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TO : THE THOMASIAN COMMUNITY

FROM : OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

RE : MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR †REV. FR. BONIFACIO GARCIA SOLIS, O.P. (19 June 1945 - 23 October 2021)

DATE : 26 OCTOBER 2021

With deep sorrow, we announce the passing of our beloved brother,

†Rev. Fr. Bonifacio Garcia Solis, O.P.,

who was born on 19 June 1945 in Asturias, Spain and passed away on 23 October 2021 in Oviedo, Spain. In 1976, he was formally assigned in the Priory of St. Thomas Aquinas, and he served as a professor of Moral Theology at the UST Faculty of Sacred Theology (1976-1993).



Apart from his teaching ministry, he also served the University in various capacities, namely, *Vice-Rector of the UST Central Seminary (1976-1979)*, *Secretary of the Ecclesiastical Faculties (1979-1982)*, *Regent of the College of Commerce (1981-1983)*, and *Regent of the UST High School (1984-1987)* among other assignments and involvements.

In 1981, he was elected as the *Prior of Priory of St. Thomas Aquinas* in UST, Manila (1981-1987), and eventually he was elected as the *Holy Rosary Regional Vicar (1987-1993)* while he continued teaching at the UST Ecclesiastical Faculties.

†Fr. Solis ministered in the Philippines from 1976 until 1993, when he was appointed *Socius* of the Provincial (1993-1997), and transferred to Hong Kong. In 1997, he was elected *Prior Provincial* of the Dominican Province of Our Lady of the Rosary, an office he faithfully held for four terms: 1997-2001, 2001-2004, 2004-2008, and 2017-2021. He also served as *Master of Novices* (2008-2012) and *Provincial Syndic* (2012-2016).

Throughout his apostolic life, he integrated pastoral care with his ministries in teaching, formation and administration, manifesting his skill, dynamism, generosity and commitment as a Dominican, with great capacity for work and creativity.

On 25 October 2021 (Monday), the remains of †Fr. Solis were interred in a cemetery in Ávila, Spain after the Funeral Mass at 5:00 p.m. in the *Convento de Santo Tomás*.

Here in the Philippines, we invite everyone to offer their prayers for the eternal repose of the soul of †Fr. Solis, O.P. through an online **Memorial Service** to be offered by the University on **29 October 2021 (Friday), 11:00 a.m.** at the **UST Chapel**, with Very Rev. Fr. Richard G. Ang, O.P. as the Mass Presider and Rev. Fr. Ángel Aparicio, O.P. as the Homilist. *It will be streamed live via the official Facebook pages of the University and the Santísimo Rosario Parish-UST* (www.facebook.com/ust1611official and www.facebook.com/SantisimoRosarioUST).



*Requiem aeternam dona ei, Domine,
et lux perpetua luceat ei.
Requiescat in pace. Amen.*

(Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon him.
May he rest in peace. Amen.)


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Secretary-General