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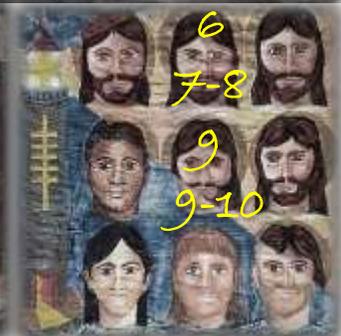
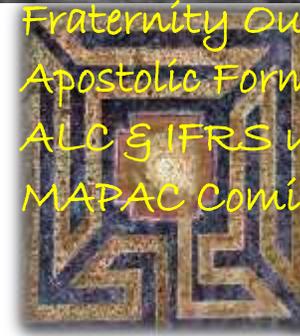
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General House message.



“Something to Embrace and Look forward to it!!!!”

**On 8 April 1994, a Sunday afternoon,
Brother Henri Vergès offered the testimony of blood
after 25 years in the service of young people in Algeria.**

◆“Dear Brother Henri was an authentic witness to the love of Christ, to the absolute self-denial of the Church and to fidelity to the Algerian people.” Henri thus summarized his lived experience in the house of Islam:

♣“... It's my Marist commitment that has allowed me, despite my limitations, to harmoniously be part of the Moslem environment, and my life in this environment, in its turn, has made me more profoundly a Marist Christian. May God be praised!” In 1986, he wrote:

◆“Let the Peace of Christ invade me always more and more intimately. Patience, gentleness towards myself, patience, gentleness towards all, in particular the young people the Lord entrusts to me. Virgin Mary, make me an instrument of peace for the world.

♣“Patience, calm and tranquil perseverance. As the sower who entrusts his grain to the earth and allows the time of God to do its work. An essential attitude for an educator: especially as I do not know the rhythm of development of each of these young people. God has simply sent me to sow the seed in the field chosen by Him: thus to sow in peace and to leave him to look after the growth. Without being surprised by the presence of the cross, as in the life of Jesus himself.

“Extracted from “The Blood of Love” The martyrs of Algeria (1994-1996)

Beatification Celebration: 8 December 2018

[Brother Claudino Falchetto, www.champagnat.org](http://www.champagnat.org)

Message from a recent graduate on mission...

I have been teaching the poor children who returned from Cambodia for awhile and yesterday was the first time I feel that mission in reality and in book are totally different. When we were doing our teaching at the lake where the refugees are, two police men came and took two of my companions away, they were detained in the police office of the people's committee and were released an hour later. They are restricted to teach children no more. Today myself and another Vietnamese brother went to see a lawyer to ask if there is a way around the system to approach these refugee's children; there wasn't a clear answer. It's not easy as I thought when I was in MAPAC. Even what we think it might be good for the people, it is not necessarily and accepted and supported by authority. One of our doors had just been shut but I continue to trust in the power of God, and his grace will be with us. Challenges keep me closer to God more than anyone or anything else. Please have us in your prayer, kindly pass this news around.



Br Bảo Nguyen.fms

Creation Day.September 1st**September 1, 2018 6:30 AM – 10:00 AM**

Commemorating and celebrating Creation Day at our MAPAC Community. It started with the Celebration of the Eucharist and then followed with a small prayer focusing on the Care for Creation. During the prayer service, everyone witnessed the planting of a fruit tree by Brothers Ray and Tabunga. The Bishop of our Antipolo Diocese has encouraged all members of the diocese to celebrate a 'Season for Creation' from September 1 – October 4. It is a significant time for us to focus on our duty as co-creators of Mother Earth. This is a response to Pope Francis Encyclical "*Ludato Si*" which focuses on the Care of Creation, which was again emphasized in the Calls of our 22nd General Chapter.

SINGING PRACTISE AND PARIST INVOLMENT.

Date: 1st & 2nd

(1st September.)

During one of our Singing practices at MAPAC. Learning New Hymns and also practice preparation for Sunday Mass.



(2nd September.)

At the Milagrossa chapel where our MAPAC Community animate the choir during the first Sunday Mass of the month.



(Br Ilan and Hung leading the group with a guitar. - infront)

General News: Super Typhoon Mangkut killed about 100 people (15 Sept -18 Sept)

Here in the Philippines we experienced a massive storm equivalent of Category 5 hurricane. The evacuation of millions of people, deploying soldiers and positioning emergency provisions as Super Typhoon Mangkut threatens more than 4 million people in the north of the country. The wind speed was up to 285 kilometer per hour (180pmh).

Here at MAPAC community, the wind was not so strong in our campus but it was hot and rainy at the same time. We are all safe here at Marikina Heights. However, in solidarity with our brothers and sisters here in the Philippines, we feel so much sad about those you have lost their lives in this severe storm and also remember in our prayers those you have started to recover again a new life after this severe typhoon.

Celebrates.....

2nd September.**Vietnams' 53rd Independence Day****Message from Br. Le Danh Thuong.****Xin Chao from MAPAC!!!**

Every Vietnamese knows that September 2nd, 1945 is an important landmark for Vietnamese. This is the day our country was liberated; the day that marked a new era of Vietnam and its people. Since then, every 2nd of September, many of the Vietnamese people will have a day off to get together with their family and friends – as a way to commemorate our ancestors' victory and sacrifice as well as

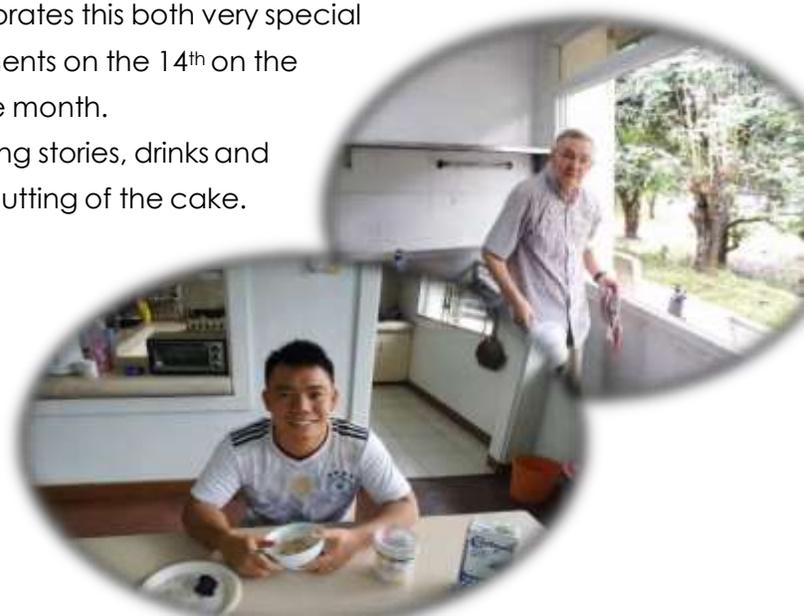
respecting the freedom that we are experiencing today. This special event aims at commemorating the Independence of Vietnam after hundred years under France's colonization. Here at MAPAC, we also celebrated our independence day with our community members and friends from IFRS. We had Vietnamese dishes and traditional dances from the Brothers and sisters. It was a wonderful experience for us. It reminded us of our cultures and traditions. Most significantly, it was a chance for us to share our heroic history. But at the same time, it was bringing us back to Vietnam even though we were at MAPAC.

Birthdays of Brs, Thuong ((6th Sept) and Schwab, Hilario (12th Sept).

Thuong and Hirario when they blew their candles!!!!.

During a Fraternity Celebration. Br **Thuong** from Vietnam celebrate his 25th years of age on the 6th of September. On the 12 of September Br Schwab, Hilario Celebrated his 76 years. Alfano Fraternity celebrates this both very special moments on the 14th on the same month.

Sharing stories, drinks and the cutting of the cake.



50th Birthdays of Br. John Hazelman. (21st September)



A photo of Brs Anitelea and Tabunga when they were taking out Br John Hazelman to celebrate his 50th birthday. The outing was quite a simple celebration, but meaningful in some way. Sharing of common stories (Talanoa), laughter's and enjoying the coffee and doughnuts.

Alfano Fraternity Outing:

Date: 6th September



At the Entrance of the Manila Zoo. The brothers were gathering together to make sure that no one is left alone. The one day outing began with a visit to the Manila Zoo.

At lunch time, it is a time to sit, relax and have something to eat together.



Apostolic Formative Activity Page: Hosting Swimming Activity with Children.



A group of children from the poor families around Marikina Heights. Enjoying swimming with Bros, Ray, Guangzhao and Thuong in the Swimming pool.



As part of that day, MAPAC prepared a Filipino dishes so to share lunch together before they return to their places.



Brs John (Chief Cook) and Tabunga (Ass-Cook) During their preparation of lunch.

Reaching out....



Brs Epalle, Guanghao and Anitelea when they deliver their lesson and activity on the street to the children from the nearby Molave Street squatters families.

Apostolic Formative Activity Page:

At Bata's community.

One of the unfortunate sectors in Marikina City. Brs Thuong when he shares his talents (magician) to the girls of the Bata orphanage while Rubel, Hung and John enjoying the experience of participating in the Show as well.



Father Eddie DCDH and MAPAC Chaplain leading a prayer in Pilipino language to a group of families living on the streets. *(for picture below)*



At Homeless People.

During an outreach to the Homeless people at the Katipunan flyover, Quezon City. Members of the MAPAC community together with companions from the DCDH community distributed food items and clothing to the families who were living on the streets. The group spend some time with them. The session began with a prayer before the giving out of parcels.

"There is joy that one can find here when they are happy. There is hope as one can see in their eyes when you are with them even for a few minutes."

Updates from studies done Outside of MAPAC:

From Assumption Language College.



Br Wang Peng:

Doing an excellent job as an MCEE on one of their program "*Conquering Barriers and Reaching the Zenith*". This program marks an end of another cycle of learning languages.

Br Wang Peng is studying full time at this center. He just had a one week break. On October 1 he will continue another cycle at this English Language College. Wang Peng also does two afternoon classes at IFRS.

From (IFRS) Institute of Formation Religious Studies.



Br Anitelea and Thuong with classmates during a presentation on the different chapters of the both the Old and New Testament classes.



Latest News from IFRS, is that there is one more week to go before their Integration Week (Midyear Exam)



From MAPAC

MAPAC Coming Events:

MARIST ASIA PACIFIC CENTER INTEGRATION SCHEDULE FIRST SEMESTER, S.Y. 2018-2019 October 1-5, 2018						
FIRST YEAR						
October	1 Monday	8:00 - 10:00	Introduction to Psychology	Br. Ray Arthur		Room B
	2 Tuesday	8:00 - 10:00	English 1	Br. Bill McCarthy		B
		10:30 - 12:30	Introduction to Filipino	Fr. Ed Verdadero		B
	3 Wednesday	8:00 - 10:00	English 2 (Bros. Tabunga, Anitelea, Guangzhao)	Br. Bill McCarthy		B
		10:30 - 12:30	Sacraments & Liturgy	Br. Bill McCarthy		B
		3:30 - 5:30	Music	Mrs. Marjorie Rañeses		B
	4 Thursday	NO EXAM SCHEDULE (IFRS SCHEDULE)				
SECOND YEAR						
October	1 Monday	8:00 - 10:00	Introduction to Psychology	Br. Ray Arthur		Room B
	2 Tuesday	NO EXAM SCHEDULE (IFRS SCHEDULE)				
	3 Wednesday	NO EXAM SCHEDULE - Driving / Art Class				
		10:30 - 12:30	Sacraments & Liturgy	Br. Bill McCarthy		B
		3:30 - 5:30	Music	Mrs. Marjorie Rañeses		B
	4 Thursday	8:00 - 10:00	Johannine Literature	Br. Bill McCarthy		B
	5 Friday	NO EXAM SCHEDULE				

Integration Schedule (Mid year Exam)

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