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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

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**TO :** THE THOMASIAN COMMUNITY  
**FROM :** OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL  
**RE :** ONBOARDING SEASON 2022-2023  
**DATE :** 13 JULY 2022

As we usher in the Academic Year 2022-2023, the University, through the Central Committee on University Events, issues the consolidated schedule of preliminary activities and guide for the **Onboarding Season 2022-2023**.<sup>1</sup> The other details of the events shall be provided in separate communications. *Please see the attached copy.*

The **Opening Exercises on 4 August 2022 (Thursday)** highlights the University-wide **Mass of the Holy Spirit (Misa de Apertura)** and the **Inaugural Lecture (Discurso de Apertura)**.

The University, through the Office of the Vice-Rector for Religious Affairs, will hold **Triduum Prayers and Masses** in honor of St. Dominic de Guzman, the founder of the Order of Preachers, on **August 3-5, 2022**. The **University Mass** in honor of St. Dominic will be on **5 August 2022 (Friday)**. The **Solemnity of St. Dominic de Guzman on 8 August 2022 (Mon)** is a school holiday.

The incoming freshmen are set to be provided with a **virtual orientation on relevant University services on 5 August 2022 (Friday)**, and shall engage *in-person*, in the traditional **Welcome Mass, ROARientation, and Thomasian Welcome Walk on 9 August 2022 (Tuesday)**.

**Regular classes** officially commence on **9 August 2022 (Tuesday)**. The academic units shall likewise provide the **program- and course-specific orientations**.

In consultation with the Office for the Student Affairs, **all recruitments, assemblies, and orientations of official student organizations**, University-wide and college-based, may be scheduled until **October 2022 only**, for more active engagements throughout the year.

With much anticipated excitement, we are hopeful that the new academic year brings renewed perspectives and synergy among our stakeholders, translating understanding to new learning and positive action. Thank you.

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

<sup>1</sup> The onboarding season signals the implementation of activities that allow our stakeholders, new and old, to get acquainted with the University's context and culture, including new policies and guidelines that may be related or specific to a course and its delivery, academic program, and other realities affecting the basic and higher education.