



Pentecost Sunday
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**CWC Jubilee
Celebration for the
Diocese of Gizo
30 June 2017
St. Joseph
Moli Parish**



Bishop message for "waves" our diocesan magazine:

*Lift up your hearts in
praise and thanksgiving.*

Dear Faithful people of the Gizo Diocese, I am happy to be back and to be Able to do my duties and responsibilities as a brother with you and a Bishop for you.

God in His ways gave me a year of true pain but also, he gave all the courage and strength to go through it with the help of your prayers, thank you for all those who have been close to me with their prayers, that was a great gift... I felt the power of your prayer. I have much to grateful for.

We are restarting with our newsletter: thanks to Nascia for his work and welcome back to Mala to his former position as diocesan media coordinator.

We are finishing the month of May, we are beginning the month of the Sacred Heart. We are reminded of the reconciliation and mercy we experienced this past year... let's live the month of the Sacred Heart using our whole heart in what we do. Let us allow Jesus to 'borrow' our hearts so he can love people through us.

THE SYNOD OF BISHOPS 2017 ON THE YOUTH. The holy father has called on a synod of bishops to reflect and make decisions on how we can best help the youth, discover meaning in life so that they will live positively and with a purpose. In other words, pope Francis calls on the whole church to help the youth discover THEIR VOCATION. VOCATION simply means CALL... FOR A MISSION. Every youth to find life meaningful has to find the right place in life...

If life is a CALL (VOCATION) then life must also be an ANSWER TO THAT CALL, ***so how do we accompany the youth in the journey in finding out what is their call and how to answer this call.*** This process is called DISCERNMENT `search` for God`s will. All of us are challenged to contribute to that synod of Bishops in identifying the best way this can be done in our diocese. So I call on the pastoral team and the youth ministry to organize encounters with the elders and the youth to answer the questions which will be sent. Our answers will go to the bishop`s conference and the preparatory commission on the synod

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“WE promote, live and experience in our lives, the value of SERVICE as a way to live Church as Community with our Brothers and Sisters and the nature around us”



DIocese MESSAGE FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE

Listening to God’s Word gives us the Strength to say Yes to our Responsibilities.

June is the Vocation month

Bishop’s pastoral message continue

FROM THE BISHOP`S CONFERENCE. CHILDREN CARE AND PROTECTION is a big issue all around the world. The conference of bishops of PNG-SI is asking us to reflect and take action on this important topic. So I call on the priests and pastoral animating teams to read together, comment and discuss the document of the Bishop`s conference on how best we can organize our diocese for a better care and protection of children

Thank you for your support to these programs and an encouragement to those parishes who are still too slow in the process of the Small Christian Communities

“With you a friend, for you a bishop” who loves you with a Solo heart made in Italy

Bp Luciano Capelli, sdb



Jerome Kuibatu.
Pastoral Coordinator

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ,

May the Spirit of the Risen Lord be the source of our strength, Joy and peace throughout this Easter season and beyond?

In this letter I would like to talk about “Small Christian Community” (SCC) program in the diocese of Gizo. In diocesan planning for stage I states, “there will be Priority given to the formation of Small Christian Communities, which are an essential aspect of re-

newal in a Church of Communion”.

Therefore, forming of SCC in our diocese is really important not only for the leaders, but for every catholic under the diocese of Gizo. This expression of community is the space in which people can most effectively and deeply, live communion, creating a greater depth and meaning in their relationships.

The program was actually started with a training of the parish leaders and it was recommended that they would go back and train the parish visitors.

And I believed that this was done in all the parishes. I would like to encourage you to continue with your good work as we have not reached the final stage yet.

We know very well that forming and building small Christian Communities is not easy. It will require your time, knowledge and sometime your family commitments. What are certain brothers and sisters that we are not doing it for our own sake, but for the Lord and for the church of the diocese of Gizo?

During the priest meeting in April 2017, all our priests and the bishop agreed not to have any plan at the diocesan level but to evaluate and continue with the SCC program in the parishes until we reached the final stage which is forming Scc in the parishes, diocese of Gizo.

May I conclude with the words of His Holiness Pope Francis saying about vocation 2017“Commitment to mission is not something added on to the Christian life as a kind of decoration, but is instead an essential element of faith itself”.

Therefore, let us be committed and faithful to our mission of building and forming SCC in our parishes, diocese of Gizo.



Bishop Capelli sdb Welcome Back after Nine Months at Italy

The Parishioners for the Catholic Diocese of Gizo were happy to received back their bishop Bishop Luciana Capelli after returning from a medical trip in Italy.

An unexpected welcome ceremony was on Friday the 31st of March where most of the parishioners were curious to hear about his (bishop) current health status.

In his speech which the bishop was so tired but happy and looks healthy he said, with the solidarity of the parishioners he is fighting

against the cancer, and with many prayers from the good people of the 3 diocese and others gave him courage which his body cannot carry on but his spirit gives him all the energy he need through nine months and every day to fight the sickness.

The bishop said that it was a long fight since it was a winter season in Italy that is six degree below zero, and also experience a lot of nausea and received more medication to stop the cancer cells to develop.

Two tests result came negative but have to return for further tests and further examinations to detect that the cancer cells are totally gone.

The bishop said he is being encourage by his doctor to have more rests due to the low resistance of his immune system to fight the sickness. But with his love for his diocese and country Solomon Island he had to return to serve.

The most Revered Bishop Luciano Capelli sdb have his yearly priest meeting with his parish priests week he was welcomed.



New Filipino Teacher to Serve Don Bosco Secondary School Nila Shortland Island.

A new foreign teacher to serve Don Bosco secondary school at Nila

Shortland Island was welcomed at Nusatupe Airstrip.

She is Madam Mariter Mayor Alamil, 51 from Filipino arrived in Gizo on Monday the 1st of May on the feast day of St. Joseph the worker.

She served as a teacher in the Philippines and handled classes in Christian living education and in guidance, mostly in secondary schools. Last year she taught humanities and world religious in the senior high school, and left for Solomon this year 2017.

Madam Mariter belong to a large family with 2 brothers and 7 sis-

ters, all alive and the eldest brother died when Mariter was 4 years old.

Both her parents dead, mother in 2000 and her father in 2013.

When I asked Mariter, what is her expectation, she said that she really don't have much expectations but what is within herself is the excitement and the desire to be with the people of Solomon Islands, particular in Nila, and be a part of their leaning process. "I am here to serve and to love, all for God's greater glory", said Madam Mariter.

**Sacred Heart of Jesus
Solemnity**

23rd June 2017.

The SHJ Wagina Parish Feast day



Youth Office to Have New Youth Coordinator.



Ms. Rachel Eria

Despite a lot of programs coming up for the youths, our youth office will have its new youth coordinator.

She is Ms. Rachel Eria who is from part Kiribati and Malaita, was serving the western province as a registration clerk since 2013.

An energetic young lady who has her dream to work with youths around our diocese will team up with our pastoral team, touring, working collaboratively with parish youth coordinators and facilitating youth ministry around our diocese.

She will take up office on the 1st June 2017 and is expected to set up youth programs for youth around the parishes.

Youth for Christ (YFC) Conduct first Visitation.

The Catholic Diocese of Gizo Youth for Christ (YFC) launch its first visitation program to the needy people over the weekend.

Granny Seno Rurumae was the first to be visited on Sunday the 30th April at her daughters resident at Gizo banana valley.

The aging mother was very excited when she received the youths who they gave their wonderful message through singing, praying and sharing which uplifts her spirit.

The YFC program was mainly to encourage, impact or to renew youths by its programs of activities, that one may become good citizen of this country Solomon Island.

Accompanying the youths was their parish priest Fr. Stephen Te'e.



YFC Youths Pause for a Picture taking with their Parish Priest & granny Seno Rurumae.

WANT to JOIN RELIGIOUS ORDERS

Dominican Sisters, OP
Sr. Superior
PO Box 22, Gizo
Tel: 677 60123, Gizo Community
Email: signadou@solomon.com.sb

Dominican Fathers & Brothers, OP
Fr. Vicar Provincial
PO Box R91, Honiara
Tel: 677 36011
Email: paroi@solomon.com.sb

Salesiana of Don Bosco, SDB
Fr. Rector
Don Bosco Technical Institute
PO Box R566, Honiara
Tel: 677 36222 (R), 36512 (O)
Email: dominickachira@gmail.com

If you are interested to become a religious in any of the above congregations, address your letter to the Director of Vocations using their postal address or email.

For those who are interested to become diocesan priest in our Diocese. You are free to contact:

The Vicar General
Fr. Jacob Qetobatu
Catholic Diocese of Gizo
PO Box 22, Gizo
Western Province
Tel: 60130
Email: vicarg@catholicgizo.org

DIOCESE PROGRAM COMING FOR YOUTHS,

COME AND SEE SEMINAR

Date: 4th - 6th July 2017

Venue: Nila Mission Station

Contact your parish priest for registration if you are interest to become priest.

Noro Anglicans and Catholics Combine to Celebrate Good Friday. (From Fr. Tony compiled by DoG media office).



At 10:30am on Good Friday 14th April; both the Anglicans and Catholics gathered to celebrate the Passion of the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ at Baru Noro.

The combine celebration was very devotional as young people, men, women and of course the kids show solidarity among these 2 churches.

Along the main road the performance of the Lord's passion played starting with the narrators intonation, in the garden. The heavy cross of 10'x6' was laid on the shoulder of the central actor.

'A very moving service, almost after a gap of about 20 years' commented the ladies and the Anglicans, who had their worship in the morning, were encouraged to go to the Catholic church at 3.00 pm when the Noro Catholic community normally have the Veneration of the Cross.

And in Canaan a beautiful way of the cross was organized by the families living around that location.

Each station a cross with the picture of the particular station was placed.

After prayer and singing at each station, the cross is also carried in a procession and at the end of it, all the 14 crosses are heaped in one place to be burnt on Easter Vigil for the new fire and to light the Paschal candle from this fire. This reminds them their own failures of the past one year for all people to witness and be nail it all as the cross, trudge along the way carrying it, to help them purge the hurts and wounds, and finally burn it to lead a new life, purified by the fire of the Vigil.

2nd April 2017 Marks 10th Anniversary of Earthquake & Tsunami.

it's exactly a decade now, and without staying back, but anger to visit the area that has been ravaged by the tsunami of 2007.

Fr. S Tony and Paolo are taking a visit on Tuesday 2nd May this year. Mainly to take good pictures, interviewing, visiting the Kindergarten school built by AMIS' good friends from Italy etc.

Ms. Paolo, a teacher herself, has an extraordinary interest in the education of the children and concentrates on upscaling the skills of the kindergarten teachers by seminars, periodical supply of materials, and regular visits to this kindergarten for an interaction with the teachers.

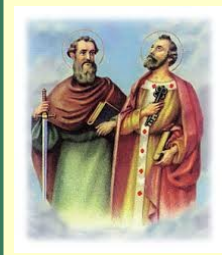


One of the picture taken by Paola

And Fr. S Tony a parish priest from Noro, who continuing collecting history's and interviewing people.

SPECIAL NOTICE TO ALL PARISH MEDIA COORDINATORS

Take note that you are spreading the good news to all people of good will. And your MESSAGE is all about GOOD NEWS. You are not allowed to spread news articles regarding complains that may lead to other complains. You have your freedom to send news articles about politics or regarding news outside our Church to Solomon star / Island sun, but without harming their reputation.



Feast Day of St. Peter and St. Paul.

29th of June 2017
St. Peter's Parish Gizo
Feast day

THE HOLY DOOR PILGRIMAGE AROUND OUR PARISHES



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PEER PRESURES

Elementary-School-Aged Child and Peer Pressure.

Peer pressure is a natural occurrence in every child's life and can start the second your child walks in the school doors.

Communicate about Peer Pressure

• **Good communication.** Ask your child how their day was and what happened regularly. Always be open and ready to listen when your child decides to come to you.



• **Be involved.** Share in your child's favorite activities with them. Be aware of what movies, TV shows, books, music and websites they like. Also, know where your child is at all times and get to know their friends.

• **Take a breather.** When your child is asked to engage in a particular activity, encourage them to step back and think about it.

• **Lay the law.** Establish rules that are followed regularly.

• **Healthy relationships.** Talk to your child about the qualities they look for a friend. You can also encourage healthy social get-togethers like play dates.



• **Talk about the future.** Talk with your school-aged child about things they might hear about in school, such as drugs, alcohol and sex. You'll want to explain the dangers and consequences of partici-