

## About the Celebration

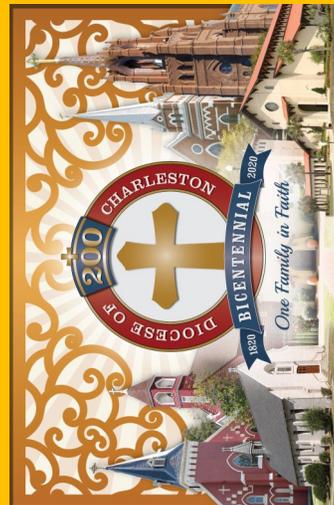
The Vietnamese Catholics of South Carolina annually celebrate the Feast of the 117 Vietnamese Martyrs, whom St. John Paul II canonized on June 19th, 1988. These men and women, among more than 130,000 of the faithful, died for the faith in Vietnam in the nineteenth century, and Vietnamese Catholics throughout the world honor their memory. This reverent celebration of Vietnamese catholicity, heritage, and culture is hosted annually by different parishes in the diocese. The awareness of being "descendants of the martyrs" is very much alive among the more than 7 million Catholics in Vietnam and the more than one million expatriates in the world.

Source: "Love Drives Us To Do This: The History of Vietnamese Catholics in South Carolina" published by Office of Ethnic Ministries in Diocese of Charleston.



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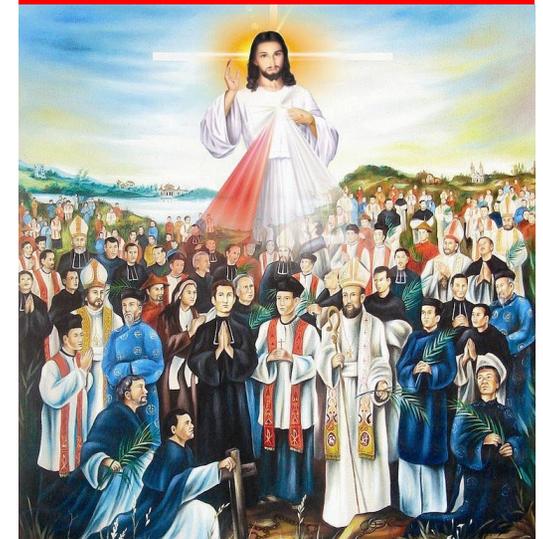
## Celebration of the Feast of 117 Vietnamese Martyrs

**Saturday Night (02/11/2019)**

*Workshop on "Life and Faith Enrichment" with Rev. Hy Nguyen, PSS  
8:00 p.m.—10:00 p.m.*

**Sunday (03/11/2019)**

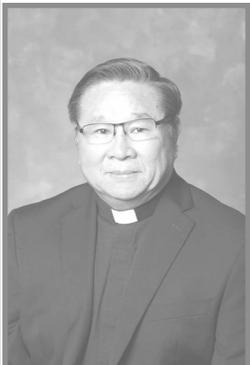
*Procession, Mass, Luncheon and Cultural Entertainment  
11:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.*



**Our Lady of La Vang  
Quasi-Parish**

**2020 Gibbs Shoals Rd.  
Greer, SC 29650**

## About the guest speaker



Rev. Hy K. Nguyen, PSS

Reverend Hy K. Nguyen, Rector of Assumption Seminary in San Antonio, Texas, was formerly Vice-Rector, Dean of Men, and Director of Extern Spiritual Directors at Theological College. He has been a member of the Society of St. Sulpice since 2000. He received his doctorate in dogmatic theology at the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome. As a native of Vietnam, Father Hy has contributed significantly to the faith formation and growth of the Vietnamese community living in the U.S. and in Vietnam. He has been Chair of the Theological Committee of the Federation of Vietnamese Catholics in the U.S. since 2006, lectured widely to the Vietnamese community in America, has published numerous writings in several Vietnamese journals in the U.S. and in Vietnam, and regularly conducted retreats and workshops for Vietnamese clergy and laity.

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11 a.m.	Procession
12 p.m.	Solemn Mass
2 p.m.	Luncheon & Cultural Entertainment
5 p.m.	Depart

**All are welcome!**

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## The Vietnamese Ministry in the Diocese of Charleston

The Diocese of Charleston Vietnamese Ministry serves over 1500 Vietnamese Catholics. The Vietnamese Ministry offers masses in Vietnamese in Greenville/ Spartanburg, Rock Hill, Columbia, Charleston, and Myrtle Beach. There are two Diocesan events celebrating Vietnamese culture each year. The Vietnamese Marian Celebration in May attracts over 1,000 Vietnamese Catholics. The celebration of the Feast of 117 Vietnamese Martyrs in November attracts over 500 Vietnamese Catholics.

The small Vietnamese Catholic Communities in our diocese strive to maintain their traditions and teach them to their children. Vietnamese Catholics live in harmony with the Catholic Church with acceptance of its own diversity and richness.

For more information, please visit website:

<https://charlestdiocese.org/asian-and-pacific-islander-ministry>

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*“The Catholic Church in South Carolina is a welcoming Church in which we celebrate our diversity and the gifts Vietnamese Catholics bring to the Church.”*

**Bishop Robert E. Guglielmo**

