

Dear Friends of Saint Charles Caritas,

God have mercy on us all! We pray and hope that you have a blessed Holy week!

04/01/23, Saturday. Two events happened. One in the Philippines and another here in the U.S. These are the ministries of Saint Charles Caritas. Thank you Sisters and volunteers.

1.) **In the island of Negros Occidental was the distribution of 5 kilos of rice, 5 sardines, and 1 whole fresh chicken to 101 children, a catechism, and serving food by the Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony.** *"Today with the group of Sr. Mariannie was the Creed (deepening the word I believe) With the group of Sr. Joana, she gave them 10 item quiz and talked about Adam and Eve, the first man and woman whom God created."* The sisters and volunteers served breakfast was arozcaldó, and lunch: siopao, french fries, and watermelon. The children and families were so delighted about the gifts of food. The foods are good for a week at least.





2.) In San Diego was Jim's Project Homeless Help#71 distribution of food and hygiene products, etc. 27 volunteers came from different schools: Mater Dei, Chula Vista Hilltop, St. Charles, San Ysidro, Marvista, and South West with their parents. We caravan going to San Diego, Chula Vista, and National City to look for our homeless friends. God bless you and thank you to all.



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Please see 6 collages of pictures below.

Collage 1: **Picture 1** , Costco buy of food for 4 charity congregations from Tijuana/Ensenada Mexico, **picture 2** dryer/wiring circuit replacement for Franciscan Sisters of Atonement mother house, **picture 3**, 5 boxes sent to Philippines charities (3 boxes are hidden behind), **picture 4** Sisters of Charity Costco buy of Food/cleaning supplies, **picture 5** bagging of food for Jim's Project Homeless Help #71 in the South Bay.



Collage 2: Asilo Beato Juan Pablo II in Tijuana Mexico [pictures 1 & 2](#) , 2 sink, [Picture 3](#), 10 building materials for home for the elderly project (10 additional bedrooms). This project is on going to help the Sisters.



Collage 3: Canossian Sons of Charity Fr. Jeepthy in Cagayan de Oro island, Philippines, *Picture 1*, food for distribution to 83 recipients, *pictures 2, 3 & 4*, four boxes of food received with 1 box set of Rosary/Guide How to Pray, and 1 box of hygiene products (face towel, tooth paste, tooth brush and bar of soap.)



Collage 4 &5: Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony projects Negros Occidental island Philippines. The Sisters mission house is 1 to 1 1/2 hours bus ride from the town and city. **26 students rely on the help of the sisters regarding transportation allowance to go to school. \$4.63 for 7 college students, and \$2.78 for 19 high school per week.** 1 high school student got a sponsor for 6 months. Thank you. There are more student applicants asking for help from the sisters regarding transportation allowances. Some stop going to school because the families cannot afford the transportation expense. These students passed the scholarship exams to go to school but not all can afford transportation expense.

Picture 1, 100 chairs, *picture 2*, brand new gas range, 10 heavy duty long tables, *picture 3*, 200 notebooks, 100 pens and 120 pencils. *picture 4*, speaker with 2 microphones, *picture 5*, 3 backpacks for sisters use for mission travel, 82 umbrellas for the girls going to school, 100 back packs and speaker, *pictures 6 to 9*, 5 kilos rice, 5 sardines and 1 whole fresh chicken each for 133 recipients majority children and five 50 kilos of rice for the sisters weekly mission.

While having a video call with Sr. Joana, a 12 year old boy in grade 6 wanted to see me. His name, Kirby Gaddi, and commented the blessings given to them and said that *"Saint Charles Charity did an upgrade in giving because 1 whole fresh chicken was included"* That day the sister said *"they were having adobo chicken! and everyone were joyful"*





Collage 6: *pictures 1 & 2*, Teach the Children How to Pray the Rosary project; 5 sardines, 5 kilos of rice and chicken hot-dogs 1.14 kilo for 60 children and 4 volunteers, *picture 3*. Hospitaller Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus received 1 box of food pasta, sauce, ketchup, box Vienna sausage and etc. Both in the Philippines; Paliparan Cavite and Quezon City.



Please see below March disbursements. 100% of donations will go the charities that we are helping. We are all volunteers, Zero overhead costs, and No administrative layers. Thank you to all you kindness to the poor. **I thanked God for you.**

Disbursements:

March'2023

*** *In Mexico**

*Casa de Cuna, home for children ages 1 to 6 years old, run by the Sisters of Sacred Heart of Jesus	\$	(791.16)
*Santa Teresita, home for girls run by Sisters Sacred Heart of Jesus	\$	(767.26)
*(Asilo) Beato Juan Pablo II, home for the elderly 80 years old and above, run by the St. Margaret of Mary of the Poor	\$	(747.31)
* Perpetual Adoration Sisters of the Sacred Sacrament: contemplative sisters	\$	(747.31)
* Sisters of Charity TJ bus stop location (Saint Teresa of Calcutta's Nuns)	\$	(1,450.29)
*Breakfast/lunch/Costco buy of food for Sisters/volunteers pizza & drinks	\$	(183.46)
(earmarked by donors)		

****In Philippines**

*Feed the Children, squatter areas Pasig & Laguna run by the Hospitaller Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

for poor children in Calauan, Laguna (on hold requested by Sr. Magnolia)	None	
* Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony mission: for poor children catechism, home-bound elderly, and young adults	\$	(730.17)
*Teach the Children How to Pray the Rosary/Feed the Children run by 2 teachers from religious Dream Foundation scholars.	\$	(389.00)3 charities
juices, sugar, snack bars and food gifts for 4 volunteers who also live in the squatter area and catering for 67 x 4 Sundays	\$	(343.79)
* Canossian Sons of Charity c/o Fr. Jeephy Simbajon: Catechism, food items for poor children and food shared to Canossian Sisters who run an orphanage/mentally challenged kids	\$	(715.98)

*LBC boxes to Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony, Canossian Sons of Charity & Teach the Children How to Pray the Rosary and Feed the Children \$ (440.00)

****In San Diego, USA**

*Pastoral Charity Fund of St. Charles Church \$ (500.00)

*Jim's Project #71, Homeless Help in the South Bay : food, socks, toiletries and etc. \$ (1,641.52)

****Special Projects: Mexico, Philippines & U.S.**

* Beato Juan Pablo II, home for the elderly 10 rooms additions: for some building materials, 2 kitchen sink, plus wheelchair and more building materials \$ (5,567.57)

* 4 charity congregations in TJ/Ensenada: 8 electric fans, coffee maker and water dispenser (hot & cold) \$ (716.55)

* Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony (Negros Occidental island): 4 portable solars, 10 heavy duty tables, 100 plastic chairs, plastic table covers, gas range, portable speaker, 100 backpacks, 82 umbrellas, 120 pencils, 100 pens & 200 notebooks, travel backpacks use for 3 sisters' mission and 2 pairs of prescription glasses \$ (3,409.00)

* Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony (Negros Occidental island): for 133 recipients each (5 kilos of rice , 5 sardines, 1 kilo of chicken and 5 of 50 kilos of rice for the sisters mission \$ (1,874.36)

* Canossian Sons of Charity c/o Fr. Jeephy Simbajon: Catechism food items for poor children and food shared to Canossian Sisters who run an orphanage/mentally challenged kids: for each 83 recipients (5 kilos of rice, 5 sardines and 1 whole fresh chicken \$ (1,043.50)

* Teach the Children How to Pray the Rosary/Feed the Children: for 64 recipients (5 kilos of rice, 5 sardines and 1 pack of Chicken Frank's King size Hot dog 1.14kilos each \$ (653.00)

* Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement:Dryer circuit/wiring and new range receptacle job done by professional electrician (earmarked donation) \$ (2,025.00)

USPS freight to send Rosary/Guide for
evangelization; bank charges (earmarked by \$ (73.07)
donor)
Total \$ (24,809.30)

God, thank you for your mercy and love to all of us! A blessed Easter to all!

Short letters received from our friend, Sister and Priest from last week's newsletter.

*"Dear Sister Merlyn and Saint Charles Caritas: thank you for the schedule and enlightening photos of the various efforts of Saint Charles Caritas. I hope to be supplying some volleyballs, basketballs, and possibly a volleyball net. Sincerely; **Joseph Bajo***

PS Thank you again the photos made me feel good."

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"Good job tita...we support our prayers for all of you...God bless all for warm heart generosity for helping the children and the aged especially those who are in need..<GOD BLESS YOU ALL ST. CHARLES CARITAS...GOD will recompense all your need spiritual and health needs...WE LOVE YOU ALL" from Sr. Rudalyn, Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony, Italy.

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"You can rely on us.... "(Makakaasa po Nay. Dito po ako ngayon sa)" we are here in Camiguin, helping in one Chapel in celebrating the Easter Triduum. "(Kasama po ang" Saint Charles Caritas "(sa aming mga

panalangin)" is include in our prayers.

Simbajon, Canossian Sons of Charity

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Please see below unedited report and 3 collage of pictures from Teach the Children How to Pray the Rosary/Feed the Children in the squatter area SAMADA half court Paliparan, Cavite. Thank you to all volunteers especially for the efforts of the two teachers Analiza Yauna and Regina Tesorero. After the prayer session, some kids went with the two teachers to go to church at Kristong Hare (Christ the King Church).

*"Rosary Session Report
April 9, 2023*

Have a Blessed Sunday everyone!

Since we fetched our kids outside SAMADA, we adjusted our scheduled time. We started at exactly 9:30 in the morning with attendance and it ended at exactly 12:30 before lunch (The children ate their food in SAMADA)

**Before we started the session, we strictly reminded the children & parents about the safety protocols:*

- Wear face masks all the time and do social distance.

**Always think of God, Blessed Mary and Papa Jesus whenever we pray and always encourage their family at home to Pray the Rosary.*

**The opening prayer was led by Teacher Regine*

** We advised children to always think of Jesus/ Blessed Mother Mary while praying.*

** Always do a prayer with a heart.*

**We thanked God for all the blessings & love.*

We thank God for being with us, for His guidance and strength in our lives and we thank God for the food that we eat, for the knowledge, wisdom & strength, for all the people around us who make our life meaningful.

We always pray for the Saint Charles Caritas Family and Donors and the healing of the sick.

**We always pray that Covid-19 will be gone soon.*

**We also hope that each and everyone will always stay safe and healthy.*

**We prayed for Prince Yuan Altesin, Paul Bell, Susan Guenzel, Bob Novak, Norma Seibert, Alexis Cantela, John Cantela, Oscar Cantela, Katrina Kraegen, Michael Garcia, Victor Nuñez, Lex Colina, Ms Merlyn Baker, Sister Babylyn Dulfo, Ms Janiley Camarista, Irma Ramirez, Lilia Garcia-Nuñez, Priests, Nuns, Sponsors/Donors , Ms Janiley's Family and the entire Saint Charles Caritas*

**We prayed for Saint Charles Caritas and all Officers*

**We sang Salvation Song, Awit sa Ina ng Santo Rosario*

** We sang & dance "Ang mga Ibon" & "The Love of Jesus"*

**For New Groupings we divide the class into 5 groups and each group consist of 11 or 12 kids, we also appoint a leader who will lead the group with the help of their assistant.*

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**Mystery for today's Rosary: Glorious Mystery*

-Cherilyn

-Floriemae

-JR

-Rachelle

-KeishaMae

** Children did a conversational prayer wherein they had time for a 30s or so, to talk to Jesus and Blessed Mother Mary, and it was answered by one another.*

** Activity 1: Sign of the Cross, and what the children learned in the rosary. (Recap and Summary)*

**3 Persona (Father, Son and the Holy Spirit)*

** Activity 2: Quiz bee about Pray The Rosary*

**Memorization (Apostles Creed, Our Father, Hail Mary, Glory Be*

**Question & Answer about the Bible & Holy Week*

**We gave chocolate bars for children*

**We gave 2 Vitamins for each child.*

** Blessed the food led by Flordiline*

**Children volunteered to arrange chairs and helped us to clean the area before & after the session*

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Assignments:

**Pray Rosary at home*

**Study & Recall the Prayers*

**Teach your family, friends, neighborhood on how to pray rosary*

**Read your Bible and pray everyday.*

**Attend Holy Mass every Sunday*

Children and Volunteers Food:

** Spaghetti & Puto Lemonade Juice and Taho*

No. of Children - 62

No. of Volunteers- 3 (Teacher Regine, Teacher Analiza, Mary Jane"







Addendum:

- **On 04/20 at 1:00 pm**, is the Costco buy of food for the 4 religious charities from Tijuana. The Sisters of Charity, Saint Teresa of Calcutta's nuns located at the bus station TJ schedule will be arranged to accommodate the sisters time to come at Costco.
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- **04/22 is Jim's Project Homeless Help #72 in the South Bay** is the buying of food and hygiene products and will start at 9:30 am in front of the retreat garage and bagging of food. If you have a truck, we need it to transport the food from Costco to room 13. **All volunteers, please come at 12 noon at room 13. For kids accompanied by parents or guardians, please bring your community service forms for school. There is a sign in sheet for all volunteers. Thank you.**
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- **04/29, starts at 7: am is Jim's Project Homeless Help #72 distribution of the red bags food and bags of hygiene products. We will caravan to seek for our friends who are homeless. Please bring your mask and hand sanitizer.**
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- **Projects will resume:** 1.) Some building materials to be bought at Home Depot for Beato Juan Pablo II, home for the elderly expansion of 10 more bedrooms. This is run by the Sisters. 2.) Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement Project to upgrade their very old computers and large monitors for meetings in the mother house (retirement house) and their ministries in the U.S. and other countries to serve the poor.

I hope to see you on the above dates. **Everything is for the Glory of God!**

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04/15/23, Saint Charles Caritas ministry with Franciscan Sisters of Saint Anthony unedited report from the sisters in the island of Negros Occidental. Please see the captions and 4 collages of pictures.

*"*Animation, prayer, Gospel reflection in the second Sunday of Easter. 9:30 am...Eating their merienda (snacks) before the proper Catechesis start. Our merienda for today sweet ginataan.*

**Sr. Joana is the only Sisters left in the community, the two sisters are in the confirmation seminar, and the other two sisters are in the hospital. There are 3 groups; Sr. Joana handle the oldest 13 years up and they handle the 7 sacraments, the other group 8 years old to 11 years old, they start also the 7 sacrament, and the 3rd group 3 to 7 years old, showing them in the visual aid the creation.*

**Praying the holy Rosary, in our garden,so that, its not too hot for the children... they can pray well.*

**Today's lunch is adobong manok and rice, and apple for our fruits... Thank you Saint Charles Charity, we have delicious and very healthy lunch... God bless you!*

**Everybody enjoy our delicious lunch! Thank you Saint Charles Charity.*

**Thank you so much for your generosity Ms.Arroyo for supporting the kids transportation, it will help them a lot... Because of your kindness they see their future very bright... God will always shower His graces to those people who know how to share their blessing and share it as a blessing to other".*

Her earmarked donation was for 25 kids, 7 in college and 18 in high school. The fund donated is good for more than 3 weeks of transportation allowance. These kids are scholars. Because they reside in a remote place about 1 1/2 hours to go to school. Please see #4 collage of pictures.









04/16/23, Saint Charles Caritas ministry with the Canossian Sons of Charity, headed by Fr. Jeephy Simbajon and seminarians in Cagayan de Oro island. The Oratorio started with the Rosary then parlor games and candies as prizes for the children. The food cooked/served was spaghetti with juices, and snack bars. These were the food items sent to Fr. Jeephy in the "balikbayan" boxes. The food gifts of 5 kilos of rice, 5 sardines, 2 corned beef, one whole fresh chicken and each have been distributed to the 60 children, and 5 special individuals (under the care of the Canossian Sisters). No charge for the chicken because the supplier decided to donate these as their charity works (they are in yellow T-shirts in the picture}. The money saved for the chicken, Fr. Jeephy asked me, if he can buy plastic chairs for the children's Oratorio, replaced the basketball board (rotten wood) and some art materials... of course the answer is Yes. For some of the children who did not come last weekend, the gifts of food will be given to them next Sunday's catechism. Please see below a collage of pictures. Thank you.



04/20/23, Saint Charles Caritas ministry with Sr. Joana Marie Espanola gave each elderly food: 5 kilos of rice, 5 canned sardines, and 1 whole fresh chicken to 18



home-bound elderly.

Anthony in Negros Occidental island.

Thank you Franciscan Sisters of St.

Sharing the text from Sister Juanita, Mother Superior of Casa de Cuna Catolica Tijuana, Mexico.

Buenas noches Merlyn and Saint Charles Caritas Team gracias por compartir el trabajo de estas Hermanas, Dios les conceda la fortaleza para seguir ayudando a



esas familias. Bendiciones

Translation: Good evening Merlyn and Saint Charles Caritas Team, thank you for sharing the work of these Sisters, God grant you the strength to continue helping those families. Blessings.



04/22/23, an unedited report by Saint Charles Caritas Ministry and the Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony's mission on the island of Negros Occidental. Thank you



Sisters . Total attendance for Catechism was 140 (including 117 children, 14 mothers, 4 elderly and 5 Sisters). The Sisters also catechist the parents who accompanied their children to cross the highway.

"The children helped the Sister to clean first the garden. The Sisters teach them to be helpful."



"Merienda time,.. our merienda is sopas,, pasta with chicken, They love it and return for the



second time

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*"Singing the alleluia before reading the Holy Gospel. The group of Sr. Joana teach the 10 commandments and deepen the 1 2 and 3rd commandments
The other group age 7 down they have Bible stories, the other group age 12 up... The children have quiz about sacrament, and continue to deepen each of the sacrament.
Sunday Gospel reading Luke 24:13-35. Sr. Mary Dann gave the reflection (Jesus Himself approached and began to accompany them) then praying the Holy Rosary."*



"Our lunch for today is fried chicken , beans, and rice and apple for the fruits."



"The enjoyed searching egg hunt. Thank you tita for the 500 eggs. The children love to play, thank for providing our sport materials."

"Thank you Ms. Arroyo for your generosity for providing the transportation for the children in high school and college." It is now 2 weeks of transportation allowance. Less than \$4 a week for each 7 college students and \$3 a week for each 19 high students. The funds are managed by the Sisters for weekly giving. These children are scholars and wanted to go to school with the aim that someday with education, they can better their lives to help their family.



"Ihahatid namin cla sa kanilang mga bahay sa ibat ibang mga barangay." (Translation) We drove back the children to different districts where the children live.



04/23/23, Sunday, Saint Charles Caritas Ministry to Teach the Children How to Pray the Rosary followed by Feed the Children in the squatter area in Paliparan, Cavite. This is the report from the 2 volunteer teachers. Thank you 4 volunteers and



God bless you.

Thank you to Sister Babylyn Dulfo from the Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement for being the instrument for the ministry in Paliparan. Please see below 2 collage of pictures.

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04/23/23, Sunday. Good morning to all. Saint Charles Caritas ministry with Canossian Sons of Charity run by Fr. Jeephy Simbajon with seminarians Oratorio in the island of Cagayan de Oro. From last week remaining gifts, Fr. Jeephy continued the distribution of 16 packs (5 kilos of rice, 5 canned sardines, 5 canned corned beef, and 1 whole fresh chicken. Each children received these bags. Also, gave bags of hygiene products to each children: bars of soap, toothpaste brush, toothpaste, and face towel. The seminarians prepared/served pancakes and juice for the children's snacks. Please see a collage of pictures. God bless us all and thank you!



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04/24/2023, Saint Charles Caritas ministry with the Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony from the island of Negros Occidental received a gift from Ms. Arroyo (not from St. Charles Parish) for the Sisters mission to serve during their lunches at least 140 recipients (majority are poor children). The Sisters bought directly from the poultry source these 84 fresh whole chicken equivalent to 86.8 kilos. Please see below a collage of pictures.



Unedited report from the Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony. *Today April 29, 2023, is the confirmation in our parish, our Eucharistic Celebration is presided over by Rev. Fr Ronald Quijano appointed by our Bishop Patricio Buzon Bishop of Bacolod, and the number of candidates is 240, from the different Chapels in our parish and our Children who come in our community every Saturday. And they are given a Seminar by our Sisters the Religious Franciscan Sisters of St Anthony" in the island of Negros Occidental. Please see attached a collage.*

Comments from sister/volunteers/donors for Saint Charles Caritas:

- *"Stunning, beautiful! The gift of the Holy Spirit!!! We are uplifted thank you!!"* from Joe Bajo, Grand Knight of the Knight of Columbus.
- *"How happy I am tita and I'm very thankful for your generosity for helping many children in need...Thank you very much St. Charles Caritas group and Tita Merlyn Baker..May God bless you all and protect each one of you..."* Sr. Joana
- *Thank you.*

You continue to work wonders.. Gary B.



Sister Joan from Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony gave the students their transportation allowances for next week. For 7 college students less than \$4 a week per student and 19 high school students less than \$3 a week per student. If you want to help these students who are determined to go to school, please let me know. The kids travel 1 1/2 hours to go to school. These are poor kids who wanted to finish school hoping to better their lives and help their families.



God bless us All!

Merlyn Baker

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