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It's common among many of us to feel afraid or worried whenever we are to start something. Some are too concerned about details of the plan, or of the entire project so as not to miss or overlook anything.

While others are very much preoccupied whether such an idea will succeed or not, or whether will it be appreciated and accepted or, will it gain support or be a subject of unforgivable criticism; others, however, just choose "to let God be God", to plan, dream, do what he or she could do, and surrender everything to Him who is the greatest architect and the Most loving Provider.

To surrender is a gesture of humility; to surrender to God our plans and dreams is to be able "to walk with hope and to see with faith." It is in this spirit of humble submission to our Loving Provident Father that we start another journey here at St. Anthony's Boy's Village-Davao. We are not to be afraid of what we have to do at the moment and what lies ahead of us in the future, for we believe that God is in our midst.

Dearest friends of St. Anthony, I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of you for your constant and generous support to SABV-DAVAO both spiritually and materially. May St. Anthony of Padua pray and intercede for you always.

St. Anthony of Padua, Pray for us!

FR. RONALD N. MASILANG, RCJ
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FEAST OF ST. HANNIBAL

By: Shinichi Montojo and Cell Jay Palatulan

Every June 1, we celebrate the feast of St. Hannibal Mary Di Francia, the man who started the Congregation of the Rogationists and Daughters of Divine Zeal. But before the said occasion, all the interns have exerted so many efforts to prepare for the feast. For nine days, the interns had their novenas. It is a special day for them because through St. Hannibal, the boys are able to receive the help of the Rogationist Priests who are also following his footsteps. During the feast day, the community celebrated the Holy Mass in the Sub-Parish of St. John Paul II with the presence of the parishioners, mentors of Rogationist Academy-Davao, friends and benefactors. Fr. Ronald Masilang, RCJ, the Superior of the community, was the main presider together with all other Rogationists priest as concelebrants. It was also the time for Bro. Paulo Sambile, RCJ to have his renewal of vows, after the homily, in the hands of Fr. Ronald Masilang. After the Mass, everyone shared together in a bountiful banquet.



COMING BACK HOME

By: Paulo Dela Pena

Last May 25 2017, the Interns of Saint Anthony Boys Village - Davao have finally returned from their long summer vacation. Coming from different places, they were welcomed joyfully by the religious headed by the Superior of the house-Fr. Ronaldo N. Masilang, RCJ. All were very happy to see their old friends, the new members of the community and the new set of brother assistants who are very amiable. Surprisingly, the new interns seem to have adjusted well in the community.



OFF TO A JOYFUL BEGINNING

By: Rodolfo Carsano

The SABV-D community had its first memorable outing at San Vicente beach to formally start another year of their life in the village. They started the day with the celebration of the Holy Mass presided by the new Prefect of the boys, Fr. Sherwin Valenzuela. After the Mass, the interns have breakfast and then the nerve-racking activities began. Bro. Paulo, together with the Grade-12, organized an amazing race for the boys. The interns were divided into four groups namely; Fatima, Jacinta, Lucia and Francisco. There were nine challenges prepared for the teams. These challenges tested not just the speed, strength and agility of the boys but also their wits and teamwork as they struggled to claim victory. Aside from that, the religious also expected that the interns would learn values that would help them face the real world out there. Throughout the outing, they enjoyed the activities!



THE RECOLLECTED INDEPENDENCE

By: Kim Jayson Alboruto

Living under the hands of colonizers for hundreds of years, the Filipinos' desire for freedom had grown more and more intense. June 12 1886, the Philippine flag was raised and the Filipinos have rightfully gained independence. It was such a special day for them that even until now, the Filipinos still commemorate June 12 as their Independence Day. This year's June 12, the interns, being Filipinos by heart and blood, held the cultural night in their newly built chapel. It is a very memorable night that intensifies the flames of patriotism burning in their hearts. The interns had spent sleepless nights anticipating this event and when it had finally come, everybody was very excited (and nervous). At around 8:00 pm, the program started with the opening remarks of Fr. Antonio Nocellado RCJ. After that, the competitions among the four teams-Fatima, Jacinta, Lucia and Francesco-started. There were three categories for the program, the Triadic Poem, Interpretative Dance and the Sabayang Pagbigkas. As expected, the interns performed so excellently that the judges were hesitant to choose a winner. But of course, there has to be a winner in every competition and so Francesco was hailed the winner for the night. The program was concluded by the message of the superior, Fr. Ronaldo N. Masilang RCJ who admitted that he was overjoyed by the performances of the boys. After the program, everyone was very happy as they gather together for snacks and their hearts cried out "MABUHAY ANG PILIPINAS!!!" (Long live Philippines!)



THE "PALARONG PINOY"

By: Khim Mangubat and Yasser Wagwag

In line with the celebration of the Independence Day of the Philippines, the interns played games which were purely of Filipino origin fondly called as "Palarong Pinoy". On June 9 2017, at around 8:00 pm the interns gathered at the social hall. All were so excited to play the first challenging game which was the "patintero". During the game, everyone was cheering for their groups; happiness was visible in the faces of everyone. When the second game called tumbang preso started, the thrill heightened as the interns tried to knock a tin can off through flying slippers. Pinoy basketball, the third game, was just as exciting as the rest. The social hall was filled with laughter and joyful cries as the game went on. After the game, everyone was so tired but the smile remained plastered in the face of everyone



THE DAY OF ST. ANTHONY

June 13, 2017, The Rogationists from all over the world celebrated the feast of their patron St. Anthony of Padua. And the Saint Anthony Boys Village of Davao community was not an exception to this. At around 5:30 in the morning, the interns woke up enthusiastically, knowing that the day which they had been anticipating had finally arrived. Much to the interns' surprise, Rev. Fr. Herman Abcede, RCJ, the Provincial Superior has arrived to celebrate with them the joyful feast.

The feast day started with the community lauds. It was followed by the picture taking with the statue of St. Anthony and a lively procession going to the social hall. As accustomed, the community held the St. Anthony's sharing wherein 300 children from the neighbouring villages were invited to join the said event and to receive the gifts from St. Anthony: school supplies, foods, and the bread of Saint Anthony.

After the hasty breakfast, the St. Anthony's sharing then started with the registration of the children. During the sharing, the children had their fun-filled experience through the parlor games and animations prepared by the interns. But the fun did not stop there, the children also learned about the life of St. Anthony and the St. Anthony's bread through the catechesis given by Bro. Paulo. The holy mass was presided by Fr. Herman together with the other priests. After the sharing, there was a sumptuous lunch for everyone together with some friends and benefactors. The lunch was enlivened by the beautiful presentations of the interns. After the lunch, everyone returned home wearing big smiles on their faces.





SUPER BOY

By: Kim Alboruto

After series of doing mental labours pondering over what would be the best word to describe Clark Alesna, I have come up with the word Super Boy. Now you might be wondering why. Allow me to explain. 17 year-old Clark is a boy whom you'll always see working may it be in the carpentry, refectory, and anywhere that might need cleaning and repairing. He is a very hardworking boy and he is very responsible to all his duties and obligations as an intern. He never stops until he finished the work assigned to him. Indeed, he is the diligence spirit personified. But let us not just dwell on his life in the village for in Lanoro Hagonoy Davao del Sur, the place where his house stood, Clark is also a good son and a responsible brother.

As a young boy, he had already been helping his mother selling goods in the market and he had been the personal assistant of his father who was a technician (no doubt that is where he acquired his expertise in the carpentry). During when he was still eight years old, his father was diagnosed by a chronic kidney disease. It was, according to him, the saddest memory of his life. But despite of all this things, Clark remained to be brave and faithful to the Lord. And sure enough his faith was rewarded; his father had survived and is now maintaining a hemo dialysis.

But the rewards do not end there for his diligence in school had paid off and he graduated as the third honourable mentioned and he is hailed as the athlete of the year. Presently, Clark is in Grade 11 and he continues to persevere both in the school and in the village. His dream, like all the other interns, is to give his family a good life. Clark Alesna is an inspiration to all the other interns. I, for one, admire his diligence and his strength to face the difficulties of his life without breaking apart. Clark Alesna is truly strong and untiring for he is Super Boy.

LETTER OF GRATITUDE

Dear Benefactors,

A blessed day to you our friends!

We would like to thank you for your immeasurable support in our community here in Davao. We know that finding money is as hard as finding a needle in a stack of hay but because of great devotion you were able to help us, we truly appreciate your kindness. May you continue to share your overflowing graces to other people especially to our needy brothers and sisters. May God shower you more graces, good health, guidance and protection. We the Saint Anthony Boys Village-Davao Community assured you of our prayers and heartfelt gratitude. THANK YOU!!

Sincerely Yours,
VINCH REAL NAVARRO



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