READING—LUKE 10:25-37
Then he put the man on his own donkey, took him to an inn and took care of him. The next day, he took out two silver coins and gave them to the innkeeper. ‘Look after him,’ he said, ‘and when I return, I will reimburse you for any extra expense you may have.’

REFLECTION
The Parable of the Good Samaritan is a familiar story to many of us. Here I find myself drawn to that part of the story when the Samaritan entrusts the man to the innkeeper. ‘Look after him,’ says the Samaritan. By doing this, the Good Samaritan had drawn the (unsuspecting) innkeeper into a circle of goodness – enlisting the latter’s collaboration and support for a good and noble deed.

Our Lasallian tradition has an appropriate word for this – association. If we believe that what we do is something good, we cannot help but think of how to make this good sustainable. In this regard, we will need to pay attention to those we collaborate and associate with. Our mission gives birth to new associations and just as well, our associations bring to life, new missions. Who drew me into association with the Lasallian Mission? Have I contributed to the mission by furthering and deepening the association of others?

RESPONSE
From Reflecting God’s Presence by the Lasallian District of Australia, New Zealand and Papua New Guinea.

Dear Loving God,
Let us show the compassionate face of Christ, your Son. To all we meet this day and so reveal to them a reason for hope. AMEN

FROM THE RULE 47 & 20
John Baptist De La Salle was led to found a community of men who were enlightened by God to have a share in his plan of salvation. They associated together to respond to the needs of young people who were poor and far from salvation. Even today, each Lasallian community finds in this historical event a fundamental source of inspiration.

Together and by association, Lasallians labor to accomplish God’s saving work in a profession where the poor have the gospel preached to them and where young people grow as human persons and children of God. In faith, every Lasallian praises God as they see His kingdom being extended.

BIRTHDAYS
15 JULY  Br. Jimmy Dalumpines FSC
16 JULY  Mr. Benito Tehankee (LPC)
18 JULY  Gladstone Cuarteros (DLSP-LMS)
21 JULY  Eden Batad (DLSP-OPR)
22 JULY  Br. Bobby Casingal FSC

LASALLIAN FEAST
17 JULY  Saint Mary Magdalene Postel, Fondress, Sisters of Christian Schools

DLSHSI INAUGURATES FIRST IT-BASED COLLEGE OF MEDICINE BUILDING
On 5 March 2012, the new building of the De La Salle Health Sciences Institute (DLSHSI) College of Medicine was inaugurated before administrators, faculty, staff, students, doctors and medical staff, and members of the Board of Trustees. Dasmariñas City Mayor Hon. Jenny P. Barzaga also graced the celebration of this milestone for DLSHSI.

The new College of Medicine building is an IT-based structure featuring clinical skills and Plastination laboratories, air-conditioned auditorium classrooms with
state-of-the-art audiovisual facilities. The infrastructure also houses a health informatics laboratory with 320 computer terminals for the exclusive use of medical students as a virtual laboratory and for evidence-based medicine. The construction of this facility is just among the efforts DLSHSI continues to pursue to ensure that medical students studying at the institution have a nurturing physical environment that prepares them to become leaders of the medical profession.

**VOCATION ROAD TOUR: BACOLOD**

Last 26-28 June, Br. Alex Diaz FSC was here in Bacolod City for his Vocation Road Tour. The tour consisted of visiting the different La Salle schools present in the Philippine Sector. Its purpose is to promote the De La Salle Brothers vocation. On his first day, he had a talk at the Gallaga Theater with USLS-IS High School students from the IS Acolytes, the Search-In Core group, and the Student Affairs Council. He shared about his vocation, what it feels like to be a Brother and how he was able to respond to God’s call.

In the afternoon he had a question and answer forum with two selected Grade 11 classes. He also interacted with some selected high school students through the Brew with Bro at the High School Campus Ministry Office. There, he was able to answer questions about the Brothers, which were formed from the curious minds of the young boys who wanted to know more. He also talked about his different experiences as a brother, the steps he took to become a brother, his main ministry work as the National Vocations Promoter, and many other things, hoping to inspire some of the boys present.

In the evening, Br. Alex had a meeting with the Bacolod BACOn (Brothers, Aspirants, and Contacts) about his plans and goals in promoting vocations for this year and the following years. True to its famous hospitality, the dinner was hosted by the Vocations Ministry Office at the Moon Café, a Mexican inspired restaurant. After having dinner and sharing stories, the group went to another famous culinary spot, the Calea for dessert.

On the Second day, Br. Alex had a talk with College students from selected RS classes in the morning and in the afternoon. There was also a lunch meeting at the Ledesma Boardroom with the Local Vocation Team (LVT). After Br. Alex’s talk in the afternoon, he went to the Bacolod Brother’s house to again have Brew with Bro with 20 selected College students and Faculty from the IS. There, the students and faculty interacted with the brothers while having a small merienda.

On the third day Br. Alex went to St. Joseph School-La Salle to meet with the newly formed Local Vocation Team and also had conversations with the students.

Last 29 June, for the first time in the Philippine history, the Sector reached fifty Filipino brothers. And hopefully with Br. Alex at the helm and the Vocation Road Tours, fifty is just the beginning. Truly, the Vocation Road Tour serves as an instrument that will help us start to respond to God’s call. It is a chance to consider another option in life and to choose what we really want to do, to be the person we want to be or to be the person that God intended us to be. Let us all help each other in promoting vocations and continue to live Jesus in our hearts forever.

—By Emmanuel John Paul Locsin

**DISTINGUISHED TEACHER, DR. RA**

Dr. Romeo P. Ariniego, FPCP, FPCC, former vice president for academics of De La Salle Health Sciences Institute and one of the most revered faculty and former dean of the College of Medicine was conferred the Distinguished Teacher Award 2013 last 29 May 2013, during the 44th Annual Convention of the Philippine Heart Association.

For most of the College of Medicine’s alumni, the award couldn’t be more fitting for the mentor they lovingly call “Dr. RA”. As a teacher of medicine, he has left significant marks in many of past and current DLSHSI faculty and administrators; they always talk about him with respect, affection, and admiration. Known to be always ready to crack his whip during teaching rounds for students who fail to know by heart their patient’s condition, Dr. RA is also a caring and concerned mentor who does
not hesitate to help students in need. For years now, his home and his extensive medicine library has been open to scholars who need a place to stay and who want to learn with the doctor. His clinic always has the longest queue of patients of all ages – and conditions – at De La Salle University Medical Center.

Dr. RA has now donated said home to the De La Salle Health Sciences Institute to ensure that DLSHSI scholars will always have a place to stay even after he is gone. He also gave a very sizable donation for the construction of the DLSHSI library, which was named in his honor. Asked why he chose to donate for the construction of the library, Dr. RA said, “I know how important a library is especially for poor students. Throughout my years of studying, I survived because of the kind librarians who were lenient when it came to my borrowing of books because they knew I didn’t have the money to buy my own copies.”

Dr. RA is also a popular champion of the DLSHSI support staff. In 2007, he established an endowment fund to support the children of support staff who want to become doctors. This scholarship fund currently benefits a medical student who is the daughter of a DLSHSI staff.

Despite all the accolades he has received – Distinguished Service Award from the Philippine Heart Association, National Lorenzo M. Tañada CHIMES Award from De La Salle Philippines, and the International Health Professional distinction – Dr. RA remains the same compassionate man who up to this day, receives gifts of fruits, crops, and chickens from his patients in lieu of a consultation or professional fee.

The DLSHSI community is very proud of you Dr. RA!

**DLSHSI IS THE BEST PERFORMING RADIOLOGIC TECHNOLOGY SCHOOL, AGAIN!**

With an overall passing percentage of 82.28%, the Professional Regulation Commission proclaimed De La Salle Health Sciences Institute as the Best Performing School in Radiologic Technology.

The ranking was based on the performance of DLSHSI students in the Radiologic Technologist Licensure Exam last June 2013.

Four students also made it to the Top 10:

- Top 2: Ma. Kristina Baral Cuenca, RRT (90.60%)
- Top 4: Bonirey Carungcong Sioson, RRT (90.00%)
- Top 7: Kenneth Allen Sesma Marges, RRT (89.20%)
- Top 9: Charissa May Vejerano Jariel, RRT (88.60%)

**VOCATION NOVENA**

**15-28 JULY**

Let us pray that more young people will be inspired to commit their lives to the Lasallian Mission.

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

Father, you chose Saint John Baptist De La Salle to give your people a Christian education. Give your Church teachers who will devote themselves to helping young people to grow as Christian men and women. Help us, the family you founded through this Saint, to be faithful and zealous ministers of your word. We ask this through Christ your Son and our Lord and Brother. AMEN.