

16 Young men begin Montfortian initial formation in Indonesia

FLORES, Indonesia – On 25th March 2022, the Solemnity of Annunciation, 16 young men began their initial formation at Novisiat Montfortan in Ruteng, Flores.

Their novitiate formation was initiated by a formal acceptance in the *Morning Prayer* of the Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The celebration was presided by Fr. Kristianus Jumi NGAMPU SMM on behalf of the Provincial Superior of Indonesia, Fr. Antonius TENSI SMM.

In his brief reflection, Fr. Tian reminded the new novices to let everything go and let God himself lead them in living their formative life as Montfortian candidates. Citating the historical moments at Cesson Bridge of our holy Founder, St. Louis-Marie de Montfort, he said that they should let themselves be inspired by the way of life of St. Montfort. He has let everything else behind even his proper family and abandoned himself to God alone.

He added that they are not alone. There are so many people who support them, both their family members, friends, and especially the formators who are going to accompany them to find out the will of God according to the spirit of St. Montfort.

The new novices are namely, Kristian Goodlive Vertigo SABAR (Goodli), Petronius TIBO (Eton), Oswaldus GADU (Dus), Yosep Mariano Debipor RIBERU (Josi), Philipus BAANG (Philip), Marianus MUDA KERAY (Marno), Emanuel FETO (Eman), Yonesmus Rikardus TURUT (Riki),

Agustinus Rudi Andre EFENDI (Andre), Adrianus MORE (Aron), Dominikus Sryakus LARGUS (Largus), Virus Apriliandro PAN (Apri), Edward Ariyavan Shailent DHEI (Ari), Edelbertus Edwardo ENGGO (Edward), Ambrosius Rivaldo OLA KOTEN (Aldo), and Martinus De Porrez WENDOS (Tino).

Please help the new novices with your prayers that they may grow in all dimensions of their lives in order to have a clear and necessary response to the call of God according to the spiritual path of St. Montfort.

Fr. Lodofikus NDONA, SMM