



KM-Zero Vocation Promotion in Iligan, Philippines

Last July 1, 2016 La Salle Academy-Iligan experienced its 1st KM Zero organized by BACOD-Iligan (Brothers Aspirants CONTACTS and Discerners) and the Local Vocations Team- Iligan (LVT) headed by Christi Hinacay the Aspirancy Coordinator, Neil Hinacay the Community Committee Head and Ms. Lucy Silva the LVT-Chair.

KM Zero is a vocation promotion of the Brothers in creating awareness in the school community which was also initiated in other La Salle Schools in the Philippines. The name KM Zero was coined because in every destination we travel its beginning is always measured on the spot where the Kilometer Zero marker is located. And relating the journey of the Brothers this might be the start of the journey of a young man who is curious and interested to the life of the Brothers. (Continued on the next page)

The KM Zero booth was manned by the Aspirants and Contacts. They presented to the group of students from different grade levels who visited the booth on what is being a brother and on how the Brothers live their lives. They also prepared different activities and games such as “BER PONG” (Ber is the local term of endearment for Brothers) and “GAME OF THROWS” to bring fun and excitement to the students who visited.

The Aspirants and Contacts also took the opportunity to recruit contacts especially those who are interested to join the Brothers’ Live in Program (BLIP or “come and see”) for this Academic Year. It was a very successful event indeed, where several students visited the booth and it was a sign that its a good start in continuing to make the FSC Vocations alive in Iligan. (Br. Ranier Guillergan FSC)



Singapore Lasallian Leadership Training Camp (LLTC)

In the spirit of Faith, Service and Community, two Lasallian schools, St. Joseph's Institution (SJI) and St. Joseph's Institution International (SJII) came together for the biannual Lasallian Leadership Training Camp (LLTC). LLTC is a camp to prepare student leaders from our Lasallian secondary schools to lead using the framework of the Leadership Challenge by Kouzes and Posner. This year's theme was "Step Up and Step Out".



Our 96 participants journeyed through the various activities which allowed them to work together, step into the shoes of our poor and be inspired by the life of our founder. The entire camp consists of multiple sessions about the Leadership Challenge, what it means to be Lasallian, understanding our Lasallian world and the social realities around us. (Continued on the next page)

Highlights include the significance of Walk The Talk when they take charge to lead the way into the unknown. During the same evening the Organising Team brought La Salle's story to life through a play. On the second day, they were given time for action to learn about other Lasallian Schools in Singapore through games and intense challenges to push their boundaries and test their patience. On the third day, they went on a Journey with a Dream to lend a hand to the Last, the Lost and the Least in our midst by cleaning or painting their houses for them.

LLTC is an unforgettable experience where we stand in solidarity of the poor, understand our founder's decision and be inspired by how selfless he was. The friendship forged, the times spent together to Step Up and Step Out of their comfort zones and not forgetting to lead in the spirit of Faith, Service and Community.

As we end our camp, each participant was invested with a collar pin which is a reminder for them to serve before leading. LLTC 16 also saw a big number of people from the Lasallian Youth Network (LYNKsters), who went through LLTC in the past, coming back to help out and rekindle the fire. La Salle's story lives on in our hearts as he continues to inspire many through his actions. Those who knows his story will keep Passing On the Passion. (Ed-Linddi Ong)



St. Joseph's Institution (SJI) Annual Secondary 4 Retreat

It was the eve of President Rodrigo Roa Duterte's inaugural ceremony but Bros. Cliff Sy, Paul Mata, Edgar Esparagoza and Joy Critica were busy preparing hard for St. Joseph's Institution (SJI) annual Sec 4 Catholic Retreat held in St. Patrick's School from 1st to 3rd July 2016. These 16 year old boys will be graduating at the end of this year.

A Josephian, Christopher Wee, testified during Mass that he was deeply grateful to have attended this retreat. It was a good witness to allow these young men to experience their brother school, St. Patrick's School, with the support of the Brothers' community there. As a Lasallian school, SJI tries hard to assist every Josephian in their on-going development of their faith. Every year, SJI offers a retreat for them in which they take the opportunity to reflect on their personal life as well as to take time to learn how to encounter God through prayer. The Retreat Masters accompanied the Josephians in reflecting on their own life, based on their learning from the life of St. La Salle and their "next-steps" journey to life. The Josephians were deeply grateful for their encounter with God through the guidance and assistance from the Philippines sector of LEAD. (Br. Kelvin Tan FSC)



Volunteer Students from the Philippines Teach English in Thailand



Volunteer student-teachers from the Philippines, De La Salle University-Dasmariñas, arrived on June 26, 2016 at La Salle Chanthaburi School accompanied by their Professors, Dr. Florencio R. Abanes and Mrs. Relyn Antenor-Cruz. The Volunteer English Teaching Program is a continuing program between De La Salle University-Dasmariñas and La Salle Chanthaburi School.

The 4th year university students, from the College of Education of DLSU-D, are being trained to teach English in Kindergarten level up to Secondary levels here in our school as part of their course requirement for internship. The students called them Teachers Nami, Ja, May and Jerry. They come to teach and also to learn from the teachers and students in our school. This program will last for seven weeks and another two groups are coming this year. (Br. Benedict Chaiwat FSC)

SJIM Malaysia Scholars' Reflections

Some IB Scholars from St. Joseph's Institution International Malaysia spent a few days in the Philippines for a formation camp. The objective was to inculcate the Lasallian spirit in them so that they would be the catalyst for the rest of the school community when the academic year begins. These are some of their reflections shared to us by Br. Paul Ho FSC:

I learnt 3 important lessons that day [immersion experience]:

1. *To appreciate the life God has given to me. I am grateful to be fed and never go to bed hungry. I understand how privileged I am to be given quality education. Not everybody receives that, but it is our mission to alleviate poverty and give a helping hand to the less fortunate.*

2. *"It isn't about waiting for the storm to pass. It's about dancing in the rain." Although the children of Southville go through hardships, they are still able to live life with a happy attitude and a bright smile on their faces. Whatever you are going through, be happy. There is someone else out there who has it worse than you.*

3. *"Smile. Have you ever noticed how easily puppies make human friends? Yet all they do is wag their tails and fall over." -Walter Anderson*



This camp has been a real eye-opener for me. I have learnt to embrace the core values of the Lasallian mission and to be a faithful steward for the society. I now realize that there are many people who are unfortunate and destitute. There may be some things that are unchangeable, but even a simple act of kindness can lift their spirits up. After all, spiritual wealth is more valuable than physical wealth. I am also really grateful for the wonderful opportunities that I have here to experience the Lasallian education.

I now have a deeper understanding of the Lasallian values 'Faith, Service, Communion'. Exposure to social work at the Haven for children and Tahanan ni Maria really opened my eyes about helping the Least, the Last and the Lost. Meeting Juan, a 15 year old former street kid who looked far younger than his age, was the most striking experience thus far. Although he was shy, he was really kind and wanted to know more about me. He took care of my water bottle when I went to perform. Bonding with someone who didn't share the blessings I have changed my mind set. A strong will to help everyone from the bottom of my heart is growing inside of me.

New Officers for One La Salle Alumni Association of Hong Kong



The One La Salle Alumni Association of Hong Kong is composed of graduates of different La Salle Schools in the Philippines working and living in Hong Kong.

After one year of taking the responsibility of being part of the board and lifting the AN1MO spirits within our alumni association, on behalf of the officers of 2015-2016 One La Salle Alumni Association of HK (Jaerey Velasco Glanville, Dawn Alba Nicolas, Ramin Sanchez, Gary Flores), we would like to thank everyone for the support they have given us all throughout.

It is now time to pass our torch to the incoming new batch of officers! Congratulations to:

Mark Chan, President
Vincent Yao, Vice President
Gab Macalino, Treasurer
Donna Fuchsluger, Secretary
Xydia Lu-De Guzman, PRO

Induction night was held on June 21, Tuesday at Pier 7 Cafe, Central. We would also like to acknowledge the presence and thank Br. Sockie de la Rosa Fsc from the LEAD Provincialate, Kowloon Tong, for administering the oaths of the new officers

Once again, Congratulations to the new officers who have willingly accepted and taken their respective roles to continue our advocacy for One La Salle HK!!

#AN1MO La Salle!!

PS: Video link, please click here: <https://youtu.be/CBF8IXJmLqk>

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Visitor's and Auxiliary Visitors' Calendar

	Week 1	Week 2	Week 3	Week 4
Visitor	Malaysia, Kota Kinabalu Philippines LEAD PRV, District Council Meeting of Vitality of HKG, JPN, MYS	LEAD PRV, Leadership Team	Japan, Superior General's Visit Philippines, Superior General's Visit, BOT De La Salle Lipa	Philippines, Superior General's Visit (Special Meeting, District Council) LEAD PRV
AVMA	Singapore LEAD PRV, District Council Meeting of Vitality of HKG, JPN, MYS	LEAD PRV, Leadership Team Singapore Philippines, Philippines, DLSP National Mission Council & Presidents' Circle Meeting, Lasallian Partners' Council,	Singapore	Philippines, Superior General's Visit (Special Meeting, District Council) Singapore
AVVF	Thailand LEAD PRV, District Council Meeting of Vitality of HKG, JPN, MYS	LEAD PRV, Leadership Team	Thailand	Philippines, Superior General's Visit (Special Meeting, District Council)
AVSP	Philippines, Central House LEAD PRV, District Council Meeting of Vitality of HKG, JPN, MYS	LEAD PRV, Leadership Team Philippines, DLSP National Mission Council & Presidents' Circle Meeting, Lasallian Partners' Council, Pastoral Visit, Ozamiz FSC Community & LSU	Philippines, Superior General's Visit	Philippines, Superior General's Visit (Special Meeting, District Council) DLSP Investment Committee Meeting, DLSBI Trustees and OLEF Meeting

News Bits

- **Prayers Requested.** Let us remember Br. John D’Cruz in our prayers. He is recovering from surgery to remove a cancerous tumor from his intestines. He is currently in Assent Hospital, Kuala Lumpur.
- The three Thai Scholastics, Raphael, Paul, and Matthew (and one Sri Lankan Scholastic, Anton) will have arrived in Manila on July 4, 2016 to begin their Scholasticate. The House of Studies will be complete. All the best in your journey!
- **Goodbye and Thank you.** Ms. Aimee Patiño served the Brothers of the Legacy District of the Philippines, De La Salle Philippines, and LEAD for more than 20 years. She will be migrating to Canada in a few days. Thank you for your excellent and always efficient service Aimee! We wish you all the best! (You may send your best wishes to her via email aimee.patino@delasalle.ph)

Arts, Heritage, and Culture

When is Eid Al-Fitr 2016?



After observing a stringent lifestyle during the holy month of Ramadan, Muslims around the world are preparing to celebrate Eid al-Fitr. Also known as the festival of breaking the fast, the day will mark the end of the month of sacrifice and self-purification and will herald the beginning of festivities.

The day is expected to fall on 5 or 6 July this year depending on the new moon sighting.

Read more at: <http://www.ibtimes.co.uk/when-eid-al-fitr-2016-new-moon-sighting-will-mark-end-ramadan-1568577>

Fraternally,

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