



UNIVERSITY OF SANTO TOMAS
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

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TO : THE THOMASIAN COMMUNITY
FROM : OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY-GENERAL
RE : UST PASKUHAN MASS AND AGAPE 2023
DATE : 4 December 2023

The University, through the Central Committee on University Events, is pleased to announce the following **details and guidelines** pertinent to the **UST Paskuhan Mass and Agape (Thomasian Christmas Feast) on 13 December 2023 (Wednesday)**:

1. CARLESS DAY

- 13 December 2023 is declared as **Carless Day**¹. Vehicles of suppliers are allowed to enter the campus for delivery purposes only.
- *Please see Attachment no. 1 for the pedestrian and supplier access points.*

2. SUSPENSION OF CLASSES

- Classes will be suspended from 4:00 pm onwards.
- Students and University staff are strongly encouraged to participate in the Eucharistic Celebration.

3. ACTIVITIES AND GUIDELINES

A. UST Paskuhan Gift-Giving

- Dubbed as *Ningning 2023: Ang Busilak na Diwa ng Pasko ay Masisilayan sa Ngiti ng Bawat Pamilyang Tomasino*, this project encourages the Thomasian community to bring gifts-in-kind (i.e., school supplies and food items for *Noche Buena* packages) or share gifts in cash as they partake in the University's Christmas Feast on campus.
- *Please see Attachment 2 for the Project Rationale and Implementing Guidelines.*

B. UST Paskuhan Mass

- It will be held at the Plaza Mayor, 5:00 pm;
- The Mass will be presided by **Very Rev. Fr. Richard G. Ang, OP**, to be concelebrated by the Dominican Fathers of the Priory of St. Thomas Aquinas;
- Love Offerings during the Mass will be given to the Santísimo Rosario Parish-UST.

C. Agape (Thomasian Christmas Feast)

¹ *Carless Day* is declared as a measure to have more space inside the campus for various activities in anticipation of the large volume of attendees of an event.



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- Immediately after the Mass, the students and University staff will partake in the *Agape*.
- For an orderly claiming of food, the Thomasian community is enjoined to observe the following **guidelines** strictly:

1. Distribution of Food Stubs for the Students and University Staff

- ❖ The Office of the Property Custodian will facilitate beginning 30 November 2023 (Wednesday) the distribution of food stubs in front of the Albertus Magnus Building.
- ❖ *Please see Attachment no. 3 for the Distribution Guidelines.*

2. Claiming of Food Packs

- ❖ *Please see Attachment no. 4 for the designated stations for the claiming of food packs and designated eating areas for the **consumption of packed food**.*

Thank you.

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Secretary-General