

## THE EDITOR'S NOTES

### PHILIPPINIANA RECORDS

*A. A Visual Documentation of  
Fil-Hispanic Churches,  
Part XVI-A: Parish Church Complex of  
La Asunción de Nuestra Señora,  
Dauis, Bohol*

**Regalado Trota Jose** focuses his visual documentation on a historical church that has undergone almost sixth renovations up to its present state. This church is known to have originally been established by the members of the Society of Jesus (Jesuits), in which its earliest book of baptism reveals the active ministry of the Jesuits in the area since 1697. Upon the expulsion of the Jesuits in 1768, it was turned over to the Augustinian Recollects until 1898. It is unfortunate that this church was also damaged in big proportion by the recent earthquake of October 15, 2013.

*Part XVI-B: Parish Church Complex of  
San Agustin, Panglao, Bohol*

Panglao, Bohol has recently become known to many foreign and local tourists because of its beautiful white sandy beaches. It is a perfect getaway for people for rest and recreation. But much of the contribution to the beauty of Panglao is the historic parish Church of San Agustin. This church is historically known as under the administration of the Society of Jesus and was eventually turned over also to the Augustinian Recollects in 1768 when the Jesuits were expelled. This town of Panglao has an affinity with the town of Dauis which both almost share the same life historically.

*B. Discurso Pronunciado en la Apertura Anual de los Estudios de la Universidad de Manila  
el día 2 de Julio de 1879, R.P. José Ma. Garcia yr. Navacerrada, OP:  
La Inmensa Ventaja de las Afirmaciones Cristianas sobre la Afirmaciones Racionalistas  
acerca de los Problemas Fundamentales de la Ciencia Filosófica*

**R.P. José Ma. Navacerrada, OP** delivered the annual opening lecture of the school year 1879 at the University of Santo Tomas. In his lecture, he acknowledges the onslaught



of modern philosophy that cannot be contained but always counter the ancient philosophy where Christian thought has been conceived. He affirms the separate road the modern thinker has trodden. The lecturer has accepted the fact that the wisdom, ideas and philosophizing of the modern man are things that are already beyond the control of any authority safeguarding the thought and belief of formidable institutions. Just the same, he advises “enthusiasts of scientific progress to welcome with ardor everything that elevates the spirit, promotes the intelligence, and contributes to expand the horizons of knowledge.”



## ARTICLES / STUDIES



### A. Hilary of Poitiers Makes East and West Meet: *The Conciliatory Theology of De Synodis*

Known as the Athanasius of the West, Hilary of Poitiers faced the burning dogmatic issue of his time – the Homousean controversy of the fourth century. **Jannel Abogado** who specializes in patristic sciences and teaches patrology at the ecclesiastical faculties of the University of Tomas, Manila, explores Hilary’s *De Synodis*. It is the doctrinal reflection on the divinity

of the Son and his proper ontological relations to the Father. In this article, the author has the primary aim of analyzing the conciliatory points of Hilary between the western *homoeouseans* and the eastern *homoeouseans*.

### B. *Impresos Franciscanos Hispano-Filipinos, 1593-1699 (Part II)*

The second part of the article of **Cayetano Sánchez Fuertes** continues to explore the Franciscans’ (OFM) role and involvement in the field of early publication and dissemination of printed materials for the catechetical and religious instructions of the Filipino natives,

located in the Tagalog and Bicol regions. The author masterfully presents in this article the Franciscan contributions on the evangelization of the Philippine islands in the early life of Christianity through the use of archival and rare primary sources.





*C. The Less than Ideal Care in the  
World of Health Care: Morally Relevant  
Considerations and Recommendations*

From the perspective of a medical doctor and at the same time a religious sister, **Maria Elena Adre, FdCC**, tackles the modern moral/ethical complexities of health-care issues in this article. Such complexities should remind health practitioners of the need to be enlightened by code of ethics and the official teachings of the Catholic Church. The ideal world perspective of the patient and doctor meeting the not-so-ideal realities of healthcare practice has become the staple discussion in bioethics as expressed by the author. The article serves as a moral compass for reflection for anyone involved in the conscientious healthcare profession.

*D. Theologizing on the Arts:  
The Photo of the Child and Vulture*

Can theology as a science exhaust the unfathomable meaning of an artwork? **Delfo Canceran, OP** dips his thought on the theologico-philosophical dimension of an artwork via photograph which has become a *cause celebre* to many people in the western hemisphere. In 1993, Kevin Carter went to Sudan to cover the state of suffering of the country due to poverty and tribal

war. Carter took a photo of a tiny child huddling on the ground and moving towards the feeding center. A vulture landed near the child lurking and preying her, which at that moment was photographed by Carter. The photo came out in The New York Times. It is so disturbing that some would not approve of it being published. But the picture says many things other than what appears on the photo even the uneventful suicide of the photographer.

#### ERRATA

The January-April 2015 and May-August 2015 issues of the *Philippiniana Sacra* were inadvertently published with incorrect volume number as Vol. XLX, no. 149 and Vol. XLX, no. 150 respectively. The correct and complete volume and issue numbers are **Volume L, no. 149** (January-April 2015) and **Volume L, no. 150** (May-August 2015). The University of Santo Tomas Ecclesiastical Publications Office regrets any confusion or inconvenience these oversights may have caused the researchers and subscribers.



## **Philippiniana Sacra is now CHED-Accredited Category A-2 Research Journal**

The *Philippiniana Sacra* has recently qualified for the Commission on Higher Education (CHED) Accredited Research Journal Category A-2 (CMO No. 23, series of 2014). This is in pursuant to CHED Memorandum Order (CMO) No. 5, Series of 2012, “*Revised Guidelines for CHED Accreditation of Research Journals...*” The recognition takes effect from December 19, 2014 until December 2016. The classification allows the articles published in the journal to be classified as “international level publication.”

The *Philippiniana Sacra* is the official publication of the University of Santo Tomas Ecclesiastical Faculties which started its publication in 1966. It releases three issues in a year. In 2016, it will celebrate its golden anniversary with a special edition dedicated to the Order of Preachers which will also celebrate its 800<sup>th</sup> foundation anniversary.

The Journal's current Editor is Rev. Fr. Jesús Miranda Jr., OP, with Rev. Fr. Angel Aparicio, OP, Dr. John Jack Wigley, and Dr. Belen Tangco, OP as Associate editors; Mr. Joel Sagut serves as its Book Review/Notices editor and Rev. Fr. Manuel Roux, OP as the Business Manager. Its editorial board is assisted by the advisory committee consisting of the respective deans of the three Ecclesiastical Faculties namely, Rev. Fr. Richard Ang, OP, Ph.D. (Faculty of Philosophy), Rev. Fr. Rolando de la Rosa, OP, S.Th.D. (Faculty of Sacred Theology), and Rev. Fr. José María Tinoko, OP, J.C.D. (Faculty of Canon Law).

*Philippiniana Sacra* also dedicates this recognition to its previous and current editors whose commitment and devotion are instrumental in instituting the current quality and standards of the journal: Rev. Fr. Excelso Garcia, OP (1966-1969), Rev. Fr. Antonio Gonzalez, OP (1970-1972), Rev. Fr. Lucio Gutierrez, OP (1973-1990), Rev. Fr. Javier Gonzalez, OP (1991-2009), Rev. Fr. Norberto Castillo, OP (2010-2012), and Rev. Fr. Jesus Miranda Jr, OP (2012 -present).

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