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SHRINE OF ST. PADRE PIO, PHILIPPINES**



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Archbishop's Message



In every Sunday Mass, each one of us as human persons baptized into Christ Jesus to exist as a vital member of His mystical body on earth in His Holy Spirit, solemnly profess, 'I believe in one holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church.' The annual feast of the Apostles Simon and Jude which we shall celebrate as 'a particular Church in Christ' with the Universal Church on the 28th October, is a fitting occasion to re-discover the Apostolic nature of the Catholic Church to which we belong.

To say that we belong to the 'Apostolic' Church means that, through our holy baptism into the Son of God our Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Spirit, *we belong to His household of faith which He constituted by His divine election of His Twelve Apostles and their sanctification in the Holy Spirit on Pentecost day*: 'He went up the mountain and called to Him those whom He wanted, and they came to Him. And he appointed Twelve whom He also named Apostles to be with Him and to be sent out to proclaim the good news (of the kingdom of God) and to have authority to cast out demons. So He appointed the Twelve: Simon (to whom He gave the name Peter)...and

Simon the Cananaen, and Judas Iscariot who betrayed him. *Then He went home* (Mk.5:13-19). 'Home' in this text does not mean lodging! It is the new reality created by Him as *His dwelling place* amidst the sinful world of the fallen human race: 'and the crowd came together again' and 'was sitting around Him' and 'then His mother and His brethren came, and standing *outside* they sent to Him and called Him.' 'And the scribes who came down from Jerusalem said to Him...' (Mk.2:20-32). Here is where every sincere human person will encounter Him as the Son sent as Jesus to save us from our sins and as the Son sent to give us eternal life with Himself and with His Eternal Father in their One Holy Spirit until the end of time: 'All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to Me. Go therefore and make all the nations My disciples, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the

Holy Spirit and teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age (Mt.28:18-20).’ ‘Receive the Holy Spirit. When you forgive men’s sins they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained (Jn.20:22-23).’ Thus, through our apostolic baptism into the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit we ‘are citizens of God’s household, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets with Christ Jesus Himself as the cornerstone (Eph.2:19-20).’

The Church celebrates Mission Sunday on 21st October this year. It reminds us about the missionary nature of the Petrine office and the Apostolic ministry of the Son Our Lord Jesus Christ which are served today by Pope Benedict XVI and the body of the Bishops of the one Catholic Church. Through this ministry Our Lord has been building up His one Catholic Church and Kingdom of heaven on earth since Pentecost Day as a universal sacrament of salvation amidst the sinful human race. The baptized faithful who share and express the Son’s holiness in their lives through the mission of the Holy Spirit as Paraclete in their souls, constitute the living stones of this one and universal missionary Church.

While every holy member of this Catholic Church is a missionary by virtue of sharing and serving Christ’s charity for His eternal Father, every member is called to serve His charity for the redemption and salvation of human beings in a unique and specific manner according to his or her vocation to a specific state of life in the Church. The saints of this month teach us this truth vividly. The two Apostles Simon and Jude teach us the missionary apostolic charity proper to the hierarchy. St. Theresa of the Child Jesus teaches the missionary apostolic charity proper to the Religious life. Her parents teach us the missionary charity proper to the sacramental married life. St. Francis of Assisi teaches us the missionary charity proper to the Religious mendicant life and the lay religious life.

Our Lord calls each one of us to join Him in the Holy Spirit in His charity for His Father which He expresses publicly in every Mass and to develop his or her missionary charity for the redemption and salvation of human beings in a fruitful manner according to his or her particular state of life in His Church.

POPE’S INTENTION: OCTOBER 2023

For the Synod: We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.



Solemnities and Feasts

OCTOBER 7th

OUR LADY OF ROSARY

Saint Pius V established the feast of Our Lady of Victory to thank God for the Christian defeat of the Turks at Lepanto—a victory attributed to praying the rosary. Pope Gregory XIII changed the name to Feast of the Holy Rosary—originally celebrated on the first Sunday in October—in 1573. Pope Clement XI extended the feast to the universal Church in 1716. And in 1913, Saint Pius X set the date for the feast that we know today of October 7. The development of the rosary has a long history. First a practice developed of praying 150 Our Fathers in imitation of the 150 Psalms. Then there was a parallel practice of praying 150 Hail Marys. Soon a mystery of Jesus’ life was attached to each Hail Mary. Though Mary’s giving of the rosary to Saint Dominic is recognized as a legend, the development of this prayer form owes much to the followers of Saint Dominic. One of them, Alan de la Roche, was known as “the apostle of the rosary.” He founded the first Confraternity of the Rosary in the 15th century. In the 16th century, the rosary was developed to consist of 15 mysteries: joyful, sorrowful and glorious. In 2002, Pope John Paul II added the five Mysteries of Light to this devotion. The purpose of the rosary is to help us meditate on the great mysteries of our salvation. Pius XII called it a compendium of the gospel. The main focus is on Jesus—his birth, life, death, and resurrection. The “Our Fathers” remind us that Jesus’ Father is the initiator of salvation. The “Hail Marys” remind us to join with Mary in contemplating these mysteries. They also make us aware that Mary was and is intimately joined with her Son in all the mysteries of his earthly and heavenly existence. The “Glory Bes” remind us that the purpose of all life is the glory of the Trinity. *Source: <https://www.franciscanmedia.org>*



OCTOBER 18th

ST. LUKE

St. Luke wrote a greater volume of the New Testament than any other single author, including the earliest history of the Church. Ancient traditions also acknowledge Luke as the founder of Christian iconography, making him a patron of artists as well as doctors and other medical caregivers. Luke came from the large metropolitan city of Antioch, a part of modern-day Turkey. In Luke’s lifetime, his native city emerged as an important center of early Christianity. During the future saint’s early years, the city’s port had already become a cultural center, renowned for arts and sciences. Historians do not know whether Luke came to Christianity from Judaism or paganism, although there are strong suggestions that Luke was a gentile convert. Educated as a physician in the Greek-speaking city, Luke was among the most cultured and cosmopolitan members of the early Church. Scholars of archeology and ancient literature have ranked him among the top historians of his time period, besides noting the outstanding



Greek prose style and technical accuracy of his accounts of Christ's life and the apostles' missionary journeys. Other students of biblical history adduce from Luke's writings that he was the only evangelist to incorporate the personal testimony of the Blessed Virgin Mary, whose role in Christ's life emerges most clearly in his gospel. Tradition credits him with painting several icons of Christ's mother, and one of the sacred portraits ascribed to him – known by the title “Salvation of the Roman People” — survives to this day in the Basilica of St. Mary Major.

Some traditions hold that Luke became a direct disciple of Jesus before his ascension, while others hold that he became a believer only afterward. After St. Paul's conversion, Luke accompanied him as his personal physician— and, in effect, as a kind of biographer, since the journeys of Paul on which Luke accompanied him occupy a large portion of the Acts of the Apostles. Luke probably wrote this text, the final narrative portion of the New Testament, in the city of Rome where the account ends. Luke was also among the only companions of Paul who did not abandon him during his final imprisonment and death in Rome. After the martyrdom of St. Paul in the year 67, St. Luke is said to have preached elsewhere throughout the Mediterranean, and possibly died as a martyr. However, even tradition is unclear on this point. Fittingly, the evangelist whose travels and erudition could have filled volumes, wrote just enough to proclaim the gospel and apostolic preaching to the world.

Source: <https://www.catholicnewsagency.com>

OCTOBER 28TH

STS. SIMON AND JUDE, APS

Jude is so named by Luke and Acts. Matthew and Mark call him Thaddeus. He is not mentioned elsewhere in the Gospels, except of course where all the apostles are mentioned. Scholars hold that he is not the author of the Letter of Jude. Actually, Jude had the same name as Judas Iscariot. Evidently because of the disgrace of that name, it was shortened to “Jude” in English.

Simon is mentioned on all four lists of the apostles. On two of them he is called “the Zealot.” The Zealots were a Jewish sect that represented an extreme of Jewish nationalism. For them, the messianic promise of the Old Testament meant that the Jews were to be a free and independent nation. God alone was their king, and any payment of taxes to the Romans—the very domination of the Romans—was a blasphemy against God. No doubt some of the Zealots were the spiritual heirs of the Maccabees, carrying on their ideals of religion and independence. But many were the counterparts of modern terrorists. They raided and killed, attacking both foreigners and “collaborating” Jews. They were chiefly responsible for the rebellion against Rome which ended in the destruction of Jerusalem in A.D. 70. Source: <https://www.franciscanmedia.org>



Communications

1. MONTH OF OCTOBER IS DEDICATED TO THE HOLY ROSARY:

The month of October is a good time to commit to praying the Rosary daily. The Holy Rosary brings great peace and holiness to our life. It is a powerful instrument for conversion. The Rosary is the best method of honoring Mary. Month of October calls for a special devotion to the Holy Rosary. It is very simple and very rich form of prayer, very practical and very suitable for our human condition, which fosters the meaningful devotion to our Lady of Holy Rosary. Organize special programmes in the parishes and encourage everyone to grow in the devotion to Our Lady of the Rosary.

2. DEMISE OF REV. FR. AKKANTI INNAREDDY:

It is with heavy hearts that we share the sad news of the passing of our beloved priest of the Archdiocese, Rev. Fr. AkkantiInnareddy on the 24th September, 2023. He peacefully left this world, surrounded by love and prayers, to be with the Lord. His Funeral was celebrated at his native place, Salura Camp, near Bodhan, on the 25th September, 2023.

Rev. Fr. AkkantiInnareddy touched the lives of many with his steadfast faith, kindness, humility and dedication to his spiritual calling. He was not only a devoted priest but also a cherished friend, mentor and guide to countless individuals. His loss will be deeply felt by all who had the privilege of knowing him. Our heartfelt condolences to his father, brothers and the family.

Archdiocesan level memorial mass for Rev. Fr. AkkantiInnareddy will be celebrated on 23rd October, 2023 in St. Mary's Basilica, Sec-bad at 09:30 am.

3. MISSION SUNDAY CELEBRATION (22nd OCTOBER, 2023):

This year Mission Sunday is celebrated on 22nd October, 2023. The theme Holy Father Pope Francis has taken for the Mission Sunday is ***"Hearts on fire, feet on the move" (Lk 24:13-35)***. All the Parish Priests/ Priests In-Charge/ Heads of the Institutions are called upon to observe Mission Sunday on 22nd October, 2023. Clergy are requested to highlight the message of the Holy Father during the homily on Mission Sunday which is published in this Shepherd's Call (see pages 30-34...).

All of us are obliged to do the following:

- Pray for the Mission – extension and missionaries who are involved in mission work and Proclamation of the Word of God courageously.

- Promote vocations for Priesthood and Religious Life.
- Generous offering and contributions on Mission Sunday for Missions and for Missionaries.

4. XVI GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE SYNOD: A Prayer for Synod

I thank you, Lord, for the opportunity to be part of this gathering, for the privilege of serving your Church, and for the gift of your Holy Spirit, who leads and inspires us.

We pray for all those who will participate in the synod: bishops, clergy and all who play a role in the life of your Church. Grant them the strength to listen attentively, speak courageously, and discern your voice amidst the many voices that will be heard.

May this synod be a time of unity and harmony, where differences are respected and where the love of Christ binds us together as one body. Help us to seek common ground, to find solutions to the challenges we face, and to be instruments of your peace and reconciliation in the world.

We also pray for the leaders and shepherds of your Church, that they may be guided by your Holy Spirit in their decisions and actions. Give them the wisdom to lead with humility, the courage to make difficult choices, and the compassion to care for the needs of your people.

Lord, we lift up our hopes and concerns, knowing that you are the source of all strength and hope. May this synod be a time of renewal and revival, a time when we are empowered by your Spirit to go forth and proclaim the Good News to all corners of the earth. Amen

5. TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS:

1. Fr. Madanu Joseph (Jr.): Priest In-Charge of St. Ann's Church, Nizamabad and Dean of Nizamabad Deanery, together with the present assignment.
2. Fr. Gollapudi Praveen Kumar: Head-Master In-Charge of Sacred Heart Ext. Block, Tarnaka, together with the present assignment.
3. Fr. Romald Joseph: Asst Parish Priest, Lourdu Matha Church, Dharmaram (Also, to Assist in St. Ann's Church, Nizamabad).
4. Fr. Gunta Deva Kumar: Asst Parish Priest, Holy Family Church, Trimulgherry.
5. Fr. Koppa David: Asst Parish Priest, Infant Jesus Shrine, Emjala.

MINISTRY ABROAD:

1. Fr. Madanu Amal Raj

6. KINDLY NOTE:

The 16th Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops will be held from 4th October to 28th October, 2023. I will be away until the 31st October, 2023. During this time Msgr. Yeruva Balashowry will be in-charge.

CHANCERY NOTICE

1. Mission Sunday 2023:

- The Parish Priests/ Priests In-Charge/ Heads of the Institutions are requested to motivate, animate and encourage our Faithful, Youth and Children to contribute generously. Please send the contributions to the Procurator's Office, Archbishop's House, Secunderabad, as early as possible, which will be forwarded to the Holy Father, the Vatican – Rome.
- Mission Sunday posters and envelops are available at Archbishop's House.

2. CONTRIBUTION FOR MANIPUR – IMPHAL ARCHDIOCESE

S L. NO.	CHURCH	PLACE	AMOUNT
CONTRIBUTION SENT EARLIER		366700	
19.	St Cecilia's Church	Dayanand Nagar	54000
20.	St Francis Xavier Church	Old Alwal	32000
21.	St Joseph's Church	Cherlapally	12000
22.	St Peter's Church	Bodhan	3000
23.	Our Lady of Fatima Shrine	Suraram	2000
24.	Sacred Heart Church	South Lallaguda	30000
25.	St Stanislaus Church	Gaddiannaram	15000
26.	St Joseph's Church	Moula - Ali	7000
27.	Rosary Convent High School	Gunfoundry, Abids	328600
28.	Mary Mediatrixs Sisters	L.B. Nagar	10000
		TOTAL	493600
		GRAND TOTAL	860300

The above amount is forwarded to IMPHAL Archdiocese.

3. THE INTERIM AUDIT OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF HYDERABAD SOCIETY:

The Interim Audit of the Accounts of **Archdiocese and its Parishes** will be done for the period from **01-04-2023 to 31-10-2023** as per the programme given here under from **10.00 A.M TO 5.00 P.M.** All the persons concerned are requested to go through the guidelines.

All Parishes have 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, 2023 to 31st October, 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. Email/Whatsapp will be sent to individual parish/In charge father, the Annexure's (Excel Format) required for the audit, should be prepared and submitted at the time of Audit.
4. Bank Statements for all the Bank Accounts maintained by Parishes for the period of the as mentioned above as on 31-10-2023.

S.No Name of Deanery

Date of Audit

1	Hyderabad Deanery, Bowenpally Deanery	13-11-2023
2	Nizamabad Deanery, Shamshabad Deanery, Vikarabad Deanery	14-11-2023
3	Trimulgerry Deanery, Ramanathapur Deanery	15-11-2023
4	Emaja Deanery, Garilapuram Deanery, Gajwel Deanery	16-11-2023
5	Secunderabad Deanery, Pastoral Centre, Youth Office.	17-11-2023

RECEIPT OF LOCAL MASS INTENTIONS

Date	Parish/Individual	No. of Masses
28-08-2023	Bandlines	480
06-09-2023	Mettuguda	2000
12-09-2023	Khairathabad	6000
13-09-2023	Divine Light Ministry	30
15-09-2023	Gandhinagar	100
19-09-2023	Moula - Ali	63
19-09-2023	Trimalgherry	550
20-09-2023	Bolarum	50
20-09-2023	Begumpet	105
22-09-2023	Mettuguda	2000
26-09-2023	Secunderabad	1170
	Total	12548

4. 2ND SUNDAY COLLECTION FOR THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2023

Sl No.	Date	Place	Amount	Sl No.	Date	Place	Amount
1	31-08-2023	Aliabad	1200	51		Mahendra Hills	
2		Alirajpet		52		Mallapur	
3		Ammuguda		53		Manikonda Mission	
4		Arogya Nagar (Mission)		54	02-09-2023	Mariapuram	955
5		Arul Colony		55		Medchal	
6		Balaji Nagar		56		Medipalle	
7		Balaiah Nagar		57	30-08-2023	Mettuguda	10000
8	28-08-2023	Band Lines	6900	58		Miyapur	
9		Bandlaguda Jagir (Kismatpur)		59	20-09-2023	Moula - Ali	9690
10	14-08-2023	Banjara Hills	10000	60	23-08-2023	Mudfort	8000
11		Basuregadi		61		Muthangi	
12		Bayyaram		62		Nacharam	
13		Bazar Ghat		63		Nandrakal	
14	18-08-2023	Begumpet	6265	64		Narayankhed	
15	11-09-2023	BHEL - MIG	3210	65		Nedunoor	
16	02-09-2023	Bhoiguda	15000	66		Neela Camp	
17		Bodhan		67		Nizamabad	
18		Boduppall		68		Pargi	
19	20-09-2023	Bolarum	13800	69		Patancheru	
20		Borabanda		70	21-08-2023	Ramachandrapuram	8500
21		Bowenpally		71	14-08-2023	Ramanthapur	3300
22		Cherlapally		72	14-09-2023	Ramnagar	15000
23		Chintalacheruvu		73		Sadasivpet	
24		Church Colony		74		Sainikpuri	
25		Dammaiguda		75	18-08-2023	Sanathnagar	15400
26		Dayanandnagar		76	11-09-2023	Sangareddy	2000
27	17-08-2023	Dharmaram	1700	77		Santhoshnagar	
28		Emjala		78	11-09-2023	Sappers Lines	1430
29	07-09-2023	Gaddiannaram	6325	79	26-09-2023	Secunderabad	50294
30	26-09-2023	Gagillapur	1850	80		Seethaphalmandi	
31		Gajwel		81		Shabad	
32	22-08-2023	Gandhinagar	10000	82	06-09-2023	Shamshabad	3000
33	22-08-2023	Garrison (Trimulgherry)	1599	83	17-08-2023	Shantinagar	6150
34		Ghatkesar		84	05-09-2023	Shapurnagar	3746
35	23-09-2023	Golconda	13532	85		Siddipet	
36		Gunfoundry		86	07-09-2023	Sultan Bazar	3500
37		Jadi Jamalpur		87	14-08-2023	Suraram	3000
38	16-08-2023	Jagadgirigutta	3500	88		Tandur	
39		Jahanuma		89		Toopran	
40		Jogipet		90	23-08-2023	Trimulgherry	33500
41		Joipet		91		Uminthal	
42		Kalwakole		92		Vanasthalipuram	
43		Kamareddy		93	26-09-2023	Venkatapuram	4000
44		Khairatabad		94		Vikarabad	
45		KissanNagar(Armour)		95	14-08-2023	Yapral	3500
46	15-08-2023	Kukatpally	20000	96	18-09-2023	Yeddumylaram	780
47		L. B. Nagar		97		Yellareddy	
48	22-08-2023	Lallaguda	15000	98		Zaheerabad	
49		Lillipur				Total	315626
50		Madinaguda					

Pastoral News

1. A REPORT ON THE INAUGURATION OF ST. MARY'S CENTENARY COLLEGE OF MANAGEMENT

The Hyderabad Archdiocese Educational Society (HAES) has another feather in its cap, by establishing a new MBA Institution - St. Mary's Centenary College of Management located at St. Francis Street, Secunderbad. The Institution is approved by AICTE and affiliated to Osmania University.

Rev. Fr. Dr. P. Anthony Vinay has been appointed as the Founding Director of the Institution. The Inauguration ceremony was held on 6th September 2023. His Eminence Cardinal Poola Anthony, Archbishop of Hyderabad and Chairman-HAES blessed and inaugurated the New MBA College Building at St. Francis Street, Secunderabad.



Rev. Fr. Dr. P. Anthony Vinay, The Director delivered the Inaugural Address—“The Road Ahead” and explained the opportunities and possibilities of the new MBA Institution. The Institution’s vision is to provide holistic management education in building leaders and entrepreneurs with Indian Ethos. The Institution’s mission is engrossed in Academic Excellence, Innovation, Holistic Development, Community Engagement and Global Perspective.

His Eminence addressed the gathering and congratulated the Director, Rev. Fr. Dr. P. Anthony Vinay for taking up the challenging assignment and being instrumental in establishing the Institution. Thus, the mission of HAES is to have K.G. To P.G. education at St. Mary’s Campus has been envisaged.

Prof. Limbadri, Chariman-TSCHE and Prof. P. Laxminarayana, Registrar – Osmania University were invited as the Guests of Honour. Prof. Limbadri, has delivered a keynote address during the remarkable occasion and appreciated the efforts of HAES institutions in providing quality and value-based education and creating graduates with skills and potential. He emphasized the need to ensure quality education for all the students in the present scenario. Prof. P. Laxminarayana

addressed the gathering and stated that the Institution would empower students to excel in their careers, contribute to society and make a positive impact on the world.

Rev.Fr. Dr. P. Anthony Vinay acknowledged the Priests of Hyderabad Archdiocese and HAES for the support and guidance behind the establishment of the Institution. Rev.Msgr. Y. Balashowry, Vice-Chairman-HAES; Mrs. Mini Mathew, Rtd. IAS Officer; Mr. Mathew C Kunnumkal, Rtd. IAS Officer; Prof.B. Sri Nagesh, Director – Academic Audit Cell; and Prof. D. Sree Ramulu, Principal and Head, DBM, OU, Priests of Hyderabad Archdiocese, Staff members of SMCDC and SMCCOM, students etc. were also present for the ceremony. The Dignitaries were felicitated by His Eminence and the Director. The Programme was concluded with an impressive cultural performance of Students of SMCDC.

2. TEACHERS DAY CELEBRATION AND BLESSING OF COMPUTER LAB AT AVE MARIA SCHOOL, RAMANTHAPUR ON 05TH SEPTEMBER, 2023



3. INVESTITURE CEREMONY AT AVE MARIA SCHOOL, RAMANTHAPUR PRESIDED OVER BY REV. MSGR. FR. Y. BALA SHOWREDDY ON 16TH SEPTEMBER, 2023.



4. FESTIVE MASS AT VELLANKANNI MATHA CHURCH, BALAJINAGAR ON 17TH SEPTEMBER, 2023



Archdiocesan News

1. THE FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE CROSS CELEBRATED ON 14TH SEPTEMBER AT MAHIMAGIRI HILLS IN JYOTHINAGAR (NIZAMABAD)

The Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross, celebrated on September 14th, was observed at Mahimagiri Hills in the village of Jyothinagar, which is a substation of St. Mathias Church in Jojipet, Nizamabad. The occasion began with a spiritually uplifting praise and



worship led by Rev. Fr. Ch. Praveen from the Sacred Heart Congregation (The Parish Priest of Kisan nagar) , setting the tone for a meaningful gathering. This was followed by the Holy Mass, which was presided over by Rev. Fr. Madanu John, the Present Parish Priest of Jojipet along with other Deanery Priests. He during in his introduction explained the History of the Mahimagiri Hills. In his own words:

The first-ever celebration of the Exaltation of the Cross at Mahimagiri Hills in



Jyothinagar, is a significant milestone in the history of the region, marking the beginning of a new tradition and spiritual observance at this location. The history of the cross erected on Mahimagiri Hills is a testament to faith, healing, and community

collaboration. It was during the year 1995; it all began with a faithful individual named “**Ithe Yesu**”, who was seriously ill. In his time of need, he turned to the Exalted Cross in prayer. Through divine intervention, he experienced a miraculous

healing. Grateful for his recovery and with the support of Fr. Innareddy (The Parish Priest during the time) decided to commemorate this divine intervention by erecting a wooden cross on the hills which was named as “Mahimagiri Hill”.

Over time, with the guidance and suggestions of Fr. Yeruva Joji and Fr. Viji Joseph, the original wooden cross was replaced with the durable and lasting cement cross during the tenure of Fr. Goa Showriah, the parish priest in 2007. In more recently 2023, under the leadership of the present parish priest, Rev. Fr. Madanu John, and with the active involvement of the village’s youth, the hills were revisited about two months ago. During this visit, as they prayed before the cross, Fr. John expressed the idea of celebrating the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross at the foot of the Mahimagiri Hills. This suggestion resonated with the community as it perfectly aligned with the significance of the occasion.

Through the combined support, dedication, and willingness of all the parishioners, this celebration has grown into a grand success, further strengthening the bond between faith, healing, and the enduring symbol of the cross on Mahimagiri Hills. During the Homily Rev. Fr. Ch. Praveen explained the History of the feast of the Exaltation of the Cross and its significance to our catholic lives.

After the Mass, a candle procession made its way up the hill, adding a spiritual touch to the celebration. To conclude the festivities, dinner was provided for all the faithful of the parish region, and the celebration came to a close around 9:30 pm. The celebration of the Exaltation of the Cross at Mahimagiri Hills in Jyothinagar marked a historic event in the village’s history. Approximately 400 faithful individuals gathered to partake in this significant event (Fr. Madanu John, the Parish Priest)

2. REPORT OF THE ST. MARY’S BASILICA PARISH YOUTH PROGRAM HELD ON 27TH AUGUST 2023

“FOR YOU O LORD ARE MY LIFE, MY TRUST FROM MY YOUTH”(Psalms 71:5)

Introduction:

Pope Francis in his post Synodal Exhortation *Christus Vivit* reminds us that community has an important role in accompanying the young people.

Youths are the future pillars of the Church. They are mostly organized to respond positively to the Catholic Church, political, social, cultural or economic goals of the society and nation at large and they are empowered to challenge the injustice and social evils and to set things right. This is done by implementing activities for

young people and or engaging advocacy work to promote their cause. Youth empowerment and spiritual and entertainment programmes are aimed at creating healthier and higher qualities of life to improve (1) Positive sense of self, (2) Self Control, (3) decision-making skills,(4) creating a moral system of belief in God and (5) Pro-social connectedness.

The Holy Mass:

The youth Sunday Mass and program were held on 27th August 2023 at 9:30 am in St. Mary's Basilica Parish church- Secunderabad. The Youth-led holy Mass is the central focus of the youth ministry because it integrates the youth with the rest of the parish community. The main celebrants of the holy Mass were Fr. Arogyam and Fr. Vijay. The holy Mass commenced with an introduction by Sr.Prabha. Sister appreciated the spiritual and active participation of the youth members in the parish. Sister also stated the youth are the treasure to the church who are with full of hope, vitality & passion for Christ.

Youth friendly liturgies are necessary & vibrant celebrations that updates the youth the knowledge of God and His Word, communes to them to be connected to the Lord by their regular spiritual practices and challenges them to live as Disciples of Christ. In addition, the liturgies support the full, conscious and active participation of all the youth and all the members of the congregation.

Effective homily by Fr. Vijay broke opens the Scripture for the teens in a meaningful engaging and inspiring way. Specific strategies incorporated by the Clergy at the Mass includes:

- * Obedience towards God.
- * Why did God create me? GOD created me to love Him, to know Him, to serve Him and to be with Him in heaven.
- * Have a personal encounter with Jesus

(i) Role of Music & participation by the Youth in the holy Mass

Effective use of music by the young people during the holy Mass encouraged the active participation of both the youths and the congregation, while at the same time it sets up a prayerful and joyous tone during the Mass. Sisters of Charity led the choir which brought a heavenly atmosphere to the congregation. Reading Introduction Prayer of the Faithful helped the youth to realize that they are the growing saplings in Christ led to bear much fruits.

(ii) Unveiling the logo of St. Mary's Parish Youth

After Communion there was unveiling of the youth logo by Frs. M. Arogyam, Balaswamy, and Wilfred along with some of the youth members. We are grateful to Mr. Chris (one of the members of the parish youth) who designed the logo of our St. Mary's Basilica youth. The logo intends the motherly care of the Catholic Church to grow in Christ and be His witnesses.



After the communion Mr. Gerald the council member of the church was honoured with a shawl as a token of love & respect for being the support, motivating, organizing and binding force of our parish youth spiritually and mentally.

(iii) Benediction to bind the youth with the Lord with abundant blessings

The holy Mass concluded with Benediction and blessing the youth for their future endeavours. The final blessing was given by Fr. M. Arogyam, the Parish priest.

The programmes:

After the holy Mass the youth assembled in the parish hall where the senior youth members introduced themselves and shared their experience being a member of the youth. The Sisters of Charity conducted games for the youth which made them vibrant and energetic.

Games like: * Bombing the church * Pairing and dancing with the balloon * Passing the ball * Tambola were conducted. As the sign of encouragement prizes were distributed to the winners. After that Fr. Arogyam and Fr. Vijay, Fr. Balaswamy motivated them with the insights of moral behavioural pattern, Unity, active participation and fulfilling parish responsibility.

Finally, a sumptuous meal was served. It was a memorable day for the youth. Thanks to Sr. Prabha for her extra effort to conduct the youth program and the sisters of charity who took lead to organize & commit a day for the youth. A special thanks to Fr. M. Arogyam, our Parish Priest, Fr. Vijay, and Fr. Balaswamy, the youth

coordinator and the Assist PP and Fr. Wilfred, the assistant PP for all their support, cooperation, arrangement of the hall, the holy Mass and the pre-plan for such successful program.

Let us pray for all the youth members of St. Mary's Basilica- Secunderabad, who have to be empowered, encouraged more to be happy to participate more innovative programmes, face challenging situations and have better opportunities to explore.

3. MONTHLY RECOLLECTION OF THE HYDERABAD CCR

On Saturday 16 September 2023 the Hyderabad Catholic Charismatic Renewal (CCR) had its monthly Recollection at Auxilium Church, Mahendra Hills, Secunderabad. The recollection started with Rosary at 9:30 AM and continued with Praise and Worship, Talk, Adoration, Confession and Holy Mass.

The Hyderabad CCR chooses different topics and resource persons for this monthly event. This month the topic was Emotional Intelligence and Inner Wounds. This topic was delivered with Power Point Presentation by Mr. Praveen Kearle a well-known Psychological Counsellor, Guide and Coach, who is engaged in the task of helping alcoholics, drug addicts and other addicts to kick the habit.

This session was followed by an Inner Healing Adoration conducted by Fr. P. Prabhu Das the Spiritual Advisor to the Catholic Charismatic Renewal (CCR) in the Archdiocese of Hyderabad. Later almost all the 25 members made their confession and all together celebrated the Holy Eucharist presided over by Fr. Prabhu Das. At the end of the half Day Programme all the participants partook of a fellowship meal.

Hyderabad CCR is well supported by the Youth United for Christ (YU4C), Couples United for Christ (CU4C) and together we regularly conduct Life in the Spirit Seminars (LSS) in various parishes among other programmes like Students motivational programmes, Bible Quizzes, Reachouts to parishes and so on. We have completed a ten-week (one session per week) LSS programme in Auxilium Church and at present a seven-week LSS programme is ongoing in the Our Lady of Fatima Church, Dammaiguda. Under the leadership of His Eminence Cardinal Poola Anthony and our Spiritual Advisor Fr. Prabhu Das we look forward to be doing LSS and other programmes in the various parishes and institutions of the Archdiocese of Hyderabad. **-Fr. P. Prabhudas**

5. THE TIME OF JOY

“How wonderful and pleasant it is when Gods people live in peace together” (Ps 133:1)

It was a great joy for us to come together in the Lord and spent time with each other and enriches ourselves meeting our friends near and far and encouraging each other to be an authentic religious in our journey of life. It was fabulous and joyful to see many young hearts together along with the formees. The Local CRI took another big step to conduct one day seminar for all the young religious who are below 45 years, on 18th September 2023. The theme of the seminar was on **“Facing the Challenges of Life with Spiritual integrity and Discernment”**. Approximately 140 members from different religious congregations both men and women participated with great enthusiasm. The resource person was Rev Fr Amar SJ, Superior of Loyola community- Alwal.



The primary aim of the seminar was to offer a platform for young religious individuals and formees to explore the significance of spiritual integrity and discernment in navigating life's challenges, both within and outside the religious context.

The seminar began with the prayer conducted on the theme metamorphosis of butterfly & formation. Fr. Sharath the president of the LCRI- HYD welcomed the gathering. After short introduction and orientation of the theme, there was an ice-breaking session where each congregation was called to the stage to say a gist about their congregation and mission. The highlight of the morning session was delivered by Fr Amar. His insightful presentations shed light on the practical applications of discernment in everyday life and how it can help young religious individuals to make wise decisions in life. The seminar featured a series of interactive sessions too. The organizing committee conducted different types of games during sessions to keep the members active throughout the seminar and distributed the prizes to the winners. It was amazing to see the fantastic energies and potentialities of the religious members, those were the fun moments to enjoy the smile on everyone's face.

We express our sincere gratitude to the Executive members of the LCRI- Hyd for their initiative. May they lead us always.

- Sr. Sravanthi CSA, (The participant.)

DEMISE OF OF REV. FR. AKKANTI INNAREDDY

Rev. Fr. Akkanti Innareddy was born on 26th of May, 1986 to a devoted and holy couple: Mathyas Reddy & Late Sunitha Mary at Salura Camp. He is the second child in the family of three children and hails from St. Joseph's Church, Jadijamalpur Parish, Salur Camp Village.



Seminary Studies:

- Orientation Course: St. Joseph's Minor Seminary, Secunderabad.
- Inter: St. Mary's Junior College, Secunderabad.
- Philosophy: St. Vianney College, Janampet, Eluru.
- Regency: Shamshabad & Seethaphulmandi Parishes.
- Theology: St. Joseph's Inter Diocesan Seminary, Mangalore, Karnataka.
- Diaconate: St. Alphonsus Church, Banjara Hills.

Priestly Ordination: 11-04-2012 at St. Mary's Church, Secunderabad. Ordained by Most Rev. Thumma Bala, Emiritus Archbishop of Hyderabad.

Rev. Fr. Akkanti Innareddy has rendered committed & valuable services and contributed to the Archdiocese of Hyderabad in different places, from 2012 onwards:

- Asst. Parish Priest at Mill Hill Mission, Nellikunduru, Warangal Dt (2012-2016)
- Asst. Parish Priest at St. Michael's Church, Salarjung Colony, Golkonda (2016-2017)
- Parish Priest at St. Paul the Hermits Church, Kammagudem Village, Nandrical (2017-2022)
- Parish Priest and Dean at St. Ann's Church, Nizamabad (2022- Till Date)

He died on 24th September, 2023 in Nizamabad and buried at Salura Camp Village, Jadi Jamalpur Parish on 25th September, 2023.

Eternal Rest grant unto him, O Lord!

Pastoral Centre News

2. BASIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY ANIMATORS ACTIVITIES(2023)

Basic Christian community animators of the Archdiocese of Hyderabad are very grateful to our Archbishop Cardinal most Rev.Poola Anthony for encouraging them and appreciating their ministry in the faith formation of the people of God at different places in the diocese.

There are 13 basic Christian community animators or Basic Ecclesial Community Animators in our diocese.

1. Mr. Papiiah who is the coordinator for all the animators of the diocese He is working as animator in Pedda Uminthal Parish conducting regularly bcc activities at main parish and substation parishes like Pedda Medipally Kalan

2. Mr. Gollamari Prabhakar Reddy, working as animator at Arogyamatha Church,Subash Nagar. On June22nd the group members had prayer service for the peace in Manipur on 25th seventy poor students were given study material.Along with the Parish Priest Rev.Fr.Chinniah the members visited the sick in the hospital and also at home and prayed for them.

3. Sr. Rita, DSS,working as animator at Basuregeddi, Gngangapur, conducts prayer service and rosary regularly in the houses.The members also had faith formation seminar at Suraram on 19th August

4. Mrs. Jyothi,working as animator at Gagillapuram,conducts Bcc,seven steps method of sharing the gospel message in different houses regularly.

5. Mr. G.Joseph, from Parigi Parish, working as animator at Gattupalli and Manchanapalli, was able to motivate to collect money 20,000 for the expenses for the feast day expenditure of the parish.

6. B. Ramana, from St.Gonzala Gratia, Parish, could form two groups on 8th at Chiragalapally, poor people were given ten kg's of Rice. On 14th of July at Chitayalla village an awakening programme on BCC activities was conducted.

7. Mr. L. Bala Showry, from Sultan Nagar Village, could form four groups on 10th of July, the members were able to help Rs. 10000 for Meghalaya 's funeral service on 15th of July, the members could help a Poor widow 1000 rupees for her medical expenses at Barkadpalli.

8. Mr. P. Inniah, working as animator at Alliabad parish, Our Lady of Grace, was able to conduct regularly prayer services along with the priest incharge in different houses and in the parish church.

9. Mrs. A. Rani, working as animator at Pargi, could collect money from the members to help Lazar, with 3000 rupees on 3rd of July Narsamma, was given 30kg's of rice from the group contribution.

10. Mrs. Celestina, working as animator, at Bolarum parish, is able to conduct prayer service in different houses. She along with the Parish Priest, Rev. Father Valentine could reach the houses at Kowkooor and Rajiv Nagar for the blessings and prayer services.

11. Mr. Devadanam, working as animator at Church Colony, Ramanthapur, could reach out to families in the best possible manner inspite of his inability and age sickness.

12. Mr. Anthony, working as animator at Bayaram Parish, in spite of his high Sugar level is able to conduct bcc activities in his parish along with the members

13. Mrs. Sampoorana, working as animator at Suraram Parish is doing a wonderful work of conducting bcc activities in the parish. The Parish Priest, Rev. Fr. Y. Joji, was very happy to see her organising the faith formation seminar in the parish systematically.

13. Mr. Praveen, working as animator at Gajwel Parish is able to conduct bcc seven steps model prayer services regularly in the parish.

2. CCBI COMMISSION FOR CATECHETICS XIV NATIONAL CATECHETICAL CONFERENCE 2023 12-14 SEPTEMBER 2023 (ARCHDIOCESE OF VERAPOLY) ASIRBHAVAN (PASTORAL CENTRE), ERNAKULAM, KERELA

Training for Regional and Diocesan Secretaries of Commission for Catechetics on Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and CCBI Strategic Planning.

On 12th September at 10.30 am the programme for catechetical conference began with a prayer conducted by Telugu Region.

Joseph the Archbishop of Veerapoly welcomed the dignitaries and the participants for the conference. He addressed in his speech that Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is to nurture and strengthen the faith of the community. Later Rev. Fr. Stephen Alathara stressed that catechesis is the most important tool in

Christian life. He said that to make this tool effective one needs to have passion for this ministry. Fr. Cyril De Souza in his talk said that RCIA has been playing an important role since vatican-II.

Fr. Gilbert Choondal SDB, further enlightened that today catechism teaching should adopt synod strategies. Fr. Shaji German, a canonist, reminded us that we need to be careful in our places of ministry, about the Anti-Conversion Bill.

On 13th of September Fr. Joe Xavier, SJ took a session on the Planning Framework and Goals, Objectives and Key Performance Indicator for the commission for catechetics. Finally, after the work shop session the conference came out with few suggestions.

1. To improve catechetical commission in the light of migrants
2. To view on the aspects of the document *Amoris Laetitia*
3. To reach out to many through digital methods

The above three points were considered to be the Action Plan taken from the conference.

3. AVE MARIA TWIN CITIES PRAYER TEAM AT PASTORAL CENTER GUNFOUNDRY HYDERABAD

Ave Maria Twin cities prayer team members gather every month on first Monday and last Monday at pastoral center chapel Gunfoundry from 4.30pm to 5.30 pm.

From two years they gather to pray in the presence of the blessed sacrament and recite rosary and offer different intentions for the Holy Father Pope Francis, Cardinal Poola Anthony, Priests, Religious, Families, Youth, and children.

Special prayers are conducted for the success of Synod. The group has successfully completed two years (2021-2023). Hymns are sung in different languages and accompanied with musical instruments.

I am thankful to the prayer team. My heartfelt thanks to our Cardinal Poola Anthony for an opportunity to permit the group to pray.

4. GNANA JYOTHI BIBLE EXAM

Dear Rev. Fathers, BCC animators, catechists, and lay leaders, kindly remind the Catholic children, adults, and teachers about the Jyotirmai Bible Quiz exam and the

coupons to be sold and submitted as soon as possible, either to Mr. Papaiah, the coordinator, or to the Pastoral Centre Director at least by the second week of October.

Exam date: November 5, 2023 (first Sunday of November)

First Category - 4th to 7th grade students: St. Luke's Gospel

Second Category - 8th to 10th grade students: Book of Proverbs

Third Category - Intermediate and Degree Students: St. John's Gospel and Book of Revelation

Fourth Category: Employers, Teachers, and Elders... book of Genesis

Each coupon is Rs 15/

If you want any information, kindly contact

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Kindly announce this in your parishes and encourage the children to know the Bible.

- Fr. Dion Isaac, Pastoral Centre Director



HASSS

1. THE HYDERABAD ARCHDIOCESE SOCIAL SERVICE SOCIETY

A Report on Inauguration of Jute Bag Training Centre for Transgenders by Cardinal Poola Anthony

Introduction:

On the 7th of September 2023, a historic event took place at the Hyderabad Archdiocese Social Service Society (HASSS), marking the inauguration of a Jute Bag Training Centre specially designed for the transgender community. The ceremony was graced by Cardinal Poola Anthony, the Archbishop of Hyderabad and Chairman of HASSS, Mrs. Mala Mandana, Mrs. Nagashree, Mr. Venkat Narayana the Secunderabad Muthoot Bank Manager were main guests of the program.who delivered an inspiring speech emphasizing the importance of respecting and treating every individual with dignity and respect.

Cardinal Poola Anthony's Address:

In his heartfelt address, Cardinal Poola Anthony reminded the audience of the words of Pope Francis, who stressed that every person is created by God in His image and likeness, and as such, deserves respect, dignity, and equal opportunities. He emphasized that discrimination against any group, including the transgender community, is not in line with the principles of love and compassion that the Church upholds.

Cardinal Anthony commended the efforts of HASSS in taking this significant step toward empowering the transgender community. He emphasized the need for inclusivity and support, saying that it is the duty of society to create an environment where everyone can flourish and live their lives to the fullest



Acknowledgment:

During the event, Father Anthony, the Director of HASSS, expressed his gratitude to the Misereor Germany and Muthoot M. George Foundation and other contributors for their generous support. He highlighted that HASSS' commitment goes beyond training; they aim to provide practical support by giving the transgender individuals the necessary tools to start their own businesses. This initiative will not only help them become self-sufficient but also contribute to creating employment opportunities within their community. Father Anthony acknowledged the importance of collaborative efforts in achieving this goal and stressed that it is only through partnerships with organizations and individuals who share a vision of inclusivity that real change can be achieved.



Support for Entrepreneurship:

One of the central pillars of this initiative is to empower the transgender community with the skills and resources they need to become entrepreneurs. HASSS will provide them with not only training but also the machinery required to start their jute bag manufacturing businesses. This support will enable them to be self-reliant and create jobs for themselves and others within their community.

Distribution of Dry Ration Kits:

The inauguration event concluded on a compassionate note with the distribution of dry ration kits to all 47 members of the transgender community present. This gesture of goodwill underscores HASSS's commitment to improving the lives of marginalized groups in practical ways.

Gratitude from the Transgender Community:

Rekha, a transgender woman representing the community and the Staff of HASSS, extended heartfelt thanks to all the contributors and supporters of the program. She expressed her gratitude for the opportunities and support provided by HASSS, Miserior, the Muthoot M. George Foundation, and the Church, emphasizing how these initiatives would bring positive change to the lives of transgender individuals in Hyderabad.



Conclusion:

The inauguration of the Jute Bag Training Centre for transgenders by Cardinal Poola Anthony at HASSS on September 7th, 2023, marks a significant step towards inclusivity, empowerment, and support for the transgender community in Hyderabad. This initiative, supported by the Church and various organizations, exemplifies the principles of compassion, equality, and respect for all individuals, regardless of their gender identity. It is a shining example of how collective efforts can bring about positive change and create opportunities for marginalized communities.

Regional News

1. THE MINUTES OF THE TCBC EXTRAORDINARY MEETING, (WITH THE BISHOPS OF SYRO-MALABAR RITE) HELD FROM MARCH 12TH TO 14TH 2023 AT ST. JOHN'S REGIONAL SEMINARY, RAMANTHAPUR, HYDERABAD-13.

The Telugu Catholic Bishops Council Ordinary meeting with the Bishops of Syro-Malabar Rite started at 9:30 am with an opening prayer by Most Rev. Raphael Thattil, Bishop of Shamshabad. His Eminence Cardinal Poola Anthony, the President, presided over the meeting and welcomed the nine honourable members with cordial greetings and appreciation for their continual support and cooperation, the first day the Syro Malabar rite bishops will participate and the remaining days it will be only the Latin rite Bishops participate. On the first day we had the Federation of Telugu Churches meeting from 4:00 pm to 7:00 pm which was conducted by Bishop T. Joseph Raja Rao and his Secretary Fr. Kondaveeti Anthaiah, which was participated by 32 different members from the various churches.

There were various topics for the Church in the Telugu Region that were discussed like Liturgy, Bible, Jeevan Institute Printing, Amruthavani, Bharathamithram, and there were a few important decisions that were taken by the members of the TCBC which will be executed this year. The meeting which was packed with various other agenda points was all taken up and few were resolved and few were kept for the Chairman of the Commissions to complete.

By Fr. Raju Alex Deputy Secretary of TCBC

2. TELUGU CATHOLIC COUNCIL (TCC)

On the last day 14th September the Telugu Catholic Council (TCC) an advisory body to the Telugu Catholic Bishops' Council (TCBC), comprising Bishops, Priests, Religious men and women, and the Laity, held its 13th Annual General Body Meeting at St John's Regional Seminary, Ramanthapur, Hyderabad. The day began with Holy Mass Most Rev. Thelagathoti Joseph Raja Rao the Chairman of TCC was the main celebrant with Most Rev. Vijay Kumar Rayarala, Most Rev. Prakash Mallavarapu, Msgr. A. Chowrappa, Administrator of Kurnool, Fr. Raju Alex, Deputy General Secretary of TBCB and various priests concelebrated. The TCC meeting proper began with a solemn opening prayer led by Msgr. A. Chowrappa, Administrator of Kurnool. Rev Fr. Raju Alex delivered an introductory address, highlighting the significance of the gathering and emphasizing the need for commitment from the members to guide the organization's growth and activities. Bishop T. Joseph Raja Rao proceeded to provide a comprehensive report on the Strategic Planning Meeting

by the CCBI, The Minutes of the 12th AGM of the TCC was read out by Mrs. Selina Chinnappa the Secretary of TCC and passed.

Mr. LourduMarreddy Vice President and Mr.

Swaminathan the Joint Secretary felicitated all the bishops.



Following these presentations, all attendees were divided into four groups, each tasked with discussing and envisioning the future of various commissions within the organization. The goal was to formulate a vision for the year 2030/33 taking into account the evolving landscape and the CCBI's mission. After group deliberations, representatives from each group summarized their findings and visions for the commissions assigned to them. These summaries were presented to the entire gathering and a collective vision for the organization's future was summarized. The Meeting concluded with a vote of thanks by Fr Raju Alex and a solemn blessing by Bishop T Raja Rao.

- Sylvester Eugene Isaac member of TCC from the Archdiocese of Hyderabad

3. INAUGURATION OF ST. MOTHER THERESA ADMINISTRATIVE BLOCK OF JEEVAN INSTITUTE OF PRINTING AT SIKH VILLAGE ON 11TH SEPTEMBER, 2023 BY THE CHAIRMAN OF JIP MOST REV. T. J. RAJA RAO SMM, BISHOP OF VIJAYAWADA. (We request all to make use of Jeevan Press services for all your printing requirements).



National News



CHARIS NATIONAL SERVICE OF COMMUNION (CNSC)

AFFILIATED TO CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL INTERNATIONAL SERVICE (CHARIS)
(Recognised by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of India)

30 August, 2023

Your Grace,

Subject: XVIII National Catholic Charismatic Convention which will be held at the Papal Seminary Grounds, Ramwadi, Pune from 11 (9 am) to 13 (6 pm) November, 2023.

Warm and Respectful Greetings from the CHARIS National Service of Communion in India.

The CHARIS National Service of Communion (CNSC) heeding the call of the Holy Father to bring about unity and communion in our nation, community and in the Church, has initiated plans to bring about synodality in all spheres of society under the banner **Mission 2025 – Unity within Diversity**.

One of the major and grand programs being planned by the CNSC to carry forward this Mission, is the **XVIII National Catholic Charismatic Convention which will be held at the Papal Seminary Grounds, Ramwadi, Pune from 11 (9 am) to 13 (6 pm) November, 2023.**

On behalf of the CNSC, we cordially invite Your Grace to participate in the **Convention**, Your esteemed presence all throughout the convention, will be a great blessing and source of inspiration, as well as it will also be a grand spiritual experience to all those attending the convention. We would also like to inform you that, His Eminence Oswald Cardinal Gracias will also be joining us for the convention.

Meanwhile, We request you to kindly announce about the Convention in the Diocesan newsletter and issue instructions to the Parish Priests to give wide publicity to this convention in their respective parishes and encourage religious and lay faithful to participate in large numbers and to support the event in every possible manner to make it a grand success. Attaching herewith a copy of the Convention poster and prayer card for your kind perusal.

Your Grace, we await your kind confirmation, and look forward to your wholehearted co-operation for the National Convention and all the initiatives of CHARIS.

Thanking you for your support and cooperation.

Seeking your blessings and assuring our prayers.

Yours Fraternally in Christ,

Silven Miranda
Coordinator, CNSC

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Archbishop of Pondicherry & Cuddalore
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International News

1. MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR WORLD MISSION DAY 2023

Hearts on fire, feet on the move (cf. Lk 24:13-35)

Dear brothers and sisters!

For this year's World Mission Sunday, I have chosen a theme inspired by the story of the disciples on the way to Emmaus, in the Gospel of Luke (cf. 24:13-35): "Hearts on fire, feet on the move". Those two disciples were confused and dismayed, but their encounter with Christ in the word and in the breaking of the bread sparked in them the enthusiastic desire to set out again towards Jerusalem and proclaim that the Lord had truly risen. In the Gospel account, we perceive this change in the disciples through a few revealing images: *their hearts burned within them* as they heard the Scriptures explained by Jesus, *their eyes were opened* as they recognized him and, ultimately, *their feet set out* on the way. By meditating on these three images, which reflect the journey of all missionary disciples, we can renew our zeal for evangelization in today's world.



1. *Our hearts burned within us "when he explained the Scriptures to us". In missionary activity, the word of God illumines and transforms hearts.*

On the road from Jerusalem to Emmaus, the hearts of the two disciples were downcast, as shown by their dejected faces, because of the death of Jesus, in whom they had believed (cf. v. 17). Faced with the failure of the crucified Master, their hopes that he was the Messiah collapsed (cf. v. 21).

Then, "as they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them" (v. 15). As when he first called the disciples, so now, amid their bewilderment, the Lord takes the initiative; he approaches them and walks alongside them. So too, in his great mercy, he never tires of being with us, despite all our failings, doubts, weaknesses, and the dismay and pessimism that make us

become “foolish and slow of heart” (v. 25), men and women of little faith.

Today, as then, the Risen Lord remains close to his missionary disciples and walks beside them, particularly when they feel disoriented, discouraged, fearful of the mystery of iniquity that surrounds them and seeks to overwhelm them. So, “let us not allow ourselves to be robbed of hope!” (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 86). The Lord is greater than all our problems, above all if we encounter them in our mission of proclaiming the Gospel to the world. For in the end, this mission is his and we are nothing more than his humble co-workers, “useless servants” (cf. *Lk* 17:10).

I desire to express my closeness in Christ to all the men and women missionaries in the world, especially to those enduring any kind of hardship. Dear friends, the Risen Lord is always with you. He sees your generosity and the sacrifices you are making for the mission of evangelization in distant lands. Not every day of our lives is serene and unclouded, but let us never forget the words of the Lord Jesus to his friends before his Passion: “In the world you will have tribulations, but be courageous: I have conquered the world!” (*Jn* 16:33).

After listening to the two disciples on the road to Emmaus, the risen Jesus, “beginning with Moses and all the prophets, explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself” (*Lk* 24:27). The hearts of the disciples thrilled, as they later confided to each other: “Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?” (v. 32). Jesus is himself the living Word, who alone can make our hearts burn within us, as he enlightens and transforms them.

In this way, we can better understand Saint Jerome’s dictum that “ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ” (*Commentary on Isaiah*, Prologue). “Without the Lord to introduce us, it is impossible to understand sacred Scripture in depth; yet the opposite is equally true: without sacred Scripture, the events of Jesus’ mission and of his Church in the world remain indecipherable” (*Aperuit Illis*, 1). It follows that knowledge of Scripture is important for the Christian life, and even more so for the preaching of Christ and his Gospel. Otherwise, what are you passing on to others if not your own ideas and projects? A cold heart can never make other hearts burn!

So let us always be willing to let ourselves be accompanied by the Risen Lord as he explains to us the meaning of the Scriptures. May he make our hearts burn within us; may he enlighten and transform us, so that we can proclaim his mystery of salvation to the world with the power and wisdom that come from his Spirit.

2. Our eyes were “opened and recognized him” in the breaking of the bread. Jesus in the Eucharist is the source and summit of the mission.

The fact that their hearts burned for the word of God prompted the disciples of Emmaus to ask the mysterious Wayfarer to stay with them as evening drew near. When they gathered around the table, their eyes were opened and they recognized him when he broke the bread. The decisive element that opened the eyes of the disciples was the sequence of actions performed by Jesus: he took the bread, blessed it, broke it and gave it to them. Those were the usual gestures of the head of a Jewish household, but, performed by Jesus Christ with the grace of the Holy Spirit, they renewed for his two table companions the sign of the multiplication of the loaves and above all that of the Eucharist, the sacrament of the sacrifice of the cross. Yet at the very moment when they recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread, “he vanished from their sight” (*Lk* 24:31). Here we can recognize an essential reality of our faith: Christ, who breaks the bread, now becomes the bread broken, shared with the disciples and consumed by them. He is seen no longer, for now he has entered the hearts of the disciples, to make them burn all the more, and this prompts them to set out immediately to share with everyone their unique experience of meeting the Risen Lord. The risen Christ, then, is both the one who breaks the bread and, at the same time, the bread itself, broken for us. It follows that every missionary disciple is called to become, like Jesus and in him, through the working of the Holy Spirit, one who breaks the bread and one who is broken bread for the world.

Here it should be remembered that breaking our material bread with the hungry in the name of Christ is already a work of Christian mission. How much more so is the breaking of the Eucharistic bread, which is Christ himself, a work of mission *par excellence*, since the Eucharist is the source and summit of the life and mission of the Church.

As Pope Benedict XVI pointed out: “We cannot keep to ourselves the love we celebrate in the Sacrament [of the Eucharist]. By its very nature, it asks to be communicated to everyone. What the world needs is the love of God, to encounter Christ and believe in him. For this reason the Eucharist is not only the source and summit of the life of the Church; it is also the source and summit of her mission: ‘An authentically Eucharistic Church is a missionary Church’” (*Sacramentum Caritatis*, 84).

In order to bear fruit we must remain united to Jesus (cf. *Jn* 15:4-9). This union

is achieved through daily prayer, particularly in Eucharistic adoration, as we remain in silence in the presence of the Lord, who remains with us in the Blessed Sacrament. By lovingly cultivating this communion with Christ, the missionary disciple can become a mystic in action. May our hearts always yearn for the company of Jesus, echoing the ardent plea of the two disciples of Emmaus, especially in the evening hours: “Stay with us, Lord!” (cf. *Lk* 24:29).

3. Our feet set out on the way, with the joy of telling others about the Risen Christ. The eternal youth of a Church that is always going forth.

After their eyes were opened and they recognized Jesus “in the breaking of the bread”, the disciples “set out without delay and returned to Jerusalem” (cf. *Lk* 24:33). This setting out in haste, to share with others the joy of meeting the Lord, demonstrates that “the joy of the Gospel fills the heart and the whole life of those who meet Jesus. Those who allow themselves to be saved by him are freed from sin, from sadness, from inner emptiness, from isolation. With Jesus Christ, joy is always born and reborn” (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 1). One cannot truly encounter the risen Jesus without being set on fire with enthusiasm to tell everyone about him. Therefore, the primary and principal resource of the mission are those persons who have come to know the risen Christ in the Scriptures and in the Eucharist, who carry his fire in their heart and his light in their gaze. They can bear witness to the life that never dies, even in the most difficult of situations and in the darkest of moments.

The image of “feet setting out” reminds us once more of the perennial validity of the *missio ad gentes*, the mission entrusted to the Church by the risen Lord to evangelize all individuals and peoples, even to the ends of the earth. Today more than ever, our human family, wounded by so many situations of injustice, so many divisions and wars, is in need of the Good News of peace and salvation in Christ. I take this opportunity to reiterate that “everyone has the right to receive the Gospel. Christians have the duty to announce it without excluding anyone, not as one who imposes a new obligation, but as one who shares a joy, signals a beautiful horizon, offers a desirable banquet” (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 14). Missionary conversion remains the principal goal that we must set for ourselves as individuals and as a community, because “missionary outreach is *paradigmatic for all the Church’s activity*” (ibid., 15).

As the Apostle Paul confirms, the love of Christ captivates and impels us (cf. 2 Cor 5:14). This love is two-fold: the love of Christ for us, which calls forth, inspires and arouses our love for him. A love that makes the Church, in constantly setting out anew, ever young. For all her members are entrusted with the mission of proclaiming the Gospel of Christ, in the conviction that “he died for all, so that those who live should no longer live for themselves, but for him who died for them and was raised again” (v. 15). All of us can contribute to this missionary movement: with our prayers and activities, with material offerings and the offering of our sufferings, and with our personal witness. *The Pontifical Mission Societies* are the privileged means of fostering this missionary cooperation on both the spiritual and material levels. For this reason, the collection taken on World Mission Sunday is devoted to the *Pontifical Society for the Propagation of the Faith*.

The urgency of the Church’s missionary activity naturally calls for an ever closer missionary cooperation on the part of all her members and at every level. This is an essential goal of the synodal journey that the Church has undertaken, guided by the key words: *communion, participation, mission*. This journey is certainly not a turning of the Church in upon herself; nor is it a referendum about what we ought to believe and practice, nor a matter of human preferences. Rather, it is a process of setting out on the way and, like the disciples of Emmaus, listening to the risen Lord. For he always comes among us to explain the meaning of the Scriptures and to break bread for us, so that we can, by the power of the Holy Spirit, carry out his mission in the world.

Just as the two disciples of Emmaus told the others what had taken place along the way (cf. Lk 24:35), so too our proclamation will be a joyful telling of Christ the Lord, his life, his passion, his death and resurrection, and the wonders that his love has accomplished in our lives.

So let us set out once more, illumined by our encounter with the risen Lord and prompted by his Spirit. Let us set out again with burning hearts, with our eyes open and our feet in motion. Let us set out to make other hearts burn with the word of God, to open the eyes of others to Jesus in the Eucharist, and to invite everyone to walk together on the path of peace and salvation that God, in Christ, has bestowed upon all humanity.

Our Lady of the Way, Mother of Christ’s missionary disciples and Queen of Missions, pray for us!

- POPE FRANCIS

2. Pope Francis: Christians need to be nourished with the Word of God

Pope Francis meets with members of the Italian Biblical Association and participants in Italy's National Bible Week, and calls for the Church to help the faithful draw closer to God through His Word.

By Deborah Castellano Lubov

Help nourish the faithful with the Word of God, especially at this decisive moment, where all must work together to promote Sacred Scripture.

Pope Francis gave this encouragement as he warmly greeted members of the Italian Biblical Association and professors of Sacred Scripture, gathered in Rome for Italy's 47th National Bible Week, whose theme this year is "Covenant and Alliances between Universalism and Particularism."

"Dear friends, go forth, go ahead in your mission to help God's people be nourished by the Word, so that the Bible may be increasingly the heritage of all," the Pope said.

Insisting that the Bible is "the book of the Lord's people, which upon listening to it, passes from dispersion and division, to unity," he said, "This is somewhat, always, the dynamic of the Lord: He sends and seems to disperse, but then He gathers in unity." The Pope told those before him that their theme this year is close to his heart and a major concern of the Church, and thanked them for analysing covenants which closely involve the Church's relations with the contemporary world.

Working together in the service of the Word

Pope Francis pointed out that their meeting evoked another value he wished to emphasise, "that of working together in the service of the Word."

The Pope commended this being at the heart of a wide-ranging work of cooperation that the Bible Association offers, on a permanent basis, to the Church in Italy. He recalled that the organization was one of the first theological associations in the country, still very present in the various dioceses, especially through the animation of Diocesan Bible weeks, which it supports in collaboration with the Biblical Apostolate of the Italian Bishops' Conference.

"I hope," the Pope insisted, "that this presence grows throughout the territory, avoiding all forms of elitism and preclusion."

Decisive moment requiring synergy

The Biblical Association, the Holy Father acknowledged, also works in collaboration with the Pontifical Biblical Institute, at a "decisive moment for the

reform of the Pontifical Universities, where the alliance between academic institutions is not always easy.”

“However,” he continued, “for many of the Association’s members, the Pontifical Biblical Institute remains the ‘alma mater’ that generated them to research and apostolate.”

This, the Pope said, “offers an example of the synergy that urgently needs to be fostered, in Rome and elsewhere, between the various study institutes, not least to avoid running the risk of irreparable extinction.”

The Holy Father concluded by imparting his Apostolic Blessing and asking them to remember him in their prayers.

3. Catechesis. The passion for evangelization: the apostolic zeal of the believer. 20. *Blessed José Gregorio Hernández Cisneros, doctor of the poor and apostle of peace*

Dear brothers and sisters, !

In our catecheses, we continue to meet passionate witnesses to the proclamation of the Gospel. Let us recall that this is a series of catecheses on apostolic zeal, on the will and even the interior ardour to carry forward the Gospel. Today we go to Latin America, specifically to Venezuela, to get to know the figure of a layman, Blessed José Gregorio Hernández Cisneros. He was born in 1864 and learned the faith above all from his mother, as he recounted, “My mother taught me virtue from the time I was in a crib, made me grow in the knowledge of God and gave me charity as my guide”. Let us take note: it is moms who pass on the faith. The faith is passed on in dialect, that is, in the language of moms, that dialect that moms use to speak with their children. And to you, moms: be mindful in passing on the faith in that maternal dialect.

Truly, charity was the north star that oriented the existence of Blessed José Gregorio: a good and joyful person with a cheerful disposition, he was endowed with a marked intelligence. He became a physician, a university professor, and a scientist. But he was first and foremost a doctor close to the weakest, so much so that he was known in his homeland as “the doctor of the poor”. He cared for the poor, always. To the riches of money he preferred the riches of the Gospel, spending his existence to aid the needy. José Gregorio saw Jesus in the poor, the sick, migrants and the suffering. And the success he never sought in the world, he received, and continues to receive, from the people, who call him “saint of the people”, “apostle of

charity”, “missionary of hope”. Beautiful names: “saint of the people”, “apostle of the people”, “missionary of hope”.

José Gregorio was a humble man, a kind and helpful man. At the same time he was driven by an inner fire, a desire to live in the service of God and neighbour. Driven by this ardour, he tried to become a religious and a priest several times, but various health problems prevented him from doing so. Physical frailty did not, however, lead him to close in on himself, but rather to become a doctor who was even more sensitive to the needs of others. He clung to Providence and, forged in his soul, he went ever more toward what was essential. This is apostolic zeal: it does not follow one’s own aspirations, but openness to God’s designs. And so the Blessed understood that, through caring for the sick, he would put God’s will into practice, comforting the suffering, giving hope to the poor, witnessing to the faith not in words but by example. So, by way of this interior path, he came to accept medicine as a priesthood: “the priesthood of human pain” (M. Yaber , *José Gregorio Hernández: Médico de los Pobres, Apóstol de la Justicia Social, Misionero de las Esperanzas*, 2004, 107). How important it is not to suffer things passively, but, as Scripture says, to do everything good-naturedly, to serve the Lord (cf. *Col 3:23*).

But let us ask ourselves however: where did José Gregorio get all this enthusiasm, all this zeal? It came from *a certainty* and *a strength*. *The certainty* was *God’s grace* . He wrote that if there are good and bad people in the world, the bad are such because they themselves have become bad: but the good are such with God’s help (27 May 1914). And he considered himself first of all to be in need of grace, begging on the streets and in dire need of love. And this was *the strength* he drew on: *intimacy with God* . He was a man of prayer — there is the grace of God and intimacy with the Lord. He was a man of prayer who participated at Mass.

And in contact with Jesus, who offers himself on the altar for all, José Gregory felt called to *offer his life for peace*. The First World War was underway. It was 29 June 1919: a friend came to visit him and found him very happy. José Gregorio had indeed learned that the treaty ending the war had been signed. His offering had been accepted, and it was as if he foresaw that his work on earth was done. That morning, as usual, he had been at Mass. He went down the street to bring medicine to a person who was sick. But as he was crossing the road, he was hit by a vehicle. He was taken to hospital and died saying Our Lady’s name. This is how his earthly

journey ended, on a road while performing a work of mercy, and in a hospital, where he had made his work a masterpiece, as a doctor.

Brothers, sisters, in the presence of this witness let us ask ourselves: How do I — face-to-face with God present in the poor near me, face-to-face with those in the world who suffer the most — react? And how does the example of José Gregorio affect me? He spurs us to engagement in the face of the great social, economic, and political issues of today. So many people talk about them, so many complain about them, so many criticize and say that everything is going wrong. But that is not what Christians are called to do. Instead, they are called to deal with it, to get their hands dirty: first of all, as Saint Paul told us, to pray (cf. *1 Tim 2:1-4*), and then, not to engage in gossip — idle chatter is a plague — but to promote good, and to build peace and justice in truth. This, too, is apostolic zeal; it is the proclamation of the Gospel; and this is Christian beatitude: “Blessed are the peacemakers” (*Mt 5:9*).

Let us press on along the path of Blessed [José] Gregorio: a layman, a doctor, a man of daily work, who was driven by apostolic zeal to perform charity works throughout his whole life.

4. Catechesis. The passion for evangelization: the apostolic zeal of the believer. 21. Saint Daniel Comboni, apostle for Africa and a prophet of mission

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

Along the course of catechesis on the passion for evangelization, that is, apostolic zeal, let us spend some time today on the witness of Saint Daniel Comboni. He was an apostle who was filled with zeal for Africa. He wrote of these peoples: “they have taken possession of my heart that lives for them alone” (*Writings*, 941). “I shall die with Africa on my lips” (*Writings*, 1441). That’s beautiful, isn’t it? And he wrote this to them: “the happiest of my days will be when I may give my life for you” (*Writings*, 3159). This is the expression of someone who is in love with God and with the brothers and sisters he was serving in mission, whom he never tired of reminding that “Jesus Christ suffered and died for them as well” (*Writings*, 2499; 4801).

He affirmed this in a context characterized by the horror of slavery, of which he was a witness. Slavery “objectifies” the human being, whose value is reduced to being useful to someone or something. But Jesus, God made man, elevated the dignity of every human being and exposed the falsity of every slavery. In the light of Christ, Comboni became aware of the evil of slavery. Moreover, he understood

that social slavery is rooted in an even deeper slavery, that of the heart, that of sin, from which the Lord frees us. As Christians, therefore, we are called to fight every form of slavery. Unfortunately, however, slavery, like colonialism, is not something from the past, unfortunately. In the Africa that Comboni loved so much, which is today torn by so many conflicts, “political exploitation gave way to an ‘economic colonialism’ that was equally enslaving. (...) This is a tragedy to which the economically more advanced world often closes its eyes, ears and mouth”. I therefore renew my appeal: “Stop choking Africa: it is not a mine to be stripped or a terrain to be plundered” (*Meeting with Authorities*, Kinshasa, 31 January 2023).

And going back to the life of Saint Daniel. After the first period spent in Africa, he had to leave the mission due to health reasons. Too many missionaries had died after contracting malaria, complicated by insufficient awareness of the local situation. Though others abandoned Africa, Comboni did not do so. After a period of discernment, he felt the Lord was inspiring him along a new path of evangelization, which he summed up in these words: “Save Africa with Africa” (*Writings*, 2741s). This was a powerful insight, devoid of colonialism. It was a powerful insight that helped renew his missionary outreach: the people who had been evangelized were not only “objects”, but “subjects” of mission. And Saint Daniel Comboni wanted every Christian to participate in the evangelizing enterprise. With this spirit, he integrated his thoughts and actions, involving the local clergy and promoting the lay service of catechist. Catechists are a treasure in the Church. Catechists are those who bring evangelization forward. He also conceived of human development in this way, cultivating the arts and professions, fostering the role of the family and of women in the transformation of culture and society. And how important it is, even today, to make the faith and human development progress within the context of mission, rather than transplant external models or limit them to sterile welfarism! Neither external models nor welfarism. To take the path of evangelization from the culture, from the people’s culture. To evangelize the culture and to inculturate the Gospel go together.

Comboni’s great missionary passion, however, was not primarily the fruit of human endeavor. He was not driven by his own courage or motivated solely by important values such as freedom, justice and peace. His zeal came from the joy of the Gospel, drawn from Christ’s love which then led to love of Christ! Saint Daniel wrote, “Such an arduous and laborious mission as ours cannot be glossed over,

lived by crooked-necked people filled with egoism and with themselves, who do not care for their health and the conversion of souls as they should". This is the tragedy of clericalism which leads Christians, laity included, to clericalize themselves and to transform themselves – as it says here – into people with crooked necks filled with egoism. This is the plague of clericalism. And he added, "It is necessary to inflame them with charity that has its source from God and the love of Christ; when one truly loves Christ, then privations, sufferings and martyrdom become sweet" (*Writings*, 6656). He desired to see ardent, joyful, dedicated missionaries, "holy and capable" missionaries, he wrote, "first of all saints, that is, completely free from sin and offence to God and humble. But this is not enough: we need charity that enables our subjects" (*Writings*, 6655). For Comboni, the source of missionary ability, therefore, is charity, in particular, the zeal by which he made the sufferings of others his own.

In addition, his passion for evangelization never led him to act as a soloist, but always in communion, in the Church. "I have but one life to offer for the salvation of those souls: I wish I had a thousand to be consumed for this end" (*Writings*, 2271).

Brothers and sisters, Saint Daniel testifies to the love of the Good Shepherd who goes in search of the one who is lost and gives his life for the flock. His zeal was energetic and prophetic in being opposed to indifference and exclusion. In his letters, he earnestly called out his beloved Church who had forgotten Africa for too long. Comboni's dream is that of a Church who makes common cause with those who are crucified in history, so as to experience the resurrection with them. At this moment, I would like to offer all of you a suggestion. Think of those who are crucified in today's history: men, women, children, the elderly, all those who are crucified by the history of injustice and domination. Let us think of them and let us pray for them. His witness seems to want to repeat to all of us, men and women of the Church: "Do not forget the poor – love them – for Jesus crucified is present in them, waiting to rise again". Let us not forget the poor. Before coming here, I had a meeting with Brazilian legislators who are working for the poor, who try to promote the poor through assistance and social justice. And they do not forget the poor – they work for the poor. To all of you, I say: do not forget the poor, because they will be the ones who will open the door of Heaven for you. Thank you.

Dates & Events to Remember

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| 02. The Holy Guardian Angels (M) | 17. St. Ignatius of Antioch, Bp & Mrtr (M) |
| 04. St Francis of Assisi (M) | 18. St. Luke (F) |
| 06. St Bruno (Op. M) | 19. Sts. John de Brebeuf, Issac Jogues, Pts, & Comps, Mrtrs and St Paul of the Cross, Pt (Op. M) |
| 07. Our Lady of Rosary (M) | 23. St John of Capistrano, Pt (Op. M) |
| 09. Sts. Denis, BP, & Comps, Mrtrs or St John Leonardi, Pt | 24. St. Anthony Mary Claret, Bp (Op. M) |
| 11. St John XXIII, Pope (Op. M) | 28. Sts. Simon and Jude, Aps (Feasts) |
| 14. St Callistus I (Op. M) | |
| 16. St Hedwig, Rel, S Margret Mary Alacoque, Vgn, Blessed Augustine Thevaraparambil, Pt (Op. M) | |



Happy Birthday Dear Fathers

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| | 30. Fr. Thumma Udaya Bhaskar |



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

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**IN LOVING MEMORY OF
REV. FR. AKKANTI INNAREDDY**

"I AM THE RESSURECTION AND THE LIFE,
WHOEVER BELIEVES IN ME, THOUGH HE DIE, YET HE SHALL LIVE" JN 11:25



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