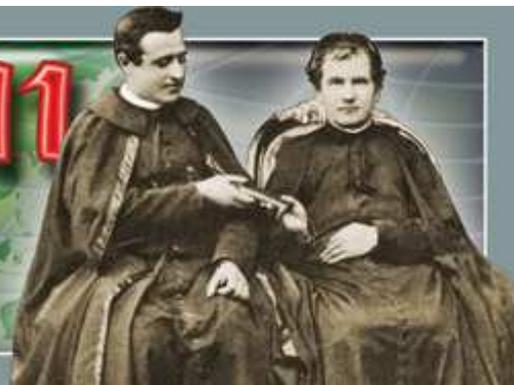


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Dear brothers, dear friends,

Enlightened by the Strenna 2016, with Jesus, we journey together this missionary adventure with the Spirit. For this reason the Rector Major invited us this year to educate ourselves and the young to be able to listen and appreciate silence; to cultivate the contemplative capacity of allowing ourselves to be surprised and to be capable of admiration. "These skills have to be proposed and practiced," says Fr. Angel.

It always impresses us that great missionaries were assiduous contemplatives and at the same time, like the great contemplatives, they have lived their ordinary daily filled with missionary spirit. Just recall St. Francis Xavier and St. Therese of the Child Jesus, or closer to us, Saints Luigi Versiglia and Callixtus Caravario, Fr. Luigi Bolla.

If we had a little more silent prayer, would there be perhaps more missionary vocations? It is interesting to note - and enjoy 'on site'! - how, in our two missionary aspirantates in India (Sirajuli and Pernambur), personal prayer, lectio divina, daily meditation, occupy a very strategic space in the formation program of these generous youth.

Let us continue our adventure of the Spirit!

G. Basaños
Fr. Guillermo Basaños SDB
Councillor for the Missions

ONGOING FORMATION COURSE ON MISSIONARY PASTORAL MINISTRY

The Faculty of Theology of the Salesian Pontifical University in Rome, with the support of the SDB Missions Sector, offers the 20th *Ongoing Formation Course on Missionary Pastoral Ministry* from September 26 to December 15, 2016.

The course offers a plan for personal growth, for deepening the Christian message and for the renewal of pastoral ministry, through a series of initiatives that include activities, lessons, moments of sharing and reflection.

For Salesian participants the course begins with a pilgrimage to the Salesian Holy Places and participation in the giving of the missionary cross to members of the 147th missionary expedition at Valdocco. The last week will take place in the Holy Land as pilgrims in order to deepen biblical and Christological themes.

The medium of instruction of the course will be Italian. Hence, those who have no command of the Italian language are required to attend the language course from June, according to one's personal needs. For Salesians, please contact: Fr. Martín Lasarte of the Missions Sector (mlasarte@sdb.org).

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SDBs and FMAs working together to prepare educators-evangelisers

Don Bosco Technological Institute (DBTI) is a technical teachers' university institution in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea where SDBs and FMAs work together in preparing young people to be technical instructors and educators in secondary schools.

It aims at forming the students to be servant-leaders (Jn 13,13-14) in their society. Many students belong to various Christian denominations while some are members of families whose parents belong to different churches, and some are not even baptized. Many of them later ask to receive baptism.

As future educators there are courses on catechesis, the Preventive System and Salesian youth ministry. Students do not only learn the social teachings of the Church, they also experience outreach activities for the poor.

The varied pastoral proposals in DBTI are venues, moments and experiences for students to encounter Christ.

The annual youth camp is very attractive to students because it is a venue to express their giftedness and talents. The formative sessions, group dynamics and community outreach promote their integral formation. It has also special moments to experience praying the Scriptures and reflection. Also the youth groups, inspired by the Salesian Youth Spirituality, are opportunities to propose gospel values relevant to the interests

and their journey to human and Christian maturity.

The Catholic identity is much upheld and promoted in the campus. The presence of the Shrine of Mary Help of Christians in the middle of the campus is an opportunity to foster Marian devotion. Here students can visit the Blessed Sacrament and approach the Sacrament of Reconciliation regularly. There is also the possibility, for those who wish, to attend daily morning Mass.

Finally, the witness of family spirit among SDBs, FMAs, Cooperators, Past Pupils (s), collaborators and students is a powerful means to foster initial proclamation, stirring up interest in Jesus Christ and His Gospel. The entire educative-pastoral community that continually strives to build up unity in the diversity of cultures is an invitation to communion and a prophetic fra-



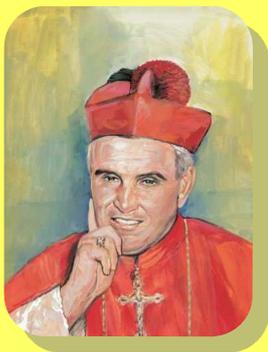
ternity.

The continuous effort of the SDBs and FMAs to serve with joy and dedication is a family experience contributes to the smooth functioning of the institution and the fostering of a family environment that promotes success in education where students are not only prepared to be competent educators but also evangelisers of their own people!

Sr. Pamela Vecina, FMA
filipina, missionary in Papua New Guinea

Witness of Salesian Missionary Sanctity

Fr. Pierluigi Cameroni SDB, Postulator General for the Causes of Saints



As a newly ordained bishop, the Servant of God Msgr. Stephen Ferrando (1885-1978), a missionary in India, founder of the Missionaries of Mary Help of Christians, wrote to the Rector Major, Fr. Peter Ricaldone: *"Beloved Father, on November 10 I was consecrated bishop. I bless Almighty God who has looked upon my smallness so that in me his mercy may shine forth. I am a bishop, a Salesian Bishop and I have no other desire but to honour my mother, the Congregation to whom I owe everything [...] I can only recommend to your paternal heart the beloved Krishnagar mission"*.



Salesian Missionary Intention

That the Salesian Family may be the source of solid and fruitful inspiration for Christian families everywhere.

The charism of Don Bosco was born in the context of the family: that of Becchi, sustained and enlightened by the presence of Mamma Margaret; that of Valdocco, firmly developed by our father and founder, clearly with the youth perspective. The challenges highlighted by the last two synods on the family, have strengthened in the members of the Salesian Family this urgent responsibility to accompany our young people, in all continents, in the beautiful discovery of the vocation to marriage and family, and to be able to support them on their journey to form consistent Christian families.

