

The 72nd Birthday Anniversary of the Rector Magnificus



Rev. Bro. Bancha Saenghiran, I.S.G., Ph.D.

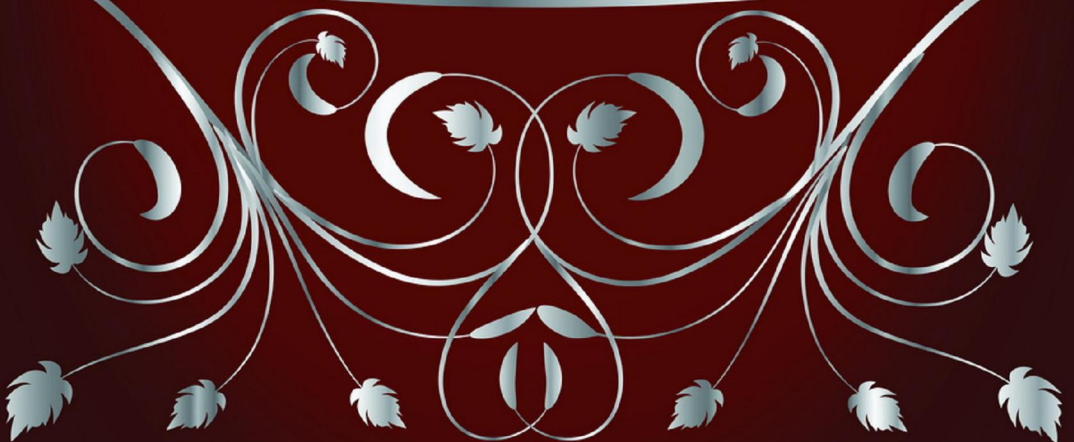


July 7, 1945

He was Born in Chachoengsao Province



His father and mother were very devout parents who faithfully practiced their catholic faith with ardent love of God. This was clearly evident in their 10 children who had absorbed the good example of their parents.



With his Warm Family



He was raised in a good practicing catholic family. This was the beginning of his step toward a "Religious Vocation" which he faithfully answered and the path he still walks along today.

His Religious Life

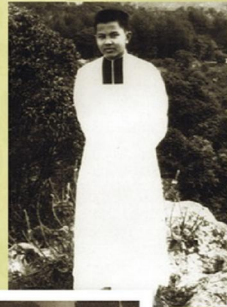


Bro. Vincent Mary

After finishing his junior secondary school level from Assumption College Srirachia, he continued his senior secondary school at St. Gabriel's College as an aspirant. During this time he had the opportunity to be close to the Brothers of St. Gabriel and to observe how the brothers lived their religious lives. He was put under the care of Bro. Vincent Mary who instilled in him the wisdom and knowledge of religion. This experience had a strong influence on the young novice who was later sent to study the rules, practices, and spirituality of the Order at its novitiate / seminary (Eachinkadu Yercaud Salem Dt.) in India.

December 8, 1963

*Received his Religious Habit with the Name
"Bro. Albert Laurence"*



The young novice Bancha could discern the path of his future to answer the call of religious vocation, so he decided to enter religious life. He received his religious habit with the name Bro. Albert Laurence. After that he studied theology for one year.

1964

He Studied Theology for 1 Year



He studied at Loyola College, Madras, India. Later he realized that to devote oneself entirely to duty requires not only self-sacrifice but also the thirst for knowledge and the practice of virtuous acts under definite rules and clear objectives. "This led to his decision to devote himself to the glory of God." He took his religious first vows in 1965.

1967-1970

Served as Teacher at Assumption College Rayong



*As his first job, he taught general subjects
at Assumption College Rayong*



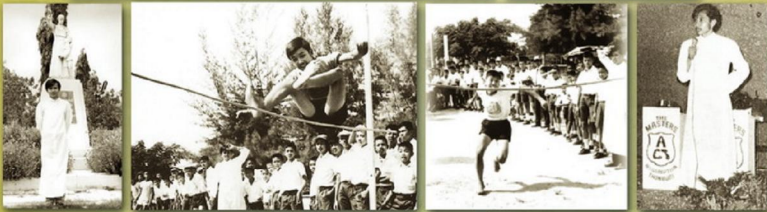
1970

Took his Religious Perpetual Vows



1974-1977

*Assumed his Role as Director of
Assumption College Thonburi*



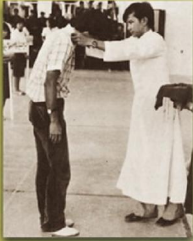
During his tenure as school director, the school was provided with a variety of new facilities through his initiative.

The Major Improvements included:

- ◆ *Expansion of school library to the size of six classrooms.*
- ◆ *Acquisition of more laboratory apparatus.*
- ◆ *Expansion of student dormitory to accommodate more students from up-country.*
- ◆ *Replacement of old barbed-wire fence of the school with concrete walls.*
- ◆ *Renovation of the defunct Assumption Vocational School to be used as a boarding house for aspiring novices.*
- ◆ *Made use of Montfort House as a training center for aspiring novices before they were sent to India for further study.*

1978 - 1984

*Appointed as Vice President for
Student Affairs, ABAC*



In his capacity as then ABAC's Vice President for Student Affairs, he promoted democracy by setting up an internal electoral system for students to vote for student leaders or presidents for various clubs.

1979-1982
*Served as Director of
Assumption College Samrong*



1985-1991
Director of St. Gabriel's College



Serving as a director of St. Gabriel's College, he developed the curriculum, effective teaching and learning methods, systematic work performance evaluations, as well as a variety of extracurricular activities like sports, music, drawing, etc. On top of those achievements, he oversaw the construction of Hubert Memorial Building in tribute to Bro. Hubert, a former director of the school.



October 27, 1990
*Celebration of the Twenty-Fifth Anniversary of
 his Religious Profession*



1991 - 1993

*Performed as Vice President
for Student Affairs, Assumption University*



Performing as AU's Vice President for Student Affairs, he created learning environments in the university's campus, initiating a variety of student activities, enhancing their abilities and skills in different areas.

1994 – 2003

*Served as Vice President for
Academic Affairs, Assumption University*



Assuming the role of Vice President for Academic Affairs, he focused on developing educational quality, qualifications of instructors and constantly improving the curricula while enhancing cooperation with various renowned local and international institutions.



March 4, 1998

*Presented the Citation (in English) to
His Royal Highness Crown Prince Maha Vajiralongkorn*



*Assumption University conferred an honorary doctorate degree
in Computer Information Systems on His Royal Highness
Crown Prince Maha Vajiralongkorn at Nontaburi Palace*

*November 14, 2002
Appointment as President of
Assumption University*



The Chairman of the University Council, Bro. Sakda Kitcharoen announcing the appointment of Bro. Bancha as the new President of Assumption University.



*February 11, 2004
Greeting His Excellency Archbishop
Salvatore Pennacchio*



His Excellency Archbishop Salvatore Pennacchio, the newly accredited Papal Nuncio from the Holy See to the Kingdom of Thailand, visited the Suvarnabhumi Campus in response to an invitation by Bro. Bancha. The Nuncio's visit coincided with the observance of the Feast of our Lady of Lourdes and he kindly consented to bless her serene grotto in the sylvan garden of the university.

August 20, 2004
Greeting Her Royal Highness Princess
Maha Chakri Sirindhorn



Her Royal Highness Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn presided over the inauguration ceremony of Srisakdi Charmonman IT Center, The College of Internet Distance Education at Assumption University, Suvarnabhumi Campus.

March 10, 2007
Attended the Joint Meeting of
Asian University Presidents/Rectors in Rome, Italy



Bro. Bancha had an audience with His Holiness Pope Benedict XVI on the occasion of the "Meeting of Asian University Presidents/Rectors" in Rome, Italy, organized by the International Federation of Catholic Universities.

November 30, 2007
Greeting Her Royal Highness Princess Somsawalee



Her Royal Highness Princess Somsawalee graciously presided over the opening ceremony of the exhibition in celebration of His Majesty the King's 80th Birthday Anniversary at Assumption University, Suvarnabhumi Campus.

*June 24, 2010
Celebrating the 40th Anniversary of
Assumption University*



The 40th Anniversary of Assumption University was celebrated with a Holy Mass in the Chapel of St. Louis Marie de Montfort at Assumption University, Suvarnabhumi Campus. His Grace Archbishop Francis Xavier Kriengsak Kovitvanit, Archbishop of Bangkok, was the main celebrant of the Holy Mass.

October 10, 2010
Granted "Scholar Award" in Education
(Educational Administration)



He was granted the "Scholar Award" in Education (Educational Administration) by Professor Mom Luang Pin Malakul Foundation Under Her Royal Highness Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn's Patronage.



December 7, 2010
Greeting Her Royal Highness Princess
Maha Chakri Sirindhorn



Her Royal Highness Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn graciously presided over the official inauguration of the new faculty's buildings for Montfort Del Rosario School of Architecture and Design, the Albert Laurence School of Communication Arts and the Communication Arts Studio at Assumption University, Suvarnabhumi Campus on the occasion of the celebration of the University's 40th Anniversary.

March 29, 2011
Greeting Her Royal Highness Princess
Maha Chakri Sirindhorn



Her Royal Highness Princess Maha Chakri Sirindhorn inaugurated the 5th Thai-US Roundtable meeting on 29 March 2011 at Assumption University, Suvarnabhumi Campus.

November 1, 2011
Appointment as Rector Magnificus



Exhibiting remarkable managerial skills and extraordinary achievements, he was appointed AU's Rector Magnificus, the title bestowed upon him by Rev. Bro. Dr. Sirichai Fonseka, the Provincial Superior of the Montfort Brothers of St. Gabriel, Province of Thailand, at the Chapel of St. Louis Marie de Montfort, Assumption University, Suvarnabhumi Campus.

April 27, 2012
Greeting His Eminence Cardinal
Michael Michai Kitbunchu



His Eminence Cardinal Michael Michai Kitbunchu presided over the inaugural blessing of the Martin de Tours School of Management & Economics' Building at Assumption University, Suvarnabhumi Campus.

November 4, 2015
Greeting Her Royal Highness Princess
Marie-Esmeralda of Belgium and
Sir Salvador Moncada, The Princess' Husband



Her Royal Highness Princess Marie-Esmeralda of Belgium and her husband Sir Salvador Moncada were guests of honor at the “Thai-Belgian Friendship: Economic Forum” sponsored by the Martin de Tours School of Management and Belgian-Luxembourg Chamber of Commerce, held at John XXIII Conference Center, Assumption University, Suvarnabhumi campus.

November 8, 2015
 Celebration of the Fiftieth Anniversary of
 his Religious Profession



August 7, 2017

*Marigold Planting in Tribute to the Late
King Bhumibol Adulyadej*



*Bro. Bancha and Assumption University community
joined in the Marigold Planting in tribute to the late
King Bhumibol Adulyadej at Assumption University,
Suvarnabhumi Campus.*



Educational Background



- 1997 *Post Doctoral Studies in Higher Education Management Programme, Universities of Warwick and Oxford, England*
- 1995 *Ph.D. (Educational Administration), Illinois State University, U.S.A.*
- 1981 *M.A. (School Administration), St. Mary's College of California, U.S.A.*
- 1971-1974 *B.Sc. (Mathematics), St. Louis University, Philippines*

May 20, 2003
Greeting Princess Ubol Ratana



Princess Ubol Ratana presided over the opening ceremony of the Asian Youth Forum 2003 "The Human Equation: Investing in Youth for a Sustainable Future" taking place on 20-26 May 2003 at John XXIII Conference Center at Assumption University, Suvarnabhumi Campus.

Receiving Numerous Royal Thai Decorations



1993

Member (Fifth Class) of the Most Noble Order of the Crown of Thailand



1998

Member (Fifth Class) of the Most Admirable Order of the Direkgunabhorn



2004

Companion (Fourth Class) of the Most Admirable Order of the Direkgunabhorn



2010

Commander (Third Class) of the Most Admirable Order of the Direkgunabhorn