# **History of PYC**

Parish Youth Committee (PYC) - Pagbilao, Quezon Chapter formerly known as ****Buklod Diwa ng Kabataan (1980)**** is a not-for-profit youth led religious and community organization under of Parish Pastoral Council(PPC) recognized by Roman Catholic Church and of course our local government here in Philippines.

We had known as most active youth organization, devotedly in helping young people to entrust a role to play in the church and in society. Most of our spiritual activities and community projects deal with the development aspects of the youth such as social, emotional, intellectual, moral, and faith dimensions with a strong performing, spiritual, and marketing base.

We are established in November 21, 1990 in new name ****Parish Youth Committee**** but in same vision/mission at Parish of St. Catherine of Alexandria V.M., Brgy. Sta. Catalina, Pagbilao, Quezon Philippines.

Even we're under of Roman Catholic Parish Church, we not engage, advocate, support or practice discrimination based on race, religion, age, national origin, language, sex, sexual preference, or any physical handicap.

Today PYC have almost 500 memberships active and inactive volunteer youth around the province/city, divided in 4 functional, and solidified core groups.

PYC has offered, amongst many other things, support, encouragement, understanding, spiritual and personal growth and above all, friendship.

It has provided the opportunity for many to develop skills in different areas, work autonomously and as a team member, and allowed people to give something back to the community.

As an outgoing group we foster support, tolerance and inspiration towards others.

# **The Core Group of PYC**

Parish Youth Committee - Pagbilao, Quezon Chapter has been divided in 4 functional and solidified core groups that holds values and attributes such as:

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| * Mutual Respect and Trust * Community and Support * Encouragement and Friendship * Faith and Commitment * Humility and Safe Environment | * Charity and Love * Forgiveness and Fraternal * Selfless and Sociable * Polite and Peace |
| Spirituality - for spiritual activities *Socio-Cultural* –for cultural and talent development | Education – for learning, seminars, workshops *Service* – for community services |

****Organization Under the Umbrella****

Currently PYC - Pagbilao, Quezon Chapter consists of 12 organizations under the umbrella and a group of dedicated youth who are committed to our mission statement.

* Knights of the Altar(KOA)
* Teatro Tanghalang Pagbilao(TEATRO TANGLAO)
* Youth for Christ(YFC)
* Parish Kids Committee(PKC)
* Tarcisian
* Diakonia
* MSK Youth
* Student Catholic Action of the Philippines(SCAP)
* San Lorenzo
* Single for Christ(SFC)
* Youth Choir Ensemble
* St. Catherine Youth Choir
* Legion of Mary

#### **Mission Statement**

The St. Catherine of Alexandria V.M. Parish at Pagbilao, Quezon Province and Parish Youth Committee – Pagbilao, Quezon Chapter is committed to the reality that young people are an important and integral part of our parish community. The youth program seeks to foster the maturing of faith in the youth of our parish and the surrounding community.

We affirm the gifts of our youth and we foster opportunities for young people to share their gifts with the larger community. The spiritual and social needs of the youth are to be met with the committed leadership, guidance, and support of our parish adults. The adults and youth of our parish are therefore provided with the opportunity to grow together in Christian faith.

Through a variety of programs, events, and outreach, we seek to draw young people into responsible participation in the life, work, and mission of the parish community.

We believe this organization is to, with, by, and for young people and is a blessing for the entire community.

#### **Youth Team Job Description**

The Youth Leadership Team consists of committed youth and adults who provide the vision, direction, planning, and implementation of the youth ministry program at St. Catherine of Alexandria V.M. Parish. The Leadership Team has the following critical tasks:

* Handle the planning, implementation, and evaluation of the designed program.
* Foster the involvement of young people in the life of the parish, including serving on various parish committees and being involved in parish activities.

Members of the Youth Leadership Team are responsible for:

* Attending the monthly Leadership Team meetings.
* Serving on the planning teams for particular youth ministry programs or youth ministry activities.
* Providing support for being present at youth ministry programs and activities when possible.
* Building a sense of faith community among the Leadership Team and among all the young people involved at St. Catherine of Alexandria V.M. Parish

Members of the Youth Leadership Team exhibit the following qualities:

* Leadership and Good Ambassador
* To guide and influence the direction of the program
* Visible leadership
* Enthusiastic
* Be Prepared
* Fresh Ideas
* Inclusive and In-Charge
* A good example
* Energetic
* Self-Confident

Term: Youth Leadership Team members serve one annual and the term is renewable through elections.

# **Toward the Future: The Foundation**

In recent years, Parish Youth Committee (PYC) - Pagbilao, Quezon Chapter pioneer members have finally woken up to the fact that the not-for-profit youth led religious and community organization under of Parish Pastoral Council(PPC) recognized by Roman Catholic Church and of course our local government here in Philippines isn’t just there for the development aspects of the youth such as social, emotional, intellectual, moral, and faith dimensions but also to spread their wings into community development work and social entrepreneurship

According to polls, the number of people in Pagbilao, Quezon Province who say:

***’The youth of pagbilao have so many potentials and unfathomed capabilities for the needed leaps and bounds progress of the municipality. Take for example the youth fishermen in Bantigue to where, through the mentoring of their elders, in a cooperative model, the young crabs they caught were not being sold but nursed in a common nursery-fispond they collectively constructed. In effect, they create sustainability for their livelihood. Besides being God fearing, peace loving and joyous people, the youth of Pagbilao is appreciative and willing to learn particularly on endeavors that are beneficial to the community. What they need now are mentors on community development work and social entrepreneurship.’ -* Mario**

That’s true even the youth in Pagbilao said:

***’Parish Youth Committee - Pagbilao, Quezon Chapter are number 1 choice of youth led organization that they willing to join because they helping youth to their development aspects and even they're under of Roman Catholic Parish Church, they not engage, advocate, support or practice discrimination based on race, religion, age, national origin, language, sex, sexual preference, or any physical handicap.’***

However, the creation of **Foundation** isn’t easy, there are many things to be done, we’re no idea when in will fulfill. But we’re hoping with the help of GOD, supporters and youth members out there -**The Big Dream will come true!**

# **Our Leadership Officer**

**Parish Youth Committee - Pagbilao, Quezon Chapter** has been an important, effective and nimble resource for young people for over two and a half decades because of a winning combination: skilled and dedicated staff members, knowledgeable and committed officer members, and generous and faithful donors. Working together, we are making a difference in the lives of hundreds of young people.

Here are the following young individuals who been part of our **Leadership Officer Team**:

## Administrative and Management Department

Mr. Royces Mae Roces Ms. Mary Rose Ann Sumilang  
**Chairman/President/CEO Secretary**

Mr. Aldrin Merjudio Ms. Mary Grace Sogabo  
**Vice Chairman/Vice President Finance**

## Production and Planning Head Department: The Core Group

Mr. Federico Decuzar Ms. Jocelyn Berana  
**Socio-Cultural Service**

Mr. Christopher Ayaton Ms. Lailanie Lusterio  
**Spirituality Education**

## Members Coordinator Group

Mr. Darius Pastrana Ms. Medina Aiza Antoinette Merle  
**Knights of the Altar / Group Adviser Youth for Christ (YFC)**

Mr. Benjamin Palacio Mr. Jerome Vidal  
**Teatro Tanghalang Pagbilao (TANLAO) Parish Kids Club \*Committee\* (PKC)**

Mr. Oliver Socias Mr. Alberto Juria  
**Tarcisian Munting Sambayanang Kristiyano (MSK) Youth**

Ms. Maridel Merle Mr. Christopher Ayaton  
**Student Catholic Action of the Philippines (SCAP) San Lorenzo**

Mr. Carlo Magno Ayaton Mr. Federico Decuzar  
**Singles for Christ (SFC) St. Catherine Youth Choir & Youth Choir Ensemble**

Ms. Joeza Anne Peguerra  
**Legion of Mary**