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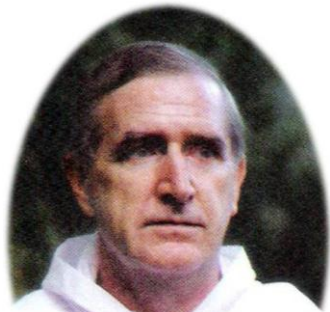
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FORMER UNO-R PRESIDENT JOINS OUR CREATOR



Fray Jose Antonio Rodrigalvarez, OAR

February 14, 1940 - January 16, 2021

Fray Jose Antonio Rodrigalvarez, OAR, 80 years old, joined our Creator last January 16, 2021 (Prot. SNT 34/2021). Fr. Rodrigalvarez was born in Monteaugudo de la Vicarias, Soria (Espana) on February 14, 1940. He received his simple profession in 1959 in Monteaugudo. His solemn profession in 1962 and was ordained to the Sacred Priesthood on July 21, 1963, in Marcilla, Navarra, Spain. He came to the Philippines in January of 1964 and was assigned to Seminario Mayor-Recoletos, Baguio City. In July of 1964, He was transferred to San Sebastian College-Recoletos in Manila. He was then assigned to Colegio de Santo Tomas de Villanueva-Recoletos, San Carlos City, Neg. Occ. on March 1965. And on June of 1965, He was

transferred to the University of Negros Occidental-Recoletos. From 1994 to 1999, he was assigned as Provincial Procurator of the Province of St. Nicholas of Tolentino. He was transferred to Colegio San Jose de Lodosa in Zaragoza in 1999. A year after, he was transferred to Union City, New Jersey. In 2009, he was Prior and parochial vicar of the Parish of St. Anselm, New York. Fr. Rorigalvarez retired to the community of San Nicolas de Tolentino of Union City in 2015.

Fray Sergio Sanchez Moreno, OAR, Prior Provincial of the Province of San Nicolas de Tolentino, describes Fray Rodrigalvarez as “a peaceful and serene man, of few words but manifests very good judgment. His balanced personality was appreciated and enjoyed by his brothers and the people around him.”

Fr. Rodrig, as we fondly called him, served UNO-R from 1965 -1994 in different capacities. He was UNO-R High School Principal from 1968 to 1994 and for three consecutive terms (1985-1988; 1988-1991; 1991-1994) as University President.

A Eucharistic celebration was held at the Oratory of St. Nicholas of Tolentine last Sunday at 10 am.

Eternal Rest grant unto him, O Lord and let Perpetual Light shine upon him. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

NEW WORK SCHEDULE AT UNO-R

Effective January 25, 2021, the work schedule for Academic Non-Teaching Personnel (ANTP), Non-Teaching Personnel (NTP), and Maintenance Personnel will be from Mondays to Fridays from 8 AM to 12 noon and from 1 PM to 5 PM. Any revisions on the approved work schedule must be communicated properly by the Office Head to the Director of Human Resource and Management Office (HRMDO). The

communication must be duly noted by the concerned Vice-President.

READS scholars will have to report to their respective units at a schedule to be set by their respective office heads in coordination with the Scholarships office. All these are embodied on Memo no. 041 series of SY 2020-2021 issued by the Father President last January 22, 2021.

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ST. AUGUSTINE, Confessions

SAVE SAN SEBASTIAN BASILICA



"Our problem is more than a photobomber. Under the #SaveSanSebastian campaign, the Foundation focuses on the need to protect the architectural and structural integrity of the Basilica and the surrounding homes...Again,

it's the community and their safety that is at the heart of this issue."

The online petition for the #SaveSanSebastian campaign is live! Sign up now and stand with us at Change. [Org: http://bit.ly/SaveSanSebastian](http://bit.ly/SaveSanSebastian)

OUR GOAL: 400,000 signatures in time for the 400th year anniversary of the very first San Sebastian church. Join us and our partners to raise awareness about San Sebastian and why it must be protected.

This petition was started by a concerned member of the San Sebastian community, and we collaborated with them to make this larger call for action. To save this Basilica, we need your support for the ongoing restoration and the newer movement opposing the condominium building scheduled for construction behind it.

BECOME A PARTNER: We strongly believe in the power of a united community, and so we invite everyone to connect with us today. If you would like to be a partner, email us at savesansebastian@gmail.com and we will contact you directly. For more information on this general petition, please see the Change.Org link.

You can also stay updated about our milestones by joining the weekly Mailing List: <http://bit.ly/SSBMailingList>. If you have any questions, connect with us through a direct message or email savesansebastian@gmail.com. Together, we will #SaveSanSebastian!

UNO-R OBSERVES FEAST OF SAN SEBASTIAN

Fr. Don Besana, OAR issued Memo #039 s. A.Y. 2020-2021 regarding the Feast of San Sebastian. Regarding Circular Letter No. 2021-001 issued by the Office of the Roman Catholic Bishop of Bacolod, January 20, 2021, is the Solemnity of St. Sebastian, the Patron Saint of the Diocese of Bacolod. In this regard: All parishes and chaplaincies throughout the Diocese were enjoined to observe this feast with the theme, "San Sebastian: Ginbugayan sa Paghatag kag Paghalad sang Kabuhi"; A Solemn

Concelebrated Mass at the San Sebastian Cathedral at 10:00 a.m.; No religious procession or the Traslacion de San Sebastian; instead, a 'recorrida' throughout the major streets of Bacolod City; and the Feast Day was observed as a HOLIDAY in all Parochial and Catholic Schools as well as Parishes/Chaplaincies and Diocesan Offices. Hence, January 20 was a NON-WORKING DAY at UNO-R.

The university community was enjoined to be in solidarity with the whole Diocese of Bacolod in seeking intercession from St. Sebastian for our protection in this time of the pandemic.

FR. PRESIDENT ISSUES Memo #040 s. SY 2020-2021

UNO-R President Fr. Don H. Besana, OAR issued Memo #040 s. AY 2020-2021 regarding Tertiary Level Students' Outstanding Balances: Second Semester AY 2020-2021. In view of the above subject matter, please take note of the following: (1) All students can now access the balance of their accounts through the UIS; hence, the Accounting Office will no longer issue Statements of Accounts except on a case-to-case basis; (2) Balance, amount payable, and due date will be sent through text by the MIS to the students starting the first week of every month;

(3) Settlement of students' outstanding accounts will be as follows:

- Balance of students' accounts as of January 31, 2021, will be paid in four (4) equal monthly installments:*
- First Installment: February 1-20, 2021*
- Second Installment: March 1-20, 2021*
- Third Installment: April 1-20, 2021*
- Fourth Installment: May 1-20, 2021*

(4) Students will no longer be required to secure an examination permit as long as they pay their monthly installments; hence, faculty members are requested to remind the students to pay their accounts. (5) Tertiary level students with account balances will not be allowed enrollment for summer or next semester.

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UNO-R CREATES WEB/SOCIAL MEDIA COMMITTEES

The University, through President’s memo #38 SY 2020-2022, created the WEB/Social Media Committees. In view of the recommendation of the UNO-R Management consultant to enhance the visibility of the university in the digital environment, the school Board appoints the members to the committees:

For the Executive Committee: Rev. Fr. Don Besana, OAR; Rev. Fr. William Villafior, OAR; Rev. Fr. Jose Alden Alipin, OAR; Mr. Mariano Antenor; Mr. Alvin Mananquil; Mr. Ma. Judy Legaspi; Mr. Avelino Kalalang III; and Dr. Carlos Eduardo Legaspi, Jr. while the members of the working committees are the College Deans, IS Principal, and office Directors and

heads. The memo also states that the committees shall work in coordination with the Publicity and Media Relations committee under the External Affairs office. Furthermore, the Executive Committee shall have the following functions: drafting of policies on what and when to publish data on the page; suggesting the development and improvement of the website; regularly meeting to brainstorm and update the social media platforms used by the university; assisting in the uploading and editing of data, and reviewing web analytics.



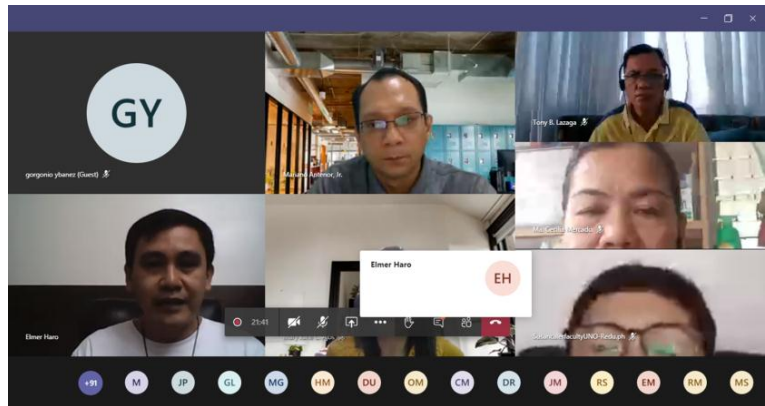
CAS UNDERGOES TRAINING

The Dean, faculty, and staff of the College of Arts and Sciences have undergone a series of training on the use of the MS Team

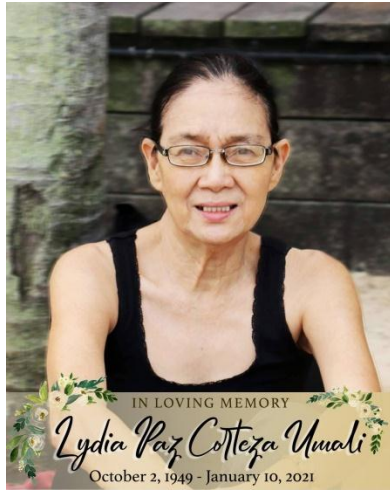
last January 5, 6, and 8 at the President’s Hall of the university. This is in line with the utilization of MS Teams as LMS for the tertiary level. This is also a part of the faculty development program of the college for 2020-2021 with the theme PASSION v. 2 (Preparing Actively for Sustainable Service towards Integral Online Educational Needs).

MICROSOFT CONDUCTS VIRTUAL TRAINING FOR THE ACADEMIC COMMUNITY

FastTrack Center in cooperation with the UNO-R ICT Department, conducted a series of training last December 28-29, 2020. The speakers/trainers were Mr. Renz Martin, and Mr. Muhammad Nabeel Bin Ahmad Salihin. The team discussed the details of the Microsoft Teams as Learning Management System (LMS). The first topic was a general overview of MS Teams by Mr. Martin, while the topic on Exchange Online which includes the use of email, calendar, and contacts was discussed by Mr. Salihin. On the second day, Mr. Martin discussed the topics on OneDrive for business, Sharepoint Online, and Microsoft 365 Apps.



LYDIA PAZ UMALI CLOSES STAGE CURTAINS



Mrs. Lydia Paz Umali, former stage director of the UNO-R Kasadyahan Dance Company closes the stage curtains as she joins or Creator last January 10, 2021. Mrs. Umali joined the university as a faculty of the College of Education. Later, she was appointed Director of the Kasadyahan Dance Company (KDC). During her time, UNO-R produced dance theater productions under her directorship like Gahum (2000), Karul-an (2001), Kasadyahan (2003); Jazz-up (2004), and Baduy (2005). Interment was Last January at the Bacolod Memorial Park after the 2 pm Mass.

Eternal Rest Grant unto her, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon her. May she rest in peace. Amen.

Important dates for January 2021	
Jan. 1	Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Jan. 3	Solemnity of the Epiphany
Jan. 8	Birthday of Fray Ian Anthony Espartero, OAR, Provincial Councilor and UNO-R Board of Trustee
Jan. 9	Feast of the Black Nazarene
Jan. 10	Feast of the Baptism of our Lord
Jan. 15	Birthday of Fray Anthony Irineo, OAR, UNO-R Alumnus
Jan. 17	Feast of the Santo Nino
Jan. 18	Birthday of Fray Joseph Dexter Palagtiosa, OAR, former UNO-R VP - Student Welfare
Jan. 20	Feast of San Sebastian, Patron of the Diocese of Bacolod
Jan. 21 and 22	<i>Licensure Exams for Medical Technologists (for approved examinees for March and August 2020)</i>
Jan. 22	Birthday of Most Rev. Vicente Navarra, DD. Bishop Emeritus of Bacolod
Jan. 25	Solemnity of the conversion of St. Paul 50 th Founding Anniversary of Colegio San Nicolas de Tolentino-Recoletos (CSNT-R), Talisay City Neg. Occ.
Jan. 26	Birthday of Fray Cristopher Maspara, OAR, President , USJ-R, Cebu and UNO-R Board of Trustee
Jan. 28	Birthday of Fray Louie Gabinete, OAR, former UNO-R VP - Student Welfare
Jan . 29	Launching of the HEART SOLIDARITY Campaign (Province of St. Ezekiel Moreno only)
Jan. 30	68 th World Leprosy day

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