

News updates from the Diocese of Gizo

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Training Formation Mile 3 camp

5 participants who attending the Education for Life (E4L) workshop were selected out from the 26 participants. Participants were from Nusabaruku, Mile 3 and Sitokava camp and Gizo. This was the first E4L workshop held around Gizo Island and it was the opportunity to identify some of the youths who left secondary school and were originated on Gizo Island. The program was facilitated by the Media & E4L office with the help of Sr. Teresa. The program commenced on the 12 till 16th July.

The 4 days E4L program brought some of the motivations that each group has the skill to form their own educational role plays and present it to all participants. Many committed that it was their life experience that they put into demonstration.

The team will continue to set up programs to keep them confident in giving out awareness before their first seminar workshop at Moli parish. The team will also contribute by implement the E4L program around the Diocese mainly to tackle the issue affecting the community, family, individual.

Youth gathering at Mile 3 camp new hall

More than 50 youths gathered at Sotiwa camp (Mile 3) for a day activity commenced 18th Saturday. A combine program which involved youths from Sitokava, Mile 3, Nusabaruku and St. Peter Gizo. The program highlights the importance of bringing the youths together and involved them more on the church catechism. With that, Bible quiz which many were encouraged to read and know about the church catechisms. This similar program may encouraged to keep the youths involve and alive in the church.

HIV/awareness Moli

20 youths from Moli parish come together for the awareness talk to communities. Ending with a special closing Mass, with Fr. Jacob encouraging every communities to take precaution by fighting this deadly virus. It was interested that many asked questions and how to take care for those people living with the HIV Virus. The activity began 8th July and may continue.

Mast program Diocese of Gizo (Gizo)

About 50 youth and Dominican Apostolate and Novices participants the 1 day workshop on the 21st July.

“Solidarity” which the theme for the day activity. The 2 Marianist Brothers from USA, Br. David and Br. Tim who encouraged youths to build their faith on the Church Catechizes. We must YES to Christ, YES to the Church and YES to the choice for Holiness and NO to Sin. Participants come to identify some of the sins which normally affected their choice to Holiness. Br. Tim & David left for Moli the next day to give Catechism for teachers and other parishioners.

(Moli)

A total up to 17 Educators from Kavata and Moli parish attended a 2 days workshop on Catechism at Moli from 23 and 24th July. The workshop was initiated by the Catholic Education authority in the diocese. It helps teachers to reflect on their call as teachers. Also challenged by reflecting with the seven deadly sins and their virtues

Education for Life at Nusabaruku

About hundreds of youth around Gizo town gathered in Nusabaruku for the YE program on the 25th of July which leads by Sr. Teresa and Br. Joseph. Highlights during that program was the Education for life awareness which many youths raised question about the 3 ways of transmission and the church concerning of the Holistic Approaches. However, many still thought on its transmissions and many wonder why some of the HIV carriers in our country fail to attend clinic. The program closed with the Eucharist Mass which Fr. Kimaere was the celebrant.

Mile 3 Camp New Hall opens

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(Mile 3 Camp, Niu Sotiwa Catholic Community)

More than 3 hundreds gathered at Mile 3, Niu Sotiwa Camp for the opening of the Community's new hall (Maneaba) this week end, Saturday the 15th of August. The main celebrant is Father. Steven which encouraged the community to work together to build a good community. Following the Eucharist Mass thanksgiving Celebration there is feasting which followed by the entertaining from various custom dancing groups from Kiribati. During the entertaining the community head man thanked the Dominican for the support which enable the community to slowly regaining their living stand after the 2nd April tsunami 2007

Marriage Enrichment Workshop Ringi cove

Family Apostolate is continuing fishing couples to enrich their livelihood as couples for lifetime. 6 couples and 4 others without partners have successes completed the 3 days program which was facilitated by Sr. Rita, Gerome Quibatu and Beata Jio. The program commenced 4th – 7th August. This was the 2nd Marriage Enrichment Seminar conducted by the Family Life Apostolate this year 2009.

Catechist workshop Southern Deanery

15 attended the 9 days Catechist program commenced on the 3rd to 11th August. The program was mainly to refresh the catechist on their pastoral duties as Catechists for their community.