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MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE 108th WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES 2022 (25 September 2022)

Building the Future with Migrants and Refugees "Here we have no lasting city, but we seek the city that is to come." (Heb 3:14)

Dear brothers and sisters!



The ultimate meaning of our "journey" in this world is the search for our true homeland, the Kingdom of God inaugurated by Jesus Christ, which will find its full realization when he comes in glory. His Kingdom has not yet been brought to fulfilment, though it is already present in those who have accepted the salvation he offers us.



"God's Kingdom is in us. Even though it is still eschatological, in the future of the world and of humanity, at the same time it is found in us."

The city yet to come is a "city that has foundations, whose architect and builder is God" (Heb 11:10). His plan calls for an intense work of construction, in which all of us must be personally involved. It involves a meticulous effort aimed at personal conversion and the transformation of reality, so that it can correspond ever more fully to the divine plan. The tragedies of history remind us how far we are from arriving at our goal, the new Jerusalem, "the dwelling place of God with men" (Rev 21:3). Yet this does not mean that we should lose heart. In the light of what we have learned in the tribulations of recent times, we are called to renew our commitment to building a future that conforms ever more fully to God's plan of a world in which everyone can live in peace and dignity.

"We wait for new heavens and a new earth, where righteousness is at home" (2 Pet 3:13). Righteousness is one of the building blocks of God's Kingdom. In our daily efforts to do the Lord's will, justice needs to be built up with patience, sacrifice, and determination, so that all those who hunger and thirst for it may be satisfied (cf. Mt 5:6). The righteousness of the Kingdom must be understood as the fulfilment of God's harmonious plan, whereby in Christ, who died and rose from the dead, all creation returns to its original goodness, and humanity becomes once more "very good" (cf. Gen 1:1-31). But for this wondrous harmony to reign, we must accept Christ's salvation, his Gospel of love, so that the many forms of inequality and discrimination in the present world may be eliminated.

No one must be excluded. God's plan is essentially inclusive and gives priority to those living on the existential peripheries. Among them are many migrants and refugees, displaced persons, and victims of trafficking. The Kingdom of God is to be

built with them, for without them it would not be the Kingdom that God wants. The inclusion of those most vulnerable is the necessary condition for full citizenship in God's Kingdom. Indeed, the Lord says, "Come, you who are blessed by my Father. Inherit the Kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. ..." (Mt 25:34-36).

Building the future with migrants and refugees also means recognizing and valuing how much each of them can contribute to the process of construction. I like to see this approach to migration reflected in a prophetic vision of Isaiah, which considers foreigners not invaders or destroyers, but willing labourers who rebuild the walls of the new Jerusalem, that Jerusalem whose gates are open to all peoples (cf. Is 60:10-11). In Isaiah's prophecy, the arrival of foreigners is presented as a source of enrichment: "The abundance of the sea shall be brought to you, and the wealth of the nations shall come to you" (Is 60:5). Indeed, history teaches us that the contribution of migrants and refugees has been fundamental to the social and economic growth of our societies. This continues to be true in our own day. Their work, their youth, their enthusiasm and their willingness to sacrifice enrich the communities that receive them. Yet this contribution could be all the greater were it optimized and supported by carefully developed programs and initiatives. Enormous potential exists, ready to be harnessed, if only it is given a chance.

In Isaiah's prophecy, the inhabitants of the new Jerusalem always keep the gates of the city wide open, so that foreigners may come in, bringing their gifts: "Your gates shall always be open; ..." (Is 60:11). The presence of migrants and refugees represents a great challenge, but at the same time an immense opportunity for the cultural and spiritual growth of everyone. Thanks to them, we have the chance to know better our world and its beautiful diversity. We can grow in our common humanity and build together an ever greater sense of togetherness. Openness to one another creates spaces of fruitful exchange between different visions and traditions, and opens minds to new horizons. It also leads to a discovery of the richness present in other religions and forms of spirituality unfamiliar to us, and this helps us to deepen our own convictions. In the new Jerusalem of all peoples, the temple of the Lord is made more beautiful by the offerings that come from foreign lands: "All the flocks of Kedar shall be gathered to you, the rams of Nebaioth shall minister to you....." (Is 60:7). As we have seen, the arrival of Catholic migrants and refugees can energize the ecclesial life of the communities that welcome them. Often they bring an enthusiasm that can revitalize our communities and enliven our celebrations. Sharing different expressions of faith and devotions offers us a privileged opportunity for experiencing more fully the catholicity of the People of God.

Dear brothers and sisters, and, in a special way, young people! If we want to cooperate with our heavenly Father in building the future, let us do so together with our brothers and sisters who are migrants and refugees. Let us build the future today! For the future begins today and it begins with each of us. We cannot leave to future generations the burden of responsibility for decisions that need to be made now, so that God's plan for the world may be realized and his Kingdom of justice, fraternity, and peace may come.

Prayer : Lord, make us bearers of hope, so that where there is darkness, your light may shine, and where there is discouragement, confidence in the future may be reborn. Lord, make us instruments of your justice, so that where there is exclusion, fraternity may flourish, and where there is greed, a spirit of sharing may grow. Lord, make us builders of your Kingdom, together with migrants and refugees, and with all who dwell on the peripheries. Lord, let us learn how beautiful it is to live together as brothers and sisters. Amen.

Rome, Saint John Lateran, 9 May 2022

POPE FRANCIS



Archbishop's Message



Among the many liturgical festivities of the Catholic Church in the month of September there is one that customarily goes unnoticed! It is the feast day of Saint Robert Bellarmine on the 17th September which the Church liturgically celebrates as a memorial. He was born in the days of the Protestant reformation in 1542 in Tuscany; and through the mercy of God for him and for the Church he became a Religious and a priest of the Society of Jesus founded by St. Ignatius of Loyola. As a priest of the Roman Catholic Church and as an ardent member of the Society of Jesus in the Holy Spirit he served Christ's faithful flock in His holy Catholic Church as an illustrious theologian in the Collegio Romano. His skill in rationally highlighting the theological errors of his religio-political turbulent time and his priestly ability to expound the divinely revealed saving truth of the Son our Lord Jesus Christ, drew the Roman Pontiff to elevate him to the college of Cardinals even as a priest and thereafter consecrate him Bishop of Capua. In his new capacity as Cardinal and Bishop "he was of considerable help to the Roman Congregations in solving the many difficult questions which arose."

What did Saint Robert Bellarmine teach Christ's faithful flock as an illustrious theologian of His one Catholic Church? He spoke about the sweetness of Christ's yoke: "My yoke is easy and my burden is light (Mt 11:30)." He enquires of Christ: "What is this yoke of yours that does not tire but brings rest?" He reports Christ's answer to this question: "It is the great and first commandment: you shall love the Lord your God with all your heart," and reflectingly expounds its sublimity saying, "what is easier, better and more agreeable than to love goodness, beauty and love, all of which you are, O Lord my God?" Then he proceeds to declare 'the very ample reward' that God offers to those who love him, quoting the words of St. James saying 'The Lord has prepared the crown of life for those who love him' which 'no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor has the heart of man conceived what God has prepared for those who love him.' Nevertheless, the unspeakable blessedness of the 'good life'

that God offers for those who love him, was shown to the three blessed Apostles in the transfiguration of Jesus' human body in the Holy Spirit on the Mount and finally laid bare before the eyes of the eleven Apostles and 'more than five hundred brethren at one time' by Christ himself after his bodily resurrection from the dead in the Holy Spirit, and in His bodily ascension into heaven in the Holy Spirit from the very midst of His eleven Apostles, to be made known by them to all the peoples of this world until the end of time. And so, St. Robert concludes and exhorts: 'That first commandment is not only profitable for the man who keeps it or for God who commands it: the other commandments of God also make perfect him who obeys them, improves him, instruct him and make him illustrious; in a word they make him good and holy. If you understand this, realize that you have been created for the glory of God and for your own eternal salvation; this is your end, this is the object of your soul and the treasure of your heart. You will be blessed if you reach this goal, but miserable if you are cut off from it. Therefore consider that to be your real good which brings you to your goal, and that to be really bad which cuts you off from this goal' How salutary and timely is this teaching of St. Robert Bellarmine for the success of the Holy Spirit's redeeming and sanctifying mission as the Spirit of Truth in the souls of Christ's faithful disciples who persevere in holy fear of God, and strive to work out their salvation 'in fear and trembling' amidst the subtle and formidable secularizing forces that assail their obedience of faith in Christ's holy Catholic Church. Truly, St. Robert Bellarmine is a reliable mentor and salutary role model for all serious-minded priests of the Catholic Church in today's world!

POPE'S INTENTION: SEPTEMBER 2022

For the abolition of the death penalty:

we pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.



Solemnities and Feasts

SEPTEMBER 05th

ST. TERESA OF CALCUTTA

Mother Teresa (26 August 1910 – 5 September 1997), also known as Saint Teresa of Calcutta, was an Albanian-Indian Roman Catholic nun who in 1950 founded and was an active member of the Missionaries of Charity. Mother Teresa left a testament of unshakable faith, invincible hope and extraordinary charity. Her response to Jesus' plea, "Come be My light," made her a Missionary of Charity, a "mother to the poor," a symbol of compassion to the world, and a living witness to the thirsting love of God.



As a testament to her most remarkable life, Pope John Paul II permitted the opening of her Cause of Canonization. On December 20, 2002 he approved the decrees of her heroic virtues and miracles. Mother Teresa was beatified by Pope John Paul II on October 19, 2003. "Mother often said, 'Holiness is not the luxury of the few, it is a simple duty for each one of us'. May her example help us to strive for holiness: to love God, to respect and love every human person created by God in His own image and in whom He dwells, and to care for our poor and suffering brethren.

May all the sick, the suffering, and those who seek God's help find a friend and intercessor in Mother." Following her beatification, a long wait for a second miracle then followed. On December 17, 2015 Pope Francis announced a second miracle had been attributed to the intercession of Mother Teresa. The miracle involved a Brazilian man who was afflicted with tumors who was miraculously cured. This cleared the way for Mother Teresa's canonization. St. Teresa of Calcutta was canonized by Pope Francis on September 4, 2016 in a ceremony that was witnessed by tens of thousands of people, including 1,500 homeless people across Italy.

Source: catholic.org

SEPT 08th

THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY



The Church has celebrated Mary's birth since at least the sixth century. A September birth was chosen because the Eastern Church begins its Church year with September. The September 8 date helped to determine the date for the feast of the Immaculate Conception on December 8. Scripture does not give an account of Mary's birth. However, the apocryphal *Protoevangelium of James* fills in the gap. This work has no historical value, but it does reflect the development of Christian piety. According to this account, Anna and Joachim are infertile but pray for a child. They receive the promise of a child who will advance God's plan of salvation for the world. Such a story, like many biblical counterparts, stresses the special presence of God in Mary's life from the beginning.

Saint Augustine connects Mary's birth with Jesus' saving work. He tells the earth to rejoice and shine forth in the light of her birth. "She is the flower of the field from whom bloomed the precious lily of the valley. Through her birth, the nature inherited from our first parents is changed." The opening prayer at Mass speaks of the birth of Mary's Son as the dawn of our salvation, and asks for an increase of peace. *Source: franciscanmedia.org*

SEPT 14th

THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

The Church has been so spectacularly successful in communicating its truths about suffering and death, about resurrection and life, that we perhaps don't notice that, over long centuries, a device of torture and death has been reinterpreted as the world's greatest symbol of life and peace. This is the paradox of the cross. Today's feast commemorates the Cross because in spiritual combat with life, the cross lost. A conqueror might plant the head of his decapitated opponent on a spike, a soldier might return from a far-away war with an enemy's flag captured in the heat of battle, or an American Indian might tuck the scalps of his poor victims under his saddle. Trophies of war take many forms. The Cross is Christ's war trophy. The Church exalts the Cross on this liturgical feast because this enemy of life was felled like timber by the Son of God. The Cross was brought low and humbled. It was mocked when Jesus rose from the dead. The Church holds up the Cross to say "Behold what the cross did not do. Behold that life conquers even a cruel and public death." God's self-emptying started at the incarnation. He humbled himself to walk among us when He restricted Himself to the limitations of His own creatures. God continued to pour Himself out until He climbed onto the wood of the Cross, completing the total self-gift that was His life.

Source: mycatholic.life



SEPT 21ST

ST. MATTHEW, AP & EV

St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist He is known to us principally as an Evangelist. He was the first to put down in writing our Lord's teaching and the account of His life. His Gospel was written in Aramaic, the language that our Lord Himself spoke. No one was more shunned by the Jews than a publican, who was a Jew working for the Roman enemy by robbing his own people and making a large personal profit. Publicans were not allowed to trade, eat, or even pray with others Jews. After the Ascension, Saint Matthew remained for over ten years in Judea, writing his Gospel there in about the year 44, to teach his countrymen that the kingdom of heaven had already been instigated, for Jesus was their true Lord and the King foretold by the prophets. He departed then to preach the Faith in Egypt and especially in Ethiopia, where he remained for twenty-three years. When he resurrected the son of the Ethiopian king who had received him, the miracle brought about the conversion of the royal house and with them the entire province. The king's daughter consecrated herself to God with several other maidens. When a young man wished to marry the beautiful Iphigenia, Saint Matthew invited him to come and listen to a discourse he was to make to that community of virgins, to hear what he would say to them. When the Apostle extolled the state of virginity, the suitor became enraged and arranged to have him slain as he came from the altar. Saint Hippolyte calls Saint Matthew the victim and martyr of holy virginity. *Source: sancotral.com*



SEPT 29th

STS. MICHAEL, GABRIEL & RAPHAEL, ARCHANGELS

Angels are pure, created spirits. The name angel means servant or messenger of God. Angels are celestial or heavenly beings, on a higher order than human beings. They are distinct from saints, which men can become. Angels have intellect and will, and are immortal.

St. Michael: The name of the archangel Michael means, in Hebrew, *who is like unto God?* and he is also known as "the prince of the heavenly host." He is usually pictured as a strong warrior, dressed in armor and wearing sandals. His name appears in Scripture four times, twice in the Book of Daniel, and once each in the Epistle of St. Jude and the Book of Revelation. From Revelation we learn of the battle in heaven, with St. Michael and his angels combatting Lucifer and the other fallen angels (or devils). We invoke St. Michael to help us in our fight against Satan; to rescue souls from Satan, especially at the hour of death; to be the champion of the Jews in the Old Testament and now Christians; and to bring souls to judgment.

St. Gabriel : St. Gabriel's name means "God is my strength." Biblically he appears three times as a messenger. He had been sent to Daniel to explain a vision concerning the Messiah. He appeared to Zachary when he was offering incense in the Temple, to foretell the birth of his son, St. John the Baptist. St. Gabriel is most known as the angel chosen by God to be the messenger of the Annunciation, to announce to mankind the mystery of the Incarnation.

St. Raphael: Our knowledge of the Archangel Raphael comes to us from the book of Tobit. His mission as wonderful healer and fellow traveller with the youthful Tobias has caused him to be invoked for journeys and at critical moments in life. Tradition also holds that Raphael is the angel that stirred the waters at the healing sheep pool in Bethesda. His name means "God has healed."

Source: catholicculture.org



Archbishop's Engagements

N.B.: You are welcome to meet the Archbishop "In Office Days". However because of last minute appointments, please call the secretary before coming. Ph No. 7207940883.

SEPTEMBER 2022

Till 03rd September : In Rome

04. Sun 05:30 p.m. : Mass at St Joseph's Cathedral, Gunfoundry

05 Mon (Morning) : In Office

06-07 Tue-Wed : Conference on Marriage and Family, Mumbai

08 Thu 10.30 a.m. : Holy Mass at Our Lady of Health Shrine, Khairathabad

09. Fri (Morning) : In Office

12-15. Mon-Thu : TCBC Meetings at St John's Regional Seminary, Ramanthapur

15. Thu 05:30 p.m. : Thanksgiving Mass at St.Mary's High School, Sec'bad

18. Sun 08:30 p.m. : 1st Holy Communion & Confirmations at Sacred Heart Church, Lallaguda

19. Mon : Governing Body Meeting at St. John's National Academy of Health Sciences, Bangalore

20-23. Tue-Fri : CCBI Executive Committee Meeting and CBCI Standing Committee Meeting at St. John's National Academy of Health Sciences, Bangalore

24. Sat : Occupied

25. Sun 08:00 a.m. : 1st Holy Communion & Confirmations at Infant Jesus Shrine, Emjala

05:30 p.m. : Mass: Annual Feast at Holy Cross Church, Vanasthalipuram

26-28. Mon-Wed (Morning) : In Office

29. Thu 10:00 a.m. : Priestly Ordination of Missionaries of Compassion at Our Lady of Grace Shrine at Aliabad.

05:00 p.m. : Visit to St. John's Regional Seminary, Ramanthapur

30. Fri 10:30 a.m. : CRI, Jeevan Jyothi, Begumpet

28th August, 2022
Archbishop's House

+Cardinal Poola Anthony
Archbishop of Hyderabad

Communications

A NOTE OF THANKS:

Dear Brothers and sisters in Christ Jesus, I sing God's Praises like Mary our Mother for He has looked kindly on me. I see my Elevation as a Cardinal as recognition of the poor and the Marginalized, the purpose for which Christ came into this world and for the same purpose, I believe, He called me to be a priest, Bishop, Archbishop and a Cardinal. As I participated in the ceremony, on 27th August, 2022, where Pope Francis installed me as Cardinal, I realized the confidence God has on me and I rededicated myself once again in the service of the people of God. I thank all of you for your prayers, support and love. I request your prayers daily that God will give me the wisdom, strength and health to be able to fulfill my responsibilities to local and universal Church.

Chancery Notice

1. ARCHBISHOP'S ELEVATION AS CARDINAL

Archbishop Poola Anthony was elevated and Installed as Cardinal on 27th August, 2022 by Pope Francis at St Peter's Basilica, Rome. To celebrate this Elevation and honour given to him and the Telugu States, especially to the Archdiocese of Hyderabad, we have organized A Pontifical Holy Mass and felicitation program **at 5 pm on Thursday 15th September, 2022** in St. Mary's High School Ground, Secunderabad. We invite you all to join us for this celebration to praise and thank God. We also seek your collaboration and support to make this celebration Blessed and Memorable.

2. ARCHBISHOP'S FIRST MASS AS CARDINAL IN HYDERABAD.

The Archbishop will arrive Hyderabad on 4th September Morning from Rome. A Holy Mass is organized at St. Joseph's Cathedral, Gunfoundary on 4th September at 5 pm. All the priests, Religious and the faithful are invited.

3. ANNUAL RETREAT:

1ST GROUP: The Annual Retreat for the 1st Group of Clergy of the Archdiocese of Hyderabad will be held at **Poondi Matha Basilica Retreat Centre, Tamil Nadu**, from 26th to 30th September, 2022. (You will leave Hyderabad on the 26th September morning and will be back to Hyderabad on the 1st October afternoon)

2ND GROUP: The Annual Retreat for the 2nd Group of Clergy of the Archdiocese of Hyderabad will be held at Archbishop's House Campus, Secunderabad, from 3rd to 7th October, 2022. The retreat begins at 10 am on 3rd October.

N.B: Kindly take note of the Group that you belong to and the corresponding dates of Annual Retreats, 2022. Keep yourselves free to participate in the Annual Retreat. Since this will be a closed retreat, please come with your personal belongings. Should there be any valid reason for anyone not able to attend the retreat, he needs to get prior permission from the Archbishop in writing at least one week before the Retreat starts. Please mention the date and place where you will make your retreat for the year.

4. ARCHBISHOP'S HOUSE OFFICE:

1. Kindly note that all offices at Archbishop's House will function Five days a week. (Monday to Friday).
2. All financial transactions to be done from 1st to 20th of every month.
3. Second Sunday collections to be sent before 20th of every month. Other Special Collections as per the date of celebration.
4. **Visiting hours:** Monday to Friday 10 am to 1 pm. (Kindly make an appointment with Secretary if you want to meet the Archbishop)

RECEIPT OF LOCAL MASS INTENTIONS		
Date	Parish/Individual	No. of Masses
28-07-2022	Bowenpally	328
03-08-2022	Gaddiannaram	50
08-08-2022	Mettuguda	1500
17-08-2022	Bandlines	100
22-08-2022	Divine Light Ministry	40
24-08-2022	Trimulgherry	400

5. 2ND SUNDAY COLLECTION FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2022

Sl No.	Date	Place	Amount	Sl No.	Date	Place	Amount
1		Aliabad		50	13-07-2022	Madinaguda	3600
2		Alirajpet		51	21-07-2022	Mahendra Hills	1000
3	07-07-2022	Ammuguda	2500	52		Mallapur	
4		Armoor		53		Manikonda Mission	
5		Arogya Nagar (Mission)		54		Medchal	
6		Arul Colony		55	16-08-2022	Medipalle	1000
7		Balaji Nagar		56	08-08-2022	Mettaguda	8970
8		Balaiah Nagar		57		Miyapur	
9	19-07-2022	Band Lines	6000	58		Moul - Ali	
10		Bandlaguda Jagir (Kismatpur)		59		Mudfort	
11	19-07-2022	Banjara Hills	10000	60		Muthangi	
12		Basuregadi		61	18-07-2022	Nacharam	2800
13		Bayyaram		62		Nandrakal	
14	13-07-2022	Bazar Ghat	1500	63		Narayankhed	
15	22-08-2022	Begumpet	3500	64		Nedunoor	
16		BHEL - MIG		65		Neela Camp	
17	15-07-2022	Bhoiguda	15000	66		Nizamabad	
18		Bodhan		67		Pargi	
19		Boduppal		68		Patancheru	
20	15-07-2022	Bolarum	7190	69	21-07-2022	Ramachandrapuram	8750
21	11-08-2022	Borabanda	4012	70	11-07-2022	Ramanthapur	2600
22	12-07-2022	Bowenpally	7300	71	16-07-2022	Ramnagar	9638
23		Cherlapally		72	13-07-2022	Sadasivpet	600
24		Chintalacheruvu		73		Sainikpuri	
25		Church Colony		74	15-07-2022	Sanathnagar	18030
26	13-07-2022	Dayanandnagar	3500	75		Sangareddy	
27		Dharmaram		76		Santhoshnagar	
28		Emjala		77	13-07-2022	Sappers Lines	1510
29	03-08-2022	Gaddiannaram	8312	78	12-07-2022	Secunderabad	36873
30	13-07-2022	Gagillapuram	1850	79		Seethaphalmandi	
31		Gajwel		80		Shabad	
32		Gandhinagar		81		Shamshabad	
33	12-07-2022	Garrison (Trimulgherry)	1690	82	13-07-2022	Shantinagar	2920
34		Ghatkesar		83		Shapurnagar	
35	03-08-2022	Gokonda	6327	84		Siddipet	
36	18-07-2022	Hyderabad, Gunfoundry	15000	85		Sultan Bazar	
37		Jadi Jamalpur		86	13-07-2022	Suraram	3000
38	18-08-2022	Jagadgirigutta	3500	87		Tandur	
39		Jahanuma		88		Toopran	
40		Jogipet		89	18-08-2022	Trimulgherry	17170
41		Joipet		90		Uminthal	
42		Kalwakole		91		Vanasthalipuram	
43		Kamareddy		92		Venkatapuram	
44		Khairatabad		93		Vikarabad	
45		Kissan Nagar		94	13-07-2022	Yapral	2500
46	14-07-2022	Kukatpally	20000	95	19-08-2022	Yeddumylaram	580
47		L. B. Nagar		96		Yellareddy	
48		Lallaguda		97		Zaheerabad	
49	03-08-2022	Lillipur	480				
						TOTAL	239202

Pastoral News

1. BLESSINGS OF MULTIPURPOSE HALL AT ST. MARY'S JUNIOR COLLEGE, SEC'BAD ON 06th AUGUST 2022



2. FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION AT OUR LADY OF VELANKANI SHRINE, SHAMSHABAD ON 14th AUGUST 2022



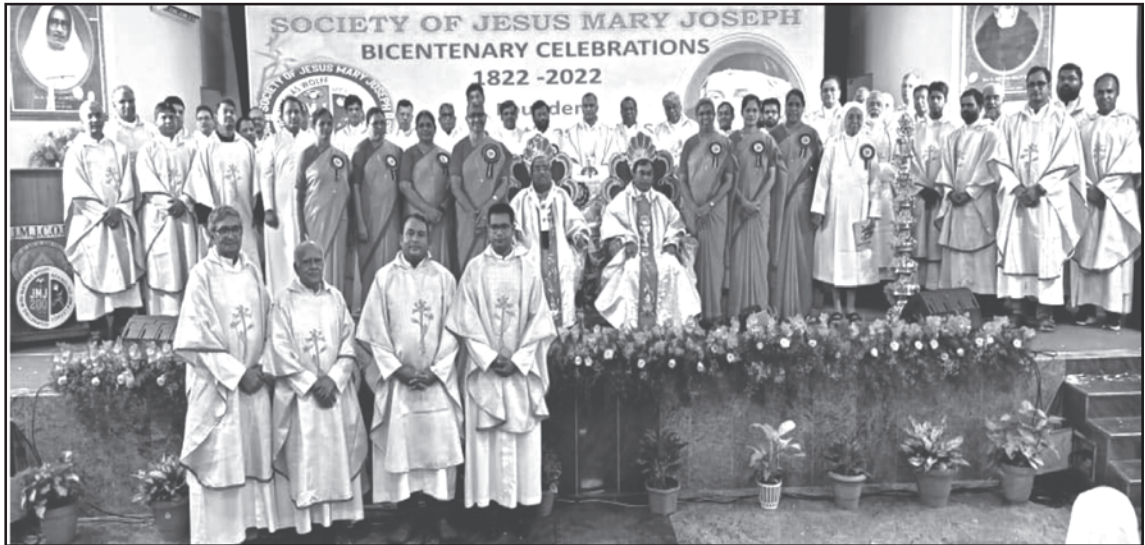
3. FESTIVE MASS AT ST. MARY'S BASILICA SEC'BAD ON 15TH AUGUST 2022



4. BLESSING OF SACRED HEART CONVENT SCHOOL NEW BLOCK PEERZADIGUDA, UPPAL ON 19TH AUGUST 2022



5. JMJ BICENTENARY JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS, ST. THERESA'S SCHOOL GROUNDS, SANATHNAGAR ON 20th AUGUST 2022



6. FEAST, FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION AT ST. PIOUS X CHURCH, NACHARAM ON 21st AUGUST 2022



Archdiocesan News

1. SC/BC COMMISSION OF ARCHDIOCESE PARTICIPATES AT NATIONAL LEVEL PROTEST ON 4TH AUGUST 2022 AT NEW DELHI.

Dalit Christians and Muslims have been discriminated for the past 72 years in India as the infamous Presidential order passed on 10th August 1950, Para 3 by not granting the Scheduled Caste Status. About 250 people from all over the



country have participated in an agitation at Jantar Manthar, New Delhi while the Parliamentary Sessions were on the 4th of August 2022, demanding the SC Status. They also demanded the implementation of Justice Ranganath Mishra Commission, which recommended to extent the SC Status to Dalit Christians and Muslims and to delete Para No.3 of the Constitution. Deputy Secretary of TCBC, Rev. Fr. Raju Alex represented by His Eminence Cardinal Elect Most Rev. Poola Anthony while Rev. Fr. Thonta Prabhu Das, the Commission Incharge for Archbishop of Hyderabad and number of other Organizations like NDCW, NCDC, NCCI and other Islamic NGO's have participated.

This event is organized by three major Churches in India namely CBCI (Catholic Bishops Conference of India) NCDC (National Council for Dalit Christians) NCCI (National Council of Churches of India). Delhi based Institutions like ISI, Vidhya Jyothi and other like minded people have joined the event. Mr. Elisha Kumar Coordinator for SC/BC Commission from TCBC also joined in protest to show our strength and voiced out our demands.

Black Day Observed on the 10th August 2022 in Archdiocese:

August 10th remains as Black day for the Dalit Christians and Muslims in India for the 1950 infamous Presidential order which deprives the Scheduled Caste status to the Dalit Christians and Muslims. The Christian community protested at Ambedkar statue at Tank band in collaboration with NDCW, NCDC, AICF, TCC and ACTC.

Thereupon, we moved to ACTC (Andhra Christian Theological College) Hyderabad where eminent speakers have shared their views, particularly Mr. P. L. Vishweshwar Rao who shared the concerns of Minority Communities and their struggle for quality. His Eminence Cardinal Poola Anthony was represented by



Rev. Fr Thonta Prabhu Das and other Dalit movements have participated in the program and made it a huge success

2. YCS-YSM: DIOCESAN TEAM OF ANIMATORS (DTA) & DIOCESAN TEAM OF STUDENTS (DTS) MEET

On 6th August 2022 the YCS-YSM'ers had gathered together for the first time for the DTA-DTS meeting held at the HASSS OFFICE, Secunderabad. The meeting took place after two long depressing years of Pandemic and we are grateful to God Almighty for keeping us healthy and safe and bringing us again to the YCS-YSM family. The meeting was presided over by our new YCS-YSM Chaplain Rev. Fr. Sunil and Animators of various schools with their students. The program began with the welcome dance by the students of St. Francis Girl's High School. Then, interreligious prayer service was conducted by Sacred Heart High School, after which, a prayer song was sung by the students of St. Ann's High School, Bolarum.

Our new chaplain, Fr. Sunil gave us the welcome address and sought the cooperation of the students and the animators in keeping the YCS-YSM banners fly high. We had a refreshing speech by Joseph Pranay who is the Representative in the National Executive Committee. It was like an icebreaker for all the students to interact with him and ask him their queries about YCS-YSM. The program was

followed by the students and the animators sharing their experiences while being a part of the family and the students were motivated and inspired and realized their responsibility in building a just society.

We then had the lighting of the lamp by Rev. Fr. David Francis, Fr. Sunil, Mr. Joseph, Mrs. Mercy Binny and Joseph Pranay hoping to carry the burning flame of YCS-YSM forward.



Mr. Joseph (DTA President) spoke to the students about the intricate details of YCS-YSM while explaining the methodology of the movement – ‘See, Judge and Act’ and helped the students to become aware of the aim of YCS-YSM – ‘to build a just society’. Rev. Fr. David Francis, Director of Family Apostolate, has enlightened with his motivational talk where he encouraged everyone to be aware of oneself before we change others. His tagline was that we should be ‘M.A.D’ that is ‘Make A Difference’. After sharing of meal with each other, we had Elections for the Diocesan Executive Committee (DEXCO) and the following students of different schools were elected.

1. President: Nichole Pentony (Sacred Heart High School)
2. Vice President (Female): Diandra Earl (St Ann’s High School, Bolarum)
3. Vice President (Male): Nigel (Sacred Heart High School)
4. Secretary: Nichole Eliza Fernandez (St. Ann’s High School (SSC), Sec’bad)
5. Treasurer : Yeshaswini (St Ann’s High School (ICSE), Secunderabad)
6. Spokesperson : Paul (St. Patrick’s High School)
Jerusha (Rosary Convent High School, Hyderabad)
7. Editorial : Chrystal Ann Joseph (St. Francis High School, Secunderabad)

The DEXCO animators were re-elected unanimously once again for the year 2022-2023.

1. President : Mr. Joseph
2. Vice-President : Mrs. Mercy Binny
3. Secretary : Mrs. Cheryl Maria
4. Treasurer : Mrs. Louisa
5. Spokesperson : Mrs. Rachel

The day then concluded with the singing of YCS-YSM anthem and the clap.

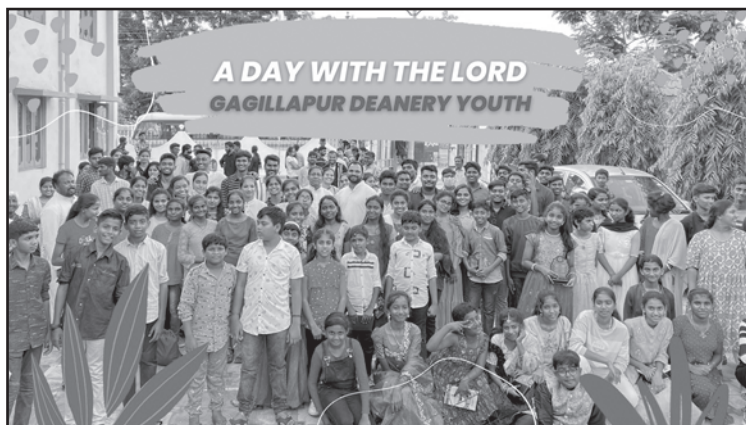
- Fr. P. Sunil, Youth Director

3. A DAY WITH THE LORD (Church Gagillapur Deanery Youth)

“The Lord himself goes before you and will be with you; he will never leave you nor forsake you.” **DEUTERONOMY 31:8**

With the theme as “Wake Up, Take Up” Church Gagillapur Deanery has organized a deanery level retreat for all the youth in the deanery on 31st July 2022

at Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Gnanapuram. Rev. Fr. Sagili Praveen Kumar, Regional Youth Director, Rev. Fr. Sunil, Diocesan Youth Director, Rev. Fr. Benjamin, Gagillapur Dean, Rev. Fr. Koneti Antony, PP, Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Gnanapuram were the esteemed guests for the day.



The retreat began with a blissful atmosphere with the lighting of the lamp followed by an animation program conducted by the Youth Commission, Archdiocese of Hyderabad which included some joyful praise and worship. Rev. Fr. Benjamin Chinnabathini led the youth into adoration with his enlightening words and prayerful atmosphere and confessions were being heard simultaneously.

A love meal was set up and all the youth relished it and were back with double enthusiasm for a talk by Rev. Fr. Sagili Praveen Kumar, Regional Youth Director TCBC Youth Commission. Father spoke about the importance of the presence of youth in the Church and their role in the Catholic Church. A lot of insight was given on how young people are the future of the Church and that their responsibility towards it is very significant.

A retreat can never be complete without Mass. The Holy Eucharist was celebrated by the deanery priests with Rev. Fr. Sunilas the main celebrant. The Youth actively and prayerfully participated in the Mass with melodious choir and welcome dance which was then followed by Oath Taking Ceremony of the new ZEXCO Team. The new office team has promised their commitment and dedication to the Deanery and the Church on the whole.

The day ended with appreciation of all the participants and a token of gratitude by Rev. Fr. Benjamin Chinnabathini, Dean and Parish Priest of Church Gagillapur Deanery. The program awakened the spirit of mission in the hearts of young people.

- Fr. P. Sunil, Youth Director

4. NATIONAL YOUTH SUNDAY CELEBRATIONS IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

i. Mother of Compassion Church Youth Executive committee, Medipally

Youthfulness is the trustee of prosperity. The Church celebrated the International Youth Day as an awareness on Aug 14th 2022. The day was to recognize and celebrate the contribution of our youth and the event was organized by Parish priest Fr. Stephen Francis and Asst. Parish priest Fr. Joseph Sunder and the youth executive committee.

60 members of our youth participated with full enthusiasm, sportive spirit and spiritual sessions. Many creative activities like Communication transfer, Biblical Charads, Bible anthakshari, lemon race, memory games and a lot were successfully conducted. There was a special blessing and cake cutting ceremony during the Youth mass and an agape was organized with a cheerful closing group photo.

ii. St Ann's Church, Mallapur

The National youth Sunday conducted at our church, St Ann's Church, Mallapur, was a one that we could never forget. Our minds were enlightened by Fr. Deva



Das's beautiful message during the Youth mass. Shortly after the mass, Seminarians from St John's Regional Seminary, Ramanthapur and Youth Animators had arranged fun filled activities for us to take part in. We had about twenty games and everyone was a sport. All of us had our team spirits while we participated as a group. Time did really fly by as soon as we got our gears up. Tug of war, puzzles, charades, bombing cities, balloon blast, water coins, raining bells were some of our favourites.

As youth, we celebrated the National youth Sunday with a short prayer followed by a cake cutting. To finish off the day, we had hearty meal prepared by our youth members. Unofficially, we stayed back to play volleyball and other youth formation activities to our heart's content.

iii. Maria Rosa Mystica Church, L.B.Nagar

National Youth Sunday was celebrated with lot of enthusiasm and excitement at Maria Rosa Mystica Church, L.B.Nagar with 30+ young people with some cultural

programs to embrace our youthfulness and to recognize the importance of youth in the Catholic Church. The youth came together to celebrate and a lot of planning and creativity was put in to make the coming year fruitful. A new office team was elected to the leadership forward. Big thanks to Rev. Fr. Showri Prabhakar our Parish Priest.

iv. St. Francis of Assisi Church, Ramnagar

The oath taking ceremony of the new team and the felicitation of the old team took part in the 9 am English mass. The special Youth mass has taken place at 10:30 am and ended at 11:30 am. A seminar on career guidance by Mr. Anand Reddy has started at 11:45 am and has ended at 12:30 pm. Big thanks to all the Priests in our parish.

v. Shrine of Our Lady of Health, Kharitabad

National youth day was celebrated in our parish Shrine of Our Lady of Health, Kharitabad. We had a grand celebration where Rev. Fr. Vanga Joseph and Fr. Charan from St. Don Bosco, Bandlaguda were the celebrants of the Eucharist and all the youth of our parish were part of the Mass.

After the Holy Mass we had a session with the priests where they taught us about the importance and presence of youth in church today. It was a very interactive session and we also had fun filled activities. Immediately after the session we had fellowship meal followed by games which were organized by our youth. Later, the prizes for the winners were distributed by our parish priest Rev. Fr. Michael Selvaraj. Overall, it was a wonderful experience to be a part of this event and looking forward to have more interactive sessions for youth as such.

vi. Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Ghatkesar

National youth day was celebrated at our parish where we had organized a special Mass and then we had Quiz, balloon blasting, and musical chairs and prize distribution. Big thanks to our parish priest for his great support.

vii. Holy Family Church, Trimulgherry

National youth day at Holy Family Church - Trimulgherry, began the special day with a Flash mob dance, which highlighted God's plans for prosperity and wellbeing for the youth and the youth's immediate acceptance of God's plans just like Mary did. The Flash mob conveyed to the parishioners that Mary of Nazareth is a great figure of the Christian journey. She teaches us to say 'YES' to God.

The Youth also had a special Eucharistic Celebration at 11:15 a.m. which consisted of special offerings and prayers by the youth, homily for the upliftment of the youth and special blessings. Big thanks to Rev. Fr. Sagayraja our Parish Priest.

viii. St. Joseph's Church Bolarum

The youth at St Joseph's Church, Bolarum had a beautiful Day of celebrations for the National youth Sunday. The day started with Holy Mass and the youth had a special Procession with the priests. Fr. Raju Alex has given an enlightening and motivating sermon to the youth. There was a special blessing for all the youth, in front of the Altar.



There was cake cutting followed by a special talk on Depression and how to overcome it. The youth spent an hour in praise and worship. There were other fun events and games for the youth conducted for the youth by the parish clergy which was followed by lunch and high tea in the evening. Big thanks to Rev. Fr. Valentine our Parish Priest.

- Fr. P. Sunil, Youth Director

4. PRISON MINISTRY

Prison Ministry Sunday was grandly celebrated in both Chenchelaguda men jail and women Jail. The most popular actor, writer, poet, director and producer Sri.Thanikella Bahrani Garu interacted with prisoners on the subject of Nera Rahitha Jeevitham (crime less life). The event organised by Telangana unit of Prison Ministry India lead by Fr. Dian Isaac, Fr. Mettu Joanne's Reddy, Mrs. Brigith, Miss Regina and Mr. M. D. Vincent.



All the officials of prison including DIG and Superintendents attended the meeting. Prizes and chocolates were distributed by PMI to all inmates. Mr. Bharani said, "Any number of sermons will not get the required change in us. Each won has go meditated and do an inter travel aming oneself to shed away bad habits and obtain good ones". The DIG said that it's an example of National Integration where a Hindu is invited by a Christian organization PMI (Vimochana). So all of you when you go out live peacefully with all".

Regional News

1. TCBC COMMISSION FOR CATECHETICS (TELUGU CATHOLIC BISHOP'S COUNCIL)

The Regional catechetical meeting was held on 4th July 2022 at Jesus Center, Nellore. It was presided by the Bishop of Nellore Most. Rev. Dr. Moses D. Prakasam, the Chairman of TCBC Catechetical Commission. Twelve dioceses represented for the meeting.

Most Rev. Moses D. Prakasam, the TCBC President and chairman of the TCBC Catechetical Commission addressed the gathering on the importance of relaunching the pastoral works and policies in the dioceses after the pandemic break. He was saying that it was our duty to convince priests and parents to dedicate themselves to the ministry of Catechism.

Group sharing and discussion.

The group gathered for a group sharing in the afternoon, where each diocesan representative gave a short report about what sort of initiatives being taken by their diocese in the field of catechetics and their future plans

Common things that are done in the dioceses were:

1. On line catechism classes, Sunday school in some dioceses
2. Online and offline bible quizzes and competitions
3. Bible exams at the dioceses and parish levels
4. Compulsory catechism classes and quarterly, half yearly and final exam on the catechism
5. Catechism children's picnic
6. Summer camps for children
7. visiting the villages and overseeing the teaching of the catechism in the villages
8. Liturgical quiz program in Adilabad Diocese
9. Training of the catechists or volunteers

Proposals made:

1. Diocesan /regional level training of the catechists is needed
2. Special attention to the children not studying in our catholic schools and our boarding homes,

3. Activity-based catechism books
4. Faith/ catechism quiz
5. Children's special masses
6. Special attention to the sub stations and catechism to the children there and training to the village catechists
7. Basic remuneration to the village catechists.
8. Use of new media in the field of catechesis.

The group requested the chairman to consider the proposed points seriously in order to implement these proposals successfully in the Telugu Region. Chairman specially explained the ministry of catechists and how we need to educate them. Bishop was very appreciative of the number of participants who were able to make it to the meeting and thanked each of them and appreciated the respective work they are doing in their diocese and their respective bishops and Archbishops who extend their cooperation in this.

2. A REPORT ON BASIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY PRAYER MEETING HELD ON 9TH OF AUGUST AT GAJWEL

On 9th Infant Jesus parish, Gajwel, under the guidance of Rev. Fr. T. Anthony, the dean and the parish priest of Infant Jesus parish, had faith formation day from 10.30 am to 1.30 pm. Fr. M. Anthony, the Jyotirmai Director, along with the resource person, Br. Varghese, were the main resource persons for the meeting. The day began with the rosary followed by a talk by the resource person Br. Varghese. He said that the only prayer taught by Jesus was the prayer called "Our Father". Br. Varghese explained different aspects of every sentence in the prayer. He also said that we need to spend quality time in prayer and deposit prayers in the prayer bank so that when we forget to pray due to our preoccupation and busy schedule God may compensate with the deposit you have put in the prayer bank. The talk was applauded by the congregation. After the talk Fr. M. Anthony, Jyotirmai director and Fr. T. Anthony, the dean and the parish priest of Infant Jesus church, Gajwel along with the concelebrants and BCC animators and lay faithful entered the church in a procession. Fr. T. Anthony enthroned the Holy Bible and celebrated Holy Mass and Fr. Babu from Aliabad church gave the homily. After the holy mass the congregation were asked to participate in the fellowship meal. Fr. Dion Isaac, Pastoral Center Director, gave vote of thanks to God and to the fathers incharge and BCC animators for the event.

3. A REPORT ON BASIC CHRISTIAN COMMUNITY ON 11TH JULY 2022 AT PASTORAL CENTER GUNFOUNDRY HYDERABAD

11TH July 2022 was a memorable event for the Animators of Basic Christian Community of our Archdiocese of Hyderabad. Fr. M. Anthony, The Director of Jyotirmai Society, took an initiative to conduct an half day input session with the help of a resource person. The day began with recitation of rosary, followed by a talk given by Mr. Varghese, the resource person, of the day. Mr. Varghese in his talk enlightened us that God will take care of those whom he calls to do his work. He gave his own example saying that God took care of him inspite of all financial difficulties. He said that he heard the voice of God and surrendered himself to the work of God. He encouraged us not to give up hope in God as he will never desert his chosen ones. After the talk, Fr. M. Anthony, celebrated mass and gave an inspiring sermon asking us to relish the work of evangelisation which saves the lives of people by giving an anecdote in his sermon. After the mass the animators gathered in the hall for the reporting session. All the animators read the reports were submitted to the pastoral center director in the presence of Jyotirmai director. The session ended with appreciation and few suggestions by the director. Lunch was provided along with remuneration given to the animators .

4. GNANA JYOTHI BIBLE EXAM-2022

Dear fathers, This is a request to announce in your parish announcements about Gnana Jyothi Bible Exam being conducted in the month of November 2022. The Syllabus is mentioned according to the categories.

1st Category...4th to 7th class only (Gospel of St John)

2nd Category...8th to 10th (St. Mathew Gospel and 2nd letter to Timothy)

3rd Category..Inter and Degree (Book of Tobit and 1st & 2nd Corinthians)

4th Category....Employees teachers and elders. (St. Luke Gospel and Acts of Apostles)

Prizes are allotted to the winners

Each coupon is Rs 15 (for coupon you can contact Fr. Dion Issac Pastoral Centre Director = 9949158988. You can also send any representative to collect coupons from pastoral centre.

Note: Date of Exam is On First Sunday of November 6.11.2022. Online exam is also available to those who like, the link will be sent later to attempt the exam. The registration fee is mentioned in the notice sent by AP Jyotirmai society. Kindly do announce to the parishioners in your parish

- Fr. Dion Isaac, Director, Pastoral Centre

Dates & Events to Remember

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| 03. St. Gregory the Great, Pope & Dr (M) | |
| 05. St. Teresa of Kolkata, Vrg (M) | |
| 08. The Nativity of the BVM (F) | |
| 09. St. Peter Claver, Pt (Op.M) | |
| 12. Most Holy Name of Mary (Op.M) | 21. St. Matthew, Ap & Ev (F) |
| 13. St. John Chrysostom, Bp & Dr (M) | 23. St. Pius of Pietrekina, Pt (M) |
| 14. The Exaltation of the Holy Cross (F) | 26. Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Mrtrs(Op.M) |
| 15. Our Lady of Sorrows (M) | 27. St. Vincent De Paul, Pt (M) |
| 16. Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian, Bp, Mrts (M) | 28. St. Wencelaus, St. Lawrence Ruiz
& Companions, Mrtrs (Op.M) |
| 17. St. Robert Bellarmine, Bp & Dr (Op.M) | 29. Sts. Michael, Gabriel &
Raphael, Archangels (F) |
| 19. St. Januarius, Bp & Mrtr | 30. St. Jerome, Pt & Dr (M) |
| 20. Sts. Andrew Kim Taegon, Pt & Paul
Chong Hasang & Comps, Mrtrs (M) | |



Happy Birthday Dear Fathers

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| 02. Fr. Govindu Arogyaswamy | 16. Fr. Madanu Arogya Swamy |
| 03. Fr. Gorantla Dhanraj | 17. Fr. Thanugundla Gabriel |
| 08. Fr. Sunil Kumar Reddy Pallela | 18. Fr. Pasala Joseph (Jr) |
| 08. Fr. Jogu Naveen | 18. Fr. Pasala Jose Paul |
| 12. Fr. Dasari Gova Showraiah | 26. Fr. David Francis |
| 13. Fr. Bandanadam Anand | 28. Fr. Jerome Emmanuel Lewis |
| 15. Fr. Gade Showreddy | 29. Fr. Narisetty Anthony Paul Raj |



Necrology

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| 10. Fr. Thumma Francis | 18. Most Rev. Domenico Barero, PIME |
| 16. Fr. Bandanadam Joseph | 25. Fr. Batherapally Peter |



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

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NEW COAT OF ARMS OF CARDINAL POOLA ANTHONY

The Cardinal's coat of arms is composed of a shield, the design of which identifies the owner by rank or position. By heraldic tradition the design is described (blazoned) as if the shield is being worn on the arm of its bearer. Each Cardinal/Archbishop/Bishop has a personal Coat of Arms. With the elevation to the College of Cardinals, Archbishop Poola Anthony has updated his Coat of Arms. The biggest change is an emphasis on the colour red of a cardinal.

THE RED GALERO

The symbol above the coat of arms of a red galero (wide-brimmed hat) with 15 tassels on each side, commemorates the tradition (prior to Second Vatican Council) of the Pope's presentation of a red-tasseled galero to new cardinals.

THE GOLDEN CROSS

The golden metropolitan cross behind the shield signifies Cardinal Poola Anthony's position overseeing the Archdiocese (a metropolitan see).

THE FIFTEEN TASSELS

It signifies the promotion in the Ecclesiastical office. It is also closely related to the 15th day of the month of Nisan (Feast of Passover), the day of the Crucifixion (Jn 18:28). It alludes to the Cardinal's willingness in responding to his call 'to act with courage, even to the shedding of your blood' like Christ.

THE BIBLE

The Word of God. It represents the primary duty of the Cardinal to believe the Word, Teach and to Live it.

CHARMINAR

The image of Charminar in the seal is the symbol of the city and Archdiocese of Hyderabad. Charminar is one of the greatest monuments in India that has a beautiful history.



WATER

"Out of the believer's heart shall flow rivers of living water." Jn 7:38

Water is a symbolism of Christian faith. It is the expression where Cardinal plays a role of a watchful sentinel of Catholic Faith.

GOOD NEWS TO THE POOR

The motto of Cardinal Anthony Poola 'Good News to the Poor', is taken from Luke 4:18a. It exemplifies that Poverty and wealth are always about political, cultural and economic relationships, and Jesus announces that he will bring a new relationship to the poor.

GREEN PASTURE

"I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel." Ezek 34:14

Green Pasture speaks of Fertility. It says that Cardinal is a facilitator of the spiritual growth of the flock of God, where Word of God can yield its fruit in abundance.