

CIRILO MARIJUÁN MARTÍNEZ (16 February 1932-30 August 2019)

At the 'St. Camillus' health-care residence of Tres Cantos (Madrid), surrounded by the affection of the community, of the health-care workers and of friends, at dawn on 30 August 2019, our dear confrere **Fr.** *Cirilo Marijuán* died at the age of 87.

Fr. Cirilo was born in Burgos on 16 February 1932. He entered the Order of Camillians at Vic (Barcelona) on 6 October 1945. After a few years, he began his novitiate in Traslaviña (Vizcaya) on 7 September 1949 and he made his temporary religious profession in Vic (Barcelona) on 8 September 1950.

On September 1952 he was assigned to the house of Navarrete as a teacher of postulants.

On 8 September 1953 he made his perpetual profession at Vic (Barcelona) and he was ordained a priest on 15 June 1957.

In 1960 he left for Argentina and at the Camillian community of Vagues (Buenos Aires) he became the director of the postulants. In 1967 he returned to Spain to be the chaplain of the *Hospital Clínico* of Valencia.

In 1968 he was transferred to Barcelona to be the chaplain of the 'Francisco Franco' residence in the grave injury department. He performed this ministry until 1975, the year when he became head of the personnel of the Residencia 'San Camilo' Hospital of San Pere de Ribes.

In 1979 he was appointed a member of the council of the Province and the Provincial financial administrator. He thus moved to the community of *Bravo Murillo* in Madrid where he also provided religious assistance at the health-care centres of 'Cisne' and 'San Camilo'.

In 1980 he became head of the monitoring of building work and the search for resources for the Tres Cantos health centre.

On 8 May 1983 he joined the community of Tres Cantos and was both a member of the Provincial council and the financial administrator of the Province. He was also the head of the association of nurses dedicated to 'St. Camillus' in Madrid and was also engaged in providing assistance in people's homes.

In 1998, after he had retired, he was appointed chaplain of the 'St. Camillus' Clinic.

In 2001 he was appointed head of the secretariat for missions

In 2004 he was moved to Seville to work on the project for a possible new Camillian residence in Seville. In 2007 he returned to the community of Tres Cantos and worked with others in providing religious assistance at 'Las Mercedarias' and the 'Adrián' health-care centre for elderly people.

During these years Fr. Cirilo began to undergo a major deterioration in his cognitive powers: he was cared for, helped and treated during this infirmity. Despite his delicate state of health, he continued to share in various activities of the house of the community of Tres Cantos.

Fr. Cirilo was always characterised by a jovial, happy, creative and dynamic spirit, a quality that he always placed at the service of his religious Province, of the sick, and of health-care workers

His funeral took place on 31 August at 11.00 in the chapel of the 'St. Camillus' health-care centre. Fr. P. Cirilo was buried in the tomb of his parents in Colmenar Viejo.

May the Lord open the doors of heaven to him: may he return to that Homeland where there is no longer death but peace and joy without end!