

SOCIETÀ SAN PAOLO  
Generalate



*«As we have been united in the profession of the faith, so let us keep ourselves united in suffrage and intercession».*

(Fr. Alberione)

On 26 February at past noon, 12:50 (local time), in the “C.D.O. Polymedic Medical Plaza”, Cagayan De Oro (Misamis Oriental), has returned to the house of the Father our brother priest

**FR. SERVILLANO III MARTIN SINOY**  
***52 years, 39 of Pauline life, 30 of profession and 25 of priesthood***

Fr. Servillano III was born on 24 September 1963 in Poblacion, New Lucena (Iloilo, Philippines) and entered the Congregation in the community of Makati at a still very young age of 12, on 31 May 1976. He completed his novitiate at San Fernando (Pampanga) in 1985 and made his first religious profession on 6 June 1985. Completing his formation in Makati, he made his perpetual profession on 12 November 1989 and was ordained priest on 18 March 1990 by the laying of hands of Msgr. Teodoro Bacani.

His apostolic assignments were mostly in the diffusion sector in the different communities of the Province: Pampanga (1990-1992); Cebu (1992-1993); Pasay (1993-1999); again in Cebu (1999-2000). He became delegate Superior of the Iloilo community for two terms (2000-2006) and at the same time as Manager of the two bookstores located in the commercial centers of the City. Then from 2008 to 2011 he became again delegate Superior of the Iloilo community where he continued to work as Manager of the bookstores and during this time he also started his radio apostolate in the local stations of Iloilo. In 2013 he was assigned in Cagayan De Oro as manager of St Pauls Wholesale and in January of this year became the delegate Superior of the community. It is in this community that he met his death after the unexpected but fatal heart attack. Despite the immediate intervention in the hospital where he was brought he lapsed into coma, his kidney and brain being affected, which lead to his untimely death.

Fr. Servillano was a very active person in all his assignments as a priest, even when he was told to slow down and rest after incurring some heart problems. Being young and energetic he may have assured himself that with the normal maintenance medications, he could face his daily routine just like any ordinary day. He was noted for his lively preaching, where he would get across the Gospel message by using short and humorous stories based on the life experiences of his listeners – a fact that many people would testify, young and old alike, in whatever communities he was assigned. In his assignment and in the way he accomplished his duties as a Pauline, his preachings and engagements with lay people, religious and priests he was well

received and loved. At a vigil Mass held for his suffrage before his body will be brought to his home town for burial, Father Provincial, Fr Jose Aripio, narrated that even priests, religious and diocesan alike, who have worked and encountered him are generous in complementing Fr. “Nene” (as Fr. Servillano was fondly called): «He uplifted SSP because of his admirable and dedicated performance especially in preaching».

We thank the Lord for the gift of Fr. Servillano, for what he has accomplished for God and for the good of souls. We entrust him now to the Divine Master, the Face of the merciful and loving Father that, in the Light of the Holy Spirit, he may have life eternal, in the loving embrace of our Mother Mary, together with our dear Blessed James and Blessed Timothy and all the other Pauline saints in Heaven. In Heaven Fr. Servillano now intercedes for us more effectively and with so much joy.

Rome, 28 February 2016

Fr. Celso Godilano

*The funeral will be held on Sunday, 13 March at 10:00 at Our Lady of Peace and Good Voyage Parish, New Lucena, Iloilo, his home town. His remains will be buried in this same place.*

**The Superiors are to inform their communities for the prescribed suffrages  
(Const. 65 and 65.1).**