

# COVID outbreak in QC seminary

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At least 25 priests and staff of the Christ the King Mission Seminary in Quezon City have tested positive for COVID-19, one of them succumbed to the disease.

The seminary, which has 59 priests and staff, is the latest religious institution to have been hit by COVID surge.

According to the Quezon City Epidemiology and Disease Surveillance Unit (QCESU), nine priests and 16 employees were infected.

As of Sept. 18, 11 of those who tested positive for COVID-19 have recovered, 13 remain active, and one has died.

The fatality was a priest and one of the two index cases that were recorded on Sept. 3.

CESU chief Dr. Rolando Cruz, said that only the seminary's Villa Cristo Rey and Fininman Building have been placed under Special Concern Lockdown (SCL) since Sept. 18.

Meanwhile, other religious facilities under lockdown due to COVID-19 outbreaks are Stella Maris Convent (since Sept. 10), Religious of the Virgin Mary (Sept. 14), and Convent of the Holy Spirit (Sept. 15).

Food packs and hygiene kits were provided by the city government to the affected religious institutions.