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Department of Education

REGION VIII
SCHOOLS DIVISION OF CALBAYOG CITY

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CONDUCT OF CALBAYOG DIOCESE VOCATION CAMPAIGN TO GRADE 10-12 STUDENTS

- 1. This is to inform the field that the Diocese of Calbayog celebrates the Vocation Month this February and one of their activities is the Vocation Campaign.
- The various congregations in the diocese particularly the seminarians from St. Vincent de Paul College Seminary (SVPCS) and the Poor Servants of the Divine Providence (PSDP) will conduct vocation campaign to the Grade 10-12 students of different schools to promote the different vocations particularly the ordained or religious life.
- Said activity may be allowed provided it does not interfere with the conduct of classes in schools.
- 5. Immediate dissemination of this Advisory is desired.

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Diocese of Calbayog
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February 5, 2025

Margarito A. Cadayona, Jr. PhD., CESO IV OIC-Schools Division Superintendent DepEd Calbayog City Division

Dear Mr. Cadayona:

Praised be Jesus through Mary!

Each one is called to become holy. In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus teaches us to "be perfect, just as [our] [H]eavenly [F]ather is perfect." (Mt. 5:48 NABRE) Three vocations lead us to our primary vocation – to be holy: ordained or religious life, single life, and married life. Each one is different but has the same calling—to love. Everyone chooses a vocation where they can live out the calling of God to be holy as He is holy.

Furthermore, to promote the different vocations, particularly the ordained or religious life, to the youth, the Diocese of Calbayog celebrates Vocation Month this February. The celebration opened last February 4 and will end on March 4. Different activities will be conducted throughout the month to promote the vocation to become holy through the different vocations, one of which is the vocation campaign.

In connection with this, we would like to ask permission from your office to conduct a vocation campaign to the Grade 10–12 students of the different schools under your division. Nuns, priests, and brothers of various congregations in the diocese will conduct a vocation campaign in Calbayog one of these days. They will gather students from nearby schools in the church or other areas that could accommodate a large number of people.

In addition, seminarians from St. Vincent de Paul College Seminary (SVPCS) and the Poor Servants of the Divine Providence (PSDP) will also conduct a vocation campaign inside the school premises from February 26 to 28. The exact time depends on the availability of the students of a particular school. The vocation campaign talk will take an hour, and the entrance exam for those who are interested will take another hour or two.

If you permit us regarding our request, we would also like to request a formal letter from your good office allowing us to conduct the vocation campaign. We will attach your permission letter to our letters addressed to the school heads. Your letter will be our proof, allowing us to conduct a vocation campaign in the various schools in your division. You may address your letter to me, Rev. Fr. Henry D. Milka.

We would appreciate your kind consideration regarding this matter. It will significantly help the local church in Samar, in particular, and the universal church, in general. May the Good Lord of Vocations bless you and your endeavors always.

Respectfully yours,

Rev. Fr. Henry D. Milka

Vocation Director

Rev. Fr. Jeffrey Singzen, PSDP

Association of Religious in Calbayog

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Noted By:

Most Rev. Isabelo C. Abarquez, D.D.

Bishop, Diocese of Calbayog