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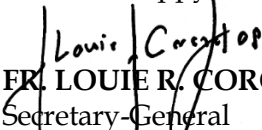
World Teachers' Day (WTD) celebrates the critical role of teachers in transforming students' potential by ensuring they have the tools they need to take responsibility for themselves, and for others.¹ The theme for WTD 2022 is "The Transformation of Education begins with Teachers".

The University is one with the celebration of **World Teachers' Day** on 5 October 2022 (Wednesday) and the **National Teachers' Month**² (September 5 to October 5), and encourages everyone to be creative and find the most opportune moment to express their gratitude to their teachers for inspiring them to be compassionate, competent and committed.

Yearly, we find ways to express our appreciation to teachers, such as in 2017, when the University honored the teachers with the human formation of the statement: "My Teacher is My Hero!" through the help of 17,011 students from the University's academic units.³

As we celebrate this year's **World Teachers' Day**, at a time when the world emerges from the challenges of the pandemic, we pay tribute to our teachers from the different levels of our education, in our prayer intentions, in social media, and any other means. May we take this time as well to pray for our deceased teachers.

May our Thomasian educators remain strong in faith and in health. May they continuously nurture the gift of teaching exemplified by The Great Teacher, Our Lord Jesus Christ, who has called them to this vocation, and who inspires and sustains them in the fulfillment of their mission. Happy World Teachers' Day!


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¹ cf. Joint Message of UNESCO, International Labour Organization, UNICEF, Education International for World Teachers' Day, 5 October 2022.

² cf. DepEd Memorandum no. 85, s. 2022; The President of the Philippines, *Proclamation no. 242*, 24 August 2011; *Republic Act no. 10743*, 29 January 2016.

³ <https://www.ust.edu.ph/thomasians-go-for-guinness-to-pay-tribute-to-teachers/>