



August 2009

Fr. Martin Lotho from the Philippines

Fr. Martin Lotho joined us from Manila, Philippines. He was baptized on June 1, 1967 at Our Lady of the Abandoned Roman Catholic parish in Sta. Ana, Manila, by Fr. Pedro Ruano, OFM and confirmed in the same parish on February 10, 1980 by Bishop Protacio G. Gungon.

He was ordained Deacon on May 30, 2007, and ordained Priest on June 8, 2007, both times by Bishop Joseph V. Galaroza of the Brazilian Catholic Church, an Old Catholic Church in the Philippines.

He attended high school at Paco Catholic School in Paco, Manila. After which, he studied at St. Louis University in Baguio City, where he graduated with a Bachelor's degree in Philosophy. He enrolled for his Master of Sciences in Pastoral Sociology at the Asian Social Institute.

He was accepted by Bishop Gérard LaPlante on March 1, 2009, and has been serving as Assistant Priest in the Parish of St. Raphael's Old Catholic Church.



Fr. Martin officiated at the baptism of Adrian Mamaril on August 16, 2009; he met the family after he arrived in Vancouver and they joined the Old Catholic Church of BC.

Photo below: After the baptism; left to right:

Deacon Jean Doucet, Fr. Jürgen Schmode, Bishop Gérard LaPlante, Fr. Martin Lotho, Mr. Benson Mamaril, his son Adrian, and Mrs. Pia Mamaril



Photo above, left to right: Fr. Martin Lotho, Bishop Gérard LaPlante, Fr. Jürgen Schmode



Photo above left: Baptism of Adrian Mamaril.

Photo below: Fr. Martin in the centre holding Adrian, on the right the father Mr. Benson Mamaril and on the left the mother Mrs. Pia Mamaril, flanked by Godparents and other family members.

