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"To develop a greater appreciation of God's love & care as expressed in the web of life, & help us to continue growing in empathy with people and places that are vulnerable and exploited."

~ Fr. Tim Mulroy, Society Leader

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CELEBRATING  
OUR  
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**Columban Mission**  
in the **PHILIPPINES**

# From the Director



*Maligayang Pasko po!*

A blessed and peace-filled Christmas to each and every one!

Christmas is a wonderful time of year, especially here in the Philippines. It is a time of great joy because when Jesus was born in Bethlehem, God came to dwell among us. He is our Emmanuel. Pope Francis, in his encyclical “*Laudato Si’*”, reminds us that the baby Jesus who was born on that first Christmas night is the One “through whom all things were created, and has been united to this earth when he was formed in the womb of Mary” (*Laudato Si’*, 238). Jesus is one of us. And as Pope Francis reminds us, Jesus is a brother to every human being and of every one of God’s creatures that inhabits the Earth. We can only truly say that we love Jesus if we love and serve Him in the least and the poorest of our sisters and brothers and if we care for our exploited Planet Earth. By your continued support for the work of the Columban Missionaries through your prayers and through your generous pledges, you are an invaluable partner in our mission to spread the message of the Gospel; that to love God means to care for the poor and to care for the exploited Planet Earth.

The wonderful message of Christmas that Jesus came to live among us assures us that, as our Good Shepherd, He will never abandon us; never!

This year we are celebrating 90 years since the first Columban Missionaries came to the Philippines. Let us take some time to thank God for those early missionaries who left their homelands and families to journey with the people of the Philippines in loving and serving God. Many of these Columbans sacrificed their lives – many were killed in the Second World War or died violent deaths in Luzon and Mindanao – because they chose to stay with the people whom they served.

Jesus is our “Emmanuel”; our God who never abandons us. During this Christmas Season let us take time to be with someone who is sad, lonely, depressed, hungry or feeling unwanted. No one should feel abandoned at Christmas time!

*Fr. Paul Glyn SSS*



*International gathering of Vocation Coordinators & Formators: Sept. 30-Oct. 4, 2019, Singalong, Manila, Philippines*

## THANK YOU, FR. DON KILL

In 1972, Rev. Fr. Donald Howard Kill arrived in Manila, just a week after Martial Law was proclaimed. He was first assigned to the Parish of San Isidro Labrador in Aurora, Zamboanga Del Sur after completing his language studies at the Columban Language School in Ozamiz City. Later, he would see himself between the Philippines and the United States for his following assignments.

Father Don's jovial and easy-going nature trumped the language and cultural barriers he faced in the beginning of his missionary life. As he developed close relationships with the people, he realized that despite the formation for thirteen years to become a Catholic priest, he had yet to know anything about being a Christian. This kind of humility to accept his limitation is what enabled him to get through several significant events in his life.

On July 27, 1973, Father Don was shot in Barangay Baclay, Tukuran after being mistaken for another person. Almost brushing with the edge of his mortality enlightened him that in the great scheme of things, he was powerless without God's grace and that his abilities do not measure up to what needs to be done in mission. This awareness only fuelled him to bridge the gap between what he should do as a missionary and what the people

needed. Balay San Columbano was initially established to provide shelter for the youth in need that Father Don encountered through his Mission Awareness work in Ozamiz City. Eventually, it involved the endowment of scholarships with the help of local and international benefactors. To them, he was a father figure who wanted to ensure that they are not only educated in the academe but also in the moral and ethical standards of society.

As he goes back to the United States for his retirement, we will remember him with nothing but fondness and gratitude in our hearts. Father Don may be returning to his birthplace, but his home has been and will always be in the Philippines. /D. Clemente



"One captured moment of gratitude" Fr. Don Kill, who used to proofread "Columban Mission", with Arlenne Villahermosa

### THE SUNSHINE OF THE MISSIONARY by Elbert Balbastro

*Elbert is a Filipino Columban seminarian assigned to Pakistan for his First Mission Assignment. He is back in the Philippines to continue his studies.*

Our mission partners and benefactors play a significant role in helping the Columban Missionaries proclaim the good news to the marginalized and the poor in the form of prayer, financial support and words of encouragement.

Most Columban mission partners in the Philippines are simple people living on a meager income while raising a family. Despite their simple lifestyles, they continue to support the Society of St. Columban with joy in their hearts.

One experience in Pakistan reminds me of how essential our mission partners are. I was assigned in a village for my pastoral exposure in order to know more about the parishioners. Different families in the Parkari Kholi tribe of that village provided my meals, during which we shared stories and experiences. I

was inspired by their resilience. One Tuesday evening, as I was walking back to my mud house, I chanced upon the son of the family who hosted me the day before. I learned that they had used-up the flour budgeted for



the family for the whole week to make a good chapati for me. His father would have to borrow for more from the landlord the next day. Here's a heartbreaking reality that this family would sacrifice their welfare and go hungry to accommodate me.

The same is true with our mission partners. They sacrifice something, like eating in a fancy restaurant or

some other entertainment, just so they can allot a portion of their money to support the Columban mission. They know that they will not get something tangible in return but they continue their contributions. As one partner said, "I believe you are doing God's work...and this is my response to God's graciousness to me." They are "saints next door" as Pope Francis said.

Because of our mission partners and benefactors, and their love for the mission, I am inspired to continue this vocation; their support keeps me on track. They are the sunshine of my life. Their tremendous graciousness energizes me mentally, spiritually and physically. "It's tough in the Mission" Fr. Tomas King said, but we are able to bear it because of the support, care, love and empowerment that our mission partners and benefactors provide.

## CLM-PHILIPPINES

by Lilibeth Sabado, Coordinator

### With Joy and Gratitude

The Lay Missionaries (LMs) assigned in the region and LMs who are on home holidays have visited the different parishes in Luzon, Visayas and Mindanao to promote Columban Mission. Together with the Columban Mission/Vocation Team, we have been welcomed tremendously.

On October 9, 2019, Marea Lyn Almiranez and Febie Gonzales renewed their commitment with the Society of St. Columban as second term Lay Missionaries to Taiwan. It was a joyous gathering of Columban Missionaries and the families and relatives of Marea and Febie. We thank God for the gift of vocation. We continue to invite those who are searching for meaning in life. At present there are 24 Filipino Lay Missionaries serving in various countries. In the Philippines, we



are blessed to have eight LMs serving in Luzon and in Mindanao (3 Filipinos, 1 South Korean, 1 Peruvian, 1 Fijian, 2 Tongan). We look back with joy in our hearts and gratitude to God to all those who have been a part of our beginnings. We honor our families for their support in our journey and all our benefactors and supporters, for their unwavering love and generosity over the years. Because of you, we have reached this far. We continue to entrust the future to our God who has commanded us to love one another. Thank you one and all!

### JPIC UPDATE by John Din

**The Season of Creation** is a month-long celebration of the Catholic Church which focuses on God the Creator. Various activities

as outlined below were organized by the Justice, Peace and Integrity of Creation (JPIC) ministry of the Columbans through the Global Catholic Climate Movement-Pilipinas, and its partner organizations, thus playing an important role in responding to the climate emergency. This means we must be prepared to drop whatever we are busy at and realign our programs, in order to focus on the urgency of caring for our common home.



I would like to share one of my experiences about a woman I met in Antipolo. Analie Echnique, a responsible mother and loyal wife, was beautiful inside and out. She grew up in Bukidnon, near Cagayan De Oro, and was the eldest of twelve children. During my visits, I'd tell her stories about how I became a missionary. She'd claim, "Sayang, naa koy bana ug mga bata. Pwede unta mag missionary lang ko." (It's a pity, I already have a husband and children. I would have loved to be a missionary). She'd also help me practice my fluency in Cebuano. When she appeared to be busy with household chores, I would often help her out. Over the course of time, a strong friendship developed between us. I noticed that her attendance in our community Mass was becoming a regular habit too. Every time I finished my visitations, I left with her parting words, "Balikbalik ha" (Please come again).

One day, I accompanied Analie to the hospital for her check-up. Tests revealed that she had Hansen's disease (Leprosy). I continued to accompany her to the doctor during her follow-up visits and helped her family understand about her illness and the impact of her diagnosis on the community. Getting sick in the Philippines costs a fortune so Analie was delighted to know that free medicine could be requested at the Health Center.

I was in Manila for almost two weeks and upon my return to Cagayan de Oro, I was informed that Analie had been admitted to the hospital. I rushed to the hospital. When I entered the Intensive Care Unit (ICU), I saw the reality of what full-blown Hansen's disease looked like. Her skin was swollen and covered with lesions. Analie greeted me with a weak smile and sighed, "Sakit kayo, Lily, kapoy ko" (It's extremely painful, Lily, I am tired). I could not utter a word - I just stood beside her, perplexed. Her moan and her failed attempts to move were indicative of the severe pain she was experiencing. Unfortunately, the disease had already progressed. When I was about to leave the hospital, Analie said to me, "Balikbalik ha" (Please come back).

She confided in me that she had her parents adopt her children while her 3-month old baby was left to her husband. She told me, "Dili na nako kaya karon" (I can't take care of them now). I didn't understand what she meant then. Analie was discharged from the hospital after two weeks. One early morning, I was preparing to visit her when I received a call from Analie's neighbour, saying Analie passed away. At that moment, my world stopped revolving, my hands began to shake, and tears rolled down my cheeks.

That was the saddest day in my ministry - when I lost a great friend. Arriving a few minutes before her body was taken to the mortuary, her husband told me that she had died in her sleep. A glimpse of her lifeless body revealed hands clasped on her chest and a face that looked peaceful. At that moment, I felt a sense of comfort knowing she was at least prepared and knew her time was coming.

The passing of a stranger who became my family, brought me grief but I found peace in the belief that Analie is an angel now. She taught me how to be patient, to be courageous and to be ready when God calls me to rest in His arms.

I pray that she finds eternal rest in God.

# Angel

by Liliani Losi Ma'afu

Liliani is a second-term Columban lay missionary from Tonga presently assigned in Cagayan de Oro, Philippines.



Liliani Losi Ma'afu



## Katuwaan Lang



Q. Where is the first tennis match mentioned in the Bible?

A. When Joseph served in Pharaoh's court.

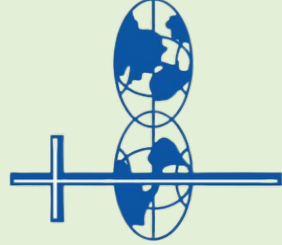
by Margaret Feinberg

"We are part of the Earth which can feel, think, imagine - not for ourselves alone but for the whole planet... We are called to embrace the Story and see our identity as the heart, imagination and mind of the Earth. If we can see ourselves as the species to whom Earth has entrusted her destiny, and if we embrace and become identified with that destiny, then a whole new chapter of hope opens up for Earth"

Fr. John Leydon, SSC (The New Story of Creation, A Personal Version Revised 2002)



# MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ST. COLUMBAN



*Celebrating Our Commitment  
to the Poor & the Exploited Earth*

1 Jan: New Year's Day  
25 Jan: Lunar New Day  
25 Feb: EDSA Revolution Anniversary  
09 Apr: Araw ng Kagitingan  
09 Apr: Maundy Thursday  
10 Apr: Good Friday  
11 Apr: Black Saturday

01 May: Labor Day  
24 May: Eidul Fitr  
12 Jun: Independence Day  
29 June: Foundation Day of the  
Missionary Society of St. Columban  
31 Jul: Eidul Adha  
21 Aug: Ninoy Aquino Day  
31 Aug: National Heroes Day

1 Nov: All Saints' Day  
2 Nov: All Souls' Day  
23 Nov: Feast of St. Columban  
30 Nov: Bonifacio Day  
25 Dec: Christmas Day  
30 Dec: Rizal Day  
31 Dec: New Year's Eve



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*Thank you to all the parishes, schools, friends and our Mission Partners (individuals, groups and companies) for being part of our journey. Your support and prayers have allowed us to be messengers of hope particularly here in the Philippines.*

## PARISHES LUZON

### *Archdiocese of Manila*

1. Our Lady of Remedies Parish, Malate
2. Manila Cathedral Basilica of the Our Lady of Immaculate Conception
3. San Fernando de Dilao Parish, Paco
4. Archdiocesan Shrine of Nuestra Sra. De Guia, Ermita
5. St. Anthony of Padua Parish, San Andres, Malate
6. National Shrine of St. Jude Thaddeus, San Miguel
7. Archdiocesan Shrine of Sto. Niño de Tondo Parish, Tondo,
8. National Shrine of Our Mother of Perpetual Help, Baclaran Church, Parañaque City
9. Santuario de San Antonio Parish, Forbes Park, Makati City
10. Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Pasay City
11. St. Anthony of Padua Shrine, Sampaloc
12. Archdiocese Shrine of Our Lady of Loreto, Sampaloc

### *Diocese of Cubao*

Immaculate Concepcion Cathedral, Cubao, Quezon City

### *Diocese of Novaliches*

1. Holy Cross Parish, Caloocan City
2. Saint Joseph, the Worker Parish, Caloocan City
3. Our Lady of Holy Rosary Parish, Caloocan City
4. Sto. Niño Parish, Caloocan City
5. San Jose, Amang Mapagkalinga Parish, Bagong Silang, Caloocan City
6. San Bartolome Parish, Novaliches, Quezon City
7. Mary the Queen Parish, Novaliches, Quezon City

### *Diocese of Kalookan*

1. Santo Rosario Parish, Malabon City
2. Exaltation of the Holy Cross Parish, Malabon City
3. San Jose de Navotas Parish, Navotas City

### *Diocese of Antipolo, Rizal*

1. Sta. Ursula Parish, Binangonan
2. Our Lady of Rosary, Cardona
3. St. Jerome Parish, Morong
4. St. Joseph Parish, Baras
5. St. Michael the Archangel Parish, Jala-Jala
6. San Ildefonso de Toledo Parish, Tanay
7. Our Lady of Good Voyage, Antipolo

### *Diocese of Malolos, Bulacan*

1. Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Marilao
2. St. Francis of Assisi Parish, Poblacion, Meycauayan City

### *Diocese of Iba, Zambales*

1. Cathedral of St. Augustine, Iba
2. San Andres Parish, Masinloc
3. Sta. Monica Parish, Botolan
4. Immaculate Concepcion Parish, Palaguig
5. St. Vincent Ferrer Parish, Candelaria
6. St. Michael the Archangel Parish, Sta. Cruz
7. San Sebastian Parish, San Narciso
8. St. Rose of Lima Parish, Cabangan
9. San Roque Parish, San Felipe
10. Holy Infant Jesus Parish, San Antonio
11. St. William Parish, San Marcelino
12. St. Nicholas of Tolentino Parish, Castillejos
13. St. James Parish, Subic

14. St. Anthony of Padua Parish, Matain, Subic,
15. St. Joseph Parish, Olongapo City,
16. Immaculate Concepcion Parish, Barreto, Olongapo City
17. St. Anne Parish, Gordon Heights, Olongapo City
18. St. Columba Parish, Olongapo City
19. Sta. Rita Parish, Olongapo City
20. Blessed Trinity Parish, New Cabalan, Olongapo City,
21. St. Vincent de Paul Quasi Parish, Old Cabalan, Olongapo City
22. San Lorenzo de Manila Parish, Kalalake, Olongapo City
23. Holy Family Parish, Kalaklan, Olongapo City

### *Diocese of San Pablo*

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2. Immaculate Concepcion Parish, Los Baños, Laguna

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2. National Shrine of Our Lady of La Salette
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4. Holy Family Parish
5. San Jose Manggagawa Parish

### *Diocese of San Fernando, La Union*

1. St. Nicholas of Tolentino Parish, Balaoan
2. St. Christopher Parish, Bangar
3. St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish, Luna
4. St. Michael of Archangel Parish, Bacnotan
5. Our Lady of Immaculate Concepcion Parish, Carlatan
6. St. William the Hermit Parish, San Fernando
7. St. John the Baptist Parish, San Juan
8. Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish, Pagdalagan, San Fernando
9. Sts. Peter and Paul Parish, Bauang
10. Our Lady of Fatima Parish, Burgos
11. St. John the Baptist Parish, Caba
12. St. Augustine the Hippo Parish, Naguilian
13. Sta. Monica Parish, Agoo
14. St. Lucy Parish, Aringay
15. Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Damortis
16. Holy Family Parish, Pugo
17. Immaculate Concepcion Parish, Rosario
18. Holy Guardian Angels Parish, Sto. Tomas
19. St. Isidore the Farmer Parish, Tubao

### *Diocese of Alaminos, Pangasinan*

1. St. Peter the Martyr Parish, Sual
2. St. Raphael the Archangel Parish, Equia, Dasol
3. St. John the Evangelist Parish, Infanta
4. Sto. Niño Parish, Mabini
5. St. Isidore the Farmer Parish, Labrador
6. St. Vincent Ferrer Parish, Dasol
7. St. James the Great Parish, Bolinao
8. St. Nicholas de Tolentino Parish, Anda
9. St. Joseph Cathedral Parish, Alaminos

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1. Metropolitan Cathedral of the Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle, Vigan
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3. St. Stephen Protomartyr Parish, San Esteban, Ilocos Sur

### **VISAYAS**

#### **Diocese of Kabankalan**

1. Cathedral of St. Francis Xavier, Kabankalan City
2. San Isidro Labrador Parish, Binalbagan
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4. San Nicholas de Tolentino Parish, Isabela
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#### **Diocese of Bacolod**

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### **MINDANAO**

#### **Archdiocese of Cagayan de Oro**

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9. San Roque Parish, Catarman, Camiguin

#### **Diocese of Iligan**

1. St. Michael the Archangel Cathedral, Iligan City
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- Santo Niño Cathedral, Pagadian City

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1. Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Don Victoriano Chiongbian
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### **SCHOOLS**

#### **LUZON**

1. Child Jesus of Prague School, Binangonan, Rizal
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21. Sta. Catalina Academy, Luna, La Union
22. Stella Maris Academy, Bacnotan, La Union
23. St. Michael Academy, Town proper, Bacnotan, La Union
24. St. Jude Montessori Educational Center of La Union, San Fernando, La Union
25. Sts. Peter & Paul Learning Center, Central East, Bauang, La Union
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#### **VISAYAS**

1. Central Philippines State University-Main Campus, Kabankalan City, Negros Occidental
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## MINDANAO

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12. La Purisima High School, Wao, Lanao del Sur
13. St. Michael College of Caraga, Nasipit, Agusan del Norte
14. St. James High School, Buenavista, Agusan del Norte
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16. Candelaria Institute, Cabadbaran City, Agusan del Norte
17. Urios College of Trento, Trento, Agusan del Sur
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60. Pax High School, Margosatubig, Zamboanga del Sur
61. Corpus Christi Parochial School, Iligan City
62. Mercy Junior College, Tubod, Lanao del Norte
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64. Santo Niño Academy, Bacolod, Lanao del Norte
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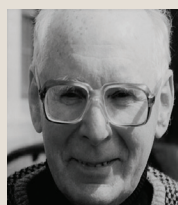
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## *Those Who Journeyed with Us*

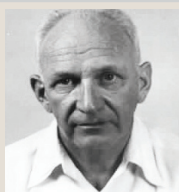


**Fr. Kieran Heneghan** was born on September 9, 1924 in Knock, Claremorris, County Mayo, Ireland. He was ordained a priest on December 21, 1948. Father Kieran was appointed to the Philippines where he would serve during the following 29 years.

After a brief period in Malate and Morong, he was among the first to be assigned to Zambales. Father Kieran was instrumental in introducing the Filipina Benedictine Sisters to Iba Diocese who were a huge help in organising parishes. He was responsible for introducing and funding a very effective tuberculosis eradication programme, and campaigned until the Government eventually funded the necessary medicine.

He died in the Dalgan Retirement Home on September 22, 2019 and was buried in Knock, County Mayo on September 25, 2019.

May he rest in peace.



**Fr. Donald ("Donie") O'Dea** was born on February 20, 1928 in the Parish of Nenagh, County Tipperary, Ireland. He came to Dalgan in September 1945 and was ordained a priest on December 21, 1951. He was assigned to the Philippines, to the Zambales District of Luzon Province where he would spend the next sixty years. As Coordinator of the Indigenous Peoples of the Diocese, Father Donie spent the next almost twenty years helping the scattered and neglected settlements of the Aeta indigenous peoples, until he retired to Ireland in June 2012. Father Donie was a gentle, kind, approachable man and a very dedicated missionary with a wry sense of humour. He enjoyed his years of retirement in Ireland until failing health confined him to the Dalgan Nursing Home. He died peacefully on Friday, July 26, 2019.



**Elizabeth "Bel" Ordonio** was born in Pinagan, Tabuk, Kalinga. She joined the orientation program for Columban Lay Missionaries in June 1999 and served in Fiji from October 2000 until 2009. She went on mission to Fiji with five other Filipina Columban lay missionaries. Their group was called RP 9. Bel died on September 3, 2019. She will be remembered for her commitment to social transformation especially among those she worked with in Fiji and the indigenous peoples of Kalinga.



**Sister Mary Salvador Oyzon (Sister Sally)** died on Sept. 27, 2019 at the age of 93. Formerly known as Crescencia K. Oyzon, Sister Sally entered the Congregation of the Missionary Sisters of St. Columban in 1958 in the US and was professed in 1961. She served as a missionary in the Philippines and in Chile. She is remembered for her deep belief and commitment to the spirit of Vatican II. Sister Sally, together with some Columban priests, trained lay leaders in the Dioceses of Dipolog, Ipil, Ozamiz, Pagadian, Iligan and Marawi. She was also active in the formation of young religious and seminarians in DIOPIM.

## Guide for Group Reflections on Mission Awareness

*These are meant to help us appreciate more deeply our common calling to be "light to the world and salt for the earth" and to help others to live out the same calling, to be missionaries in our world; to heal, to restore, to affirm, to care for and to promote LIFE in all its diversity.*

### Session Nine: Whom Shall I Send?

**Aim:** *To deepen the missionary dimension of one's vocation*

- 1. Opening Song:** Here I Am, Lord (or, another suitable song)
- 2. Reading:** Isaiah 6:1-9; Reflect on its message for you
- 3. Sharing:** What feelings do the song and/or the reading evoke in you? What are the challenges you encounter in responding to the call?
- 4. Deepening:** Many Expressions of the One Call are addressed to each of us who are called to be a disciple and to be sent out on mission in one form or another. The issue is not whether I am called or not. The issue is: "To what way of being life for the world am I being called?"
- 5. Activity:** Write down or draw some of the ways in which you may be "life of the world"
- 6. Closing Prayer/Song**

### Session Ten: Life in Abundance

**Aim:** *This is the last reflection on the theme "Life for the World". This is meant to sum up the learning and reflections and to look towards the future.*

- 1. Opening Prayer or Song** (On Gratitude)
- 2. Questions for reflection:** What struck you most in the reflections we have been doing for the past months? What do you think is the next step for you?
- 3. Deepening:** It is important for all of us to keep the enthusiasm for mission alive, amidst difficulties and rejections. "God so loved the world as to send his only begotten Son" (Jn 3:16) despite the world's sinfulness. We, in turn, share in everything Jesus does and is. As Jesus is life for the world, we, too, become life for the world: "I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly" (Jn 10:10)
- 4. Activity:** In silence, think of ways in which you (or the group) can fan the flame of enthusiasm for mission. In a prayerful atmosphere listen to where the Spirit is calling you.
- 5. Closing:** End by reading Isaiah 61:1 (or you may also sing a closing song)



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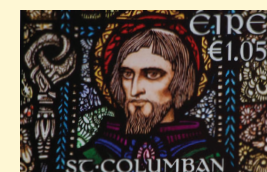
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