

Kapitkamay

Shinjo Catholic Church Newsletter



Our Lady of Snows



The evening lit up as congregants walk up to the grotto of Our Lady



Bishop Narui leading the prayers in front of the grotto

Feb. 10-11: Feast Day of Our Lady of Snows

On the weekend of February 10-11, Shinjo Catholic Church celebrated the feast of Our Lady of Snows, the patron of the church. People congregated and His Most Reverend Bishop Daisuke Narui along with Fr. Waluyo attended this special occasion.

The event started in the evening of February 10 with the Angelus prayer followed by a message from Bishop Narui. While sharing an image of Mary and Jesus crucified on the walls of a church in Coimbra, Portugal where the most recent World Youth Day took place, the bishop reminded us of all the suffering that Mary had to endure as she saw her son Jesus on the cross. This was followed by the praying of the rosary and members of the church community offered flowers and candles to Our Lady displayed outside on a makeshift grotto made from snow. Bishop Narui led the prayers in front of the Lady of Snows.

On the following day, The Chrism Mass was celebrated by the Bishop assisted by Fr. Waluyo. Bishop Narui focused on what happens when we think about ourselves in relation to the people around us. When we care about ourselves, we think less of others and it leads to conflicts, discrimination and the kinds of suffering affected by not being thoughtful or showing empathy towards others. When we think of others, we should think of being together with them in the midst of their problems and suffering instead of looking at them with fear and contempt due to our ignorance and lack of empathy. We learn this in the hopes of growing our community as well as the Catholic church in Japan at large.

Jon Ivan Pinsan
Contributor



前夜祭の祈り

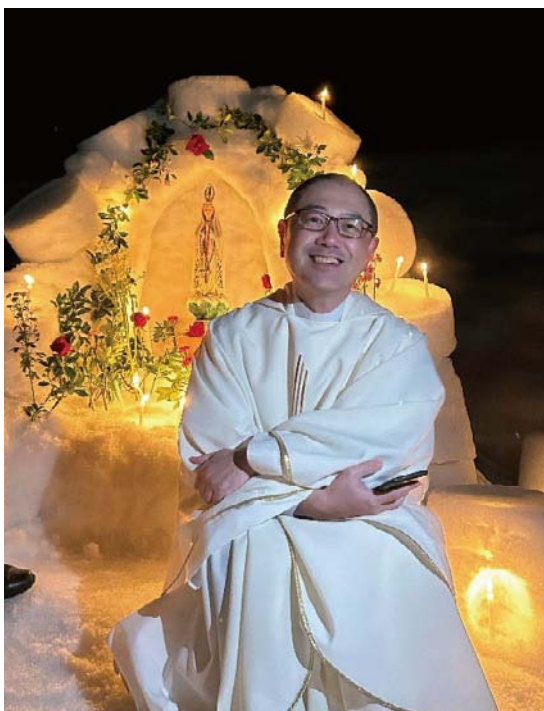




Beautiful Night Scenery
綺麗な夜の風景



Our Lady of Snow
雪の聖母



Our Beloved Rev. Bishop Narui Daisuke
成井大介司教様



Our Parish Priest Fr. Sri Waluyo
ワルヨ神父様



前夜祭のミニパーティーと2月生まれの誕生会のお祝い



Prayer before the mini party



February Birthday Celebrant

Pictures During the Mass and Confirmation Of Mika Orihara & Airi Abe



From left Bishop Narui, Airi, Mika, Fr. Waluyo



集合写真



Bishop Narui Fans (Saying Goodbye and Take care)