

VIII Provincial Chapter of St. Francis Xavier Province

Day 4: January 7, 2022

“If you want to, you can heal me.”

The fourth day of VIII Provincial Chapter of St. Francis Xavier Province began with the Holy Eucharist at 9:00 am officiated by Msgr. Dennis Odiver via Zoom from St. Andrew the Apostle Parish. He shared some points for reflection. He said that the leper was afflicted with leprosy because the Jews believed that it was due to his sins. We are all sinners. We need God to cleanse us and heal us. We need his forgiveness. It is very important to have a deep encounter with God. He insisted that we need humility and sorrow for our sins and firm resolution. Fr. Dennis added that Jesus said: “Go and do what Moses prescribed us”. This means that we are told to do our mission and give witness to his goodness and graciousness. We are called to be a Synodal Church – walking together in dialogue and discernment.

After the Eucharist, the assembly proceeded to the study on Synodality at Local level, Provincial level and General level. Through the personal study, group study and plenary session, we could complete this question, and moved on to the next section. We followed the same method for the study of Part II. Question 4.

