

**Bishop Nervi Media Centre Officially Opened** 

**LILONGWE, Malawi**- On 10<sup>th</sup> November, 2018, all roads converged at Area 2, Lilongwe, the capital city of Malawi, for the official opening and blessing of Bishop Nervi Media Centre. This grand celebration was led by Archbishop Tarcesius Ziyaye of Lilongwe Archdiocese and was graced by the presence of Emeritus Bishop Allesandro Pagani, SMM.

In his homily, Archbishop Tarcesius, emphasised the three necessary qualities for a local Church; self-propagating, self-supporting, and self-governing. He

exhorted all to take a crucial part in making the kingdom of God visible here on earth.

During the celebration, Montfort Media launched the new publications: *Buku la Misa la tsiku ndi tsiku* (week-day Missal) and *Buku la misa pa tsiku la mulungu ndi pa masiku oyera* (Sunday Missal and for special occasions).

In addition, different people were awarded certificates for their tremendous contribution to the inception and growth of Luntha and Montfort Media.

In his speech, the superior Delegate, Fr. Felix Mabvuto Phiri, SMM, said "What we are doing here today in launching the Luciano Nervi Media Centre in Lilongwe is a serious involvement and investment in social media for evangelisation of culture. This is what Montfort Media and Luntha Television are dedicated to do in these premises... We appeal to government, to foreign missions dedicated to reaching out for the betterment of the people of Malawi with different programs, to civil societies like non-governmental institutions, diocese, parishes and business firms. Let us be your audible voice through print media and television."

Moreover, Fr. Felix, SMM, ushered vote of thanks to Fr. Piergiorgio Gamba, SMM, Sr. Louisa Toghagh (a Canossian Daughter of Charity sister), Fr. Luciano Marangon, SMM, and Fr. Andrew Kaufa, SMM for dreaming in colours for Montfort Media and Luntha Television to be there. He challenged Fr. Blaise Jailosi, SMM and Fr. David Niwagaba, SMM who are the carriers of the dream, to continue these beautiful dreams.

In his speech, Archbishop Tarcesius, officially welcomed the Montfort Missionaries in Lilongwe archdiocese. He recommended their work and wished them all the best as they spread the gospel through print media and television. Meanwhile there are two confreres belonging to Lilongwe community.

Bishop Nervi Media Centre is dedicated to a Bishop who was a true son of Mary, a journalist and writer of many books and the bishop of Mangochi Diocese for 30 days. May Bishop Luciano Nervi, SMM continue praying for us and inspire this initiative that is named after him.

-Br. Bernard Maganga, SMM