



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

(Fr. James Alberione)

At 6:00 am (local time) on October 28, at the Catanduanes Virac Hospital (Philippines), our brother Disciple has returned to the Father.

BR. DOMINGO ANGELO MAGTAGNOB VARGAS
73 years of age, 57 years of Pauline life, 51 years of profession

Brother Domingo was born on October 3, 1943 in Virac (Catanduanes, The Philippines). Fondly called “Geradon”, he belonged to the first generation of Filipino brothers who fearlessly gave birth and nourished the apostolate. In 1959, Brother Domingo was accepted to the community as a third year high school student in Pasay City. After several years, he left for Italy where he began his novitiate on September 7, 1963 in Ostia (Rome). On August 20, 1965 he made his first religious profession in the hands of the Founder, a memory he always brought with him and which he considered a real grace and a “badge of honor”.

In 1965, he completed a course on offset printing from the Printing School of the Salesians in Rome. Later, he returned to the Philippines where he was assigned as the department head of the offset production in Makati. He continued this apostolate until 1984. On October 3, 1971, he made his perpetual profession in the presence of Amado Paolina, auxiliary Bishop of Manila.

His Pauline life was enriched by a long missionary experience. In 1984, he was sent to Australia where he accomplished various responsibilities which included being a Delegate, Local Councilor, Regional Secretary, and Manager for the Diffusion Sector. He remained in Australia for 14 years. In 1998, he returned to the Philippines where he attended a course on consecrated life at the Institute for Consecrated Life in Asia (ICLA), under the management of the Claretian Missionaries.

In 1999, he was assigned to the formation house in Silang, Cavite. Two years later, he was asked to return to Makati where he held various tasks, both in the administrative and apostolic sectors.

Bro. Domingo was a participant in two General Chapters: in 1980 as the Delegate of the then Philippine Region and in 1992 as the Delegate of the Australian Region.

In recent years, his health began to deteriorate, thus leaving him with no choice but to give up the responsibilities entrusted to him. In early September of this year, he went to his hometown in Virac (Catanduanes) in order to rest. The adverse weather where two consecutive typhoons hit his province, however, affected his health even

more. In spite of having been sent to the hospital by his relatives, his cardiac arrest proved fatal.

The Philippines-Macau Province will miss him, both as a brother and esteemed Pauline, an apostle and missionary. In the Province where the majority of the members are priests, Bro. Domingo has shown that it is possible to live as a Disciple of the Divine Master with fidelity and joy, and always capable of solidarity with the rest of the community.

As we move closer to the Solemnity of the Jesus, the Divine Master, we entrust our brother to the Divine Mercy even as we thank the Lord for the gift that is Bro. Domingo. To our brother, you can now rejoice in the heavenly liturgy, along with Blessed James Alberione, Brother Andrea Borello, and the numerous Paulines who are now in Christ, our Master Way, Truth and Life.

Rome, 29 ottobre 2016

Fr Domenico Soliman

After the funeral his remains will be buried in the cemetery of the Pauline Family in Lipa City (Batangas).

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