



# *Cor Inquietum*

The Official Newsletter of the Augustinian Province of Santo Niño de Cebu – Philippines

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## Ash Wednesday 2019



Burning of Palms into Ashes at the inner garden of SNTH last March 5, 2019. Photo courtesy of SACS Mass Media.

Fr. Jasper V. Valmores, OSA, Master of the Simply Professed Friars, led the Rite of Burning Palms to Ashes last March 5, 2019 at the inner garden of the Saint Nicholas of Tolentino Hall in San Agustin Center of Studies, Quezon City. Old palm branches (*palaspas* in Filipino) blessed during last year's Palm Sunday were collected from the Mass-goers at San Agustin Chapel. These palms were then burned on the evening of Shrove Tuesday.



Ash Wednesday 2019. From the FB page of the Augustinian Province of Our Lady of Grace of Colombia.

## Feast of Ecce Homo

*The Augustinian Friars*  
**Basilica Minore del Sto. Niño de Cebu**  
invite you to celebrate  
the first Liturgical Feast in honor of the  
**HOLY FACE OF JESUS**  
**“ECCE HOMO”**

**NOVENA DAYS: FEBRUARY 24 until MARCH 4, 2019**  
**FEAST DAY: MARCH 5, 2019, SHROVE TUESDAY**

D1: February 24, Sunday	2:30 pm/Pilgrim Center	EMHC and Gift-Bearers
D2: February 25, Monday	5:30 pm/Basilica Church	Lectors and Cantors Ministry
D3: February 26, Tuesday	5:30 pm/Basilica Church	San Nicolas Reflexologists
D4: February 27, Wednesday	5:30 pm/Basilica Church	Cofradia de Lourdes
D5: February 28, Thursday	5:30 pm/Basilica Church	Cofradia de la Consolacion
D6: March 1, Friday	3:00 pm/Pilgrim Center	Cofradia del Sto. Niño
D7: March 2, Saturday	5:30 pm/Pilgrim Center	BUVPA
D8: March 3, Sunday	2:30 pm/Pilgrim Center	Knights of Sto. Niño & AVP
D9: March 4, Monday	5:30 pm/Basilica Church	BMSN Choirs Association

**Fiesta: March 5, Shrove Tuesday 5:30 pm/Basilica Church** Medics/First Aid Volunteers  
BPAV and BMSN Personnel

- \* On February 28, 2019 will be a blessing and enthronement of the original image of Our Lord Jesus Christ's bust image "Ecce Homo" to its permanent urn. Veneration will follow after the Holy Mass and blessing.
- \* There will be a short procession around the Pilgrim Center after the Fiesta Mass.

The bust image of the suffering Jesus entitled "Ecce Homo" depicts the moment our Lord was presented by Pontius Pilate to the crowd shouting the words "Ecce homo!" (John 19:5) which means "behold the man!" It was answered with "Crucify Him! Crucify Him". In the long tradition in the Church, the meditation beholding the Holy Face of Jesus presented as sentenced to death for our sins, was so popular in the medieval age and reproduction of the sorrowful face of Jesus in painting and sculpture was common. The Basilica del Sto. Niño possesses a religious icon of "Ecce Homo" imbued with historical significance. It was accidentally discovered in a tomb of a local chieftain on August 20, 1572. Since then, it earned popular devotion of its own aside from the Sto. Niño de Cebu. However, the devotion faded out sometime after World War II. It was brought to Manila in 1965 but only returned to Cebu in 2011. Efforts have been made to revive the devotion and this first liturgical feast is part of it. Celebrating the feast within the established Church liturgical feast, we make the devotion closer to the spirit of Lent.



The traditional feast of the Holy Face of Jesus which falls on Shrove Tuesday (Tuesday before Ash Wednesday) was chosen by the Basilica del Santo Niño friars to be the feast of the Ecce Homo (March 5 this year). To prepare for the celebration, Novena Masses were held from February 24 to March 4, 2019 at the basilica. The basilica's different ministries and mandated organizations sponsored each day of the novena Masses.

On March 5, 2019, the Eucharistic celebration was presided by Fr. Ric Anthony A. Reyes, OSA and concelebrated by the some friars from the Province's Communities in Cebu. After the Mass, a short procession of the Ecce Homo image was held around the pilgrim center. Pilgrims, devotees, the Augustinian novices and friars joined the said procession.



Procession of the Ecce Homo at the pilgrim center after the 5:30 PM Mass at the Basilica del Santo Niño (March 5, 2019).



A female devotee praying in front of the newly blessed retablo shrine of the Ecce Homo.



The Prior Provincial, Fr. Andres D. Rivera, Jr., OSA joined other OSAAP leaders in their meeting last March 4 to 5, 2019 at the Saint Augustine's Study House in Kerala, India. Major Superiors from the Asia Pacific Region joined the said meeting presided by Fr. Anthony N. Banks, OSA, Assistant General.

## Blessing of the New Tabernacle and the new retablo shrine of the Ecce Homo

Last February 28, 2019 during the 5:30 PM Mass, Cebu Auxiliary Bishop Dennis C. Villarojo led the blessing of the new tabernacle now placed at the lower portion of the central niche of the basilica's retablo mayor. Custom made by San Jose Religious Shop, the new tabernacle was donated by the mother and son tandem of Mrs. Rosalina N. Go and Mr. Mark Joel N. Go (Hermana Mayora and Hermano Mayor for Fiesta Señor 2018). The front design of the new tabernacle features the old logo of the Order which shows the restless heart of Saint Augustine pierced by an arrow.

After the Post Communion Prayer, Bishop Villarojo also blessed the new retablo shrine of the Ecce Homo at the right side of the basilica's sanctuary. The image of the Ecce Homo was then transferred to this new shrine by Fr. Pacifico C. Nohara, Basilica Rector assisted by Frs. Noel P. Cogasa, OSA and Ric Anthony A. Reyes, OSA. The new retablo shrine was also sponsored by the Go Family. By having its own retablo shrine, the friars at the basilica hopes that the devotion to the Ecce Homo will gain ground among the Cebuano faithful and to all the pilgrim who frequent the basilica.



The new tabernacle at the Basilica del Santo Niño was crafted by the San Jose Religious Shop (maker of quality religious items with main office at San Jose del Monte City, Bulacan) and was donated by Mrs. Rosalina N. Go and her son, Mr. Mark Joel N. Go (Hermana Mayora and Hermano Mayor for Fiesta Señor 2019). The tabernacle features the old logo of the Order which shows the restless and pierced heart of Saint Augustine while its podium features the coat of arms of Saint Paul VI, the pope who bestowed the title of minor basilica to the Santo Niño Church in 1965.



Cebu Auxiliary Bishop Dennis C. Villarojo, DD, blessed the new retablo shrine of the Ecce Homo last February 28, 2019.





The new retablo shrine of the Ecce Homo at the right side of the sanctuary of the Basilica del Santo Niño.

## Blessing of Centro Sant' Agostino – Benedicto

The Prior Provincial Fr. Andres D. Rivera, Jr., OSA together with Fr. Eusebio B. Berdon, Prior of Colegio San Agustin – Bacolod Community led the Rite of Blessing of the Centro Sant' Agostino – Benedicto retreat house in Don Salvador Benedicto, Negros Occidental last March 16, 2019. After the blessing, a token of appreciation was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Roger T. Naval for their help in overseeing the construction of the retreat house facilities. Also present during the said event aside from the friars from Bacolod were the friars from the Provinciate, Basilica del Santo Niño, San Jose, Sambag, University of San Agustin as well as some lay and religious collaborators.



RIBBON CUTTING. Frs. Andres D. Rivera, Jr., OSA and Eusebio B. Berdon together with Mr. and Mrs. Roger T. Naval led the ribbon cutting during the blessing of Centro Sant' Agostino – Benedicto last March 16, 2019. Photo courtesy of the Province's Mass Media and Social Communications Office (MMSCO).



Fr. Andres D. Rivera, Jr., OSA, Prior Provincial blessing the newly built chapel at Centro Sant' Agostino – Benedicto. Photo courtesy of MMSCO.



Fr. Eusebio B. Berdon, OSA blessing the newly built girls' dormitory at the Centro Sant' Agostino – Benedicto last March 16, 2019. Photo courtesy of MMSCO.

## San Jose Parish Fiesta 2019

The Solemnity of Saint Joseph, Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Protector of the Order of Saint Augustine, was celebrated last March 19, 2019. Saint Joseph is also the Patron Saint of the only Augustinian-ministered parish in the Archdiocese of Jaro, San Jose Parish. Jaro Archbishop Jose Romeo O. Lazo, DD, presided at the 5:30 PM Fiesta Mass on March 19, 2019. A procession around the main streets of the parish was held before the Fiesta Mass.

The Parish of San Jose was given to the Augustinians in 1868 in exchange for that of Jaro which was chosen to be the seat of the then newly-created Diocese of Jaro. Last year, San Jose Community celebrated the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Augustinian Presence in San Jose Parish.



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### Feast of St. Joseph

Theme: St. Joseph: Protector of the Holy Family, Protector of the Youth”

#### Schedule of Activities

<b>March 10 -18, 2019   5:30 PM</b> 9-Day Novena in honor of Señor San Jose	<b>March 16, 2019</b> 5:30 PM Color Fun Run
<b>March 12, 2019   10:00 AM</b> Mass Confirmation	9:00 AM Mass Wedding
<b>March 13, 2019   7:00 PM</b> Dance Contest	<b>March 19, 2019:   FEAST DAY</b> 10:00 AM Baptism
<b>March 14, 2019   7:00 PM</b> Singing Contest	4:00 PM Procession
<b>March 15, 2019   7:00 PM</b> Dance Sports	5:30 PM Concelebrated High Mass Main Celebrant: Asbp. Jose O. Lazo, D.D.



### SAN JOSE PARISH FIESTA 2019



Jaro Archbishop Jose Romeo O. Lazo, DD and Fr. Raymundo T. Alcayaga, OSA (San Jose Parish Priest) together with the concelebrating priests after the Fiesta Mass on March 19, 2019. Photo courtesy of the FB Page of San Jose Parish.



Procession on the Solemnity of Saint Joseph, March 19, 2019 (San Jose Parish, Iloilo City). Photo courtesy of the FB Page of San Jose Parish.



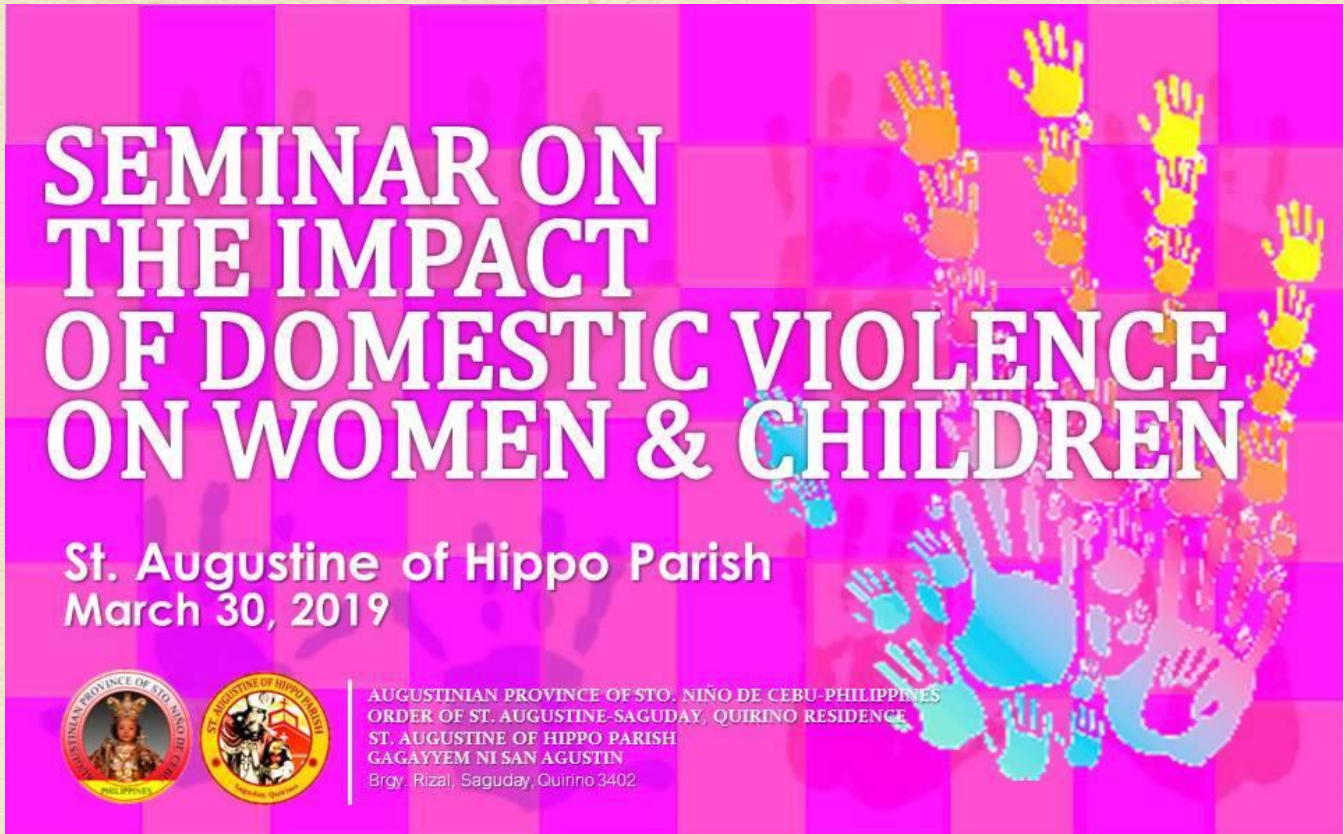
Meeting of the Commission on Campus Ministry together with the Province's Campus Ministers at Colegio San Agustin – Biñan last March 21 to 22, 2019. The Commission is preparing a Campus Ministry Manual for the schools of the Province. Photo courtesy of Fr. Raul A. Cabugao, OSA.

## Mission Gathering 2019





Friars assigned in local mission areas of the Province gathered last March 26 to 28, 2019 in Sorsogon for three days of sharing, evaluation, meeting, reflection and bonding. This year's gathering was hosted by the Saint Augustine Parish Community led by the Local Prior, Fr. Wilboy D. Bracamonte, OSA. Msgr. Francisco P. Monje of the Diocese of Sorsogon was invited by Fr. Armando M. Dayao, OSA, Chair of the Commission on Mission, to talk about the challenges facing missionaries today. The group also visited the barrio chapels under the Parish of Saint Augustine.

**UPCOMING EVENTS**



**SEMINAR ON  
THE IMPACT  
OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE  
ON WOMEN & CHILDREN**

**St. Augustine of Hippo Parish  
March 30, 2019**



AUGUSTINIAN PROVINCE OF STO. NIÑO DE CEBU-PHILIPPINES  
ORDER OF ST. AUGUSTINE-SAGUDAY, QUIRINO RESIDENCE  
ST. AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO PARISH  
GAGAYYEM NI SAN AGUSTIN  
Brgy. Rizal, Saguday, Quirino 3402

1. Summer Age Group Gathering at Palm Beach Resort, Mactan, Cebu

April 23 – 25, 2019: Senior Augustinian Friars

April 29 – May 1, 2019: Late Middle Augustinian Friars

May 7 – 9, 2019: Early Middle Augustinian Friars

May 14 – 16, 2019: Young Augustinian Friars

2. April 28, 2019: Fiesta of the Mother of Good Counsel Parish, Chrysanthemum Village, San Pedro, Laguna
3. April 28, 2019: 454<sup>th</sup> KAPLAG – Feast of the Finding of the Miraculous Image of Señor Santo Niño de Cebu

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

# COLEGIO SAN AGUSTIN-BACOLOD

*Congratulates*

## THE NEWLY REGISTERED MECHANICAL ENGINEERS FOR PASSING THE FEBRUARY 2019 LICENSURE EXAM



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ARILLO



ENGR. WENFRED B.  
BASTIAN



ENGR. JOHN REY M.  
BAYOBAY



ENGR. EMMANUEL A.  
BLANCAFLOR



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T. BRAZA



ENGR. GIO L.  
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CANETE



ENGR. GERRY C.  
DESABELLE JR.



ENGR. REY CARLO R.  
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TAN



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**4th Place, March 2019 Pharmacy Licensure Exam**

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