on 6 December 1980 in Rome to the Third National Congress of the Workers' Christian Movement). Indeed, "work is love made visible" (Kahlil Gibran, *The Prophet*). It binds the person to himself, and to one another, and to God (Id).

In imitation of St. Joseph the Worker, one should consider work as an apostolate, an authentic service to other people and an opportunity to reach out to them in love. Working well, doing one's task to the best of one's ability as an offering to God, is standing witness to God's goodness, proclaiming His greatness, and telling the world of His love. Thus, in seeing "your good works, they may glorify your Father who is in heaven" (Mt. 5:16).

Reprinted from a prayer by Scott P. Richert in 100% Katolikong Pinoy

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

Motherhood is a wonderful opportunity to participate in God's creative activity. In this prayer, mothers ask for God's grace to cooperate with Him in the creation of new life and the salvation of their children:

Father in heaven,
grant me the grace to appreciate the dignity
which you have conferred on me.
Let me realize that not even the Angels
have been blessed with such a privilege-
to share in your creative miracle
and bring new Saints to heaven.
Make me a good mother to all my children
after the example of Mary,
the Mother of your Son.
Through the intercession of Jesus and Mary
I ask your continued blessings on my family.
Let us all be dedicated to your service on earth
and attain the eternal happiness of your kingdom in heaven.



SUNDAY MASS REFLECTIONS

Simbahay features the Sunday Mass Readings' themes from Fr. Sal Putzu's *"Exploring God's Word"*.

These themes are part of a systematic approach to study and have a good knowledge of the Biblical passages which will be used in the coming Sunday Masses and to relate these readings to our lives.

Listen to Fr. Salvatore Putzu, SDB (General Manager and Editor, Word and Life) at *Bisperas sa Veritas* 846 AM, 5pm Saturday.



6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

5 May 2013 Readings

***Acts 15:1-2.22-29** – The Apostles and the elders of the Jerusalem community resolve the serious crisis threatening to divide the community of Antioch.

***Rv 21:10-14.22-23** – A description of the heavenly Jerusalem

***Jn 14:23-29** – Jesus promises that the three Divine Persons will make their abode in those who love him.

Theme: THE POWER THAT TRANSFORMS EARTH INTO HEAVEN

Love and loyalty cannot be disjointed. They must also be proven by appropriate action. It is a matter of consistency and genuineness.

Such is the challenge we have to measure up to if we want to be numbered among Jesus' friends. This is a hard lifelong challenge, with no intermission or pause. But the reward is likewise great. It is actually far greater than the challenge; for not only Jesus, but also the Father will love us. And they, with their mutual love – the Holy Spirit – will come to us and make their dwelling place with us forever! This will make our life what we all dream of: HEAVEN!

There is no greater reward than this. Actually, before being a reward, this is a gift from God. His love, in fact, is much more valuable than we can deserve with our frail and limited love, and it always precedes our initiative. But in the end, what matters is

not the comparison, but the reality: a mutual sincere love between the Blessed Trinity and us, like the one that binds together the three Divine Persons. Such is the heavenly reality we are invited to be part of, not only in the life to come, but already in this life.



ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

12 May 2013 Readings

***Acts 1:1-11** – Jesus' last instructions to his disciples and his ascension into heaven

***Eph 1:17-23** – Paul's prayer for the believers, rooted in the power of Christ's exaltation

***Lk 24:46-53** – Jesus renews the promise to send the Holy Spirit to his disciples, then ascends into heaven.

Theme: EACH ONE DOING ONE'S SHARE

Jesus' ascension into heaven marks the glorious conclusion of his mission on earth. All that the prophets said about him has been fulfilled, and now he has taken his place, even as a human being, at the right hand of God the Father. But Jesus' ascension is not the end of his presence among us. He is still also with us, for he remains "Emmanuel" (God-with-us). But his presence is a "veiled" one. Though he remains the leading character in the "play" of human history, those who are visible and conspicuous are the "supporting actors." This means that "the play goes on," and that it is now the time for us, the "secondary and supporting actors" to play our role, while Jesus, the main Protagonist, is still in action, behind the scenes, preparing for the "Grand Finale"

The "play" is the construction of the Kingdom. We have the task to carry on (not to take over!) what Jesus started. Our roles have a meaning only if related to the role of Jesus as the "Leading Character."

This is daunting task, indeed. But Jesus does not leave us alone in the fulfillment of our roles/tasks. We are called to do our part, not only in his name, but also in his power – the power he bestows on us through his word, the sacraments, his example, and the gift of the Spirit.



PENTECOST SUNDAY

19 May 2013 Readings

***Acts 2:1-11** – The descent of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles

***1 Cor 12:3b-7.12-13** – Enriching and unifying role of the Spirit in the mystical body of Christ

***Jn 20:19-23** – Jesus gives his peace and the Holy Spirit to the Apostles.

Theme: EMPOWERING TO MAKE THE IMPOSSIBLE A REALITY

We live in a divided world, torn by conflicting interests, one faction or one nation often pitted against others, in an endless quest for hegemony, or liberation from so many forms of dependency and enslavement. Such is the tragic result of the original sin we have inherited from Adam and Eve, and of our personal sins – the consequence of man's selfishness, aggressiveness, pride, lust, and greed.

Left to ourselves, we would be unable to overcome such powerful destructive forces. But our faith tells us that a better world is possible. It tells us that it will surely come, thanks to God's presence within us and with us. That is why the Lord Jesus promised and gave us the Holy Spirit, as the divine healing Power which can undo the tragedy of divisions, mistrust, oppression, and retaliation created by man's sinfulness. The Holy Spirit can fashion mankind into a beautiful family of nations, races, and cultures where both joys and sufferings are shared in brotherly solidarity. Let us open our hearts to Him in faith, as we sincerely long for His coming into our lives and in our society that He may renew the face of the earth.

HOLY TRINITY

26 May 2013 Readings

***Prv 8:22-31** – Eternal origin of divine Wisdom and his role in the creation of the world

***Rom 5:1-5** – Our relationship with each of the three divine Persons

***Jn 16:12-15** – Jesus describes the role of the Holy Spirit in the life of the believers.

Theme: ACCEPTING THE LIFE-GIVING MYSTERY

The Blessed Trinity is the God in whom we believe – a fullness of being and a perfect communion of love. Whatever is good, beautiful, and holy derives its existence from the Triune God and in Him finds its support and fulfillment.

No human mind can penetrate the depths of this endless mystery of life and love, for we are too limited and conditioned by our earthly condition. This is why the

Blessed Trinity revealed Himself to us through the great deeds of salvation history, the prophets, and especially Jesus Christ, the second member of the Trinity who became a human being like us. It is through him that we have come to know that God is Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and that all three love us so tenderly and deeply as to give themselves totally to us for ever.

This is the mystery we celebrate today – the mystery of an endless love and life in whose image we have been created and in communion with whom we are called to live now and for ever. It is a life-giving mystery we accept with humble faith and grateful love.

CONTINUING A 2000-YEAR OLD MISSION

By Pablo S. Miguel

*“...until the day he was taken up, after giving instructions through the holy Spirit to the apostles whom he had chosen. He presented himself alive to them by many proofs after he had suffered, appearing to them during **forty days*** and speaking about the kingdom of God.” (Acts 1:1-3)*

On **9 May 2013**, forty days after the celebration of the Lord's resurrection on Easter Sunday, comes the **Feast of the Ascension of the Lord**, which always falls on a Thursday, and is celebrated in most countries, including ours, on the following Sunday – Ascension Sunday.

As Christians, we believe that after Jesus' resurrection, he “walked the earth”, spending forty days more with his disciples until the day he rose, by his own power, to the heavens, leaving them with an immense mission:

“...you will receive power when the holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, throughout Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” (Acts 1: 8)

Jesus' marching orders for his disciples to spread his Good News, contained a promise that he will be sending them “reinforcements” to empower them for the mission, a promise which was faithfully fulfilled soon after with the descent of the Holy Spirit on Jesus' disciples. On **19 May 2013**, we celebrate the Sending of the Holy Spirit, with the **Solemnity of the Pentecost**, ten days after the Feast of Ascension, or fifty days after Easter Sunday (from *Pentekostē*, ancient Greek for the fiftieth day).

Through thousands of years, the Church has persevered in carrying out the mission of Ascension Day. While the media may have evolved beyond the wildest dreams of the first messengers from Galilee, the message

“to tell the World of God's love” has not.

Months before his resignation and in anticipation of this year's World Communications Sunday (the 47th since it was instituted by Pope Paul VI in 1967 to coincide with Ascension Sunday) then Pope Benedict XVI wrote,

“There should be no lack of coherence or unity in the expression of our faith and witness to the Gospel in whatever reality we are called to live, whether physical or digital [i.e., digital social networks]. When we are present to others, in any way at all, we are called to make known the love of God to the furthest ends of the earth.”



MAY 2013 CALENDAR

- 01 Wed St. Joseph the Worker**
- 02 Thu St. Athanasius**
- 03 Fri Philip and James**
First Friday / Vigil Adoration
Start of St. Therese of the Child Jesus' Relic Visit at 7:30AM
- 04 Sat End of St. Therese of the Child Jesus' Relic Visit at 12:00PM**
- 05 Sun 6th Sunday of Easter**
- 06 Mon St. Dominic Savio**
Start of 33-day Preparation for Total Consecration to Jesus Through Mary – Talk I: Spirit of the World
- 12 Sun Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord**
47th World Communications Day
- 13 Mon Our Lady of Fatima**
- 14 Tue St. Matthias**
- 15 Wed St. Isidore the Farmer (Labrador)**
1st day of Novena to Mary Help of Christians
- 16-18 9th JP II Catechetics and YM Conference DBTI Makati c/o JP II**
- 19 Sun Pentecost Sunday**
- 20 Mon St. Bernardine of Siena**
- 21 Tue St. Christopher Magallanes**
- 22 Wed St. Rita of Cascia**
- 24 Fri Mary Help of Christians**
- 25 Sat Marian Rally in Parish Gym**
Preparation for Total Consecration to Jesus Through Mary – Talk III: Knowledge of the BVM
- 26 Sun Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity**
- 31 Fri Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
Grand Alay – Flores de Mayo

Daily floral offering in honor of Mary during all 6PM Masses in May

Weekly Visits of different Marian Images throughout May



Sick Visitation – Thursdays 9AM

Holy Hour – Thursdays 6:30PM

Medical & Dental – Sundays 2:00PM

Visit our website for the complete May 2013 Calendar
<http://sjbmakati.com/parish-events.html>

BUILDING THE CHURCH

On the anniversaries of our parish (37th) and church (35th), we reflect on the graces received from the Lord through the intercession of our Mother Mary Help of Christians and St. John Bosco. We have a beautiful church, frequent Sunday and weekday masses, sacramental and devotional exercises. We have dedicated Salesian priests, lay ministers, volunteers in many organizations. Many outsiders come to avail of parish facilities.

What more is there to do? Perhaps we can build a closer community, get acquainted with more fellow parishioners. Eye to eye contact, a ready smile and a short greeting could be the first step.

— Mr. Juan Ona, SJB Parishioner

Building the Church requires more than constructing beautiful structures, it needs communities of the faithful who will not only worship in them but sustain them and each other in beautiful friendships and Christ-centered relationships, which are the

essence of Church.

To acquaint the members of the Parish community with one another, beginning this issue, *Simbahay* presents the different organizations of the SJB Parish, their stories, their mission and the services they provide the Parish, and more importantly, how to become part of their services, mission and eventually, their stories.

The Ministry of Music and Cultural Affairs (MOMCA), under Mr. Gaylord Villa includes several choirs which animate with their songs, the Parish's Sunday Masses, thereby encouraging the active participation of the rest of the assembly. They also serve during liturgical celebrations for special occasions, including solemnities, the *Simbang Gabi*, concerts, weddings, etc.

We thank the Lord for the Music Ministry, which has brought these parishioners together, and pray that they be renewed each day as they share their faith, talents and friendships in the eternal task of building the Church.

1. ANGELICUM CHOIR

Coordinator: Maria Arpon

Animates: Sun 7:00PM Mass

Rehearsals: Sat night

Early 1998, Noel Facundo, then head of the Mariapolis Choir, offered to organize a singing group which would serve during the 7PM Sunday Masses. After an extensive recruitment, screening, vocal training and spiritual formation program for high school and college students from Barangay Pio del Pilar, the Angelicum Choir finally "debuted" on December 1998. Since then, Angelicum has been an integral part of St. John Bosco Parish Makati's history as an active participant in both its Music and Youth Ministries.

To join us, call Maria 0917 398 6080



2. APOSTLESHIP OF PRAYER

Coordinator : Lina Castillo

Animates: Fri 6:00PM Mass, Sun 6:00AM Mass

Rehearsals: Sat night

One of the oldest church choir mass animators of the St. John Bosco parish is the Apostleship of Prayer or AP choir. They animate the Friday 6:00PM Masses and the earliest Sunday Mass of the Parish at 6:00AM.

To join us, call Lina at 893 3941



3. AUXILIUM FAMILY CHOIR

Coordinator: Ms. Remy Duran

Asst. Coordinator: Mr. Dong dela Rosa

Secretary/Treasurer: Ms. Agnes Reyes

Organist: Mr. TJ Tulay

Animates: Sun 11:15AM Mass

Rehearsals: Sun 10:30AM

Reconstituted three years ago by Ms. Remy Duran and Gaylord Villa from the original Maria Auxilium Christianorum Choir when it started in 1979, the Family Auxilium Choir is made up of former Auxilium members, their spouses and their children, hence the name.

To join us, call Remy at 09166457434

4. EMMANUEL CHOIR

President: Bernadette Miralo-Arevalo

Vice-President: Analou Cruz

Secretary: Irene Camacho

Treasurer: Maribel Abenilla

Instrumentalist: Dennis Villafuerte

Animates: Sun 8:30 PM Mass

Rehearsals: Sun 7:00PM or after the 8:30 PM Mass

A passion for service and singing are just two of the reasons why the SJB Emmanuel Choir keeps getting stronger since it was founded in 1998. Despite the usual ups and downs that any group experiences, the Emmanuel Choir is clear in its mission to serve the Parish community further with fervor and enthusiasm. At the heart of the group's philosophy is the belief that "he who sings well, prays twice".



To join us, call RJ Billones 09175105775

6. ST. JOHN BOSCO CHILDREN'S CHOIR

Musical Director: Lesley Faye Bello Verayo

Head: Camille Anne and Nicole Anne Lachica

Advisers: Marinette and Concha Segovia, Gaylord Villa

Animates: Sat (Anticipated Sun) 6PM (SLV) & Sun 8:30AM Masses

Rehearsals: Tue and Thu 4:00 to 5:00PM

Born out of his desire to animate the 8:30 AM Children's Sunday Mass, Fr. Ting Miciano, SJB Parish Priest, requested Gaylord Villa to organize a choir composed of children, ages seven to fourteen years, who are willing to volunteer their time and talents to serve the Church. The children's choir had their debut during the 10th Anniversary Concert of the SJB Chorale, "Season 10". Other major performances include the Christmas Cantata in honor of the Don Bosco's pilgrim relic and the T1nig Concert.



To join us, call Call Gayl 09153728559



To join us, call Dennis Villafuerte – 09178030004 or Bernadette Miralo-Arevalo – 09325784221

5. MARIA AUXILIUM CHRISTIANORUM CHOIR

Coordinator: RJ Billones; *Vice Coordinator:* Noel Molina

Treasurer: Shelarie Mosquera

Animates: Sun 4:00PM Mass; *Rehearsals:* Sat 5:30PM to 7:30PM

In 1978, two years after the foundation of St. John Bosco Parish Makati, Maria Auxilium Christianorum Choir, or Auxilium, for short, was born. Currently, SJB Parish's longest-serving choir, Auxilium originally served in the 5:00PM youth Mass on Sunday. It was formed from two youth organizations: Friends of Don Bosco (FDB, composed mostly of boys) and Youth Delegated Organization (YDO, majority of which are girls). Outreach programs, retreats, formations and fellowship activities are among Auxilium's regular events. Its current membership ranges from students to working professionals, kids to kids-at-heart, young to old. Several times, Auxilium had to change Mass service schedules, but its members' fire and passion to serve have remained constant, while their music reaches across the globe. "We don't just sing, we serve!"



7. ST. JOHN BOSCO CHORALE

Conductor: Vince Olandesca

Coordinator: Gaylord Villa

Animates: Sun 5:30PM & 12:30PM MassES every 1st & 2nd Sun














Rehearsals: Tue/Thu/Sat 5:30 to 7:30PM

The St. John Bosco Chorale was formed in November 2000 when the Parish's Ministry on Music and Cultural Affairs felt the need for a core group to liven up the church's special liturgical celebrations through music. Comprising of students and young professionals from various fields, this group has performed, competed and garnered awards in both local and international competitions and festivals. The group hopes to continue its mission of serving the Lord through their music and in helping develop the talents of the parishioners.

To be continued . . .

VOTER'S GUIDE FOR ELECTIONS 2013



Ballot No.	SENATORIAL CANDIDATE PARTY	RH BILL	DIVORCE	SAME-SEX MARRIAGE	CONSISTENT W/ CATHOLIC CHURCH'S STAND
1	Samson Alcantara (Social Justice Society)	ANTI	ANTI	ANTI	
2	Juan Edgardo Angara (LDP)	ANTI	PRO	???	
3	Bam Aquino (Liberal)	PRO	ANTI	ANTI	
4	Greco Belgica (Democratic)	ANTI	ANTI	ANTI	
5	Nancy Binay (UNA)	ANTI	ANTI	ANTI	
6	Teodoro Casiño (Makabayan)	PRO	???	???	
7	Alan Peter Cayetano (Nacionalista)	PRO	ANTI	???	
8	Tingting Cojuangco (UNA)	ANTI	ANTI	???	
9	Rizalito David (Ang Kapatiran)	ANTI	ANTI	ANTI	
10	John Carlos de los Reyes (Ang Kapatiran)	ANTI	ANTI	ANTI	
11	JV Ejercito (UNA)	ANTI	???	ANTI	
12	Jack Enrile (NPC)	PRO	PRO	PRO	
13	Francis Escudero (Independent)	PRO	ANTI	ANTI	
14	Baldomero Falcone (Democratic)	ANTI	ANTI	ANTI	
15	Richard Gordon (UNA)	PRO	PRO	ANTI	
16	Edward Hagedorn (Independent)	PRO	PRO	ANTI	
17	Gregorio Honasan (UNA)	ANTI	ANTI	ANTI	
18	Risa Hontiveros-Baraquel (Akbayan)	PRO	PRO	???	
19	Loren Legarda (NPC)	PRO	ANTI	???	
20	Marwil Llasos (Ang Kapatiran)	ANTI	ANTI	ANTI	
21	Ernesto Maceda (UNA)	ANTI	ANTI	ANTI	
22	Jamby Madrigal (Liberal)	PRO	ANTI	ANTI	
23	Mitos Magsaysay (UNA)	ANTI	ANTI	ANTI	
24	Ramon Magsaysay, Jr. (Liberal)	PRO	ANTI	ANTI	
25	Ramon Montaño (Independent)	PRO	ANTI	ANTI	
26	Ricardo Penson (Independent)	PRO	PRO	ANTI	
27	Aquilino Pimentel III (PDP-Laban)	ANTI	???	ANTI	
28	Grace Poe (Independent)	PRO	???	???	
29	Christian Señeres (Democratic)	ANTI	ANTI	ANTI	
30	Antonio Trillanes IV (Nacionalista)	ANTI	ANTI	ANTI	
31	Eddie Villanueva (Bangon Pilipinas)	PRO	ANTI	ANTI	
32	Cynthia Villar (Nacionalista)	ANTI	ANTI	ANTI	
33	Juan Miguel Zubiri (UNA)	ANTI	ANTI	???	