



Deacons Armel and Samuel hold a retreat ahead of ordination

CEBU CITY, Philippines - Deacons Armel Collantes and Samuel Gonzales recently completed a spiritual retreat to prepare for their upcoming ordination into the Sacred Order of Presbyters.

The four-day retreat, led by Rev. Fr. Santiago Casing, SMM, was held at the Jesuit Retreat House in Banawa, Cebu City from April 9 to 13, 2023. During the retreat, the deacons engaged in prayer, meditation, and reflection on the deepening of SMM Priestly Ministry. Their ordination is set to take place on April 15, 2023, at the Archdiocesan Shrine of the Immaculate Heart of Mary in Minglanilla, Cebu.

The deacons' retreat is an excellent opportunity for them to prepare themselves for their ordination and the responsibilities that come with it. They hope to emerge from the retreat renewed in spirit, ready to serve the Lord and their communities in the priesthood.