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TO : THE THOMASIAN COMMUNITY
FROM : OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL
RE : UST MIGUEL DE BENAVIDES LIBRARY BOOK LAUNCH
DATE : 22 AUGUST 2022

The University is pleased to announce the **Book Launch** of the bilingual edition (Spanish-English) of a Spanish book titled "*Ensayo de una síntesis de los trabajos realizados por las corporaciones religiosas españolas de Filipinas*" (*Essay of a Synthesis of the Works Accomplished by the Spanish Religious Corporations in the Philippines*)¹, which was written by Rev. Fr. Valentín Morales Marín, O.P. (1860-1921).²

Organized by the UST Miguel de Benavides Library, the event will be held on **7 September 2022 (Wednesday), 2:00 pm**, at the **Activity Area of the UST Senior High School Library, Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati Building**. It will be streamed live via the University's official [Facebook Page](#) (UST1611official).

The two-volume bilingual book, edited by the UST Prefect of Libraries, Rev. Fr. Ángel A. Aparicio, O.P., describes the contributions of the Spanish religious corporations in the country, giving us a glimpse of what transpired during the Spanish period from 1521 to 1898. Volume I of *Ensayo* discusses the pre-Spanish Civilization and the Spanish colonization and evangelization of the archipelago, while Volume II details the works of the first four religious missionaries in the Philippines—Augustinians, Franciscans, Recollects, and Dominicans.

The completion of the bilingual edition is an output of the publication component of the *Lumina Pandit II Project*³, in coordination with the *Archivo de la Universidad de Santo Tomás* (Archives of the University of Santo Tomás). It was made possible through the partnership project between the University of Santo Tomás and the UnionBank of the Philippines.

As the University's contribution to the celebration of the 500 years of Christianity in the Philippines, may we be enlightened by the book towards understanding and appreciation of the key role of Spanish religious corporations in the country's faith and spirituality. Thank you.



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

¹ The Spanish edition of the book '*Ensayo*' was first published in 1901.

² Rev. Fr. Valentín Morales Marín, O.P was the founder and first director of the daily newspaper '*Libertas*', which was published by the University of Santo Tomás in Manila, from 1899 to 1918.

³ The *Lumina Pandit* project started on 28 April 2011, UST's Quadricentennial Celebration.

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Volumes 1 and 2 of Fr. Valentín Morales Marín, O.P.'s
Ensayo de una síntesis de los trabajos realizados por las Corporaciones Religiosas Españolas (1901),
 now edited by the UST Prefect of Libraries, Rev. Fr. Ángel A. Aparicio, O.P.

For more information or to reserve a copy, kindly contact Ms. Sabina C. Viernes (scviernes@ust.edu.ph) or (02)8731-3034).