Summer 2018



Missionary Fraternity of Mary

Newsletter



From left to the right:

Fr. Erick Cassiano, Fr. Fabian Rodas, Fr, Luis Carlos (Vicar General of the Fraternity), Fr. Ermes Aguirre, Fr. Jaime Charuc, Fr. Silvano Velasquez (Prefect of Finance) and Fr. Maximo Tzul

Fiat mihi secundum verbum tuum (May it be done unto me according to Thy word)

It has been such a wonderful experience and journey together with God and his people. The Lord has showed us the way to walk along with him.

As we answer the call of Jesus in our hearts, we are sure that our answer has been always as the answer of our mother Mary "Fiat mihi secundum verbum tuum" (Luke 1, 38). With the spirit of missionaries we thank God for his wonderful deeds in our lives

Our presence in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee

This year 2018 we have strengthened our presence in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee. We are now a team of five priests of the Missionary Fraternity of Mary working in different parishes within the Archdiocese.



Statue of Mary Help of Christians at the Fraternity in Guatemala,. She is the patroness and the source of spirituality of the Fraternity By the Grace of God, Archbishop Listecki welcomed us as a Society of Religious Life in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee to serve in the different areas where the people of God need us.



Fraternity priests with Archbishop Listecki

Fraternity, our style of life

Priests of the Missionary Fraternity of Mary live in fraternity, not alone, even if they work apart. For example, two of our priests reside together in Waupun but serve in two different parishes. Fr. Erik Cassiano, associate pastor at St. Katharine Drexel Catholic Church in Beaver Dam and Fr. Fabian Rodas who serves as an associate pastor at Holy Family Parish in Fond du Lac. Each one of them enriches the whole charism of the Missionary Fraternity of Mary with their own gifts and capabilities.

On the south side of Milwaukee, three missionary priests reside together, in fraternity, at the rectory of St. Raphael the Archangel Parish.

Fr. Maximo Tzul (Fr. Max), who served as an associate pastor at Holy Family in Fond du Lac for seven years, now is the Priest Administrator of Prince of Peace, St. Vincent de Paul and St. Raphael the Archangel parishes. Working together with Fr. Max now is Fr. Ermes Atilio Aguirre, an associate pastor.



Also residing there is Fr. Jaime Charuc, associate pastor at St. Anthony Parish nearby, and the Director of Development for the Missionary Fraternity of Mary. We have established our Missionary Fraternity Office at Prince of Peace Parish. This office will help us to develop a close relationship with our friends, benefactors and all who desire to experience a missionary life on this journey together with us. We invite you to come and visit our office at Prince of Peace Parish, 3811 South 25th St. Milwaukee, WI 53204. Your visit will be a blessing for us!!

Fr. Jaime at the office of the Fraternity in Milwaukee

Our Gratitude

We thank God for all our friends in the United States and in the whole world who have made possible by their prayers and continued support our presence in the Archdiocese of Milwaukee, Wisconsin and San Bernardino, California.

We are grateful to the following: Our Twinning Partner Lumen Christi Parish in Mequon, our supporters at parishes served in Fond du Lac, Beaver Dam and Milwaukee, and to the Knights of Columbus.

A car was donated by the Knights of Columbus this year to the Missionary Fraternity of Mary for the pastoral service of Fr. Erik Cassiano at St. Katharine Drexel Parish in Beaver Dam. In addition we had the opportunity to promote the Fraternity at the Knights of Columbus 2018 statewide convention in Madison this past April.



God bless you all!!!

Fr. Erik Cassiano receiving the Car and its keys from a member of the Knights of ColuFmbus

Fr. Jaime Charuc with Tom Hogan at the Knights of Columbus Convention in Madison this year.



Other News

- Our novitiate was moved from Guatemala to Belize in the past year. In 2018 six seminarians began their novitiate (year of discernment), at the newly renovated facility in Belize.
- Last February we had the ordination of 9 new Deacons at the Cathedral of Guatemala City.
- Three Deacons joined our mission in Peru this year.
- Three of our Priests finished their studies in Rome. Fr. Carlos Lara received a Doctorate in Sacred Scriptures, Fr. Ubaldo Menchú a degree in Moral Theology and Fr. Edwin Josué Pacal a degree in Dogmatic Theology. They will be teaching at our seminary in Guatemala starting this fall.

Thank you for your prayers and your support to the Missionary Fraternity of Mary

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