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MEMORANDUM
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TO : Assistant Schools Division Superintendent
Chief Education Supervisors, CID and SGOD
Education Program Supervisors
Public Schools District Supervisors
School Heads
SDO Personnel
All Others Concerned

FROM : By authority of the Schools Division Superintendent:

[Signature]
AROLINE T. BORJA
Education Program Supervisor
Officer In-Charge

SUBJECT : **INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CELEBRATION OF THE NATIONAL BIBLE MONTH**

DATE : January 17, 2023

1. Attached is the invitation from the Diocesan Commission on Biblical Apostolate of the Diocese of Virac regarding the celebration of National Bible Month which is self-explanatory. Participation is encouraged but on a voluntary basis only.
2. For your information and immediate dissemination.

Encl.: None
References: As stated
To be indicated in the Perpetual Index under the following subjects: CELEBRATIONS
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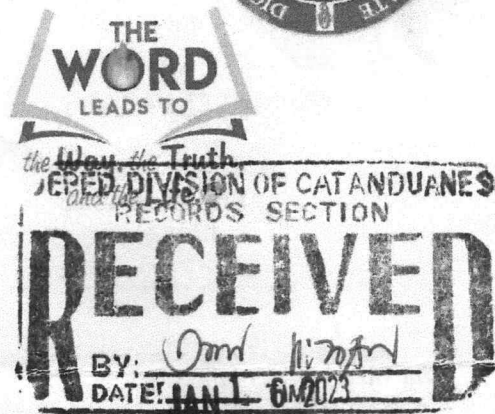
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12 January 2023

DR. SUSAN COLLANO
Office of the Schools Division Superintendent
Department of Education
Virac, Catanduanes
PHILIPPINES



Dear Dr. Collano:

Greetings of Peace!

In Proclamation no. 124 signed last 5 January 2017, the former President Rodrigo Duterte declared that for every year, the month of January will be National Bible Month. In that proclamation he asserted: "it is fitting and proper that national attention be focused on the important role being played by reading and study of the Bible in molding the moral fiber of our society."

Thus, one, not only with the Catholic Bishops' Conference of the Philippines but also with the entire Philippine Nation, our **Diocesan Commission on Biblical Apostolate** would like to invite you and the **entire DepEd-Catanduanes family (students, teaching and non-teaching staff)** especially from Schools (Elementary and Secondary) near Virac to celebrate the "National Bible Month" with us in an anticipated date (that is Saturday, 21 January 2023) by

1. ***attending the Solemn Pontifical Concelebrated Mass which is to be presided over by His Excellency, Most Rev. Manolo A. de los Santos, D.D. at 8:00 o'clock in the morning at the Virac Cathedral***
2. ***joining the "Symbolic, Sacrificial, Silent Walk of the Word of God" for nation building via motorcade from the Virac Cathedral to the Risen Christ Pastoral Complex***

This year's theme is "The Word leads to the Way, the Truth and the Life" (John 14:6; Isaiah 61:1-4).

Please find herewith the Program of the Event, which we have already circulated among our priests around the diocese.

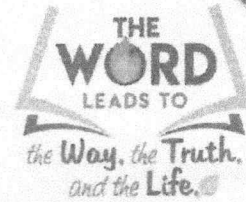
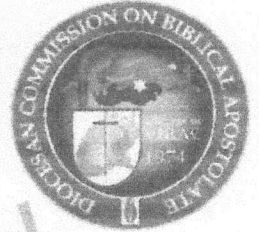
Hoping for your positive response,

Sincerely yours,


REV. FR. EDUARDO Z. ZAFE
Director, Commission on Biblical Apostolate

Postscript: This Diocesan Event has already merited the Approval of His Excellency, Manolo A. de los Santos (Please see herewith the replicated copy of the DCBA Letter sent to our Priests). However, the Secretariat could not, as yet, have this missive signed by Bishop this time due to the latter's CBCP engagement. Nonetheless, letter noted by the Bishop Manolo shall be sent to your Good Office as soon as His Excellency arrives. – The Secretariat

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To: **VICARS FORANE
PARISH PRIESTS / PRIESTS IN-CHARGE/ ADMINISTRATORS
OF THE DIOCESE OF VIRAC**

Re: **Diocesan Celebration of the National bible Month**

Date: **21 January 2023**

One with the Catholic Bishops' Conference of the Philippines, through the Episcopal Commission on Biblical Apostolate, our Diocese will celebrate the "National Bible Month" in an **anticipated date (that is 21 January 2023)**, for our Parishes and Mission churches to celebrate it in their respective communities on dates officially declared by the same Commission to wit:

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD	22 January 2023
NATIONAL BIBLE WEEK	23-29 January 2023
NATIONAL BIBLE SUNDAY	29 January 2023
NATIONAL BIBLE DAY	30 January 2023

This diocesan gathering devoted to "celebration, study and dissemination of the Word of God" (Francis, *Motu Proprio, Aperuit Illis*, 2019) focuses on the "The Word leads to the Way, the Truth and the Life" (John 14:6; Isaiah 61:1-4).

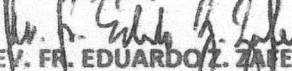
It is highly desired that each parish/mission church sends 3-5 official delegates who "can eventually work" or "are already actively working" in promoting the Word of God.

A minimal registration fee of Php 150.00 shall be required from each delegate.

The program shall start at 8:00 a.m. Please find here with the Program of the said Diocesan gathering.

Hoping for your usual cooperation.

Sincerely yours,

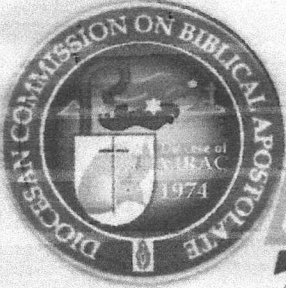

REV. FR. EDUARDO Z. ZATE

Director, Commission on Biblical Apostolate

Approved:



MOST REV. MANOLO A. DE LOS SANTOS, D.D.
Bishop of Virac



**THE
WORD**
LEADS TO

*the Way, the Truth,
and the Life.*

JOHN 14:6 | ISAIAH 61:1-4

7:00 a.m.

Virac Cathedral

Registration (*Php 150.00 per participant only for Official Parish Delegates for the whole-day celebration*)

Welcome and Short Orientation

History of National Bible Month

Rev. Fr. Eduardo Z. Zafe

8:00 a.m.

SOLEMN CONCELEBRATED PONTIFICAL MASS

with Most Rev. Manolo A. de Los Santos
Bishop of Virac, Presider & Preacher

10:00 a.m.

"SILENT, PENITENTIAL WALK OF THE WORD" via motorcade

- Route: > Cathedral Main Entrance
> San Jose Main gate
> Turn Right (Virac Main Road)
> Gagan Chapel
> Eastern Bicol Medical Center
> Turn Right (towards the Risen Christ Pastoral Complex)

10:45 a.m.

Risen Christ Pastoral Complex

TALKS

Bringing the Word of God to our Families

Rev. Fr. Salvador Rojas, Commission on Family & Life

Experiencing the Word of God in the Basic Faith Community

Rev. Fr. Raul de los Santos, Office of Basic Faith Community

12:45 p.m.

Lunch

1:30 p.m.

BIBLE FORUM

Panel of Resource Speakers:

Rev. Fr. Paul Isorena

Rev. Fr. Raymund Fajardo

Rev. Fr. Eric John Rojas

Moderator: Rev. Fr. Eduardo Z. Zafe

2:30 p.m.

BIBLE QUIZ

Quiz Master: Sr. Dora Fe Bernardo, MCST

Awarding of Winners

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January

SATURDAY

21

7:00 A.M. - 5:00 P.M.

2023