Liturgical Renewal in Campus Ministry
Betania Retreat House, Cebu

O Lord,
You called us to serve you in your Mystical Body the Church. Send us your Spirit to purify our hearts and our minds so that in our on-going formation as your disciples and ministers, we may seek not ourselves but your praise and glory, and manifest that glory to others through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Religiosity of the Filipino Catholic Youth

Youth visit churches to pray.

Youth go on pilgrimages... to ask or thank God for graces.
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Youth like especially to touch sacred images.

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Youth join processions...

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Youth join processions... novenas...

...and novena prayers.

Youth like celebrating fiestas.

Youth in Cebu show their devotion by dancing the Sinulog.

Filipino Catholicism has always put great stress on rites and ceremonies. *Fiestas*, processions, pilgrimages, novenas, innumerable devotional practices, both individual and communitarian, mark the concrete religious practice of most Filipino Catholics.

(CFC 1469)
Youth attend Holy Masses... in small, in big churches.

Number of youth Mass goers are amazing.

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Masses everywhere... in shopping malls.

Masses everywhere... in offices and factories.

Masses everywhere... in school gymnasiums.
... and open parking spaces

Young people at the forefront.

Youth and Liturgy

in the U.S.

Young people at the forefront.

Animating the Liturgy.
“How Many Youth are Leaving the Church”

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“80% Catholic Youth Leave Church”

“Why Nobody Wants to Go to Church Anymore”

“Top 10 Reasons our Kids Leave the Church”

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“Youth Exodus Problem - Cross Examined”

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Catholic Youth Mass Participation

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Table 36: Practice of the Catholic Faith

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33.3% 46.5% 79.8%

The NATIONAL FILIPINO CATHOLIC YOUTH SURVEY 2002
“The Catholic Church is in Trouble – Even in Catholic Philippines”

“9% of Catholics Sometimes Think of Leaving the Church”

“PH Catholics Going to Mass Weekly Drops to 37%: SWS”

Vibrant Faith starting to wane?

Our liturgies... still making an IMPACT?

Liturgical Renewal in Our Campus Ministry
Liturgy?
Public Worship of God

Liturgy?
Participation of the People of God in the Work of God (CCC 1069)

Liturgy:
The WORK of God salvation & sanctification accomplished in the Passion, Death & Resurrection of JChrist

Etymology of Liturgy:
Greek: *Leitour gia* = Work for the People

Are we allowing God to do His WORK in us?

Are we helping God to do His WORK among the YOUNG? How?
How to ensure God's Work is done?

Invite Validly
Ordained Priests

Take Readings
from Bible or Lectionary

Take the Prayers
from the Missal

Liturgy: Participation of the People of God in the Work of God

Vatican II: Sacrosanctum Concilium
...all should be led to that full, conscious & active participation in liturg. celebr.

In the Liturgy
How much are we participating in the Work of God?
In the Liturgy
active participation
in ordinary tasks &
extraordinary tasks

Ordinary Tasks:
responding, singing,
proper postures &
gestures

Extraordinary Tasks
liturgical ministries:
altar, word, music,
hospitality,
audio-visuals,
Formation & Training

God is glorified.

Singing & Music
Teach youth how to
choose the songs

Singing & Music
Train & rehearse well
the choir, soloist &
song leader
Singing & Music
Choose a variety of instruments; Train the instrumentalists well

Gesture
processions
renewal of baptismal promises w/ lighted candles
cash donation into the bag
handshake as sign of peace given to all
Dance?

Audio-Visuals
TV screens
(printed song sheets)
Good sound system
quality microphones
loud speakers

Audio-Visuals
Dramatized Reading
Two or more lectors take different parts;
Homily with slides;
Intentions w/ images

Audio-Visuals
only an aid to participation
moderation and balance
Silence
part of the celebration

Priest
Presider
A catechist may give the Homily.

In the Liturgy
Proper Disposition: Interior & Exterior

Interior Disposition
We come in silence with mind at peace heart free from sin reconciled with God & with one another

Importance of:
Penitential Rite at the beginning of the Mass
Sacrament of Reconciliation before the Mass or outside the Mass

Most Complete & Most Perfect Form of Participation of offering themselves totally to God with the bread and wine

Interior Disposition
Sufficient understanding Mature faith Right motivation

Catechesis & Instruction
Exterior Disposition
- wear proper attire
- put cellphones off
- avoid anything that may cause distraction

New Evangelization
- urgently needed

Renewed Integral Evangelization
- Renewed Catechesis
- Renewed Social Apostolate
- Renewed Worship

500 years of Sto. Nino in the Philippines
1521 - 2021

The Sacraments must be celebrated as sacraments of faith

Conciliar Document of PCP II, 176