

IN THESE PANDEMIC TIMES...

Things are getting worse...

After the holidays, covid cases in the country shot up at an alarming rate. Before that, cases were in the 200-300 range, and people became complacent. The complacency, along with the joyful spirit of holiday gatherings, led to a spiraling daily rate, the latest being over 33,000 cases.

We are sharing this article for the information and guidance of future generations:

With 33,169 new cases, DOH reports record tally for third straight day

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People line up to receive COVID-19 vaccine at the Baseco Health Center in Tondo, Manila on Monday, Jan. 10, 2022.

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MANILA, Philippines — The Philippines on Monday reported a record number of COVID-19 infections for a third consecutive day, registering 33,169 additional cases.

Monday's new cases follow the previous record of 28,707 cases logged on Sunday. On Saturday, the country registered 26,458 infections.

The new infections brought the total number of COVID-19 cases to nearly three million. Ninety-nine percent of the newly-reported cases occurred from December 28 to January 10, the Department of Health said. More than half of the cases were from Metro Manila.

The positivity rate was 46% out of 73,344 tests. This was way above the 5-percent threshold of the World Health Organization for opening economies.

According to the DOH, 10 testing laboratories, which contribute 6.2 percent of samples tested, were not able to submit their data. The department also reported 145 additional fatalities, raising the death toll to 52,293.

Meanwhile, recoveries increased by 3,725 for a total of 2,788,711.

There are currently 157,526 active cases, which represent 5.3% of the confirmed total infections.

The surge in infections, which the government has attributed to increased mobility and the presence of the Omicron variant, is threatening to overwhelm the country's health system anew.

... but we continue to give thanks

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observe the Octave of Christmas...

The Octave of Christmas (December 25–January 1) extends the celebration the solemnity of the Nativity for eight days.

During the Octave of Christmas, all the readings and prayers during the celebration of Mass are related to the birth of Christ.

... and get together virtually



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