

André Baert

Geboren op 02-01-1929 te Gullegem

Overleden op 25-04-2000 te Quezon City (Ph)

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1954-58: Assistant, Mayoyao, Ifugao
 1958-59: Assistant, Salegseg, Balbalan,
 Kalinga-Apayao
 1959-60: Assistant, Bulanao, Tabuk,
 Kalinga-Apayao
 1960-61: Instructor, Guadalupe Minor
 Seminary, Makati
 1963-69: Parish Priest, Concepcion, Ilocos
 Sur
 1969-74: Director of the Agricultural School,
 Sta. Marcela, Kalinga-Apayao
 1974-75: Assistant to the Bishop, San
 Fernando, La Union
 1975-98: Parish Priest, Bagulin, La Union
 1998-00 Assistant, Lagro & Sacred Heart
 Village, Novaliches, Quezon City

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In Loving Memory of

REV. FR. ANDRÉ BAERT, CISM

1929-2000

1929.01.02: Born in Gullegem, W. VI., Belgium
 1948.09.08: First Religious Vows
 1953.08.02: Ordained in Scheut, Belgium
 1954.10.10: Arrived in the Philippines
 2000.04.25: Died in Quezon City, Philippines

The Mass of the Resurrection was celebrated at
 the Visitation of Our Lady Parish Church, Sacred
 Heart Village, Novaliches, Quezon City, on

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and they recognized Him
in the breaking of the bread (Lk 24:31)

We had not heard from him for quite some time and things seemed to be going fine in the parish where he had been assisting for about two years now. It was a good place to be after more than forty years of apostolate in his dear Philippines, and a good number of people were Ilocanos, and he had been in Ilocandia for such a long time ...

Andres was on the quiet road of Emmaus now. He had met the Lord there along the road on his way home, and he had recognized Him so often in the breaking of the bread, and people had recognized the Lord through him. He was a good priest, concerned about the people entrusted to his care, and to be with them made him happy. He loved to tell stories and people of all walks of life, the simple and the influential, enjoyed listening to him.

Ifugao and Kalinga-Apayao and Ilocandia: places where Andres had left his mark as a missionary on people, young and old. He could talk about them with enthusiasm; he seemed to have remained ever-young; his liveliness was contagious.

He has left us now, in a hurry as it were, to where the Lord had invited him, "to Galilee where they would see Him". Little had we suspected that the sadness and joy of the Holy Week would be reflected in Andres, so clearly and so soon. He has gone ahead of us, and yet he remains with us, in our memories, in our lives, in our faith.

May the Lord of the Resurrection walk with him now on the road to eternity, where faith and hope have vanished and where only love remains, there in the home of our eternal Father and of our Lord Jesus Christ and of the Spirit. So be it. Amen.

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