

TO: HIS EXCELLENCY, THE REVEREND MEMBERS OF THE CLERGY, MEN AND WOMEN RELIGIOUS AND THE LAITY OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF SAN FERNANDO, PAMPANGA

RE: RED WEDNESDAY

Date and Time: 26 November 2025 (Wednesday 5:30 PM)

Venue: Metropolitan Cathedral of San Fernando, Sto. Rosario (Poblacion), City of San Fernando, Pampanga

Greetings of Grace and Peace!

Let us all once again join the universal Church in observing **Red Wednesday**, with the theme "*LIVING HOPE AMIDST SUFFERING*" on 26 November 2025. We are pleased to announce that Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) Philippines has selected our Archdiocese as the host for this year's national celebration.

Red Wednesday is a global initiative that remembers Christians who suffer persecution for their faith. By illuminating churches and wearing red, we stand in solidarity with those who cannot freely profess their belief, raise awareness about religious freedom, and renew our commitment to pray for and support persecuted Christians throughout the world.

In line with this, we will hold the **Archdiocesan Celebration of Red Wednesday** on 26 November 2025 (Wednesday at 5:30 PM) with a Holy Mass at the Metropolitan Cathedral of San Fernando, Sto. Rosario (Poblacion), City of San Fernando, Pampanga. We encourage everyone to wear **red** as a sign of communion with our persecuted brothers and sisters.

We also request each vicariate and Archdiocesan institutions to send representatives to this momentous event. For communities celebrating **Red Wednesday** in their respective parishes, the liturgy guide is attached for your use.

Let us unite our prayers and witness boldly to our faith. *Santo Cristo del Perdon y Caridad – pakaluluan mu kami. Virgen de los Remedios, Indu ring Capaldanan, Tula ring Capampangan, Talayingat ning Arkidiocesis – ipanalangin mu kami.* Thank you for the kind attention and active participation, I remain

One with you as a servant to the servants of the Gospel,

(Sgd.) ✱ FLORENTINO G. LAVARIAS, D.D.

Archbishop of San Fernando
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(Sgd.) REV. FR. DANNY Q. NACPIL
Chancellor

19 November 2025