

Kapitkamay

Shinjo Catholic Church Newsletter



As the hot summer draws to a close and the typhoon period comes to an end, the fall season arrives with good weather and comfortable temperatures. In this time of harvest, numerous autumn festivals are held across Japan to show appreciation and wish for next year's bountiful crop. Whether you want to see or actually take part, all are loaded with surprises and fun experiences for everyone.

This year, we have been blessed to celebrate our 12th year anniversary of Shinjo Catholic Church.

Last November 12th, we from Shinjo Catholic Church had the honor to celebrate the Thanksgiving Mass and Blessing of the newly renovated Rectory of Yamagata Catholic Church, which was officiated by Hon. Bishop Paul Daisuke Narui, S.V.D. Together with Rev. Fr. Michiaki Chihara and our beloved priest, Rev. Fr. Sri Waluyo.

The new rectory looks warm, peaceful, cozy, comfy, and welcoming. The solid wood scent is really very calming. We are glad that it will help our priests in their daily prayers and meditations in order to guide us faithful in deepening our convictions of faith, prompt the conversation of our hearts, and strengthen our will to follow Jesus Christ as Catholic Christians.

The celebration ended in The Metropolitan Hotel, where the people responsible for the construction and the sponsors of the new rectory were introduced and appreciated. We also had a chance to show some hidden talents, like, Fr. Waluyo played the ocarina instrument. Fr. Chihara played the guitar and we danced to the tune of Macarena led by Fr. Waluyo himself. It was indeed a joyful and blessed day.

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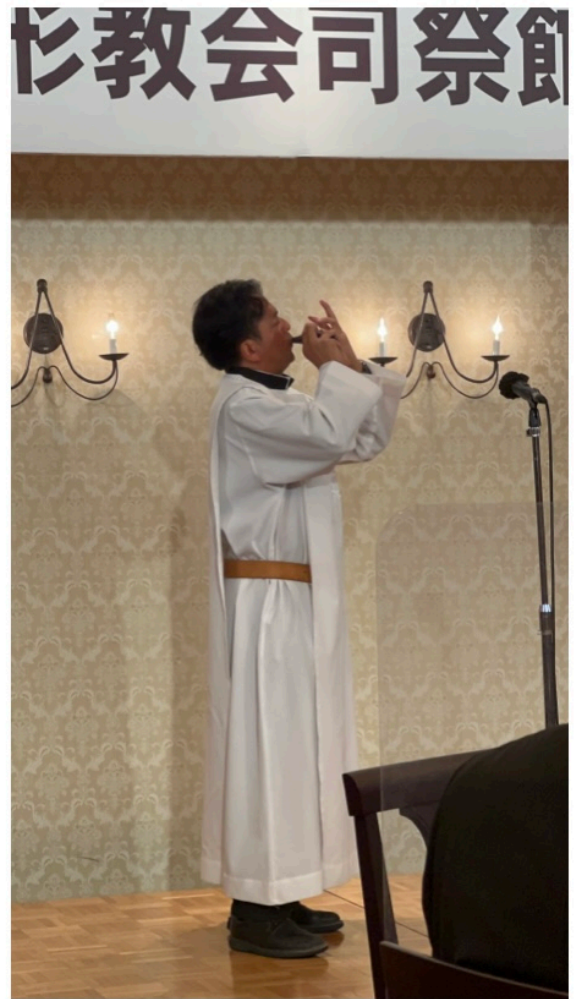
Shinjo Station



Before the
thanksgiving mass



Dancing Macarena



Fr. Waluyo playing
the ocarina



Fr. Chihara playing
the guitar