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#### "COME & SEE"



We need Diocesan Priest for the Diocese of Gizo.

Young men...discern your call & the truth of your life? SEE YOUR PARISH PRIEST....Come & join this "Come & See" program.

25th — 28th June



#### I am happy to send this message from the Vatican City near the holy father:

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diocese is in the way it takes care of its

the future of the seminary is in the seriousness of the care the diocese takes in its candidates to the seminary

the candidates to the seminary come in through the door of the 'come and see'

I urge all the communities to do their part in the choice of the candidates for the come and see I encourage the pastoral and vocation team to present all the needed criteria for discerning God's call

I ask everyone to pray to the Lord of the harvest to send laborers to his harvest in the Gizo dincese

Let me remind you of the signs of a vocation which we elaborated together in the priests council meeting and in the method of discernment

#### the criteria for a priestly vocation in the Gizo diocese:

- the candidate to the come and see must be healthy and fit for hard work and sacrifice
- He must be a FORM 6 graduate and have sufficient intelligence to study for the priesthood
- He must be known to the community as a man of praver
- He must have been helpful to the community and the catechist in the past
- He must love the liturgy and prayer life he must not be afraid to sacrifice his whole life

#### The process of discernment

- The community chooses him
- The catechist recommends him to the vocation director
- The pastoral team gives the come and see and recommends the chosen candidates to the bishop for further follow up

The candidates chosen are presented to the NAC for one or two years pre-seminary where all the criteria for a true vocation are to be observed and evaluated before the candidate goes to the seminary

#### A final recommendation

The diocese needs good, generous and holy priests. It does not need lazy youth or youth who want to go to the seminary for some rest Priesthood is a call, a response to a call from God... only candidates who are very serious about sacrificing the whole of their lives to God should apply for the come and see...

I am sure there are young people who want to give all their lives to God and their people... let us look for them, let us ask God for them, let us prepare them and help them---

and we will have a 'local church' we can be proud nf...

with my love and blessings

Bishop Luciano Capelli sdb

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"We give and re-give all a sense of the value of SOLIDARITY as we promote, live and experience in our lives, true acts of JUSTICE & PEACE with our brothers and sisters and the nature around us"





#### Rellysdom A Malakana

(Media Coordinator, Diocese of Gizo)

Each year for the past 46 years, Popes have issued messages for the World Communications Day.

For this year 2012 the Vatican released the Holy Father's message and is entitled "Silence and Word: Path of Evangelization", for this month of May 20th, which marks the day of the WCD 2012.

The Holy Father said that in our digital world of websites, applications and social media, we need to make "space for silence and

occasions for prayer, meditation or sharing the word of God."

His words seems referred to this Lenten session, which many of us are encouraged to set some special time aside as we seek to draw closer to Jesus. The importance is to get away from the distractions of everyday life,

The Holy Father invites us to enter into dialogue with those seeking answers and to invite them to reflection on the Word of God, to silence and prayer. He urges us to prepare for these interactions with our own times of silence and contemplation.

Holy Father's 46th World Communication Day Message (See last month, April Issue)

#### If I were to have written the short

article for Newsweek, I think I would have written something like this. In the Message for the 46<sup>th</sup> World Communications Day, the Holy Father invites all communicators to bring the fruits of their prayer, silence and contemplation to their interactions on the Internet. He invites them to create "a kind of 'eco-system' that maintains a just equilibrium between silence, words, images and sounds." Without this balance, all interactions will remain superficial and inadequate. With it, they will have a great opportunity to proclaim God's love to the world in new and wonderful ways.

What would you have written?	(Article from the unknown)

#### **DIOCESAN PROGRAMS COMING UP**

4th - 9th of June

DPTA meeting to collate ALL Parish Evaluation Questionaries and Prepare the Draft 2013 — 2016 Diocesan Pastoral Planning

Host Venue -

St. Peter's Cathedral, Gizo.

25th - 29th of June

Diocesan "Come & See Program for male who which to live life as a Priesthood

Host Venue -

St. Dominic Catholic Mission Station, Sirovanga

## Happenings in Our Diocese\_

### 35 Participants Successfully Complete Evaluation and Planning Workshop.

35 participants from the Catholic Diocese of Gizo, Southern Deanery, successfully completed a 4 days Evaluation / Planning and the Spirituality of Communion Retreat workshop from 4th – 7th May this month.

Participants are from the 3 parishes, Wagina, Noro and Gizo and include Parish priests, Religious in-pastoral, Seminarians in-pastoral and the Diocesan staff.

The workshop was organised purposely to evaluate diocesan pastoral programs from 2008 – 2012 and the plan for the diocesan pastoral programs for the year 2013 – 2016.



Participants have time to share and reflect during group discussions, and presentations from each group have motivated participants to raise questions, comments and contributions.

On the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> day, participants had their Spiritual Retreat where more of them reflected deeply and prayerfully and experienced the journey of the Diocesan

> Renewal in the contemplation of the Spirituality of Communion Retreat.

The program was facilitated by Joseph Lalaubatu, Fr. Jacob Qetobashu and Gerome Kuibatu.



## FEAST DAYS





## Happenings in our Parishes

### MOLI CHURCH BUILDING- Fr. Jacob Qetobatu (Vicar General)

Moli Church Building is progressing well, despite the delayed deployment of all the finishing materials from Honiara and in the bush to the island.

So much so, I would like to thank the people for their contribution of trees, and especially for their "heavy human power", to carry all the timbers from the bush to the sea which was the most difficult part of the work.

Special thanks to the constructor

Sebastian and his workers for being patient, because their payment depends very much



on the stages and these stages depends on how the people work and how long the material from Honiara are delivered.



## Nusabaruku Have New Committee- Tomas Manase (NB elder)

During the beginning of the catholic calendar year, this year 2012, the Nusabaruka Catholic Community formed an interim or caretaker committee to quickly set measures to address the deteriorating community's worship standard along with other Diocesan and Parish commitments where Nusabaruka Catholic Community, participation was quite inadequate if any at all.

The interim committee after a couple of get together discussions arranged for a community get together at the community meeting house (Maneaba), to get the community awareness on what need be done to be more active as a community with regards to Diocesan and Parish commitments.

The turnout at the Maneaba was good and three nuns too attended. Nominations were made to elect members to form an elected committee and take over where the interim committee left off.

The newly elected Nusabaruka Catholic Committee, is now, up and set to go.

Amongst the many tasks required of them for their Calendar Year Plan - one prioritized as first and foremost, is to seek and acquire land to erect a Chapel and Hall at



Nusabaruka. To the committee this is the one and most effective way of getting the flock together, which of course leads to the other point – that of assisting and strengthening the community shepherd. A young

couple who can read and write should both share the task of assisting the present catechist, and if possible, whilst on task of learning to assist – the young couple

should be sent to NAC for training and molded to eventually take over the role as catechist and assistant catechist. It is important to note that a couple sent would help each other and work together for the good of the community. A single catechist would not have these advantages

The idea of having a new catechist is a delicate and sensitive issue, especially so for the Nusabaruka community, and so the idea should not be pressed and hurried, but rather, time, ample time should

be allowed to study and decisions critically made whilst looking at the "for and against" factors on how best can we improve on the current situation.

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## ——News In Bits—

## More Youth Involve Weekend Program.

On the 13th of May Niu Sotiiwa and Nusabaruku youth, were privileged to have a Pastoral worker, Sr. Teresa Tabaia OP have the youth involvement and combined participation into the month of the

youth.



Total up to 25 youth from these 2 communities were involved in the program which was facilitated by Sr. Teresa and the PTPA team members (Rose Taam, Rino

Tebaia, Ionna Tatauwa)

The program highlights the theme of the youth month, "Always be joyful in the Lord".

The inputs presented by the Facilitators are on the three calls in life; call to Married life, single and to the priesthood and religious life and along with the Diocesan Renewal Program.

It was indeed a prestigious gathering, one which kept reminding the youth and the elders to focus more on spiritual activities rather than involve more on social life.

## St. Eusebius Parish Fundraising Hit Thousands.

About \$10,000. was raised on the 19th of May at St. Eusebius Noro Parish.

More parishioners and the Noro public were involved and participated in the fund-raising activities, which included sale of food, card games and entertainment (Dance).

The money raised aid the parish to pay off some of their outstanding costs and for other parish activities.

## The Month of the Youth Prepared , Over sea Visiting Youths.

A Youth program which was organized by Sr. Teresa Tebaia op was an opportunity to gather more youths from the different youth groups from Gizo, Niusotiwa, Nusa baruku and Sitokava.



A 4 weeks weekend activities really impacted the youths from these groups to prepare themselves for the upcoming youth activities with the over-seas visiting youth from Italy that will be hosted in the month of July.

The youth were pleased and really looked forward to being involved, participating into what activities they will provide. More said that such activities may give an opportunity to other youths who spend more of their time outside the youth activities organized by themselves.



While we try to teach our children all about life. Our children teach us what life is all about.

~unknown Author

From April Issue





# TEENAGERS ARE STILL NOT FULLY

■They also lack strength of character to resist surrounding influences and friends' talk.

**GROWN UP** 

**EDUCATION 4 LIFE** 

FOR AN EDUCATION TO VALUES AGAINST HIV

Does a grown-up always act like everybody else?

- ♥Many boys and many more girls admit that they have sex from weakness, "carelessness" by "accident or mistake". (i.e. not intentionally)
- ♥"How can I say NO, if she asks me for it?"
- **♥**We just give way to the mood, the music, the partying, the drinks. **«Getting drunk is very dangerous»**



♥Girls admit being weak as far as boys are concerned:

"Even if you don't want to, you give in to the boys' smooth talk. They are smart and clever. They lead us astray by

their talk, their charm, their build, their money. At first boys are nice and kind, they won't give up but keep on pestering us with poems. They try to win us over with



offers of marriage and tell us that if we love one another ,we must prove it by having sex. That's when we weaken and give in to them..." (cf.MBEGU 9).

♥Being curious to learn what it's like to have sex.