

"We need communicators who are open to dialogue... a form of communication that promotes peace."

***Pope Francis
World Communication Day Message
2023***



FABC-OSC Bishops' Meet

is the yearly gathering of the Bishops and Secretaries who head the Office of Social Communication in FABC, and special invitees. From 1996, the event has been held uninterrupted, making the 2023 yearly gathering the 28th Bishops Meet.



**“Communication
in the Church
in Asia Today”**

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**28th Annual FABC-
OSC Bishops' Meet**
Don Bosco Home,
134 Krungthep Kritha Road
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20-24 November 2023

November 20

Arrival
Dinner

November 21

07.00 Inaugural Mass

*Cardinal Sebastian Francis
Chairman, FABC-OSC*

08.00 Breakfast

09.30 Session I: **Welcome** *Cardinal
Sebastian Francis, Chairman, FABC-OSC*
Introduction *Fr. George Plathottam, sdb,
Executive Secretary FABC-OSC*

10.30 Break

11.00 Session II: **Fully Present: Pastoral
Reflections on Social Media**
*Dr. Nataša Govekar, Director, Dept. of
Pastoral Theology, Dicastery for
Communication*

12.30 Lunch

15.00 Session III: **Social Communication in
Asia in a Rapidly Changing World of AI**
*Dr. Peter R. Monthienvichienchai,
Secretary General, Signis, Founder Director,
LiCAS*

17.00 Session IV: **Evangelizing Mission of
the Church in Asia and Communication**
Cardinal Sebastian Francis

17.45 Session V: **Pastoral Formation in
Social Communication** *Dr. Nataša Govekar*
18.30 Break
19.30 Prayer
20.00 Dinner

November 22

07.00 Mass

*Archbishop Thomas D' Souza,
FABC OSC Member*

08.00 Breakfast

09.30 Session I: **World
Communication Day- Purpose,
Relevance, Ways to Observe**
Dr. Nataša Govekar

10.30 Break

11.00 Session II: **Strategies to
Strengthen Social Communication
in Asia in the Synodal Church**
*Fr. George Plathottam, sdb
Executive Secretary, FABC-OSC*

12.30 Lunch

15.00 Session III: **Social
Communication in Asia- The
Journey So far, and the Road Ahead
– A Review of FABC OSC**
*Dr. Chainarong Monthienvichienchai
and Prof. Anthony G. Roman,
UST Manila*

17.00 Session IV: **Reports**

17.45 Session V: **Reports**

18.30 Break
19.30 Prayer
20.00 Dinner

November 23

07.00 **Mass** *Cardinal Francis Xavier
Kriengsak, Archbishop of Bangkok*

08.00 Breakfast

09.30 Session I: **Communication in the
Church Today** *Dr. Paolo Ruffini, Prefect,
Dicastery of Communication*

11.00 Break

11.30 Session II: **Reports from FABC-OSC,
Radio Veritas Asia, VAISCOM**

12.30 Lunch

15.00 Session III: **Reports**

17.00 Session IV: **Communication in the
Synodal Church** *Dr. Paolo Ruffini*
17.45 Session V: **Interactive Session with
the Prefect**

18.30 Break

19.30 Prayer

20.00 Dinner

November 24

07.00 Mass

*Cardinal Charles Maung Bo, sdb
President, FABC*

08.00 Breakfast

09.30 Session I: **Draft of Final Statement/
Plans for the Golden Jubilee of
FABC OSC in 2024**

11.00 Break

11.30 Session II: **Evaluation and
Conclusion**

12.30 Lunch

Sight-seeing (*optional*)

Departure