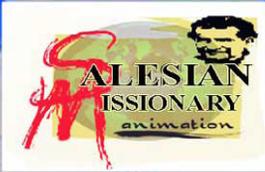




M 28 : 19



Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit

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After about three years ago, the mission animation started in organizing a mission desk in every Salesian Setting. We were able to visit Salesian houses and parishes to come up with a missionary animation group interested to discover their missionary vocation for volunteerism.

Today, we are very proud to announce that the Shrine of Mary Help of Christians in Paranaque City has responded to this advocacy.

Led by its Head for Youth Ministry Ms. Myrna Aparis, she has formed a group of young volunteers of four people to

begin the simple support group.

This is an important intervention in the establishment of the mission desk with committed young professionals in the Parish to organize and plan to become a strong group. We always believe that quality comes before quantity. The members are eager to learn and grow in learning about missionary life for lay people.

We have committed to help this group along with Ms. Aparis as a pilot mission desk with young people interested to grow in lay volunteerism in mission work in the Philippines.

If you are a lay person discovering your vocation and with a desire to help Don Bosco to volunteer and serve in the missions. Contact us at missionaryanimationfin@gmail.com and visit us at facebook Don Bosco Lay Missionary Volunteers (FIN)

BI. ALBERTO MARVELLI

Volunteerism in Action

Beatified on 5 September 2004

Oratorian at Rimini

Alberto Marvelli was born at Ferrari on 21st March 1918, the second of seven brothers. When he moved to Rimini with the family he began to attend the Salesian Oratory there. He was always available and became a catechist and leader: the Salesians' right arm. He loved to play all kinds of sport. As models he took St Dominic Savio and Pier Giorgio Frassati. At 17 years of age he wrote his project of life in his diary; it would renew his life.

Catholic Action

He joined the Oratory group for Catholic Action soon becoming its parish president. He offered his service to the Church in Rimini as the diocesan vice president of CA. As an engineering student in Bologna, he took an active part in FUCI, remaining faithful to daily Mass.

Work with FIAT, Turin

In June 1942 he graduated and began working with Fiat in Turin. He did his military service in Trieste, and succeeded in bringing many of his friends to Mass. During the Second World War he became an apostle amongst displaced persons and a real source of providence for the poor.

Town clerk at Rimini

After the Allies arrived in Rimini he was appointed as an alderman

in the Town Council in the department responsible for rebuilding, and the engineer in charge of Civil Engineering: "The poor are on our doorstep" he said; "the others can wait".

Candidate for Christian Democrats

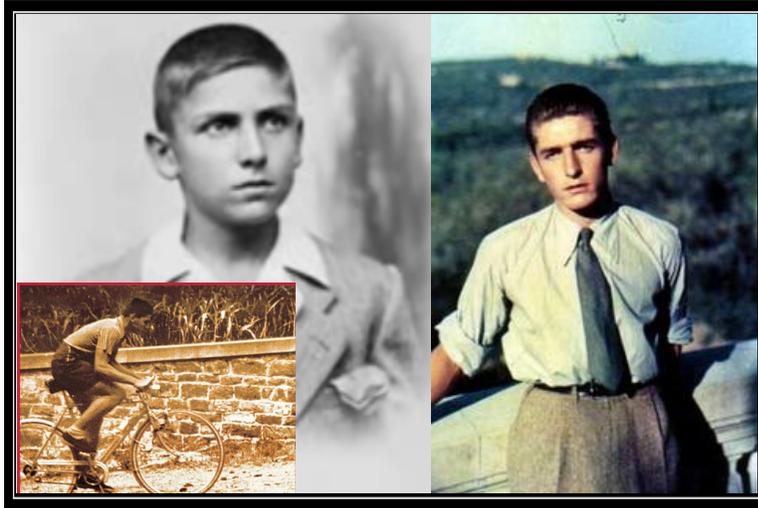
He agreed to run for the elections as a candidate for the Christian Democrats. He was recognised as a committed Christian by everyone, but was never divisive, so much so that one of his communist opponents said: "I don't mind if my Party loses. So long as the Engineer Marvelli becomes mayor".

Nurtured by the Eucharist

The Bishop appointed him president of Catholic graduates. His Marian and eucharistic devotion really were the supporting columns in his life: "What a new world opens up to me contemplating Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament", he wrote in his diary. Each time I receive Holy Communion, each time Jesus in his divinity and humanity enters into me, in contact with my soul, it awakens holy ideas in me, a burning and consuming flame, but one that makes me so happy!".

Good Christian and honest citizen

He died when he was hit by an army truck on 5th October 1946. He was, as Don Bosco wanted, a good Christian and an honest citizen, committed to the Church and society with a Salesian heart. As a youth his motto was: Either live by moving forward or die. He was beatified on 5 September 2004, at Loreto, Italy, by Pope John Paul II.



AFRICA / TUNISIA - "a criminal act does not exclude other reasons": the testimony of the Bishop of Tunisia on the killing of a Salesian missionary.



Tunisia (Agenzia Fides) - "A criminal act does not exclude other motivations." So His Excellency Elias Maroun Lahham Nimeh, Bishop of Tunis, Fides defines the murder of Don

Marek Rybinsk, Polish Salesian missionary, whose body was found the morning of Feb. 18 at a local school Manouba Salesian. Lahham Bishop describes the circumstances

of the death of Don Rybinsk. "Don Rybinsk had left the mission house around midday on Thursday, February 17, leaving his car in the mission. The next day, Friday 18, found in his room on the computer. Therefore, we believe that someone called him a excuse for him to leave. This person could have kidnapped Don Rybinsk February 17 to kill the next day. His body was found in a warehouse in school. The murderer or murderers, people who knew the building well because this store is hidden behind the school, plus they also knew that Don Rybinsk had the keys of the premises. I saw the body about 13 hours and the blood still had not clotted, a fact confirmed by the coroner. As the murder had taken place a few hours before. "The missionary was killed by cutting his throat. "The Salesians had received 15 days before

a threatening letter with a request for money, or they would have go to kill them at home, continues Bishop Lahham. The letter was written in excellent French and was signed with the Nazi swastika. Parents reported the police everything. The officers responded by taking statements of what happened and inviting the missionaries to tell them whether the criminals returned to communicate back."

Last night, February 18, Bishop Lahham has presided over a Mass in memory of the murdered priest at the Cathedral of Tunis. Don Rybinsk was 33 years old, came from the Inspectorate in Warsaw (Poland), was ordained in May 2005. In September 2007 had reached Manouba where he held the job of treasurer of the community (LM) (Agenzia Fides 19/2/2011)



Don Bosco Trivia Challenge:

During the visit of the relic of St. John Bosco here in the Philippines, we are coming out with this trivia challenge open for bosconians age 12-16; high school, training centers and youth centers included. Just answer all the questions and email them at missionaryanimationfin@gmail.com or send a message through facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/?ref=home#!/pages/Don-Bosco-Lay-Missionary-Volunteers->

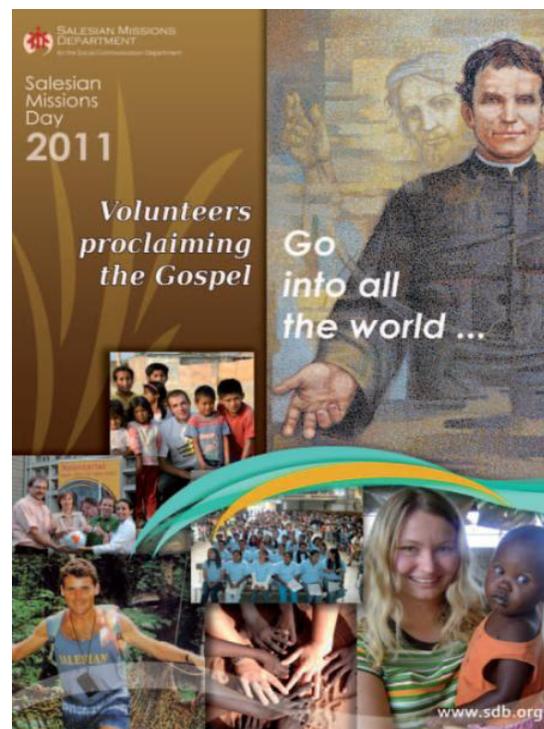
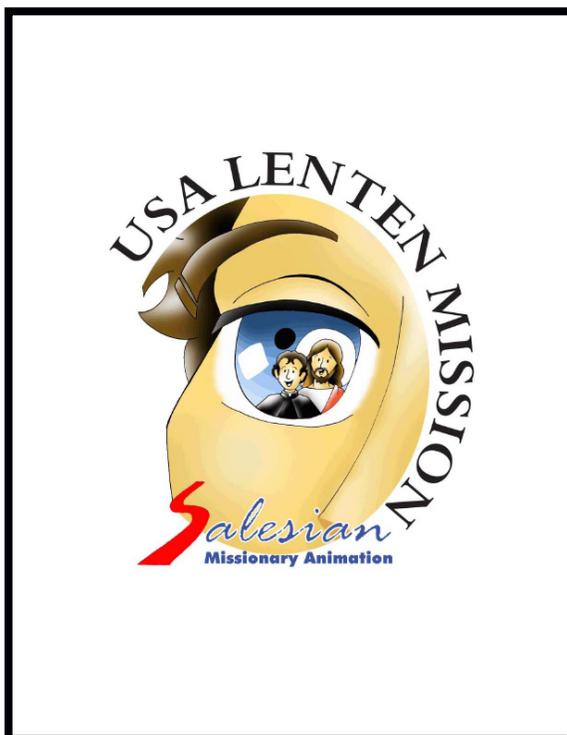
Answers:

1. Fr. Luigi Versiglia and Fr. Ludovico Olive were the first Salesians to set foot on Philippine soil.
2. Fr. Paul Albera (Rector Major)
3. Fr. Luigi Costamagna and Fr. Giovanni Fergananini were approved by the Superiors of Turin to start the work in the Philippines on December 11, 1911.
4. Preventive System
5. Monsignor Guglielmo Piani consecrated Bishop by Cardinal John Cagliero.
6. Mr. Frederic Ossorio, vice-president of the Victorias Milling Company
7. Fr. Carlo Braga was then the Provincial of China.
8. Fr. Anthony Di Falco became a missionary in the Philippines born in San Francisco USA.
9. The three Salesians who pioneered the work in Victorias were Fr. John Monchiero, Fr. Rizzato, and Fr. Guido D' Amore



10. From left to right: Bp. Luciano Capelli of Gizo, Solomon Islands, Bp. Pat Buzon of Kabankalan Negros Occidental, Bp. Francesco Panfilo, Coadjutor Bishop of Rabaul PNG, Bp. Precioso Cantillas of Maasin Leyte and Bp. Leo Drona of San Pablo, Laguna.

Modules for Missionary Animation 2011



We have here two important documents to study and use for the promotion of missionary animation in the different houses.

During this season of Lent, the USA Lenten Mission module helps us understand the centrality of Jesus as a missionary.

Likewise, the DOMISAL 2011 focuses on Volunteers proclaiming the Gospel.

May these materials be of use in strengthening missionary animation.

