

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

RE: 40th NATIONAL MIGRANTS SUNDAY (27 SEPTEMBER 2026)

Date: 27 September 2026 (Sunday)

Time: 8:00 AM to 12:00 noon

Venue: Santa Ana Parish, Sta. Ana, Pampanga

Greetings of Grace and Peace!

On **27 September 2026**, the Catholic Church in the Philippines through the Episcopal Commission for the Pastoral Care of Migrants and Itinerant People (ECMI) of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of the Philippines (CBCP) will celebrate the 40th National Migrants Sunday (NMS).

The theme for this year is ***“Even Just One of These Children”*** calls the Church to recognize the dignity and value of every child affected by migration. Rooted in Matthew 18:5, it reminds us that even one child deserves to be seen, heard, welcomed, protected, accompanied, and given hope.

In solidarity with this celebration, we are glad to inform you that our Archdiocesan Commission on Migrants and Itinerant People in Pampanga (ACMIPP) prepared activities and suggested actions to do for the NMS. These are the following:

1. The Vicariate of Mary Help of Christians is the host for this year's Archdiocesan Celebration. It will be held at the Santa Ana Parish, Sta. Ana, Pampanga on 27 September 2026 (8:00 AM to 12:00 noon). It starts with the Holy Eucharist at 8:30 AM. All parishes, shrines, and institutions are also encouraged to highlight in their Masses special intentions for migrants (OFWs) and their families.
2. Help promote the **ACMIPP FB Page** in your parish particularly to OFW families. Regular NMS updates will be posted and other future migrants ministry updates.
3. Let our **Anak OFW** voices be heard. A special activity which is a Spoken Poetry entitled Anak OFW KASANDIG One Voice (*Kaisa Kami Pakinggan Ang Aming Tinig*) a 2-Minute Spoken Poetry Video in line with the 40th National Migrant Sunday (NMS) with the theme, “Even Just One of These Children” will be featured in our ACMIPP FB Page. Please promote and support.
4. Strengthen our Parish Migrants Ministry by officially designating a Migrants Ministry coordinator and/or core group. Please submit their names to ACMIPP.

5. In support to this ministry, we encourage your parishes to continue having a Second Sunday collections annually every 3rd Sunday of March.

We hope that these NMS activities can be undertaken in your parishes through proper information and dissemination and action plan tasked to our parishes can be done. Should you have any questions or need further clarification, you may contact us at **09685202476** or **acmippsdofp@gmail.com**.

May our collective observance of these celebrations honor the sacrifices of our migrants and deepen our Archdiocese's mission of accompanying them and their families. *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 your kind attention, I remain

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

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Chancellor

16 September 2026

Feast of Saint Cornelius (Pope) and Saint Cyprian (Bishop), Martyrs