



Ordination of Deacons Niko and Vian

KAPUAS HULU, Indonesia - On Wednesday, November 27, 2019, the Eucharistic Celebration of the Diaconal Ordination of Nikodemus Hermiawan, SMM and Oktavianus Klido Wekin, SMM took place in Indonesia. The celebration was held at the Deo Soli Spiritual Center at 4:00 pm and was presided by the Bishop of the Diocese of Sintang, Mgr. Samuel Oton Sidin, OFM-Cap. Among those present during the celebration were the people from the local government of Kapuas Hulu regency, the religious, parents and relatives of the deacons, the faithful and a dozen of concelebrants.

The dance and music of Sape' Dayak Kayaan accompanied the bishop, the concelebrating priests, the deacons and the parents of the latter during the opening procession towards the altar.

Before the final blessing, Fr. Antonius Tensi, SMM, the provincial superior of the Indonesian Province of the Missionaries of the Company of Mary said: *"We thank God for this event of faith and we continue to pray that our two deacons will be truly faithful in exercising their functions"*.

Likewise, Mgr. Samuel Oton Sidin, OFM-Cap congratulated Niko and Vian and the Company of Mary who have given the two deacons to the Church and hoped that in the future, there would be other deacons who will be ordained to serve the Church.

For those who want to know more about this ordination, you may watch the video on YouTube: *"Perayaan Ekaristi & pentahbisan Diakoniat - Serikat Maria Montfortan(SMM) di Rumah Retret Deo Soli"* with the link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F_TanY4SHAY.