



The story that has ever been told...

During the Second World War, the statue of Our Lady of Lourdes was buried for the villagers had to run and leave their village. After about 15 years, the villagers tried to look for her but got exhausted for they could not find anymore at where she was supposed to be. After sometimes, Our Lady spoke to a woman (Daw Phan) in dream that they had to dig out the statue under the fig tree. Halfheartedly the villagers dug it out and lastly found the statue of our Lady supported by the roots of a tree without touching the soil. For it was unearthed, based upon the dream, she became well known among and honored by the faithful, even the people of other faiths came to witness her merciful intercession for their petitions and needs.



On 10th of September, 2010, Daw Phan was called by the Lord to be in his bosom at the age of 96 years. For almost 38 year, she has been lying in bed because of her paralysis. Even then, she has never stopped telling about the dream given by the Blessed Mother and the history of the discovery of the statue of Our Lady of Lourdes at Chanthagone.

"She felt consoled by our Blessed Mother during those years," said the parish priest in his homily. Fr. George Khin My Htwe, her nephew, presided over the funeral mass at her house. The parishioners and her relatives came to pay their last respect to her as she was chosen by our Blessed Mother in a special way.

Since the discovery of the statue in 1957, more and more miracles are witnessed here and there through the intercession of the Blessed Mother. Pilgrims have flocked to the shrine yearly. Now the storyteller has died but the story will continue as ever.

Preparing for Fiesta Oct 22-23

Chanthagone

Temporary Tents



Our Lady of Health, Velankanni

Sept 8, 2010



St. Xavier Church, Mandalay



Devotees offered flowers in kneeling.

Ordination in Pyay Diocese



In the 19th of September, 2010, His Grace Bishop Chales Bo ordained Rev. Kyaw Kyi to priesthood at the diocese of Pyay. Bishop Chales Bo, the Archbishop of Yangon, is temporarily taking care of the diocese for it is still in the process of re-electing a new Bishop. Bishop Gregory U Taik Maung, the Apostolic Administrator of Pyay, has resigned from his office since July, 2010. La Salette is also the patron feast of the diocese that was formerly under the La Salette Missionaries for almost 40 years. The 3 La Salettes were able to participate in the celebration though they were late due to the long travel during rainy season.

MS FEAST AT CHANTHAGONE

As the mandate of Our Lady of La Salette goes, "Well, my children, make this known to all my people," La Salette feast was celebrated on the 18th of September for this year 2010 instead of September 19 that fell on Sunday. Before the feast, at the parish of Our Lady of Holy Rosary, Chanthagone, 9 days of Novena Masses were said with the faithful at the grotto. Moreover, there were poem writing and painting contests prepared for the children, basing on La Salette so as to deepen the knowledge of the story of Our Lady of La Salette and her merciful message. Aside from that, there were also outdoor games like soccer games for the people. And the winners were awarded as well.

On the 18th of September, Saturday, and at 8 O' clock in the morning, the feast day mass was presided by His Grace Bishop Paul together with other priests from Mandalay diocese concelebrating. And homily was given Fr. Phillip, MS. Religious from different congregations like Columban Father and Sisters, Salesian Sisters, St. Aloysius Sisters, St. Joseph Sisters, Reparation Sisters, Little Way Sisters, and FMM Sisters came to join at the celebration and fellowship meal afterwards. The villagers and the visitors were offered with native foods and drinks.



Looking at Poems & Paintings



Volleyball



Soccer



Social Games



Fellowship Meal



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