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## PHILIPPINE EMBASSY PARTICIPATES IN THE STO NIÑO FIESTA 2020 SA MANAMA, KINGDOM OF BAHRAIN



STO. NIÑO STATUE

On 24 January 2020, the Filipino community together with the Philippine Embassy in Manama, Kingdom of Bahrain, celebrated the Feast day of Sto. Niño at Sacred Heart Church.

The celebration started with a procession followed by a concelebrated holy mass presided by Filipino priest Father Rodolfo Encabo together with other priests. The holy mass started at 12:00 noon.









Procession of the Statues of Sto. Niño

An outdoor program followed after the holy mass. H. E. Alfonso A. Ver, Philippine Ambassador to the Kingdom of Bahrain delivered a short message to the community, emphasizing that the Sto Nino festival is very much part of the PHL culture and our faith as a people. Devotees of the Sto. Niño also performed dances similar to the traditional sinulog festival to honor Sto Nino. Little children dressed as ñinos and ñinas also joined the parade. The main *Carosa* of the Sto Ñino was also carried by leaders of the community and Embassy representatives. END



H. E. Ambassador Alfonso A. Ver greeted the devotees of Sto Niño.



Crowd of the devotees of Sto. Niño