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Diocese of Sorsogon

Hits: 1092

(Diocesis Sorsogonensis)

Suffragan of Caceres

Created and erected: June 29, 1951. Comprises the Civil province of Sorsogon. Titular: Sts. Peter and Paul, Apostles, June 29.

Bishop

Most Reverend

ARTURO M. BASTES, SVD, DD, SSL

Born: April 1, 1944 in Loboc, Bohol. Ordained Priest: November 28, 1970. Ordained Bishop: August 21, 1997 in Cebu City. Installed as Third Bishop of Romblon: October 1, 1997. Appointed Coadjutor Bishop of Sorsogon: July 25, 2002. De Jure Bishop of Sorsogon: April 17, 2003, Holy Thursday.

Address:

Home For the Clergy
4700 Sorsogon City
Tel.: (Bishop's Office) (056) 421-5825
(Chancery) (056) 211-1289
Tel./Fax: (056) 211-1842

Bishop Emeritus

Most Reverend

JESUS Y. VARELA, DD, JCB, PHL, STD

Born: December 18, 1927 in Bacolod City. Ordained Priest: March 17, 1956. Appointed Titular Bishop of Tatitti and Auxiliary Bishop of Zamboanga: March 28, 1967. Ordained Bishop: April 30, 1967. Appointed Bishop of Ozamis: February 17, 1971. Appointed Bishop of Sorsogon: November 27, 1980. Installed: December 12, 1980. Resigned: April 16, 2003

Address:

El Retiro Retreat House
Cabid-an, 4700 Sorsogon City
Tel: (056) 421-9833

Previous Ordinaries

Bp. Teopisto Valderrama Alberto: *July 10, 1952 to September 7, 1959*
Bp. Arnulfo S. Arcilla: *Appointed September 7, 1959; Resigned December 11, 1979.*
Bp. Concordio Ma. Sarte: *Appointed Auxiliary Bishop August 30 1977*
Appointed Apostolic Administrator January 19 to November 27, 1980.

PRESENT STATUS

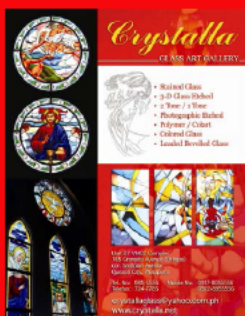
Bishops.....	2
Priests:	
Diocesan.....	107
Religious.....	14
Filipino.....	13
Foreign.....	1
Total	135
Sisters:	
Filipino.....	75
Foreign.....	8
Total.....	83



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Titular: Our Lady of the Pillar, October 12
Pastor: Fr. Sabino M. Fulo, EV
Parochial Vicar: Fr. Erwin Marc D. Chavez
Parish of Our Lady of the Holy Family (F-1916), Putiao, Pilar, 4714 Sorsogon
Pop.: 15,290; Cath.: 14,525
Titular: Holy Family, Sunday after Christmas
Pastor: Fr. Efren P. Bantog, SOLT
Parish of St. Joseph the Worker (F-1681), Donsol, 4715 Sorsogon
Pop.: 34,157; Cath.: 32,130
Titular: St. Joseph the Worker, May 19
Pastor: Fr. Joseph G. Revidad
Parochial Vicar: Fr. Noel F. Espaldon
Parish of St. Anthony of Padua (F-2007), San Antonio, Donsol, 4715 Sorsogon
Titular: Saint Anthony of Padua, June 13
Pastor: Fr. Eric S. Ollague, OFM
Parochial Vicar: Fr. Peter A. Esarza, OFM
Parish of St. John the Baptizer (F-1876), Castilla, 4713 Sorsogon
Pop.: 16,470; Cath.: 15,646
Titular: St. John the Baptizer, June 24
Pastor: Fr. Benedicto F. Furo
Parish of Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary (F-1974), Cumadcad, Castilla, 4713 Sorsogon
Pop.: 18,905; Cath.: 17,959
Titular: Our Lady of the Most Holy Rosary, October 7
Pastor: Fr. Joel E. Teruel

Vicariate of the Immaculate Conception

Episcopal Vicar/Vicar Forane: Fr. Ernie D. Mendina
Parish of Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception (F-1801), Bulan, 4707 Sorsogon
Pop.: 50,148; Cath.: 47,640
Titular: Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception, May 31
Pastor: Fr. Ernie D. Mendina, EV
Parochial Vicars: Fr. Jupe L. Garalde, Fr. Lolito F. Fuentes, Fr. Roberto T. Trabajo
Parish of St. Bonaventure (F-1952), Butag, Bulan, 4706 Sorsogon
Pop.: 13,610; Cath.: 12,920
Titular: St. Bonaventure, July 15
Pastor: Fr. Antonio B. Sardo Jr.
Parish of St. Anthony of Padua (F-1978), Polot, Bulan, 4706 Sorsogon
Pop.: 6,215; Cath.: 5,904
Titular: St. Anthony of Padua, June 13
Pastor: Fr. Ernie D. Mendina
Parish of the Holy Infant of Jesus (F-1800), Matnog, 4708 Sorsogon
Pop.: 27,155; Cath.: 25,790
Titular: Holy Infant Jesus, May 17
Pastor: Fr. Alexander H. Jerus
Parochial Vicar: Fr. Jasper D. Valdez
Parish of St. Mary Magdalene (F-1890), Sta. Magdalena, 4709 Sorsogon
Pop.: 12,428; Cath.: 11,806
Titular: St. Mary Magdalene, July 22
Pastor: Fr. Elmer F. Hagos

DIOCESAN CLERGY WITHOUT PASTORAL ASSIGNMENT

With Other Assignments

Fr. Cecil F. Datar (Hospital Administrator and GNSFI General Manager)
Fr. Librado L. Baluarte, D. Min. (Minister of Foreign Correspondence)
Fr. Jesus A. Enciso (Director of Sacred Arts)

Retired

Fr. Gerard V. Deveza, Fr. Roberto S. Embile, Msgr. Simon Peter G. Ignacio, Fr. Antonio G. Lanuza, Msgr. Leo C. Leocadio, Fr. Josefino S. Opeña, Fr. Leonardo J. Monje, Fr. Primo L. Quiño, Fr. Victor F. Reyes, Fr. Franklin H. San Juan

Retired Guest Priests

(from Archdiocese of Manila)
Msgr. Augusto G. Laban, Fr. Benjamin E. Dogillo

Study-Leave-Belgium

Fr. Rowan L. Rebustillo

Study-Leave-Rome

Fr. Jose Chrisly B. Ereño

Military Service

Fr. Victor S. Galleros, Fr. Bartolome C. Sagadal

In other Dioceses in the Philippines

Fr. Melchor Abutog, Fr. Emmanuel C. Alparce, Fr. Angelino E. Defeo Jr., Fr. Joebert L. Fernandez, Fr. Samuel V. Galias, Fr. Aniceto A. Paciente III, Fr. Vernon S. Zulueta

On Pastoral Work Abroad

Fr. Salvador F. Añonuevo, Fr. Steve D. Antes, Fr. Danilo C. Bien, Fr. Antonio D. Bobis, Fr. Joseph B. Buising, Fr. Fernando G. Caindec, Fr. Edgar B. Cleofe, Fr. Dionisio G. De Lota Jr., Fr. Cesar B. Derit, Fr. Vincent Henry M. Diesta, Fr. Roy V. Eco, Fr. Elias F. Escanilla, Fr. Basil Jayasuriya, Fr. Mariano R. Garrido, Fr. Rufino Jose O. Gepiga, Fr. Honesto F. Gile, Fr. Jose Nestor P. Lachica, Fr. Manuel P. Ombao, Fr. Richard Salas, Fr. Manuel T. Trenchera

Nulli Stationi Destinati

Fr. Albert G. Bonayon, Fr. Dario D. Deocareza, Fr. Victor E. Dollentas, Fr. Jose Ramil E. Enteria, Fr. Alejandro V. Galias, Fr. Rolando Rollin F. Galindes, Fr. Manuel H. Jerus, Fr. Noe A. Laganzon, Fr. Nestor C. Villa

Excardinated

Fr. Erwin C. Belgica, Fr. Dennis Legaspi