

QC parishes eyed as vaccination centers

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At least three parishes in Cubao are being considered as additional COVID-19 vaccination sites of the **Quezon City government**.

Selected parishes were the Our Lady of Pentecost Parish, Santa Maria Dela Strada Parish and Cathedral of Cubao, according to a statement by the city government.

“We are very thankful to the Diocese of Cubao led by Bishop Honesto Ongtioco for opening their churches in support of the city’s vaccination plan,” **Mayor Joy Belmonte** said. “It will be a great help to the city once the vaccines arrive.”

Fr. Steve Zabala, vicar general of the Diocese of Cubao, said the selected parishes met the conditions set by the city health department for those that will be used as inoculation sites – good Wi-Fi connection and good ventilation.

“The church has been always working with the government because it is a communal response especially now that we are facing a pandemic,” he added.

The vaccination will be held not in the church but at the parish hall and garden.

The three parishes will be in addition to the 24 sites earlier identified by the city as part of the vaccination program.