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AWARENESS ON DA VINCI CODE

Bishop of Vanimo Diocese and Bishop Deputy of Social Communications of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of PNG and Solomon Islands, Cesare Bonivento, PIME, has spoken out against the book and movie 'The Da Vinci Code'. He wrote a Pastoral Letter dated 11th of June on the Feast of the Holy Trinity, in which he warned the people to be firm in their faith and not to believe the false accusations against the Catholic Church and Christian Faith in 'Da Vinci Code'. Bishop Cesare also wrote to the newspapers and his article titled 'anti-Christian' was published in the National on Wednesday June 7.

AIDS SECRETARIES MEET

All Diocesan HIV/AIDS Secretaries in the country gathered in Madang for a meeting with the National Catholic HIV/AIDS Secretary, Sr. Tarcisia from 29th May to the 2nd of June. They discussed their 5-year-AIDS- strategic plans and shared experiences. Also present during the gathering was a HIV/AIDS consultant, Mrs. Elizabeth Reed from Australia.

TRIDIUM CHARISMATIC RALLY

There was a three-day Charismatic Renewal held at Dasi from June 1 to 3 where people from as far as Ossima Parish gathered for prayer and worship. There were also talks from Bishop Cesare, Vicar General Fr. Tomy and Fr. John Bosco from the Minor Seminary.

VISIT TO BARO PRIMARY SCHOOL

On the 3rd of June, Bishop Cesare, Mr. Jerome Saweni, Diocesan Catholic Education Secretary and Sr. Daisy, RI Coordinator, visited Baro Primary School where Bishop Cesare spoke with the teachers and encouraged them to do their best to help the students.

YOUTHS CONFIRM FAITH

The church at Dasi was packed on Pentecost Sunday when people gathered to worship and to witness 90 young man and women receive the sacrament of Confirmation. Bishop Cesare initiated the sacrament to the youth from Town, Lido and Peiwi Parishes and Don Bosco Technical Secondary School.

PARISH CELEBRATES FEAST DAY

The people of Holy Trinity Parish, Baro, celebrated the feast of their Parish five days earlier with all sub-parishes competing in soccer for the Parish Cup. The games started on the 6th of June and ended on the 12th at Yako village. On the 11th, the Feast of Holy Trinity, Bishop Cesare celebrated Mass at Yako where everyone from Waromo to Wutung gathered. The Parish Cup was won by Wutung.

COUPLE LEAVES VANIMO

An Italian volunteer couple, Rosangela and Renzo, who spent three months doing volunteer work at DOV Construction left Vanimo on June 14th. Rosangela helped with some administration work while Renzo taught some workers how to use and maintain a new machine from Italy.

FR. MIGUEL GOES BACK TO TAIWAN

Fr. Miguel Lombardo, IVE, left Vanimo on the 15th of June for his former mission in Taiwan. Fr. Miguel was in Vanimo for some months taking care of the IVE community at Lote. He is from Argentina and has been in Taiwan for three years now.

HAPPY FEAST DAY

The community of PIME Sisters in Vanimo celebrated their foundation day on the feast of Mary Queen of Apostles on June 3rd. They celebrated Mass with Bishop Cesare at their community at Dasi.