

Catholic Health Training Institute

Wau, South Sudan



Newsletter
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CHTI Welcomes New Tutors

CHTI welcomes two new Tutors, Mr. Adam Semakula and Mr. Moses David Mboro. Mr. Adam with Bachelors in Computer Science is teaching ICT. Mr. Moses graduated from CHTI in 2016. He completed Anesthesia Course in Kijabe (Kenya). Now he works as Clinical Tutor at CHTI. They bring with them their skills and experiences to help the students in their training. We wish both of them success in their work.

International Women's Day

International Women's Day, 8 March, was celebrated in CHTI in a wonderful way. The programs were centered around the theme for 2023, 'DigitALL: Innovation and technology for gender equality'. The entertainment contained songs, dances and drama on domestic violence. Everyone was involved, both men and women. The drama helped all the participants to be aware of gender issues.

On this day, the gentlemen served the ladies, which is not a practice in their culture, offering refreshments and lunch meals. Sr. Winnie in her speech highlighted the challenges in South Sudan and promoted gender equality.



Assessment – CATs

In CHTI students have to undergo Continuous Assessment Tests for all the subjects. This is an excellent way to check regularly the integration of knowledge and skills and also an opportunity for students to consolidate the acquired competences and a preparation for their national level qualifying examinations.

Football matches

The CHTI football team is currently strong. The students have committed to regular practice and taken their training seriously. Training and playing in a team is also a form of building unity and strengthening bonds between team members. A friendly football match was organized between CHTI students and St Comboni Hospital staff on 11 March and achieved a remarkable victory for CHTI team 4:0. Another one on 10th April with Loyola Secondary School football team, saw a 1:0 victory for CHTI team. We are proud of our CHTI football team and wish them more successes!



Welcome Sisters Dina and Caroline

We are happy to welcome sisters Dinavence Tushabomwe and Caroline Ragang at CHTI. Both Sisters belong to (MCESM) Missionary Congregation of the Evangelizing Sisters of Mary. Sr Dina is working as assistant administrator and Sr Caro is in charge of procurement. We wish them good luck in their new ministry.

“Lenten Season time of Forgiveness and Reconciliation” - Reflection’s Day

Students reflected in this theme during their Day of Reflection. Prayers were prepared and led by CHTI’s chaplain - fr David and spiritual team. Two other priests also were available to administer the Sacrament of Reconciliation followed by the concelebration of the Eucharist. The retreat ended at noon with a lunch together. Participants appreciated this time of preparation for Easter.



Choir of CHTI

CHTI has an excellent choir with talented choir members and musicians. Every last Sunday of the month, as part of the parish outreach, our choir goes to one of the five parishes in Wau and join forces with the local parish choir for the Sunday liturgy. Our students actively participate in the readings preceded by comments prepared by themselves and universal prayer. CHTI choir goes to the parish on Saturday and together with the parish choir they prepare the Sunday liturgy. This month we prayed together with the Salesian parish in the St. Joseph’s Church.

Exercises for mass casualties

The students of 3rd year within the course: “Nurses’ response in the crises settings” had two practical exercises in our compound. The goal of the exercises were to develop skills and attitude in disaster management.

The first scenario involved a road accident with 5 people involved in conditions with different levels of severity. The second scenario involved a building collapse in the residential area of Hai Daraja with an unknown number of victims in the building. Medical team, based on his knowledge of first aid and nurse’s response in crises setting or management, had to act accordingly. Our students were so involved in the exercise as if it were really happening. They acted with great rapidity and professionalism. They also demonstrated their great ability of harmonized teamwork. At the end of the exercise, all participants gathered together for evaluation. All participating students greatly appreciated this exercise and thanked teacher Moses for preparing and conducting it.



Laudato Si’ lifestyle

A new lifestyle, in line with the encyclical of Pope Francisco Laudato si’, to promote the care of the Common Home, cultivating lifestyle of respectful relationship with creation, is part of the holistic education at CHTI. The students organize the activities by themselves to keep the campus clean. They collect and dispose properly the waste, plant vegetables and flowers and water them. Through their work, the campus looks tidy and green. Our goal is that the students learn caring for the earth by the daily practical exercises and acquire attitudes of being the instruments of life wherever they are. This involvement of our students with their hard manual labour also express their great sense of belonging.

Entry exam for the 2023 new batch of students

47 youth from Wau diocese, including 25 ladies, took part in the entrance exam, with the desire and hope to be accepted for the new school year. The exam was conducted in other dioceses of South Sudan as well on the same day for choosing the new candidates from all over the country on the basis of merit and performance in the oral interview.

