

CONGREGATION OF THE ROGATIONISTS Constitution of the "Province of St. Matthew"

Prot. 164/14

I, the undersigned, FR. ANGELO ADEMIR MEZZARI, R.C.J. Superior General of the Congregation of the Rogationists of the Heart of Jesus

Grateful to the Lord for the development that the Congregation had in Asia, starting with the first presence in the Philippines (1976), and successively in India (1987), that later became an autonomous Circumscription, and then in South Korea (2003), in Vietnam (2003), in Papua New Guinea (2003) and in Indonesia (2005); in consideration of the above-mentioned increase in the religious personnel and in the charismatic apostolate, by the decree dated September 29, 2011, I instituted the Philippine Delegation into a Quasi Province, comprising the religious Communities of the Philippines, South Korea, Vietnam, Papua New Guinea and Indonesia.

I have verified that the presence of the Congregation in the said geographical area possesses the conditions, required by the Code of Canon Law (Can. 621) and by the Constitutions of the Congregation, for the establishment of a religious Province, noting that it "has the necessary and sufficient conditions to promote the life and the mission of the Congregation" (art. 170. 1).

I have observed the aspiration of the religious of the Circumscription to be constituted as a Province, on the occasion of the Canonical Visit that I carried out from January 8 to February 24, 2012 as well was during the Assembly of the Circumscription, held on April 26-28, 2014.

In the meeting on May 8, 2014 I submitted to the General Council the establishment of the Philippine Quasi Province into the Province of St. Matthew.

Thus, today, June 1, 2014, on the Ascension of the Lord and the Solemnity of Saint Hannibal Mary Di Francia, by this present act, in line with the guidelines of the XI General Chapter (cf. RRL, 79) and according to what is provided for in the "Lines of Action of the General Government" (Project 3), and in conformity with Art. 153 of the Constitutions, with the unanimous consent of the General Council, I

DECREE

the constitution of the Philippine Quasi Province, as of the 2014 Yearbook of the Congregation, into the "Province of St. Matthew", with the seat in 24 Calcutta Street, Merville Park – 1709 Parañaque City (Philippines), composed of Religious, Houses and works of apostolate, with the following description.

RELIGIOUS

Priests

1. Fr. Abcede Herman, 2. Fr. Alcover Tirso, 3. Fr. Angus Ulyses, 4. Fr. Arcaño Joseph, 5. Fr. Aurellana Viktor Emmanuel, 6. Fr. Balquin Noel, 7. Fr. Belarmino Giulio, 8. Fr. Bettoni Cesare, 9. Fr. Biñegas Gerald, 10. Fr. Cadeliña Menard, 11. Fr. Cajigal Orville, 12. Fr. Caperiña Ricardo, 13. Fr. Capizzi Carmelo, 14. Fr. Cena King, 15. Fr. Clemente Alex, 16. Fr. Dacaldacal Edgar, 17. Fr Dammay Antonio, 18. Fr. De Silva Miguel, 19. Fr. Desamparado Ruel, 20. Fr. Descartin Julius, 21. Fr. Diaz Marcelino II, 22. Fr. Dula Elmer, 23. Fr. Dumdum Vincent Viktor, 24. Fr. Duque Ferico Nicolas, 25. Fr. Escaño Francis Paul, 26. Fr. Ezpeleta Jose Maria, 27. Fr. Fernandez Eduardo, 28. Fr. Flores Alfonso, 29. Fr. Flores Gabriel, 30. Fr. Frogosa Niptale, 31. Fr. Fulgencio Alvin, 32. Fr. Gacayan Ulrich, 33. Fr. Gumagay Ronie, 34. Fr. Gumangan Arlene, 35. Fr. Guzman Carlos, 36. Fr. Heredia Alfonso, 37. Fr. Jagurin Jeffrey, 38. Fr. Jong Du John Youn, 39. Fr. Kim Ho Yeoul Daniel, 40. Fr. Lucas John Joffer, 41. Fr. Magbuo Herbert, 42. Fr. Malasig Florence, 43. Fr. Martirizar Jessie, 44. Fr. Masilang Ronaldo, 45. Fr. Montaña Danny, 46. Fr. Patiag Rodolfo, 47. Fr. Paulino Ronaldo, 48. Fr. Peji Breynard, 49. Fr. Peque Julito (extra domum), 50. Fr. Poblador Alex, 51. Fr. Prudenciano Dexter, 52. Fr. Quidayan Dante, 53. Fr. Ramirez Renato Arvin, 54. Fr. Ramos Henry, 55. Fr. Rampazzo Bruno, 56. Fr. Ranera Mariano, 57. Fr. Raveza Enrique III, 58. Fr. Redoble Benjamin, 59. Fr. Robiñol Silvestre, 60. Fr. Rodriguez Ranny, 61. Fr. Rondael Mariano, 62. Fr. Salonga Christoper, 63. Fr. Sisa Robert (extra domum), 64. Fr. Solitario Santos, 65. Fr. Taguibao Wesley, 66. Fr. Tecson Ariel, 67. Fr. Tumulak Charleston, 68. Fr. Victoria Ronaldo, 69. Fr. Villamonte Rey, 70. Fr. Villora Nicolas, 71. Fr. Ybañez Rito.

Deacons

1. Rev. Balaguer Carlo, 2. Rev. Cagbabanua RG, 3. Rev. Latina Tommy, 4. Rev. Nocellado Antonio, 5. Rev. Quinga Rogie, 6. Rev. Taok Kristian.

Religious Students

1. Bro. Aberion John Francis, 2. Bro. Akiatan Reggie S., 3. Bro. Arreza Jose Roque B., 4. Bro. Balaan Carl Angelo C., 5. Bro. Belgica Jobert, 6. Bro. Bellen Jorem, 7. Bro. Bangov Jessel, 8. Bro. Capeña Edward, 9. Bro. Casaberde Jorge B., 10. Bro. Cayao Francis Ferruci C., 11. Bro. Cestina Harvey, 12. Bro. Ching Paul Tran Duc, 13. Bro. Choi In Soon Joseph, 14. Bro. Conson Zander, 15. Bro. Destura Mark, 16. Bro. Endraca Joseph Anthony E., 17. Bro. Escullar Ferdinand, 18. Bro. Espanto Ryan Alvin, 19. Bro. Florade Chris Melvic, 20. Bro. Frias Val Vincent, 21. Bro. Gamaya Giovanni, 22. Bro. Gannaban Ignatius Carmelo D., 23. Bro. Gasta Jose, 24. Bro. Gualbertus Henrikus, 25. Bro. Henon Alex, 26. Bro. Hernaez Lorgin, 27. Bro. Hoang Nguyen Joseph Phan, 28. Bro. Hoang Van Dong Peter, 29. Bro. Huong Joseph Hoan Xuan, 30. Bro. Iroy Andru D., 31. Bro. Jimenez Ryan, 32. Bro. Koka Marselinus, 33. Bro. Lancin Tom June, 34. Bro. Lauron Jonrey, 35. Bro. Lozada Ernie, 36. Bro. Mapaepac Paul John, 37. Bro. Marcelo Patrick Ian, 38. Bro. Marianus Petrus, 39. Bro. Minh Dang Joseph Phling, 40. Bro. Nazarrea Rence Fradel, 41. Bro. Ngoc Si Dominic Phung, 42. Bro. Nguyen Thanh Huy John, 43. Bro. Nguyen Truong Thinh Joseph, 44. Bro. Notarte John Raymond, 45. Bro. Oplas Clenton, 46. Bro. Palado Tristan, 47. Bro. Phan Than Virong John, 48. Bro. Provido Al John B., 49. Bro. Ramirez Lovely (extra domum), 50. Bro. Relatorres Aernest, 51. Bro. Ricafranca Joel, 52. Bro. Rosal Niño M., 53. Bro. Sop Gabriel Jon, 54. Bro. Suarez Welbert, 55. Bro. Tagabi Francisco Gringo, 56. Bro. Tanga Ferdinandus Heldi, 57. Bro. Thinh Joseph Nguyen Truong, 58. Bro. Tran Xuan Vincent Diep, 59. Bro. Tutas Bryan P., 60. Bro. Urmaza Wilford Ramos, 61. Bro. Valenzuela Sherwin, 62. Bro. Verano Espiridion Jr.

Brothers

1. Bro. Cortez Kenneth, 2. Bro. De Palma Eduardo, 3. Bro. De Sagun Christian Allan, 4. Bro. Lavente Marcelino, 5. Bro. Pelobello Nilo.

Novices

1. Nov. Burung Emmanuel Yarsi, 2. Nov. Dela Cruz John, 3. Nov. Evangelio Jeffrey Angelo, 4. Nov. Gorantes John Paul, 5. Nov. Kim Seongnam, 6. Nov. Ndawi Frederikus Yorius, 7. Nov. Paciente Arthur James, 8. Nov. Rua Yoseph Emmanuel, 9. Nov. Sambile Paulo, 10. Nov. Subong Juncel, 11. Nov. Jeffren Tugbo, 12. Nov. Varquez Joseph Henry, 13. Nov. Villahermosa Lloyd.

RELIGIOUS HOUSES AND WORKS

- 1. Bangui Dumalneg, Ilocos Norte Missionary Station Parish
- 2. Cebu Seminary / Rogationist Seminary College
- 3. Ho Chi Minh & Dalat Vietnam Missionary Station
- **4.** Maumere, Indonesia Missionary Station / Seminary
- 5. Mina, Iloilo Missionary Station "St. Hannibal Mary Discernment Center"
- **6.** Parang, Bataan Missionary Station (Parish) / "Fr. Diego Buscio Training Center/Apostolate with Indigenous People"
- 7. Parañague Parish / "St. Hannibal Multilevel School"
- 8. Parañaque Provincialate, Rogate Center,

Seminary for Adult Vocations / Postulancy

- 9. Parañaque Seminary / Rogationist Seminary College
- 10. Parañaque Studentate / Rogationist College Paranaque
- 11. Pasay Missionary Station / "St. Hannibal Empowerment Center"
- 12. Seoul, Korea Missionary Station
- 13. Sideia, Papua New Guinea Sideia Mission Center (Parish) / Technical & Primary School
- **14.** Silang St. Anthony's Boys Village / Rogationist College Cavite / Novitiate/ Oasis of Prayer (Spirituality Center)
- 15. Toril, Davao St. Anthony's Boys Village / Rogationist Academy
- 16. Villanueva, Bautista, Pangasinan Missionary Station (Parish)
- 17. Zaragoza, Pangasinan Parish / St. Hannibal Educational Center

ADMINISTRATION AND ECONOMY

In the current situation, with regard to the religious Houses of the Philippine territory, the Province of St. Matthew is moving towards the achievement of a certain economic independence, and is still partly supported by the General Government particularly in its formative works. In the Mission stations of Vietnam, Papua New Guinea, and Indonesia, the support of the General Government is still substantial, inasmuch as they are at the initial stage of structuring.

It is important that the Provincial Government should continue its commitment to achieve economic autonomy. The General Government will do its best to support financially the mission stations that are in need of help.

Hopefully, in the future, such fraternal support to other Circumscriptions in difficulty may also come from the Province of St. Matthew.

START OF THE ACTIVITY OF THE PROVINCE AND PERIOD OF TRANSITION

As such, The life of the Province of St. Matthew will start on the date of the confirmation of the election of the Provincial Superior from the part of the Superior General and his Council. Until that day, in this present period transition, the current Government of the Circumscription and the local Governments will operate as a Quasi Province.

INDICTION OF THE PROVINCIAL CHAPTER

The upcoming Provincial Chapter, in the absence of the Provincial Superior, is convoked by the Superior General, six months before it starts.

And as such, with the deliberative vote of the General Council, today, June 1, 2014, I

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the Chapter of the Province of St. Matthew, on December 8, 2014, which will be held in the Centre of Spirituality in Silang, *Oasis of Prayer*, which I will preside personally, in accordance with the Constitutions (Art. 172).

I welcome the option of the last Assembly of Circumscription and the request of the Superior of the Circumscription, and I so authorize that this 1st Chapter of the Province will be participated in by all perpetually professed Religious, who are not legally impeded.

The Provincial Chapter shall be regulated by the rules of common and proper law and from what is prescribed by the present Constitution, and will be held, by analogy with the provisions indicated in the Regulations of the General Chapter (Norms, Appendix II).

CONCLUSION

The important step that we are opening, in the journey of the Circumscription, is calling all of us to praise and bless the Lord for his enumerable blessings. All who belong to the new Province of St. Matthew: Confreres, Aspirants, members of the Family of the Rogate and lay partners, are encouraged to look forward with joyful hope, projected towards greater growth, particularly in the life of the Spirit, in bearing witness to the charism of the Rogate for the new evangelization and in the service of the little ones and the poor.

The autonomy that is due to the competence of the Province, according to the general and particular law, is combined with the subsidiarity, collaboration and sharing, with this General Government and with the entire Congregation, in the spiritual goods, missionary openness and availability, fraternal support and appropriate solidarity.

May the Divine Superiors generously bless the new Province of St. Matthew, instituted on the day of the birth in Heaven of our Founder, St. Hannibal Mary Di Francia, so that together with the Patron, St. Matthew, he may be a model of holiness and loving father.

(Fr. Fortunato Siciliano, R.C.J.)

Segr. Gen.