

Dear Friends of Saint Charles Caritas,

God, thank you for everything! Amen, Amen O' Lord Jesus Christ for Your healing!

July 1, 2023, Saturday Catechesis and feeding program by the Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony, also a ministry of Saint Charles Caritas reported by Sr. Joana Marie Española. Thank you Sr. Joana, Sr. Reinalda (mother superior) and all the Sisters.

"By 7 am the children start to come, greet Jesus the owner of the house, and then pray. Then after, the children greeted and bless the Sisters, write their names in the attendance, then the children will help to clean the surroundings and then the children will play."



By 9:00, the bell will be rung 3 times, meaning it's time for the animation before praying, to wake their body and spirit.



The opening prayer was led by Jagboy and the Gospel Mt.10:37-42 was read by Mariel and Sr. Joana gave the reflection "Jesus says that we must love God more than any human being. We must love God first. If we love God wholeheartedly our love will be multiplied and will overflow. We will have enough love for our family. Jesus teaches us that we cannot limit our love to those close to us. Our love should expand beyond what is comfortable and reach out to the marginalized, to those despised, those ignored, and forgotten, and that is the true disciple of Christ. And the closing prayer was led by Kier Suclan.



*We have 126 children 19 mothers and 4 sisters a total of **149**. Our merienda (snack) for today is arroz caldo. Every first Saturday one of our friends sponsored arroz caldo.*



After the Holy Rosary, at noon is our lunch. Our menu for today is macaroni pasta with squash, gisadong (sauté) chicken, and rice. Thank you, Saint Charles Caritas has been provided some of these foods and purified water.





After lunch, the friends of St. Francis with Sr. Joana washed the dishes.



The friends of St. Francis dance "Thank you". This dance is for all of you who generously shared your blessings with us for giving the students transportation weekly. Sr. Mary Dann distributed the students' transportation allowances, but before they get their allowances they will be asked one question about the catechism of our church if they will not answer as they all agreed, the student recipients will have funds for their t-shirts. 10 pesos will be deducted and it will go to their treasurer. And also if they are late, they will sell something to have more funds. They presented this idea to us, and we support them. At least they know how to stand on their own. We are happy about this. They become responsible. They said if they have enough money, they are planning to have a project in the community so that they can help and have also a legacy,...hearing their meeting was very beautiful. They said if they will finish their studies, and got a good job, they will never forget the community. They will help the student like them. It's beautiful 🥰



Thank you so much tita and Saint Charles Charity. God bless you. You touch many lives"

Prince has a heart problem, blood and liver infections diagnosed two years ago. We thanked God that the blood and liver infections were gone. God is good with Prince. He is one of the children who is attending the Teach the Children How to Pray the Rosary in the squatter area. Please see below a collage of Prince.

From Analiza Yauna, aunt of Prince.

"Prince's Update as of 06/30/2023

Good Morning 🙏

We hope that everyone is doing well and healthy,

Prince Yuan Altesin, 6 years old kid is doing good these past months and we can also see good changes with his physical appearance and build, he already gained weight since he loves to eat and play. He is enjoying his life.

He is always present to pray the rosary session every Sunday along with his sister (April Aliah), actually it's kinda funny that every start of the week he always asks me and my family about how many days left before he attend the rosary session again. He is always looking forward every Sunday. He really loves rosary session. It's also nice that even his classmates in rosary session never forget to pray for his fast healing and recovery. We appreciate it.

*Just to let you know his **next follow up check would be on July 6, 2023 (with his mother)**. We are still looking forward to your prayers and we are hoping for good improvement and results.*

We want to thank each one of you with all our hearts for all the prayers, help and even those goods, milk and vitamins that we've received. We really appreciate everything and rest assured that we always thank God for all the blessings that we've received.

Again, Thank you so much and May God fill your heart with Peace and Love. God bless and Stay safe."



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"July 02, 2023

Pray the Rosary Session Report by teacher Anailza Yauna

Have a Blessed Sunday

**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 Ana*

** 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*

**We also hope that 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, Victor Nuñez, Lex Colina, Ms. Merlyn Baker, Sister Babylyn Dulfo, Ms. Janiley Camarista, Irma Ramirez, Lilia Garcia-Nuñez, Lulu Rullan, Priests, Nuns, Sponsors/Donors, Ms. Janiley's Family and the entire Saint Charles Caritas*

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

**Rented Speaker is not available at the moment which is why we do ACAPELLA.*

**We sang Salvation Song, Awit sa Ina ng Santo Rosario, Kyrie Eleison, and Alleluia.*

** We sang & danced "Ang mga Ibon", "The Love of Jesus" and "Si Hesus ang sandigan"*

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

**Good thing that we grouped them since we can easily know who's absent and present as well as we can easily distinguish the needs of children based on the level of their understanding.*

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

-Prince Mupas

-Andrei

-Buboy

-Angela

-Aliah

** Activity 1: Sign of the Cross, and What the children learned (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*

**We gave chocolate bars to children*

** Blessed the food led by Keysha Mae*

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

Assignments:

**Pray Rosary at home*

**Study & Recall the Prayers*

**Teach your family, friends, and (neighborhood how to pray the rosary*

**Read your Bible and pray every day.*

**Attend Holy Mass every Sunday*

Children and Volunteers Food:

** Rice with Fried Chicken, Water, and Taho*

No. of Children - 53

No. of Volunteers- 4 (Teacher Regine, Teacher Analiza, Mary Jane, and AJ)"

Sent from my Galaxy





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07/02, Sunday, the Canossian Sons of Charity Oratorio run by Fr. Jeephy in Cagayan de Oro island, a ministry of Saint Charles Caritas. (translated to English) *"The seminarians and children had the Rosary and then art activities. We served the children pancakes and mixed fruit juice. A total of 50 children, 4 seminarians, 1 priest, Sr. Babylyn Dulfo, Franciscan Sister of the Atonement and some children's guardians."* The children now are a bit more comfortable because the ceiling fans are now installed. The place where they are having their oratorio is underground and the air is very warm. Now they have ceiling fans. Thank you to an individual benefactor for funding these fans.



God thank you! You are always with Saint Charles Caritas. Lord Jesus Christ, You make us an instrument of your love! Amen, Amen, and Amen!

Happy 4th of July! Our country is now 247 years old (since 1776).

The Saint Charles Caritas welcome with great gusto Fr. Fernando Maldonado our new pastor.

Please pray for the healing of our friends who have cancers: Susan Guenzel, Rich Guenzel, Paul Bell, Karina Kraiger, Victor & Lilia Nunez and Lex Colina. Thank you for your prayers.

06/25/23, attended the retirement mass for **Monsignor Dennis Mikulanis, (San Rafael Church for 21 years, and 10 years at St. Charles Church)** with Brother Joe and his

sister Ruthie and I. Fr. Dennis served the churches for 46 years. He will continue to do pastoral work after his retirement. He will be busy because 5 churches have asked him to help them. **In 2001, Fr. Dennis started with Jim (my late husband) and I the charity in St. Charles Church. The first meeting with us attended by Joe Bajo and Cecilio Salamanca. This is now the Saint Charles Caritas. I thanked God that Fr. Dennis loves the poor. It was heaven-sent that all of us five wanted to help the poor. How amazing what God can do to all of us. Just open your heart and mind to God!**






Thank you to Fr. Emilio Magana, Fr. Burt Boudoin, Fr. Ron Kelso and all the Deacons for your announcements of Saint Charles Caritas every Caritas Day. We appreciate your support! And thank you to all volunteers and benefactors for your love of the poor. I'm thanking God for all of you in all of my prayers.

Caritas schedule:

- **Saint Charles Caritas Days will be July 15 & 16, Saturday & Sunday. 100% of your donations will be used to buy basic food and cleaning supplies for charities from Tijuana (TJ), Mexico run by nuns and charities in the Philippines. The charities are orphanage, home for girls, home for the elderly, homeless help, catechism, teach the and children how to pray the rosary and special projects. Please see the nuns on Sunday at the exit**

doors. Right after the 1 pm mass, we will buy food at Costco for the charities from TJ

Comments via texts received:

- *"Thank you Ms. Merlyn for the information. Its a true blessing being a part of Caritas Missionary.   blessings to everyone" from **Mrs. Dominuez, San Diego***
- *"And thank you for all the support to our community in Pontevedra. May God bless you and all the team of Saint Charles Caritas. I'm glad to see these children happy. God will return all your generosity and love for them. God bless each one of you and your family...We love you all. Thank you very much for continuing to help this many children who are in need. May God shower all of you with more blessings good health and a peaceful family. God bless you all. " from **Sr. Rodalyn, Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony, Italy.***
- *"We really appreciate all what you do for the children around the world. Thank you and God bless you!! from **Mr. & Mrs. Martinez, San Bernardo***
- *"Hallelujah my Worthy Brothers! God is good all the time, and all the time God is good.*

*He is so pleased with your work. Vivat Jesus!" from **Luigi Zoni, President Knights of Columbus San Diego Chapter***

***The first collage on 06/18/23 was the buy of food and cleaning products for the charities run by religious sisters in Tijuana, Mexico right after the last afternoon mass.**

***The other pictures was the sending of food boxes to the Philippines charities (1 box was already inside the van). It will take about 2 1/2 months to 3 months before these charities get them.**

06/24/23, last collage was the Jim's Project Homeless Help #73 distribution of food/toiletries. 11 volunteers came to help with the parents and students from different schools. Thank you **Mrs. Gonzalez** for using your truck for the distribution. Also, thank you to **Brother Joe Bajo** and **Tommy Colina**. We went to several parks, libraries, streets and train tracks to seek our friends. **You are all wonderfully amazing, volunteers!*





Special project: Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony, Negros Occidental island. 192.9 kilos of chicken for July. These chickens will be used for 5 Saturdays approximately 18.58 kilos each Saturday for at least 170 recipients; catechism for children, parents, volunteers and sisters.



Please see below the disbursement for June. 100% of your donations are used to buy basic food, cleaning supplies, and special projects/etc run by religious. We have Zero overhead costs and No administrative layers. **Thank you so much for your generosity.**

Disbursements:

June 2023

* *In Mexico

*Casa de Cuna, home for children ages 1 to 6 years old, run by the Sisters of Sacred Heart of Jesus	\$	(669.38)
*Santa Teresita, home for girls run by Sisters Sacred Heart of Jesus	\$	(648.96)
*(Asilo) Beato Juan Pablo II, home for the elderly 80 years old and above, run by the Sisters of St. Margaret of Mary of the Poor	n/a	

* Perpetual Adoration Sisters of the Sacred Sacrament: contemplative sisters	\$	(614.40)
*Breakfast/lunch/Costco buy of food for Sisters/volunteers pizza w/ drinks (earmarked by donors)	\$	(223.96)
**In Philippines		
* Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony mission: poor children catechism, young adults and mothers	\$	(527.76)
*Teach the Children How to Pray the Rosary/Feed the Children run by 2 teachers	\$	(319.08)
juices, sugar, snack bars and food gifts for 4 volunteers who also live in the squatter area and lunch catering/taho for 67 x 4 Sundays	\$	-
* 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 and special challenged young adults.	n/a	
*LBC boxes to Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony, Teach the Children How to Pray the Rosary/Feed the Children and snack bars for poor children on the street.	\$	(710.00)
**In San Diego, USA		
*Pastoral Charity Fund of St. Charles Church	\$	(500.00)
*Jim's Project #73, Homeless Help in the South Bay : food, socks and hygiene products	\$	(1,380.54)
**Special Projects: Philippines		
Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony: 92.9 kilos whole fresh chicken and purified water for 5 Saturdays in July catechism. Approximately 170 recipients: children, mothers, volunteers, and sisters.	\$	(274.00)
Printer toner (earmarked by donor)	\$	(37.70)
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Total \$		(5,905.78)

Please see below the texts, collages of picture, and videos for friends who sent their WhatsApp for this weekend activities sent by Sr. Joana Marie Espanola who has been doing a wonderful job to keep us updated. God bless you Sr. Joana and all the Sisters.

"July 8, 2023, Saturday Catechesis and Feeding Program

7 am the children start to come into the community. Pray to God in the chapel thanking Him for all His goodness and love. After cleaning the surroundings, the children played. The children did the animation dance and greeting peace be with you in different languages. Before the bell rang, Sr. Erma distributed the vitamin C to the children. The opening prayer was led by Florence, Jowell read the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew 11:25-30. Jonalyn gave her short reflection and Sr. Joana deepen the Gospels." Jesus prayed to His Father. I praise You because You have hidden these things from the wise and learned and received them from people. Whom Jesus considered the wise and learned? The Pharisees, Sadducees, who considered themselves righteous and perfect, but whom Jesus considered the simple and the

apostle and all the sinners? Our value depends not on what we achieved or accomplished but in fact what matter is our humility before God and our deep relationship with God and other people especially the needy and the vulnerable...That we are beloved children of God whose spirit dwells within." Princess led the closing prayer.



Our "merienda" for today, in "Ilongo" we called it a combo, flour with banana or pancake with banana, peanut butter, and juices that Saint Charles Caritas sent in the boxes. The water that we make for the juices, it was Saint Charles Charity sent funds for 6 gallons of water every Saturday.



Today, we don't have group Catechesis because we have a farewell program for Sr. Erma. She will have a new mission. So at 10:00 am, we proceed to our Holy Rosary, and in every mystery the choir sing-song to Mama Mary. The youth danced and gave flowers and cards to her. The whole assembly blesses her.



Our lunch for today; pasta with tuna, chicken "adobo", and rice. Today we have 129 children, 23 volunteers/non-volunteers mothers and 4 sisters, and 3 friends of Sr. Erma who attended for her "despedida" a total of 160. After lunch, we washed the dishes with the children.



Sr. Joana distributed the transportation allowances to the three college students, who still have classes. Jr. and Sr. High schools, and some of the college students, don't have classes. The school terms ended. Before the children went home, Sr. Erma distributed the snack bars.



Thank you so much tita Merlyn and Saint Charles Caritas benefactors and volunteers God bless you and your family."

The texts are translated from Taglish to English.

07/09/23 Good morning. The Canossian Sons of Charity Oratorio update. *It's our opening Summer Youth Activities (SYA) for 2 weeks. Every day the children will come from Monday through Saturday, except for this Sunday. We had art class and catechism for children. We have about 65 children, 2 priests, 1 sister, 3 seminarians, and 10 young volunteers (animators for the SYA). For the children's snacks, we served Nesquick drinks and someone brought other food items. Today, we offered the children pancit noodles with spam/sausages, lemonade juice, and snack bars.*



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Frankie's Project for the poor children to the Philippines charities. The first batch is going to Teach the Children How to Pray in Paliparan, Cavite. Please see below and collages.

From: DALENE GARCIA <dalricg@yahoo.com>

Date: July 3, 2023 at 11:59:30 PM PDT

To: Merlyn Baker <saintfrancis2001@aol.com>

Cc: Frankie <Crowbeans1305@gmail.com>

Subject: Frankie Garcia

My name is Frankie Garcia and I am a high school student at High Tech High Mesa in San Diego , California.

Currently, my school is running an externship program for seniors. This gives us the opportunity to do what we can do and experience in

a 4-week period, whether that be a self-improvement course or an online college courses.

For my externship I wanted to do something very exciting:

Manufacturing 3D toys, tools , and gadgets and send them to the underprivileged children in the Philippines.

A project like this has been on back of my mind for awhile, and I would say, it is a huge passion project of mine. I love 3D printing and I want to use my craft to help children in my home country.

I really believe I can bring happiness to the children in my home country.

If you would like to donate, here is the link

(<http://go.fund.me/93db1a46>) to the GoFundMe page so I can afford shipping and material cost.

Here is my email address,

Crowbeans1305@gmail.com

You may contact me if you would like to.

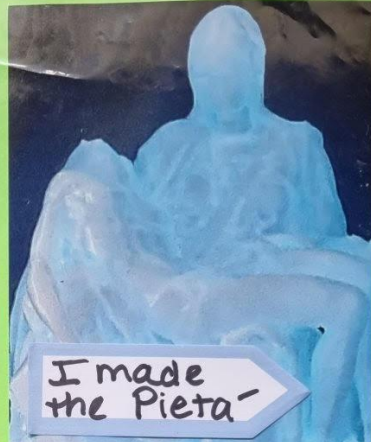
Thank you for your time,

Frankie Garcia



Hello, I'm Frankie
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Alcoba Garcia"
I am 17yrs old and
am of "Filipino
and Hispanic"
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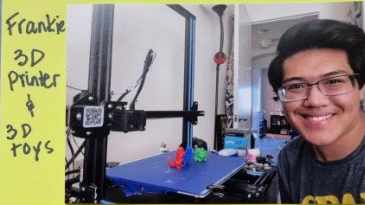
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God, thank you for the safety and Your protection to the islands in the Philippines especially where the children having their catechism.

Its a tropical cyclone this weekend. The storm "Dodong" in the Philippines affecting three regions; **Luzon** where Paliparan is located. The public half basketball court has been occupied by other users where the children Pray the Rosary/Feed the Children. Twice, funerals were held and today, another event. In the **Visayas** where Negros Occidental island is, this Saturday was heavy rain and strong wind. The storm in Pontevedra, Negros Occidental started on Thursday until now, and in **Mindanao** where Cagayan de Oro, we will know after this Sunday if they have the Oratorio/Catechism session. 3 of our charities are currently affected by this storm (strong wind, rain, and flooding). The children cannot make it to attend the session in Pontevedra.

Below is the map of the Philippines. It is an archipelago of 7,641 islands. The distance from San Diego to the Philippines is 7,431 miles.



God, thank you for letting us work for you through your poor children.

Please see below 3 collages of pictures. The videos are in WhatsApp only.

07/22/23, the Hospitaller Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus resumed the Feed the Children on the street by Sr. Magnolia Billona. " Good morning Po Ate Merlyn, today we give the pasta to our children in Calauan Laguna. They are 88 children. Mothers of Insieme Se' Puo' volunteers and Sr. Leonor helped us in our feeding today."

Thank you Sr. Magnolia, Sr. Leonor and volunteers.



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***"Teach the Children How to Pray the Rosary
June 23, 2023***

*Have a Blessed Sunday *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 Ana * 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 for the healing of the sick. *We always pray. *We also hope that everyone will always stay safe and healthy.*

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**We prayed for the healing of Glenice Camarista, Sister of Ma'am Janiley Camarista. *We prayed for the two Saint Charles Caritas volunteer & Advisor for their souls and families, Paul Odermatt and Dave Wolfe who passed away.*

**Rented Speaker is not available at the moment which is why we do ACAPELLA. *We sang Salvation Song, Awit sa Ina ng Santo Rosario, Kyrie Eleison, and Alleluia.*

** We sang & danced "Ang mga Ibon", "The Love of Jesus" and "Si Hesus ang sandigan"*

**Mystery for today's Rosary: Sorrowful Mystery. -Jay R -Ezekiel -Keisha Mae -Cherilyn - Keyjames*

** Activity 1: Sign of the Cross, and What the children learned (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 to the Father*

**Question & Answer about the Bible.*

**We gave chocolate bars to children. * Blessed the food led by Leaders*

*Children volunteered to arrange chairs and helped us to clean the area before & after the session * Assignments: *Pray Rosary at home *Study & Recall the Prayers*

**Teach your family, friends, and (neighborhood how to pray the rosary *Read your Bible and pray every day. *Attend Holy Mass every Sunday*

Children and Volunteers Food:

** Rice, Lumpia Shanghai, Egg Kool-Aid, and Tahoe*

*No. of Children - 55 * No. of Volunteers- 4 (Teacher Regine, Teacher Analiza, Mary Jane, and AJ)"*





07/29/2023, Saturday report update from Sr. Joana Marie Espanola and the Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony, Pontevedra Negros Occidental island. Please see collages of pictures below.

As of this year, six storms hit the Philippine islands. super storm "Egay" did a lot of damaged to the northern part of the Philippines. Now, another storm "Falcon" is coming. Please pray for the Philippines people safety.

"Good morning Po tita, I'm so worried because early in the morning it was raining but children started to come around 8:00 am and the rain stopped around 8:30 am. First, the children go to the chapel and pray after they greet the sisters. They help the sisters, and then they play. Sr.Joana with the Mothers cooked the "merienda" (snacks).



The bell rang at 9:30 am for the animation and reading of the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. Sr. Mary Dann gives the reflection " let us to do good things so that we will be belong to the righteous and we can enter the kingdom of God." She asked specific examples to the children of the good things that we need to do. One of the children's said we need to follow the ten commandments.

Our "merienda" (snacks) for today hot oatmeal, pancake with peanut butter and juice (food items shipped by Saint Charles Caritas).



At 10:30 am, John Mark, one of our scholars, shares with children about the ten commandments, and at 11:00 am is the 3rd day of our triduum for the proclamation of the venerability our Mother Foundress Mother Miradio.



Our lunch for today are fried chickens and mungo (beans) with "kalabasa" (squash) and "malunggay"(moringa leaves). The chickens are donated by Saint Charles Caritas, the oil, "mungo" (mung beans), and vegetables and apples are donated by Mr. Florian Pet and the Knights of Columbus in San Diego. Thank you so much for your generosity and for sharing your blessings.



After lunch, they helped, cleaning the dishes, and before they go home, Sr. Reinalda and Sr. Joana distributed the snack bars. Sr. Reinalda distributed the transportation allowances of the 4 children who have still classes.

Participants were 93 children, 8 mothers and 2 aspirants (the new members in the community aspiring to be nuns), and 3 sisters, a total of 106.



Tita Merlyn and Saint Charles Caritas benefactors and volunteers, thank you so much for being a blessing to us. God bless you and your family..."

Please pray for our friends of have cancers for God's healing: Susan Guenzel, Rich Guenzel, Paul Philips, Victor & Lilia Nunez, Katrina Craker and, Lex Colina. Thank you for your prayers.

Caritas schedule:

There will be **no** catechism in August, and be back in September for the Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony. The Sisters are taking a month off break. The school supplies donated by Saint Charles Caritas will be distributed on the first week of September.

*** August 19 & 20, Saturday & Sunday will be the Saint Charles Caritas.** 100% of your donations will be purchased basic food, basic necessities and special projects for

the charities that we are helping: an orphanage, home for girls, home for the elderly, homeless help, teach the children how to pray the rosary/feed the children, catechism for poor children and contemplative sisters. Please see the nuns on Sunday in all exit doors, and core volunteers on Saturday. Thank you for your love of the poor. God bless you all!

***September 23 & 24, Saturday & Sunday (4th Sunday) will be the Saint Charles Caritas.**

Special Projects: School Supplies for Children in Mexico and the Philippines, Students Transportation Allowances, and Jim's Project Homeless Help #74. In Tijuana/Ensenada children, **we need in-kind**, and for the Pray the Rosary and Canossian Catechism children school items will be purchased in the Philippines. For both charities, these are backpacks, notebooks, pens, pencils, erasers and pencil sharpeners.

(1.) * In the Philippines: Teach the Children How to Pray the Rosary in the Paliparan squatter area and Canossians Sons of Charity in the island of Negros Occidental, children attending Catechism, 65 children in Canossian Sons of Charity Oratorio/Catechism, and 67 children for Teach the Children How to Pray the Rosary. The school supply cost per child is \$6.03. a total of $\$448.67 \times 2 = \795.96 .**

(2.) * In Mexico, Tijuana and Ensenada: 45 little children in Casa de Cuna ages 3 to 6 years old attending pre-school, and 50 Santa Teresita children from elementary to high school.**

The estimated costs for two charities in the Philippines are 49,354 pesos = **\$897.35**. The school supplies are: backpacks, notebooks, pencil & sharpener, pens, and erasers for 132 children from kinder to high school.

(3.) * 26 Students transportation allowance for residence of Pontevedra, Negros Occidental island. These allowances are managed by the Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony. 20 high school 150 pesos = $\$2.73 \times 20 = \54.60 for 1 student per week, and 6 college students, 250 pesos = $\$4.55 \times 6 = \27.30 , for 1 student per week. Total = $\$81.90 \times 4 \text{ weeks} = \327.60 average a month. If you pitch in for this project, it will be sent on the last week of August.**

(4.) * Jim's Homeless Help Project #74 bagging of food will be on August 26, Saturday at noon in room 13.** For kids who wanted to have school community service hours, please bring your forms and sign in when you arrive for your volunteer time. **On September 2, Saturday starts at 7 am at the garage** will be the distribution of food and toiletries to our homeless friends around the South Bay. We are going to caravan in cars to seek for them.


You can earmark your donations for the above project.

Please see below collages of pictures.

Row 1, first 2 pictures during Caritas Day, July 15, Saturday was the day we do this blessed occasion for the charities that we are helping where the volunteers showed their love of God. The youngest volunteer is Tatum with her dad, Tommy holding her. She started volunteering when she was in her mother's womb. Not only on Caritas Day but also little Tatum volunteered during Jim's Homeless Help Projects bagging food. Tatum is an inspiration to all. In the next picture, her sister Teagan and Ace pre-preschoolers volunteered that Saturday also. Teagan has been volunteering since she was just 1 year old, bagging food with her dad and mom. What remarkable parents. Teagan and Tatum have. Thank you for teaching your children the acts of generosity.



The **2nd-row pictures** was the Sunday, Caritas Day, July 16, with the nuns at their breakfast time, then lunchtime, and then ice cream after we purchased the basic food and cleaning supplies for their charity congregations. The nuns volunteering started outside the church from 6 am to 6 pm, that was ending the buying bulk food at Costco. The **3rd-row pictures** were also the Caritas in action with nuns volunteering, Christine

Phillips and the Rullans'. 



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Shipments of boxes received by the Teach the Children How to Pray the Rosary/Feed the Children in Paliparan squatter area and the Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony, Pontevedra, Negros Occidental island. The boxes will take 2 1/2 months to 3 months to arrive in the respective destinations. The last picture showing the boxes sent to Philippine charities in July.



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Brand new wheelchair donations through Saint Charles Caritas. The Knights of Columbus of San Diego donated brand new wheelchairs and went to the Sisters of the Perpetual Adoration of the Sacred Sacrament and Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and acoustic guitar with an amplifier. Thank you! And also thank you to the donor who wanted to remain anonymous for the guitar set.



Please see below July 2023 disbursement. 100% of your donations are used to buy basic food and basic necessities plus special projects. We are all volunteers. zero overhead costs and no administrative layers.

Disbursements:

July 2023

****In Mexico**

*Casa de Cuna, home for children ages 1 to 6 years old, run by the Sisters of Sacred Heart of Jesus	\$	(553.58)
*Santa Teresita, home for girls run by Sisters Sacred Heart of Jesus	\$	(284.00)
*(Asilo) Beato Juan Pablo II, home for the elderly 80 years old and above, run by the Sisters of St. Margaret of Mary of the Poor	\$	(284.00)
* Perpetual Adoration Sisters of the Sacred Sacrament: contemplative sisters	\$	(523.21)
* Missionary Sisters of Jesus and Mary in TJ	\$	(80.44)

*Breakfast/lunch/Costco buy of food for Sisters/volunteers
hotdogs (earmarked by donors) \$ (230.82)

****In Philippines**

* Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony mission: food for poor children
catechism, young adults and mothers \$ (439.35)

*92.9 kilos whole fresh chicken and purified water for 5 Saturdays
in Aug catechism. Approximately 170 recipients: children, n/a
mothers, volunteers, and sisters.

*Teach the Children How to Pray the Rosary/Feed the Children
run by 2 teachers, juices, sugar, & snack bars \$ (316.94)

Lunch catering/taho for 67 children x 4 Sundays session n/a

* Canossian Sons of Charity c/o Fr. Jeephy Simbajon: Catechism
food items for poor children and food shared to Canossian Sisters \$ (377.34)
who run an orphanage and special challenged young adults.

* Franciscan Sisters of Atonement, Sr. Babylyn will distribute
snack bars for poor children once received the food. (earmarked \$ (99.94)
donation)

*LBC boxes to Franciscan Sisters of St. Anthony, Teach the
Children How to Pray the Rosary/Feed the Children, snack bars \$ (440.00)
for poor street children, Canossian Sons of Charity

****In San Diego, USA**

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

*Jim's Project #74, Homeless Help in the South Bay : food, socks n/a
and hygiene products

****Special Projects: Mexico & Philippines**

:School supplies for the Philippines and Mexico to our charities
with school children: back packs, notebooks, and pens, n/a
pencils/eraser/sharpeners in August

Total \$ (4,129.62)

God bless us all and thank you!

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