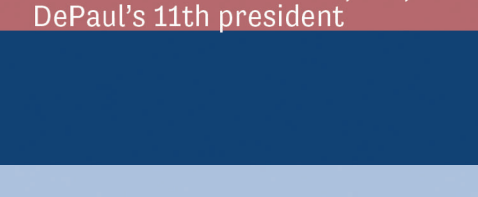


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WHAT WE DO

- Host visiting scholars each year from the global South
- Publish the book series, Studies in World Catholicism
- Host an annual international conference, World Catholicism Week
- Present other events—lectures, roundtables, etc.—during the year
- Host the podcast series “Near and Far”
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- Collaborate with institutions in the global South



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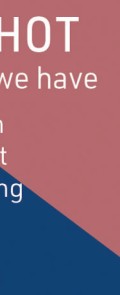
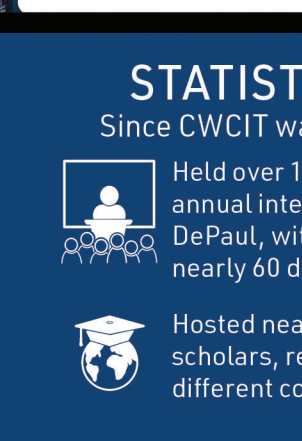
Fr. Amado Picardal, CSSR
Vocal critic of the Filipino government’s savage “Drug War” who went into hiding after being tracked by President Rodrigo Duterte’s hitmen



Elizabeth Kanini Kimau
Kenyan peacebuilder who works with warring ethnic groups in Sudan and northern Kenya, often putting her life at risk



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Hosted nearly 40 visiting research scholars, representing over 20 different countries.

Cohosted 7 overseas conferences (in the Philippines, Brazil, Nigeria, and Kenya), including the first-ever Pan African Catholic Congress in 2019.

Published 24 multi-author volumes, including one in Spanish and 3 in Portuguese.

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