

COMMUNICATORS OF FAITH

Coming from a religious family has significantly influenced our twin's faith. Mama Rose and Papa Bisting religious identity in membership in religious organizations and practiced through attendance of mass, showing the virtue of hope and resilience was imbibed by us twins.

Don Joaquin Ortega, our grandfather was a student of the University of Santo Tomas. UST is run by the Order of Preachers in Manila with St. Thomas Aquinas, known as the "Angelic Doctor," as its patron saint. Evaristo, the youngest of the 14 children of Don Joaquin and Dona Francisca Lacsamana is our father who was a law graduate from UST. Four children were graduates from UST — Florita from the College of Commerce in 1971, while Rosa from the College of Medicine, and we twins, Artlets in 1974.

Our thirst for knowledge continues believing that "education is for life". It doesn't stop emphasizing the continuous and ongoing nature of learning, encompassing formal schooling and informal experiences throughout one's life. And our dear Lord, also grants the desires of our heart when we landed in the Pontifical Gregorian University in 2004 for a 10-weeks special course on Practical Communication: Planning and Practice. The Pontifical Universities are Roman Catholic universities under the authority of the Holy See.

Starting in 1999, the Year of God the Father, we committed ourselves always striving to do God's will. We make a conscious effort to align our actions, thoughts, and choices with what we believe God desires for our lives, seeking His guidance and wisdom in all decisions. This is put into practice our daily prayer of the "Our Father".

I am amused to see the Certificates of Participation, issued by the Communication Foundation for Asia for having participated in the Film & Faith Seminar held on January 15-17, 2007 conducted by Fr. Peter Malone, MSC on the use of Film for evangelization and values education. Why? We were attending a seminar during our birthday on the 16th of January.

Message of Fatima

We joined the Arch confraternity of Our Lady of Lourdes Convention at Lipa, Batangas some time in 2009. Since we twins like to act, we prepared a Christmas skit to be performed by the diocese of La Union members. The skit was based on Sr. Lucia's book "Calls from the Message of Fatima," on the three little Portuguese shepherd children Lucia Santos, and her cousins Jacinta and Francisco Marto.

The setting was the Carmelite Convent in Pontevedra, Spain where Sr. Lucia, the visionary of Fatima resided.

Narrator: St. Thomas Aquinas maintains that no one can subsist on earth in complete unhappiness. To support the suffering of life, a person needs to have some pleasure, even if it is small. He was not speaking of pleasures as the world imagines them, but about the good Catholic pleasures and joy. Today, we the members of the Archconfraternity of Our Lady of Lourdes from the Diocese of La Union have prepared a short Marian play in the hope that it could give some pleasure and joy to all of us.

(Ma. Luz portrays Sr. Lucia and she reads a testimony)

Ma. Luz: I was very busy at my work beyond the vegetable garden. I had met a child. I had asked him if he knew the Hail Mary and he said he did, where upon I requested him to say it so that I could hear him.

But as he made no attempt to say it by himself, I said it with him three times over, at the end of which I asked him to say it alone. I asked him if he knew where the Church of Santa Maria was, to which he replied that he did. I told him to go there every day and to say this: "O my heavenly mother, give me your Child Jesus!" I taught him this, and then left him.

On the 15th of February, 1926, I found a child who seemed to me to be the same one whom I had previously met, so I questioned him: "Did you ask our heavenly Mother for the Child Jesus?" The child turns to me and said: "And have you spread through the world what our heavenly Mother requested of you?"

With that, He was transformed into a resplendent Child. Sr. Lucia knew then that it was Jesus."

Narrator: And what did our Lady of Fatima requested from the three children when she appeared to them on August 15, 1917?

Member: Our Lady of Fatima requested during her apparition on the 15th of August 1917 to: "Pray, pray very much, and sacrifice yourselves for sinners, so many souls end up in Hell because there is no one to pray and make sacrifices for them."

During the Joint Christmas program of the St. Teresa of Avila Community and the Carmel of the Holy Family Nuns at Pindangan in 2009, Luz wearing a Carmelite nun habit, was seen with two statues of Sto. Niño and she performed the same skit.

Jesus Triumphant entry into Jerusalem

Many pilgrims come to Ilocos Sur during Lent. This Lenten Pilgrimage brings joy and hope to the Church for it strengthens the Catholic faith. In 2008, the Pater Noster Learning Center, pupils had a Lenten Presentation at Pantay Fatima. Here is a short story that speaks of the significance of the play.

Traveling in a train were an elderly bishop and a newly ordained priest. The bishop asked the priest to tell the story of his vocation. The priest said, "All I can say is that the Lord has need of me."

"So far as I can remember, only once in the Gospels did the Lord ever say that he had need of anything." In Luke 19:31, on the occasion of his triumphal entry into Jerusalem, He had in need of a donkey. Jesus instructs his disciples, if questioned about untying a colt, to simply state, "The Lord has need of it". The time of our Lord's Passion was at hand, and Jesus, accompanied by his disciples and a considerable crowd of pilgrims, left Bethany to go to Jerusalem. He stopped at the Mount of Olives and asked two of his disciples to go into a nearby village and borrow a donkey just inside the gate. He said: Untie it, and bring it here.

Jesus said: If anyone asks you, Why are you untying it? You shall say, "The Lord has need of it." The disciples found

The disciples and the people spontaneously organized themselves into a procession. They helped Jesus to sit upon it. Suddenly the donkey took a step forward. As Jesus road along, the people spread their cloaks on the road and others cut branches from the trees waving them joyfully. Men and women rushed to join the procession. At the top of their voices they shouted:

Hosanna to the Son of David!

Blessed be the King who comes in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!

People came running from all directions to find out what was going on, "What is happening?" they cried. What is going on here?" "It is Jesus of Nazareth, the great teacher of Galilee."

It was a great day for the disciples, for all the people who followed Him. Never would they forget the thrill of that wonderful procession. And it was a great day for that little donkey. If donkeys think he may have thought, 'The Lord could have chosen a lion, an elephant, or a horse for such a wonderful occasion as this, but instead He chose me, a little donkey!' And what was it that the two disciples said as they went to untie the donkey? "The Lord has need of it."

What a lesson for us all! The donkey, the Lord used in his triumphal and I are like that little donkey, perhaps thinking that we have shortcomings and limitations. Jesus knows who we are and He has need of us. He wants to make use of us to carry out his plans, just as He made use of the donkey for his entry into Jerusalem. Let us all recite this lovely little prayer: Lord, if Thou need me, show me how, and where, and when. Help me to do my best for Thee. Use me as Thou will—all the way to the New Jerusalem. Amen.

The Five First Saturdays Devotion, a request from Our Lady of Fatima,

involves making reparation to the Immaculate Heart of Mary by going to confession,

receiving Holy Communion, praying five decades of the Rosary, and meditating on

the Rosary mysteries for 15 minutes on the first Saturday of five consecutive months.

The 100th anniversary of Our Lady's apparition to Sr. Lucia in Pontevedra, Spain, to request the Five First Saturdays Devotion. The Five First Saturdays Devotion, a request made by Our Lady of Fatima, is ongoing and not yet fully carried out in the way she

intended, with the promise of assistance at the hour of death for those who

faithfully follow it.

On February 15, 1926, Jesus asked Sr. Lucia if she had already "spread through the world" the devotion of reparation (the First Saturdays) that our heavenly requested.

This is a food for thought and we the Ortega twins of La Union, Philippines would like to make it our mission.

Luz Bolong, and Nila Argel, being President and Vice-President respectively of the World Apostolate of Fatima, of the San Fernando Chapter would like to respond on the Call of Bishop Daniel O. Presto to implement this Five First Saturdays Devotion in the Diocese. Of course, belonging to the San Fernando Chapter, it will be acted upon at the Vicariate of St. Ferdinand, San Fernando.

Sr. Lucia expressed a desire that more people would embrace the Five First Saturdays devotion, acknowledging that she felt she hadn't done enough to promote it, as it was a request of the Virgin Mary during the Fatima apparitions.

Could it be that "The Lord has need of the World Apostolate of Fatima in San Fernando, La Union for a greater, a wider, and stronger devotion as the Blessed Mother wants?"

Let us seek the intercession of Venerable Patrick Peyton, C.S.C., who first proclaimed the phrases "The family that prays together stays together" and "A world at prayer is a world at peace," that the Our Blessed Mother will be happy of the faithful's determination to devote themselves for the Five First Saturdays Devotion as their gift of the grace on its coming Centenary Anniversary at Pontevedra, Spain.

PHOTOS

View the contents of our Photo Gallery. This page includes selected photos that bring back memories. It is a mixture of religious events and projects, the pilgrim sites of beautiful La Union and Ilocos etc. We dedicate this page to all those whom we have encountered in our lives and thank them for the beautiful gift of life and love.

Archbishop Edward Joseph Adams, Apostolic Nuncio to the Philippines statement before the Catholic Media Network (CMN) practitioners are the National Office on Mass Media, Manila on February 2008. "We have a perspective on truth. We have a precious contribution to make and we don't want to abuse it b being destructive."

Ortega twins present for Archbishop Edward Joseph Adams, Apostolic Nuncio to the Philippines a documentary of "A Twins' Journey with Our Lady of Namacpacan".



We heard mass at the Carmelite Monastery Chapel on the feast of St. Teresa of Jesus' Transverberation. After the mass, the prioress asked us to climb the hill where there is a nipa hut of prayer. It was a very nice place overlooking the Sierra Madre mountain, conducive to reflect on God our Father's power and love.

IT Aug 25, 2007 11:38—Midnight 12:01

To Mother Prioress John Sr. Esther and all nuns here at Infanta Monastery,

Praise God! We made it. How kind of you to accommodate us arriving very late at night. Our worry was the monastery would be close. Your set-up where there is no gate—unique to the other monasteries worked to our advantage. Imagine we twins were received very warmly with open arms just like our loving Father. Thanks for the food.

Again, the name you have chosen for the monastery—Carmelo Pangarap ng Ama (Carmel of the Father's Dream). God certainly paved the way for us to deliver His statuette on the eve of St. Teresa's Transverberation. What a coincidence —our community is aptly called St. Teresa of Avila Community. Good, we followed God's inspiration to proceed to Infanta paved the way for us to deliver His statuette on the eve of St. Teresa's Transverberation. What a coincidence —our community is aptly called St. Teresa of Avila Community. Good, we followed God's inspiration to proceed to Infanta despite of the distance. In God we trust. It's really a privilege to spend the night in such a holy place.

Our warmest thanks,
Ortega sisters—Emily and twins Ma. Luz O. Bolong, ocds Ma. Nila O Argel, ocds





2. Relics of St. Therese of the Child Jesus visit the St. Paul's Cathedral, Archdiocese of Nueva Segovia



3. St. Peter statue leads the life size statues of Jesus, Mary and the saints during the Semana Santa Procession at the St. Paul's Cathedral. .



4. St. Teresa of Avila's first procession at Pindangan, San Fernando, La Union.



5. Pacifico and Nila Argel family carroza _ Jesus Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem

JUNE 7, 2007

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Dear Ortega twins,

In Genesis' God created the world in seven days. This story symbolizes the patience and endurance needed to bring into realization the Will of God for you as espoused by St. Teresa of Avila, Doctor of the Church and Founder of the Carmelite Order.

As Secular Order members of the Discalced Carmelite Family (OCDS), strive in the pursuit of evangelical perfection to spread the Gospel, Good News of salvation, through the mass media of communication. Carry out your media apostolate to honor and glorify God and Mary, the Mother of the Order of Carmel; and, doing a very great service to the Church.

Keep on with your spiritual and human preparation to become true Christian Communicators, which requires great responsibility. The one who kneels before the Lord in childlike intimacy can stand up to anything. May the Almighty God grant your request through the intercession of the late Servant of God, and the world's first Tele-Evangelist, Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen.



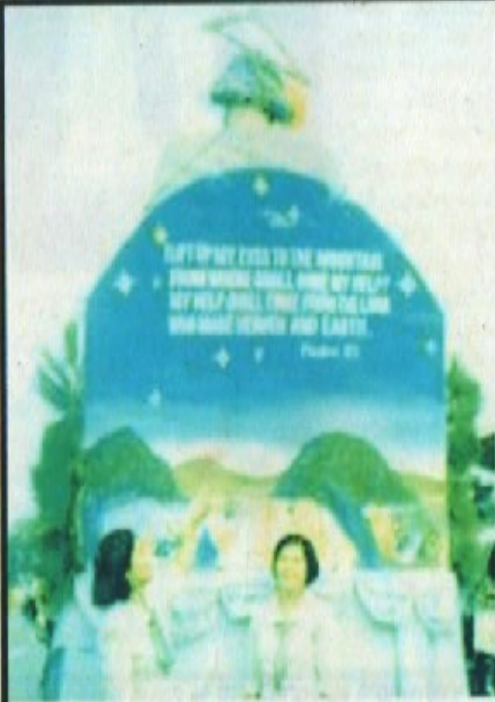

St. Teresa of Avila _ Transverberation

Prayer for Canonization for The Venerable Fulton J. Sheen

Heavenly Father, source of all holiness, You raise up within the Church in every age men and women who serve with heroic love and dedication. You have blessed Your Church through the life and ministry of Your faithful servant, Archbishop Fulton J Sheen.

He has written and spoken well of Your Divine Son, Jesus Christ, and was a true instrument of the Holy Spirit in touching the hearts of countless people. If it be according to Your Will, for the honor and glory of the Most Holy

*A twins' Carmelite activities
and pilgrimage to
Monasteries and
CCDS House of Prayers
in the Philippines
(July and August 2007)*



Map shows Carmelite monasteries where Ortega twins left statuettes of God the Father.

REGIONS

1. Ilocos Region
2. Cagayan Valley Region
3. Central Luzon Region
4. National Capital Region
5. Southern Tagalog Region
6. Bicol Region
7. Western Visayas Region
8. Central Visayas Region
9. Eastern Visayas Region
10. Western Mindanao Region
11. Southeastern Mindanao Region
12. Central Mindanao Region



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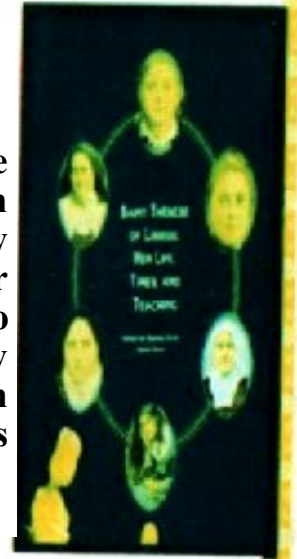
In the heart of the Church I will be Love

"At last I have found my vocation. In the heart of the Church, I will be Love!"

Has St. Thérèse simply discovered the common vocation of all of us, or has she found her own particular vocation? Or are both true at the same time? Is it both her special vocation and the universal vocation common to all of us? This essay argues that it is both: the special calling of St. Thérèse consists precisely in her giving herself completely to that which is the fundamental vocation of us all--to live in love. Most of us all not called to live the vocation of love in the same way as she did--as a Carmelite devoted to contemplation and the intense expression of love in little things--but her vocation has something to show every one of us about our own unique vocation.



Fr. James Reuter, SJ receives statuette of God Our Father from Luz O. Bolong, ocds



Les Buissonnets - The childhood home of Sainte Thérèse in Lisieux. After leaving Alençon, the Martin family moved to Les Buissonnets in November 1877. Thérèse lived there from the age of 4 and a half until she entered Carmel at the age of 15.



Inset. Twins Visit the house during their 2000 Jubilee Pilgrimage



St. Therese's Canonization Ceremony

St. Therese of the Child Jesus was canonized in Rome on May 17, 1925, 95 years ago. *The New York Times* reported that at least 25,000 French and fully 15,000 American pilgrims were present for the six-hour ceremony. The basilica held almost 60,000 pilgrims, and 200,000 more waited in the square outside. For the first time, loudspeakers were installed in the Basilica, so that all the pilgrims crowded inside (many of whom could not see the sanctuary) were able to hear the Pope's every word. This innovation was a big success.

Outer Facade of Basilica Illumined for the First Time Since 1870

Countless electric lights had been installed in the basilica for the ceremony. The newspapers reported extensively that that night, for the first time since 1870, the outer façade of St. Peter's was illumined.

The illumination was done entirely with thousands of torches and lanterns, which, flickering in the breeze, gave the impression that the whole basilica was enveloped in a curtain of fire. It is estimated that this beautiful scene was witnessed by about a million people.

The New York Times, May 18, 1925, p. 2.



Pacifico "PJ" Ortega Argel Graduation San Beda College Year 2007



Nila Argel attends Foundations on Early Education class at Ateneo de Manila University



**Evaristo "Resty" Ortega Argel Graduation
Centro Escolar University Year 2008**



**Participants to the seminar conducted by
Communication Foundation for Asia (CFA)**



Sister Mary Pilar Verzosa, founder of Pro-Life Philippines



FESTIVAL OF TWINS _ February 2004
Special awards were given to a select group of twins. Those with the most colourful attire were the Ortega twins who came in identical balintawak costumes (Filipina dress with butterfly sleeves in a plaid pattern).



Ortega twins were inspired to wear evening dress with Scapular as accessories during the OCDS East Asia Congress.

Fr. James Reuter, S.J @ 90

Fr. James Reuter, S.J. you are God's gift to men whose souls thirsts for a living God. Your persistence in your journey towards your vision has been a source of inspiration for us to confidently witness and evangelize. With prayers and through the Sea and Sky Radio-Television in the City of San Fernando, in La Union, may the Father 's will be done.

Our Heartfelt Gratitude,

From the Ortega Twins

ORTEGA TWINS' FRAMED GIFT TO FR. JAMES REUTER, SJ ON HIS 90TH BDAY



Our books on God the Father, God the Son, God the Holy Spirit and Mama Mary chronicles our life experiences. We share it to many people. As Carmelites we shared our books to General Superior Fr. Luis Arostegui, OCD during his visit here in Manila.



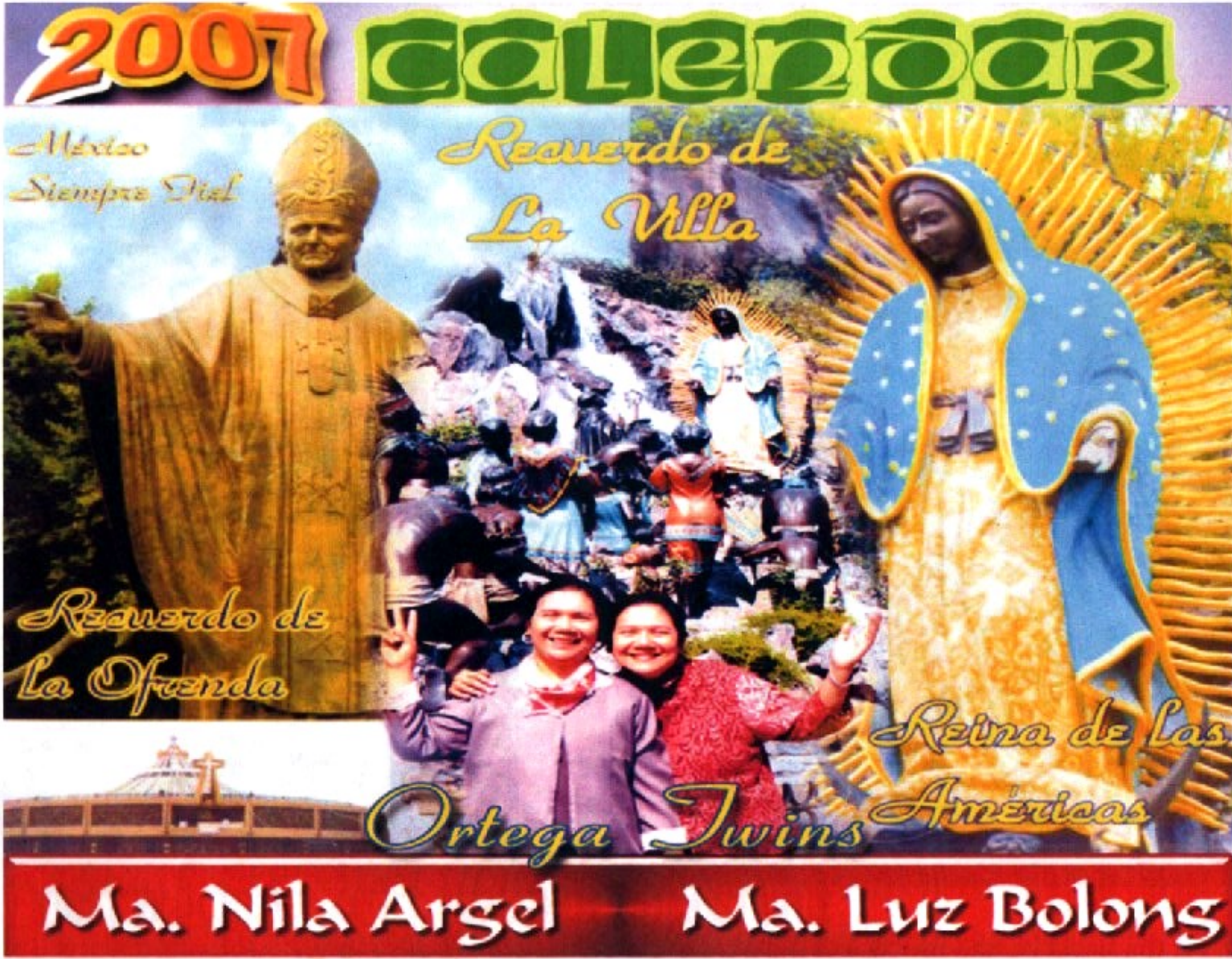
Most Rev. Ernesto A. Salgado, D. D., archbishop of Nueva Segovia and twin Luz (I) Bolong were special guests during the Graduation ceremonies of the Pater Noster Learning Center for school year 2006-2007.





The Way of the Cross

L-R: Luz prepares a small altar at the Sea and Sky Hotel for the 12th station of the cross. With the same décor stand, Nila prepares the altar for the 2nd station at their residence in Vigan City, Ilocos Sur.



A Twins' Vocation Story

By Sr. Maria Nila Argel of God Our Father, OCDS
 Sis. Maria Lucia Bolong of God Our Father, OCDS

My late parents in law, Judge Manuel Argel and Deputy Commissioner Paz Lahoz were both Secular Oblates of St. Benedict of the Eucharistic King at the Immaculate Heart of Mary Abbey, Nigan City, Hocos Sur.

I still remember the times, Mama Pacing would

desire I was about 10 because I realized that my siblings and I were still in need of my motherly presence and care during the weekends.

My twin sister, Ma Luz Bolong excitedly informed me one day that St. Benedict had a twin sister, St. Scholastica.



bring me along to activities of the Oblates, perhaps wishing that I would join them. When the Secular Oblates of St. Benedict celebrated their Golden Jubilee in 1973, she was one behind the scene in the preparation of the souvenir program.

With her demise in 1995, Sr. M. Geraldine Flores, OSB asked me to take her place. At 40 years old I thought I was still young to be an Oblate so I told Sr. Geraldine I will join when I am already retired. However, I finally relented when told that I was badly needed.

I joined the first weekend activity of the Secular Oblates but that



She went to the Benedictine monastery at Rosario, La Union to express her desire to be a secular member just like me, she too was not meant to be a Benedictine for we were called to be Carmelites, Man proposes, God disposes.



July 16, 2007 Procession around Our Lady of Mt. Carmel Shrine, Manila



July 24, 2007
 Dear Mother Superior,
 Praise God!
 My twin Ma, Nila Argel and I are happy to have been accommodated for a night's sleep at this beautiful Carmelite Monastery. We were not born yet when your lovely church was constructed. Since we are both Secular members may Our Lady continue to pour us graces as we are on holy grounds surrounded by the Carmelite saints.
 Thank you very much. God bless.
 Ma. Luz O. Bolong, OCDS
 Ma. Nila O. Argel, OCDS

inspirations from the thoughts and examples of our Carmelite model saints St. Teresa of Avila and St. Therese of the Little Flower Carmelite Doctors of the Church's blessing in our hearts to continually do God's Will in our journey through life.

Recollection at the Center of Spirituality Our Lady's Hill of the Order of Discalced Carmelite Friars topic: Interior Castle.
 Our retreat master Fr. Bernard Ybarnas Mapa, OCD, 82 years old, is the first Filipino called to Carmel. Fr. Bernard underscored that "Life is a response" and "Everything is a grace". It was a reawakening experience to know that we just follow God's Will develop our donations but leave it



With zeal have I been zealous of the Lord - God of Hosts. I Kings 19:14



Call to Carmel

Little did I realize that I was being drawn to the Carmel way of life when I brought the Carmelite nuns of Pindangan to Lipa for their retreat with Fr. Kieran Kavanaugh, OCD. At breakfast, I met Provincial Delegate Fr. Cornelio J. Jaranilla, Jr. OCD. When Fr. learned that I was from La Union he questioned me why no one represented La Union in Carmelite activities. After mass, I informed the nuns I decided to stay to attend the retreat at Antipolo.

I can see the hand of God calling me to Carmel. With the Carmelite Secular membership mostly senior citizens, there is a need for younger members. Knowing that God leads, guides and coaches each of us to a new level of spiritual growth, at the right time, I simply listen and accept God's plan for me to be a member. Knowing that God is never outdone in His generosity, I am happy to be shapers in all the spiritual blessings of the Holy Order.

Since I have never been this happy as a result of my obedience to the Will of the Father I would like to share with you what this Order of the Discalced Carmelites is all about.

First, there are three things a Carmelite should do: 1) Appreciate the vocation; 2) Learn to love it and be grateful to God; 3) Learn to protect and defend it. Keep away from anything that might interfere with our call from God. St. Teresa of Avila has been described as high-strung and intense, but her sense of humor rarely left her. In admitting novices, she chose girls with a happy disposition, saying it was "better to have no convents than fill them with melancholy nuns." St. John of the Cross said that you can be joyous in suffering because you are drawn closer to God and become God's intimate friend!

Then you realize that God has created and given you life only to become united with Him in love and truth, here now and forever. St. Therese is God's saint of the LITTLE WAY. She would pray: "Jesus, please help me find a way to love and serve God everyday."

Believe it for not, the Sea and Sky establishments which is the fruit of my earlier sacrifices are doing fine and important occasions we celebrate attest that it has made our life "joyful" and not monotonous. I make my stand: I have no choice but to follow the highest MASTER.

Spiritual books and faith testimonies we read and hear strengthen and encourage one another to trust in God as well as being joyful in Him is the fruit from long personal experiences of God's fidelity through a Childlike faith in Him and following His Will. If God would ask you today: "How close am I to you? What is your answer to HIM?"

Our mother, Mrs. Rosa U. Ortega, is one of the first members of the Carmelite Third Order formed on August 14, 1975 by Bishop Ligot. The vocation of the twins - Sis. Maria Lucia of God Our Father, OCDS, and Sis. Maria Nila of God Our Father, OCDS - is attributed to the St. Teresa of Avila community for 32 years, entering two years after the demise of our father, the late Judge Evaristo L. Ortega.

To commemorate the 34th death anniversary of our beloved father on October 3 is the blessing and unveiling of a life-size statue of St. Teresa of Avila, the first woman Doctor of the Church. It will be a prelude to her October 15 feast day wherein her statue will be brought by a procession from the highway junction of Pindangan to the Carmelite Monastery at 6 A.M. followed by a high mass in commemoration of her 425th death anniversary.



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Welcome!

Unveiling and Blessing of the
life-size statue of
St. Teresa of Avila

Wednesday 6:00 A.M.
October 3, 2007
Carmelite Monastery Chapel
City of San Fernando, La Union
&
Mass at 6:30 A.M.

(34th Death Anniversary of
Judge Evaristo L. Ortega)

Breakfast follows: Sea and Sky Hotel & Restaurant

Solemn Novena in honor of
ST. TERESA OF AVILA



Feast Day
Oct. 15, 2007
Monday
425th Death Anniversary

Procession
6:00 A.M.
High Mass
6:30 A.M.

Teresa was born at Avila (Spain) in 1515. As a member of the Carmelite Order she made great progress in perfection and received mystical revelations. As reformer of her Order she underwent many trials which she intrepidly overcame. She also wrote books of the greatest spiritual value which reflect her own experiences. She died at Alba in 1582.

Procession from the Highway Junction of

First Day October 6, 2007
Saturday 6:30 A.M.

Arch. Ike & Dr. Yunella Sanglay



Mr. Antonino & Florencia Estioco

Ms. Rosa Rezel



Mr. Virgilio & Mrs. Martyn Pimentel
Mary Ann Cassandra

Ms. Cristina Ordinado



Mr. Rogelio & Myrna Abellera, Sr.

Eight Day October 13, 2007
Saturday 6:30 A.M.

Mr. Benjamin & Mrs. Myrna Quero



Mr. Ricardo & Mrs. Vangie Calibuso



Ninth Day October 14, 2007
Sunday 7:00 A.M.

Mr. John & Mrs. Letty Clark



Mr. Reynaldo & Mrs. Catherine Nisco
(10-14)



Mr. Romulo & Mrs. Paz Viluan



Mr. Joel & Joan Sabiniano and family
32. Mr. Jaime & Mrs. Virginia Sabiniano
(10-14)



Ms. Emerlina Carino and family



















Mr. Jennifer & Mrs. Veronica Castillo
and family
Glenda Amor & Rhea



Mrs. Elizabeth Bello



<p>Mr. Carlos & Mrs. Pacita Viente</p>	<p>Third Day October 8, 2008 Monday 6:30 A.M. Atty. Mark & Mrs. Susan Prieto</p>	<p>Mr. Leonardo & Mrs. Edith Gorospe</p>	<p>Mr. Teodolo & Mrs. Imelda Maza</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PRAYER</p> <p><i>Father, by Your Spirit You raised up ST. Teresa of Jesus to show Your Church the way to perfection. May her inspired teaching awaken in us a longing for true holiness. Grant this through our Lord Jesus Christ; Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;">ACKNOWLEDGEMENT</p> <p><i>We would like to acknowledge with deep appreciation and gratitude the generosity and support of our friends most especially to our :</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>members of the Clergy,</i> • <i>daily mass sponsors residing along the Findangan road (in photos)</i> • <i>the choirs and to all who contributed to the success of the Feast day of St. Teresa of Avila.</i> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Thank you so much.</i></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Secular Order of Discalced Carmelites (OCDS) St. Teresa of Avila Community</i></p>
				
<p>Second Day October 7, 2007 Sunday 7:00 A.M. Mr. Edgar & Mrs. Glenise Yabes</p>	<p>Mr. Dennis & Mrs. Carol Gamitano Mr. Dominador & Mrs. Cynthia Pimentel Mr. Gerard & Fatima Islao</p>	<p>Sixth Day October 11, 2007 Thursday 6:30 A.M. Dr. Caridad Abuan and family</p>	<p>Mr. Alexander & Mrs. Emily Salanga and family</p>	
				
<p>Ms. Purita Flores</p>	<p>Fourth Day October 9, 2007 Tuesday 6:30 A.M. 23. Mr. Joaquin & Mrs. Rose Pinniliw</p>	<p>Seventh Day October 12, 2007 Friday 6:30 A.M. 10. Mr. Carlos & Gloria Gamatan Eugene & Cynthia</p>	<p>Mr. Victoriño Jr. & Mrs. Luzviminda Padilla</p>	
				
<p>Mr. Telesforo & Rowena Mallari</p>	<p>Fifth Day October 10, 2007 Wednesday 6:30 A.M. Mr. Bong & Mrs. Sherryl Pimentel</p>	<p>Ms. Rose Viluan and Mylene</p>	<p>Feast Day October 15, 2007 Monday 6:30 A.M. Ms. Ma. Cleofe Bello & Ms. Flor Nar-</p>	
				



Blessing and unveiling of a life-size statue of St Teresa of Avila, first woman Doctor of the Church, to commemorate the 34th death anniversary of our beloved father, Judge Evaristo Ortega. It was a prelude on St. Teresa's 425th death anniversary on October 15, 2007.

The statue was brought by a procession from the highway junction of Pindangan to the Carmelite Monastery Chapel. At 6 a.m. followed by a high mass at 6:30.

Ortega twins seated on angelic chairs.



640 Days Countdown to the 10th Celebration of the La Union Consecration of the Philippines to God the Father at Sea and Sky Hotel last January 19, 2008. Consecration prayers was led by Most Rev. Artemio Rillera, Bishop of the diocese of La Union. Beside him are the Ortega twins.



Twins' unexpected encounter with Bishop Antonio R. Tobias at the St. Peter's Square, Rome. They witnessed the canonization of six Blesseds among them is Padre Annibale Maria de Francia.



Twins' Jubilee Year special thrill of a



Annual Christmas Program at Saint Paul College of Ilocos Sur

Cousins PJ and Manuel III Argel acted as St. Joseph

Teacher Marites Rojas, their Kinder II teacher has a lot of explaining why there are two St. Joseph.



Resty poses in front of the Nativity crib with the 3 Kings at the entrance of the Minor Seminary at Vigan City, Ilocos Sur.



Neil at Grade III, one of the 3 Kings offering their gifts to baby Jesus during the Nativity Play at the St. Paul's grounds.