

Celebrating 10 years – preparing youth for Industry

- Fr. Ambrose Pereira sdb

Don Bosco Technical Institute, Henderson began its 10 anniversary celebration with a thanksgiving Mass on 30th January, to honour and give thanks to Don Bosco. Archbishop

Adrian Smith sm, Archbishop of Honiara expressed his joy and gave thanks to God for the presence and growth of Don Bosco Institute these past ten years. He stressed the need to be

close followers of Christ, bearing witness to Christian values always. “Teachers be committed to Christ”, he said as he reminded them of their calling to be good examples to their students. He also made mention of the fact that school needs to be aware of changing times and be ready to change with the changing reality for the benefit of the young today.

Present for the occasion were priests, sisters, brothers, teachers and invited guests. His Excellency Aiwa Olmi OL, High Commissioner was the chief guest for the occasion. A firm believer in Education and a close collaborator of the Salesians in Papua New Guinea, he has helped in the facilitating and exchange of teachers for the good of the young.

The Eucharist was followed by light games and an entertainment. The PNG dancers, dressed in their blue *laplaps* and painted headgear, put on a performance that delighted the audience.

A delicious Supper was then enjoyed by all.

Don Bosco Technical Institute, Henderson now runs 5 technical trades for boys and girls. “The youngster is talented and capable of a lot. Offering a technical trade to

him or her opens the opportunity to harness hidden potential and be productive in society”, said Fr. Ambrose Pereira sdb, Rector at Don Bosco. “Thanks to the Principal, staff and the many benefactors and collaborators, who believe in the education of the young, for their dedication, zeal and commitment in assisting in the education of the young and preparing them to take their place in Industry”.

A celebration to mark the 10th Anniversary will be held in

