

April 5, 2017

Memorial of Saint Vincent Ferrer

Circular 2017-8

RE: Parish Community Organizer

Reverend Fathers:

In the spirit of the 2017 Year of the Parish, our pastoral attention is set on the formation and fostering of basic ecclesial communities in EVERY PARISH of Lingayen Dagupan. A good number of our parishes already have the structures and networks in place for parish BECs. Unfortunately, it cannot be said of all parishes. Our vision is by the end of the 2017 Year of the Parish, every parish would have at least the seminal structures of basic ecclesial communities.

I understand that due to your many pressing concerns in the parish, you are unable to foster the basic ecclesial communities. In consideration of this pastoral limitation, I invite you to select one member of the Catholic laity in the parish or pastoral station to become a FULL TIME COMMUNITY ORGANIZER. The stipend for the full time community organizer may be taken from the parish Pananabangan Fund.

The Archdiocesan BEC Desk will offer an orientation seminar for these parish full time community organizers on MAY 6, 2017 at the LAY FORMATION CENTER in Bonuan Gueset, Dagupan City from 8am until 5pm.

Please be very keen and ingenuous in selecting your parish community organizer. Much will depend on your parish CO in fostering the basic ecclesial communities in the parish.

I trust that you share the vision and appreciate the importance of employing such lay workers. Thank you.

Sincerely yours,

+SOCRATES B. VILLEGAS

Archbishop of Lingayen Dagupan