

EL SHADDAI
RAK CELL GROUP
ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CATHOLIC CHURCH

El Shaddai is one of the covenant names through which God revealed Himself to the Israelites, His chosen people. **El Shaddai** comes from the Hebrew word which means “**God Almighty**”. (**Genesis 17:1, 35:11**) “The God who is more than enough.” God the Father is the all sufficient one, the source and provider of all our needs, and with Him all things are possible.

Mission:

Our mission is to witness and to share the healing, saving and transforming power of the Living Word of God in our Catholic Christian faith, as it did happen and continues to happen in our lives, from the day we heard, believed and responded to the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ, giving life to what is written “Man shall not live by bread alone, but every word that proceeds from the mouth of God” (Matthew 4:4).

We are called not for any personal gain or glorification, but to share the light of Christ Jesus and the joy of our Salvation and the power of our faith. To bring about moral and spiritual revival in our church and communities; to give glory to God our Savior; to bring healing to the sick and weary, strength to the weak, deliverance to the captives of wrong beliefs, hope to the hopeless, life to the lifeless, eyes to the blind; and to set on fire the love of God and neighbor that will bring the redeemed into a family that cares and shares one’s burdens and blessings for the glory of God, our Heavenly Father – El Shaddai.

However, we cannot share what we do not know and what we do not have. And so, to be able to accomplish this calling, we must first answer the call of Christ to a new life that is in complete surrender to the power of the Holy Spirit.

Vision:

To bring a revival of the true Christian spirit in the Catholic faith, particularly among El Shaddai members, and serve as an institution in raising up a community of true Christian believers as described in (Acts 2:42-47), and a community that is Spirit-filled, generous, loving, joyful and united people of God, thus attracting the separated brethren of the church back to its fold.

Objective and Purpose:

Our objective is that through our testimonies, living examples, and vibrant or inspired proclamation or sharing of the Living Word of God, we may give hope, the kind of hope from where faith and love spring to everyone and lead sinners back to repentance through a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ, just like Barnabas as it is written in the Book of Acts, “...he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a great number of people, were brought to the Lord” (Acts 11:24), during the time of the Apostles.

Our Commitment:

Let us therefore offer ourselves as a living sacrifice, holy and wholly acceptable unto God, through Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior, with the help of the Blessed Virgin Mother of Christ, the angels and saints now praying for us in the presence of God Almighty, let every Service Volunteer put into practice and make a lifelong commitment the following:

1. Prayer Time – before anything else, we must set a time of prayer, preferable at 6:00am; 12:00nn; 6:00pm wherever we may be. Starting with the Lord's Prayer, Psalm 91, Hail Mary, ending with Glory Be to the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, and to intercede for the entire movement.
2. Eucharistic Attendance – we must set a day each week to personally attend a Eucharistic Celebration, preferably in the parish, together with your family and receive Holy Communion. When on assignment, attend Eucharistic Celebration together with our brothers and sisters in the place of your assignment.
3. All Service Volunteers must regularly attend the Formation Seminars of Disciples and Coordinators, must go to regular confession at least once a month, and receive communion thereafter.
4. Each and every Service Volunteer must have his/her own Father Confessor and Counselor to whom he/she can entrust his/her spiritual life for guidance, a priest or bishop of his/her confidence.
5. Each Service Volunteer must be willing to sacrifice anything – honor, wealth, time, comfort, strength for the glory of God Almighty, and for the good of the Foundation and the people of El Shaddai.
6. Every Service Volunteer must carry on with a continuing study of and meditation on the Scriptures, and laboring to put the Gospel of Christ into action, no matter what the cost.
7. Every Service Volunteer must be ready to be admonished, reprimanded, persecuted, disciplined, either for a cause or no cause at all, believing that in all things, God works for the good of those who love Him.