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- Devin Watkins

Pope at Angelus: Jesus heals our hearts wounded from lack of love

At the Angelus address on Sunday, Pope Francis recalls that Jesus goes beyond our sins and prejudices to heal our heart from the wounds and mistakes of the past.

All this meant that she was marginalized and left without the possibility of a husband or a family. "She lived alone, with a wounded heart."

The Pope pointed out that the "most serious illness in life is a lack of love, and not being able to love."

Useless searching for love

He then reflected on how we can find healing in this story of a nameless woman who represents us all. She had spent lots of money on various ineffective treatments which only made her condition worse. The Pope lamented that we, too, seek useless remedies for our lack of love, throwing ourselves into vain searches for success and money, even looking online. But, he added, the woman finally chose to seek direct, physical contact with Jesus.

"The Lord waits for us to encounter Him," said the Pope, "to open our hearts to Him, for us, like the woman, to touch His garment in order to heal. Because, by growing in intimacy with Jesus, we are healed in our affections."

Seeking Jesus' healing gaze

Pope Francis pointed out that Jesus responds favorably to the woman's touch, seeking her out of the pressing crowd.

"This is Jesus' gaze: there are many people, but He goes in search of a face and a heart full of faith. He does not look at the whole, but at the individual."

The Pope added that Jesus "does not stop at the wounds and mistakes of the past, but goes beyond sins and prejudices" to reach the heart. Jesus, he said, heals precisely that woman who had been rejected by everyone, praising her faith and calling her "daughter".

Love alone heals life

Finally, Pope Francis encouraged everyone to "let Jesus look at and heal your heart." If we have already experienced His gaze, then we should turn to those around us who may feel wounded and alone to show them love.

"Jesus asks you for a gaze that does not stop at the outward appearance, but that goes to the heart: a gaze not judgmental, but welcoming," he said, "Because love alone heals life."

- Abigail Seta

62nd Annual General Meeting of the Bishops Conference

Port Moresby: 15 Bishops, 3 bishop elects and two Diocesan administrators from the dioceses in PNG gathered for the 62nd Annual General Meeting of the Catholic Bishops Conference from 22nd to 30th June. Due to COVID-19 and flight restrictions, Bishops of Solomon Islands were unable to be a part of the AGM.

With the theme: 'Our Catholic Laity: Holy, Formed and Sent for Service', the AGM officially opened with a Eucharistic Celebration on 22nd June. It was celebrated by Archbishop of Port Moresby, Cardinal Sir John Ribat MSC. Joining him were Archbishop of Madang and President of CBC, Abp Anton Bal, Archbishop of Mt Hagen, Abp Douglas Young and Bishop of Bereina, Bp Otto Separy. They were joined by the CBC staff, Youth of St John the Apostle parish in Tokarara and lay people who led a culturally diverse liturgy.

Throughout the two-weeks, the meeting had presentation of reports from Secretaries and Bishop Deputies of the various commissions highlighting their work in

Christian Formation, Mission and Integral Human Development.

There was also a presentation by Fr Jacek Pinocy, Secretary of the Apostolic Nuncio. He presented to the Bishops on intellectual property, copyright, patent and the importance of Church ownership of general goods.

On Friday, 25th June, a memorial mass was held for Bp Bill Fey and all deceased Bishops in PNG and Solomon Islands at St Joseph's parish, Boroko.

The Bishops had mass with the different parishes in the Archdiocese of Port Moresby on Sunday, 27th June.

The AGM concluded on 30th June with a Eucharistic Celebration.



Plastic Free July

This July, over two million people around the world are choosing to be part of the 'Plastic Free July Challenge', reducing their consumption of single-use plastics in July and beyond.

Starting as a small, local campaign for individuals to raise awareness and change behaviour, the campaign has grown to include businesses, community groups, schools and industry inviting them to be part of the solution to the growing environmental issue of plastic waste.

In his encyclical *Laudato Si'*, Pope Francis asks us to focus on "avoiding the use of plastic and paper, reducing water consumption, separating refuse, cooking only what can reasonably be consumed, showing care for other living beings, using public transport or car-pooling, planting trees, turning off unnecessary lights, or any number of other practices." He then goes on to say that we "must translate

into concrete ways of thinking and acting that are more respectful of creation."

By encouraging people to be more aware of their plastic use, we can foster this respect and co-create a cleaner world for generations to come.

Nine ways you can reduce plastic use in the workplace:

1. Buy stationary items in bulk to reduce packaging of individual items.
2. Buy recycled cardboard ring binders.
3. Don't file sheets of paper in plastic inside a folder.
4. Use fresh ground coffee in a pot instead of a coffee pod machine.
5. Use bunting (or similar) instead of balloons for celebrations.
6. Don't buy single wrapped food items.
7. Avoid purchasing plastic coated paper clips.
8. Say 'No' to laminating.
9. Use refillable or recyclable pens, not disposable ones.

Rahamim Ecology Centre

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Auxiliary Bishop for the Diocese of Wabag



Brief History

His Holiness, Pope Francis has appointed as Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Wabag, the Reverend Father Justin AIN SOONGIE, until now Vicar General of the same Diocese, assigning him the titular see of Forma.

The appointment was announced on Tuesday, 15th June 2021, at 12 noon Rome time, 8:00 PM in Papua New Guinea and 9:00 PM in the Autonomous Region of Bougainville and in the Solomon Islands.

Fr Justin was born on June 2 1973, at Tsikiro village in Wabag, Enga, and ordained on May 11, 2005. He was the assistant parish priest at Tsikiro Mang and now Vicar General of the Mariant from 2005 to 2006, parish priest at Mang same Diocese, from 2006 to 2011, parish priest at Sari in 2014, Vicar-General in 2014 and pastoral vicar this year.

Fr Justin has held assignments within the diocese which include members of board of trustee, member of diocesan pastoral coordinating council, deputy chairman of the diocesan health board, Kopen Secondary School chaplain and diocesan coordinator.

Episcopal Ordination

Bishop of Kundiawa

Bishop Elect: Reverend Fr Paul Sundu
Ordination date: Saturday, 3rd July 2021

Bishop of Daru-Kiunga

Bishop Elect: Reverend Fr Joseph Tarife Durero SVD
Ordination date: Sunday, 29th August 2021

Bishop of Aitape

Bishop Elect: Reverend Fr Siby Matthew Peedikayil
Ordination date: Yet to be set



A home for all

Fr Ambrose Pereira sdb
Secretary for Social Communication

The **Season of Creation** is the annual celebration of prayer and action for our common home. The entire ecumenical body joins in the celebration of prayer and protection of God's creation. The season starts on 1st September, the World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation, and ends on 4th October, the Feast of St Francis of Assisi, the patron saint of ecology beloved by many Christian denominations.

2021 Theme:

The theme for this year is: **'A Home for all? Renewing the Oikos of God'**. Oikos is the Greek word for 'home' or 'household'. It invites us to celebrate our relationships that sustain the well-being of the Earth.

Symbol:

The symbol for this year is Abraham's tent. It signifies our commitment to safeguard a place for all who share our common home, just as Abraham did in the book of Genesis. A tent reminds us of the hospitality that we need to offer to the homeless, the vulnerable, the refugee and the ones that are excluded. A symbol of a tent can be displayed during liturgies throughout the Season of Creation, symbolizing the intention to create a home for all.

Prayer, sustainability, and advocacy:

Individuals and communities are invited to participate through prayer, sustainability projects and advocacy. A few suggestions are:

Prayer: Host an ecumenical prayer service that unites all Christians to care for our common home.

Sustainability projects: Take up a sustainability project that will help creation thrive.

Advocacy: Raise your voice and organize ongoing programs that will highlight the issues of climate change and climate justice. You may also participate in programs, events, and movements to divest from fossil fuels.

In the months leading up to the Season of Creation, everyone is invited to prepare for the celebration through a variety of ongoing activities and programs. Send us a write up of your celebration together with a few emotionally connected photographs. The SOCOM team will be happy to share what you do on the CBC website. Your actions and activity will be an inspiration for others to follow your example. You can make use of the 'Laudato Si' Resource manual and also find a lot of resources at the seasonofcreation.org and a form to register your events.

We trust that the Season of Creation will renew our baptismal call to care and sustain this ecological turning. May life flourish and may all creatures find their place in our common home.

Season of Creation 2021

"A home for all? Renewing the oikos of God."



The global Christian family is invited to participate in initiatives of prayer, sustainability, and advocacy to care for our common home.

September 1st to October 4th



The Creed: I Believe in the Holy Spirit

- Fr. Tomás Ravaioli IVE

Many things can be said about the Holy Spirit, but we will only talk about the benefits that come to us from him. St Thomas Aquinas talks about five benefits:

1) He cleanses us from our sins.

It is necessary that the hearts of men, destroyed by sin, be made anew by the Holy Spirit: "Send forth your Spirit, and they shall be created; and You shall renew the face of the earth." (Ps 103:30). Nor is it any wonder that the Spirit cleanses, since all sins are taken away by love: "Charity covers a multitude of sins." (1 Pt 4:8)

2) The Holy Spirit enlightens the intellect,

since all that we know, we know through the Holy Spirit: "But the Paraclete, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, He will teach you all things and bring all things to your mind, whatsoever I shall have said to you." (Jn 14:26)



Revival is needed in the Catholic Church - Part 2

Fr. Victor Roche SVD, Secretary for New Evangelization

In the last issue we saw the top 4 challenges in the Catholic Church and the 4 possible solutions. We can reflect on the next 4 challenges and possible solutions.

5. Catholic Children lack faith-formation in: Catholic Religious Education, Early Childhood Care and Education (ECCE), Sunday School and Altar boys/girls. The possible solutions are: a well-coordinated program for Sunday School, ECCE and altar boys/girls. It is highly recommended that every diocese and indeed every parish should have a Missionary Childhood program (Children helping Children).

In the diocese of Wabag, Children within the ages of 3-12 years, come together on Friday evening and stay overnight in the village houses supervised by some parents. They leave in the evening of Saturday. During this time, they learn catechism, prayers, Bible stories, liturgical songs and dances, talent-building-activities and values for good living.

6. Young people do not have a coordinated and sustainable program in some of the dioceses; some leave the Catholic Church for other churches, where they are well-cared for.

Possible solutions are: We need to have a well-organized youth program with committed Youth

3) He assists us and, to a certain extent, compels us to keep the commandments. No one can keep the commandments unless he loves God: "If any one loves Me, he will keep My word." (Jn 14:23). Thus, the Holy Spirit makes us love God: "And I will give to you a new heart, and I will place in you a new spirit... And I will place my Spirit in your midst. And I will act so that you may walk in my precepts and keep my judgments." (Ez 36:26-27)

4) He strengthens in us the hope of eternal life

and is, as it were, the surety of our eternal life: "And you have not received, again, a spirit of servitude in fear, but you have received the Spirit of the adoption of sons, in whom we cry out: "Abba, Father!". For the Spirit himself renders testimony to our spirit that we are the sons of God. But if we are sons, then we are also heirs." (Rm 8:15-17)

5) Lastly, he counsels us when we are in doubt, and teaches us what is the will of God.

Coordinators. These programs should include teaching of the Bible, Catechism, youth retreats, Bible camps, talent nights, training of young street preachers etc. In the month of January every year, the students have annual holidays. It is a golden opportunity to have activities for the students and young people.

7. Catholic Students in our Catholic and Non-Catholic schools and tertiary institutions do not get sufficient faith-formation in the Catholic teaching.

There is no systematic Christian Religious Education in our educational institutions.

Possible solutions are: Each diocese should have a priest-chaplain for the Catholic Schools to supervise the Christian Religious Education.

Give priority to Catholic teachers in the Catholic institutions in order to give a Catholic identity to our Catholic institutions from Elementary to University.

8. Faith and life do not go together. Our life on Sunday does not match with our life on week-days. There is the persistence of polygamy, gender-based violence, sorcery related violence, payback, tribal fight, wantok system, corruption etc.

Possible solutions are: seminars and retreats to be given for ordinary Catholics for on-going faith-formation. Catechists or well-trained lay leaders can give regular sessions for one hour after Sunday mass or Saturdays.

DMI Congregation supports local communities

The month of June was a busy time for the Daughters of Mary Immaculate Congregation as they conducted activities with marginalized women and children in settlements.

These women and children live around the Sabama-Kaugere areas of Port Moresby South.

Activities included distribution of second-hand clothes, provision of Sewing training programs and sewing machines. With the support of the DMI Sisters, some women were able to start up their businesses where they now earning K50 to K100 per day as a regular income.

According to DMI Country Director Sr Catherine, Governor of NCD Powes Parkop, has acknowledged the work being done by DMI. He reassured the sisters that the government would continue as a partner supporting the efforts of the congregation.

"My great appreciation, prayers and thanks to God for his great protection and support to do little

service for the voiceless people in settlements and villages," said Sr Catherine in her report for June.

The DMI sisters have been working with women and children in the settlements of Port Moresby since 2018.



Picture 1: A woman sewing meri blouses to sell

Picture 2: A DMI sister inspecting the blouses sewn by a mother



Eight years in limbo as a refugee

Fr. Giorgio Licini, PIME, CBC General Secretary

On the 19th of this month, it will be eight years that Australia and Papua New Guinea started detaining asylum seekers in Manus Island. 1523 of them were brought to Lombrum naval base in 2013 from the coasts of Australia where they had arrived by boat from South-East Asia. In the following years more than 600 were convinced or forced to return home, almost 500 were resettled in the United States and a few other countries, 8 have died (4 by suicide), about 300 are in Australia where they were temporary transferred on medical grounds, 126 remain in Papua New Guinea, almost all of them in Port Moresby.

Of these 126 individuals, all males, about a half are still being processed for resettlement to the US, to Canada or to other countries. But approval is not certain. Half a dozen are considering remaining in Papua New Guinea. For the rest, perhaps 60 or 70 of them, there is still no solution in sight.

There is too much at stake now for the Australian government to solve the problem of those who still

have non-resettlement options. It is not the risk of the people smugglers putting again their boats at sea from Indonesia and Sri Lanka, because Australia has now a strong maritime surveillance and good working relationships with those governments to prevent any inconvenience. It is rather the eye at the Australian federal election of mid 2022 that determines the moves of the current government in Canberra. The Australian public is largely supportive of the tough stance against the asylum seekers and refugees. But people are not told or prefer to ignore the level of suffering and death involved in the process.

It is therefore realistic to think that the final push for the solution of the remaining caseload in Port Moresby, in Nauru (the second Pacific island for off-shore detention), and Australia (for those temporarily transferred over the years for medical reasons) is postponed to the second half of the year 2022. But it is imperative that by that time all other available options (USA, Canada, Papua New Guinea and other third countries) are exhausted and only the men and women who could not be resettled elsewhere are remaining in the Pacific.

It was encouraging for us at the Bishops Conference to be invited for the first time at the end of May to discuss these issues with both the governments of Australia and Papua New Guinea, though still at an executive level. We positively registered their willingness not to leave anybody behind when the afore mentioned resettlement options are completed.

But that will mean for Australia accepting the long-standing New Zealand offer to welcome some of the refugees, and for Australia to make reasonable exceptions to the legislation preventing anybody arrived in the country by boat after 19 July 2013 to be resettled there.

After all these men and women, simply caught in the system, have served a paramount Australian national interest.

They have been sacrificed for years to permanently deter the boats and the people smugglers. Many of them got sick; 14 so far died in the process in Manus, Nauru, and Australia.

Those still surviving and with nowhere to go deserve a space in Australia. Sooner rather than later.

- Damien Dimir, Kimbe Correspondent

POSITION VACANCIES

1. Catholic Health Secretary
2. Catholic Education Secretary

LOCATION: Diocese of Wabag

REQUIREMENTS

1. Faithful and Practising Catholic
2. Good and faithful marriage and family.
3. Having received the sacrament of marriage for those who are married.
4. For Education Secretary – Work experience in the field of education
5. For Health Secretary – in the health profession for more than 7 years and should be a nursing officer or HEO.
6. In good moral standing in both personal and professional life.
7. Must be computer literate.

Required Documents:

- A. CV
- B. Certificates
- C. Work experience certificates
- D. Character reference from current employer and the parish priest.

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*Application due on the 31st July, 2021

Level three health centre under construction for Diocese of Kimbe



Kimbe: A level three health centre is under construction in the mission area of Silanga Parish in the Diocese of Kimbe that is worth approximately K5 million.

It is an initiative of the member for Talasea and Governor for West New Britain Hon. Francis Galia Maneke. The project was funded through Provincial Services Improvements Projects

(PSIP) and District Service Improvements Projects (DSIP).

AEAC, a Chinese Contractor based in Port Moresby is constructing the facility and would be supervised by West New Britain Provincial Health Authority and Catholic Health Services through signing of the MoA late last month between the WNBPHA and Catholic Health Secretary Sr. Tecklah Nohowan.

Silanga Parish Priest, Fr Anthony Ranga who was away for pastoral duties returned to the parish and was pleased with the construction phase.

Fr. Tonny commended the project supervisor for a job well done and appealed to the community to be supportive in this project as it is a life serving service brought to our doorsteps.

Majority of the workforce are from the surrounding communities while the six skilled labour are from the construction company.

Diocesan conference ends with jubilant spirit

- Fr Newman Kingi

Wabag: Catholic Diocese of Wabag gathered together for their first diocesan conference at Par Holy Spirit Pastoral Centre. Priests, religious and diocesan coordinators of the diocese of Wabag came together on 7-10 June to discuss the pastoral plan for the diocese.

The conference coincided with the launching of the five-year plan booklet of the Catholic Diocese of Wabag. For a good number of years, Marriage and Family Life was on top of the priority list, however, for next five years (2021-2025) social issues took the top list. This is in answer to the signs of the time in today's world where social issues become a real concern for the lives of the people.



During the conference more lights were shed on the pastoral plan booklet by Fr. Justin Ain on how to effectively put into action the plan of the diocese to achieve the set vision.

Each renewal coordinator gives their report on their work and their plans to execute. Though they faced many challenges, they concluded with a positive mind to sail through.

Diocese of Alotau celebrates ordination of seminarians

- CDA SOCOM



Alotau: The Ordination for Diaconate of Seminarians Japhet Kemali and Thaddeus B'Gaiva was celebrated on 6th June 2021, at the Sacred Heart Cathedral by Bishop of Alotau, Rolando Santos.

It was a great joy for these two young men who dedicated their entire lives in serving the Lord

for the people of Milne Bay and Papua New Guinea. The theme was; "Go, Make Disciples of All Nations." It is a reminder of Service to the Church.

The priests from different parishes attended the ordination and were happy to see their Seminarians enter into the clergy. It was also a great joy for the people of Alotau to see the fruit of their prayers on vocations to priesthood.

After the celebration of the Holy Eucharist, Fr. Japhet Kemali thanked everyone who contributed to the success of the day. He thanked specially the people who travelled a long way to attend the ordination. Fr. Kemali also urged the priests of Alotau to guide the deacons in their spiritual growth as they are humans who are always prompt to make mistakes.

Chat Room 2021

Are you a **young person** with a passion to express your **opinion** on a social issue affecting young people today?

You can be a part of the **Chat Room** program!

SOCOM in collaboration with **Tribe FM** at NBC, Port Moresby, is happy to invite your institution to **Chat Room**. Chat Room is a program that strives to share the thoughts and reflections of young people on youth and social issues that affect society and in turn have an impact on the fabric of our people.

- **Preparation:** Choose a topic that is relevant to your students and youths.
- The outline needs to be ready a week to 10 days in advance.
- At 2pm every Wednesday on Tribe FM, you get to share your thoughts and reflections.



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Young people on media and life relationships

The program had four dynamic young women as facilitators. They shared on how the media has distorted and manipulated their values, attitudes, relationships and faith.

The first session had Esther Aigilo, a young parishioner from St Joseph's parish, speak on meaningful friendships and its associated values. She also dwelt on how social media has defined friendships today.

Infatuation was the second topic that was presented by SOCOM personnel, Jessica Oata. In this session, she highlighted the traits and outcomes of a person infatuated by another. She also emphasized on the need for young people to channel their zeal, energy and talent into things that are creative.

The third topic on love was presented by SOCOM personnel, Isabella Saleu. She dwelt on the qualities of love, the Sacrament of Marriage and spreading love through the different media platforms.

Exploitation in relationships was the final topic presented by St Joseph's parishioner, Carol Aigilo. In the light of recent events at the University of Papua New Guinea, she highlighted male domination, physical and emotional abuse. She spoke on getting convicted by the law when relationships are exploited and on it being destructive to any relationship.

The participants had the possibility to discuss gender-based violence in PNG and the importance of teaching or raising children to equality and respect of women at home.

"I haven't had the privilege to talk about relationships openly with my family and this program has given me a lot to reflect upon," said Juliette Dawa, a participant from DBTI.

"I have learned that women can also bring change to the world. We have to understand and respect one another," said Annie Beropo from Marianville Secondary School



Participants with the animators at the 2nd Life Matters program

Boroko, Port Moresby: Young people were part of the 2nd Life Matters program that highlighted media and life relationship on Saturday, 19th June at the Shrine of Mary Help of Christians, Boroko.

Facilitated by the Social Communications Commission (SOCOM) of the Catholic Bishops Conference (CBC), the purpose of the program was to empower youths with the knowledge to make confident decisions when faced with life choices.

Workshop for Contact persons of Right Relationships in Ministry

Rabaul: The Right Relationship in Ministry (RRM) of the Catholic Bishops Conference had its second Regional Workshop for Contact persons of the New Guinea Islands Region.

It was held from 31st May to 4th June 2021 at Vanapope, in the Archdiocese of Rabaul and had 12 participants from the four dioceses of the region. Ms. Esther Igo and Sr. Ancy John SCSA, Secretary for Right Relationship in Ministry were facilitators of the workshop.

The workshop was to further the objective of the Right Relationship in Ministry of increasing number of properly trained personnel on the ground, should the need arise for them to be engaged in providing adequate report of incidents of abuse by cleric, religious, or any church workers of the Catholic Church in Papua New Guinea and the Solomon Islands.

The emphasis of the workshop was to instill a deeper understanding of the different protocols on sexual abuse, how to identify them and most importantly on report writing.

The workshop focused on:

- Introduction of the Right Relationships in Ministry Board, its aims and work.
 - The roles and responsibilities of a contact person.
 - The protocols process of the church in addressing sexual abuse by the church and where a contact person is fitted in.
 - Understanding the cultural mindsets and behaviours in the Islands and the impact and implications on the work of a contact person.
 - A template of the report writing and its different elements.
 - An overall view of the State Law.
 - Guidelines to questioning and the different techniques of interviewing.
 - The Child Protection policy of the Catholic Church in PNG and Solomon Islands.
 - The practical application of how to prepare an interview, to address complaints, to conduct an interview and to write a comprehensive report, were emphasized with group discussions, role plays and group interactions.
- "The world is watching, and the world wants to know what the church is prepared to do. It has been humbling and crippling to be that moral voice, to be



Abp Rochus with facilitators and participants of the workshop

effective in our outreach and networking", said Archbishop Rochus Tatamai, MSC, D.D. at the conclusion of the program.

One of the facilitators stated, "We are called to be responsible for the church and it is our pastoral duty to listen with empathy to the victim-survivor."

The participants also made a visit to Blessed Peter ToRot's tomb at Rakunai and celebrated the Holy Eucharist.

At the end of the workshop, Abp Rochus blessed the participants and issued them certificates.

Chat Room kicks off to an epic start



Port Moresby: Commencing its sessions in the month of June, the Chat Room program has kicked off to a high note for the year 2021, despite the slight drawback caused by the lockdown in early March.

Chat Room is a joint initiative of the Social Communications Commission of the Catholic Bishops Conference, and NBC Tribe 92FM studio and NBC TV.

On Wednesday 2nd June, a dynamic group, who are staff from the CBC PNGSI, went live on the program's first session via Radio, Television and Social Media, at the NBC Television studio. The four vibrant young individuals spoke on the issue of Environmentally Displaced People.

Wednesday 9th June, had four Grade-12 students from St Charles Lwanga Secondary School, as they discussed the 'Declaration of PNG as a Christian Country'. The four students who took up the challenge of expressing their opinion on the topic clearly indicated that they were well-versed on the issue.

With the rapid development in modern technology, young people have been urged to start using technology to share good and positive information that is meant to inspire.

Grade-10 students from Limana Vocational Training Centre, appeared on Wednesday 16th June, focused their talk on the topic, 'Importance of

Sharing Good News' and urged for it to be used as a key method of Inspiring.

Four students from De La Salle Secondary School Bomana, came together for the show on Wednesday 23rd June, in an effort to demand a wider scope for young people to openly express themselves about pressing matters affecting society.

The male students, all in Grade-11, discussed the issue of 'Young People and their Right to Freedom of Expression', which covered an array of aspects surrounding the topic providing the rich content necessary for their discussion.

Chat Room's sessions from July till December 2021 are already scheduled for participation of students and youths to speak out on and tackle issues affecting many local communities. It will also have the added benefit of professional experts joining the show to provide their say on the matters being discussed.

Picture 1: De La Salle Secondary School students in discussion with host Raymond Polon of Tribe FM

Picture 2: St Charles Lwanga Secondary School students in the NBC studio with Raymond Polon.

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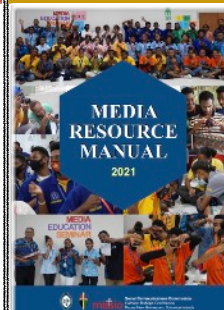


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