

The Ministry office of the Philippines – Japan Province of the Good Shepherd headed by Sr. Anya Borbon PLT Councilor for ministry in coordination with St. Mary Euphrasia Development Foundation Inc. (SMEIDFI) initiated the celebration of EARTH Day last April 20, 2018. It was held at the 23 – hectare Farm of the Good Shepherd in Sariaya, Quezon Province. The activity was participated by 117 delegates representing students and teachers from the College Department of St. Bridget College, Batangas, the group of the Daughters of Mary Immaculate from Marikina City and Good Shepherd Mission partners of the Provincialate Community, and Good Shepherd Community from Quezon City. The whole day affair started with the ritual of reading excerpts from Laudato Si and the Good Shepherd Position paper on Ecology. These were written in canvas and were displayed in the strategic areas so that people who would visit the farm can be reminded of the wisdom of Pope Francis in his Encyclical on our common home and the stand of the Good Shepherd sisters about ecology.



Together, the participants had an ECO WALK in the entire farm, recognizing in prepared twelve stations the sacredness of the different parts of creation and praising God for such beauty and grandeur it gives the mother earth.

Later, thousands of collected seedlings were blessed and prepared to be planted by either June or July, 2018 when rain is expected to come.



culture preparations, solid waste management and GS position on ecology including video showing on climate change.

Simultaneous activities were done after lunch. These were: soil painting, sessions on vermi



Sr. Ailyn gave the input on GS position on Ecology while Rose Dones handled another group to discuss Solid Waste Management and Vermi culture preparations.

The day was concluded by writing personal commitment to help preserve the Earth, our common home on the canvas with the globe as background.



All the participants went home with a strong determination and commitment to make personal and even group's efforts to help preserve the Mother Earth.





Participants during the Earth Day celebration at the Good Shepherd Farm, Sariaya Quezon.

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