

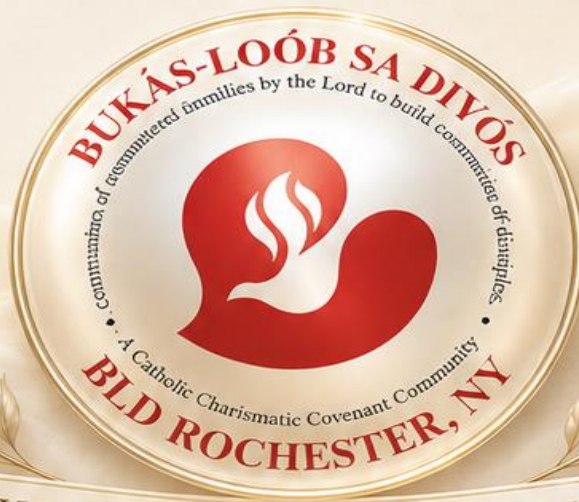
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30th Anniversary — CELEBRATION —



ONE HEART, ONE SPIRIT, ONE MISSION



SOUVENIR PROGRAM

JULY 10, 2026

30 YEARS OF GOD'S FAITHFULNESS
LOOKING FORWARD TO THE FUTURE

BLD ROCHESTER DISTRICT



Celebrating
30 YEARS
OF GOD'S
FAITHFULNESS
— 1996 – 2026 —

ONE HEART, ONE SPIRIT, ONE MISSION

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

PROGRAM START TIME: 7:30 PM

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| National Anthem | – AJ Blancaflor |
| Lupang Hinirang (Philippine National Anthem) | – Bella Ambubuyog |
| Opening Prayer | – Fr. Edison Tayag |
| Tribute | – Dr. Joy Tan and Benny Malijan |
| Welcome Address | – Jo and Arman Blancaflor |
| Grace Before Meals | – Deacon Manny Asis |
| Dinner | – Fellowship and Dinner |
| History (30 Years of God's Faithfulness) | – Dr. Joy Tan |
| Song (How Great Thou Art) | – Angelica Blancaflor and Nicolas Sutter |
| Recognition (Acknowledgment of Members and Special Guests) | – Fr. Edison Tayag, assisted by Virna Pierson and Annabelle Sutter |
| Souvenir Presentation | – Annabelle Sutter |
| Dance | – BLD Rochester District |
| Song (You'll Never Walk Alone) | – BLD Elmira Prayer Group |
| Closing Remarks | – Dr. Ted Mariano |

*Give thanks to the Lord for He is good;
His love endures forever" (Psalm 136:1).*

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June 22, 2026

Saint John Fisher, Diocesan Patron

Dear Father Tayag and members of Bukás-Loób sa Diyos:

Grace and peace to you in our Lord Jesus Christ.

It is with gratitude and joy that I write to you, the members of Bukás-Loób sa Diyos, as you gather to celebrate the thirtieth anniversary of BLD Rochester District, whose mission of evangelization and discipleship serves as a beautiful witness to the life of the Church. Through your commitment to helping God's people encounter Christ more deeply and grow in holiness, you participate in the very mission entrusted by the Lord to His Church: to proclaim the Gospel and make disciples of all nations.

In our Diocese of Rochester, we are blessed to have as our patron Saint John Fisher, the courageous bishop and martyr who remained steadfast in faith and charity even in the face of great adversity. His example reminds us that authentic discipleship requires both fidelity to Christ and a willingness to bear witness to the truth with humility, courage, and love. As you continue your ministry, may Saint John Fisher inspire you to remain firmly rooted in the Gospel and united with the Church.

The Second Vatican Council taught clearly that the mission of the Church belongs not only to clergy and religious but also to the lay faithful. In *Lumen Gentium*, the Council fathers affirmed that the laity, by virtue of their baptism, share in the priestly, prophetic, and kingly mission of Christ. They are called to seek the Kingdom of God by engaging in the affairs of the world and ordering them according to God's will. Through your lives of prayer, formation, fellowship, and evangelization, you embody this important vocation of the laity and contribute significantly to the Church's mission in our time.

Today, our world hungers for authentic witnesses who can share not merely information about Christ, but a living relationship with Him. The work of evangelization begins with personal conversion and flourishes through communities that foster faith, discipleship, and Christian friendship. Your efforts to accompany others on their journey of faith are an invaluable service to the People of God and a source of hope for our parishes and communities.

I encourage you to continue deepening your love for Jesus Christ through prayer, the sacraments, and active participation in the life of the Church. Remain attentive to the guidance of the Holy Spirit and committed to communion with your pastors and fellow faithful. In this way, your mission will continue to bear abundant fruit for the glory of God and the salvation of souls.

As you gather in fellowship and service, please be assured of my prayers for each of you and for all those whom your ministry touches. May the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church, intercede for you. May Saint John Fisher accompany you as a faithful guide and protector. And may Almighty God bless you abundantly as you continue your mission of evangelization and discipleship.

United in a common mission, I remain

Sincerely yours in Christ,

+ *John S. Bonnici*

The Most Reverend John S. Bonnici
Bishop of Rochester

Father Edison Tayag
Bukás-Loób sa Diyos
St. Patrick's Church
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Victor, New York 14564



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MESSAGE

On our way to Elmira NY for the First Friday Healing Mass last June 5, 2026, Arman and Jo Blancaflor (DCS for Mission), Eva Moore and Benny Malijan (Elmira PG Shepherds), and I excitedly talked about the upcoming 30th Anniversary of BLD Rochester. In our Spirit-filled conversation, we learned that 30th anniversaries are associated with pearl, and the parable of Jesus in Matthew 13:45-46 came to mind,

"Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant searching for fine pearls.

When he finds a pearl of great price, he goes and sells all that he has and buys it."

"How appropriate!" I thought. For what is BLD Rochester but a community of merchants searching for fine pearls and finding the pearl of great price, every member now seeks to generously offer himself or herself to our God who generously offers His heavenly kingdom to us and to all.

To journey with you as your spiritual director has been one of the greatest gifts that God has given me in my priesthood. God responded to your prayer as a community, and God knew what I needed to grow as a priest. God gave us both to each other as companions on the way to heaven. And so, with -

One Heart. *"...for I am meek and humble of heart..."* Matthew 11:29. With the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, let us continue to inspire and encourage one another to be the hearts of Jesus for others.

One Spirit. *"There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit..."* I Corinthians 12:4. Under the baton of the Holy Spirit, let us continue making joyful songs of praise to our God using every one of our gifts that He has entrusted to us.

One Mission. *"As the Father has sent Me, so I send you"* John 20:21. Under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, let us continue to be Christs and bearers of the Good News for others.

I look forward to sharing many more breakfasts, lunches, and dinners with you where we break the bread of Christ and share Him among ourselves as well as with others.

E. Edison Tayag
Father Edison Tayag

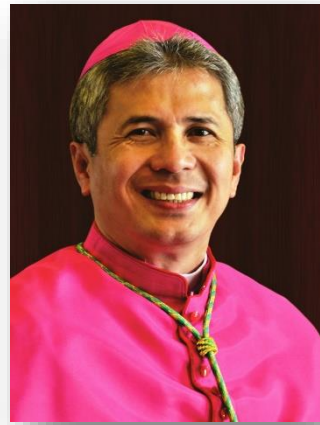
BLD Rochester Spiritual Director





The Roman Catholic Bishop of Imus

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MESSAGE

I join you BLD Rochester District as you celebrate your 30th Anniversary with the theme *"One Heart, One Spirit, One Mission: Celebrating 30 Years of God's Faithfulness"* inspired by the biblical verse — *"The one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus"* (Phil. 1:6).

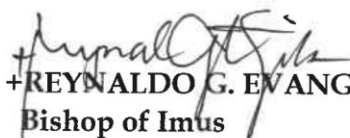
God has been the author of every blessing, every ministry, every conversion and healing that you have experienced as a community. Through God's unwavering faithfulness, abundant grace, and enduring love you reach three decades of discipleship, service, and mission. You experienced challenges, growth, and pruning but the Holy Spirit guided and strengthened you with His love.

Your theme *"One Heart, One Spirit, One Mission"* beautifully captures the gift that God has bestowed on you as a BLD District. God has united you as one family of faith, taught you to love one another, and to walk together faithful to the covenant that you embraced. Though you have different personalities and experiences, the Holy Spirit has formed you into one heart that beats for Christ, one spirit that seeks His will, and one mission that brings His love to others.

This 30th Anniversary celebration is also an opportunity to remember all leaders, members and servants whose faith, sacrifices, and prayers helped in building BLD Rochester District. As you move forward in the spirit of synodality or walking together, renew your covenant with the Lord. Continue treasuring the Lord Jesus Christ above all else, deepen your life in the Spirit, strengthen your communion with one another, and grow in your mission of evangelization and service.

May your community remain a living witness that God is always faithful to His promises. May the Holy Spirit continue to empower you with dedication and commitment to your covenant. May the Blessed Virgin Mary accompany you always in your journey as covenant disciples of Christ.

I assure you of my prayers. God bless all of you.


+REYNALDO G. EVANGELISTA, D.D.
Bishop of Imus
BLD Community Spiritual Director



WALKING TOGETHER IN ONE HEART, ONE SPIRIT AND ONE MISSION



Praise the Lord for His grace and faithfulness, His love and guidance that carried us through in our faith journey as a community for the past **THIRTY YEARS!**

BLD Rochester is one body, and all of us, as members belong to one another. Each of us has been personally called by God to live together and to belong to the same community, the same body. This call is the very foundation of our decision to commit ourselves with others and for others, and be responsible for each other.

“For as in one body, we have many members, all the members do not have the same function, so we, though many, are one body in Christ and individually members of one another.” (Rom 12:4-5)

We thank our gracious God for giving us patience, forbearance and resilience, as well the spirit of love and unity in building this community for His glory and praise!

BLD Rochester has grown into a vibrant and fruitful community, a community that remained vulnerable and humble, a community that keeps growing in love, in compassion and in humility.

May this body of Christ continue to act in one heart and spirit, and share His light to others, for the work of love, the work of the Father! May this body continue to be united in prayer, a body that is merciful so that it can heal and give life to those who are weary and hopeless and to those in need. May this body continue to be a safe space where all can serve freely and confidently, and use our gifts and talents to build God's kingdom here on earth! Amen!



**HAPPY 30TH ANNIVERSARY,
BLD ROCHESTER!**



With all our love and blessings,

Willie & Viv Saguil

Cluster 7 Shepherds





Bukás Loób sa Diyós
CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC COVENANT COMMUNITY
Council of Servant Leaders

**30th ANNIVERSARY MESSAGE
BLD ROCHESTER**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

With hearts filled with thanksgiving and joy, we extend our warmest congratulations to BLD Rochester as you celebrate your 30th Anniversary. This significant milestone stands as a powerful witness to God's unwavering love, providence, and faithfulness throughout the life of your community.

Your anniversary theme, **"One Heart, One Spirit, One Mission: Celebrating 30 Years of God's Faithfulness,"** beautifully reflects three decades of discipleship, covenant life, and service in the Lord's vineyard. Through moments of growth and blessing, as well as times of challenge and renewal, God has continuously guided, sustained, and enriched your journey as a community of faith.

Your celebration resonates deeply with our July Community Word: **"God's Kingdom grows in us as we live a fruitful life in Christ."** Over the years, BLD Rochester has become a living testimony of this truth. By remaining rooted in Christ, you have borne abundant fruit through lives transformed by prayer, strengthened by covenant relationships, and committed to serving God and His people. As you commemorate this blessed occasion, may the Holy Spirit renew in you a deeper zeal for evangelization, a stronger bond of unity, and a greater desire to fulfill God's purpose for your community.

We entrust BLD Rochester to the Lord's continuing work of grace, trusting in His divine plan and promise: *"Those he predestined he also called; and those he called he also justified; and those he justified he also glorified"* (Rom 8:30). May this assurance strengthen your confidence in God's calling and inspire you to persevere faithfully in the mission entrusted to you.

As you embark on a new chapter in your community life, may the Lord continue to mold you into one heart and one spirit, united in His mission, so that many more people may encounter Christ and experience the transforming power of His love through your witness.

Congratulations and blessings on your 30th Anniversary, BLD Rochester!

In Christ's love and service,
The Council of Servant Leaders (2024–2027)

Val and Fe Liwanag
Presiding Servant Leaders

July 2026





CONGRATULATIONS TO BLD ROCHESTER

Congratulations to BLD Rochester
for thirty years helping people
know and praise the Lord!

Fr. Gary Tyman

Pastor 2008-2026

Our Lady of Lourdes & St. Anne Churches

*May God continue
to bless your community
and mission as you bring
His love and Gospel
to others.*



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30TH ANNIVERSARY

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*W*e thank God for thirty years of faith, fellowship, and service through your community. Through His grace and guidance, BLD Rochester has been a source of hope, spiritual renewal, and Christian witness, touching countless lives and drawing many closer to Jesus Christ.

As you celebrate this remarkable milestone, we join you in giving thanks to the Lord for His faithfulness throughout the years. May He continue to pour out His abundant blessings upon your community, strengthen your mission of evangelization and discipleship, and inspire future generations to live as faithful covenant disciples.

May the Holy Spirit continue to guide and empower you as you journey forward as

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for many years to come.

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Happy 30th Anniversary, **BLD ROCHESTER!**

Three decades of *One Heart, One Spirit, One Mission*
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love, and abundant blessings.

We honor your commitment to discipleship,
evangelization, and service.
Your community continues to be a light
that touches many lives and glorifies God.

Congratulations on this remarkable milestone!
May the Lord continue to guide, strengthen,
and bless BLD Rochester for many years to come.

With love and blessings,
The Sansone Family



*Three Decades
of Faithful
Service!*

**Congratulations for your
continued Dedication and
Hardwork**



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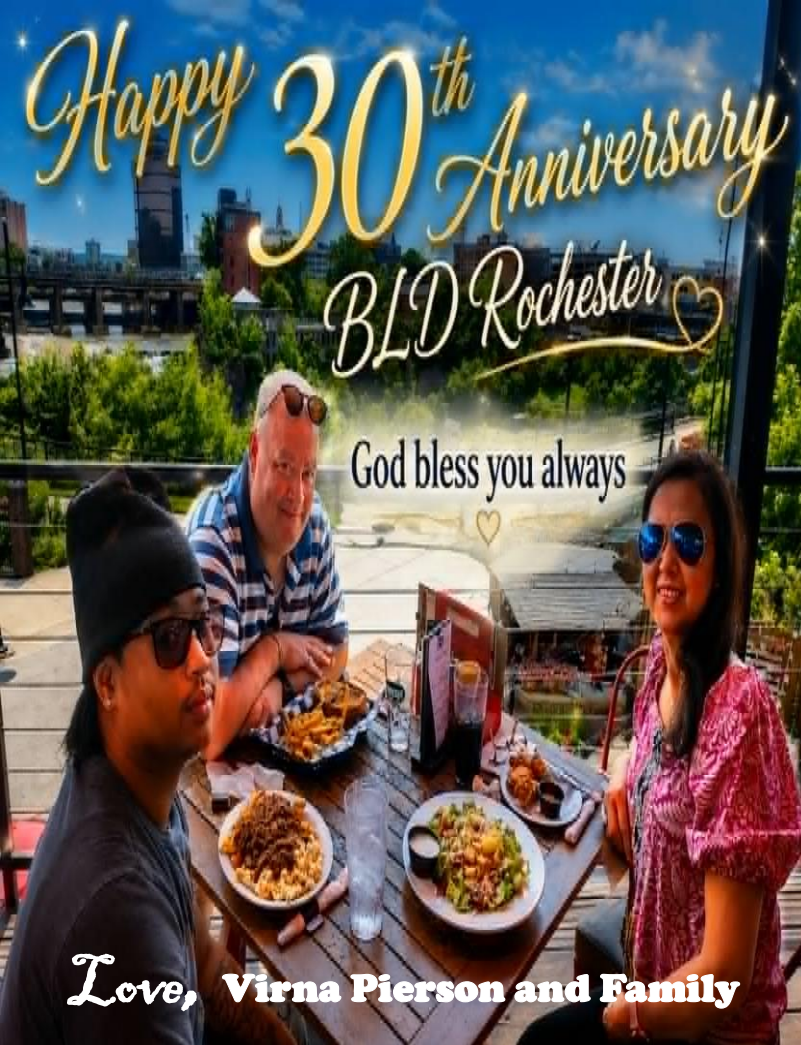
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— Happy 30th Anniversary! —

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strengthen, and bless the
BLD Rochester Community
for many more years to come.





POSTCARD



Maligayang ika-30 Anibersaryo, BLD Rochester!
Thirty years of faith, community, and countless
blessings shared.

With love and admiration,
 The Simons Family

**Congratulations BLD on
 celebrating 30 years! May the
 next chapter of your journey be
 filled with even greater miracles
 and abundant blessings**



Congratulations!

**Love,
 The Henry Family
 Dave, Marivic, Joanie,
 Alan, and Aaron**

Happy
30th
ANNIVERSARY
—♥—
**BLD ROCHESTER
DISTRICT**

*One Heart, One Spirit,
One Mission.*

Celebrating
30 Years
of God's Faithfulness:

*Honoring the journey,
the memories, and
the blessings that
continue to unfold...*



From the Marianos



In Loving Memory of
Linda Mariano

*"The Lord has done great things for us;
we are filled with joy."*

Psalm 126:3



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On behalf of Rochester Neurology, P.C.,
I extend my heartfelt congratulations to the
Bukas Loob sa Diyos (BLD) Rochester District
on your 30th Anniversary.

May God continue to bless your mission of
evangelization, healing, discipleship, and
service to families and our community.

With prayers and best wishes,
Shirley J. Cirillo, MD
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Thirty years of opening our hearts to God's love and moving in the power of the Holy Spirit.

May this milestone be a celebration of God's faithfulness, the beauty of our community, and the mission He continues to fulfill through each one of us.

*One Heart.
One Spirit.
One Mission.*



"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me."

Philippians 4:13

With love and gratitude,

Eva Moore





On behalf of

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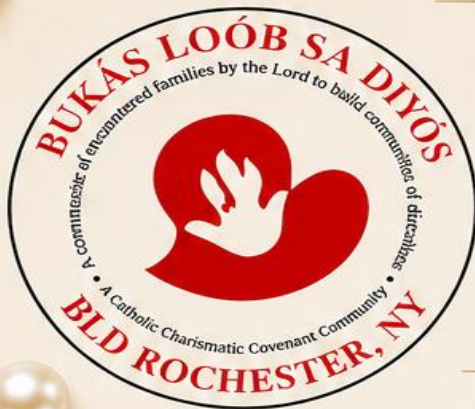
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evangelization, and inspiring our community
to grow in Christ.

May you continue to be blessed with unity,
strength, and abundant grace
for many more years to come.



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to the Lord,
for He is good;
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forever."*

Psalm 136:1

The District Council of Stewards of
BLD Rochester District
proudly congratulates the
BLD Rochester District on its 30th Anniversary!



Thank you for three decades of faith, dedicated service,
and building communities of disciples of Jesus Christ.
May the Lord continue to bless, strengthen, and guide our BLD
Rochester District as we journey together in His love and mission.



EVANGELIZATION

Annabelle &
Ryan Sutter



FORMATION

Zenny &
Deacon Manny Asis



MANAGEMENT

Virna Pierson



MISSION

Jo &
Arman Blancaflor



PASTORAL

Dr. Joy &
Manny Tan

*Celebrating God's Faithfulness
Through 30 Years of
Covenant Community*



The BLD Rochester community was
established in 1996 and continues its
mission of building communities of
disciples of Jesus Christ through
evangelization, Christian formation,
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A Catholic Charismatic Covenant Community

ABOUT US

The Bukas Loob Sa Diyos (Open in Spirit to God) Covenant Community of Rochester or simply referred to as “BLD Rochester”, is a community of families and individuals called together to a relationship of faith, hope and love with God. Our local community was established in **1996** and is part of a global community with districts all over the Philippines, the United States and Canada.

MISSION

As a communion of encountered families, we are called by the Lord to build communities of disciples of Jesus Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit. Our inter-parochial community will evangelize families and build communities of faith through Life in the Spirit Seminars, Encounters and Discipleship Formation; we will give formation on personal and family prayer, pro-life values, Catholic social teachings, and stewardship; we will actively participate in the life and mission of the Church in accord with our God-given gifts; and we will work on poverty alleviation through scholarships, housing for the poor, and advocacies for life, environment, and good governance.

VISION

We are a communion of families and a community of persons called together as one people through the moment of encounter and a process of renewal to a relationship of faith, hope and love with God. We are reconciled with the Father by our saving faith in Jesus Christ, by renewing trust in the Holy Spirit, and by our uniting compassion with one another. We are blessed with personal gifts – spiritual and natural, innate or acquired – which we yield to the Word and the Spirit. We give freely and fully of ourselves, love and serve one another as we seek and proclaim God’s Kingdom. We commit, as disciples of Jesus, to speak the words and do the deeds of Christ among the Filipino people and among others to whom we are called by the Lord.

CHARISM

We are the Lord’s under-shepherds. We will be witnesses to the Word that others may hear and understand. We will be counselors with the Spirit, that others may have healing and wholeness. We will be defenders in Christ of those who suffer injustice and oppression.

UPCOMING ENCOUNTERS

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