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TO : THE THOMASIAN COMMUNITY
FROM : OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL
RE : 2ND ALBERTUS MAGNUS FAITH AND SCIENCE LECTURE
DATE : 6 OCTOBER 2021

In August 2021, His Holiness Pope Francis launched a powerful appeal for the faithful to get vaccinated with approved COVID-19 vaccines, calling it “**an act of love.**” Considering that the personal decision to get vaccinated is influenced by faith and religion, the University of Santo Tomas is one with the advocacy of the Church and the government concerning *vaccination against COVID-19*.

Thus, the **Second Albertus Magnus Faith and Science Lecture** of the UST College of Science, in collaboration with the UST Center for Theology, Religious Studies and Ethics (CTRSE), Uniharmony Partners Philippines, and UST-CoVAX Awareness Team, adopts the theme “**Solidarity, Equity and the Global Challenge for Universal Access to Vaccination**” to clarify further the issues and concerns about vaccination. Moreover, it aims **to show how COVID-19 vaccination is an acceptable initiative across different faiths and beliefs.** *Please see the attached copy of the programme.*

The webinar will be launched on **8 October 2021 (Friday), from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.** via Zoom, and will be live-streamed via the University’s official Facebook page.

The Thomasian community is enjoined to participate in this worthwhile webinar and may register through the link below:

<https://tinyurl.com/2ndAlbertusMagnusLectureReg>

Together, as a responsible community, let us take advantage of this timely discussion that will guide us in making informed decision.

Thank you.


FR. LOUIE R. CORONEL, O.P., EHL
Secretary-General

THE SECOND ALBERTUS MAGNUS FAITH AND SCIENCE LECTURE

TIME	ACTIVITY	PERSON/S INVOLVED
8:30 AM	Pre-Program	
9:00 AM	INTERFAITH PRAYER Rev. Fr. Louie R. Coronel, OP, EHL <i>Regent, College of Science & Secretary-General University of Santo Tomas</i>	
	National Anthem	
9:10 AM	OPENING REMARKS Prof. Rey Donne S. Papa, Ph.D. <i>Dean, UST College of Science</i> Prof. Lilian J. Sison, Ph.D. <i>Secretary General, Religions for Peace Philippines and Chairperson - Asia Pacific Women of Faith Network</i>	
9:20 AM	First Talk: The COVID-19 Vaccines and the Common Good Rev. Fr. Nicanor Pier G. Austriaco, OP, PhD, SThD <i>Lead Investigator, UST-CoVAX Awareness Team Professor, Department of Biological Sciences</i>	
9:50 AM	Second Talk: How to end the Pandemic in the Philippines Dr. Anthony C. Leachon <i>Health Reform Advocate CS Alumnus (BS General Science, Batch 1981)</i>	
10:25 AM	Video Presentation	
	PANEL DISCUSSION <u><i>Speakers:</i></u> Rev. Fr. Nicanor Pier G. Austriaco, OP, PhD, SThD <i>Lead Investigator, UST-CoVAX Awareness Team Professor, UST Department of Biological Sciences</i> Dr. Anthony C. Leachon <i>Health Reform Advocate CS Alumnus (BS General Science, Batch 1981)</i>	

10:25 AM	<p><u>Moderators:</u></p> <p>Dr. Benjamin M. Vallejo, Jr. <i>Institute of Environmental Science and Meteorology University of the Philippines - Diliman</i></p> <p>Dr. Pablito A. Baybado, Jr. <i>Institute of Religion, University of Santo Tomas</i></p> <p><u>The Panel of Reactors:</u></p> <p>Most. Rev. Edwin Dela Pena, DD <i>Bishop, Prelature of St. Mary in Marawi Chairman, Episcopal Commission on Interreligious Dialogue of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of the Philippines</i></p> <p>Ptr. Dr. Aldrin Penamora <i>Executive Director, Commission on Justice, Peace and Reconciliation Philippine Council of Evangelical Churches</i></p> <p>Prof. Macrina A. Morados <i>Dean, Institute of Islamic Studies University of the Philippines</i></p> <p>Timuay Lito Palma <i>Chieftain, Arumanon-Manuvo Chairman, Ancestral Domain Tribal Impahalad</i></p> <p>Ptr. Alvaro O. Senturias, Jr <i>Pastor, Cosmopolitan Church United Church of Christ in the Philippines</i></p>
11:30 AM	Video Presentation and Awarding of Certificates
11:40 AM	<p>CLOSING REMARKS</p> <p>Rev. Fr. Louie R. Coronel, OP, EHL <i>Regent, College of Science & Secretary-General University of Santo Tomas</i></p> <hr/> <p>UST HYMN</p>