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## PHASE 2 CLASSES START OCT.1

### OFFICE OF THE VP-ACADEMICS

For the information of everybody:

The exams on Friday, Sept 25 is moved to Monday, Sept 28 due to maintenance updates of PLDT. Sept 29-30 is Phase Break. Classes for Phase 2 will start on October 1, 2020.

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### FR. PRESIDENT ISSUES MEMO #016

The Fr. President issued Memo #016 or the “Students’ Outstanding Balances: 1<sup>st</sup> semester, AY 2020-2021 for tertiary level and AY 2020-2021 for the Integrated School” last September 22, 2020. In the said memo, students are informed that their outstanding balance could be accessed through the UIS and that the Accounting office will no longer issue Statements of Accounts.

Secondly, Schedule of payments for tertiary students are 1<sup>st</sup> installment (September 1 - 30,2020); 2<sup>ND</sup> installment (October 1-31, 2020); 3<sup>rd</sup> installment (November 1-30, 2020) and 4<sup>th</sup> installment (December 1-15, 2020). Balance of students; accounts shall be paid in four (4) equal installments.

For the Integrated School, balances as of August 31, 2020 will be paid in eight (8) equal monthly installments starting September 2020 to April 2021.

Thirdly, students are no longer required to get examination permits as long as they follow the installment schedules. The memo further reminds all tertiary students having balances after this semester will be refused admission for the next semester while for Integrated school, those who will have outstanding balance after this academic year 2020-2021 will be refused admission by the next chol year 2021-2022.

### UNO-R RECOGNIZES ITS EMPLOYEES

UNO-R still gives recognition to its employees this year despite the pandemic. This annual celebration was one of the highlights of the university Week. The “Star of Tolentine Service Award” gives recognition to the year’s university retiring employees; The “St. Ezekiel Moreno Service award” is given to employees who have served the university for 25, 30 and 35 years; and the “Diwa Rekoletto Service award” is given to employees who have served the university for 10, 15 and 20 years. This tradition was started in 1996 during the celebration of the university’s Golden Jubilee.

This year’s “Star of Tolentine Service Award recipients are: (teaching)Cecilia Gumban; Engr. Rolando Escalona; Leila Marba; and Dr. Adelyn Sia; (NTP) Lanie Escalona; Noel de la Cruz; Luz Cielo Ganza and Dr. Carmenda Leonoras.

Recipients of St. Ezekiel Moreno Awards are (30<sup>th</sup> year) Ma. Joselina Basa; Dr. Elmer Haro; Nilda Palma; Dr. Nena Samillano; Carina Barayoga; Maria Lina Macabales; Ildefonso Obligado; Rodelyn Talapiero; and Roberto Villaruz, Jr.(25<sup>th</sup> year) Dr. Ma. Corazon Acaba; Anacita Egana; Genie Pedrosa; and Sarah Jane Gayat. (20<sup>th</sup> year) Pamela Delgado and Jerry Vallejo.

The Diwa Rekoletto Service Awardees are (15<sup>th</sup> year) Ma. Olive Jamandre; Roseminda Lamig; Leizl Uy; Fanelia Villanueva; Avelino Kalalang III; and Ma. Cristina Tamayao. (10<sup>th</sup> year) Engr. Noel Angeles; Rogy Acosta; Eden

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Caberte; Dr. Gladys Estrellanes; Lea Joy Hiponia; Remus Magbanua; Czarina Grace Pacigado; and Diane Rose Tagle; Hope Donasco; Rwela Javier; Lilibeth Hablo; Fritz Palma; and Dana Grace Tulod.

### **Congratulations.**

## **MESSAGE OF PRIOR GENERAL ON THE LAUNCHING OF THE 4<sup>TH</sup> CENTENNARY**

### **Our simple life is part of this story**

The Prior General, Fray Miguel Miró, recalled the history and the present of the Province of San Nicolás de Tolentino at the opening in Madrid of the 400th anniversary of the creation of the Province.

The San Nicolás de Tolentino Province officially began in the Santa Rita Parish of Madrid the celebration of the 400th anniversary of its creation. The solemn Eucharist of the feast of its patron - presided over by the Prior General, Miguel Miró - began a whole year of remembrance and celebration for the four centuries of the missionary province.

In his homily, Miró recalled the past and present of the religious who made up the Province from its beginnings in the 17th century in the Philippines. Those Augustinian Recollects, who volunteered to travel from Spain to the mission, continue to have the same charisma and the same feeling as those of today. "The life of the Province becomes history, our simple everyday life is also part of this history, of our history," said Miró.

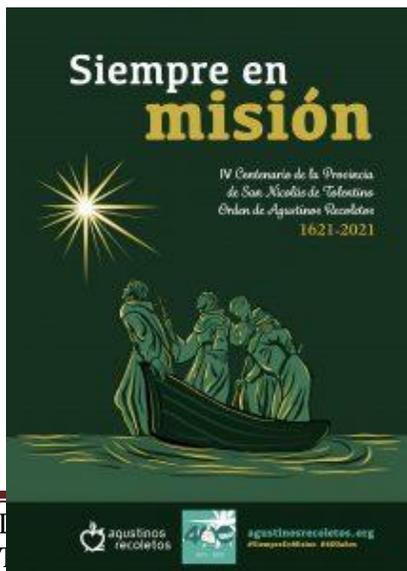
In this sense, the Prior General invited us to remember with gratitude "how the Lord has blessed the Order in the history of the Province." He also recalled the difficulties that the Province has had to face in these years: "After the glow of the star of Saint Nicholas, the Province has sailed out to sea in the storm and in the calm." Miró reviewed the saints and the outstanding events of the Province in its four centuries of life, and indicated that "it has not been an easy journey, but God's works are like that."

He also asked for forgiveness "for the occasions in which the communion and missionary spirit in the Province has waned." "We ask forgiveness for the times when we have shut ourselves up in what is ours and we have not heard the voice of the Lord in the needs of the Church and in the cry of the poor," he said.

On the other hand, the Prior General insisted on the revitalization of the charism and communion among the religious. Following the motto of the 400th anniversary of the Province of San Nicolás de Tolentino, 'Always on mission', Miró warned that "we need to be in communion to always be on mission." Along these lines, he asked to look at the present and future project of each community: "A project requires prayer and sacrifice to renounce our individualism and protagonism to work together."

The Eucharist was attended by numerous Augustinian Recollect religious as well as several dozen lay people, who maintained the health measures against COVID-19. In the mass the traditional breads of San Nicolás were blessed, in honor of the saint. ([www.agustinosrecoletos.com/2020/09/apertura-400-aniversario-provincia-san-nicolas-tolentino/](http://www.agustinosrecoletos.com/2020/09/apertura-400-aniversario-provincia-san-nicolas-tolentino/))

## **FOUR CENTURIES OF MISSIONS OF THE OAR PROVINCE OF SAN NICOLAS DE TOLENTINO**



Province San Nicolas de Tolentino, the oldest of the Order begins worldwide celebrate the 400th anniversary of its founding in 1621. In 1621 the Augustinian Recollects celebrated the first general chapter as a congregation after the approval of the Holy See. At that time, the Recollect religious decided to create four provinces that would serve different territories: the San Agustín de Castilla Province, the Nuestra Señora del Pilar de Aragón Province, the Blessed Tomás de Villanueva de Andalucía Province and the San Nicolás de Tolentino Province. From philippines. The first three, located exclusively in Spain, disappeared centuries later after the confiscation of the religious convents in the country. The only one that from its beginnings continued to evangelize according to the Augustinian Recollect charism was the province that these days celebrates the beginning of its fourth centenary: San Nicolás de Tolentino.

On the occasion of the feast of the Augustinian saint, the Province begins a whole year of celebration for the four centuries of mission. It was initially in the Philippines, hence its original name. It was the only Augustinian Recollect

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province that was dedicated to mission, understood as sending religious to other places for evangelization. Augustinian Recollect missionaries arrived in the Philippines, as in Japan, in the early seventeenth century. In the Philippines, the religious helped the development and evangelization of many territories. Later he would settle in Mexico - a place of passage for the missionaries who went from Spain to the Philippines - and Colombia; and later in Brazil, Panama, Peru and Venezuela.

From its inception until today, the San Nicolás de Tolentino Province has had the mission as one of its emblems. For this reason, the Province has chosen as its motto for this centenary '[Always on mission](#)'. In this way, the Augustinian Recollect members of the Province of San Nicolás de Tolentino, as consecrated from the Augustinian Recollect charism, have been available for what the Church has needed in all this time. Also, in the logo of the centenary there is a boat, symbol of the mission, as well as the patron saint, Nicolás de Tolentino, and [his characteristic star](#). The mission is also present in the commemorative poster of the anniversary. The author, the Augustinian Recollect David Conejo, has represented a group of religious in a boat following a star, which has double symbolism: the Gospel and Saint Nicholas of Tolentino. The illustration shows, among other things, a young religious holding an older one, a symbol of the regeneration of the century-old province. The author has been inspired by a detail in the painting of the crypt of San Nicolás de Tolentino, from the Santa Rita church in Madrid, which represents the arrival of the Augustinian Recollect missionaries to the Philippines in 1605.

### **Celebrations around the world**

The centenary of the Province began these days, coinciding with the feast of San Nicolás de Tolentino on September 10. In each of the seven countries where the Province is present, an opening Eucharist was celebrated for the fourth centenary. In Spain, headquarters of the Provincial Curia, the Eucharist took place Thursday at 1:00 p.m. (local time) in the Church of Santa Rita in Madrid and was presided over by the Prior General of the Order of Augustinian Recollects, Fray Miguel Miró. An inauguration mass was also held in Guaraciaba do Norte, Brazil. In Mexico the opening Eucharist took place this at 7:00 p.m. (local time) in the Temple of San Nicolás de Tolentino in Colonia Héroes de Churubusco, in Mexico City. Also in Mexico City, the Province had organized a cultural opening ceremony for the centenary at the Pontifical University of Mexico. It took place at 5:30 p.m. The opening of this celebration in the United Kingdom was held at the parish of Santa Ana de Vauxhall. It was on September 10 at 7:00 p.m. (local time). In addition, a conference had been organized that had the four centuries of history of the Province as its main theme on Sept. 11 and a holy missionary hour of prayer was held Sept 12. In the United States, the opening of the centennial was held Sept. 14 at the San Nicolás de Tolentino Convent in Union City, New Jersey. In Costa Rica, the inauguration will be held with a Mass on October 7 at the Seminario de Pozos de Santa Ana.

**WELCOME ,**

**FRAY ROMEO BEN POTENCIO, JR., OAR**

**THANK YOU**

**FRAY JOJO JADULCO, OAR**

### **CONDOLENCES, PRAYERS AND SYMPATHIES**

For the eternal repose of the souls the wife of Mr. Jerry Vallejo and the fathers of Ms. Carina Barayoga and Mrs. Rowena Mider.

Eternal Rest grant unto them, O Lord and Let Perpetual Light shine upon them May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace, Amen.



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