



Come Holy Sprit, Fill us with your Gifts.





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# SHEPHERD'S CALL

### **NEWSLETTER OF THE ARCHDIOCESE OF HYDERABAD**

MAY 2024



## Archbishop's Message



he Pascal season commences with the solemn celebration of the Son our Lord's Iesus Christ's bodily resurrection from the dead in the Holy Spirit by Holy Mother Church on Easter morning, and extends to Her solemn celebration of the descent of the Holy Spirit on the twelve apostles on Pentecost Sunday and Her consequent birth in this world as the Blessed Trinity's eschatological pilgrim people of the new and everlasting covenant, *journeying* with supernatural faith, hope and charity as the Mystical Body of the Son our Lord Jesus Christsharing the holiness of His divine Sonship in the Holy Spirit, to meet Him face to face on the last day of human history and *inherit* a share in the immortality and glory of His own divine Sonship in the individual mortal human bodies of all Her members in the Holy Spirit on that day. For, 'on that day, the Lord Himself, with a cry of command, with the Archangel'scall and with the sound of God's trumpet, will descend from heaven, and the dead in Christ will rise first. Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up in the clouds together with them to meet the Lord in the air; and so we shall be with the Lord forever (1 Thess.4:16-17).' For, 'when this perishable body puts on imperishability, and this mortal body puts on immortality, the saying thatis written will befulfilled: "Deathhasbeen swallowed upin victory." (1 Cor.!5:54).' What we now know is this: 'when He is revealed, we shall be like him, for we shall see Him as He is (1 John 3:2b).'

Traditionally, inspired by the Holy Spirit, the Magisterium of the one holy and catholic Church of the Blessed Trinity has dedicated the whole month of May to the Blessed Virgin Mary to 'foster thedevotion of all her faithful ones to Her Immaculate Heart' Have you ever noted and wondered that the month of May lies in the heart of our Lord's Pascal season in His Church? It is so, in order that we may see in the Blessed Virgin Mary what each one of us, Her children, will become when we meet our Lord face to face on the last day, and thereby become seriously motivated to make our own present pilgrimage of faith, hope and charity to meet Him on that day to receive our inheritance from Him, with all earnestness.

### **POPE'S INTENTION: MAY 2024**

For the formation of religious and seminarians: We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.



### **CARDINAL'S INTENTION: MAY 2024**

**For the workers:** We pray for all the workers through the intercession of St. Joseph, that they may be strengthened by God's love and may find fruit for all their struggles.



RECEIPT OF LOCAL MASS INTENTIONS				
Date	Date Parish/Individual			
04-04-2024	Cherlapally	74		
12-04-2024	Divine Light Minisrty	40		
18-04-2024	Secunderabad	660		
18-04-2024	Trimulgherry	550		
19-04-2024	Venkatapuram	68		
25-04-2024	Mettuguda	1500		
25-04-2024	Cherlapally	42		
	Total	2934		

# Solemnities and Feasts

### MAY 1st

### 01. St. Joseph the Worker

St Joseph has two feast days on the liturgical calendar. The first is March 19—Joseph, the Husband of Mary. The second is May 1—Joseph, the Worker." Saint Joseph is a man of great spirit. He is great in faith, not because he speaks his own words, but above all because he listens to the words of the Living God. He listens in silence. And his heart ceaselessly perseveres in the readiness to accept the Truth contained in the word of the Living God," Pope John Paul II had once said. There is very little about the life of Joseph in Scripture but still, we know that he was the chaste husband of Mary, the foster father of Jesus,



a carpenter and a man who was not wealthy. We also know that he came from the royal lineage of King David. We can see from his actions in scripture that Joseph was a compassionate man, and obedient to the will of God. He also loved Mary and Jesus and wanted to protect and provide for them. Since Joseph does not appear in Jesus' public life, at his death, or resurrection, many historians believe Joseph had probably died before Jesus entered public ministry. Joseph is the patron of many things, including the universal Church, fathers, the dying and social justice. *Source: www.catholicnewsagency.com* 

### MAY 3rd

### 03. Sts. Philip and James, Ap (Feast)

Philip and James were both apostles, and both served Christ faithfully during the very early days of the Church. Philip seems to have been an enthusiastic person. He was the one who brought his friend Nathanael to Jesus, insisting to Nathanael that he had found the person about whom Moses had written. Some years later it was Philip who made arrangements, with the help of Andrew, to have a group of Greek Gentiles brought to Jesus. Philip the apostle is not to be confused with the deacon Philip of Acts 8, who preached in Samaria and baptized the Ethiopian, although some writers say



that they are the same person. Philip also had a practical, down-to-earth mind. He was the apostle who commented that it would take a considerable amount of money to feed a crowd of more than 5,000 hungry men, women, and children. It was Philip who asked to see the Father when Jesus spoke about him at the Last Supper.

Source: www.catholicnewsagency.com

### MAY 12th

### 12. The Ascension of the Lord (Solemnity)

The Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord commemorates the fortieth day after the Resurrection when Jesus ascended body and soul into Heaven and took His seat at the right hand of His Father. The Ascension marks the completion of Jesus' earthly mission. He first united His divine nature with human nature through the Incarnation at the moment of the Annunciation. Saint Thomas Aquinas teaches that from that moment on, Jesus, the Son of God, experienced three types of knowledge. First, being God, He had beatific knowledge, that is, a direct

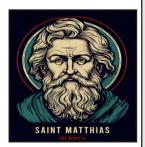


knowledge of His essence, the Father's essence, and the Holy Spirit's essence. Second, He had the perfection of infused knowledge, that is, a bestowal of all truths given to the angels in Heaven, especially those truths necessary for the completion of His divine mission. Third, He began to acquire learned knowledge, or experiential knowledge. This was the form of knowledge attained through His human nature from the senses and his human reason.

Source: https://mycatholic.life/saints.in

### 14. St. Matthias, Ap (Feast)

Once more the liturgy reminds us of the final moment in Jesus' life among men, his ascension into heaven. Many things have happened since our Lord was born in Bethlehem. We have thought of him in the manger, worshipped by the shepherds and the Magi; we have contemplated those long years of unpretentious work in Nazareth; we have gone with him all through the land of Palestine, as he preached the kingdom of God to men and went about doing good to all. And later on, during the days of his passion, we have suffered on seeing him accused and ill-treated and crucified. Then, sorrow gave way to the joy and light of the resurrection. What a clear and firm foundation for our faith! But perhaps, like the Apostles in those days, we are still weak, and on the day of the ascension we



ask Christ: "Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom of Israel?" Is it now that we can expect all our perplexity and all our weakness to vanish forever? Our Lord answers by going up to heaven. Like the Apostles, we remain partly perplexed and partly saddened at his departure. It is not easy, in fact, to get accustomed to the physical absence of Jesus. I am moved when I think that, in an excess of love, he has remained with us, even when he has gone away. He has gone to heaven and, at the same time, he gives himself to us as our nourishment in the sacred host. Still, we miss his human speech, his way of acting, of looking, of smiling, of doing good. We would like to go back and regard him closely again, as he sits down at the edge of the well, tired from his journey; as he weeps for Lazarus; as he prays for a long time; as he feels pity for the crowd.

Source:https://stjosemaria.org

### MAY 19th

### 19. Pentecost Sunday (Solemnity)

On Pentecost Sunday, we remember the day the disciples received the Holy Spirit in a special way. The story in Acts 2 describes a powerful wind and tongues of fire as the Holy Spirit was poured out on people from all over the world who came to Jerusalem to celebrate a Jewish feast. At the first Pentecost over 3000 people were baptized, creating the first church. This is why Pentecost is known as the birthday of the Christian church. Pentecost for Christians culminates the celebration and work of the church begun on Easter Day. In much of early Christianity, Easter Day (not Pentecost) became the primary day for baptisms. After their baptism, the newly baptized were then trained in basic Christian doctrine, including the meaning of the sacraments they had now experienced, as they prepared to take up their ministries in the life of the church. On



Pentecost, Christians primarily celebrate the commissioning of new members into ministry. Some do this through services of confirmation on Pentecost. And still others have also, historically, offered baptism on Pentecost as well. Two colors are historically associated with Pentecost. Red is a visual reminder of the "tongues of fire" that empowered the apostles and others to proclaim the good news of Christ's resurrection in many languages to the crowds of pilgrims from many lands (Acts 2:3). White was used in some places, including England, where Pentecost had also become a day for baptisms by the Middle Ages. Whether it happened at Easter or Pentecost or at some other time, those being baptized were given new white robes to wear as a sign they had taken off the world, died to sin, and were raised with the risen Christ to new life. This is why Pentecost may also be referred to in English as "Whitsunday" or "White Sunday." The Season after Pentecost is the time of the church year to support new disciples and the whole congregation in living out the gifts we have been given in the name of Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit.

Source:www.catholicnewsagency.com

### 26. The Most Holy Trinity (Solemnity)

Trinity Sunday is the first Sunday after Pentecost in the Western Christian liturgical calendar, however, in Eastern Christianity there is no specific day set aside to celebrate the Christian doctrine of the Trinity. The Eastern Churches point out that they celebrate the Trinity every Sunday. Westerners do as well, we just set aside a special feast day for the purpose. In the West, Trinity Sunday, officially called "The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity," is one of the few celebrations of the Christian Year that commemorates a reality and doctrine rather than an event or person. Holy Trinity Sunday is celebrated on the



first Sunday following Pentecost in most of the liturgical churches in Western Christianity. It is a solemn celebration of the belief in the revelation of one God, yet three divine persons. It was not uniquely celebrated in the early church, but as with many things the advent of new, sometimes heretical, thinking often gives the Church a moment in which to explain and celebrate its own traditions; things it already believes and holds dear. In the early 4th century when the Arian heresy was spreading, the early church, recognizing the inherent Christological and Trinitarian implications, prepared an Office of Prayer with canticles, responses, a preface, and hymns, to be recited on Sundays to proclaim the Holy Trinity. Pope John XXII (14th century) instituted the celebration as a feast for the entire Church; the celebration became a solemnity after the liturgical reforms of Vatican II.

\*\*Source:https://sacredheartfla.org\*\*

### MAY 31st

### 31. The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (Feast)

Assuming that the Annunciation and the Incarnation took place around the time of the vernal equinox, Mary left Nazareth at the end of March and went over the mountains to Hebron, south of Jerusalem, to wait upon her cousin Elizabeth. Because Mary's presence, and even more the presence of the Divine Child in her womb, according to the will of God, was to be the source of very great graces to the Blessed John, Christ's Forerunner. (Lk1:39-57). Feeling the presence of his Divine Saviour, John, upon the arrival of Mary, leaped for joy in the womb of his mother; at that moment he was cleansed from original sin and filled with the grace



of God. Our Lady now, for the first time, exercised the office which belonged to the Mother of God made man: that He might, by her mediation, sanctify and glorify us. St Joseph probably accompanied Mary, returned to Nazareth, and when, after three months, he came again to Hebron to take his wife home, the apparition of the angel, mentioned in Mt 1:19-25, may have taken place to end the tormenting doubts of Joseph regarding Mary's maternity. The earliest evidence of the existence of the feast is its adoption by the Franciscan Chapter in 1263, upon the advice of St. Bonaventure. The list of feasts in the "StatutaSynodalia eccl. Cenomanensis", according to which this feast was kept July 2 at Le Mans in 1247, may not be genuine. With the Franciscan Breviary this feast spread to many churches, but was celebrated at various dates-at Prague and Ratisbon, April 28, in Paris June 27, and at Reims and Geneva, on July 8. It was extended to the entire Church by Urban VI on April 6, 1389 (Decree published by Boniface IX, 9 Nov., 1389), with the hope that Christ and His Mother would visit the Church and put an end to the Great Schism which rent the seamless garment of Christ.

Source:https://www.catholicnewsagency.com

## Archbishop's Engagements

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

MAY				
01.	Wed	10.30 a.m.	:	Festive Mass & First Holy Communion and Confirmations at St Joseph's Church, Medchal.
		06.00 p.m.	:	Festive Mass at St. Joseph's Cathedral, Gunfoundary
02-03	Thu -Fri		:	In Office
04.	Sat		:	Feast of St. George: at St. Nicholas Church Puthiyathura, Trivandrum.
05.	Sun	05.00 p.m.	:	First Holy Communion and Confirmations at St. Francis of Assisi Church, Ramnagar.
06.	Mon	10.00 a.m	:	First Holy Communion and confirmation at Maria Rani Church, Mariapuram, Adibatla.
07 - 10	) Tue-Fri		:	CCBI/CBCI standing committee, St. John's Bangalore.
12.	Sun	09.30 a.m.	:	Festive Mass at St Joseph's Church, Moul-ali
		06.00 p.m.	:	Mass & Blessing of Dwajastambam at St. Anthony's Church, Bazarghat
15.	Wed	09.00 a.m.	:	Festive Mass at Our Lady of Fathima Church, Fathimapur.
16.	Thu		:	Visit of Commission Secretaries
17.	Fri	09.30 a.m.	:	Centinary Jubilee Celebrations of St. Peter's the Chair Church, Thimmarayanipadu, Warangal.
18.	Sat	10.00 a.m.	:	VI Provincial Chapter at St. Ann's Provincialate, Madinaguda.
19.	Sun	10.00 a.m.	:	First Holy Communion and Confirmations and Silver Jubilee Celebrations of Velankanni Nagar Colony at Shamshabad.

20. Mon 10.00 a.m. : First Holy Communion and Confirmations at

Our Lady of Fathima Church, Dammaiguda.

21. Tue 10.00 a.m. : Governing Body Meeting at St. Joseph's

Degree/PG College, King Koti.

22 – 27 Wed-Mon : Feast of St. Padre Pio & International Seminar

at Philippines.

28. Tue 10.00 a.m.: Inauguration and Blessing of St. Ann's Church,

Ayyavarigudem, Khammam Diocese.

29-30 Wed -Thu : In Office

31.Fri 11.00 a.m. : Festive Mass and First Holy Communion and

Confirmations at Maria Rani Church, Neela

Camp.

### ARCHBISHOP'S ENGAGEMENTS: TENTATIVE

### **JUNE**

01. Sat 09.30 a.m. to 05.00 p.m.: Seminarians get-together & one day Seminar,

at Archbishop's House.

06.00 p.m. : Flag Hoisting & Mass at St. Anthony's Church,

Gandhinagar.

03. Mon 10.30 a.m. : Religious Golden Jubilee of Sr. Maria at Holy

Spirit Convent, Jeedimetla.

07. Fri : Occupied

09. Sun 09.30 a.m. : Festive Mass at Sacred Heart Church,

Lalaguda.

13. Mon 11.30 a.m. : Festive Mass at St. Anthony's Shrine,

Mettuguda

06.00 p.m. : Festive Mass at St. Anthony's Church,

**Bazarghat** 

23. Sun 09.00 a.m. : Festive Mass and First Holy Communion and

Confirmations at St. John the Baptist Church,

AS Rao Nagar.

30<sup>th</sup> April, 2024 Archbishop's House + Cardinal Poola Anthony Archbishop of Hyderabad.

## Communications

### 1. DEANERY LEVEL MONTHLY RECOLLECTION:

All the Deans are here-by requested to conduct the Recollection at Deanery level in the last week of the month of May, 2024. All the clergy are requested to attend the "Deanery Level Recollection." If anyone is unable to attend the recollection, please inform the respective Deans. All the Deans are here-by requested to note down the minutes of the meetings with the list of the participants and send a copy to Archbishop's House, Secunderabad.

### 2. 'A BIG THANK-YOU' TO THE PRIESTS ON TRANSFER:

We express and extend our sincere and heart-felt thanks to all the priests who are on transfer from Parishes and Institutions for their dedicated ministries and valuable services. We remember their contributions in their respective places and appreciate it very much and thank them whole– heartedly. We wish them all the best, abundant blessings of the Risen Lord, and the loving care and protection of our Blessed Mother in their new assignments.

### 3. HEARTY CONGRATS AND WELCOME TO OUR NEW PRIESTS:

We congratulate our New Priests Rev. Fr. Christopher Joseph Michael who belongs to Holy Family Church, Trimulgherry Parish and Rev. Fr. Thathireddy Pranay Kumar from Sacred Heart Church, Bachupally (Sub-station of Nedunoor Parish). We extend a Warm and Hearty Welcome to them into our Presbyterium. We wish them all the best, every success, God's abundant blessings and loving care and protection of our Blessed Mother.

### 4. TRASNFERS & APPOINTMENTS

General Transfers Ordination wise –  $23^{rd}$  April, 2024 The Archdiocese of Hyderabad w.e.f.  $12^{th}$  May, 2024

No.	Name	Appointment
1.	Fr. Thumma Arla	Retirement
2.	Fr. Udumala J Chinnappa Reddy	Retirement
3.	Fr. VedamuthuKolandai Swamy	Parish Priest Our Lady of Fatima Church, Dammaiguda Parish.
4.	Fr. Lancelot Menezes	Confessor/Spiritual Director at Infant Jesus Shrine, Emjala

No.	Name	Appointment
5.	Fr. Dominic Savio	Parish Priest St. Thomas Church, Sulthan Bazar Parish.
6.	Fr. Yeruva Thomas	Parish Priest Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Seethaphalmandi Parish.
7.	Fr. Gade Showreddy	Parish Priest, Christ the King Church, Ramanthapur Parish.
8.	Fr. Guvvala Anthony	Director, St. Mary's B. Ed College, Secunderabad.
9.	Fr. Thathireddy Jayaraj	Parish Priest Infant Jesus Shrine, Emjala Parish.
10.	Fr. Thirumalareddy Anthony	Principal Infant Jesus Junior & Degree College, Shamshabad.
11.	Fr. Chinnabathini Jayaraj	Parish Priest St. Anthony's Church, Gandhi Nagar Parish.
12.	Fr. Swarna Bala Prabhakar	Parish Priest, Divine Mercy Church, Madinaguda Parish.
13.	Fr. Viji Joseph	Associate at Our Lady of Fathima Church, Dammaiguda Parish.
14.	Fr. Selva Kumar Aloysius	Parish Priest, St. Anthony's Shrine, Mettuguda Parish.
15.	Fr. Madanu Joseph (Sr.)	Principal St. Mark's CBSC School, Tandur.
16.	Fr. Govindu Arogya Swamy	Director, Pastoral Centre, Gunfoundary.
17.	Fr. Chinnabathini Charles	Parish Priest St. Joseph's Church, Charlapally Parish.
18.	Fr. Bandaru Baltharaj	H.M. Mount Carmel High School, Bowenpally.
19.	Fr. Pasala Joseph (Sr.)	H.M. St. Joseph's High School (Ad Tempus), Trimulgherry together withthe present assignment
20.	Fr. Yeruva Showreddy	Parish Priest St. Anthony's Church, Bazarghat Parish.
21.	Fr. Madanu Isaac	Abroad Ministry.
22.	Fr. Thumma Fathima Reddy	Abroad Ministry.
23.	Fr. Madanu John	Parish Priest Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Jagadgirigutta.

No.	Name	Appointment
24.	Fr. Bandanadam Prem Kumar	Parish Priest St. Alphonsus Church (Ad Tempus), Banjara Hills Parish together with present assignment.
25.	Fr. Chinta Mohan Micheal D'Souza	Abroad Ministry.
26.	Fr. Madanu Arogya Swamy	Associate Priest Infant Jesus Shrine, Emjala.
27.	Fr. Thonta Prabhu Das	Parish Priest Infant Jesus Shrine Gajwel Parish & H.M. Infant Jesus School Gajwel
28.	Fr. Pasala Jose Paul	Abroad Ministry.
29.	Fr. M. H. Wilson Davis	Parish Priest Velankanni Matha Church, Balaji Nagar Parish & H.M. Fatima Matha School, Balaji Nagar.
30.	Fr. Yeruva Bala Sudheer	H.M. Infant Jesus School, Jagadgirigutta.
31.	Fr. Ambati Pranith	Academics In-charge at St. Joseph's Ext. Campus, Vice-Principal, & Accounts Administrator of St. Joseph's P.G & Degree College. Together with Youth Director.
32.	Fr. Susai Vincent Raj	Parish Priest Jeevana Datha Church, Pedda Umenthal Parish.
33.	Fr. Gunda Balakiran	Parish Priest, St. Mathias Church, Jojipet Parish.
34.	Fr. Thathireddy Anil Kumar	Parish Priest St. Joseph's Church, Alirajpet Parish
35.	Fr. Polisetty Balaswamy	Parish Priest St. John De Britto Church, Byarram Parish.
36.	Fr. Vijay Kumar	Asst. PP St. Mary's Basilica, Secunderabad.
37.	Fr. Christopher Joseph Michael	Asst PP St Joseph's Cathedral, Gunfoundary Parish
38.	Fr. Thathireddy Pranay Kumar	Asst PP St Anthony's Shrine, Mettuguda Parish.

### ASSISTANT PARISH PRIESTS FROM RELOGIOUS & OTHER DIOCESES:

- 39. St. Alphonsus' church, Banjara Hills Fr. Gunta Deva Kumar
- 40. Mount Carmel church, Bowenpally Fr. Satish Kali
- 41. St. John Maria Vianney Church, Bhoiguda Fr. Namindla Naresh CSC
- 42. St. Joseph's Cathedral, Gunfoundary Fr. C. Joseph Thambi MoC

- 43. Our Lady of Health Shrine, Khairatabad Fr. David Vijay MoC,
- 44. Our Lady of Health Shrine, Khairatabad -Fr. Anil Kankipati
- 45. Immaculate Conception Church, Kukatpally Fr. K. Prathap MMI
- 46. Sacred Heart Church, Lallaguda Fr. N. Joseph Thambi MoC
- 47. St. Anthony's Shrine, Mettuguda Fr. Anthony Muthu MSC
- 48. St. Mary's Basilica, Secunderabad Fr. Koppara David
- 49. Karunagiri Shrine, Suraram Fr. Paul Prabhakar Ery MMI
- 50. Holy Family Church, Trimulgherry Fr. Wilfred MMI
- 51. St. Anthony's Church, Venkatapuram Fr. Dayalan MSC

### **DEANS:**

- 52. Secunderabad Deanery- Fr. MarneniArogyam
- 53. Gajwel Deanery Fr. Thonta Prabhu Das
- 54. Ramanthapur Deanery Fr. Gade Showreddy

We thank all the Priests on transfer for your valuable services and wish you all the best and God's Blessings in the new assignment. We welcome the new Deans and thank Rev. Fr. V.K. Swamy, Rev. Fr. T. Anthony and Rev. Fr. S. Bala Prabhakar for their services as Deans.

We wish you all the best and God's Blessings in your new assignments. May the Risen Lord give you wisdom and knowledge to be effective ministers of the Gospel.

### 5. RELIGIOUS APPOINTMENTS

- 1. Our Lady of Mercy Church, Sangareddy: Fr. Bandanadham Joseph SVD
- 2. St. Alphonsus Church, MIG, BHEL: Asst. P.P. Fr. C. Amaranathan SVD
- 3. St. John's Church, R.C. Puram: Asst. P.P. Fr. S. Rajasekhar SVD

### **6. SUMMER VACATION:**

All the offices connected with Hyderabad Archdiocese Society will remain closed (except for emergency) from  $14^{th}$  May, 2024 until  $24^{th}$  May 2024 (both days inclusive) in view of Summer and Audit. No Financial transactions in the Archbishop's House during this period.

+Cardinal Poola Anthony Archbishop of Hyderabad

### 5. 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY COLLECTION FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2024

Sl No.	Date	Place	Amount	Sl No.	Date	Place	Amount
1		Aliabad		51	14-03-2024	Mahendra Hills	2550
2	21-03-2024	Alirajpet	400	52	14-03-2024	Madinaguda	2330
3	21-03-2024	Ammuguda	400	53		Mallapur	
4		Arogya Nagar (Mission)		54		Manikonda Mission	
5	25-03-2024	Arul Colony	10933	55	21-03-2024	Mariapuram (Adibatla	) 1180
6	26-03-2024	Balaji Nagar	500	56	21 03 2024	Medchal	) 1100
7	21-03-2024	Balaiah Nagar (Old Alwal)		57		Medipally	
8	25-03-2024	Band Lines	7000	58	08-04-2024	Mettuguda	10000
9	25 05 2024	Bandlaguda Jagir (Kismat		59	00 01 2021	Miyapur	10000
10	11-03-2024	Banjara Hills	10000	60		Moul-Ali	
11	11 03 2024	Basuregadi	10000	61	02-04-2024	Mudfort	8000
12	21-03-2024	Bayyaram	750	62	02 01 2021	Muthangi	0000
13	15-04-2024	Bayar Ghat	2000	63		Nacharam	
14	22-04-2024	BHEL - MIG	2520	64		Nandrakal	
15	23-03-2024	Begumpet	5010	65		Narayankhed	
16	10-04-2024	Bhoiguda	15000	66	15-04-2024	Nedunoor	200
17	10-04-2024	Bodhan	13000	67	11-03-2024	Neela Camp	300
18				68	20-03-2024	Nizamabad	2000
19	14-03-2024	Boduppal Bolarum	15575	69	27-03-2024	Pargi	1200
20		Borahanda		70	27-03-2024	Patancheru	1200
21	21-03-2024	Bowenpally	14000 10000	71		Ramachandrapuram	
22	18-03-2024		2600	72	11-03-2024	Ramanthapur	3200
	04-04-2024	Cherlapally	2600	73	19-03-2024	Ramnagar	18857
23	22 02 2024	Chintalacheruvu	2500	74	21-03-2024	Sadasivpet	200
24	22-03-2024	Church Colony	2500	75	11-03-2024	Sainikpuri	3250
25	19-04-2024	Dammaiguda	22846	76	11-03-2024	Sanathnagar	3230
26	20-03-2024	Dharmaram	1000	77	12-03-2024	Sangareddy	3000
27	14-03-2024	Dayanandnagar	4500	78	18-03-2024	Santhoshnagar	2000
28	29-04-2024	Emjala	20000	79	10-03-2024	Santilosillagai Sappers Lines	2000
29	20-03-2024	Gaddiannaram	4551	80	14-03-2024	Secunderabad	85910
30	21-03-2024	Gagillapuram	1850	81	14-03-2024	Shabad	03910
31	00 00 0004	Gajwel	40000	82	26-03-2024	Shamshabad	1000
32	22-03-2024	Gandhinagar	10000	83	'19-03-2024	Shanthinagar	3150
33	13-03-2024	Garrison (Trimulgherry)	1661	84	12-03-2024	Shapurnagar	3225
34		Ghatkesar		85	12-03-2024	Siddipet	3223
35		Golconda		86	11-03-2024	Seethaphalmandi	3000
36		Gothumakunda		87	21-03-2024	Sultan Bazar	3000
37		Gunfoundry		88	21-03-2024	Suraram	3000
38	26-03-2024	Jadi Jamalpur	2090	89	21-03-2024	Tandur	3000
39	13-03-2024	Jagadgirigutta	3500	90		Toopran	
40	03-04-2024	Jahanuma	2200	91	12-03-2024		32500
41		Jogipet		91	14-03-2024	Trimulgherry Uminthal	34300
42	12-03-2024	Jojipet	500	92 93		Vanasthalipuram	
43		Kalwakole		93	00-03-2024	Vanastnanpuram Venkatapuram	4000
44		Kamareddy		9 <del>4</del> 95	09-03-2024	Venkatapuram Vikarabad	4000
45		Khairatabad		95 96	08-04-2024	Yapral	3500
46		Kissan Nagar (Armoor)		96 97	12-03-2024	Yeddumylaram	
47		Kukatpally		98	14-03-2024	Yellareddy	1000
48	16-03-2024	Lallaguda	10000	98		Zaheerabad	
49	14-03-2024	L. B. Nagar	2360	77		Total	400838
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## 6. LENTEN CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS FROM $1^{ST}$ MARCH, 2024 TO $25^{TH}$ APRIL, 2024

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S.No	o. Name of the Parish & Institutions	R.No.	Date	Amount
1	St.Josephs High School,Thirumalgiri	864	3/1/2024	20,000.00
2	Ashley John Coelho	865	3/7/2024	25,000.00
3	Maria Rani Church	866	4/1/2024	17,242.00
4	St.Anns Provincialate	867	4/1/2024	135,000.00
5	Fr.Rock Memorial High School, Khairathabad	868	4/1/2024	20,000.00
6	Nirmala House, Padma Rao Nagar	869	4/1/2024	25,000.00
7	Fr.P. Sagayaraj , Our Lady Of Mercy Church, Sangareddy	870	4/1/2024	8,700.00
8	St. Mary's High School, Secunderabad	872	4/1/2024	20,000.00
9	StJosephs Church, Bolarum	873	4/1/2024	39,360.00
10	St.Francis Xavier Church,Yapral	874	4/2/2024	38,300.00
11	StJosephs Church, Jadi	875	4/2/2024	10,500.00
12	St.Anthony's Church Trust, Mudfort	876	4/2/2024	19,000.00
13	St.Francis Convent, Begumpet	877	4/3/2024	5,000.00
14	Shrine of our lady of velankinni, Shamshabad	878	4/3/2024	5,240.00
15	Our Lady Of Sorrow's Church, Jahanuma	879	4/3/2024	10,000.00
16	Our Lady Of Perpetual Help Church, Jagathgirigutta	880	4/3/2024	8,400.00
17	St.Alphonsus Church, Banjara Hills	881	4/3/2024	30,000.00
18	St.Sebastin Church, Sainikpuri	882	4/3/2024	17,050.00
19	Holy Mary High School, Saifabad	883	4/3/2024	15,000.00
20	Our Lady of Fathima Shrine, Surarum	884	4/4/2024	10,500.00
21	St.Agnes Church,Shapur Nagar	885	4/4/2024	27,680.00
22	Vijay Marie Convent, Sisters Of Charity, Khairathabad	886	4/4/2024	20,000.00
23	Catholic Mission, Eddumailaram	887	4/4/2024	5,300.00
24	St.Josephs Church, Cherlapally	888	4/4/2024	40,000.00
25	St.Francis Girls High School, Secunderabad	889	4/4/2024	20,000.00
26	St.Francis college For Women, Secunderabad	890	4/4/2024	15,000.00
27	St.Francis Convent,Secunderabad	891	4/4/2024	15,000.00
28	Immaculate Heart Of Mary's Church, Ghatkesar	892	4/5/2024	3,100.00
29	Christ the King Chruch, Ramanthapur	893	4/5/2024	12,000.00
30	MariaRani Church, Neelacamp	894	4/6/2024	2,070.00
31	St.Anthony's Church,Gandhi Nagar,RK Puram	895	4/8/2024	45,680.00
32	St.Mary's Centenary Degree College, Secunderabad	896	4/10/2024	25,000.00
33	StJohn Maria Vianney Church, New Bhoiguda	897	4/10/2024	
34	•		4/10/2024	2,000.00
35	, 9		4/10/2024	38,591.00
36	Holy Trinity Church, Begumpet	900	4/11/2024	
37	Vijaya Mary English Medium High School,Bodhan	902	4/15/2024	
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S.No	o. Name of the Parish & Institutions	R.No.	Date	Amount
38	St.Peters Church, Bodhan	903	4/15/2024	3,000.00
39	St Johns Church, RC Puram	904	4/15/2024	20,000.00
40	St.Anthony's Church, Bazarghat	905	4/15/2024	10,000.00
41	St.Vincents Church, Nedluoor	906	4/15/2024	12,405.00
42	Our Lady Of Fathima Chucrh, Dammaiguda	907	4/15/2024	48,716.00
43	Holy Family High School, Thirumalgherry	908	4/16/2024	15,000.00
44	St.Mary's College of Pharmacy, Secunderabad	909	4/16/2024	5,000.00
45	St.Anns Convent, Mehdipatnam	911	4/18/2024	5,000.00
46	Holy Family Convent, Thirumalgherry	912	4/18/2024	5,000.00
47	St.Francis Of Assisi, Ramnagar	913	4/18/2024	20,000.00
48	St.Marys Church, Secunderabad	914	4/18/2024	131,450.00
49	Mount Carmel Church, Bowenpally	915	4/18/2024	20,000.00
50	Holy Family Church, Thirmalgherry	916	4/18/2024	55,000.00
51	Vincenza Nilayam Home for the aged, Bandlaguda	917	4/19/2024	20,000.00
52	St.Bartotomea Nilayam, Bandlaguda Tagir	918	4/19/2024	15,000.00
53	TCBC, Hyderabad	919	4/22/2024	13,000.00
54	St.Alphonsa Church, BHEL MIG Hyderabad	920	4/22/2024	5,000.00
55	Catholic Mission , Yeddumylarum	921	4/22/2024	500.00
56	Our Lady of Fathima Church, Godumakunta	922	4/23/2024	5,000.00
57	St.Francis Boarding, Regimental Bazaar	923	4/24/2024	2,000.00
58	O, G		4/25/2024	40,000.00
			1,25	2,784.00

**Thank You:** Dear Rev. Parish priests/Principals/Directors/Superiors, On behalf of the Archdiocese of Hyderabad and the Hyderabad Archdiocese Social Service Society, I Thank you for making efforts to mobilize the funds for the Lenten Campaign Contributions. God bless you for your generosity.

**Reminder:** Dear Rev Fathers/Head of the Institutions/Religious Superiors we request you to forward whatever the collections made towards Lenten campaign from your parishes/ convents/institutions /communities. Kindly forward your contributions to "HASSS Lenten Campaign Account" at the earliest. We look forward your journey with HASSS in promoting this campaign. Thank you.

- Rev. Fr. Madanu Anthony, Executive Director HASSS

## Pastoral News

1. 100<sup>th</sup> DEATH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATIONS OF FR. SILVIO PASQUALI, AT ST. ANN'S GENERALATE, TARNAKA ON 05<sup>th</sup> APRIL, 2024.



## 2. FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATIONS AT ST. STANIALAS CHURCH, GADDIANNARAM ON 07<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2024



## 3. MASS AND RENOVATED CHURCH BLESSING AT OUR LADY OF LOURDU'S CHURCH, DHARMARAM ON 14<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2024.

It was an auspicious day for the faithful of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Dharamram. We thank the Almighty God for His benevolent blessings and Mother Mary for her powerful intercessions throughout the renovation of Our Lady of Lourdes Church at Dharamram. The Church was established by late Rev. Fr. M. Dhanraju, the Parish Priest of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Dharamram in the year 1962. As years passed the roof of the Church was leaking and heavy rains had let the water to flow inside the church, leaving it unfit for the parishner's to spend

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time in Prayer or to attend the Holy Mass. It was under the initiative of Rev. Fr. Madanu Joseph, the now Parish Priest who renovated it by giving it a new face altogether. It was the tireless work of six months that saw its completion with the funds generated from the local parishnors, friends and well-wishers of the Parish. The door, flooring and roof of the Church is replaced, renovated. The renovated Church was blessed by His Eminence Cardinal Poola Anthony, Archbishop of Hyderabad on 14th of April, 2024 at 10:30 a.m. which was witnessed by fellow Priests. There were Many priests present for the Celebration including many faithful by their active participation. It was indeed a red-letter day in the pages of the Parish History. All Glory to God.

## 4. FESTIVE MASS & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATIONS AT JEEVANA DATHA CHURCH, PEDDHA UMENTHAL ON 21<sup>ST</sup> APRIL, 2024



## 5. FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATIOS AT ST. JOHN MARIA VIANNEY CHURCH, BHOIGUDA ON 28<sup>TH</sup> APRIL, 2024.



## Archdiocesan News

We Congratulate and Welcome our Newly Ordained Priests.

### 1. BIO DATA OF FR. CHRISTOPHER JOSEPH MICHAEL

Name : Fr. Christopher Joseph Michael

**DOB** : 27<sup>th</sup> March 1997

Parish : Holy Family Church, Trimulgherry

Parents name : Robert Aloysius Michael and Justina

Michael

**Younger brother** : John Simon Michael

**Motto** : "If I your Lord and Teacher, have washed

your feet, you also ought to wash one

another's feet" (John 13:14)

**School** : St. Patrick's High School Secunderabad. (2002-2012)

**Minor Seminary**: Orienation Course at Queen of Apostles Seminary PIME,

Eluru.(2012-2013)

**Intermediate** : St Joseph's Junior College, Trimulgherry, while residing at

St. Joseph's Minor Seminary, Mornington road

Trimulgherry (2013-2015)

**Spiritual Orientation:** St. Paul's Regional Seminary, Nuzvid(2015-2016)

**Graduation**: Vagdevi Degree College, Kothavalasa, Vizianagaram (2016-

2019)

**Philosophical Studies:** St John's Regional Seminary, Kondadaba(2016-2019)

**Regency**: St Joseph's Cathedral, Gunfoundry(2019-2020)

Theological Studies: St. John's Regional Seminary, Ramanthapur, Hyderabad.

(2020-2023)

Diaconate Ordination: 27th October 2023 at St. John's Regional Seminary,

Ramanthapur, Hyderabad by His Excellency Most Rev.

Rayarala Vijaya Kumar, Bishop of Srikakulam.

**Diaconate Ministry**: St Joseph's Cathedral, Gunfoundry.

**Priestly Ordination:** 13<sup>th</sup> April 2024 at St. Mary's Basilica, Secunderabad, by His

Eminence Cardinal Poola Anthony, Archbishop of

Hyderabad.

### 2. BIO DATA OF FR. THATHIREDDY PRANAY KUMAR

Name : Fr. Thathireddy Pranay Kumar

**DOB** : 4<sup>th</sup> May 1992

Parish : Sacred Heart Church, Bachupally

Village, Nedunur Parish

**Parents name** : Thathireddy Arogyareddy,

Thathireddy Saramma

**Siblings** : Thathireddy Suresh, Thathireddy

Surekha

**Motto** : "I have called you by name, you are

mine." (Isaiah 43: 1)

**School**: Fathima Vidyalayam, Mahabubnagar (2000-2008)

**Intermediate**: Sri Chaitanya Junior College, Chaitanyapuri,

Dilsukhnagar(2008-2010)

**Graduation**: Christu Jyothi Institute of Technology and Science (B-Tech,

ECE) (2010-2014)

Minor Seminary : Orienation Course at Queen of Apostles Seminary PIME,

Eluru.(2014-2015)

**Spiritual Orientation:** St. Paul's Regional Seminary, Nuzvid(2015-2016)

**Philosophical Studies:** St John's Regional Seminary, Kondadaba(2016-2019)

**Regency**: Holy Family Church, Trimulgherry, Secunderabad(2019-

2020)

Theological Studies: St. John's Regional Seminary, Ramanthapur, Hyderabad.

(2020-2023)

Diaconate Ordination: 27th October 2023 at St. John's Regional Seminary,

Ramanthapur, Hyderabad by His Excellency Most Rev.

Rayarala Vijaya Kumar, Bishop of Srikakulam.

**Diaconate Ministry:** St Anthony's Shrine, Mettuguda

**Priestly Ordination:** 20th April 2024 at Sacred Heart Church, Bachupally Village,

Nedunur Parish, by His Eminence Cardinal Poola Anthony,

Archbishop of Hyderabad.

### We Congratulate Our Silver Jubilarians.

### 3. REV. FR. ANTHONY PAUL RAJ NARISETTY

Date of Birth : 29<sup>th</sup> September 1969

Parents : Rajamma & Late Chinnaiah

Siblings : One older sister & One older brother

Anthony Nirmala Mary & Deva

Hrudaya Raj

School : Muncipal High School

Narasaraopet &

Archbishop Pothakamuri Thomas Memorial High school,

Pedda Vadlapudi.

Seminary : Mt. St. Alphonsus, Bengaluru & St. John's Major Seminary,

Hyderabad.

Secular Studies : M.A. (Masters in Arts), B. Ed (Bachelor of Education)

Ecclesiastical Studies: Bachelor of Philosophy, Mt. St. Alphonsus, Bengaluru

Bachelor of Theology, St. John's Major Seminary,

Hyderabad.

Diaconate Ordination: 19th Jan 1999 by Late Archbishop SamineniArulappa

Ordination : May 19, 1999, by Late Bishop P.C. Balaswamy, at St. Francis

Xavier's Church, Narasaraopet, Palnadu District, A. P.

### **APPOINTMENTS:**

2021 - till date Working in the Diocese of Guntur.

2020 - 2021 Administrator, St. Michael's Catholic Church, Calgary, Canada

2018 - 2020Parochial Vicar, St. Patrick's Parish, Calgary, Canada

2016 - 2018 Parochial Vicar, St. Albert the Great, Calgary, Canada

2015- 2016 Parish Priest, St. Ignatius Church, Gagillapur& Rector of St. Ignatius Boarding Home

2009- 2015 Rector & Parish Priest, Shrine of Our Lady of Health, Khairatabad, Hyderabad

2009-2010 Correspondent, Fr. Roch Memorial High School, Khairatabad, Hyderabad

2009-2010 Additional Charge – Parish Priest, St. Anthony's Church, Bazarghat, Hyderabad

2003-2009 Parish Priest, St. Anthony's Church, Venkatapuram, Secunderabad

2002-2003 Parish Priest, St. Mark's Church, Tandur.

2000-2002 Parish Priest, Maria Rani Church,

Principal & Correspondent of Maria Rani School, Neela Camp.

1999-2000 Co-pastor, Our Lady of Lourdes, Dharmaram&

Vice principal of St. Joseph's High School Dharmaram.

Co-pastor, St. Joseph's Church and Jadi Jamalpur.

1999 Diaconate ministry at St. Joseph's Church, Jadi Jammalpur

1998-1999 Secretary to Late Archbishop SamineniArulappa

### Ecclesiastical Offices held in the Archdiocese Hyderabad:

2008 - 2013 Director of Laity Commission, Archdiocese Hyderabad

2009 – 2012 Dean of Hyderabad Deanery

2007 – 2011 member in the College of consultors' body, Archdiocese Hyderabad

2007 - 2011 member of the Senate, Archdiocese Hyderabad

### Religious and Other Activities in the Archdiocese Hyderabad and Abroad

- Preached retreats to Catechists in Calgary, Canada.
- Conducted prayers, Bible classes, House to house Bible to various groups and individuals
- Member in the knights of Columbus.
- Monthly recollections to couples for Christ, Legion of Mary, Servants of God and other groups
- > Preached recollections for the deanery priests and nuns of different communities
- Preached Parish level Retreats in various Parishes
- Conducted retreats to college and high school Students
- > Took classes for Parent Teacher Association
- Purchased a home for Presbytery in 2003, St. Anthony's Church, Venkatapuram, Secunderabad
- Built a Parish Church in 2008, St. Anthony's Church, Venkatapuram, Secunderabad
- Built a Presbytery in 2013-2015Shrine of Our Lady of Health, Khairatabad, Hyderabad
- Created a home for the retired priests of Archdiocese of |Hyderabad, in 2014-2015, Shrine of Our Lady of Health, Khairatabad, Hyderabad
- Built a Veneration Chapel in 2014, Shrine of Our Lady of Health, Khairatabad, Hyderabad
- Involved in renovations of buildings at Shrine of Our Lady of Health, Khairatabad, Hyderabad

### 4. REV. FR. DR. VINCENT AROKIADAS

**Date of Birth** : 3<sup>rd</sup> August 1968

Parents : Vincent Arokiaswamy and Vasanth

Mary

Siblings : One Elder Sister, Three Younger

Sisters and Two Younger Brothers. Irudhia Mary, Anthony Das, Roseline, Patrick, Angelina&Maria

Velangani.



**Schooling**: Rock Memorial High School, Khairthabad (passed out in

1988)

Intermediate : St. Mary's Junior College, Himayathnagar (1988-1990)Minor Seminary : St. Joseph's Minor Seminary, Gunfoundry (1990-1991)

**Spiritual Orientation:** St. Paul's Regional Seminary, Nuzvid (1991-1992)

### **SECULAR STUDIES**

- B.A. Bachelor Degree in Arts from Osmania University
- B.Ed. Bachelor Degree in Education from Osmania University
- LLB. Bachelor Degree in Indian Legislative Law from Osmaina University
- M.A. Master's Degreein English Literature from Osmaina University
- MBA. Master's Degree in Business Administration from Osmaina University
- M Phil . Post Master's Degree in English Literature from Madhurai Kamaraj University
- PhD. in Management from Sri Venkateshwara University (SVU)

### **ECCLESIASTICAL STUDIES**

B. Ph (Bachelor of Philosophy) St. John's Regional Seminary, Kondadaba, Vizag. B. Th (Bachelor of Theology) St. John's Regional Semianry, Hyderabad.

**Diaconate Ordination:** 20<sup>th</sup> December 1998 St. Mary's Basilica, Secunderabad. **Priestly Ordination:** 30<sup>th</sup> April 1999 by Archbishop Most Rev. SamineniArulappa, at Shrine of Our Lady of Good Health, Khairthabad.

### **APPOINTMENTS**

- 1999-2001 Asst. Parish Priest at St. Joseph's Cathedral, Gunfoundry
- 2001-2007 Archdiocesan Youth Director
- 2007-2010 National Chaplain for YCS / YSM INDIA
- 2010- 2011 Vice Principal of St Joseph's Degree and P.G. College& Associate Pastor at StAnthony's Shrine, Bazarghat
- 2011- 2013 Procurator and Chancellor & Chaplain to Sacred Heart Convent Ghandhi Hospital
- 2014 2019 Secretary& Principal of St. Joseph's Degree and P.G. College
- 2019 2020 Principal of St. Mary's School
- 2020- 2021 Associate Pastor at St. Joseph Church, Bollaram
- 2021 Till Date Parish Priest of Mount Carmel Church, New Bowenpally

### 5. REV. FR. ANTHONY SAGAYA RAJ

Name : Fr. Anthony Sagavaraja

Parents : Late S. Anthony & Late K. Elizabeth

Siblings : 2 Elder Brother (Eldest Brother is No More

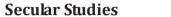
2 younger Sisters and 1 Younger Brother

Primary School: St. Philomena's Primary School, Bangalore

High School : St Joseph's High School, Bangalore.

Intermediate : St Philomena's College Mysore

Intermediate : St Philomena's College, Mysore.



M.A in English Osmania University

M. Phil in English: Madurai Kamaraj University, Tamil Nadu

### **Ecclesiastical Studies**

B.Ph - St. Joseph's Regional Seminary, Allahabad, U.P.

B.Th - St. Peter's Pontifical Seminary, Bangalore.

Diaconate Ordination : 19-12-1998 St Mary's Basilica, Secunderabad Priestly Ordination : 06-05-1999 St Joseph's Church, Vepary, Chennai.

### **Appointments**

1998-1999 : As a Deacon - Secretary to Late Archbishop S. Arulappa 1999-2000 : As a priest - Secretary to Late Archbishop S. Arulappa

2000-2005 : Parish Priest- St. Bernard's Church -Ammuguda 2005-2008 : Parish Priest – St. Anthony's Church-Bazarghat 2008-2011 : Parish Priest – AuxiliumChurch-Mahendra Hills

2007-2013 : Principal- St. Mary's Centenary Junior College -Secunderabad. 2013-2014 : Vice-Principal – St. Joseph's Degree & PG College- King Koti.

2014-2020 : Principal – St. Joseph's Junior College, Trimulgherry. 2020-2022 : Parish Priest- Holy Family Church, Trimulgherry.

2023-2024 : Principal – St. Joseph's Degree & PG College- King Koti Road.

### 6. FLAME KEEPERS' YOUTH RETREAT 2024 - JESUS YOUTH

\*Hyderabad: \* Flamekeepers, a 4-day retreat, was organised by Jesus Youth, Hyderabad, from 5th to 8th April at St. Pius Junior College, Ramnagar, during which, 36 teenagers committed to rekindling a personal relationship with Jesus every day and to contribute to their parishes in their own capacities. Rev. Fr. Praveen D'Souza, OFM, Parish Priest of St. Francis of Assisi, Ramnagar, celebrated the first Mass of the retreat. Rev. Sr. Manicyam, Superior of CSA Ramanagar and the sisters



extended their timely support throughout the retreat. During the retreat, a profound understanding was imparted by different speakers on topics that included 'Knowing my Identity', 'Identifying Jesus as my Superhero', 'God's Love', 'Forgiveness', 'Ten Commandments', 'Sin', 'Repentance and Confession' and 'The Holy Spirit'. Confession and Counselling were made available to the teenagers. Norah Florence, an Inter student exclaimed, "After confession, I could feel my body and soul being calm. I was very relieved that all my sins were forgiven."

Daily Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Personal Prayer, Praise & Worship and Music led the teenagers to experience God's presence, closely. "I felt Jesus tell me that I'm worthy of His love," said Angelina, an



Inter student. "It was a retreat of rejuvenation of faith and a healing of soul," she added. The teenagers were inspired by messages of faith, love and hope that were conveyed in dance form through ballets. They also, actively participated in the activities and group discussions that centred around life lessons. Vandana Maria Paul, JY International Assistant Coordinator said, "We stood in awe of the Lord, as we heard the retreatants share how each of them, personally experienced the touch and presence of the Lord, especially as they surrendered their lives to Him during the Eucharistic Adoration. "On the final day, Holy Mass was celebrated by Rev. Fr. Pranith Joji, Youth Director, Archdiocese of Hyderabad & JY Chaplain, Telugu Region, and by Rev. Fr. Fabianose, OFM, Assistant Parish Priest of St. Francis of Assisi, Ramnagar. Sharing his own personal testimony, Fr. Pranith reminded the young retreatants about the constant struggle between the flesh and the Spirit and exhorted them to "say yes to God, every day, to keep the flame burning."

-Fr. Pranith Joji, Youth Director, Archdiocese of Hyderabad

## 7. PREPARING CANDIDATES FOR RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA) IN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF HYDERABAD

With the blessings and the approval of His Eminence Cardinal Poola Anthony, Family of Faith Hyderabad, are pleased to announce the introduction of a training course to prepare candidates for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) in the Archdiocese of Hyderabad. The RCIA is an essential ministry in the Catholic Church that facilitates the process of initiating adults into the Catholic faith through a series of stages.

In the absence of an organised RCIA process in Hyderabad, we feel the need for a structured RCIA program by which a standard curriculum can be provided across the Archdiocese. By establishing this

RCIA course, the Archdiocese can extend its pastoral outreach and provide proper guidance to those seeking to become Catholic.

At the end of this course, candidates will be ready to receive the Sacraments of Initiation. This RCIA programme, recognised by the



Archdiocese of Hyderabad, is a tailor-made programme for adults and provides a journey of complete catechetical instruction, towards full incorporation into the life of Christ and His Church.

Family of Faith has identified "Adult Initiation – The Catechumenate for Adults", a Teacher's Manual, authored by Fr Aniceto Pereira which is used for the RCIA process by the Archdiocese of Mumbai. We have their permission to use this manual for our Archdiocese, and there is no copyright issue attached to this book. The 40 sessions of the course, each lasting about two hours, are designed to be completed within a year. We plan to commence our first batch during late May/early June 2024, so that the Sacraments of Initiation for the first batch can be administered during Easter 2025. The entire course is divided into four sections as below:

- a) Section I: Period of Evangelisation and Precatechumenate (*June to September*).
- b) Section II: Period of the Catechumenate (October to just before Lent).
- c) Section III: Period of the Purification and Enlightenment (*during Lent*).
- d) Section IV: Period of Post-Baptismal Catechesis or Mystagogy (*during Easter Season*).

We have the liberty to modify/adapt the curriculum to suit particular local needs of our Archdiocese.

The Family of Faith has set up a dedicated team of experienced and trained catechists, theologians, and pastoral ministers to manage/deliver this programme from a centralised location. This team will guide the candidates throughout the initiation process. All our resource persons have been trained to conduct this course by Fr Vincent D'Cruz, Director, Diocesan Catechetical Centre, Archdiocese of Mumbai.

[Parishes with candidates requiring preparation for the Sacraments of Initiation are requested to contact Family of Faith.]

Our resource persons are experienced Catechists and Apologists who have

been trained to conduct these sessions. For more details, please contact:
Sylvester Isaac -Phone: 97010 56299 Email: sylvester.isaac@gmail.com
Ashley Coelho -Phone: 94400 89828 Email: ajcoelho08@gmail.com
Robins Lazar -Phone: 98851 76679 Email: robins.lazer@gmail.com
Bernadine Isaac -Phone: 986699 3569 Email: bernadine.isaac@gmail.com

## Proposed Schedule for Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) 2024-2025

### SECTION I - PERIOD OF EVANGELISATION AND PRECATECHUMENATE

0	02-Jun-24	Welcome and Introduction		
1	09-Jun-24	Jesus prepares for His Mission		
2	16-Jun-24	Jesus, Unique Teacher		
3	23-Jun-24	The catch of Fish		
4	30-Jun-24	First Conflicts with the Pharisees		
5	07-Jul-24	The Beatitudes: The Heart of Jesus' preaching		
6	14-Jul-24	Breaking Barriers to Communion		
7	21-Jul-24	Take up your Cross		
	28-Jul-24	(extra)		
8	04-Aug-24	At Jerico on the Way to Jerusalem		
9	11-Aug-24	Jesus enters the Holy City of Jerusalem		
10	18-Aug-24	Merchants chased from the Temple		
11	25-Aug-24	Jesus washes the feet of His disciples		
12	01-Sep-24	The Last Supper (one day retreat)		
13	08-Sep-24	The Agony		
14	15-Sep-24	Jesus before the Sanhedrin and Pilate		
15	22-Sep-24	The Way of the Cross		
16	29-Sep-24	The Resurrection of Jesus		
	06-0ct-24	(extra)		
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17	13-0ct-24	Prayer, A Covenant Relationship
18	20-Oct-24	Forms of Prayer
19	27-Oct-24	Devotions
20	03-Nov-24	The Lord's Prayer
	10-Nov-24	(extra)
21	17-Nov-24	I Believe in God, the Father Almighty
22	24-Nov-24	I Believe in Jesus Christ
23	01-Dec-24	I Believe in the Holy Spirit
24	08-Dec-24	I Relieve in the Holy Catholic Church

25	15-Dec-24	The Sacraments of Initiation
26	22-Dec-24	The Sacraments of Healing
27	29-Dec-24	The Sacraments at the Service of Communion
28	05-Jan-25	The Liturgical Year
	12-Jan-25	(extra)
29	19-Jan-25	Law and Grace
30	26-Jan-25	Love God with all your Heart
31	02-Feb-25	Respect for Family and Life
32	09-Feb-25	Righteousness of Mind and Heart
	16-Feb-25	(extra)
33	23-Feb-25	God's Elect
	02-Mar-25	(extra)
	5-Mar-25	Ash Wednesday
<b>34</b>	9-Mar-25	The Rite of Election or Enrolment of Names (1st Sunday in Lent)
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	40 (	(TBD)	First Reconciliation
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	22-Iun-2	25 T	he Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (First Holy Communion)

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### FAMILY APOSTOLATE

## 1. JOURNEYING WITH FAMILIES TRAINING CUM CONSULTATION – (PART 2) STRENGTHENING FAMILIES, STRENGTHENING CHURCH

The Family Apostolate of the Archdiocese of Hyderabad is organizing Journeying with Families (Part 2). Pope Francis noted, "social changes are altering the living conditions of marriage and families all over the world," and that "prolonged and multiple crises" are putting a strain on family life. His antidote to this was to "rediscover the value of the family as the source and origin of the social order, as the vital cell of a fraternal society capable of caring for the common home." Journeying with Families plays a unique role of propelling this profound aspiration of the Holy Father. Spread across a weekend, on the first day this programoffers a one-day training cum consultation for all priests and religious of the Archdiocese on Saturday 11th May 2024 at Satyodyam, Tarnaka from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm. The driving force of the program is based on the "Amoris Laetitia Family", an initiative of Pope Francis, to reach every family around the world through several spiritual, pastoral and cultural proposals that can be implemented within Parishes, Deaneries, Dioceses, universities, ecclesial movements and family associations.

"Authority, stability, and a life of relationships within the family constitute the foundations for freedom, security, and fraternity within society" (CCC 2207). To amplify this as an impetus in Clerical life, the focus at this training will be on accompanying couples for the first years of married life; respect and accompaniment towards divorced couples, homosexuals, disparity of cult, mixed marriages and any other special circumstances. At this seminar we plan to provide priests and religious with a toolkit so as to have more meaningful interactions with the families in their respective deanery, parishes, institutions and communities.

Thesecond day of the "Journeying with Families" (Part 2) is a one-day seminar and training for families and lay leaders on Sunday 12th May 2024 at Satyodayam, Tarnaka from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. The goal is to empower families and lay leaders to help reach out to families in need in various parishes and institutions. In his Post-Synodal Apostolic Exhortation the Holy Father Pope John Paul II declared prophetically that the third millennium will be of the lay people. The Family Apostolate is always oriented towards bringing creativity, interactivity and inclusivity in its various spiritual and psycho-spiritual formations or programs. With Journeying with Families (Part 2) we seek to continue this moment and encourage active and respectful cooperation and collaboration between the Priests, Religious & Families.

Lunch, tea and resource material will be provided for both the days. Please

encourage your deanery priests, members of your religious communities and families from your parishes to attend this program. Please register at the earliest.

John Roger Anthony for Family Apostolate

2. WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND HELD ON 20<sup>TH</sup> AND 21<sup>ST</sup> APRIL, 2024

The mission of Worldwide Marriage Encounter (WME) calls us to bring our charism, concepts and values to the married couples of the world by adopting different approaches as identified by the world council for presenting the WME foundational programme.

Recent conduct of the original residential WME weekend experience revealed hesitancy among married couples in staying over two nights and two days due to their commitment to children, elderly parents, pets and job constraints. A couple of WME weekend programmes at Hyderabad had to be cancelled at the last minute as a bare minimum of two couples reported to attend and whereas the other registered cancelled their attendance citing personal reasons.

A meeting of WME Hyderabad was held to discuss the issues at hand and to resolve the matter for better attendance and participation of the married couples. It was decided to hold deanery-wise non-residential



WME weekend in a parish adjoining a school to provide the requisite accommodation for conducting the programme and catering for privacy during dialoguing amongst the couples.

As a pilot project St. Francis Xavier Church and Valerian Grammar School was earmarked after obtaining the permission of the Parish Priest and school Principal. The venue was visited by the Director of The Family Apostolate and his team to check the feasibility and resources available for the smooth conduct of the programme. The day, topics/activity, timings, duration (presentation, writing, discussion and dialogue) is attached as appendix.

A total of six couples from the surrounding parishes attended the programme. All the sessions went off as per plan and the feedback from the couples was encouraging and fulfilling for the presenters as well. The admin arrangements was looked after by the members of the WME belonging to the parish which enabled the presenters to focus on the conduct of the sessions, thus facilitating the efficient conduct of the programme.

-Joachim Joseph & Sylvie Joseph for WWME HYD

## National News

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### CATHOLIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE OF INDIA (CBCI)

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To the Catholic Bishops of India.

Your Eminence/Your Beatitude/ Your Grace/ Your Excellency/ Your Lordship,

Greetings of Peace of the Risen Lord from the CBCI Secretariat and CHARIS India. Special greetings from Archbishop Francis Kalist.

It brings deep hope to know that many faithful from different quarters of our Nation prayed fervently as they observed the National Day of Prayer and Fasting on 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2024. I express my gratitude to all my brother Bishops/ Archbishops and Cardinals who heeded my humble request and encouraged the faithful of their respective dioceses for this collective prayer action.

We are aware that apart from the political volatility effecting our Nation in the present scenario there is a serious threat to life that our Nation is facing irrespective of religion - that of abortion. According to Lancet Global Health medical journal, a total of 15.6 million (1.56 crore) abortions took place across India in 2015. A global study conducted by 'Guttmacher Institute 'stated that the number of unintended pregnancies ending in abortion in India increased from 47% to 77% between the year 2015-2019. This is a serious threat as the greatest gift by God on earth, human life is the strongest wealth of our Nation. I recall the words from the Scripture: "I call heaven and earth to witness against you today that I have set before you life and death, blessings and curses. Choose life so that you and your descendants may live" (Dt. 30:19). We are called to "Choose Life" at all times as Jesus said in John 10:10 (RSV), "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy; I came that they may have life, and have it abundantly.

Members of CHARIS India had addressed the gravity of this matter during the CBCI Meeting and exhorted us about the importance of gathering together as one Nation to raise our voice against this grave evil during the National March for Life which is to be held this year in Trichur.

Therefore, with utmost joy, I extend a cordial welcome to all to be a part of the 3rd National March for Life on 10th August 2024 in my home diocese, the Archdiocese of Trichur. The program begins with exhibitions and live workshops



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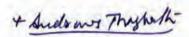
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at 9.00 am which will go on till 1.00 pm. At 2.00 pm, the Holy Eucharistic celebration will take place followed by an inaugural public gathering. Thereafter the March begins at 4pm. I request the participation of the following members from each Diocesan Family Commission: 1 Priest in charge, 1 Sister-in-charge, 1 Layman,1 laywoman and 1 youth representative to participate in the day's program to join voices together so that we as 'the Church' are able to echo aloud the Gospel of life.

Kindly find attached the poster. The Google form link for registration is https://forms.gle/NmFqhVLriVCCbyPd7

In anticipation of your support for the cause of 'Life', Yours fraternally in Christ,



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# 2. CBCI CONDEMNS ATTACK ON ST. MOTHER TERESA SCHOOL IN TELANGANA URGES TO STAND AGAINST EXPLOITATION OF DIVERSITY

**New Delhi, 18 April** -The Catholic Bishops' Conference of India (CBCI) unequivocally condemns the recent attack on St. Mother Teresa English Medium School located in Kannepally, Mancherial district of Telangana. The assault, carried out by a mob of anti-social elements on April 16th, 2024, is a reprehensible act of violence against an educational institution and its staff.

According to reports received, the mob, dressed in saffron, forcibly entered the school premises shouting religious slogans, and targeting the school due to an incident where the Principal, Fr. Joseph had questioned a few students for not wearing the prescribed school uniform. The mob manhandled Fr. Joseph, chased out teachers, and vandalized school property.

The CBCI firmly denounces such acts of violence and intimidation, which not only threaten the safety and security of educational institutions and its staff but also undermine the principles of harmony and coexistence in our society. The Christian community in India, known for its commitment to peace and nation-building, stands resolutely against such disruptive behavior.

The CBCI calls for immediate action to be taken against the perpetrators of this heinous act. It is imperative that those responsible for instigating and carrying out this attack are swiftly identified and brought to justice.

We urge all communities to resist the propagation of misinformation and divisive rhetoric. We are all integral parts of this great nation, and our unity in diversity is a cornerstone of our identity. We implore our fellow citizens, irrespective of faith, to stand together against any attempts to exploit our diversity for narrow, selfish agendas. Let us reaffirm our commitment to peace, mutual respect, and the collective prosperity of our beloved country.

- Fr. Robinson Rodrigues, PRO, CBCI

# International News

### 1. CYCLE OF CATECHESIS. VICES AND VIRTUES. 15. TEMPERANCE

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

Today I will talk about the fourth and final cardinal virtue: temperance. With the other three, this virtue shares a history that goes far back in time and does not only belong to Christians. For the Greeks, the practice of the virtues had happiness as its objective. The philosopher Aristotle wrote his most important treatise on ethics, addressing it to his son Nicomachus, to instruct him in the art of living. Why does everyone seek happiness, even though so few achieve it? This is the question. To answer it, Aristotle turns to the theme of virtues, among which enkráteia, that is, temperance, takes a prominent place. The Greek term literally means "power over oneself". Temperance is a power over oneself. This virtue is thus the capacity for self-mastery, the art of not letting oneself be overcome by rebellious passions, of establishing order in what Manzoni calls "the jumble of the human heart".

The Catechism of the Catholic Church tells us that "temperance is the moral virtue that moderates the attraction of pleasures and provides balance in the use of created goods". The Catechism continues, "It ensures the will's mastery over instincts and keeps desires within the limits of what is honourable. The temperate person directs the sensitive appetites toward what is good and maintains a healthy discretion, and does not follow the base desires, but restrains the appetites" (cf. 1809). Therefore, temperance, as the Italian word says, is the virtue of the right measure. In every situation, one behaves wisely, because people who act always moved by impulse or exuberance are ultimately unreliable. People without temperance are always unreliable. In a world where many people boast about saying what they think, the temperate person instead prefers to think about what he says. Do you understand the difference? Not saying whatever comes into my mind, like so... no: thinking about what I have to say. He does not make empty promises but makes commitments to the extent that he can fulfil them.

The temperate person acts judiciously also with regards to pleasures. The free course of impulses and total license accorded to pleasures end up backfiring on us, plunging us into a state of boredom. How many people who have wanted to try everything voraciously have found themselves losing the taste for everything! It is

better, then, to seek the right measure. For example, in order to appreciate a good wine, tasting it in small sips is better than swallowing it all in one go. We all know this.

The temperate person knows how to weigh words and dose them well. He thinks about what he says. He does not allow a moment's anger to ruin relationships and friendships that can then only be rebuilt with difficulty. Especially in family life, where inhibitions are lower, we all run the risk of not keeping tensions, irritations and anger in check. There is a time to speak and a time to be silent, but both require the right measure. And this applies to many things, for instance being with others and being alone. If the temperate person knows how to control his own irascibility, this does not mean we always find him with a peaceful and smiling face. Indeed, at times it is necessary to be indignant, but always in the right way. These are the words: the just measure, the right way. A word of rebuke is at times healthier than a sour, rancorous silence. The temperate person knows that nothing is more uncomfortable than correcting another person, but he also knows that it is necessary; otherwise, one offers free reign to evil. In some cases, the temperate person succeeds in holding extremes together: he affirms absolute principles, asserts non-negotiable values, but also knows how to understand people, and he shows empathy for them. He shows empathy.

The gift of the temperate person is therefore balance, a quality as precious as it is rare. Indeed, everything in our world pushes to excess. Instead, temperance combines well with Gospel values such as littleness, discretion, modesty, meekness. The temperate person appreciates the respect of others but does not make it the sole criterion for every action and every word. He is sensitive, he is able to cry and is not ashamed about it, but he does not weep over himself. In defeat, he rises up again; in victory, he is capable of returning to his former reserved life. He does not seek applause but knows that he needs others. Brothers and sisters, it is not true that temperance makes one grey and joyless. On the contrary, it lets one enjoy the goods of life better: staying together at the table, the tenderness of certain friendships, confidence with wise people, wonder at the beauty of creation. Happiness with temperance is the joyfulness that flourishes in the heart of those who recognize and value what counts most in life. Let us pray to the Lord that He might give us this gift the gift of maturity, of age, of emotional maturity, of social maturity. The gift of temperance.

## 2. CYCLE OF CATECHESIS. VICES AND VIRTUES. 16. THE LIFE OF GRACE ACCORDING TO THE SPIRIT

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning!

In recent weeks we have reflected on the cardinal virtues: prudence, justice, fortitude, and temperance. They are the four cardinal virtues. As we have emphasized several times, these four virtues belong to a very ancient wisdom that predates even Christianity. Even before Christ, honesty was preached as a civic duty, wisdom as the rule for actions, courage as the fundamental ingredient for a life that tends towards the good, and moderation as the necessary measure not to be overwhelmed by excesses. This patrimony that is so ancient, the patrimony of humanity has not been replaced by Christianity, but focused on, enhanced, purified, and integrated in the faith. There is therefore in the heart of every man and woman the capacity to seek the good. The Holy Spirit is given so that those who receive it can clearly distinguish good from evil, have the strength to adhere to good by shunning evil, and, in so doing, achieve full self-realization.

But in the journey that we are all making towards the fullness of life, which belongs to the destiny of every person – the destiny of each person is fulness, to be full of life – the Christian enjoys special assistance from the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of Jesus. It is implemented through the gift of three other, distinctly Christian virtues, which are often mentioned together in the New Testament writings. These fundamental attributes, which characterize the life of the Christian, are three virtues that we often speak of together: faith, hope and charity.

Let's say it together: [together] faith, hope... I don't hear anything! Louder! [together] Faith, hope, and charity! Good job!

Christian writers soon called them "theological" virtues, insofar as they are received and lived out in relationship with God, to differentiate them from the other four, called "cardinal" insofar as they constitute the "hinge" [It, "cardine"] of a good life. These three are received in Baptism and come from the Holy Spirit. The one and the other, both the theological and the cardinal, put together in so many systematic reflections, have thus composed a wonderful septenary, which is often contrasted with the list of the seven deadly sins. This is how the Catechism of the Catholic Church defines the action of the theological virtues: "the theological virtues are the foundation of Christian moral activity; they animate it and give it its special

character. They inform and give life to all the moral virtues. They are infused by God into the souls of the faithful to make them capable of acting as his children and of meriting eternal life. They are the pledge of the presence and action of the Holy Spirit in the faculties of the human being" (n. 1813).

While the risk of the cardinal virtues is of generating men and women who are heroic in doing good, but all alone, isolated, the great gift of the theological virtues is existence lived in the Holy Spirit. The Christian is never alone. He does good not because of a titanic effort of personal commitment, but because, as a humble disciple, he walks in the footsteps of Jesus, the Master. He goes forward on the way. The Christian has the theological virtues, which are the great antidote to self-sufficiency. How often do certain morally irreproachable men and women run the risk of becoming conceited and arrogant in the eyes of those who know them! It is a danger that the Gospel rightly warns us against, when Jesus advises the disciples: "You too, when you have done all that you have been commanded, say, 'We are useless servants. We have done what we ought to have done'" (Lk 17:10). Pride is a poison, a powerful poison: a drop of it is enough to spoil a whole life marked by goodness. A person may have performed a mountain of good deeds, may have reaped accolades and praise, but if he has done all this only for himself, to exalt himself, can he still call himself a virtuous person? No!

Good is not only an end, but also a means. Goodness needs a lot of discretion, a lot of kindness. Above all, goodness needs to be stripped of that sometimes too cumbersome presence that is our ego. When our "I" is at the centre of everything, everything is ruined. If we perform every action in life only for ourselves, is this motivation really so important? The poor "I" takes hold of everything and thus pride is born. To correct all these situations, which sometimes become painful, the theological virtues are of great help. They are especially so in times of falling, because even those with good moral intentions sometimes fall We all fall in life. because we are all sinners. Just as even those who practice virtue daily sometimes make mistakes; we all make mistakes in life: intelligence is not always clear, will is not always firm, passions are not always governed, courage does not always overcome fear. But if we open our hearts to the Holy Spirit - the Master of the interior life – He revives the theological virtues in us: then, if we have lost confidence, God reopens us to faith; with the strength of the Spirit, if we have lost confidence, God reopens us to faith; if we are discouraged, God awakens hope in us; and if our heart is hardened, God softens it with His love. Thank you.

## Dates & Events to Remember

- 01. St. Joseph the Worker (M)
- 02. St. Athanasius. Bp & Dr (M)
- 03. Sts. Philip and James, Ap (F)
- 10. St. John of Avila, (Op. M)
- 12. The Ascension of the Lord (Sol)
- 13. Our Lady of Fathima (Op. M)
- 14. St. Matthias, Ap (F)
- 18. St. John I, Pp &Mrtr (Op. M)
- 19. Pentecost Sunday (Sol)



- 20. Mary Mother of the Church (M)
- 21. St. Christopher Magallanes (Op. M)
- 22. St. Rita of Caseia, rel. (Op. M)
- 25. Sts. Bede the Venerable, Gregory the VII, Mary
- Magdalene de Pazzi (Op. M) 26. The Most Holy Trinity (Sol)
- 27. St. Augustine of Canterbury Bp (Op.M)
- 29. St. Paul VI (Op. M)
- 31. The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary (F)

### Happy Birthday Dear Fathers

- 01. Fr. Gunda Bala Kiran
- 14. Fr. Madanu Ioseph Ir
- 14. Fr. Ambati Pranith
- Fr. Yeruva Marreddy 16.
- 16. Fr. Golamari Vinay Kumar
- 20. Fr. Kandula Charles



- Fr. Joseph Murickan
- Fr. Pentareddy Gnanareddy 21.
- Fr. Gopu Sunder Reddy 29.
- Fr. Susai Antony (Tony) 30.
- 31. Fr. Madanu Isaacy

### Happy Ordination day Dear Fathers

- 01. Fr. Bandanadam Dennis Bhaskar
- 03. Fr. Pasala Joseph Kumar
- 03. Fr. Pidikirala Pradbhudas
- 03. Fr. Vaddamalla Vinod Kumar
- 06. Fr. Chinnabathini Benjamin
- 06. Fr. Anthony Sagavaraja
- 06. Fr. Tharigopala Victor Emmanuel
- 06. Fr. Therukunnel M. Matthew
- 07. Fr. Thomas Andrew Raj
- 07. Fr. Joseph Murickan
- 11. Fr. Bandanadam Prem Kumar

- 11. Fr. C.M. Michael D'souza
- 11. Fr. MadanuArogyaswamy
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- 23. Fr. Pasala Sleeva Raju
- 23. Fr. Thathireddy Anil Kumar
- 31. Fr. Susai Antony (Tony)

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11. Fr. Aloysious Benny

12. Fr. Maramreddy Anthony Reddy

- 18. Fr. Mulaguri Dhanraj
- 21. Fr. Udumala Anthaiah
- 22. Fr. Golamari Innareddy
- 23. Most Rev. Alphonso Beretta, PIME
- 27. Fr. Yeruva Bali
- 31. Fr. Henry D'souza

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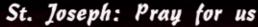
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Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him,

May his soul rest in peace. Amen

I am the resurrection & the life, He who believes in me will live In 11:25



Archdiocese of Hyderabad August 6th, 1999 - April 7th, 2024 Our prayers to the departed sout to rest in peace,
May he have a blessed place in heaven.
Condolences to all dear and near ones of the late
Rev. Br. Gade Manoj

We assure our prayers to the bereaved family & Friends Archbishop, Priests & St. John's Family- Rector, Staffs & loving Brothers,