

FILIPINO COMMUNITY CELEBRATES PASKONG PINOY SA KENYA 2022



Nairobi PE personnel and the Filipino community in Kenya's family photo after the celebration of Paskong Pinoy Sa Kenya 2022.

NAIROBI, 11 December 2022 – The Philippine Embassy in Nairobi hosted *Paskong Pinoy sa Kenya 2022* for the Filipino community in Kenya on 11 December 2022.

The event, the first such gathering since the pandemic, was co-organized by the Embassy with *Filcom Kenya*, an organization of Filipinos based in the country.

In her welcome remarks, Ambassador Marie Charlotte G. Tang said that through the event, the Embassy and *Filcom Kenya* hoped to bring some of the warmth, fun, and joy of Christmas as celebrated in the Philippines to the Filipino community in Kenya.

She also thanked the Filipino community for their consistent support for the activities of the Embassy throughout the year.

The program started with a thanksgiving mass celebrated by Fr. Norman Labutan. This was followed by a *salu-salo* of favorite Filipino delicacies, parlor games, dance performances, raffle draws and a charity drive for the Parish of Holy Family of Kaaleng

in the Diocese of Lodwar, Turkana. The guests also enjoyed an open mic *karaoke* session, where they sang some holiday and OPM tunes. END.



Fr. Norman Labutan (center) was joined by Fr. Mark Anthony Maambong and Fr. Benedict Musyoki during the mass celebration



Ambassador Tang as she delivers her welcome remarks



“Pasko Na Sintá Ko” dance performance by Bet and Debbie of Academy of Dance and Art (top-left), Christmas Zumba by the Filipino community (top-right), two teams battle it out at the “Flip Tac Toe” game (bottom-left), and Ms. Christina Lopez (second from bottom-right photo), one of the lucky winners of the cash prize during the raffle draw