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"Harana kay Maria" parishioners honor the Blessed Virgin Mary



The Music Ministry of the Sta. Teresita Parish hosted its first Marian Singing Contest on September 7, 2017 with the theme: "Harana kay Maria". The event was launched in honor of the birthday of the Mother of God, the Blessed Virgin Mary. The singing contest was only limited to residents of Barangay West Rembo, who are not members of the Music Ministry of the parish, whose age range were from 17 to 45 years old. After weeks of auditions, six contenders were screened and oriented to sing their chosen song about Mary or Motherly Love.

The contest proper started at eight in the evening with a Doxology by the St. Therese of the Child Jesus Children's Choir, followed by an opening message of Rev. Fr. Richard J. Magararu, SMM. The program was hosted by Mr. Jeff Aragon. Five prominent musicians were invited to sit in the Board of Judges. The night was truly a musical performance with the participation of the Music Ministry and the choral group Chorus Vocales Philippines as guest.

Fr. Richard surprised the audience with a special intermission number by playing a trumpet with Gemelson, a youth from the parish. They played two Marian songs entitled "Inay" and "Stella Maris". The judges, guests and contestants were given certificates and special tokens of appreciation for being a part of the initiative to honor Mary through music. After a serious deliberation, the winners were announced and received their plaques and cash prizes:

• 3rd Place - Mr. Jonnel Teves (sang "A Mother's Love" by Jim Brickman)

• 2nd Place - Ms. Kath Llorente (sang "Mary Did You Know" by Michael English)

• Champion - Ms. Melissa Pasquito (sang "Ave Maria" by Beyonce)

The STP Chorale also prepared a rendition of two Marian Songs "Stella Maris" and "Maria, Bukang Liwayway", followed by a birthday song for the Blessed Virgin. The audience was visibly stunned by the home-grown talent. The night was concluded by a closing prayer and final blessing of Rev. Fr. Angelito Pusikit, SMM, the Parochial Vicar of Sta. Teresita Parish.

The whole program of the "Harana Kay Maria" was the parish's fitting tribute to the birthday of the Mother of God. It was not only a singing contest but also a gesture of gratitude for the gift of singing. Musical talent is indeed a gift. – *Sis Jackielou Foster*

Advent Recollection at Montfort Center of Spirituality A Chel E. Sadaya

The Montfort Center of Spirituality held a Recollection in preparation for the Advent Season on the 19th of November, 2017 with the theme, "Mary the Perfect Model to Holiness." It was facilitated by Rev Fr. Fed Yumang, SMM. Holiness is connecting to God. Everyone is called to worship and participate

in the Love of God to men. Holiness in Montfortian Spirituality is to be selfless like Mary, the humble

servant of God. Mary has been the perfect model to holiness because of her committed

faith, zealous charity, deep humility, profound wisdom, great fortitude, inner strength, prompt obedience, purity and unwavering hope.



St. Therese of the Child Jesus Parish marks 25th Anniversary

Fr. Richard Magararu, SMM

The parish of St. Therese of the Child Jesus – Makati City celebrated its silver foundation anniversary July 12, 2017. Established on June 18, 1992 and formally inaugurated on July 12, 1992 under the archdiocese of Manila. This date is commemorated as its foundation anniversary. The administration of this parish was given to the Montfort



Missionaries by the late Jaime Cardinal Sin who was also the one who invited the Congregation to come to the Philippines. The first parish priest was Fr. Jose Luis Sandoval, a Colombian Montfort Missionary who was installed on the same day the parish was erected.

Novena masses were celebrated to prepare the parish community for the grand launching of the anniversary year. The Eucharistic celebrations were presided by the Montfortian priests who served the parish for the past twenty-five years.

Representatives from different zones, organizations and ministries gave testimonies on the development of the parish. On the last day of the Novena, statues of St. Therese of the Child Jesus were distributed to the zone leaders. The images will journey from one house to another, to every family in the zones.

Bishop Broderick Pabillo, D.D., Auxiliary Bishop of Manila celebrated the mass on the last day of the novena. In his homily, he emphasized the significance of celebrating a milestone in the life of the parish community. He said "what is being celebrated is the faithfulness of God". He challenged the parishioners to reach out to others who are baptized but are lost.

A "Barrio Fiesta" reception was held in the covered court of the place after the mas. There was a program of traditional folk dances and songs. An array of Filipino dishes was served. The parishioners, particularly the active members of different organizations, were dressed in traditional Filipino attire. Everybody enjoyed the night. A raffle draw of 25 bags of rice, 25 flat irons, 25 kettles and 25 electric fans donated by the parishioners themselves added fun to the celebration. It was a wonderful evening to start the yearlong celebrations of being a community the Montfort Missionary way.

Cebu Totus Tuus Journey Batch 15 Begins

On August 6, 2017, Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord, participants from different parts of Cebu came to the Montfort Mission House at E. Apostol Street, Lower Calajo-an, Minglanilla, Cebu to start their Totus Tuus Journey (TTJ)- a 33 day Preparation for Total Consecration to Jesus through Mary. A concelebrated Mass was held for the launching of TTJ batch 15.

Concelebrators of the Mass were Rev. Fr. Richard J. Magararu, SMM, the Delegation Superior of the Montfort Missionaries in the Philippines, Rev. Fr. Federick B. Yumang, SMM, the Director of the St. Louis-Marie de Montfort Center of Spirituality Philippines and Rev Fr. Sherwin Y. Nunez, SMM, the Superior of the Montfort Cebu Mission Team. This was also attended by those who made their consecration (from Batch 1-14), the Daughters of Wisdom, the regular Massgoers from the neighborhood, and the families and friends of the participants.

The participants expressed how much they were inspired by their experience of the first step of their Totus Tuus Journey, how determined they are to continue participating in the forthcoming sessions and to be able to renew their baptismal promises. They were all excited to consecrate themselves to Jesus through Mary so they can wholeheartedly say "I am all Yours and all that I have is Yours O Jesus through Mary".

Glory to Jesus in Mary. Glory to God Alone!

EDITORIAL You Are the Fortunate One

C For God so loved the world that He gave His Only Begotten Son Jesus Christ to save humankind." What love can be greater than God's love?

So, the story is told: the Angel of the Lord appeared unto Mary and said: "Behold Mary! the Father Almighty has chosen you to be the Mother of God. You shall bear a son and shall call his name Emmanuel."

Bewildered, yet, in all humility and obedience Mary said: "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord, be it done unto me according to Thy word." And the word was made flesh as promised.

We live at a time far distant from the time our Lord Jesus was born. This nativity we celebrate as Christmas, His Passion, Death and Resurrection are all part of the Promise of God's love. No matter how far we are now from these, we continue to relive His life in our hearts. As Christians all these events in the life of Jesus have become our living faith of hope in God's love – for Salvation.

How do we relate to all these?

Immersed in the nitty-gritty of our own personal lives, have we a special moment reserved to be grateful for God's graces? Fortunate to be among the blessed faithful, we can't close our eyes to the fact that as we breathe amidst all the crisis in our lives there are those in the marginalized sector of our society who are wanting of love and compassion.

Take on to the streets, the slums, the hospices, the home for the aged, the hospitals. See for yourselves the ravages of war our fellows in Marawi, the pain of losing a loved one. Try to put yourself in their shoes, see their lives from their eyes and try to reflect on how fortunate you are.

Who has space in his heart to do a simple act of giving back to God... a simple act of sharing and giving to those who are less privileged – the havenots, of loving and completing the wantings of the unloved and uncared for?

Make a difference. Just as the Father had sacrificed His Only Begotten Son through Mary who humbled and obediently committed herself to Motherhood.

Any simple act of love and kindness will bring praise and glory to God. An act of kindness can go a long way.

Christmas is a celebration of God's love, of sharing, giving and forgiving. Bring joy to all... share!

Wishing everyone a Joyful Christmas and a Blessed 2018.



was blessed with the opportunity of

p r a y i n g the Living Rosary with a youth group last October 28 at the Montfort Center of Spirituality. As a senior citizen in a pre-departure mode, but still concerned about the future of community, society and Church, praying with the youth was an experience in having hope that indeed, the Immaculate Heart of Mary and the Sacred Heart of Jesus will prevail in the end.

The news these days, even when filtered for fake and ideological news, can be very disturbingwar mongering by the super powers, political and religious fundamentalism, the arrogance of supposedly brilliant scientists proclaiming without scientific evidence! - that science can explain God, unhinged secularism that protects extreme minority views, but rejects historical Christian roots, the coming of legalized assisted suicide for those who can be "persuaded" and the threat of artificial intelligence that

LIVING ROSARY with the YOUTH: An enriching experience

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will mimic human consciousness. I tell myself that anyway, I will be long gone before these trends come to

fruition. But I cannot really cut myself off from community and Church without becoming cynical and selfabsorbed. And so I wonder how my community and Church will carry on. Praying the rosary with youth two weekends ago was the answer! Youth makes for continuity and a hope based on faith in the gift of an inner being that was created and redeemed in love. These were the thoughts and feelings within me praying the rosary with youth. If these young people sustain their prayer and attract more young people, then Jesus through Mary will continue to anchor our beliefs and actions until the end.

Perhaps, the youth then should be a focus for the Association of Mary, Queen of All Hearts (AMQAH) and the Montfort Center of Spirituality (MCS). Maybe, their hearts and minds are where the tug of war between hope and despair is happening and where Jesus through Mary will ultimately triumph.



Be Touched by the Humility of God

Rev. Fr. Federick Yumang, SMM MCS Spiritual Director



Christmas is just around the corner. Indeed time flies! Once again, we are in the joyous, most anticipated, most celebrated and much-loved season of the year in the Philippines, not to mention that in this Pearl of the Orient, whose majority of the population are Catholics, we have the longest celebration of the Christmas Season. As early as September you can hear Christmas songs being played over the radio, and every home and establishments begin to put up their Christmas decorations. Some shopping malls are already planning to introduce their Holiday Sale.

Amidst the hustle and bustle of the season, we are being reminded not to be carried away and forget the real essence of it. There is Christmas because there is God who keeps His promise no matter what. Let us not forget the star of the season and the reason why there is Christmas: Jesus, the Son of God and the Son of Mary.

The story of Christmas is the story of the humility of God who "emptied Himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness" (Phil2:7) and the response of humanity, through Mary who said "Let it be done to me according to Your word" (Luke 1:37). Mary was able to say her fiat because "she is full of grace" (Luke 1:28).

God fulfilled His promise of salvation to humanity through Mary and He intends to keep it through her. The baby born in the manger gives us life, joy and hope. He brings us new way of looking and living our life. He gives us joy in receiving and in giving. He brings us hope that no matter what, God is with us because He is Emmanuel. As we celebrate this season, like Mary we can also say our fiat to God and be touched by the humility of God so as to live and share Jesus with the world not only during this season but everyday of our life for the Glory of God Alone.

On behalf of Rev. Fr. Richard J. Magararu, SMM, the Delegation Superior of the Montfort Missionaries in the Philippines and all the members of the Delegation and Lay Associations, I wish you all and your family a joyous Christmas and a grace-filled New Year!

The Nativity

"And she gave birth to her firstborn son; and she wrapped him in cloths, and laid Him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the inn." - Luke 2:7 \neq Sancti

HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS

So, why was the Savior and King born in a place where animals were kept? And why was He then laid in the animals' food trough? Surely, God's Son deserved a highprofile birth in the most elegant of surroundings. But, instead, God's Son made His appearance on earth in the lowliest of circumstances. This humble birth conveys an amazing message to creation: the transcendent God condescended to come to us. Instead of coming to earth as a pampered, privileged ruler, Jesus was born in meekness, as one of us. He is approachable, accessible, available - no palace gates bar the way to Him; no ring of guards prevents our approach. The King of Kings came humbly, and His first bed was a manger - a major spiritual symbol: Jesus born on the first Christmas in the poverty of the manger is food

for our souls. Jesus feeds us with Word and Sacrament, His Gospel and the Eucharist. Jesus' Word is like no other food, it has the power to save our souls. (Jas 1:21)

The infant in the feeding trough is the Bread of Life (Jn 6:35), the true bread comes down from heaven, and whoever eats this bread will live forever. (Jn 6:51) If a person wants to be spiritually well-fed, it is important to read the Scripture and receive the Eucharist often. Sad to say, many still do not understand! The first Christmas that happened at the time of pomp and pageantry of the Roman Empire can still be seen in our present time with all the merriment and festivities of our celebration starting the "ber" months up to the feast of the Sto. Nino - the longest Christmas celebration in the world! In the busyness and frenzied preparation for the birthday of the Lord, we could be forgetting the reason for the season! If only we find time to be still and silent so that Mother Mary can

find room where she can lay the Baby Jesus in the manger of our hearts. This way, Christmas our would not just be merry and happy, but truly blessed and meaningful!

This is love unequalled.

A Book Review "Friends of the Cross": Straight from our Beloved St. Louise de Montfort

Friends of the Cross is a 36-page booklet containing a letter written by St. Louise de Montfort after an eightday retreat meditating on the mystery of Calvary. He wanted to communicate to his fervent followers the fruits of his sublime meditation and poured forth the burning sentiments of his apostolic soul in this work. The preface of the booklet written by the editor states, "In this epistle, he gives us a holy doctrine which he preached and lived all his life, thus imitating his Divine Master, Jesus Christ."

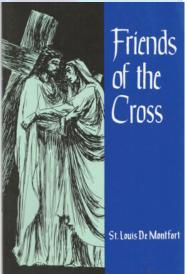
Although written more than two centuries ago to fight against the evils and vices of those days, this "letter" retains all its freshness and usefulness. It wages a holy war on the evils, vices, pagan materialism and secularism of the present day. St. Louis gives us a panacea for all these ills: Christian mortification, prayer and a total consecration of ourselves to the Immaculate Heart of Mary. In a strong staccato tone, he tells us "to suffer, weep, fast, pray and hide, humiliate, impoverish and mortify ourselves. He who has not the Spirit of Christ, which is the Spirit of the Cross, does not belong to Him, but they who belong to Him have crucified their flesh and their concupiscence.

Is this not the message our Lady of Fatima gave to the

world - penance, mortification, sacrifice, prayers and consecration to her Immaculate Heart - in 1917? Is it not our Blessed Mother who guided and inspired her faithful Apostle to write it?

Thus, imbued with a burning love for Christ Crucified, a love born of humiliation, suffering, persecution and contempt, like his Divine Master, St. Louis gives us, at the close of his "letter," some wise, prudent rules that teach us how to suffer and bear our crosses patiently, willingly and joyfully in the footsteps of Our Lord and Crucified Savior. Thus, convinced of the necessity of the Cross, stimulated by the happy effects it produces in our souls and guided by these same rules laid down by St. Louis de Montfort, we will more readily renounce Satan, the world and the flesh; we will more carefully heed Christ's admonition: "If any one wishes to come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow Me" (Luke 8-23).

It might be worthwhile to find time to read the two parts of the booklet: "Excellence of the Association of the Friends of the Cross" and "Practices of Christian Perfection". 🖉 Sol Flores



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The Faithful Gear Up for December 8

To many, including even Catholics, the Immaculate Conception is To many, including even Catholics, the Infinate set of Jesus, which is commonly confused with the virgin birth of Jesus, which is covered by the Doctrine of Incarnation, while the Immaculate Conception deals with the conception of Mary, not that of her Son.

Yet, it is the belief of most Catholics, especially Marian devotees, burgeoned increasingly by Montfortian missionary priests who unceasingly propagate the reign of Christ through devotion to His mother, that Mary was sinless, or conceived with an immaculate soul. This doctrine was defined in 1854 by Pope Pius IX. The Catholic Church celebrates the Feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8, a holiday in many Catholic countries, a holy day of obligation or patronal feast and in some, a national public holiday.

The Roman Catholic Church teaches that the Immaculate Conception is necessary because, without it, Jesus would have been the object of His own grace, a fallacy for the selfless member of the Holy Trinity. The "Hail Mary" suffuses the Son with a mother who is full of it.

To the Catholic, Mary is not divine and prayers to her are not answered by her, but rather by God through her powerful, empowering intercession. The Blessed Virgin Mary has a more central role in Roman Catholic teachings and beliefs than in any other major Christian group. To this believer, it is all a matter of faith, which the heart fulfills with its every beat. 🖾 Vérité

Marian Devotees... Continuation from page 4 _

Following are expressions of enjoyment and reflections about the participants' experiences:

"Mary is a lady of beautiful love. This is why I was persuaded by Veron to join. I slept early, woke up still early so slept again but woke up late, ngarag time! But because Mary arranges everything, na-late kami but you waited, yun lang? - Queenie from Merville

"I never miss praying the holy hour and I was sick so promised to join this pilgrimage. Because of that, gumaling ako." - Nene from Guadalupe "Veron invited me. I wasn't in the

original list but she said may dalawang bakante. This is my first time. I had only two hours of sleep pero takot ako malate, so I tried not to sleep and to be not tired, kayahin." - Mabel from Bulacan

"I'm Veron's workmate, last minute confirmation. If other senior citizens can do it, why can't I, while there's time." - Sol

"Let us allow better things to happen in our favor." - Veron

"I appreciate that Fr. Rene made it fun, tiring and exciting. I enjoyed the praying part, although sa pag-akyat, dahan dahan lang." - **Raquel**

To which Father Rene responded: "Kung wala kayo, walang bibili ng jokes.' 'Thanks for the help in getting off

and on the bus, I have a very bad knee, but I like pilgrimages, this is my third." -Verna of Madriñan

"Tinapik ako ni Mary. As a priest coordinator, I deal with new recruits to the order. Kanina stuck ang pare sa traffic, magpa-panic na sana ako but prayed instead, the parish priest agreed to sub." - Becky, TTJer

Yung second stop natin sa Samat, sa libro lang nakikita, I like that it's peaceful in spite of the ravages of war." EJ of Carcar, Cebu

This is my first Montfort pilgrimage

LIFE and WORK of ST. LOUIS-MARIE GRIGNION de MONTFORT

OUIS-MARIE GRIGNION was born on January 31, 1673. Towards the end of 1693, he studied his early priesthood at the renowned Seminary of Saint-Sulpice in Paris. Due to lack of enough support from his benefactor he lived with the very poor. While attending the Soborne University for Theology, he got very ill and was hospitalized. To his surprise, upon his release from the hospital, he found himself at the Little Saint-Sulpice. Saint-Sulpice was founded by Jean Jacques Olier, one of the leading exponents of the known French school of spirituality. At the Little Saint-Sulpice, Louis was given the work as a librarian that gave him the opportunity to study most of the available works on spirituality.

One of the spiritual beings he had devotion to was the angel; even in his seminarian life in Paris he urged his fellow students and friends to show respect and tenderness to their guardian angels. This was an influence on him bv his Jesuits, college teachers, the who were known for their zeal in promoting the veneration of angels, the pure spirits, which was an integral part of his training and culture. Working in

dahil binigyan ako ng Diyos ng panahon. Pag sama-sama sa Mt. Samat kahit ngatog tuhod nakaakyat." Christopher (seminarian)

"Gawain ko flag-raiser. I reflect on it as guiding, to upgrade to more people to guide. I need your prayers, please." Vincent (seminarian)

kong magsimba kay "Gusto Montfort, sa Samat hirap ako umakyat pero nakita ko ang mga sundalo, tatay ko kasi USAFFE." - Mrs. Punzalan, 80 years old

"First time ko sa Manila.

the library brought him in contact with the work of Cardinal de Berulle and Olier, both of whom had a deep veneration for the angels.

He often ended his letters with a greeting to the guardian angel of the person he was writing to, of if he visited places, he saluted the angels of the place, cities or new village. What a very interesting trait of Louis-Marie Grignion of Montfort. Do we have the same feeling about our guardian angel or the angels in the places we visit?

Now that you have learned the early life of Louis de Montfort, does it help you to follow his lead? Some of you could relate to the way of study support he got from benefactors, who promised, but did not go through making him find his ways to accomplish his dream of being a priest.

In spite of all the difficulties, he was ordained a Jesuit priest in June 1700 and was assigned to

Nantes, a place he visited and where he saluted the angels earlier. Louis was not satisfied with just being a priest, his great desire was to go and preach to foreign missions and one

of these places was the French colony of Canada, which his spiritual director was against. \land Rose

napakaganda, ang laki ng cross, nakaka-amaze. Sa museum ang lalaki ng damit tunay na nandyan lagi si Maria binigyan tayo ng magandang panahon, ang ganda." - Brian from Cebu

[note: this was the comment that brought the bus down]

"I had an accident and so went to churches to ask Mary if I am meant for the seminary or if she has other plans. This is my renewal. Kung magiging pari ako I need your prayers." – **James**, Argao \land Vérité

Marian Devotees join 27th Montfortian Pilgrimage



One hundred thirty-four Marian devotees participated in a daylong pilgrimage to four churches and the national shrine in Bataan. This was organized by the Montfort Center of Spirituality. The places visited were: St Michael, The Archangel Church -Barangay San Vicente, Orion, Mt. Samat in Pilar, Ima Flora Pamangan – Balanga, St Joseph Cathedral, St Dominic Church – Abucay, and the Parish of the Holy Rosary – Orani.

The prayer-filled journey to the churches and the national shrine was facilitated and enlivened by the Montfortian priests headed by Father Richard Magararu -Philippine Delegation Superior, Fathers Fed Yumang, Rene Bustillo, Benjie Notarte, Norwyn Bayao, Arnel Pagaduan and other brothers.

A Mass was celebrated at the first stop and a mystery of the Holy Rosary was prayed at each succeeding stop. *Continued on page 3*



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FEAS	T DAYS & SOLEMNITIES	Year 20 01-Jan	18 Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
Year 2 08-Dec	2017 Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Principal Patroness of the Philippines	09-Jan 21-Jan 31-Jan 02-Feb 11-Feb	Feast of Jesus, the Nazarene Feast of the Sto Niño Birthday of St Louis Marie de Montfort Feast of the Presentation of the Lord Jesus Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes
12-Dec	Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe Secondary Patroness of the Philippines	14-Feb 19-Mar	Ash Wednesday (Fasting and Abstinence) Solemnity of St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary
25-Dec	Christmas, Solemnity of the Birth of the Lord Jesus	24-Mar	(Saturday) Feast of the Annunciation of the Lord Jesus
31-Dec	Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph	29-Mar 30-Mar 31-Mar	Paschal Triduum (Holy Thursday) Paschal Triduum (Good Friday) Paschal Triduum (Easter Vigil)
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A Marian-Montfortian Exhibit launched



The annual Marian Exhibit was launched October 21, 2017 led by Fr. Nelson Cabañero, SMM, through prayers and hymns on the opening rites of the two-week display at the Montfort Center of Spirituality (MSC), spearheaded by Fr. Federick 'Fed' Yumang, SMM, with assistance of the MSC seminarians. The unveiling of a panorama featured unique images of our Blessed Mother. It showcased the life of our Blessed Mother, her titles and privileges.

A Mass was concelebrated by Fr. Nelson and Fr. Fed. In his homily, Fr. Nelson shared MARY – Mother-Anawin-Reconciler-Yoke, (connector to God) - a gift to one and all. Before the Mass ended, Fr. Fed invited the assembly to enjoy the beauty and tenderness of Mary with a "Hail Mary" prayer said before each image. He said, "This is the Mary who Montfort loved." to highlight spirituality. After the Mass, the exhibit was graced with the presence of Rev. Fr. Richard Magararu, Superior of the Philippine Delegation, who venerated each image as the "Ave Maria" was sung. Father Richard imparted his words of wisdom afterwards.

The exhibit was visited daily by Legionaries from Papua New Guinea and Luzon, Marian devotees, religious, students, friends and relatives of the Montfort family, TTJers and the youth.

Reflections of Legionaries from the Holy Spirit Parish who are currently taking the Totus Tuus Journey:

"I feel loved and inside me, a cry for joy that I never have to worry because Mama Mary is there for me. Thank you for inviting us." – Sis Maritess Bautista

"I was overwhelmed by the outpouring of graces of Mama Mary to all of us. Being deeply in love with her, I would be more active in remembering how she loves and cares for us." – Sis Rose Funa

"The song written by Bro Armel and sung by Sis Jackie is the highlight of the Himig Para Kay Maria. I had this rare chance to pray to the Expectant Mother Mary for my daughter to get pregnant. I hope Jesus will answer my plea through Mama Mary." – Sis Amy Reyes

"I am inspired by the efforts of the Fathers to source unique and beautiful images of Mama Mary some I've seen the first time. I am inspired by the image of the Expectant Mama Mary and images where she is sad - at the foot of the Cross and holding the crown of thorns, for they show how human she is. Having my baby and losing a father, I am inspired to live like her – kakayanin ang buhay." – Angelica Fernandez-Tolentino

"The Himig Para Kay Maria" as Closing Event of the two-week Marian Exhibit was a grace-filled moment for all of us who were privileged to attend it. Our Blessed Mother must have been glad to receive our tokens of love for her and her beloved Son through our prayers to the Little Crown, and songs and flowers offered. It was wonderful to end with the newly composed song to Mary, Queen of All Hearts." – Sis Ana Marie Fondevilla, pioneer TTJer, TTJ Facilitator. \measuredangle Geraldine Fernandez



MCS EVENTS 2018

31-January	Birthday of St Louis Marie de Montfort
February	Montfortian Pilgrimage
24-February	MCS Lenten Recollection (No. 47 Scout Madriñan Street, Brgy. South Triangle, Quezon City)
March	Recollection Totus Tuus Journey (TTJ)
25-March 09-April	Feast of the Annunciation General Assembly of TTJers
28-April	Feast of St Louis Marie de Montfort Dinner for a Cause
June	Consecration of TTJers (Holy Spirit Parish, BF Homes, Quezon City)

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