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To: Clergy of the Archdiocese
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Superintendent of Catholic Education
Presidents, Principals and Administrators of Catholic Schools

From: Fr. Paul A.M. Gofigan, Rector 
Dulce Nombre de Maria Cathedral Basilica

Subject: Schedule of Events for December 08, 2017

Dear Brothers and Sisters:

Greetings and peace be with all of you!

As our feast of Santa Marian Kamalen approaches, I would like to advise you of a major change in the way we will be celebrating this glorious occasion. Attached is a schedule of day so you can post it in your bulletins or newsletters. You will see that our December 8 celebration is truly a day of prayer.

Essentially, the big change is the insertion of the Holy Mass, with the Archbishop as the Presider and Homilist, immediately before we begin our island-wide procession at approximately 4:00 p.m. This also means there will be no 7:00 p.m. Mass celebrated after the procession. I pray you will make repeated announcements to your respective communities regarding this very important change or simply post the schedule in your churches, convents, and schools.

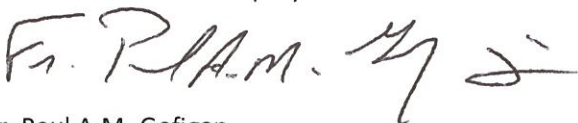
In addition to attaching the schedule of events, I have also attached a diagram of the route to be used as well as roads to be closed. Please note that road closures will begin promptly at 1:00 p.m.

With road closures, we recognize the need for the elderly and the disabled to be dropped off near the Cathedral Basilica and have so designated the side street facing the Plaza de Espana as a drop off point for them. Displaying the blue Disability placard on the windshield of these vehicles is highly recommended.

Lastly, while we have a couple of donors who provide water for our faithful, we are still in need of more to keep our people hydrated. This year, I am humbly requesting all parishes and schools to donate cases of bottled water so that we can have them readily available at various water stations around the cathedral grounds as well as the procession route. Kindly bring your donations of water to the Cathedral Basilica drop off point located in the Cathedral lanai any time before December 8, 2017. Un dangkalu na Si Yu'us Ma'ase for your generosity!

Should you have any questions or concerns, you may email them to me at pgofigan@gmail.com or text/call me at 488-0613.

Santa Marian Kamalen pray for us!



Fr. Paul A.M. Gofigan



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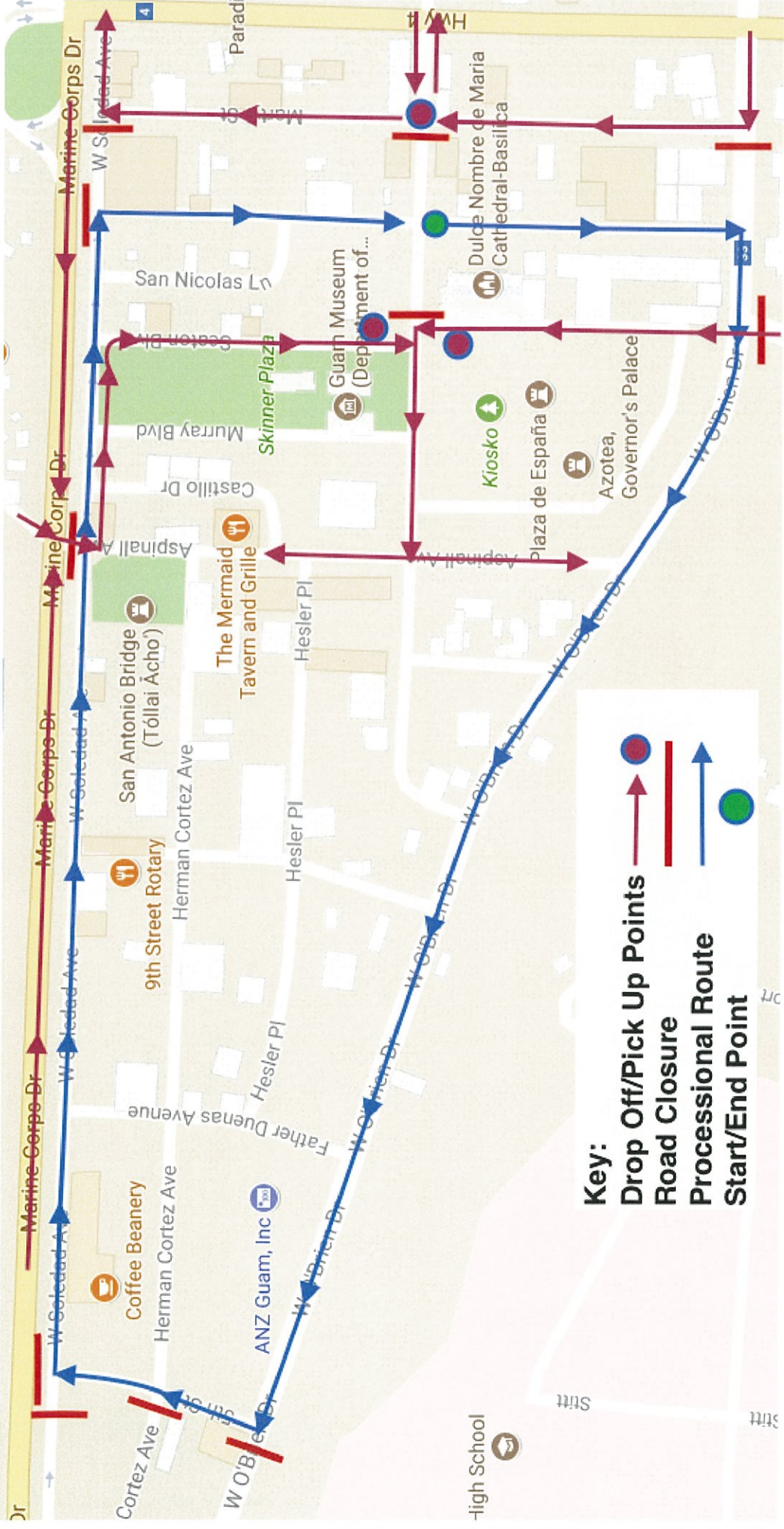


ARCHDIOCESE OF AGAÑA
FESTAL CELEBRATION OF SANTA MARIAN KAMALEN
DECEMBER 08, 2017

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Tentative

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| 5:45AM | - | Morning Mass in Chamorro with Fr. Paul Gofigan |
| 7:30AM | - | Morning Mass in English with Fr. Tom McGrath |
| 9:30AM | - | Morning Mass in English with Fr. Paul Gofigan |
| 10:30AM | - | Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (<i>Traveling Monstrance</i>) |
| 12:00PM | - | Preparation of SMK |
| 1:00PM | - | Processional Routes closed to traffic;
Only parish-chartered buses (with decal) AND the elderly/those with disabilities (with placard) will be allowed to pass through to be <u>dropped off</u> at the Plaza de España or Skinner Plaza side of the Cathedral Basilica |
| 1:30PM | - | Anticipated arrival of faithful for festal celebration |
| 1:45PM | - | Placement of SMK on Karosa |
| 2:00PM | - | Rosary |
| 2:15PM | - | Start Novena Prayers |
| 2:30PM | - | Complete shut down of roads/no vehicles allowed through |
| 2:45PM | - | End Novena Prayers;
Begin Benediction and Reposition of Blessed Sacrament |
| 3:00PM | - | Start of Festal Mass with Archbishop |
| 4:15PM | - | Anticipated start of Procession |
| 6:00PM | - | Anticipated end of Procession;
Blessing & Dismissal by Archbishop;
Begin veneration;
All roads opened EXCEPT Chalan Santo Papa and Abp. F.C. Flores St.;
Only parish-chartered buses (with decal) AND the elderly/those with disabilities (with placard) will be allowed to pass through to be <u>picked up</u> at the Plaza de España side of the Cathedral Basilica |
| 6:30PM | - | All other roads opened to traffic |



Key:

- Drop Off/Pick Up Points
- Road Closure
- Processional Route
- Start/End Point