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**EPISCOPAL ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY WISHES
TO OUR DEAR ARCHBISHOP
CARDINAL POOLA ANTHONY**

**WE THE CLERGY, RELIGIOUS & THE FAITHFUL WISH YOU
A HAPPY EPISCOPAL ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY**

ON 19TH APRIL, 2023



INTERNATIONAL WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION AT HASSS



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Archbishop's Message



The Easter festival is a fitting occasion to read and learn ever afresh what exactly the Son our Lord Jesus did and said at His last Passover sacrificial supper with His twelve Apostles. St Mark describes the event with utmost historical brevity. St. Matthew represents the Markan presentation of the event with the same historical brevity while catechetically signifying its intrinsic soteriological import. St. Luke represents the Markan presentation of the event in conjunction with St. Paul's declaration and elucidation of that great divine and Christological event to the Corinthian and Macedonian Churches founded by his apostolic missionary mandate from the Son our Lord Jesus Christ.

St. Mark, evangelically presenting St. Peter's personal participation and witness to what the Son our Lord Jesus Christ did and said during that last Passover supper, tells us: 'as they were eating, taking a loaf, *blessing*, he broke and gave it to them and said, "Take ye, this is my body." And taking a cup, *giving thanks*, he gave it to them, and all drank of it. And he said to them, "*this is my blood of the covenant being shed for the many* (Mk.14:22-24)." Clearly, what the incarnate Eternal Son gave His apostles to eat and to drink was a totally different reality from what he took in His hands from the table to commence and complete that unspeakably great and immense divine act which He did as 'the Son sent' by His Eternal Father to give eternal life to those who would believe in Him: "He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will rise him up at the last day. For, My flesh is food indeed, and My blood is drink indeed. He who eats My flesh and drinks My blood abides in Me and I in him. As the living Father sent Me and I live because of the Father, so he who eats Me will live because of Me (Jn.6:54-57)." Then the Son our Lord Jesus Christ commanded His twelve Apostles who had eaten Him in His 'body

given up' and drunk Him in His 'blood of the new and eternal covenant poured out for the forgiveness of sins': 'Do this, unto My remembrance (toutopoieiteeis ten enimanamnesin (Gk.Lk.22:19b)).' What did the Eternal Son mean by commanding them to 'do this'? what is the antecedent of the demonstrative pronoun 'this' in His command? Did He ask them to do what they had just done or did He ask them to do what He had done, namely His divine act of bringing the bread and wine to receive Him in His entire human nature and become transubstantiated into it so that He could offer it under the earthly appearance of the *transubstantiated* bread and wine to His Eternal Father as the one perfect sacrifice that He would complete in a most bloody manner on the Cross saying 'it is consummated'? It stands to reason that He could never ask them to do what He had done at the last supper because the transubstantiation of the bread and the wine into His entire human nature in the Holy Spirit was *not* a human action but an act that He did by virtue of His Eternal consubstantiality with His Eternal Father in their one divine nature. What He commanded them to do again and again, was *to receive Him from Himself* and eat Him and drink Him in His body given up for us and blood poured out for us under the earthly appearances or species of the transubstantiated bread and wine so that He could fulfil all the promises He had made to all those who would obey Him to receive eternal life 'until He comes again' as the glorious Son of man to judge the living and the dead. St. Albert the Great teaches us that this is the Catholic Church's traditional understanding of our Lord's command 'do this'. He teaches it to us in these words: "Do this in remembrance of me ." There are two points to be noted here. First, we are commanded to use this sacrament. Jesus intended this by saying, 'Do this.' (*A reading from the commentary of St Albert the Great on St. Luke's gospel. Office of readings 15th November in the Divine Office*). Now clearly the apostles and disciples of the Son our Lord Jesus Christ can eat Him and drink Him in that sacramental condition in which He gave Himself to them only if the Eternal Son our Lord Jesus Christ at the Eternal Father's right hand transubstantiates the bread and wine presented to Him for this purpose, into 'His body given up' and 'blood poured out' at the request of His Apostles to His Eternal Father for Him to do so. And this why the Son Jesus Christ our Lord, at His last passover supper, directed his Apostles to make this request to His Eternal Father after His glorification in His human nature by His Eternal Father as the promised 'high priest according to the order of Melchisedek': 'Truly, truly, I tell you, whatever you ask the Father, He will give you in My name....In that day you will ask in My name (Jn.16:23b-26a).' It is through the Eucharistic command and this instruction and assurance that He gave His Twelve Apostles at His last Passover supper that the Son our Lord Jesus Christ ordained the Twelve into His one high priesthood and constituted them as the sacramental body of His one high priesthood to be perpetuated in the Holy Spirit 'until He comes again.'

Now we can understand how the Bishop and his presbyterium, in union with the Petrine office, carry out the Eternal Son's command and instructions to serve Him as the sacramental body of His one high priesthood in every Holy Mass enacted by Him on the altars of His true tabernacle in His one Catholic Church. In accordance with the Son's promise, assurances and instructions, the Bishop and his presbyterium address the request for the transubstantiation of the bread and wine (the prayer of consecration) to God the Father (and not to the faithful as some individual priests apparently invalidly tend to do):

"Be pleased, O God, we pray, to bless, acknowledge, and approve this offering in every respect; make it spiritual and acceptable, so that it may become for us the Body and Blood of your most beloved Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. On the day before he was to suffer, he took bread in his holy and venerable hands, and with eyes raised to heaven, to you, O God, his almighty Father, giving you thanks, he said the blessing, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take this, all of you, and eat of it, for this is my body which will be given up for you. In a similar way, when supper was ended, he took this precious chalice in his holy and venerable hands, and once more giving you thanks, he said the blessing and gave the chalice to his disciples, saying: Take this, all of you, and drink from it, for this is the chalice of my blood, the blood of the new and eternal covenant, which will be poured out for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this in memory of me."

Beholding the Son our Lord Jesus Christ 'in His body given up for us' and 'in His Blood poured out for us' on the altar of His true tabernacle, the Bishop or the celebrant proclaims to the faithful, "The mystery of faith!" to which, the faithful, beholding the Son 'in His body given up for us' and 'in His Blood poured out for us' on the altar, joyfully acclaim with the full conviction of faith in the Holy Spirit, "We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again."

Thus does the Son our Lord Jesus Christ, fulfil in every holy Mass, the promise and divine assurance He gave His twelve disciples at the commencement of His journey to the right hand of His Eternal Father through His atoning death on the Cross and bodily resurrection from the dead and bodily ascension to His Eternal Father in the Holy Spirit during His last Passover supper with them:

"Hitherto you have asked nothing in My name; ask, and you will receive, that your joy may be full (Jn.16:24).' This is the spiritual joy with which the Holy Spirit fills the heart of every faithful disciple of Jesus who truthfully confirms and examines his or her fulfilment of the baptismal promises in order to be led by the Holy Spirit to partake of the Eternal Son's one sacrifice of the Cross to His Eternal Father on the altar of His true tabernacle in a truly salvific manner in every Mass. May this Pascal Joy be effectively ours during this Easter tide, and all the days of our life on earth.

Solemnities and Feasts

APRIL 02ND

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

We celebrate the Lord's entrance into Jerusalem to the cries of his disciples who acclaim him as king. Yet we also solemnly proclaim the Gospel account of his Passion. In this poignant contrast, our hearts experience in some small measure what Jesus himself must have felt in his own heart that day, as he rejoiced with his friends and wept over Jerusalem. "This Jesus, who accepts the hosannas of the crowd, knows fully well that they will soon be followed by the cry: 'Crucify him!' He does not ask us to contemplate him only in pictures and photographs, or in the videos that circulate on the internet No. He is present in our many brothers and sisters who today endure sufferings like his own: they suffer from slave labour, from family tragedies, from diseases. They suffer from wars and terrorism, from interests that are armed and ready to strike. Women and men who are cheated, violated in their dignity, discarded... Jesus is in them, in each of them, and, with marred features and broken voice, he asks to be looked in the eye, to be acknowledged, to be loved." It is not some other Jesus, but the same Jesus who entered Jerusalem amid the waving of palm branches. It is the same Jesus who was nailed to the cross and died between two criminals. We have no other Lord but him: Jesus, the humble King of justice, mercy and peace."



Source: catholic online

APRIL 06TH

MAUNDY THURSDAY

When the Priest rises and takes the basin, towel and washcloth, he will wash the feet of twelve as a symbol of the Love which breaks their real chains of separation. The Love of the Incarnate Word, the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, is made into symbolic action. Love is a command, a mandate. This foot-washing is more than a re-enactment of an actual historic event; it is a participation in the ongoing redemptive mission of Jesus Christ through His Church in the real, nitty gritty world of our age. The Mass of the Lord's Supper is characterized by the announcement of the commandment of love and the gesture of washing the feet. It has been traditionally referred to as the Mandatum, the Command. It is an invitation to become a man or woman poured out for others. A Christian who lives the love of Charity the Love of Jesus Christ, makes Jesus Christ real. In our participation in the Mysteries of these three Holy days we will encounter the Lord Himself. In that encounter He calls us afresh to follow Him, to bear His name in the real world. To pray and to live in that name, Christian, it helps to remember what names mean in the biblical sense. They communicate identity. Through grace we are capacitated to become an epiphany a manifestation of the self-emptying Servant love of Jesus the Christ



Source: catholic online

APRIL 07TH

GOOD FRIDAY

On Good Friday we venerate this cross - a word that means honor, esteem, adoration. "Behold the wood of the Cross on which hung the salvation of the world." The cross alone is a wonderful Christian symbol, but leaves no challenge to the beholder. Crosses are worn by people of all walks of life and all conditions of life. It has become an item of adornment as well as a Christian symbol. The scandal begins when Salvation is hung upon it. Crosses come in all sizes, shapes and material. Some are jeweled, others are intricately carved but Good Friday brings us back to the reality that it is about a wooden cross and, more importantly, about the One who died upon it. The crucifix calls people to a decision about the Lord Jesus Christ, who hung upon the Cross, becoming the salvation of the world. People must choose what to do about Him, whether to accept His death and, with it, the fullness of all that He revealed, or to reject Him. The crucifix continues to call us, Catholic, Protestant, and all the sorts and conditions of humanity, to respond. Our response should not just be based on what is found in our liturgies, but more importantly what is found in our hearts. It is there, in the very core of our being that the question must be settled in order to participate in the only thing that can redeem all of humanity.

Source: catholic online



APRIL 09TH

EASTER: THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

The Resurrection was like an explosion of light. It ushered in a new dimension of life in a transformed way, was integrated and through which a new world emerges. It is clear that this event is not just some miracle from the past, the occurrence of which could be ultimately a matter of indifference to us. It is a qualitative leap in the history of "evolution" and of life in general towards a new future life, which starting from Christ, already continuously permeates this world of ours, transforms it and draws it to itself. But how does this happen? How can this event effectively reach me and draw my life upwards towards itself? The answer, perhaps surprising at first but totally real, is: this event comes to me through faith and Baptism. For this reason Baptism is part of the Easter Vigil, as we see clearly in our celebration today, when the sacraments of Christian initiation will be conferred on a group of adults from various countries. Baptism means precisely this, that we are not dealing with an event in the past, but that a qualitative leap in world history comes to me, seizing hold of me in order to draw me on. Baptism is something quite different from an act of ecclesial socialization, from a slightly old-fashioned and complicated rite for receiving people into the Church. It is also more than a simple washing, more than a kind of purification and beautification of the soul. It is truly death and resurrection, rebirth, transformation to a new life.



Source: catholic online

APRIL 25TH

ST. MARK, THE EVANGELIST

Saint Mark was converted to the Faith by the Prince of the Apostles, whom he later accompanied to Rome, acting there as his secretary or interpreter. When Saint Peter wrote his First Epistle to the churches of Asia, he affectionately joined to his own salutation that of his faithful companion, whom he calls my son Mark. The Roman people entreated Saint Mark to put in writing for them the substance of Saint Peter's frequent discourses on Our Lord's life. This the Evangelist did under the eye and with the express sanction of the Apostle, and every page of his brief but graphic Gospel so bore the impress of Saint Peter's character, that the Fathers used to name it Peter's Gospel. It is to Saint Mark that we owe the many pictorial touches which often give such vivid color to the Gospel scenes, and help us to visualize the very gestures and appearance of our Blessed Lord. It is he alone who notes that in the temptation Jesus was with the beasts; that He slept in the boat on a pillow; that He embraced the little children. He alone preserves for us the command, Peace, be still! by which the storm was quelled, and even the very Aramaic words He spoke, the Ephpheta and the Talitha, cumi! by which the dumb were made to speak and the dead to rise.



Archbishop's Engagements

N.B.:"In office days", Please call the secretary before coming. Ph No : 72079 40883

APRIL 2023

01. Sat		:	Occupied
02. Sun		:	Occupied
03. Mon	09:30 a.m.	:	Archdiocesan Clergy Recollection
	05:15 p.m	:	Chrism Mass
04. Tue	09:30 a.m.	:	Diocesan Clergy Recollection at Nalgonda
	05:30 p.m	:	Chrism Mass at Nalgonda
05. Wed	(Morning)	:	In Office
06. Thu	06:00 p.m.	:	Maundy Thursday service at St Joseph Cathedral, Gunfoundry
07. Fri	06:00 p.m	:	Good Friday Service at Maria Rani Cathedral, Nalgonda
08. Sat	11:00 p.m.	:	Easter Vigil Mass at St. Mary's Basilica
09. Sun	09:15 a.m.	:	Easter Sunday at St Joseph Cathedral
11. Tue	(Morning)	:	In Office
12. Wed	10:30 a.m.	:	1 st & Final Professions of Holy Spirit Sisters, Jeedimetla
13. Thu	05:00 p.m.	:	Priestly Ordinations at Aliabad
14. Fri	(Morning)	:	In Office
15. Sat	04:00 p.m.	:	Mass : Sisters of Charity, Sec'bad
16. Sun	10:00 a.m.	:	1 st Holy Communion and Confirmations at St Joseph's Church, Moula-Ali
17. Mon	10:00 a.m.	:	Priestly Ordinations of Archdiocesan Deacons at St Anthony's Shrine, Mettuguda

18. Tue	05:00 p.m.	:	Blessing and Inauguration of St. Paul's High School, Extension of classrooms at Nandrikal
19. Wed	(Morning)	:	In Office
20. Thu	11:30 a.m.	:	Mass at Banglore (CCR)
21. Fri	(Morning)	:	In Office
22. Sat	10:00 a.m	:	Blessing & Inauguration of Presybetry at Dharmaram
23. Sun	10:30 a.m.	:	1 st Holy Communion and Confirmations at Our Lady of Sorrows Church, Boy's Town
24. Mon	09:30 a.m	:	Priestly Ordinations at Kanukamatha Church, Govindapuram, Nalgonda
25. Tue	09:00 a.m.	:	Annual Feast of Mattampally Parish, Annunciation Church.
26. Wed	10:00 a.m.	:	Priestly Ordination of Dn. Sujith, OFM at Ramnagar
27. Thu	10:00 a.m.	:	Golden Jubilee of Sacred Heart Church, Bheemaram Parish, Nalgonda
28. Fri	(Morning) 04:00 p.m.	:	In Office Blessing of Monastery at Mallapur
29. Sat	10:30 a.m.	:	Diamond Jubilee Celebrations at St Vincent De Paul Church, Nedunoor
30. Sun	05:00 p.m	:	Priestly Ordination of Dn. Thumma Vikram (PIME) at Patigadda

28th March 2023
Archbishop's House

+ **Cardinal Poola Anthony**
Archbishop of Hyderabad

POPE'S INTENTION: APRIL 2023

For a Culture of Peace and Non-Violence: We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.



Communications

1. MONTHLY RECOLLECTION AND CHRISM MASS:

1. Archdiocesan Monthly Recollection, for all the Archdiocesan and Clergy working in Hyderabad, is arranged at Archbishop's House, on 03rd (Monday) April, 2023 from 09.30 am to 01.00 pm. All the Priests are to participate in this recollection for the good and immediate preparation for the Holy Week and Easter.
2. All the Clergy are called upon to come and participate in Chrism Mass, which will be held on 03rd (Monday) April, 2023 at 05.15 pm at St. Mary's Basilica, Secunderabad. The Religious and Faithful are invited to participate in the Liturgy of the Eucharist **All the Parish Priests are requested to communicate the same to the parishioners and encourage them to attend the Chrism Mass.**

2. HAPPY EASTER:

Christ is Risen, Alleluia. We are going to celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ on 09th April, 2023, I wish all the Priests, Religious, Faithful and all our Sisters and Brothers a Very Happy Easter. May the Risen Lord shower His abundant blessings and graces upon all of you.

3. VOCATION CAMP –ON 22nd April, 2023:

“Go into all the world and proclaim the Good News to the whole creation.”
Mk. 16:1

In view of selecting students to the vocation to the Priesthood, the Vocations Committee of the Archdiocese of Hyderabad is organizing a one-day vocation camp on 22nd April, 2023 from 9 am to 4 pm at St. Mary's Basilica, Secunderabad. A small test will be conducted on the fundamentals on the Catechism.

Hence, we request all the Parish Priests to announce in your Parish Churches about the Vocation Camp and encourage prospective students to discern and explore their call to the Priesthood.

Young men who have finished SSC or Intermediate or Degree are eligible to come for this camp. Those who are coming for the camp must come with letter from the parish priest.

4. REMINDER:

All Parish Priests and Heads of the Institutions, who have not yet paid the special collections and Second Sunday Collections, are requested to pay as soon as possible. You are asked to clear all dues till March, 2023.

5. PRIESTS ON TRANSFER:

All Parish Priests and Priests working in the Institutions who have transfer this year are asked to get the particulars and accounts of the parish and institution, ready to handover. You are asked to prepare the Inventory, files, passbooks, fixed deposits and other documents especially land documents to handover.

6. AUDIT 2022-2023: A NOTE FROM AUDITOR'S OFFICE

All Parishes are asked to get the following documents/books of accounts/statements before coming for audit as given here below.

1. Receipts & Payments Account for the period from 1st April, 2022 to 31st March, 2023 for as many sets of accounts are being maintained.
2. Cash book, Ledger and other books like Daily Collection Register, Salary Register, along with supporting documents like Receipts books, Documentary evidence for payments duly signed by the person in charge/authorized and sanction letter.
3. The Annexure to be prepared and submitted for the audit will be sent to individual parish/In charge priest.
4. Bank Statements for all the Bank Accounts maintained by Parishes for the period of the as mentioned above, Fixed Deposits receipts original and copies held as on 31-03-2023.
5. Certificate from the Bank for Closing Bank & Fixed Deposits Balance as on 31st March, 2023

Audit of Parishes from 17th April to 20th April 2023 at Archbishop's House

S.NO	NAME OF DEANERY	DATE OF AUDIT
1	NIZAMABAD DEANERY SHAMSHABAD DEANERY VIKARABAD DEANERY SANGAREDDY DEANERY	17-04-2023 (2pm onwards)
2	HYDERABAD DEANERY EMJALA DEANERY GAGILAPURAM DEANERY	18-04-2023
3	PASTORAL CENTRE YOUTH OFFICE BOWENPALLY DEANERY SECUNDERABAD DEANERY	19-04-2023
4.	TRIMULGHERRY DEANERY GAJWEL DEANERY RAMANATHAPUR DEANERY	20-04-2023

7. 2ND SUNDAY COLLECTION FOR THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY 2023

Sl No.	Date	Place	Amount	Sl No.	Date	Place	Amount
1	17-03-2023	Aliabad	666	49		Madinaguda	
2		Alirajpet		50	10-03-2023	Mahendra Hills	1000
3	03-03-2023	Ammuguda	2500	51		Mallapur	
4		Arogya Nagar (Mission)		52		Manikonda Mission	
5	18-03-2023	Arul Colony	7158	53		Medchal	
6	23-03-2023	Balaji Nagar	785	54		Medipalle	
7		Balaiah Nagar		55	06-03-2023	Mettuguda	11960
8	15-03-2023	Band Lines	6000	56	16-02-2023	Miyapur	2500
9		Bandlaguda Jagir (Kismatpur)		57	15-03-2023	Moula - Ali	9450
10	13-03-2023	Banjara Hills	10000	58	14-03-2023	Mudfort	11000
11		Basuregadi		59		Muthangi	
12		Bayyaram		60		Nacharam	
13	24-03-2023	Bazar Ghat	1000	61		Nandrakal	
14	06-03-2023	Begumpet	5250	62		Narayankhed	
15	10-03-2023	BHEL - MIG	3015	63		Nedunoor	
16	13-02-2023	Bhoiguda	15000	64	24-03-2023	Neela Camp	100
17		Bodhan		65		Nizamabad	
18		Boduppal		66		Pargi	
19	27-02-2023	Bolarum	13800	67		Patancheru	
20	17-03-2023	Borabanda	4018	68	28-02-2023	Ramachandrapuram	6000
21	10-02-2023	Bowenpally	9652	69	20-02-2023	Ramanthapur	3200
22	16-02-2023	Cherlapally	800	70		Ramnagar	
23		Chintalacheruvu		71	15-02-2023	Sadasivpet	1000
24		Church Colony		72	15-03-2023	Sainikpuri	4170
25	14-02-2023	Dayanandnagar	3900	73	21-02-2023	Sanathnagar	15000
26		Dharmaram		74	11-03-2023	Sangareddy	2300
27	20-02-2023	Emjala	20000	75		Santhoshnagar	
28		Gaddiannaram		76		Sappers Lines	
29	20-03-2023	Gagillapuram	1750	77	08-03-2023	Secunderabad	56550
30		Gajwel		78		Seethaphalmandi	
31	17-02-2023	Gandhinagar	5000	79		Shabad	
32	14-02-2023	Garrison (Trimulgherry)	1025	80		Shamshabad	
33		Ghatkesar		81	23-02-2023	Shantinagar	4510
34	17-03-2026	Gokonda	8780	82		Shapurnagar	
35		Hyderabad, Gunfoundry		83		Siddipet	
36		Jadi Jamalpur		84	23-03-2023	Sultan Bazar	3000
37	21-02-2023	Jagadgirigutta	3500	85	16-02-2023	Suraram	3000
38	21-03-2023	Jahanuma	1375	86	03-03-2023	Tandur	750
39		Jogipet		87		Toopran	
40		Joipet		88	21-03-2023	Trimulgherry	20000
41		Kalwakole		89		Uminthal	
42		Kamareddy		90		Vanasthalipuram	
43	16-02-2023	Khairatabad	20000	91	07-03-2023	Venkatapuram	4000
44	23-03-2023	KissanNagar(Armoor)	200	92		Vikarabad	
45		Kukatpally		93	13-02-2023	Yapral	3300
46	23-03-2023	L. B. Nagar	2513	94		Yeddumylaram	
47	23-03-2023	Lallaguda	15000	95		Yellareddy	
48	16-02-2023	Lillipur	564	96		Zaheerabad	
						Total	326041

Pastoral News

1. MEETING OF TCBC COMMISSION FOR EDUCATION AT ST. MARY'S PHARMACY, SEC'BAD ON 04TH MARCH 2023 AT 09:30 A.M.



2. WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATION AT HASSS ON 06TH MARCH 2023 AT 11:00 A.M.



3. BLESSING AND INAUGURATION OF FATHIMA MATHA SCHOOL EXTENDED BLOCK, BALAJI NAGAR ON 07TH MARCH 2023 AT 09:30 A.M.



4. INAUGURATION AND BLESSING OF THE NEWLY RENOVATED BISHOPS HOUSE AT BELLARY, ON 13TH MARCH 2023 AT 09:30 A.M.



5. TCBC MEETING AT ST. JOHN'S REGIONAL SEMINARY, RAMANTHAPUR ON 14-17TH MARCH 2023



6. GOLDEN JUBILEE OF ST. JOSEPH CHURCH, ALIRAJPET PARISH ON 18TH MARCH 2023 AT 10:00 A.M.



**7. SILVER JUBILEE OF ST. JOSEPH'S DEGREE AND PG COLLEGE,
KING KOTI ON 20TH MARCH 2023 AT 04:30 P.M**



**8. ANNUAL FEAST OF OUR LADY AT NIRMALAGIRI SHRINE, ELURU
ON 25TH MARCH 2023 AT 06:30 A.M.**



Archdiocesan News

1. TCBC ORDINARY MEETING AT ST JOHN'S REGIONAL SEMINARY, RAMANTHAPUR FROM 14TH TO 17TH MARCH, 2023.

His Eminence Cardinal Poola Anthony has been elected as President of TCBC while Bishop Chinnabathini Bhagyaiah has been re-elected as Vice President of TCBC and Bishop T Joseph Raja Rao elected as the General Secretary of TCBC. We congratulate and send our prayerful wishes to new governing body of TCBC.

2. DEANERY LEVEL CATECHISM CAMP FOR CHILDREN OF HYDERABAD DEANERY

The Hyderabad Deanery of the Archdiocese of Hyderabad organized a one day programme for the Sunday Catechism Children on February 26 at St. Joseph's Cathedral, Gunfoundry (Venue: Rosary Convent School Hall) under the guidance of Rev. Msgr. Y. Balashowry, Dean of Hyderabad deanery and Rev. Fr. Madanu Isaac,



program co-ordinator. The programme began with the prayer Song and Scripture reading by Children of St. Joseph' Cathedral and welcome dance by Children of St. Thomas Church, Sultanbazar.

We have Biblical Parable Enactment competition and the themes enacted by each parish are:

1. St Joseph's Cathedral, Gunfoundry- The Rich Man and Lazarus- Lk. 16:19-31
2. St Thomas Church, Sultan bazar- Ten Virgins-Mt 25:1-13
3. St Michael's Church, Golkonda-Sower and Seed-Lk 8:5-8,11-15
4. Our Lady of Lourdes' Church, Band Lines- Weeds among the wheat- Mt 13:24-30,36
5. Our Lady of Good Health Church, Khairthabad- The Barren Pig Tree- Lk 13: 6-9
6. St Alphonsus' Church, Banjahills- The Good Samaritan- Lk 10:30-37

7. St Anthony's Church, Bazar Ghat- The Lost Coin- Lk: 15:8-10
8. St Francis of Assisi Church, Ramnagar- The Hidden Treasure-Mt 13:33

The Judges for this programme were, Rev. Fr. Dion, Pastoral Centre Director, Rev. Sr. G. Teresa and Rev. Sr. Teresa, Rosary Convent sisters. St Francis of Assisi children won the first prize and St Joseph's Cathedral children won the second prize. After the enactments, we had Holy Mass Celebrated by Rev. Msgr. Y. Balashowry and concelebrated by all the priests of Hyderabad deanery. After Lunch, various games were conducted for children followed by prize distribution. It was a memorable day for all the children of the Hyderabad Deanery. Everyone actively participated in the program. Lot of appreciation from all quarters. We thank all the parish priests of Hyderabad Deanery for their continuous guidance and financial support for the program. We planned to conduct biblical quiz for the next academic year for catechism children of Hyderabad Deanery.

3. BLESSING AND INAUGURATION OF FATHIMA MATHA SCHOOL EXTENSION BLOCK (2ND FLOOR), BALAJI NAGAR

His Eminence Cardinal Poola Anthony blessed and inaugurated the newly constructed extension block (2nd Floor) at Fathima Matha School, Balaji Nagar on March 07, 2023. We have constructed eight specious class rooms along with the toilets, which are very much in need as we have upgraded Fathima Matha School up to 10th class. All the class rooms are well equipped with benches, shelves, racks, teacher's



tables and chairs and these class rooms are to be utilized for high school section, library, science lab and digital room etc. I would like express my sincere gratitude and heartfelt thanks to His Eminence Cardinal Poola Anthony for the financial support and special concern towards Balaji Nagar. We also thank Msgr. Y. Balashowry, VG & vice-chairman and all the office bearers of HAES for their meticulous support to fulfil this project. -Rev. Fr. M. Joseph (Sr.), Headmaster, FMS-Balaji Nagar

4. REPORT ON WOMEN'S DAY CELEBRATIONS AT HASSS

The Hyderabad Archdiocese Social Service Society (HASSS) celebrated International Women's Day on March 6, 2023 with over 200 women living in urban

peripheries. As the chief guest, His Eminence, Cardinal Poola Anthony, the Archbishop of Hyderabad graced the occasion and delivered his message to the august gathering. Bonthu Sridevi Yadav, Corporator of Cherlapalli Division was the guest of Honour for the Women's Day Celebrations. Vicar General of Hyderabad Archdiocese, Monsignor YeruvaBalashowreddy and Vice Chairman of HASSS, Rev. Fr. Madanu Chinnaiah joined the celebrations. Welcoming the gathering, Rev. Fr. Anthony Madanu, Executive Director of HASSS, threw light on organization's work with women. The celebrations began with an interactive talk by Mr. Simon Raj Pasala project Officer at HASSS who discussed how women can evolve as entrepreneurs.



His Eminence, Cardinal Poola Anthony, the Archbishop of Hyderabad, wished the participants on the occasion of Women's Day and lauded HASSS for 50 years of service to the poor and the needy. Cardinal urged every woman to be educated and become skilled. Bonthu Sridevi Yadav, Corporator of Cherlapalli Division while wishing everyone on the occasion of international women's day urged the women and girls gathered for the celebration to continue to pursue higher education as it will lead them to better life. She reminded every woman that nothing is impossible if women are determined.

On the occasion of International Women's Day, His Eminence Cardinal Poola Anthony inaugurated the "Girl Child Scholarship" program of HASSS in order to promote and encourage education among girls, particularly those from disadvantaged backgrounds. Cardinal Poola Anthony officially launched the HASSS Girl Child Scholarship program by handing over scholarship amount through a cheque to the first batch of beneficiaries. The scholarship will cover tuition fees, textbooks, and other necessary expenses for girls studying in various grades. And also six women were also given certificates for completing a beautician course organized by HASSS. Some of the women animators were awarded with token of appreciation for their selfless work contributed towards upliftment marginalized women. The new logo designed to reflect the 50 years of selfless service of HASSS

was inaugurated by His Eminence Cardinal Poola Anthony on the auspicious occasion of International Women's Day. Later the Logo was officially handed over to the Vice Chairman and Executive Director of HASSS by His Eminence Cardinal Poola Anthony. The event was a great success, and every guest highlighted the importance of women being empowered. HASSS has been at the forefront in implementing the women empowerment activities in Telangana State. The organization plans to continue its efforts in the future and make a difference in the lives of many underprivileged women.

5. EXHIBITION ON PRO-LIFE

Hyderabad Youth Commission in association with Jesus Youth Hyderabad and Youth United for Christ (YU4C) organized Pro-Life exhibition on March 19, 2023 at St. Mary's Basilica, Secunderabad under the guidance of Rev. Fr. Sunil (Youth Director of Hyderabad). According to the Word of God **"You are precious in my sight"** from Isaiah 43:4, we intended to display the beauty and sanctity of human life from conception to natural death through the Pro-life exhibition. The Exhibition was officially inaugurated by Rev. Fr. David Francis, Director of Family Apostolate and was blessed by Rev. Fr. Marineni Arogyam, Rector & Parish Priest of St. Mary's Basilica, Secunderabad on 19th March 2023 at 8 am. We displayed posters and videos covering Pro-life topics explaining about the formation of Human Life from the time of conception, usage of contraceptive methods in rejecting the human life and various methods of Abortion which being a threat to the living fetus. We have also exhibited specimens of babies to make people know that we should be the voice for these voiceless and innocent babies in womb. The Church teachings on Natural Family Planning were emphasized and explained about the myths around the population growth. With the trained Pro-life speakers, we explained how Pre-Marital Sex, Pornography and Drugs impact the human dignity and creating a hindrance for God's love to mankind and specially in Marriage. Over 500+ people visited the exhibition and came to know about the value of Human Life and how it needs to be respected and protected in accordance with the Catholic Church teachings.

-Godwin Anthony, Jesus Youth Coordinator, Hyderabad

6. THE ARCHDIOCESE OF HYDERABAD CHOIR CONDUCTED A ONE-DAY SEMINAR AT THE PASTORAL CENTRE ON MARCH 22ND FROM 10.00 A.M. TO 3.30 P.M.

Our Cardinal Poola Anthony, the Archbishop of Hyderabad, has instructed all the clergy to take a serious note on the liturgical singing during the liturgical and

paraliturgical services during the recollection announcements. Msgr. Fr. Bala Showry has come to pray and give the inaugural talk. In his talk, he insisted that every member should sing as if he is praying to God, citing the great prayerful statement that singing is twice praying. He also appreciated Mr. Peria's initiative and the services he is rendering to the Archdiocese in this regard. He thanked Mr. Michael Peria, the chief instructor of the Archdiocese choir for having consented to conduct the seminar for the leaders of choirs in the parishes. Mr. Peira later took the first session, in which he said that every choir member particularly, the choir leader should follow the rules and norms of the Roman Missal and should consult the local parish priest with regard to any changes and select the hymns according to the liturgical readings of the day, not vice versa. Mrs. Divya took the second session, making the audience more active and participative. Mr. Anthony took the third session in which he insisted that every choir should follow the documents related to sacred liturgy and music in connection with singing for the holy mass. and also there were a few questions from the audience that could not be answered within the given time. So, Ms. Anna, made a WhatsApp group of all the members so that every question may be answered as time permits through the media. Finally, I thank God for making this seminar possible under the guidance of our Cardinal along with guidance of Fr. Victor's and Msgr. Fr. Bala showry's. I thank all the parish priests who have taken special interest in sending the members to the seminar. The representatives of the parishes were more than 111 members, It was indeed great to have the first seminar of its kind. - *Fr. Dion Issac, Pastoral Centre Director*

RECEIPT OF LOCAL MASS INTENTIONS		
Date	Parish/Individual	No. of Masses
08-03-2023	Mettuguda	2000
08-03-2023	Secundreabad	620
13-03-2023	Dammaiguda	1000
21-03-2023	Trimulgherry	400
23-03-2023	Soldiers of Christ, Dayanand Nagar	64
	Total	4084

International News

1. POPE FRANCIS SPEAKS ABOUT CONFESSION TO PRIESTS, DURING A MEETING IN THE VATICAN AUDIENCE HALL MARCH 23RD, 2023.

In a world where “there is no shortage of hotbeds of hatred and revenge,” Pope Francis told priests and seminarians that “we confessors must multiply the ‘hotbeds of mercy,’” by making it easy for people to access the sacrament of reconciliation. “We are in a supernatural struggle” with evil, the pope said, “even though we already know the final outcome will be Christ’s victory over the powers of evil. This victory truly takes place every time a penitent is absolved. Nothing drives away and defeats evil more than divine mercy.”

Pope Francis was speaking March 23rd with priests and seminarians attending a course at the Apostolic Penitentiary, a Vatican tribunal dealing with matters of conscience, the sacrament of reconciliation and indulgences, and with priests who offer confession at the major basilicas of Rome. He told them, “If someone doesn’t feel like being a giver of the mercy he received from Jesus, don’t enter the confessional.” The pope said he had told Cardinal Mauro Piacenza, head of the Apostolic Penitentiary, which assigns confessors to the major basilicas of Rome, that one of the confessors “listens and rebukes, rebukes and then gives you a penance that cannot be done. Please, this will not do, no. Mercy. You are there to forgive and to say something so that the person can move forward renewed by forgiveness.” “You are there to forgive: put that in your heart,” the pope told them.

While insisting individual confession is “the privileged way to go, because it fosters a personal encounter with divine mercy, which every repentant heart awaits,” the pope also encouraged the priests to offer communal celebrations “on some occasions,” as occurred around the world during the Coronavirus pandemic. As ministers of the church, he said, a priest hearing confession must have obvious “evangelical attitudes,” including: “First of all, welcoming everyone without prejudice, because only God knows what grace can work in the hearts at any time; then listening to your brother or sister with the ear of the heart, wounded like Christ’s heart; absolving penitents, generously dispensing God’s

forgiveness; and accompanying the penitent's journey without forcing it, keeping the pace of the faithful with constant patience and prayer."

As he often does, Pope Francis pleaded with the priests to be generous with the time they are available for confessions since "the church's evangelizing mission passes in large part through the rediscovery of the gift of confession, also in view of the approaching jubilee of 2025." Every cathedral, every shrine and every deanery or cluster of parishes should have an ample schedule of confession times, he said. "If mercy is the mission of the church, we must facilitate the faithful's access to this 'encounter of love' as much as possible," he said, taking great care when preparing children for their first confession and, especially, when ministering to the sick and dying. "When not much more can be done to restore the body," he said, "much can and always must be done for the health of the soul." Especially in an individual confession, he said, God can "caress each individual sinner with his mercy. The Shepherd, and he alone, knows and loves his sheep one by one, especially the weakest and most wounded."

Pope Francis told the seminarians and priests that if they felt they had a vocation as a psychologist or psychoanalyst, "exercise it elsewhere." And, he said, when a penitent does not seem to be sorry for his or her sins, the priest needs to ask questions that can budge open the heart. "Are you repentant?" the pope imagined a priest saying. "No," was the imagined response. "But doesn't that weigh you down?" A priest always must look "for the door to enter with forgiveness," he said. "And when one cannot enter by the door, one enters through the window; but one always must try to enter with forgiveness. With magnanimous forgiveness."

2. POPE ISSUES UPDATED 'VOS ESTIS' TEXT FOR HANDLING ABUSE CASES.

Pope Francis has updated the procedures for investigating allegations of sexual abuse or the cover up of abuse, specifying that the leaders of Vatican-recognized international Catholic lay associations and movements have the same responsibilities over their members that a bishop has over the priests of his diocese. The updated version of "Vos Estis Lux Mundi" (You are the light of the world), published March 25th, also expanded the categories of victims covered by the regulations to include vulnerable adults.

The original text spoke of the crime of “sexual acts with a minor or a vulnerable person.” The updated text read, “a crime against the Sixth Commandment of the Decalogue committed with a minor, or with a person who habitually has an imperfect use of reason, or with a vulnerable adult.” “Anything that expands the categories of those who should be protected is to be welcomed,” Oblate Father Andrew Small, secretary of the Pontifical Commission for the Protection of Minors, told Catholic News Service March 25th. Father Small also pointed to the updated document’s insistence that not only must dioceses and bishops’ conferences have a “system” for reporting abuse or its cover up, they also must have “organisms or offices easily accessible to the public” to accept reports. Making the procedures “well known and publicly accessible is part of justice,” he said.

Bishop Juan Ignacio Arrieta, secretary of the Vatican Dicastery for Legislative Texts, told CNS the updated document was based on four years of experience operating under the previous version, but the update also was need to incorporate changes Pope Francis made in 2021 to the Code of Canon Law’s “Book VI: Penal Sanctions in the Church.” **The New rules go into effect April 30.** Boston Cardinal Seán P. O’Malley, president of the Pontifical Commission for the Protection of Minors, said in a statement that with the updated text, “the church’s ongoing work of preventing sexual abuse by ministers of the church received a further boost.” Updating the norms, “Pope Francis has reconfirmed the serious responsibilities on bishops and others in leadership positions to ensure robust safeguarding policies and procedures are in place and are effective,” the cardinal said.

One thing the updated version did not do, however, was provide mandatory and explicit steps for revealing publicly when a bishop has been asked to or forced to resign because of abuse or covering up abuse allegations. Many Catholics, including bishops, have called for such public notification after news reports revealed that a bishop who “resigned” had been sanctioned by the Vatican. In September, the Vatican confirmed it had placed restrictions on the ministry of Bishop Carlos Filipe Ximenes Belo of Dili, East Timor, who won the Nobel Peace Prize in 1996 for nonviolent resistance to Indonesia’s 24-year occupation of his homeland. And in November, the French bishops revealed that Bishop Michel Santier of Créteil, who announced in 2021 that he was retiring for health reasons, had been credibly accused of sexual misconduct and disciplined by the Vatican.

Archbishop Filippo Iannone, prefect of the Dicastery for Legislative Texts, was asked whether Catholics in general have a right to know when a bishop or priest has been disciplined for abuse or for covering up abuse. “A distinction must be made between those who have a legitimate interest in the case,” specifically the victim, and the public, the archbishop said. Asked the same question, Bishop Arrieta responded that “it depends on the level of scandal” and how widespread knowledge of the case is. “If the damage is limited to the victim and the victim is informed of the outcome (of the process), then you could argue that justice has been served.” In his statement, Cardinal O’Malley said that “as much as possible, those impacted by abuse should be kept informed about the status and the eventual outcome of any case pursued because of any accusation made. Communicating the process of the church’s disciplinary system goes to the heart of its effectiveness. Judgments should be made available to interested parties, especially to those making accusations and the victims of sexual abuse.”

Archbishop Charles Scicluna, adjunct secretary of the Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith, told Vatican News “one of the strongest changes” the pope made was to add laypeople leading Vatican-recognized organizations or movements and priests leading clerical associations to the list of those covered by “Vos Estis.” Like bishops, they must act when allegations of sexual abuse or the abuse of power are made, or they can face a “Vos Estis” process. Abuse within several Catholic movements have made headlines in the past several years. Perhaps the best known was the Sodalitium Christianae Vitae, founded in Peru in 1971. An internal investigation in 2017 found that Luis Fernando Figari, who began the movement and headed it until 2010, and three other high-ranking former members abused 19 minors and 10 adults. In 2017 the Dicastery for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life banned Figari from living in a Sodalitium community, participating in Sodalitium activities or contacting any Sodalitium member. Father Small said Pope Francis’ update — declaring “Vos Estis” to be “definitive” and no longer “experimental” — shows that the church still has work to do in implementing its laws to punish abusers and those who cover up abuse. Expanding its coverage to include leaders of lay movements, he said, is an important part of the church’s global safeguarding efforts. The definitive text of “Vos Estis,” Father Small said, “is a clear sign that a culture of impunity is over in the church.”

Dates & Events to Remember

- 02. Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion
- 06. Maundy Thursday
- 07. Good Friday
- 08. Holy Saturday
- 09. Easter(S)
- 16. Divine Mercy Sunday



- 21. St Anselm, Bp & Dr (Op.M)
- 25. St Mark, The Evangelist (F)
- 28. St Peter Channel, Pt & Mrtr St
Louis Grignon De Montfort, Pt (Op.M)
- 29. St Catherine of Siena, Vrg & Dr (M)

Happy Birthday Dear Fathers

- 02. Fr. YeruvaJoji Reddy
- 03. Fr. Kurapati JayaPrathap
- 10. Fr. MekalaSleeve Reddy
- 10. Fr. PasalaSleeve Raju
- 17. Fr. Mettu Johannes



- 20. Fr. YeruvaShowreddy
- 24. **Most Rev. Dr. Thumma Bala**
Archbishop Emeritus
- 27. Fr. Pasala Maria Raju
- 30. Fr. Thumma Solomon

Happy Ordination day Dear Fathers

- 02. Fr. Kommarreddy Lourdu Marreddy
- 07. Fr. Golamari Louis Reddy
- 07. Fr. Madanu Prathap
- 07. Fr. Mirapakayala Melchizedek Kennedy
- 07. Fr. Thirumalareddy Showreddy
- 07. Fr. Swarna Balaprabhakhar
- 08. Fr. Sunil Kumar Reddy Pallela
- 09. Msgr. YeruvaBalashowreddy
- 11. Fr. Madanu Lourdu Vijay Kumar
- 11. Fr. Mallavarapu Sundar Rao
- 11. Fr. Chinnabathani John Paul
- 11. Fr. Madanu Amal Raj
- 11. Fr. Akkanti Inna Reddy
- 11. Fr. Madanu Anthony
- 11. Fr. GaliMatyas Reddy
- 11. Fr. Pasala Jose Paul
- 11. Fr. YeruvaMarreddy
- 12. Fr. MekalaSleeve Reddy
- 12. Fr. PasalaInnaiah

- 12. Fr. Pasala Joseph (Sr.)
- 12. Fr. YeruvaShowreddy
- 12. Fr. Madanu Balashowry
- 12. Fr. BandaruBaltharaj
- 13. Fr. Thirumalareddy Anthony
- 14. Fr. Kata Sleeve Raju
- 15. Fr. Bandanadam Prashanth
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- 15. Fr. Yelugu Jude Raj
- 15. Fr. Yeruva Amal Kumar Francis
- 17. Fr. Chatarajupally Balashowry
- 17. Fr. ChinnabathinJoappa
- 17. Fr. Daniel Selvaraj
- 17. Fr. Gollapudi Praveen Kumar
- 17. Fr. Mayaluru Jeevan Kumar
- 17. Fr. Reddimasu Anand Rao
- 17. Fr. Richard John
- 17. Fr. Thumma Fatima Reddy

- 19. **Cardinal Poola Anthony**
(Episcopal Ordination)
- 19. Fr. A. E. Raju Alex
- 20. Fr. Samala Marianna Michael
- 21. Fr. Valentine J. D'mello
- 23. Fr. Jerome Emmanuel Lewis
- 23. Fr. Yeruva Bala Sudheer
- 25. Fr. Thatireddy Julian
- 26. Fr. Kurapati JayaPrathap
- 27. Fr. Gali Samson
- 27. Fr. Bandanadam Anand
- 29. Fr. Dodda Sunder
- 30. Fr. DasariGovaShowraiah
- 30. Fr. Madanu Ignatius Maria Shekar
- 30. Fr. Madanu Isaac
- 30. Fr. Pasala Maria Raju
- 30. Fr. Thumma Udaya Bhasker
- 30. Fr. Udagandla Julian
- 30. Fr. Vemparla Vijaya Shekar
- 30. Fr. Vincent Arokiadas



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- 04. Fr. Madanu Pradeep Kumar
- 05. Fr. Ignatius Gnanapragasam
- 08. Fr. Leonard Vaz
- 10. Fr. Rosario Cammilus Fonseca
- 10. Fr. ThummaRayappa

MAY ALL THE SOULS OF THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED, THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD, REST IN PEACE. AMEN.

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