

MANDALAY NOTES

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BASIC BIBLE SEMINAR No.3

Fr. Thomas , MS has invited the Association of Biblical Apostolate of Archdiocese of Mandalay to give a Basic Bible Seminar. From November 21-25, 2010, the Basic Bible Seminar was conducted for the 3rd Batch at the parish of St. Vincent De Paul, Zaw Gyi. It numbered about 48 participants from that parish. The opening mass was presided over by the Archbishop of Mandalay. Since most villagers are formers who work at day, the seminar was from 5:00 PM 11:00 PM in the evening. The facilitators were Fr. John Aye Kyaw, Fr. Peter Myo Aung, Fr. Thomas, MS and Sr. Sherman, SJA and 3 lay persons who finished their Biblical Apostolate Training. On the last day, two la salette fathers came to help for the reconciliation rite. The participants were given Certificates after the Holy Eucharist. It was a good opportunity for the parishioners to have like this.



Zaw Gyi



NEW CHURCH & IT'S JUBILEE



St. Michael Parish has been blessed with two great celebrations. A year ago, the Church has been constructed in a larger size with the excepting of changing the façade of the Church. The Blessing of the New Church was started at 4:30 PM on the 26th of November, 2010. Before the blessing of the Church, the inauguration was led by the Mayor and the Archbishop of Mandalay, together with the Parish Priest, Fr. John Maung San. After the Eucharistic Celebration, there was a musical concert entertained by a famous band.

The following day in November 27, was the celebration of Centenary Jubilee of the parish. Before the mass, there was also blessing of the adoration Chapel donated by (Teacher Ester) through her friend. A hundred children received their first communion and Confirmation. All priests were given gifts. Priests, religious, and many faithful attended the big occasion.



St. Michael Church

Inside



With Mayor



Adoration Chapel



Security of the Mayor



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CRMdy RECOLLECTION

On the 12th of November, 2010, the Conference of Religious of Mandalay (CRMdy) had the second Recollection of the year at the Novitiate House of Salesian Fathers, in Anisakhan, Pyin Oo Lwin. It was sponsored by the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary (FMM) Sisters and hosted by the Salesians (Fathers and Sisters). About 80 religious attended the recollection and Fr. Lucas Suan Za Lian, MS presided over the Holy Eucharist.

The talk was given by Sr. Josephine Kyi, FMM, about the "Ethics of Enough," stressing how to be a true religious in the spirit of the vow of poverty nowadays. Knowing the situations of the world, like consumerism, globalization and so forth, it is a challenge for each one to live a life of simplicity, not more than enough, in every aspects of religious life. It is important to consider what is 'need and want' in living out the religious vows.

The recollection was started at 9:00 AM and ended at 3:15 PM, after the benediction. In a special way, they have offered their prayers for the country for it had its general election on the 7th of November. Before everyone left, snacks was served to all through the courtesy of Salesians.

