

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

RE: THE NATIONAL SUMMIT III OF CHURCH ARCHIVISTS AND HERITAGE WORKERS

Date: 16-18 September 2026

Venue: Royce de Luxe Hotel, Clark, Angeles City

Greetings of Grace and Peace!

The *Archivo de la Universidad de Santo Tomas* and the Church Archivists of the Philippines Incorporated (CAPI), in partnership with the Archdiocese of San Fernando thru the Archdiocesan Committee on Church Heritage, have taken the initiative and step of organizing **The National Summit III of Church Archivists and Heritage Workers**, to be held on **16-18 September 2026** at the **Royce de Luxe Hotel in Clark, Angeles City**.

This Summit-gathering offers an important opportunity for promoting formation, professional development, and ecclesial collaboration in safeguarding the documentary and cultural patrimony entrusted to the Church. Through conferences, workshops, and dialogue among practitioners, participants will deepen their understanding of archival management, heritage conservation, canonical responsibilities, and the pastoral mission of preserving the Church's memory.

In its Circular Letter *The Pastoral Function of Church Archives*, the Pontifical Commission for the Cultural Heritage of the Church beautifully teaches: "Archives are places of memory of the Christian community and storehouses of culture for the new evangelization." Thus it is understood that archives are not simply repositories of data.

The same document further emphasizes: "The documentation contained in archives constitutes a heritage that is preserved in order to be transmitted and utilized... they are a living cultural good because they are offered for the training of the Church and civil community and handed down for generations to come."

Likewise, the Holy See reminds us that the preservation of ecclesiastical archives serves the Church's pastoral mission because: "The Church retains the transmission of the heritage of documents important because it is a moment of Tradition, it expresses the memory of evangelization, and it represents today a privileged pastoral tool."

Our Archdiocese is blessed with a rich spiritual and historical heritage, and considers this portion of her heritage as a living witness to the faith journey of the *Capampangan* faithful. Every baptismal, confirmation, matrimonial, or burial registry or record, pastoral decrees, pastoral letters, photograph, sacred object and historical document bears testimony to the work of God in the life of the local Church.

Therefore, every parish and institution contributes a unique chapter to the story of God's saving work in our Archdiocese. It is therefore our shared responsibility to ensure that these invaluable records are properly preserved, professionally managed, and made available, according to canonical and civil norms, for legitimate pastoral and scholarly purposes.

We therefore encourage every parish, religious community, educational institution, and ecclesiastical office to support those entrusted with archival and heritage ministry and send qualified representatives to this National Summit. The Archdiocese has been given a special rate (discounted) for all parochial and archdiocesan participants. In this regard, please find herewith the enclosed attachment of the Schedule and Programme of the event, and the online registration at: **<https://www.facebook.com/NationalSummitIII>**

May this initiative renew in us a greater appreciation for the Church's memory, inspire responsible stewardship of our documentary and cultural patrimony, and strengthen our commitment to preserving the treasures entrusted to our care for the glory of God and the service of His people.

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 support, I remain

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

(Sgd.) ✱ FLORENTINO G. LAVARIAS, D.D.

Archbishop of San Fernando
Pampanga

(Sgd.) REV. FR. DANNY Q. NACPIL
Chancellor

19 August 2026

The Parishes who have submitted the names of the members of their respective Parish Heritage Committees. Other parishes (heritage) are still in the process of establishing them.

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Bro. Ricky Pablo
Sis. Nympha Miguel
Bro. Paul Manansala

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