

SPEECH BY DR. CHAN KEI I

Your excellency, Bishop Stephen Lee Bun Sang, the Chancellor of the University of Saint Joseph and ipso facto the Bishop of Macao.

Your excellency, Professor Keith Morrison, the Vice-Rector of the University of Saint Joseph, who represents the distinguished Rector Professor Stephen Morgan,
professors and students from University of Saint Joseph,
guests.

First and foremost, I want to extend my sincere gratitude to University of Saint Joseph (USJ) for bestowing upon me this honorary doctorate in education. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Colégio Diocesano de São José for offering me a position, so that I could contribute to Macao's education over the course of my seventy-two years of service in education, from the time I joined Colégio Diocesano de São José as a teacher in 1949 until my resignation as USJ chancellor last year. As a result, I received the Medal of Merit in Education from the Portuguese Macau government in 1993 as well as the Macao SAR government in 2003. Today, USJ has also awarded me an honorary doctorate in education. This gives me a lot of encouragement, and I intend to keep helping Macao's students in the future. It is all because of the support and promotion of the Macao SAR government and the cooperation of private schools that the progress of education in Macao, from a time when students had to pay full tuition to today's 15 years of free education, could be possible. However, all of these advancements from the 1970s, when there was no university, to the present, when there are 10 institutions of higher education, including USJ, and from the time when students had to travel to Hong Kong or even other countries for further study, to the present, when there are more than 30,000 local, domestic, and international students each year, are the results of the support from the State as well as the efforts and contributions of the people in Macao. I'm really excited by and proud of the progress and accomplishments of Macao's education right now as a member of the sector.

I would like to also take this opportunity to express my hope that the education sector will use modern teaching technology and teachers' professionalism to work together for the sustainable development of education in Macao and attain new achievements by keeping pace with the rest of the nation and the world, while continuing to inherit the past and usher in the future.

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Finally, I'd like to express my gratitude, again, to USJ for bestowing upon me this honorary doctorate in education. Thank you all!

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尊敬的澳門天主教區李斌生主教代表 劉偉傑神父、聖若瑟大學副校長祈務晨教授閣下代表尊敬的校長麥侍文教授，菲律賓駐澳門領事 Mr. MAYO, PORFIRIOJR. M.總領事、各位嘉賓、畢業生、各位朋友、大家好。

首先，衷心感謝聖若瑟大學授予本人教育榮譽博士學位。回顧本人從 1949 年起加入聖若瑟中學任教至去年辭任校監一職，本人在教育界共服務了七十二年，今天我借這個機會，要感謝聖若瑟教區中學給予本人機會和支持，使我能夠在這七十二年間，為澳門教育事業獻出微力，亦因此先後於 1993 年獲澳葡政府及 2003 年獲澳門特區政府頒授本人教育功績勳章，及至今日澳門聖若瑟大學授予本人教育榮譽博士學位，令到本人十分鼓舞，並願今後能夠繼續為澳門的教育事業作出貢獻。回顧澳門教育事業的發展，由學生需全付學費到今天 15 年免費教育，全賴特區政府支持和推動，與及各私立學校的配合。另一方面，由 70 年代沒有一所大學發展到今天包括聖若瑟大學在內共 10 所高等教育學府，由學生需赴香港甚至到海外升學，壯大到現在每年有本地及國內和海外學生約共三萬多名，這一切變化和進步，都有賴國家的支持和澳門特區政府及本澳教育界及社會各界人士的努力和貢獻，本人作為教育界的一份子，對於今天澳門教育的發展和成就，感到十分鼓舞和驕傲。

借此機會希望教育界能夠繼續承先啟後並且運用現今科技教學與及配合教師專業精神，共同為澳門的教育事業能夠持續發展並且與國家及世界接軌努力，再創高峯。

最後，再次感謝聖若瑟大學授予本人教育榮譽博士學位，多謝各位！