

Japan - original Manga comic book

"CORAGGIO!! - Don Bosco's Dream goes on"

Publication of the high-quality Manga book

on the life of Don Bosco in May 2015

The publishing sector of the Salesian Japanese Province (Don Bosco Sha) published a Manga comic book on Don Bosco, on 7th May 2015.

The target audience for this Manga book are the teenagers. Don Bosco Sha have been working on the production this past year together with a professional cartoonist and a professional cartoon editor in order to ensure high-quality of the production to attract the youth of today, even non-Christian youth.



A novel story line in which the reader encounters Don Bosco

The story-line is devised in a novel way to let the reader experience encounter with Don Bosco. Present day teenagers, Riku and Mana, are transported back in time to the founding days of

Don Bosco's oratorio. Riku and Mana are the typical youth of today who find difficulty in envisioning the future with hopes and dreams, and are frustrated with relationships. They meet the youth of the oratorio, get involved in various incidents, and through eye-opening experiences, are helped to grow. In the end,

they return to their present day life to start living as Don Bosco did. The central message is having faith in someone / having someone to have faith in you, and that the key to this is "staying together".



The Author's and the Editorial Supervisor's profile

Author: Mr. Guri SUZUKI is a cartoonist. 38 years of age. He accompanied the group of young Salesians from Japan on their pilgrimage in order to research for the project. He became friends with the Salesians, saw the holy places of Don Bosco with his own eyes. His own experience of encounter with Don Bosco shines through in the work.

Editorial Supervisor: Fr. Shinjiro URATA is a Salesian. 43 years of age. He studied spiritual theology at UPS, holds a doctorate degree in theology. Specializes in Don Bosco studies. He accompanied Mr. Guri Suzuki in his research for the project.

Suggestions for publication in different languages

It is our wish that many young people in the world may read this comic book and meet Don Bosco, be touched and take action to contribute for a better world.

If there would be a publisher interested to translate and publish the book, they could publish in their languages.

We are now discussing with the Salesian Publishers in Europe and East Asia-Oceania.

For more information, our copyright agent may contact you.

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Thank you very much for your kind attention.

We are looking forward to collaborating on this project for the young together.

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