

Dear Friends of Saint Charles Caritas,

**Its is indeed very rewarding to serve God through His children. Thank you Lord Jesus Christ!**

**July 1, 2021, Thursday was Feed the Children #2 in the squatter area of Calauan, Laguna by the Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus from Quezon City. 75 children were given sweet pasta.** The Sisters run by Sr. Magnolia Billona, cooked the sweet pasta in their convent at 4:00am, then started traveling at 7:30am, and mixed the sauce inside their vehicle when they arrived at the place, and gave the food at 10:30am. The Sisters also gave rosaries with the prayer guide (How to Pray the Rosary). These poor families were relocated from Pasig river because it was and is still flooding. Please see below 2 collages: Collage 1, distribution of sweet pasta to the children. Collage 2, food preparation by the Sisters.





**Happy 4th of July! Thank you Lord Jesus Christ for your mercy and kindness!**

**July 4, 2021, Independence Day (since 1776) Sunday was the Teach How to Pray the Rosary week 36. 44 children attended and a total of 8 volunteers cooked food and assisted during the session.** Teacher Analiza Yauna led the prayer. Teacher Regina had a commitment and cannot make it. The class started at 3pm. In the middle of their prayer class it was pouring rain then stopped. The opening prayer by Ms. Analiza thanking the donors, sponsors of Saint Charles Caritas, parents, children, asking for the forgiveness of all sins, health of the children and families. The name of "Lord" was mentioned many, many times in the video. After the opening prayers the children sang the the Salvation Song in tagalog by Darren, Buboy, Pipay, 2 name princess and Sophia . Also sang "Awit sa Inang Sto. Rosario" led by Cherelyn, Ezekiel, and Chloe. Also the recap of last week session was about Ezekiel. Then followed by rosary, The Joyful Mystery. In the 1st Mystery led by Sophia, 2nd Mystery by Kijames, 3rd Mystery by Florimae and 4th and 5th Mysteries by teacher Analiza. The food blessings by Sophia. The childrens food were spaghetti and kool aid juice and for volunteers with arroz balenciana and kool aid juice. The assignment for next week is to pray the rosary at home with their family and bring new friends for next week. Every time I watched the videos, I had goosebumps and I sang too. The prayer songs were contagious.



Please see below 2 collages: 1st collage the children prayer class. 2nd collage, the food preparation. It was nice to see Darren helping the food preparation, and also in the video he was teaching his classmates where they were in the rosary beads, both of his sides. What a good kid!





**July 11,2021, Sunday was the Teach the Children How to Pray the Rosary week**

**37. 30 children attended and 8 volunteers.** The time was changed to morning session instead of afternoon. It started at 9am. The opening prayer was done by Teacher Regine Tesorero with co-teacher Analiza Yauna. In the beginning prayers, Teacher Regine thanked for many blessings and Saint Charles Caritas. Then the children sang the Salvation Song in English and Tagalog led by Florimae, Angel and Janella. The rosary prayer was the Joyful Mystery. 1st Mystery by Teacher Regine, 2nd Mystery - Cherilyn. 3rd Mystery - Keyjjamea, 4th Mystery- Ezekiel and 5th Mystery- Florimae. After rosary followed by Q & A then sang the " Awit sa Inang Rosario led by Key James & Ezekiel. The assignment for children was to bring friends and will wear white T-shirt for active children. Food blessings was done by Keyjames. A happy birthday song for Angel. Childrens food: Spaghetti and Juice. For volunteers with pancake and kool aid juice. As always, the video prayers were contagious. Myself was also singing and swinging my arms.

Please see below 2 collages: Picture 1, the children. Picture 2, Food preparation.









We are pleased and honored to announce that **Brother Sir Knight Joe Bajo**, one of the Saint Charles Caritas volunteers since 2001 is now the **Grand Knight of Saint Charles Council, Council 7903 of the Fraternal Order of the Knights of Columbus**.

Brother Joe is one of the core volunteers who is always there to help me. I can rely on him. **Great Job Brother Joe!**

Please see this collage attached: Center picture, Brother Joseph Bajo acceptance speech last July 10, 2021 for being the Grand Knight. Row 2 from left, 2 boxes received in the house of Teacher Norly Gane for the mission project. Middle line 2, Sister Sonia Delima, Benedictine Sister received the box full of food and 1 container of rosary for the mission, Home-bound Elderly/members. Last picture, the 2 teachers Regina Tesorero and Analiza Yauna bagging school supplies to be distributed this Sunday for Teach the Children How to Pray the Rosary. These crayons and colored pencils were donated by Mrs. Tino Isodor. Thank you Mr. & Mrs. Isodor.



**Faith is a gift from God. We pray to increase our faith. Thank you Jesus Christ for today and tomorrow.**

Please pray for the healing of cancers for Susan Guenzel, Bob Novak, Paul Bell, Norma Seibert, Alexis Cantilan and Christina Cruz Kratz. Thank you for your prayers.

***Caritas schedule for August 2021:***

Last Sunday and this Sunday we do not have the sessions for Teach the Children How to Pray the Rosary. Last Sunday it was pouring rain and the

place where the Rosary class was held was wet because it was under the half covered court and no cover on the sides. We do not want the children to be wet. This Sunday is General Community Quarantine (GCQ) Heightened Restrictions for Covid 19. Hardly any one can go out. It is a locked down.

- August 1 (GCQ) locked down, Aug 8, 15, 22 and 29 (Sundays), the quarantine is being observed weekly for the Pray the Rosary in Paliparan Cavite.
- The visiting/distribution of food for the home bound elderly is also affected with the quarantine. But, once it ease up, the Benedictine Sister Sonia will go and visit the home bound elderly.
- The Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will have their distribution of cooked pasta this August. I'm waiting for Sister Magnolia to send me their schedule.
- The St. Brigit Sisters will have the buying of food this August. The other group of congregations run by the sisters cannot cross the border because the border is closed for non essentials crossing and for not being a US citizen or US permanent residence.

Thank you for all the anonymous donors in kind and for the 1000 Scapular to be made and leaflets of the Brown Scapular. These will be included in the ziploc bag of the Rosary and Guide of How to Pray the Rosary.

Please see a collage of the activities in July 2021. **Picture 1**, Sisters Christina and Miriam from St. Brigit Sisters was the July buy of food for their congregation with 27 sisters. **Picture 2**, Friday meeting with the elderly run by Sr. Sonia Delima, Benedictine Sister. **Picture 3** second row, Sister Juliana Pedro, Rosary Evangelization at her hometown Benguet Baguio. She distributed set of rosaries to 100 people. **Picture 4**, 6 boxes were shipped last July 10 for the Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Project Feed the Children (4 boxes) and the Benedictine Sisters for the Home bound elderly and also elderly Friday activities (2 boxes). It will take about 2 months to receive these boxes.





God bless us all and thank you to all of you!

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