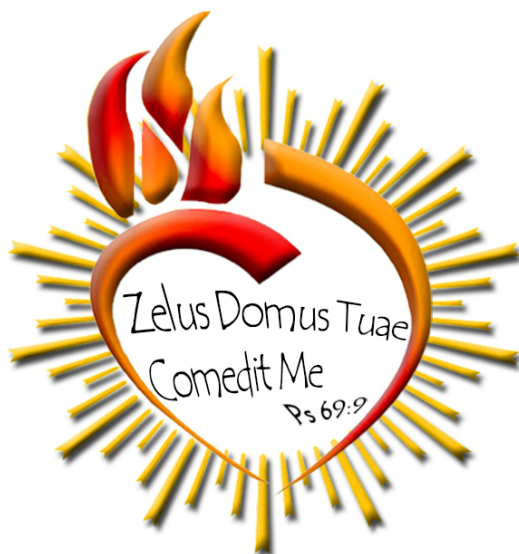


The Order of
CLERICS REGULAR MINOR
ADORNO FATHERS

USA-Philippines Delegation Chapter



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CELEBRATION OF THE DELEGATION CHAPTER

Day 1

The chapter begins with a solemn concelebration presided by the Superior General according to the norm or his delegate; it will include all the Chapter Fathers and possibly other religious. If the rubrics permit, the holy votive Mass of the Holy Spirit may be celebrated.

RULES FOR THE CONDUCT OF PROCEEDINGS

GATHERING IN THE CHAPTER HALL

Hymn: COME, HOLY SPIRIT

COME, HOLY SPIRIT, WE NEED YOU
COME, HOLY SPIRIT, WE PRAY
COME WITH YOUR STRENGTH AND YOUR POWER
COME IN YOUR OWN SPECIAL WAY.

COME LIKE A SPRING IN THE DESERT
COME TO THE WEARY OF SOIL
LORD LET YOUR SWEET HEALING POWER
TOUCH US AND MAKE US WHOLE.

OPENING PRAYER

O Lord, infuse the gentleness of the Holy Spirit upon our minds, so that, united in your name, we may know and act with justice and charity in all things and that our will may never divert from you, but always act accordingly, in words and in deeds all that is pleasing to you. Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.

Every other working session will begin and conclude with the ritual prayers.

The Secretary of the Delegation calls the names of those summoned to the Chapter.

DECREE OF LEGITIMATE CONVOCATION

PRESIDENT:

All the Chapter Fathers present here declare that this Chapter of the Delegation has been legitimately convened both in terms of the authority and as regards to the time, place and all other conditions required for the legitimacy of the convocation. Therefore, I declare the proceedings open.

A single votation is then held for the election of two scrutineers by a simple majority. Immediately after the two have been elected, they will make the following oath, with one hand on the book of the Bible:

OATH TAKING OF TWO SCRUTINEERS

I, N., elected as scrutineer of this Chapter of the Delegation of the Clerics Regular Minor, swear to faithfully read the names of the vote and never tell anyone, directly or indirectly, the names of the voters.

May the Lord assist me and help me to keep my oath.

APPOINTMENT OF SECRETARY AND DEPUTY SECRETARY OATH TAKING OF THE PRESIDENT AND ALL CHAPTER MEMBERS

I, N., swear to faithfully fulfill my office and not to report to anybody outside of the Chapter that which can bring biases, dissensions, damage to the good name of the religious and of the Order. May the Lord help me to keep my oath.

With only a relative majority vote, two examiners of proposals will be elected.

All moral and financial reports and any other documents to be discussed in the Chapter are distributed to the Chapter Fathers

The Superior and the Treasurer of the Delegation and the superiors of each house of the Delegation, each according to their areas and skills, will present written reports highlighting the following aspects: spiritual, educational, disciplinary, apostolic and financial, with the inclusion of advancing proposals for the period after. Each report will be immediately followed by integration measures and clarification. (see Appendix for all reports)

Day 2

Deliberations and Approval of Proposals

The Chapter Fathers, at the proposal of the President, Secretaries and examiners of proposals, will decide the subsequent conduct of the work of the chapter based on the findings from these reports and proposals submitted by individual Fathers deemed significant by the examiners.

The sequence of how to proceed in dealing with individual topics:

- Brief description and delimitation of the point in question;*
- Open discussion with concise and relevant presentations;*
- Development of one or more combined propositions;*
- Vote.*

Day 3

Continuation of Deliberations and Approval of Proposals

COMPLETION OF WORK

HYMN: TE DEUM

HOLY God, we praise Thy Name
Lord of all we bow before Thee;
all on earth Thy scepter claim,
all in heaven above adore Thee;
Infinite Thy vast domain,
everlasting is Thy reign.

HARK, the loud celestial hymn
angel choirs above are raising;
Cherubim and Seraphim
in unceasing chorus praising,
fill the heavens with sweet accord;
Holy, Holy, Holy Lord!

LO, the Apostolic train
Join, Thy sacred name to hallow:
prophets swell the loud refrain,
and the white-robed Martyrs follow;
and, from morn till set of sun,
through the Church the song goes on.

HOLY Father, Holy Son,
Holy Spirit, Three we name Thee,
While in essence only One,
undivided God we claim Thee:
and, adoring, bend the knee
while we own the mystery.

THOU art King of glory, Christ:
Son of God, yet born of Mary;
for us sinners sacrificed,
and to death a tributary:
first to break the bars of death,
Thou has opened heaven to faith.

FROM Thy high celestial home,
Judge of all, again returning,
we believe that Thou shalt come
in the dreaded Doomsday morning;

when Thy voice shall shake the earth,
and the startled dead come forth.

THEREFORE, do we pray Thee, Lord:
help Thy servants whom, redeeming
by Thy Precious Blood out-poured,
Thou hast saved from Satan's scheming.
Give to them eternal rest
in the glory of the Blest.

SPARE Thy people, Lord, we pray,
by a thousand snares surrounded:
keep us without sin today,
never let us be confounded.
Lo, I put my trust in Thee;
never, Lord, abandon me.

CLOSING PRAYER

O Lord, we thank you for the gifts that you have poured out upon
us during this Chapter and we ask your forgiveness for the
shortcomings from our judgments.

With your grace, bless and bring about the realization of all our
endeavors.

Through Christ our Lord.

All: Amen.