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A New Bishop for Papua New Guinea

PAPUA New Guinea has a new Bishop. Rochus Tatamai msc, a grand nephew of Blessed Peter To Rot, has been ordained assistant bishop of Kerema.

The Episcopal ordination took place at the Basilica of Blessed Peter To Rot at Rakunai, East New Britain on the Fest of the Archangels. The day was chosen in line with the commemoration of the first arrival of the MSC missionaries at Matupit Island, Rabaul, 125 years ago. The day also marked the 60th anniversary of the Martyrdom of Blessed Peter To Rot.

The consecration Mass began midmorning with Archbishop Karl Hesse MSC, Archbishop of Rabaul as the principal consecrating bishop, main celebrant and homilist. Other bishops present included Bishop Paul Marx MSC, Bishop of Kerema and Bishop Ambrose Kiaseni, MSC, Bishop of Kavieng. Also present were Archbishop Adolfo Toto C. Yllana, Apostolic Nuncio; Bishop O'Grady from Gizo in the Solomon Island; Bishop Henk Kronenberg, bishop of Bougainville; Bishop Francesco Panfilo SDB, Bishop of Alotau;

Bishop Patrick Taval MSC, Assistant of Rabaul and Bishop Anthony Burgess of Wewak.

After the reading of the Gospel, Bishop Elect Rochus was brought forward by his classmates of seminary days and fellow members of his congregation from his formation years with the MSC's along with his father and mother. He was dressed traditionally.

The Papal Nuncio next read the letter of appointment from Pope Benedict in both Tok Pisin and Latin which was welcomed warmly by the large congregation that packed the basilica. The rite of ordination was done in Tok Pisin. His crosier which was presented to him was made from wood from Milne Bay.

After the Ordination, the Bishop of Kerema, Bishop Paul Marx MSC expressed his gratitude for having a new bishop with him in Kerema. He said that for the last three years he had been asking Rome to appoint an assistant bishop for the diocese because of the difficulties he faced in looking after the diocese.

Bishop stressed that the new bishop should not be regarded as a 'half' bishop but that Bishop Rochus would function as a 'full' bishop in the Diocese of Kerema.

All the collection of the Episcopal ordination is to be given to the Diocese of Kerema.

Bishop Rochus' motto is, GOD WANTAIM YUMI.



Installation: The new bishop Rochus Tatamai msc gets the blessing for his role.

MILNE BAY WITNESSES FIRST EVER MARTYRDOM CELEBRATION

By Maryann Maso

ALMOST one thousand Catholics from the Diocese of Alotau celebrated the 150th Anniversary of the Martyrdom of Blessed John Mazzucconi at the Cathedral of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on Sunday, September 25.

It was the first ever celebration of this kind in Milne Bay and the first time too for the Pope's representative, the Apostolic Nuncio to Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands, Archbishop Adolfo Tito Yllana, to visit Alotau. He was in fact the main celebrant at the 9:00 am Solemn Mass.

Ahead of the event, the Diocesan Preparatory Committee sent out Novenas, Booklets and Prayer cards to each parish. This helped the faithful understand the importance of the Martyrdom of Blessed John Mazzucconi for the Church in Milne Bay and for ourselves as Christians.

Among the guests at the Solemn Mass were United Church Ministers,

Reverend Wilson Isaac and Dago Walino, Senior Provincial High School Inspector, Mr. Michael Ova, Alotau emeritus Bishop Desmond Moore, MSC and Bishops from Mt. Hagen, Vanimo, Bougainville and Honiara. Also present was Goroka Bishop Francesco Sarego SVD, President of the Catholic Bishops Conference of Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands, Fr. Gianbattista Zaachi, PIME General Superior, Seminarians, Priests, Brothers, Sisters mostly from the Diocese of Alotau.

At the beginning of the Mass Bishop Francesco Panfilo, SDB gave a special welcome to the youth at the end of their Diocesan Eucharistic Convention, "Your fervor, joy, enthusiasm and faith gives us hope for the future and proves that the work of missionaries before and now is not in vain."


As an apology for the killing of Fr. John Mazzucconi by their ancestors, the Woodlark community presented a bagi, a clay pot and a Kuvi (special yams reserved for important persons

in society) to Bishop Panfilo and Fr. Zanchi. Through Mr. Milala Gisawa, they asked forgiveness from the PIME congregation (to which Fr. John Mazzucconi belonged) and reconciled with the Catholic Church.

Archbishop Adrian Smith, SM of Honiara also presented to the Catholics in Alotau a precious shell money necklace from the people of Solomon Islands, "This symbolizes and strengthens our Christian relationship, which started with the first coming of the missionaries from the Solomons to Woodlark Island in 1847."

In his homily, the Nuncio explained that the Martyrdom of Blessed John Mazzucconi tells us that our hope burns eternal in Christ, "This hope centres on the Eucharist and so our lives must also centre on the Eucharist." We must continue to "Walk the Way of Christ, Tell His Truth and Live His Life."

Entertainments followed Mass and the celebration ended after a joyful community meal.



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Alotau Catholic Youth Convention

Joshua Jeremiah and
Richard Noau

YOUTH of the Alotau Diocesan recently held a Eucharistic Convention and Cultural Show, which coincided with the anniversary celebrations of Blessed John Mazzacconi, at Cameron Secondary School Auditorium.

The Convention focused on the theme of the Eucharist with over 320 youth from 16 of 18 parishes participating.

The Convention began with a march-past of the youth who gathered at the

Cathedral for the opening Holy Mass. Bp. Francesco Panfilo welcomed the youth and reminded them that the convention aims to make a deeper awareness about the Eucharist which is the highest form of prayer, an act of praise, thanksgiving, forgiveness and God's grace. Later in his presentation he helped the youth to understand the teachings of the Church about Eucharist.

The invited guest-speakers underlined the event of Eucharist from historical - experiential - personal witnessing perspectives. Bp.

Desmond Moore MSC and Bp. Francesco Sarego SVD, bishop of Goroka encouraged the youth to feel the necessity of the Eucharist in their daily life situation as an encountering experience. Sr. Elizabeth Joseph MSI presented St. Aloysius Gonsaga and Blessed Mother Teresa as models, the persons who sustained and lived their life receiving energy and spirit from daily Eucharistic celebration.

Fr. Edward Meli MSC explained the Eucharist through Councils of Trent and Vatican II in reference to Popes Paul VI and John Paul II. Fr. Franco Zocca SVD and Bro. Alfred Tivinarlik CFC presented the Last Supper of Jesus and the Emmaus experience of disciples respectively. The panel session moderated by Fr. Giorgio Licini PIME highlighted the importance of Eucharist through the experiences of first holy - communion, confession, the weak and strong points of Sunday celebration of the Eucharist and choosing a vocation. The personal witnessing experience sharing of

Mr. Michael Ova, daily life situation from youth to adult life, from basic education to professional career building, from single life to married life, made a good impact on the youth.

The youth had an opportunity to learn several skills - screen-printing, chart-making, and flower making; and also visited the Provincial Hospital of Alotau with proper demonstration by the hospital staff. Celebration of the Holy Mass, adoration, confession, Rosary procession, way of the stations and inner healing prayer were the important moments of the convention.

The concluding remark made by His Excellency Most Rev. Adolfo Tito Yllana, Apostolic Nuncio made a good impact on the youth that "We have come to worship him" (Mt 2: 2). Quoting Popes John Paul II and Benedict XVI the Apostolic Nuncio challenged the youth "to offer the Lord the gold of your lives, namely, your freedom to follow Him out of love, responding faithfully to His call". Later

he distributed the awards and certificates of Diocesan Youth Bible Quiz 2004 to the parishes. The distribution of the cakes to the parish groups made by Mr. Lino Casali, blessed by the Nuncio was another joyful moments of the day.

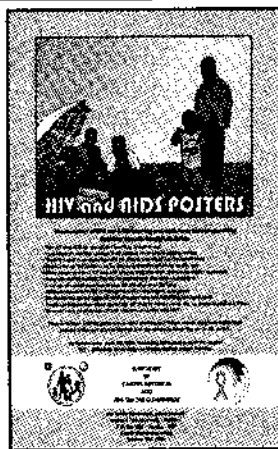
The Eucharistic procession led by the Apostolic Nuncio was the peak moment of the convention. The colorful candle lights and singing the hymns by the youth accompanied by several bishops, priests, religious and other faithful during the procession was an unforgettable experience of the convention. At the end of the procession the Nuncio gave his apostolic blessing and distributed the certificates of appreciation to the participants of the convention.

The evening before the conclusion of the convention a cultural show was opened by the Apostolic Nuncio. All sixteen parishes including Cameron Secondary Catholic students presented traditional dances, songs and drama. An Indian creative dance and another Filipino bamboo

dance added more color to the cultural show. Three hours of continuous beating of drums and traditional dress was really an attraction of the evening.

The 150th anniversary Mass of Blessed John Mazzacconi's Martyrdom marked the conclusion of the Youth Convention. The Apostolic Nuncio was the main celebrant. There were several bishops, priests, religious, youth of the diocese and hundreds of faithful attended the Holy Mass. Following there was a community meal prepared by Alotau Sacred Heart of Jesus Cathedral women fellowship Entertainment was also provided.

The youth of the diocese sincerely appreciated Fr. Shanthi Chacko Puthussery, Diocesan Youth Coordinator and his team for their hard work and systematic way of organization. The youth felt very much that their name had been uplifted in the Milne Bay Province as well as in the Alotau Diocese by the Eucharistic Convention and the Cultural Show.



Flipcharts and Books from Christian Family Life

1. Flipchart on HIV/AIDS
The flipchart can be used alone or with other materials, to facilitate learning about HIV and AIDS.
Language English
Pages 17
Price K30.00
2. Building Resiliency among Children affected by HIV/AIDS

Building Resiliency among children affected by HIV/AIDS is designed especially for people who live and work with children affected by HIV/AIDS. Caregivers in Papua New Guinea are faced with an increasing number of children who have already lost or are going to lose one or both their parents. Such children often find it difficult to express their feelings, and this book helps adults to understand what the children may be experiencing.

The book, written from a Christian perspective, is an excellent practical guide for relatives, caregivers, teachers or trainers working with children who have lost a parent. It offers an excellent section on child psychology, followed by ideas for discussion and a number of exercises that can assist us in working with children affected by HIV/AIDS.

A book cannot provide all the answers in this difficult situation. However, it will be a most useful support for those trying to understand and care for children who have lost or are going to lose a parent. Besides, for a wider readership, it offers an excellent example of a compassionate approach to the HIV/AIDS.

Africa has had to face HIV and AIDS like no other continent. In many countries in Africa it has threatened social and economic survival. Although PNG does not currently face HIV and AIDS to the same extent, Africa shares many cultural, social and economic factors with PNG. Daily life for many Africans living in villages resembles the daily life for many rural Papua New Guineans. For these reasons materials produced in Africa have been a great support to our HIV/AIDS ministry in PNG. The book Building Resiliency was

written by Sister Silke-Andrea Mallmann for the African context in 2002. It was adapted by Priscilla Winfrey for the PNG context.
Language - English
Pages -114
Price K10.00

3. You Yet I Samting Tru - Vol 2
The prosperity of a nation depends as much on its human as on its natural resources. "Yu yet i samting tru" helps young people come to terms with their own integrated development. It looks frankly at those areas, which often cause impediments to human development if not well understood. In this book Sister Mary Anthida SSPS draws on her wealth of experience in teaching and working with young people to help them to understand themselves and to conduct themselves in their life's activities in a responsible and productive way. The understanding and application of this knowledge results in the empowerment of the individual and the strengthening of the nation.

Personality Integration written by Mary Anthida in 1999. Translated by Priscilla Winfrey in 2005.
Language - English & Pidgin
Pages - 98
Price K10.00

4. To Love My Neighbour
Now is the time to reach out and ask God to strengthen our ability to bring God's healing love to all who are touched by illness and loss. The Pastoral Care Handbook is designed for that purpose. CFLA presents this booklet to all pastoral workers involved in the HIV/AIDS ministry and we trust it will be a help to them on their visits as they reflect and pray with the people. People infected and affected must feel that they are part of the Christian Community.
Language - English
Pages - 40
Price K2.00

All these items are available from the National Catholic Family Life Office, P.O.Box 592, Goroka, E.H.P. 441. Telephone/ Fax: 732 1356

Fr Ansgar Hausler cmm i go Pinis

LONGPELA taim papa bilong Lae Daiosis i lusim PNG na go bek long kantri bilong em bikos emi sik.

Pater Ansgar Hausler bilong ol Misineri bilong Marianhill i go pinis long kantri Jermani, ples bilong em.

Pater Ansgar i bin wok inap 25 yia long Daiosis bilong Lae long Siassi Ailen na tu em i bin stap paris pris long St Martin's paris long Papua Kompaun long Lae Siti inap 15 yia..

Pater i bin mekim sampela arapela wok tu olsem Vokesen Dairekta bilong Marianhill na em i bin go pas long Lukautim ol Antiok bilong Daiosis bilong Lae inap sampela yia.

Pater Ansgar em i bin lusim P.N.G bikos em i wari liklik long helt bilong em.

Family life cordinators attend Domestic Violence and Family Workshop



Family life Inservice: Participants of the workshop comes from nearly all the dioceses.

By Sr. Lourdes Hummes

The National Catholic Family Life Apostolate recently organized an In-service Training for the Diocesan Family Life Coordinators, which was conducted in Kefamo Conference Centre.. They had a very good response and participants came from all the dioceses that have Diocesan Family Life Coordinators. They were also happy to have a representative from the Solomon Islands, Sr. Maria Teku, from the Archdiocese of Honiara.

This year the main topic was to address the issue on Violence, Domestic Violence and Violence in the Community. The first three days allocated for the topic on violence and it was facilitated by Mrs. Naomy Yupae, Director of the Eastern Highlands Family Voice. It helped participants to better understand the issues affecting so many families and also provided participants ways in which they can

address the issue of violence in their own dioceses.

They were also fortunate to have a very knowledgeable lawyer, Freda Talao, who came and explain to the participants the New Amendments to the Law on Sexual offenses. This was of special interest to the coordinators.

The other three days were used to give the coordinators the opportunity to share about their work in Family Life. It was a good sharing and mutually enriching.

The participants were able to see that a great effort is being put into making the family life strong in each diocese, this often is a great challenge, but also a great opportunity to be able to help and strengthen family life in our countries of PNG and the Solomon Islands.

With the sharing of all the coordinators present, they also came to realize that after the General Assembly, a lot of work is being carried out so as to strengthen Family Life.

Michaelites Celebrates

By Zdzislaw Kruczek csma

MICHAELITES celebrate their feast day and thank God for the beatification of their Founding Father.

The Congregations of St. Michael the Archangel (CSMA men and CSSMA women) were established in Poland in 1897 by Blessed Bronislaus Bonaventure Markiewicz (1842-1912). One of these religious communities, the Michaelite men, has served in Papua New Guinea Highlands since 1970 in the Mount Hagen and Wabag Dioceses. Right now two priests work in Enga and two other members in the Western Highlands Province. Their Founding Father was a zealous pastor and priest and he dedicated his life to the service of needy, neglected, abandoned and orphaned youth. He was very familiar with the charisma of St. John Bosco that he acculturated on Polish soil.

For Michaelites this year was very favorable because Fr. Markiewicz as their Founder was declared Blessed on the 19th of June in Warsaw, Poland by the Cardinal - Primate of Poland, Joseph Glomp. In various countries where Michaelites are working thanksgiving celebrations took place. In PNG Michaelites celebrated such a day at Wanepap at the parish level on the 25th of September and at Rebiamal, Mount Hagen on the 29th of September at the diocesan level. These two celebrations were connected with the feast day of St. Michael the Archangel, the main patron of the Michaelites and of PNG as well.

At Wanepap the main celebrant was the coadjutor bishop of Wabag Diocese, Arnold Orowac. Many parishioners turned out for this celebration. At the same time over one hundred young Catholics were confirmed. In his homily Bishop Orowac said that the Enga Catholics should thank God for the gift of Blessed Bronislaus Markiewicz and for his vision to work for all in need. His efforts and dedication to the Church are seen from the fact that two parishes in Wabag Diocese are looked after by the Michaelite priests. Therefore, people should do everything that is possible to cooperate with their priests as the shortage of priests is very painful in the whole area of Enga. Let the Holy Spirit guide and inspire all people how to respond and work harmoniously together, he said, for their spiritual good and for other needs within the parishes, provinces and the

whole country.

On the 29th of September, on the Feast of St. Michael the Archangel, twenty-two concelebrating priests together with the auxiliary bishop from Mount Hagen, Douglas Young SVD, gathered at the altar at the Cathedral Church at Rebiamal. Many religious sisters and brothers took part in the Holy Eucharist. The altar servers from Wanepap and Kasap of Enga in traditional dress were of great help in the singing, dancing and processions.

Bishop Young stressed that on this particular day there were various reasons for this gathering: the feast day of the whole PNG; the name day of Archbishop Michael Meier SVD, the metropolitan of Mount Hagen; the feast day of the Michaelites and thanksgiving for the beatification of their Founding Father Markiewicz; and finally to celebrate the ordination of the new auxiliary bishop of the Kerema Diocese, Rochus Tatanawi, which occurred on the same day. In his homily the bishop said that, while thinking about and celebrating the day dedicated to St. Michael the Archangel, all Christians must realise that this Archangel challenges each of us who serve God, but particularly those who do not recognise His presence in their life.

Such a person who risked everything in order to prove that he loved God and his neighbors was Blessed Bronislaus Markiewicz.

He offered his life for others in the name of Evangelical Principles, well aware of difficulties, he chose St. Michael the Archangel as the main patron for his two established Congregations.

Bishop Young said that this newly declared Blessed certainly is a gift of God for the Church and through the Michaelites to PNG.

After the Mass all invited guests had lunch with plenty of time to share their thoughts and enjoy the day.

Superior of the Michaelites in PNG, Fr. Bogdan Swierczewski and his deputy Fr. Joseph Pekala together with Bro. Thomas Lasen looked after the ceremony and the celebrations that followed. Father Swierczewski thanked everybody for joining the Michaelites on this wonderful day and expressed his gratitude to Archbishop Meier and to all the others who support and sympathise with them in their service in the field of evangelisation in PNG.

34th YUT



OIMendi Yut: Bisop Stephen Reichert bilong Mendi Katolik Daiosis isanap wantaim ol yut bilong Mendi.

BY TIMON HENRY

FOTI-PELA (40)Yuts insait long Mendi Sauten Hailens Provins I bin singautim mausman bilong Mendi Katolik Daiosis. Bisop Stephen Reichert long kam na witesim bung bilong ol yut manki husait I laik lusim mariwanan na ol arapela nogut pasin insait long Wames Villis insait long Mendi Sentral Ketitrei Peris. Insait long dispela bung Peris, Pata Marek bilong kantri Polan na wantaim lukaut bilong Diken Pita Hinawai tu na ol sampela lei wok manmeri bilong Mendi Daiosis ibin stap insait long dispela kibung.

Ol yut bilong dispela vilis, Wames husait I save smukim mariwana, wokim reip, stil na ol arapela kainkain pasin nogut long laip bilong ol inap long 25 yias olgeta ibin istap insait long dispela bung. Ol dispela yut manki ibin tokaut olsem, "ol I save mekim dispela kain pasin na nau oli tok kilia olsem oli itaik senis na lusim olgeta dispela pasin nogut oli bin mekim bipo."

Wanpela lida bilong dispela ol yut manki Jon Ripala I tok olsem, "ol I save kisim mariwana long Simbu na Goroka na karim ikam insait long dispela provins na oli save skelim wantaim ol arapela yut manki long ples. Na tu em itok olsem, "long ai bilong yu Bisop Stephen Reichert na ol lei manmeri na long ai bilong ol papamama na komuniti, bai

mipela olgeta tanim bel na kam bek long God na moa yet insait long sios wantaim famili na stap gutpela manki long vilis bilong mipela."

Insait long dispela taim Bisop Stephen Reichert tu ibin mekim dispela tok, "mi tok pinis long taim bilong indipendens de olsem igat narapela kain poisin nogut tu istap tasol, ino long wok sait bilong Gavaman o Provinsol edminsresen nogat, dispela poisen em olsem yupela yet i tok pinis olsem, mariwana sik HIV AIDS, reip na stil. Ol dispela kain poisen iken kilim indai yu na bagarapim gutpela sindaun insait long famili na komunyiti long ples."

Ripot I. Kam long Wantok nis pepa tu I tok olsem, "planti yut I nidim moa sapot ikam long famili bilong ol long stap isi na gut long ples. Sapos nogat sapot wantaim famili bai ol dispela yangpela bai isi tru long mekim kain kain pasin I no stret."

Na long dispela taim Bisop Stephen Reichert i tok strong long ol yut manki olsem, "gutpela tingting i save kam hariap tasol bihain tu bai I gat sampela moa hevi bai kamap long yupela."

"Long dispela taim tu em i tokim ol long sanap strong na mekim wok klostu wantaim famili bilong ol. Olsem ol yet i tok pinis olsem ol I bin statim long famili na nau tu ol bai traim long pinisim na stopim ol kain pasin nogut wantaim famili na komunyiti bilong ol."

The Catechism of the Catholic Church

Bishop Francesco of Goroka writes:

LET'S continue the exploration of our faith taken from the Catechism of the Catholic Church

The signs of bread and wine.

The Church celebrates the Eucharist by using Bread and Wine, remembering the gestures and words that Jesus used at his last supper.

In the celebration, by the words of Christ and the invocation of the Holy Spirit, bread and wine become the Body and the Blood of Christ.

Bread and wine signify also the goodness of creation for which we give thanks to God.

The Bread without yeast reminds of the Passover meal and of the liberation of Israel from Egypt. The water changed into wine at Cana is a sign of the new wine, which will be distributed at the new wedding feast in the Father's kingdom.

The institution of the Eucharist.

Jesus, knowing that he was to return to his Father, left a sign of his presence among us. First, during the last supper, he washed the feet of his disciples as a sign of service and love. Then he instituted the Eucharist as a memorial of his death and Resurrection. He entrusted the disciples to continue to celebrate this memorial till the end of time. He is now continuously present in the Eucharist.

"Do this in memory of me"

Celebrating his memorial means to continue to make Jesus presence among us. The Church has been faithful in fulfilling the Lord's command to "do this in memory of me". Such celebration is the center of the Church's life. It nourishes the faithful preparing them for the final banquet when all the elected will seat at the table of the kingdom of God.

The Celebration of the Eucharist.

The liturgical celebration starts with the gathering of the faithful, generally, in the Church. The whole assembly celebrates the memorial of Jesus death and Resurrection. Within the assembly an ordained minister preside over the celebration. But he is Jesus who is the main celebrant. The priest and bishops represent Jesus Christ and act really in his name.

After a short introduction the faithful are called to conversion and ask for forgiveness from God and the brothers and sisters.

The reading of the Word of God reminds us of the events of salvation. By listening to it we are formed and grow in faith. It follows a homily and the prayer of intercession.

The presentation of bread and wine to be offered to God as a sign of our total dependency on him.

A collection is gathered as a sign of our emptiness in the eyes of God and to give alms to the poor in the community.

The Eucharistic Prayer with thanksgiving and consecration is the central part of the celebration.

After the Our Father and prayer of peace the faithful receive the Body and Blood of Christ.

The final blessing and dismissal, inviting the faithful to go and proclaim the goodness of God and be his witnesses.

St Mary's celebrates Golden Jubilee

By Fr. John Ryan, SVD

In any person's lifetime or in any Business, Company or Institution, 50 years seems to be a very special celebration. In the bible too this was the case. Since the number seven was considered a perfect number, and 7x7 is 49, the year 49 to 50 was to be a special Jubilee years to strengthen all kinds of wrongs and get your life really at one with God.

Here in the Highlands of PNG two Catholic Dioceses have Golden Jubilee celebrations going on. They are in Mendi and Goroka Diocese. In Goroka Diocese the first three parishes to be established by Catholic Missionaries coming down from Chimbu are all celebrating their Jubilee Year. Those three parishes are North Goroka, St Mary's in the centre of Goroka town and Namta in the Asaro District.

For St Mary's Parish the Jubilee Celebration started on the August 22nd 2004, 49 years after the foundation of St Mary's Church Building has been completed. The first to come and

live here was Fr. Joseph Fontana SVD, and American Priest. He established most of the early buildings, the Priest's house, the Mercy Sister's House and School, (now Minogere Lodge), and Faniufa School. One of the next priests to work St Mary's was a young American Priest and Pilot, Fr Harry Magee. Tragically he died piloting a plane from Madang to Goroka in 1961. For these first 50 years the Divine Word Missionaries, SVD Fathers and Brothers, have looked after the Parish, but they are ready to hand over the Parish to local Priests once they are available. SVD are Latin initials for Societas Verbi Divini, Society of Divine Word, usually called Divine Word Missionaries in English speaking countries.

Many parishioners attempted to make this a special year for St Mary's Parish. Everyone had a chance to attend a retreat on the Eucharist. Other retreats and courses were held too. A total census of the parish has been going on since before Easter. Many have returned to a more active role in the church, especially through their

own small communities. A lot of marriage have been blessed in the past few months, many baptisms, First Holy Communion and Confirmations took place in the final nine days of Jubilee Year Celebration from August 13th to 21st.

This was a very special nine days for St Mary's. It started with a day of Reconciliation on Saturday 13th and decoration of the Church grounds for the celebrations. Sunday 14th Bishop Francesco Sarego SVD, Bishop of Goroka Diocese, was the main celebrant in an outdoor mass with a capacity congregation, including many from other parishes in Chimbu, Madang, and Sepik with historical connections to the establishment of the parish. 33 were Baptised and many received First Holy Communion. After the mass there a historic presentation, prepared by Mr Gerard Saleau and many spontaneous concert items. Naturally a meal was part of the celebration, especially for the older members of the parish and visitors.

Mid week two big concert nights in the YC Hall and many attended.

Saturday 20th was a big cultural day with many singsing groups taking part followed by huge Mumu. May pigs were killed and much food shared out to all Parishes involved. Sunday 21 was a Closing Mass for the Jubilee, again held outdoors at St Mary's. Like the previous Sunday the Liturgy was well prepared with beautiful cultural processions for entrance, bible procession and offer procession.

Two young students from Mt Sion School for the Blind read the reading from brail, and two deaf students used sign language for all the readings and Bishops Sermon. A young grade 5 school girl, Jean Marie Kuias sang the Psalm. After the mass more celebrations took place and the Golden Jubilee came to its final ending with a big fellowship in the YC that night and the cutting of the Jubilee Birthday cakes, 18 of them all in all. One cake was kept for the patients in the Hospital and another for the prisoners in Bihute.

Many other churches in the town took part in the Jubilee Celebrations as part Pastors in Goroka pray together

on a weekly basis and this has all their church taking part in many activities together in each others churches. These churches too presented a huge cake on the final night.

This Golden Jubilee Proved to be a great reunion as many ex parishioners of St Mary's came back for this final Jubilee Celebrations. It is hoped this Jubilee has been a real inservice for the parish and a blessing for everyone. In June and July the church building got a full renovation and please God it will be standing for the next fifty years. It is one of the oldest church buildings in Goroka town and is looking well, thanks for being well looked after. Now that the people of St Mary's have been made much more aware of their fifty year history, it is hoped we will all grow from strength to strength. The Logo of the Parish is John 2:5 "Do whatever he tells you". If they follow these last words of Mary in the bible, Goroka will be blessed.

Bishop Francesco Sarego blessed a Grotto to commemorate 50 years of the parish and a pledge was unveiled.

Mendi Daiosis Jubili Yia i pinis

NAU Yumi Kirapim Wok bilong Sios bilong Jisas Krai Nupela Gen! Bisop Femen

Bisop Femen i kamap namba wan wasman na stiaman bilong Katolik Sios long Sauten Hailans long 1959. Taim em i kam hia, em i gat 41pela krisimas. Pop Pol 6 i makim em bisop long 1965. Na taim Daiosis bilong Mendi i kamap long Novemba 15, 1966, Pop i makim Bisop Femen namba wan Bisop bilong Mendi.

Bisop Femen i stap Bisop bilong Mendi inap long taim em i ritata. Em i winim 77pela yia long dispela taim. Em i givim sia bilong em na wok wasman bilong daiosis long Bisop Stipen long Me 7, 1995, na em i go bek long as ples bilong em, liklik vilis Katerin long distrik Kansas long Amerika. Bihain em i stap long wanpela hausbrata wantaim sampela lain Kapusin bilong em inap long taim em i lapun tru. Long dispela taim em i go i stap long wanpela haus sik bilong lukautim ol lapun we em i stap klostu long hausbrata long Viktoria, Kansas.

Sampela olupela misineri, Pata Matyu, Pata Mairon, Pata Malaki na Brata Filikis wantaim sampela lain sapota na benefekta bilong Katolik Sios long Sauten Hailans i bin bung long Julai 24 long Kansas bilong selebretim Jubili bilong Katolik Sios long Sauten Hailans. Bisop Stipen i stiam dispela selebresen, em olsem Misa bilong tok tenkyu long God long bikpela wok em i bin mekim long Papua Niugini. Bihain long Misa ol i sindaun kaikai na stori long misin long Papua Niugini. Bisop Femen i stap tu, na em i amamas long dispela selebresen.

Tasol 11pela de bihain Bisop Femen i kisim bikpela sik moa na em i dai. Em long Ogas 4, long moningtaim. Pata Pita, peris pris bilong Pureni, wantaim sampela arapela Kapusin Brata, i stap wan-

taim Bisop na pre taim em i dai. Oli planim Bisop Femen long matmat bilong ol Kapusin Brata.

Yumi ken autim bikpela tenkyu long God long laip na wok bilong Bisop Femen. Long em, God i mekim kamap planti gutpela samting long sios bilong yumi. Tasol nau yumi stap long haus kra. Mumu bilong pinisim sori em bai kamap long Sarere Septemba 10 long Kumin, taim yumi wokim bikpela mumu bilong pinisim Jubili.

Tok Profet

"Yupela liklik lain sipsip, yupela no ken pret. Papa bilong yupela em i tok pinis long em bai i stap king bilong yupela na givim kingdom bilong en long yupela (Luk 12:32)." Dispela hap rit long Gutnius i kamap taim Pata Miselo i mekim namba wan Misa long Sauten Hailans. Dispela tok i olsem tok profet na dispela tok tru i kamap ples klia pinis. Ol misinari i planim sid, em Gutnius bilong Jisas Krai, na em i kamap na karim kaikai long olgeta hap long Sauten Hailans. Manmeri bilong ples bilong yumi, ol tumbuna lain, i bin kisim dispela tok na ol i bin bilipim na bihainim. Kingdom bilong God i stap hia long ples bilong yumi pinis na em i gro moa strong olgeta de. Yumi bilipmanmeri i olsem wokmanmeri long dispela kingdom, bilong mekim ples bilong yumi ples we laik bilong Jisas, pasin bilong em, lo na tok bilong em i stiam olgeta samting.

Ol Misinari

Pata Alekis Miselo na Brata Jaen Delaba i kam pastaim long kirapim Katolik Sios long Sauten Hailans. Bihain Pata Rin na Pata Lui i kam. Em ol lain bilong Misinari bilong Santu Hat bilong Jisas. Long 1955 ol lain Kapusin Brata i kam. Pata Ouma, Pata Henri, Pata Berard, Pata Pol, Pata Stenli na Brata Mak i kam pas-



Bikpela Selebresen: Mendi Katolik Daiosis i amamasim 77pela yia bilong ol.

taim. Planti moa i bin kam bihain, moa long sevenpela ten olgeta. Tude planti man bilong ples i kamap Kapusin brata na pris, na sampela man i kamap daiosesen pris tu. Ol misinari pata bilong sampela nupela ples i kam tu, rilijis na daiosesen bilong India, Poland na Korea. Planti lei misinari i kam long Mendi Daiosis bilong kirapim sios, olsem Fidelis Miltenbega na meri bilong em, Josepin. Tupela i kam pastaim. Planti arapela bilong Ostrelia, Niu Silan, Amerika, ol kantri bilong Yurop na sampela arapela kantri tu, i kam bihain bilong skulim ol pikinini, lukautim ol sikmanmeri, wokim haus na ranim somil. Ol i trenim sampela yangpela manmeri bilong ples long dispela wok na tude planti Papua Niugini manmeri i mekim kain kain wok bilong helpim sios na komuniti bilong ol

Long 1960 ol sista i kam. Lain Fransiskan Sista bilong Oldenbeg long Amerika i kam pastaim, em Sista Noreen, Sista Anata, Sista Martin na Sista Kleva. Moa long 180 sista bilong ovasis na PNG wantaim i bin i kam long Sauten Hailans bilong mekim wok evanjelaisesen na helpim ol manmeri long kain kain wok sios na ol sosel ministri wantaim. Tude Daiosis bilong Mendi i gat wanpela lain sista bilong en yet, lain Fransiskan Sista bilong Maria.

Taim yumi pre, yumi no ken lusim uringting long askim God long blesim ol Katolik manmeri bilong ol arapela kantri husat i save sapotim yumi sios long Mendi Daiosis. Sampela i save pre long God i ken helpim yumi. Sampela i save givim mani bai wok bilong yumi i ken go het. Bipo tru, taim ol Kapusin i kam nupela long Papua Niugini, lain Kapusin long Amerika i makim wanpela pata, Pata Sisel, long painim mani bilong sapotim misin. Bihain, brata bilong em, Pata Don, i go insait long dispela Kapusin Misin Opis. Tude Pata Fransis Fugini i lukautim misin opis bilong painim mani na helpim yumi. Planti Katolik manmeri i givim mani bilong helpim yumi. Ol i save wok hat tru long lukautim famili bilong ol yet tasol ol i sotim nid bilong ol bilong givim sampela helpim long yumi tu. Tasol nau sios bilong yumi i winim. 50pela yia pinis, olsem em i gutpela sapos yumi wok strong long sapotim yumi yet, moa long olgeta yia

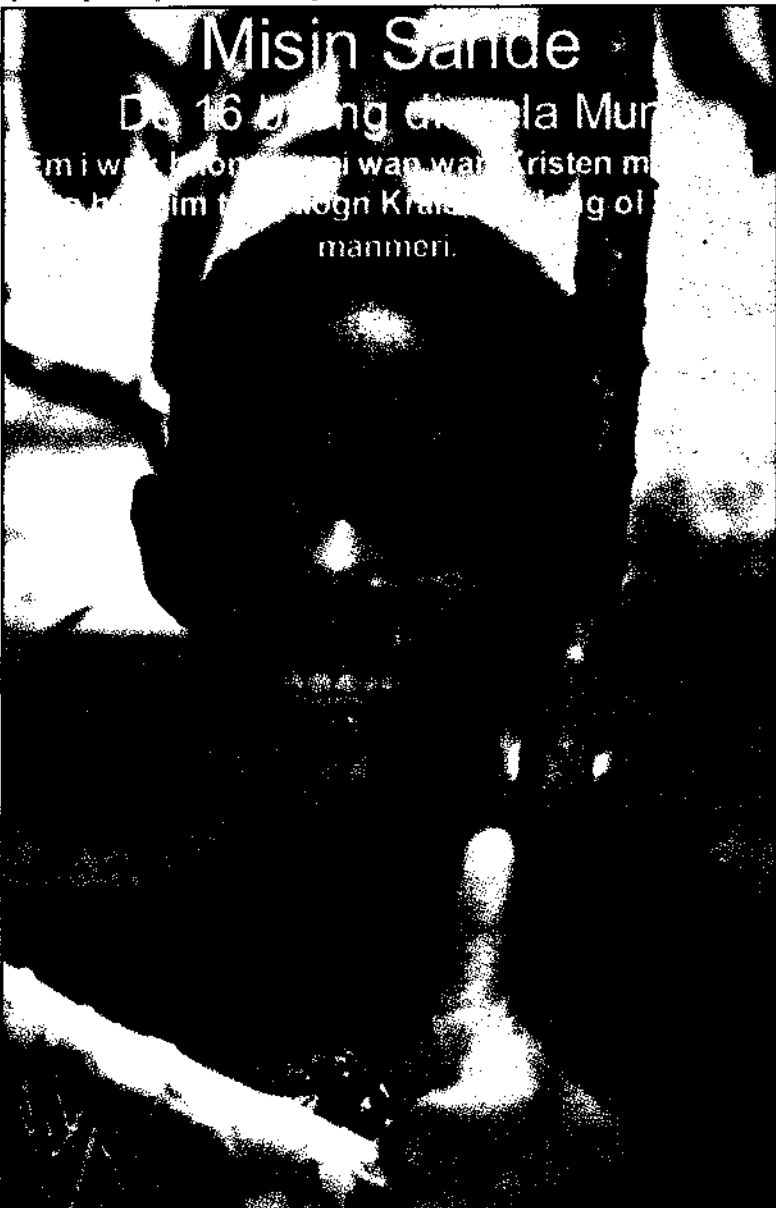
Yumi Yet i Sios

Gutnius bilong Jisas i no inap kisim laip na gro sapos em i no pundaun long gutpela graun. Tasol manmeri bilong Sauten Hailans i bin amamas long kisim dispela tok, na dispela tok i karim moa kaikai. Kain kain ministri i kamap, wok katekis pastaim na bihain ol arapela. Kain kain sios grup i stap tu, bilong

strongim famili laip na mekim wok evanjelaisesen long famili na long sosaiti. Ol manmeri i save tok, "Yumi yet i sios, i stap laip long Krai na i soim laik bilong em long ol arapela."

Sios bilong yumi i stat long Mendi na Tari na lalibu na i kamap long ol arapela hap bihain. Taim ol misinari i laik ran long narapela hap, sampela manmeri, olsem ol nupela Katolik tasol, i save ran wantaim ol na wok bung wantaim ol long kirapim kingdom bilong God. Olsem na samting yumi selebretim long dispela Jubili Yia i samting yumi olgeta i bin bung wantaim na mekim kamap long blesim na laik bilong Papa God yet wantaim pikinini bilong em Jisas Krai insait long laip na pawa bilong Holi Spirit. Na tu yumi gat moa tras long Santu Maria, Mama bilong Gutpela Wasman bilong sipsip, husat i givim spesol lukaut long Daiosis bilong Mendi.

Jubili yia i pinis nau, tasol planti wok bilong kirapim kingdom bilong God hia long Sauten Hailans i stap yet. Em i wok bilong yumi long mekim kamap gutpela sindaun. Yumi mas wok bung wantaim tu bilong rausim sampela samting i bagarapim ol famili na komuniti, olsem pasin bilong pait, ol gan, drak mariwana, korapsen, kain kain sik olsem HIV/AIDS na ol arapela samting nogut. Yumi taitim bun.



Misin Sande

De 16 bilong...

Em i wan... Kristen m... manmeri.

Pilgrims on the footsteps of Blessed John Mazzucconi

By Fr Giorgio Licini PIME

THEY landed at Jackson International Airport in Port Moresby on August 22, 2005 virtually heading for the unknown.

Eleven out of thirteen of them had never set foot on Papua New Guinea soil. The next day they were at Vivigani airstrip on Goodenough Island for a three day visit to the Watuluma Catholic Mission. There they felt at home. The small group of pilgrims was in fact coming from Italy, precisely from Blessed John Mazzucconi's hometown of Lecco, to the mission they had helped improve and grow over nearly 25 years.

Led by their Parish Priest, Fr. Roberto Busti, the Italians were joined by Alotau Bishop Francesco Panfilo, SDB and Vanimo Bishop Cesare Bonivento PIME, former Watuluma Parish Priest. On Goodenough Island they took part

on a Mass for Sr. Angela Sacchi of the Missionary Sisters of the Immaculate, killed in a flood on January 1999. It was the first time that people from Sr. Angela's place (the same as Mazzucconi's) and family could pray on her grave.

The pilgrims also had a chance to visit and be entertained by the staff of Blessed John Mazzucconi Hospital and by the Santa Maria High School students, faculty and staff. Both institutions acknowledged the high degree of support enjoyed over the years from the Colombo Construction Company and the citizens of Lecco at large for the development and enhancement of their infrastructural facilities. A memorable night of cultural items show, local delicacy tasting, gift giving and deep feelings of friendship concluded the visit at Watuluma.

The next day, Sunday 28th

August, an Airlines PNG twenty-seat Otter Twin took the group to Guasopa Bay on Woodlark Island. There Bishops Panfilo and Bonivento presided a solemn Mass at the newly built Community Hall overlooking the Leu islet, where Fr. John Mazzucconi and the crew of the ill-fated Gazelle were slain on an unspecified date of September 1855 upon arrival from Sydney.

Local leaders and village people offered apologies and reconciliation gifts to Mazzucconi's fellow citizens and Catholic Church.

A plaque was placed and blessed on a monument that will now stand as a reminder of the first landing of Christianity (1847) in Papua New Guinea and the sacrifice of the first missionary to give his life for the evangelization of the country (1855): Blessed John Mazzucconi, PIME a 29 year old priest from Italy.