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The Inaugural Message of His Eminence Cardinal Charles Maung Bo, president, Federation of Asian Bishops Conference (FABC)

Check out the [inaugural message](#) of His Eminence Cardinal Charles Maung Bo, president of the Federation of Asian Bishops Conference (FABC), on the occasion of the FABC50 General Conference, October 12-30, 2022, Archdiocese of Bangkok, Thailand.

A Reflection on the (CFC) Singles for Christ Campus based Ministry 6th National Conference



CFC Singles for Christ (SFC) Campus-based ministry had its 6th National Conference at the University of Maryland at College Park on June 24-26, 2022. The theme for the conference was "Remembrance", which was based on Ezekiel 37:12-14 (NABRE). Click to read the [full article](#).

Indian Americans celebrated the 25th Anniversary of the Dedication of the Oratory to Our Lady of Good Health

By: Fr. Chris Arockiaraj, P.S.S, Adjunct Associate Professor, The Catholic University of America



Every year the Indian American Catholics celebrate the feast Our Lady of Good Health, Vailankanni on a Saturday around the Feast of the Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary. To mark the twenty-fifth anniversary (1997-2022) of [the dedication of the oratory of Our Lady of Vailankanni](#) and the annual pilgrimage at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception.

Click to read the [full article](#)

Day of Reflection on Asian and Pacific Island Spirituality, Fellowship and Solidarity

Join us for a day of reflection on Asian and Pacific Island Spirituality, Fellowship and Solidarity on Saturday, Nov. 5, 2022, John Paul II National Shrine, Washington, DC.

For more information, check out the link to the [flyer](#).

**ASIAN AND PACIFIC ISLANDER CATHOLICS:
Spirituality, Fellowship and Solidarity**
Saint John Paul II National Shrine 9900 Hornswood Rd NE, Washington, DC 20017

**Saturday
November 5, 2022**

9:00 AM REGISTRATION
9:30 INTRODUCTION AND PRAYER
10:00 KEYNOTE
10:30 GROUP DISCUSSION
12:00 PM MASS
12:45 LUNCH, DISPLAY AND GAME
2:00 SHARING USCCB AND DIOCESAN STAFF COMMUNITY LEADERS
3:30 CALL TO ACTION
3:50 CLOSING REMARKS AND PRAYER

Let us gather for prayer, spiritual enrichment, reflection and call to action

Keynote Speaker: Rev. Linh H. Hoang, OFM, PhD, Co-Draft, writer: "Encountering Christ in Memory: A Pastoral Response to Our Asian and Pacific Island Brothers and Sisters"

Launch and light refreshments provided
Please RSVP by Oct 29, 2022:
https://apc.2022.eventbrite.com
Free will donations appreciated

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This event is organized by the Asian and Pacific Catholic Network (APCN) in collaboration with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church



News from the Federation of Vietnamese Catholics USA

By: Fr. Chau Thanh Nguyen, president

The Federation of Vietnamese Catholics in the USA announces its priests' convocation of 2022. The Emmaus IX Convocation will take place in the Diocese of Dallas from October 17 to 20, 2022 at the Church of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, 2121 W. Apollo Rd., Garland, Texas. The theme of the convocation, taken from St. Paul's letter to the Roman, is "*Love One Another With Mutual Affection.*" (12:10)

Since its inception, this is the ninth convocation which opens to Vietnamese priests serving in the United States of America. During this four-day convocation, attendees will have time for fraternal support and encouragement. They will also listen to a variety of topics from presenters. They will also have the opportunity to meet with the parishioners of local Vietnamese parishes.

The convocation is hosted biennially by the Federation of Vietnamese Catholics in the USA. The last convocation was in the Diocese of Orange, California in October 2019. Due to the pandemic, it was postponed in 2021.

Filipino-American Catholics in Washington DC Celebrate the Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz

By: Rosemarie Ong, EdD.

Filipino Catholics in Washington, D.C. gathered at the Cathedral of St. Matthew the Apostle in Washington, DC. on September 24, 2022, to commemorate the Feast of San Lorenzo Ruiz, the first Filipino martyr and saint.



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Youth Leader Trainers Congress

By: Young Hoang, PhD

Over this past summer, in union with the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops' Eucharistic Revival initiative, the [Vietnamese Eucharistic Youth Movement \(VEYM\)](#) hosted a Youth Leader Trainers Congress with aims to renew their spirit and rediscover the gift of in-person ministry, bolster their work on evangelization in the post-COVID era, and enkindle a living relationship with Jesus in the most Holy Eucharist.

Participants were Youth Leaders across the country representing the 140+ VEYM chapters. Through renowned keynote speakers on the Eucharist, dynamic breakout sessions on effective strategies for evangelization, discussions and dialogues on VEYM reformation and advancement, the synodal process, social gathering, praise and worship, music, food, and prizes, those in attendance without a doubt were reenergized and sent forth to lead their chapters.



Asian and Pacific Island Events Highlights

- Milwaukee Asian young adult E. Me Na, recipient of [youth award for Archbishop's Annual Vatican II awards](#)
- [Baltimore Archdiocese Filipino Council Celebration honoring Saints Lorenzo Ruiz and Pedro Calungsod](#)
- [Archdiocese of San Francisco Filipino Ministry 10th Annual Gala](#)
- The National Conference of Burmese American Catholics' (NCBAC) 11th [Annual Gathering and the priestly ordination of Deacon Martin Mana](#) Ling on July 1-4, 2022, Diocese of Owensboro

Click the links below to read the stories courtesy of the Western Kentucky Catholic

- [Feels like 'home'- Asian Catholic leaders praise Owensboro diocese for welcoming 1,800-plus at national conference](#)
- ['God will be with me; in God I will go' - Seminarian to be only second Myanmar-born priest ordained in U.S.](#)
- [For 20-plus years, mission of NCBAC serves needs of Catholic refugees from Myanmar](#)

Open positions in the Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church

There are two positions open in the Secretariat of Cultural Diversity in the Church. Please click on the links and apply today or forward the links to your family and friends.

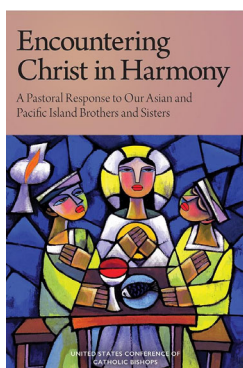
- **CDC Executive Assistant:** [Careers at United States Conference of Catholic Bishops \(USCCB\) \(irecruit-us.com\)](#)
- **CDC Staff Assistant:** [Careers at United States Conference of Catholic Bishops \(USCCB\) \(irecruit-us.com\)](#)

Resources

The Subcommittee on Asian and Pacific Island Affairs states, “*We hope these resources will help pastors, parish teams, diocesan leaders and all the faithful to welcome and integrate Asian and Pacific Islanders as they strive to live a faith-filled life in the Catholic Church.*” The Subcommittee continues

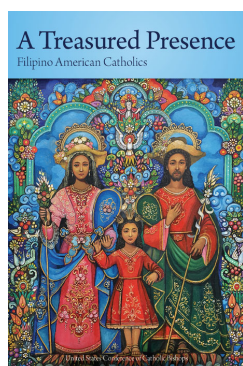
to work hard and add more to the series “prepared for and may stem from Asian and Pacific Island communities.”

Visit the [USCCB Store](#) to browse and order your resources or call 1-800-235-8722 or send an email to css@usccb.org. Remember to have the product code number ready when placing your order. ****The USCCB Store is closing before the end of the year. Go to the store to see the resources marked down between 30-80%.**



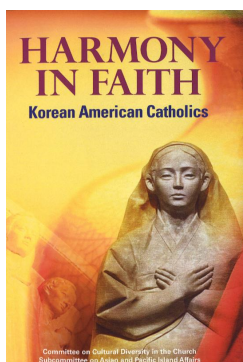
Encountering Christ in Harmony: A Pastoral Response to Our Asian and Pacific Island Brothers and Sisters (Product Code 7-576)

The goal of this response is to make Asian and Pacific Island Catholics feel at home, both in the Church and in the United States, while being able to preserve the richness of the spiritual and cultural backgrounds that they bring as contributing members of the Body of Christ.



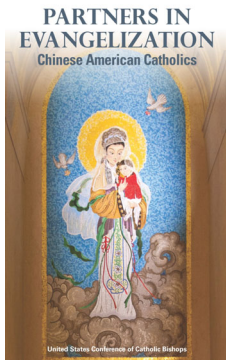
A Treasured Presence: Filipino American Catholics (Product Code 7-656)

Learn about the history, blessing, and promise of Filipino Catholics in the United States. This timely book comes on the heels of the 500th anniversary of the arrival of Christianity in the Philippines, celebrated in 2021-2022.



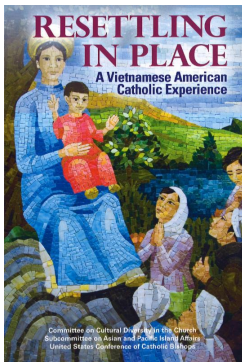
Harmony in Faith: Korean American Catholics (Product Code 7-479)

This small book on Korean American Catholics connects each believer to their roots in Korea, weaving through thick layers of their history of faith.



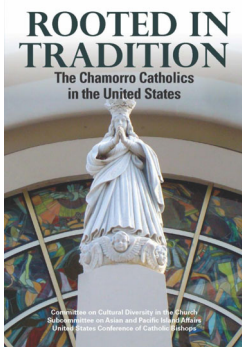
Partners in Evangelization: Chinese American Catholics (Product Code 7-690)

Partners in Evangelization: Chinese American Catholics will help diocesan and parish leaders, and all the Catholic community, to more deeply welcome and integrate Chinese Catholics into the local Catholic community.



Resettling in Place: A Vietnamese American Catholic Experience (Product Code 7-480)

This small book is a snapshot description about a community who rebuilt their faith life by sustaining family values, culture, and Catholic devotional practices.



Rooted in Tradition

A people indigenous to the Mariana Islands in the western Pacific, the Chamorros have a strong Catholic heritage, which they brought with them to the United States. The Chamorros are the third largest group of Pacific Islanders in the United States, but perhaps the biggest group of Catholic Pacific Islanders. If interested in this resource, please contact us scapa@uscgb.org.

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