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Thy Kingdom Come (Mt. 6:10)

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I. SHEPHERD'S VOICE

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Dear Fathers, Brothers, Sisters and My dear People

Thy Kingdom come!

Everyone, please accept my New Year Greetings.

The Lord has blessed us with another year 2020.

With a grateful hearts, for all the blessings in 2019

Let us step into the New Year with great hope.

In our diocese the Year 2020 is specially dedicated -

For the Life-witness & Proclamation - Susamachar Ghoshana Varsh.

The theme of the year reminds us - our baptismal mission -

CALLED To be Sent, To Proclaim and To Heal (Mk. 3:13-15).

It is a yearning from within and a Listening from above:

To go to the end of the world (Mt. 28:19-20),

To preach Good News to the poor, to proclaim release to the captives,

To recover sight to the blind, liberty to those who have oppressed,

To proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord

For the Spirit of the Lord is given to me! (Lk. 4:18-19)

Guided by the Spirit - Let us resolve to be evangelizers, missionaries -

dispensers of God's mystery, educators, animators, social workers etc.

Your Shepherd in the Lord

Bp. Ephrem Nariculam Bishop, Eparchy of Chanda

PASTORAL LETTER I

PL 1/1 January 2020

Dear missionaries and my dear people,

We are in the beginning of the New Year 2020. We have declared 2020 as the *Susamachar Goshna Varsh* - Year of Proclamation of the Good News. Different activities are suggested to celebrate it meaningfully (Cf. Chanda Samachar, Nov-Dec 2019 Vol. XL11, 6pp. 4-6, 10) Let us do them and make it fruitful. In this pastoral letter, I wish to give you some practical guidelines to make our great lent more meaningful in this year of proclamation.

The great command of Christ to his disciples is given in Mt.28: 19-20 "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age." One way of proclaiming the good news is to LIVE it in our daily life to be true witnesses of Christ's love, compassion, justice, truth, peace etc. As we all know lent is the season of prayer, abstinence, fasting and almsgiving. They are good practice for the lent and we must continue them with great interest and devotion. These are devotional practices that we have been fostering and the Church has been encouraging for centuries. In this context we have to ask ourselves what is their effect in me and in my personal life, sustaining faith, human relations, family life, commitment to the mission etc. Do they remain just in practice level only? How far they are affecting me as a person? Do they change me to be better? How much the graph of witness level improves in my life? Do all these practices help me to be in peace with God and others? Is my joy in the heart increase? Is my sharing with others my conversation or material benefits satisfactory / good? A positive response to these few questions will help us to measure the graph of my spiritual life and witness level.

As Christians and believers in Christ we are called to be men and women of courage to face challenges in life. Crisis in faith or in life may come and go, but Christ remain the same. For Christ the crisis in life strengthens his person, fortifies his faith and empower his spirit. The gospel of Mathew 4:1-11 narrates the temptations of Jesus. The three temptations represent the three areas of challenge in human life. Turning stones to loaves of bread is a symbolic depiction of physical aspiration and desires of the flesh. The command of the Satan to jump from the pinnacle of the temple represents temptation against desires for name and fame by doing a miraculous act. To surrender in worship to Satan is a challenge of life for desires of worldly pleasures and authority. Jesus could overcome these temptations because his body and spirit was empowered to withstand them by his forty days of fast and prayers. The evangelist dramatically and abruptly ends the episode with following verse: then the devil left him and suddenly angels came and served him (Mt.4:11). In other words the devil failed to overcome Jesus, because he was strong enough to withstand and overcome their evil plans for his life and God the Father fostered his beloved son through the Legion of his angels. God protected Jesus, the son from evil doers and fostered him in his bosom by his servants, the angels. The prayer and fasting of Jesus was a powerful means to become strong enough to face challenges and overcome successfully. Jesus witnessed his Father Almighty in spirit and body and defeated the evil plans of satanic forces. It is a great lesson for us during this season of lent.

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I invite everyone to use the means of devotional practices of fasting, prayer, abstinence, almsgiving etc. to fortify body and spirit to face challenges of evil inclination from any corner of the world. Let us be assured that ultimate victory is of God, the truth. The truth prevails. The victory of evil is temporary and ephemeral and the victory of God is permanent and lasting. Let us avail the lent 2020 to be strengthened once again to face challenges in life and become the true witnesses of Christ in faith, hope and charity.

Your Shepherd in the Lord

† Ephrem Nariculam

Bishop, Eparchy of Chanda

HOMILY I

St. Mariam Thresia

(Homily delivered by Bp. Ephrem Nariculam, bishop of Chanda on the occasion of Thanksgiving Holy Qurbana at Holy Family Convent, Gadchandur on 30 Nov 2019)

Dear Co-missionaries and my dear People,

Hearty Congratulations to Holy Family sisters for the great event of Canonization of their foundress St. Mariam Thresia. It was a great moment of pride for the Indian Church in general and Syro-Malabar Church in particular when Pope declared that Mariam Thresia is a saint and henceforth worthy of veneration at holy altars of the Church all over. In Vatican square Pope Francis corroborated her sanctity along with four others and placed her before us as an example to follow Christ. She was not made saint that particular moment but she was already a saint but Pope declared it officially for her veneration at Church altars all over the world.

As I understand, her greatness is in her smallness. She became small and little so as to become big and great. She has great plans to enter heaven secretly.

She understood that by doing great things she can never enter heaven because she knew nothing to do so great. However she knew to do small and little things. That was easy for her and so she chose it.

She prayed not in the best way but in the way she could. She helped others not in a great way but in a small way she could. She was ready to suffer irrespective of its gravity. She obeyed with confidence in the providential care of God. Even when she could not perceive the reasons to obey she admitted herself in full confidence. She did not try to be successful always but kept faithful intact- in her prayers, in her discipline, in her responsibilities etc. She observed mortification as a virtue to grow higher in holiness. Her fidelity to spiritual exercises was exemplary to her confreres. She was compassionate to help the sick and the needy. Some occasions she took strenuous efforts to help the sick and the needy.

Ultimately I would say that she had a great desire to become a little servant of heaven, a saint. So God accepted her to his abode. To accomplish her desire to become little servant of heaven, she did anything possible with a little, humility, and utmost confidence in the providence of God. So she is a saint today!

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Little St. Theresa of child Jesus dedicated herself to be humble, simple and gentle so as to become saint. She whole heartedly accepted the invitation Christ Jesus extended in Mt.5:43 "Be perfect as your heavenly father is perfect". Participation in God's holiness was her primary concern. Indeed, to accomplish it she dared to live out the Beatitude Mt: 5:3-12

"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

Blessed are the meek for they will inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

Blessed are you those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven".

"Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you and falsely on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecute the prophets who were before you." Mariam Thresia chose the path of Little Theresa and she was not mistaken, so she too became a saint.

Blessedness is not in wealth and health, not in name and fame, not in prosperity and success not in efficiency and ability but in poverty, in humility, in purity and peace is the great lesson St. Mariam Thresia teaches us. Jesus teaches this lesson in the Sermon on the Mount. It was one of the favourite scripture passages to Mahatma Gandhi and

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many other renowned persons. The saints particularly followed it literally, with zeal. It is indeed a short cut to sainthood but very hard to go through. One who greatly desire to become a servant in heavenly abode, it becomes easy by hard work and strenuous efforts. It requires a single-minded determination to become a saint. Like St. Augustine one should ask oneself: "If he and she can become saint; why can't I?" This mantra should reverberate in our hearts every moment of our life. So, to become a saint is not impossible-because anything is possible with God (Lk: 18.26).

On this auspicious occasion I gratefully remember the service of Holy family sisters in our diocese in Gadchandur, Jiwathi and in Christ Hospital, Chandrapur. Your ministry in family apostolate is laudable in the Congregational level. The family visits, counselling, couple seminar etc. Helping many families to find solace and comfort. May St. Mariam Thresia help you to continue this great mission all over.

St. Mariam Thresia is the first stigmatist of the Indian Church. She contemplated the mystic life following her patron saint Teresa of Avila. The tomb of Mother Mariam Thresia at Kuzhikkattusery, Thrissur is a source of power and comfort to thousands of people today regardless of religion and caste. "I know nothing, but I desire very much that God's will be one"- prayed St. Mariam Thresia. Her ministry of Family Apostolate continued in the continents of Asia, America, Africa and Europe through her daughters of Holy Family conducting family visits, home mission units and family retreats. All glory to God for raising Mariam Thresia daughter of Syro-Malabar Church to sainthood.

Let us intercede Mariam Thresia to transform us to be men and women of prayer and commitment to form families as place of peace and love.

May God bless you all.

St. Mariam Thresia; pray for us, Amen

III. BISHOP'S ENGAGEMENTS

January 2020

- 02 Priestly ordination of Dn. Mathewkutty Thanolil CFIC at Gudallur in Mananthavady Diocese
- 03 Meeting at Kidangoor
- 04 AM Engagement, Koratty PM Jubilee Qurbana, Sanjopuram
- 05 AM Baptism, Potta, Chalakudy PM Feast Qurbana, Malappuram
- 06 PM Meeting, Mount St. Thomas, Kakkanad
- 7-15 Retreat and Synod of Bishops, Kakkanad
- 12 Wedding, Thumbarassery
- 16 Feast Qurbana, Kadanad
- 17 Holy Qurbana, Kottayam seminaryConclusion of Adoration, Thabore Parish
- 18 Feast Qurbana, Chully Parish in Ernakulam-Angamaly Archdiocese
- 19 Feast Qurbana, Kanjoor parish
- 23 Jubilee Qurbana, CMC Provincialate, Wardha
- 24 School day, Wardha
- 26 Holy Qurbana, Nagpur
- 27-31-PPT meeting
- 28 Consulters' meeting and Recollection for diocesan priests

February 2020

- 02 Minor orders Sant Vianney Gurukul, Bamini
- 3-7 Deacons' Pastoral formation programme
- 08 CSA Meeting, Mul
- 11 AM DM Jubilee, Wardha PM Grotto feast, Warur
- 13-20- CBCI Plenary Assembly, Bangalore
- 22 Wedding, Thabore parish in Ernakulam-Angamaly archdiocese
- 24 Ash Monday Service
- 24-26- Forty Hours Adoration, Cathedral, Balharsha
- 27 Presbyteral Council, Recollection for Diocesan priests and men religious
- 27-28 PPT meeting

IV. BISHOP'S DIARY

NOVEMBER 2019

- 2- Arrived back from Rome after *Ad Limina* Visit and canonization of Saint Mariam Thresia. In the evening Bishop offered Requiem Holy Qurbana at Cathedral in connection with All Souls' Day.
- 4-8 Participated in the Annual Retreat of priests at Balharshah.
- 9- Visited Mul station and blessed the newly constructed convent and hostel of CSM Sisters at Chimur and met with their Mother General, Sr. Ermanna Luciano CSM and Delegate Superior, Sr. Silvia CSM.
- 11 The DM Superior General, Sr. Giles DM met with Bishop at Bishop's Home.
- 12 Attended Chanda Family Day and chaired meeting in the afternoon and felicitated the Jubilarians and the new priests.
- 13 Blessed the new centres of Claretian Fathers at Dhanora and Murumgaon and on his way he met with Sr. Kamala SAB, the Superior General of St. Anne's Sisters at St. Anne's Convent, Mul. In the evening Bishop met with Bro. John Kallarackal SG, the Superior General and Bro. Bala Showry SG, the Provincial Superior of Montfort Brothers at Montfort School, Bamini.
- 14 Bishop visited Gomini station. Fr. Jose Thenpilly CMF, the Claretian Provincial met with the bishop at Bishop's Home.
- 14-17- Bishop's canonical visitation to Kopreli parish. (See Report P. 39)
- 18- Offered Holy Qurbana at St. Thomas Parish in Borivali, Mumbai.
- 19 Attended executive meeting of WRBC with CRI of Western Region at Prem Ankur, Mumbai.
- 21 Fr. Kim D'Souza, an official from secretariat of Congregation for the Eastern Churches, Rome visited bishop at Bishop's Home. He spent three days in the diocese, visiting mission stations and institutions. Bishop visited CMI Ashram, Ashti. In the morning bishop presided over Holy Qurbana in connection with the silver jubilee of St. Francis Assisi

- English Medium School, Nagepalli and in the afternoon presided over the public meeting in the school campus.
- 22- Offered Holy Qurbana at SVG and visited Lendiguda and Kamathguda villages in Pattaguda Station and Thekemandavu village in Shengaon station.

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- 23 Presided over Holy Qurbana at MSMI Provincial house for the Golden and Silver Jubilee of the MSMI Sisters. Bishop visited Wardha parish and Claretian Ashram, Wardha.
- 24- Visited Darsana Seminary, Wardha later met with DM provincial team. Bishop blessed newly constructed CMC convent and hostel at Arvi.
- 25 Fr. Paul Madan, the vicar of St. Mary's Forane Church, Muttom, Cherthala and few of his parishioners met bishop at Bishop's home, who were in mission visit to *Pahad* area.
- 26 Laid foundation stone for the church at Kamathguda and rededicated the renovated village chapels at Lendiguda and Lahan Wani. Sponsored by the Muttom parish of Ernakulam-Angamaly archdiocese.
- 27 Conferred Diaconate to Bro. Francis Minj and presided over SVG day celebrations.
- 28 Presided over Silver Jubilee celebrations of St. Anne's High School (State), Warora.
- 29 Fr. Jose Alenchery, the secretary to Syro-Malabar youth commission, met with Bishop. Later he delivered message at Balharshah zonal youth seminar at LSSS campus.
- 30 Chaired Diocesan Pastoral Council at Balharshah. In the afternoon Bishop presided over the Thanksgiving Holy Qurbana for the canonization of St. Mariam Thresia at Holy Family Convent, Gadchandur.

DECEMBER 2019

- 01 Offered Holy Qurbana at Pastoral Centre Chapel for the participants of the marriage preparation course.
- 03 Presided over Feast Holy Qurbana at Aranya Nivas Church, Lakkadakot.
- 07 Offered Holy Qurbana at Nandgaon station. Bishop chaired governing body meeting of Christanand Hospital and in the afternoon presided over School day celebration at

Brahmapuri.

- 08 Presided over festal Holy Qurbana at Durgapur.
- 11 Celebrated Holy Qurbana at Dilasagram Convent
- 13 Attended WRBC meeting, Mumbai.
- 14-15-Attended executive meeting of social forum of Western Region and General body of Catholic Council, Western Region.
- 16- Presided over Requiem Holy Qurbana for Fr. Jomy Chakkalatharayil at Chembalam parish for his first death anniversary.
- 18 Sr. Sila CSC, the Provincial Superior of Charity sisters met with bishop at Bishop's Home.
- 19 Presided over the ending programme of Christian Rally organized by the various Christian denomination of Balharsha in connection with Christmas.
- 20 Presided over the felicitation meeting of Gloria 2019 Carol Singing Competition organized by Audio Visual Department at Pastoral Centre ground, Balharshah and distributed prizes for the winners.
- 21 Attended Monthly Recollection of Diocesan priests and men religious and presided over Requiem Holy Qurbana for Fr. Jomy Chakalatharayil at Cathedral Church, Balharshah. In the afternoon bishop blessed the newly constructed grotto at Divine Vachan Ashram. Bamni.
- 22 Offered Holy Qurbana for the reposed soul of Mr. G. Jangam, the beloved father of Bro. Vishal Jangam at Chellawada village.
- 24- Offered midnight Christmas Holy Qurbana at Cathedral, Balharshah.
- 26 Offered Holy Qurbana for the reposed soul of Mr. Robert Kujur, former catechist and the beloved father of Bro. Bernad Kujur at Kasansoor village in Jarawandi parish.
- 27 Blessed and offered Holy Qurbana at renovated common convent at Christ Hospital, Chandrapur
- 28 Ordained Dn. Alfin Manavalan VC at St. Sebastian's Church, Cheruvaloor, Koratty in Ernakulam-Angamaly Archdiocese. Bishop presided over an engagement ceremony at St. Thomas Church, Kottakavu parish, North Paravur.
- 30 Celebrated Requiem Holy Qurbana at Vadakekara church in Changanachery archdiocese.

On 13 March 2020, his Holiness Pope Francis marks the 7th anniversary of his election by the papal conclave as Bishop of Rome and leader of the Catholic Church. Pope Francis is the 266th Pope. Prayerful greetings from Chanda Family

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MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS
FOR THE CELEBRATION OF THE 53rd WORLD DAY OF PEACE

1 JANUARY 2020

PEACE AS A JOURNEY OF HOPE: DIALOGUE, RECONCILIATION AND ECOLOGICAL CONVERSION

1. Peace, a journey of hope in the face of obstacles and trial

Peace is a great and precious value, the object of our hope and the aspiration of the entire human family. As a human attitude, our hope for peace is marked by an existential tension that makes it possible for the present, with all its difficulties, to be "lived and accepted if it leads towards a goal, if we can be sure of this goal, and if this goal is great enough to justify the effort of the journey". Hope is thus the virtue that inspires us and keeps us moving forward, even when obstacles seem insurmountable.

Our human community bears, in its memory and its flesh, the scars of ever more devastating wars and conflicts that affect especially the poor and the vulnerable. Entire nations find it difficult to break free of the chains of exploitation and corruption that fuel hatred and violence. Even today, dignity, physical integrity, freedom, including religious freedom, communal solidarity and hope in the future are denied to great numbers of men and women, young and old. Many are the innocent victims of painful humiliation and exclusion, sorrow and injustice, to say nothing of the trauma born of systematic attacks on their people and their loved ones.

The terrible trials of internal and international conflicts, often aggravated by ruthless acts of violence, have an enduring effect on the body and soul of humanity. Every war is a form of fratricide that destroys the human family's innate vocation to brotherhood.

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War, as we know, often begins with the inability to accept the diversity of others, which then fosters attitudes of aggrandizement and domination born of selfishness and pride, hatred and the desire to caricature, exclude and even destroy the other. War is fueled by a perversion of relationships, by hegemonic ambitions, by abuses of power, by fear of others and by seeing diversity as an obstacle. And these, in turn, are aggravated by the experience of war.

As I observed during my recent Apostolic Journey to Japan, our world is paradoxically marked by "a perverse dichotomy that tries to defend and ensure stability and peace through a false sense of security sustained by a mentality of fear and mistrust, one that ends up poisoning relationships between peoples and obstructing any form of dialogue. Peace and international stability are incompatible with attempts to build upon the fear of mutual destruction or the threat of total annihilation. They can be achieved only on the basis of a global ethic of solidarity and cooperation in the service of a future shaped by interdependence and shared responsibility in the whole human family of today and tomorrow".

Every threatening situation feeds mistrust and leads people to withdraw into their own safety zone. Mistrust and fear weaken relationships and increase the risk of violence, creating a vicious circle that can never lead to a relationship of peace. Even nuclear deterrence can only produce the illusion of security.

We cannot claim to maintain stability in the world through the fear of annihilation, in a volatile situation, suspended on the brink of a nuclear abyss and enclosed behind walls of indifference. As a result, social and economic decisions are being made that lead to tragic situations where human beings and creation itself are discarded rather than protected and preserved. How, then, do we undertake a journey of peace and mutual respect? How do we break the unhealthy mentality of threats and fear? How do we break the current dynamic of distrust?

We need to pursue a genuine fraternity based on our common origin from God and exercised in dialogue and mutual trust. The desire for peace lies deep within the human heart, and we should not resign ourselves to seeking anything less than this.

2. Peace, a journey of listening based on memory, solidarity and fraternity

The *Hibakusha*, the survivors of the atomic bombs dropped on Hiroshima and Nagasaki, are among those who currently keep alive the flame of collective conscience, bearing witness to succeeding generations to the horror of what happened in August 1945 and the unspeakable sufferings

that have continued to the present time. Their testimony awakens and preserves the memory of the victims, so that the conscience of humanity may rise up in the face of every desire for dominance and destruction. "We cannot allow present and future generations to lose the memory of what happened here. It is a memory that ensures and encourages the building of a more fair and fraternal future".

Like the *Hibakusha*, many people in today's world are working to ensure that future generations will preserve the memory of past events, not only in order to prevent the same errors or illusions from recurring, but also to enable memory, as the fruit of experience, to serve as the basis and inspiration for present and future decisions to promote peace.

What is more, memory is the horizon of hope. Many times, in the darkness of wars and conflicts, the remembrance of even a small gesture of solidarity received can lead to courageous and even heroic decisions. It can unleash new energies and kindle new hope in individuals and communities.

Setting out on a journey of peace is a challenge made all the more complex because the interests at stake in relationships between people, communities and nations, are numerous and conflicting. We must first appeal to people's moral conscience and to personal and political will. Peace emerges from the depths of the human heart and political will must always be renewed, so that new ways can be found to reconcile and unite individuals and communities.

The world does not need empty words but convinced witnesses, peacemakers who are open to a dialogue that rejects exclusion or manipulation. In fact, we cannot truly achieve peace without a convinced dialogue between men and women who seek the truth beyond ideologies and differing opinions. Peace "must be built up continually"; it is a journey made together in constant pursuit of the common good, truthfulness and respect for law. Listening to one another can lead to mutual understanding and esteem, and even to seeing in an enemy the face of a brother or sister.

The peace process thus requires enduring commitment. It is a patient effort to seek truth and justice, to honour the memory of victims and to open the way, step by step, to a shared hope stronger than the desire for vengeance. In a state based on law, democracy can be an important paradigm of this process, provided it is grounded in justice and a commitment to protect the rights of every person, especially the weak and marginalized, in a constant search for truth. This is a social undertaking, an ongoing work in which each individual makes his or her contribution

responsibly, at every level of the local, national and global community.

As Saint Paul VI pointed out, these "two aspirations, to equality and to participation, seek to promote a democratic society... This calls for an education to social life, involving not only the knowledge of each person's rights, but also its necessary correlative: the recognition of his or her duties with regard to others. The sense and practice of duty are themselves conditioned by the capacity for self-mastery and by the acceptance of responsibility and of the limits placed upon the freedom of individuals or the groups".]

Divisions within a society, the increase of social inequalities and the refusal to employ the means of ensuring integral human development endanger the pursuit of the common good. Yet patient efforts based on the power of the word and of truth can help foster a greater capacity for compassion and creative solidarity.

In our Christian experience, we constantly remember Christ, who gave his life to reconcile us to one another (cf. Rom 5:6-11). The Church shares fully in the search for a just social order; she continues to serve the common good and to nourish the hope for peace by transmitting Christian values and moral teaching, and by her social and educational works.

3. Peace, a journey of reconciliation in fraternal communion

The Bible, especially in the words of the Prophets, reminds individuals and peoples of God's covenant with humanity, which entails renouncing our desire to dominate others and learning to see one another as persons, sons and daughters of God, brothers and sisters. We should never encapsulate others in what they may have said or done, but value them for the promise that they embody. Only by choosing the path of respect can we break the spiral of vengeance and set out on the journey of hope.

We are guided by the Gospel passage that tells of the following conversation between Peter and Jesus: "Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me, and I forgive him? As many as seven times?" Jesus said to him, "I do not say to you seven times, but seventy times seven" (Mt 18:21-22). This path of reconciliation is a summons to discover in the depths of our heart the power of forgiveness and the capacity to acknowledge one another as brothers and sisters. When we learn to live in forgiveness, we grow in our capacity to become men and women of peace.

What is true of peace in a social context is also true in the areas of politics and the economy, since peace permeates every dimension of life in common. There can be no true peace unless we show ourselves capable of developing a more just economic system. As Pope Benedict XVI said ten years ago in his Encyclical Letter Caritas in Veritate, "in order to defeat underdevelopment, action is required not only on improving exchangebased transactions and implanting public welfare structures, but above all on graduallyincreasing openness, in a world context, to forms of economic activity marked by quotas of gratuitousness and communion" (No. 39).

4. Peace, a journey of ecological conversion

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"If a mistaken understanding of our own principles has at times led us to justify mistreating nature, to exercise tyranny over creation, to engage in war, injustice and acts of violence, we believers should acknowledge that by so doing we were not faithful to the treasures of wisdom which we have been called to protect and preserve".

Faced with the consequences of our hostility towards others, our lack of respect for our common home or our abusive exploitation of natural resources seen only as a source of immediate profit, regardless of local communities, the common good and nature itself we are in need of an ecological conversion. The recent Synod on the Pan-Amazon Region moves us to make a pressing renewed call for a peaceful relationship between communities and the land, between present and past, between experience and hope.

This journey of reconciliation also calls for listening and contemplation of the world that God has given us as a gift to make our common home. Indeed, natural resources, the many forms of life and the earth itself have been entrusted to us "to till and keep" (Gen 1:15), also for future generations, through the responsible and active participation of everyone. We need to change the way we think and see things, and to become more open to encountering others and accepting the gift of creation, which reflects the beauty and wisdom of its Creator.

All this gives us deeper motivation and a new way to dwell in our common home, to accept our differences, to respect and celebrate the life that we have received and share, and to seek living conditions and models of society that favour the continued flourishing of life and the development of the common good of the entire human family.

The ecological conversion for which we are appealing will lead us to a new way of looking at life, as we consider the generosity of the Creator who has given us the earth and called us to a share it in joy and moderation. This conversion must be understood in an integral way, as a transformation of how we relate to our sisters and brothers, to other living beings, to creation in all its rich variety and to the Creator who is the origin and source of all life. For Christians, it requires that "the effects of their encounter with Jesus Christ become evident in their relationship with the world around them".

5. "We obtain all that we hope for"

The journey of reconciliation calls for patience and trust. Peace will not be obtained unless it is hoped for.

In the first place, this means believing in the possibility of peace, believing that others need peace just as much as we do. Here we can find inspiration in the love that God has for each of us: a love that is liberating, limitless, gratuitous and tireless.

Fear is frequently a source of conflict. So it is important to overcome our human fears and acknowledge that we are needy children in the eyes of the One who loves us and awaits us, like the father of the prodigal son (cf. Lk 15:11-24). The culture of fraternal encounter shatters the culture of conflict. It makes of every encounter a possibility and a gift of God's generous love. It leads us beyond the limits of our narrow horizons and constantly encourages us to a live in a spirit of universal fraternity, as children of the one heavenly Father.

For the followers of Christ, this journey is likewise sustained by the sacrament of Reconciliation, given by the Lord for the remission of sins of the baptized. This sacrament of the Church, which renews individuals and communities, bids us keep our gaze fixed on Jesus, who reconciled "all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross" (*Col* 1:20). It requires us to set aside every act of violence in thought, word and deed, whether against our neighbours or against God's creation.

The grace of God our Father is bestowed as unconditional love. Having received his forgiveness in Christ, we can set out to offer that peace to the men and women of our time. Day by day, the Holy Spirit prompts in us ways of thinking and speaking that can make us artisans of justice and peace.

May the God of peace bless us and come to our aid.

May Mary, Mother of the Prince of Peace and Mother of all the peoples of the earth, accompany and sustain us at every step of our journey of reconciliation.

And may all men and women who come into this world experience a life of peace and develop fully the promise of life and love dwelling in their heart.

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7 December 2019

Circular Letter

Circular Syro-Malabar Mission Week 2020 GEORGE CARDINAL ALENCHERRY, the Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church, to the Archbishops, Bishops, Priests, Consecrated Men and Women and Lay Faithful of the Syro-Malabar Church.

Dear brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ,

We celebrated October 2019 as Extraordinary Mission Month at the direction of Pope Francis to observe the centenary of 'Maximum Illud', the Apostolic Letter, which Pope Benedict XV published in November 1919that urged every Christian to get involved actively in the mission of Christ. The Extraordinary Mission Month celebrated in the Universal Catholic Church was helpful to rekindle the missionary zeal within each of us and to adopt new initiatives to strengthen our missionary efforts. It is in continuation of the same spirit that wecelebrate the Syro-Malabar Mission Week of 2020 from 6-12 January in the Syro-Malabar Church.

Every baptized person is requested to put into practice the mission slogan - 'Know the Mission, Be a Missionary' and to make the celebration of the Mission Week more meaningful. The pastoral-evangelization opportunity that Syro Malabar Church has received all over India has also increased our obligation to proclaim the Gospel. As the Holy Father reminded us while declaring the Extraordinary Mission Month, it is indispensable that we show great zeal and vigilance in executing our missionary duty as a Church and as Christians. We shall abandon the tendency of seeking safe zones for evangelization and should enter into the field of our future proclamation dutifully and with missionary zeal without pondering over past glories. This week-long celebration should enable individuals, religious and lay missionary groups, parishes and eparchies to deepen our commitment to evangelization all over India.

It is the zealous work of our priests, the religious and the laity that has made our missionary activities organised and effective. At this juncture, I gratefully remember the honourable bishops, missionary priests, religious and lay missionaries who are actively engaged in the proclamation of the Gospel in India and abroad. As persons baptized, we have the duty and vocation to become missionaries, to grow in an aptitude to evangelization and to make others grow in missionary zeal, irrespective of our state of life or field of work. Pope Francis in his Mission Sunday 2019 message says the same. The divine life that we have received is not a commodity for sale, but a treasure to be given, shared and proclaimed. This is the real meaning of mission. We have received this divine life as a gift. As Gospel of Mathew Chapter 10 verse 8 rightly says, "Freely you have received; freely give. (Mt 10:8).

I would like to remind you regarding the Syro-Malabar Mission office that is functioning at the Syro Malabar Church Curia of Mount St Thomas, Kakkanad. This office is established to guide and help the missionary efforts and activities of the Church. It supports the missionary training of those priests and religious in the missionary formation for the future mission work. The fund that is raised during Mission Week is utilized for the mission projects in the mission territories.

Let me remind you of a few things to do in the observance of Mission Week and the lifestyle thereafter. We shall utilize the media much more to spread the Gospel message. In this age of social media, we should effectively make use of the media for evangelization. Discussions, conferences, debates, seminars and mission journeys may be organized at the parish and eparchial levels. We should encourage zealous vocations for mission work. Jesus invites us to be fearless missionaries irrespective of place or circumstance (Acts 1:8).

We shall find out and enhance opportunities for sharing the joy of the Gospel in missions as well as our life situations. There should be a medium by which news from mission areas reach our parishes frequently. The members of the Church should always reflect over their missionary obligation inherent in their Christian vocation and may volunteer to utilize a part of their time, talent and treasure for the missionary activities of the Church.

We shall go forward in unity with the missionary zeal of St Thomas, our Father in faith, and courageously proclaim the Gospel for the advancement and progress of the Church which is the mystical body of Christ.May God bless you all!

Given from the Major Archiepiscopal Curia at Mount St. Thomas, Kakkanad, on 07 December 2019.

Prot. No. 1823/2019

Circular -YEAR OF ST. CHAVARA

GEORGE CARDINAL ALENCHERRY, the Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church, to the Archbishops, Bishops, Priests, Consecrated Men and Women and Lay Faithful of the Syro-Malabar Church.

Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Our Lord,

The year 2020 is a holy year of commemoration of St. Kuriakose Elias Chavarain the Syro-Malabar Church. After an active and saintly life, St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara, an illustrious son of our Church, was called for his eternal rewards on 3 January 1871. We are entering the sesquicentennial (150th) year of this great event. This Jubilee Year is an occasion to commemorate this saintly life of St. Kuriakose Chavara, canonized by the Holy Catholic Church, to be inspired by his holy life and to seek the blessings of the Almighty through his intercession.

All the saints have lived the truth of the Gospel in its purity, professed it, and witnessed to Christ Jesus in their varied life situations. Moreover, their lives motivate the faithful forever. The life and the message of St. Chavara underscore these facts. Not only has he enlightened the nineteenth century, a very turbulent and critical period for the Church and the society of his times, but also remains as a beacon of light for the Church for all times.

That he stood relentlessly faithful to the Holy See and to the

legitimate Episcopal authorities and worked for the unity and integrity of the Church, is his greatest contribution as noted by Pope St. John Paul II. Not only did he strive to save his people from schism and damnation, but also dared to ask for a bishop of his own church community. Hence, he was the first Vicar General who dedicated his life for the growth and unity of the Syro-Malabar Church and the spiritual head who guided and led the people of God in faith, holiness and fidelity.

St. Chavara visualized God as his "Daddy" (*Appan*), and prayed to Him with the personal intimacy and innocence of an infant, saying that, "My daddy, I cannot address you by any other name." He was a spiritual progenitor who saw himself as a child of God, loving and serving others who were all the children of God and his own brethren. He imbibed the vision of Jesus Himself with regard to the Kingdom of God and spent his life for the welfare of humankind, burning with zeal so that "Not even a single soul that was redeemed by Jesus Christ with his blood should face damnation and that all souls should be attracted to His Father."

Ordained a priest, on 29 November 1829, St. Chavara had to confront the difficulties and privations of his own church and community. He sought, in the presence of God, for the ways and means to unite and revitalize a people that was scattered like the sheep devoid of a shepherd, not even having a native bishop to guide and instruct them. Imitating Jesus Christ who started public life proclaiming the Good News and calling for repentance, St. Chavara also approached the people as a preacher of the Word of God. At a time when there was no preaching during the Sunday celebrations and no renewal retreats, what he initiated had a great impact and facilitated spiritual progress among the people of God. In order to have good shepherds, preachers of the Word of God and good teachers, he started seminaries as well. To help people grow in holiness and to carry on the mission entrusted to the Church by the Lord, he realized the need for a consecrated life. Hence he founded CMI and CMC religious congregations and through them, a number of monasteries, convents and a group of dedicated religious also emerged.

As a visionary, he got himself immersed in activities aimed at

the integral growth of the faithful entrusted to him. In order to remove the intellectual blindness due to ignorance and to help the growth of a spiritual way of life, he started schools attached to churches. To impart knowledge through books, he started a printing press. For the sake of the destitute, he started charity homes. He accomplished all these, despite many hurdles and oppositions. The motivating force behind all these signature endeavours of the saint was "salvation of the souls and the integral growth of the people of God." What made him a social reformer were his deep-rooted faith, proactive style, indefatigable efforts to eradicate discriminations in the society, and above all, his firm footing in solid spirituality.

The stability of our families is praised all over the world. *The Chavarul* of St. Chavara (*Oru Nalla Appante Chavarul*) exerted immense and timeless influence on our families in shaping them based on faith, fidelity and holiness. An antidote to most of the ills faced by modern families could be found in this little book. St. Chavara taught us that a Christian family is like the kingdom of heaven. With that he wanted each family in the Christian community to grow to the heights of heaven. He held that a family could grow only with order and discipline and instructed that the children should be brought up with care and with this noble ideal in mind. Here, we gratefully acknowledge that St. Chavara, in the nineteenth century, imparted us a vision for the family that was founded on love of God, love of others, and of a caring nature.

Dear brothers and sisters in Christ, let this sesquicentennial commemoration lead us to closely understand and follow the life of this saint who led our Church heroically. I earnestly appeal to the whole Church to wholeheartedly join in the activities planned for the occasion of Chavara Jubilee Year and to reap spiritual benefits. Like St. Chavara, let all the children of the Church lead a life committed to the Church and fulfil the mission of Christ entrusted to them. This is my earnest prayer and wish during this commemorative year.

May the intercession of Blessed Virgin Mary our Mother, St. Thomas our Apostle, and St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara be our help.

Cardinal George Alencherry

V. CURIA MATTERS

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INSTITUTING THE SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD

Dear Fathers, Brothers and Sisters,

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Greetings from Bishop's Home!

Pope Francis by Apostolic letter Aperuit Illis has instituted the third Sunday of Ordinary time in Latin Church (it will be 26 January 2020) as the Sunday of the Word of God. The Holy Father has invited everyone in the Catholic Church to celebrate it befittingly. The directive part of the *motuproprio* is as follows: "The various communities will find their own ways to mark this Sunday with a certain solemnity. It is important, however, that in the Eucharistic celebration the sacred text be enthroned, in order to focus the attention of the assembly on the normative value of God's word. On this Sunday, it would be particularly appropriate to highlight the proclamation of the word of the Lord and to emphasize in the homily the honour that it is due. ... In this regard, renewed efforts should be made to provide members of the faithful with the training needed to be genuine proclaimers of the word..." (Aperuit Illis, No.3). So may I request everyone to celebrate it in a meaningful way in all our parishes and institutions. I wish to give you the following proposals.

- i) Bible procession before commencement of Readings
- ii) A well prepared homily highlighting the importance of the Divine Word
- iii) Continuous Bible reading for a day or few hours.
- iv) Spontaneous quiz on the divine word.
- v) Animated meditation (at least for half an hour) in our institutions/among missionary personnel/formation houses.
- vi) Encourage longer Bible reading session in families.

Either, kindly do these or make better and innovative ideas and celebrate it meaningfully. It will add charm to our Susamachar Ghoshana Varsh.

Bp. Ephrem Nariculam

SEMINAR ON PREACHING MINISTRY

Susamachar Ghoshana Varsh 2020

Programme : Seminar on Preaching

Dates : Tuesday & Wednesday, 14 & 15 April
Time : 10.00 AM to 4.00 PM (Both days)

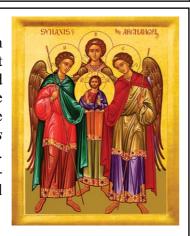
Venue : Bishop's Home Campus Resource Person: Fr. Joy Poonoly CSSR

The seminar is arranged in connection with the *Susamachar Ghoshana Varsh* 2020. It will be a training programme for missionaries to be better evangelizers in preaching ministry. It is open to all missionaries (Religious Brothers, Sisters, Priests and diocesan Priests) in the diocese. I hope it will be of great assistance to every missionary to be great evangelizers. **PLEASE**, I earnestly request every missionary to avail the opportunity and make ascertain your <u>PARTICIPATION</u>. Kindly mark it in your calendar. I repeat again kindly do not take exception! Be on TIME and in <u>FULL ATTENDENCE</u> to the <u>END</u>. It is enough that you attend it <u>either of the days</u>. It is kept in two days so as to make sure participation of maximum number of missionaries in the seminar. Kindly inform Bishop's Office about your attendance and number of attendance from respective parishes/institutions on or before 31 March 2020.

Soliciting your co-operation Bp. Ephrem Nariculam

Murumgaon Mission

The Claretian Fathers have taken charge of Murumgaon mission that includes also Sindasur, Gajamendi and Dhanora. The patron saint of the mission is the Archangels. The mission will be known *Archangels Catholic Church, Murumgaon*. Fr. Manu Parayanickal CMF is the priestin-charge and Fr. Adarsh Kootanal CMF is the associate.



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SEMINAR TRAINING TO BE YOUTH LEADERS

The youth department is conducting the following seminars to impart Training to be youth leaders.

SL. No.	Date	Time	Target Group
1	April 30	10 AM to 6 PM	Decennial Priests (Others are also welcome)
2	May 1&2	9 AM to 9 PM	Major Seminarians
3	May 3	10 AM to 5 PM	Youth Leaders of the diocese (Maximum number 30)

It will be a training programme to be youth leader/animator

- How to deal with the youth of today
- Techniques to interact with the youth
- Organizing the youth for community building
- Training children to grow into effective adulthood

Resource person: Fr. William D' Souza SDB (Bangalore)

Please mark the date in the calendar Bp. Ephrem Nariculam

CONVENT SUPERIORS' MEET

A convent superiors' meet is scheduled on Wednesday 5th August 2020 from 10.00 am to 1.00 pm at Bishop's Home. All convent superiors in the diocese are requested to attend it. Kindly make yourself available and mark the date in the calendar. Thank you.

Agenda

Your suggestions/observations/comments with regard to the following are welcome:

- 1. Susamachar Ghoshana Varsh & Evangelization
- 2. Convent Buildings and other facilities
- 3. Team-work in the mission
- 4. Parish, institution, boarding, village visit etc
- 5. Spiritual enrichment in the missions etc.

Kindly come prepared.

Bp. Ephrem Nariculam

HOLY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION

We have officially inaugurated the Holy Childhood Association in the diocese on 12 August 2019. The following parishes have already started and it is moving on well:

- 1. Seva Sadan Church, Allapalli
- 2. St. Thomas Church, Shengaon
- 3. Shanti Niwas Church, Wirur
- 4. St. Mary's Church, Balapur
- 5. Ashirvan Church, Chincholi
- 6. St. Mary's Church, Durgapur
- 7. Maria Rani Church, Gatta
- 8. St. John Mariya Vianney Church, Ghugus
- 9. Kristuvan Church, Gomini
- 10. St. Alphonsa Church, Kalmana
- 11. Kisanwadi Church, Kopreli
- 12. Jyothi Niwas Church, Wani

I earnestly request everyone to start it as early as possible. It is a great help for the children to grow in devotion to Infant Jesus. Fr. Vivek Puthenpurayil is ready to give orientation talk on Holy Childhood Association, wherever required. Kindly contact him: Phone - 9423742125.

Soliciting everyone's co-operation Bp. Ephrem Nariculam

PRIESTS' RETREAT 2020

Date & Time: 10.00 AM 26 October to 8.00 PM 30 October 2020

Preacher: Fr. Tomy Churathil SAC

Kindly note that the October is the month of rosary devotion. I earnestly request you to make alternative arrangements for rosary devotion during retreat days. Please mark it in the calendar and don't take any exemption from annual retreat.

By order Chancellor

BISHOP JANUARIUS' DEATH ANNIVERSARY

It is completing 25 years since Bp. Januarius Palathuruthy CMI, the architect and the first bishop of Chanda, left us for heavenly abode. The actual date of his death anniversary falls on 28 March. It is the date of Provincial Chapter of CMIs. The curia decided to keep the memorial Holy Qurbana on Saturday 4 April 2020 as per the following schedule:

09.00 - Adoration, Confession

10.15 - Requiem Holy Qurbana

11.45 - Memorial meeting

01.00 - Lunch, Departure

Please mark the date and be present for the memorial Holy Qurbana and meeting as well as Agape, thereafter.

By Order Chancellor

BUDGET 2020-21

All parishes and the diocesan institutions are requested to submit their budgets on or before 30th January 2020. Everyone is expected to submit it at least 3 days before PPT meeting. The PPT meetings for the year 2020 are scheduled in the following dates. The detailed schedule will be given later.

January - 27, 29 & 31

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February -1,3,4,10,27 & 29

March -2, 5-7, 17-19

Fr. Mathew Nirappel

DFO

ENGLISH LANGUAGE COURSE

English language course for this year is scheduled from 1st April to 17th. Please contact Fr. Johny Narikkat for details. (Ph: 9423398141)

MARATHI LANGUAGE COURSE

Marathi Language course is scheduled from 17th May to 12th June. Please contact Fr. Johny Narikkat for details. (Ph: 9423398141)

40 HOURS ADORATION

This year 40 hour adoration will be held at St. Thomas Cathedral, Ballarpur on 24-26 February. Whoever can, please do come and adore the Lord. It may be good to keep the following zonal arrangements:

Monday 24 Feb - Wardha & Wirur

Tuesday 25 Feb - Allapalli & Brahmapuri

Wednesday 26 Feb - Ballarpur

Day 1 - Monday, 24 Feb 2020

06.15 AM - Exposition, Sapra (Morning Prayer)

(Facility for confession 3.00 PM to 6.00 PM)

05.30 PM - Rosary, Reposition

06.00 PM - Ash Day Service & Holy Ourbana

(Wardha & Wirur Zones)

Day 2 - Tuesday, 25 Feb 2020

06.00 AM - Sapra, Holy Qurbana, Exposition

(Facility for confession 3.00 PM to 6.00 PM)

07.00 PM - Rosary, Ramsa (evening prayer), Reposition

(Allapalli & Brahmapuri Zones)

Day 3 - Wednesday, 26 Feb 2020

06.15 AM - Exposition, Sapra

(Facility for confession 3.00 PM to 6.00 PM)

06.00 PM - Eucharistic Procession followed by Holy

Qurbana & Besmearing Ashes

(Ballarpur Zone)

DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS

Dear Fathers, you are requested to hand over the following collections to DFO latest by 31 January 2020:

- 1. Sabha Dinam
- 2. Chanda Foundation day
- 3. Mission Sunday
- 4. Seminary Fund

 $Your \ are \ requested \ to \ make \ the \ following \ collections:$

- 1. Preshitavaram (12 January)
- 2. Lenten Campaign
- 3. Good Friday Collection for Holy Land (10 April)

ARE YOU A DEBTOR?

Are you a debtor to nature? May be or may not be! Check for yourself!!!

The Oxygen that we inhale every moment is a nature's gift. It is precious and its value is so high! An oxygen cylinder containing 2.75 litres costs around Rs. 6500/in most of our cities in India. Which means a litre oxygen costs Rs. 2364/-. A Person inhale almost 550 litres of oxygen a day. Accordingly one need Rs. 1,30,000/-



(2364x550) for a day's sustenance on earth, just for breathing in oxygen. A tree gives out almost 2.75 litres of oxygen a day. Thus one person needs a total volume of oxygen produced by two trees a day. If so a family with four persons need at least four trees in their campus to sustain their family daily. If not he is a debtor to nature! Are you a debtor to nature? Are you grabbing oxygen produced in others' campuses. Then you are a thief. Think... Reflect and Act!!! Plant Trees...Respect them...Love them and nurture them. Turn to NATURE and Love our Mother Earth.

Bp. Ephrem Nariculam

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Chanda Family congratulates the administrator and staff of Christ Hospital for their new initiative "1 Kg Plastic = Free Consultation Fee (OPD)" to eliminate plastic from our society in collaboration with Chandrapur City Mahanagar Palika. All the best for your wonderful initiative.



THANK YOU

I sincerely thank everyone who greeted me on Chanda Family Day in connection with my 5th Episcopal Ordination Anniversary. It was great that some you greeted me with gifts of cash and kind. May God bless you all. Thank you very much.

Bp. Ephrem Nariculam

PRAYER REQUEST

Please pray for our Deacons.....



Date of Ordination 29th April 2020

Venue:Seva Sadan Church, Allapalli

Time: 9.30 AM



Dn. Francis Minj

Dn.Jose Zade

IMPORTANT DATES

January 2020

6-12 - Syro-Malabar Preshitha Varam (Sunday Collection on 12)

7-15 - Pray for Synod of Bishops (Mount St. Thomas, Kakkanad)

18-25 - Church Unity Octave

- Consulters' Meeting &

Monthly Recollection for Diocesans, Diocesan Presbyterium

February 2020

3-7 - Deacons' Pastoral Course

9 - CSA Executive & General Body Meeting

11 - Grotto Pilgrimage, Warur

13-21 - CBCI Bangalore

19 - Diocesan level Catechism Exam & Bible Quiz

24-26 - Forty Hours Adoration, Ballarpur

27 - Presbyteral Council,

Monthly Recollection for Priests and Men Religious

General Presbyterium

NEW SAINTS OF CATHOLIC CHURCH

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In the midst of more than 50,000 people, Pope Francis on 13th Oct 2019 declared five new saints to the Catholic Church. The beauty of this canonization happened while the 'Synod for the Amazon' is meeting in Rome to discuss about the role of women played in the Catholic Church. We, Indians have got a reason to celebrate with the new Saint Sr. Mariam Thresia from Kerala. The lights are lit to lead us amidst the encircling gloom, Blessed John Henry Newman, the, writer of the soulful words "lead kindly light" is declared a saint along with three religious nuns and one laywoman.

1. From an Anglican to a Catholic Cardinal - St. Cardinal John Henry Newman (1801-1890): He was a light following 'the Light.' Until 1833 when he visited Rome he was comfortable being an Anglican Priest but the change happened afterwards. He was always a seeker of the real truth and faith. At once leaving the Anglican Church he started his journey reading the Fathers of the Church belonging to all denominations. After redoing the theological studies he was accepted to be a Priest in the Catholic Church in the congregation of St. Philip Neri.

He involved himself fully When he went back to England with the translation of the Bible into English and founding an oratory in Oxford dedicating to Philip Neri. He propagated the deeper sense of silence, hidden place in the Christian spirituality.

He wished God to lead everyone as a Light. He became Cardinal and died at Birmingham.

2. 'A lover of the Holy Cross in Swiss' - Margherita Bays (1815-1879): She was a committed laywoman who suffered pain and misunderstandings. She spared all her free time for the parish and the poor. Though people wanted her to become a nun she wished to stay in a family and be an apostle for Christ. Later on she joined the Franciscan third order. Everybody loved her even her sisterin-law who ill-treated her also preferred the presence of Margherita at her deathbed.

She loved the Holy Cross and devoted herself to pray the Holy Rosary everyday. She welcomed her neighbours to pray as well. She received the wounds of the Lord (Stigmata) and endured her pains happily in silence. She would fall ill on Good Fridays and experience ecstasy. She was a humble soul with a deeper sense of spirituality.

3. 'An Orphan to a Mother General in Italy" - Sr. Giuseppina Vanninl (1859-1911): Judith was her childhood name and was born in Rome. She experienced the pain of being an orphan along with her siblings within three years from her birth. She joined the Daughters of Charity of the Sisters of. Saint Vincent de' Paul, but while helping the Camillian priest Fr 'Luigi Tezza to restore the Camillian Tertiaries she opted for a new mission.

She took the new religious name as Sr. Giuseppina and became the first superior General of the new religious Congregation called as the Daughters of St. Camillus. The congregation was suppressed twice because of the Intervention of Pope Leo XIII who did not favour new congregations but in 1909 it got its Papal approval. The Congregation spread all over in Europe and America because of its missionary zeal to cater to needs of the sick and to nurse the lepers. She lived 51 years and died as a legend, serving the poor.

4. 'An Apostle of Families in India' - St. Mariam Thresia (1876-1926): She was born in the southern part of India (Kerala). Influenced by her mother's teachings of the saints, Sr. Mariam

Thresia made a private vow of Chastity at the age of 10. While deciding to consecrate her life to Christ she started serving the poor, the sick, lepers and orphans. Along with the gift of stigmata, she had many mystical experiences, the gift of prophecy and healing.

She first joined the Clares and then the Carmelites, but later she started a congregation (Congregation of the Holy Family) to enter into a personal union with the Lord. She and her sisters suffered during the time of the First World War, but stood firm with the grace of the Lord to start schools, boarding schools, and orphanages. She served as a mystic and missionary.

5. 'Mother Teresa of Brazi'- St. Dulce Lopes Pontes (1914-1992): Her secular name was Maria Rita and was influenced by the religious piety of St Teresa of Child Jesus. Having been compassionate toward the poor even from her childhood, Sr. Dulces was prepared to do small acts of love for Jesus. So much so, she asked special permission to accommodate the poor in the convent's poultry. The place of hens is now called as Santo Antonio Hospital with 1500 beds treating cancer patients.

To uplift the lives of the poor she requested the abandoned house in the city of Salvadore in the State of Bahia to accommodate them. Those accommodations were named by a few as 'Rat Island.' Her passion to serve the poor made people call her 'Mother Teresa of Brazil.'

May these inspiring lives of new saints bring us closer to God, living in Christ with the poor.

(By Fr. A Akilan Xavier, The New Leader, Nov 1-15, 2019)



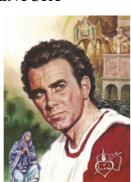
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11 February 2020 Grotto Feast Tera Prem Church, Warur

> 10 April 2020 **Good Friday Pilgrimage** Kalvarigiri, Lakkadakot

ADVICE FROM SAINT AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO TO THE YOUTH OF THE 4TH CENTURY

- Dedicate yourself to your studies, stay pure in body and spirit, eat healthy food, dress simply, and don't consume too much.
- Be sober in all you do and you will achieve moderation in thought, tolerance, honorable behavior, and self control.
- Remember that obsession with money is a poison that can destroy all hope.
- Act neither with fearfulness nor with boldness.
- When correcting the faults of others, keep anger at a distance, or at least keep it under control.
- Be your own watchman: look at your feelings and your desires to be certain they will not betray you.
- Acknowledge your faults and try to correct them.
- Neither punish excessively, nor pardon lightly.
- Be tolerant of those who try to improve and cautious with those who are not trying.
- Treat those under your command as though they were family.
- Serve everyone in such a way that you are reluctant to lead, and lead in such a way that it is a pleasure to serve.
- Do not impose yourself on or annoy those who do not wish to improve themselves.
- Avoid conflicts; put up with them good naturedly, end them as soon as possible.
- In your treatment and conversation with others, always follow the old proverb: "do unto others what you would have them do unto you."
- Do not seek leadership opportunities if you do not want to serve.
- Try to always go forward, regardless of your age and the circumstances in which you find yourself.
- All your life, in every moment and in every place, have true friends, or at least look for them.
- Honor those who deserve to be honored, even if they do not wish to be honored.
- Distance yourself from braggarts; try to never be one of them.



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- Live with dignity and harmony with one and all.
 Search for God; knowing Him will fulfill your existence, and His love will fill your heart.
- Seek tranquility and order to further your studies and those of your companions with you.
- Ask for a healthy mind, a restful spirit, and a peaceful life for yourself and others.

Adaptation of "De Ordine" 11, 8, 25

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SUSAMACHAR GHOSHANA VARSH 2020

As part of *Susamachar Ghoshana Varsh*, Devdan Sanchar Kendra is broadcasting a short video message daily through Whatsapp. I humbly request everyone to circulate the message by forming Whatsapp groups of the parish/institution, so as to reach to the people. If anyone would like to get the message daily, please send a message to the following whatsapp no:09421803119.

Fr. Vincent Pangola

REPORTS

CHANDA FAMILY DAY 2019

Chanda Family Day was celebrated on Tuesday, 12th November 2019 at St. Thomas Cathedral, Ballarpur. We began the day by seeking the blessings from above with a solemn Holy Qurbana at 10:00 a.m. Fr. Mathew Nirappel, the Cathedral Vicar welcomed the gathering. Bishop Ephrem was the main celebrant. Fr. Thomas Kattathara SJ was the Homilist. The Jubilarians: Fr. Jose Vadakkemury CMI, Fr. BinoyCheckonthayil CMI, New Priests Fr. Prince Munjanattu CMI and Fr. Nikhil Chakiath were the chief concelebrants. Soon after the Holy Ourbana, a sumptuous lunch was served at 12:30 p.m. Almost 800 faithful participated in the whole programme. Priests and sisters also turned up in good number. The event was also blessed with the presence of Bp. Vijay Anand CMI (Bishop Emeritus). An awesome cultural banquet and a formal gathering coloured the afternoon which began at 01:30 and ended with tea at 04:00 p.m. Bishop Ephrem was felicitated on the occasion of His Episcopal Ordination Anniversaryand Birthday by Fr. Johny Narikkatt. Golden Jubilarians and Silver Jubilarians along with the New Priests were felicitated by Sr. Shiny SHSp and Fr. Tony Villiadath respectively. Bp. Ephremii and Vijay Anandii congratulated and greeted the Jubilarians and the New Priests with a sapling and Dupatta. Fr. Binu Tomas proposed the vote of thanks.

Golden Jubilarians: Fr. Simon Tharakan CMI, Fr. Jose Vadakkemuriyil CMI, Sr. Geetha CMC, Sr. Prima DM, Sr. Lis Therese SD, Sr. Maria Jose SD, Sr. Starly MSMI, Sr. Vincent MSMI, Sr. Susi MSMI, Sr. Sabeena SAB, Sr. Lizy FCC, Sr. Alicia CSC

Silver Jubilarians: Fr. Joy Parappilly CMI, Fr. BinoyChekonthayil CMI, Sr. Varsha Mattappally SJB, Sr. Sally John SJB, Sr. Shilpa Mekkunnel SJB, Sr. Rupa Antony SJB, Sr. Ancy CMC, Sr. Flower Maria DM, Sr. Arpana Therese DM, Sr. Krupa Maria DM, Sr. Marita Jacob DM, Sr. Vinaya Jose DM, Sr. Dency Jose MSMI, Sr. Shanty Manuel MSMI, Sr. Jeena Jose MSMI, Sr. Daly Jose MSMI,

Sr. Ligi Maria MSMI, Sr. Rosemine MSMI, Sr. Shalet Thomas MSMI, Sr. Lancy George MSMI, Sr. Grace Koovayil SD, Sr. Prima Thengadayil SD, Sr. Teresa Sankaramala SD, Sr. Dessy ASMI, Sr. Merin ASMI, Sr. Nirmala SCCG, Sr. Alicia CSC, Sr. Lilly DST, Sr. Sunitha FCC, Sr. Josmy CMC, Sr. Sushma CMC, Sr. Vimal Grace CMC, Sr. Sachitha CMC, Sr. Jaya Rose CMC, Sr. Princy CMC, Sr. Johnsy CMC, Sr. Keerthana CMC, Sr. Greena CMC, Sr. Leoni SHSp, Sr. Dency SHSp

New Priests: Fr. Prince Munjanattu CMI, Fr. AisteenVadakkumchery CMI, Fr. George Velloothottathil CMI, Fr. Nikhil Chakkiath

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PASTORAL VISIT TO KOPRELI PARISH

(14-17, November, 2019)

Bishop arrived at 4.00pm and he was received at the gate by Fr. Thomas Punchayil, the parish priest, the sisters, the hostlers and a few people from the parish. He was accorded reception with oraon dance. After tiffin bishop proceeded to Thummady village and visited all the families there. Later he proceeded to Ghot and visited families there, offered Holy Qurbana at Holy Spirit sisters convent and had dinner with the hostlers and others in Mathosri Swadhar Greh. He returned Kopreli parish by 10.00 pm. On the second day (15-11-19)of the pastoral visit bishop visited all the houses in Kopreli village and in Labantola. The Holy Qurbana was offered at Lebantola chapel. The bishop had meeting with the sisters at Kopreli convent on the third day (16-11-19) and bishop visited families in Mallera, Kodsapur and Bolappalli villages and offered Holy Qurbana in the Mallera village. During the day bishop had meeting with boarders and parish core-team. Bishop also went around in the campus and visited dispensary, boarding and met with students of nursery class. On Sunday 17th November, the fourth day of the pastoral visit the bishop offered Holy Qurbana in the morning and met with the people in the church. Lunch was arranged for all

the faithful who attended the Holy Qurbana. With lunch the pastoral visit was concluded and bishop left for Balharsha around 12.30 pm

CSM CONVENT, CHIMUR

On 9th November 2019, St. Juliana convent, Chimur was blessed by Rt. Rev. Bp. Ephrem Nariculam, bishop of Chanda in the presence of Mother Ermanna Luciano the Mother general of CSM, Fr. Varghese Puthuparampil CMI, Proto-syncellus of the Diocese of Chanda and Rev. Fr. Jose Thenpillil CMF, the provincial of CMF Fathers of St. Thomas Province, Karukutty. Fathers and Sisters from various religious houses from Chanda and the Sisters of our congregation were present for the great day.

THE INAUGURATION OF CLARETIAN MISSION AT DHANORA

The Claretian Mission at Dhanora was inaugurated and blessed by His Excellency Mar Ephrem Nariculam, Bishop of Chanda, on 13th November 2019 at Dhanora. The Dhanora mission is entrusted to the Claretians of St. Thomas Province by the Diocese of Chanda. Frs. Manu Parayanickal CMF and Adarsh Koottanal CMF will be residing at Dhanora in order to look after the pastoral and social activities of Dhanora and Murumgaon mission station. Till 2017 the pastoral care of this area was done by various fathers from the diocese of Chanda and in 2017 Fr. Sunil Gandare CMF was entrusted to look after this mission and he was followed by Fr. Adarsh Koottanal CMF. The formal inauguration and blessing of the Claretian mission at Dhanora was organised on 13th November 2019 in a rented house at Dhanora. The inauguration of the mission and the blessing of the residence of priests were done by His Excellency Mar Ephrem Nariculam, in the presence of Fr. Jose Thenpillil CMF, the Provincial Superior of St. Thomas Province of Claretian Congregation. During his message Bishop congratulated the Claretian fathers for taking up this new mission and wished them prayers and support. On this occasion Fr. Thomas Paingott, the councillor of St. Thomas Province, Fr. Vigil Parassery, Secretary of Bishop, Claretians from Chimur and Wardha communities and few of the faithful also were present. At the end of the programme lunch was served to all.

THE INAUGURATION OF CMF MISSION AT MURUMGAON

On 13th of November 2019, Murumgaon mission station was erected separating it from Gadchiroli Parish by His Excellency Mar Ephrem Nariculam, in a program organised in Murumgaon village. The name of the new Murumgaon mission station is "Arch Angels Catholic Church, Murumgaon". This mission station consists of 16 villages in an around Murumgaon area which includes Sindasur, Gajamandi, Dharachi etc. In this new Mission station there are around 140 Catholic families. Fr. Jose Thenpillil CMF, the Provincial Superior of St. Thomas Province of Claretian congregation, Fr. Joseph Kalathil, the Zonal Vicar of Brahmapuri Forane Church, Fr. K. D. Chacko, a pioneer missionary of this area, Fr. Ajith, Asst. Parish Priest of Aunthi Parish, fathers from nearby parishes, communities and mission stations were present during the occasion. The programme started by 2.30 pm. Bishop and other chief guests were welcomed by parishioners in a traditional way with dance, songs, arathi, and washing of hands. In the beginning of the programme Bishop blessed the rented building in Murumgaon which will be used for the celebration of Holy Qurbana and for other liturgical gatherings. Thereafter Bishop blessed the pious articles which was arranged for distribution among the faithful. Following this bishop announced the erection of new Murumgaon mission station and declared that the Claretian Priests of St. Thomas Province is entrusted with the pastoral care of the Murumgaon mission station. Bishop also spoke about the pioneering missionaries of this area and about the name of the new mission station. The Holy Qurbana, led by Bishop Ephrem was attended by many fathers and the faithful from Murumgaon Mission Station. During the homily, Fr. K.D. Chacko, the pioneer missionary of Murumgaon mission recollected the nostalgic memory of his mission experiences in this area. The occasion was made memorable through the felicitation of various fathers and the cultural programmes organised by the parishioners. At the end of the programme Mr. Ajay from the village of Gajamandi proposed the vote of thanks. The programme came to an end by 4.30 pm after distributing tea and snacks to all who participated in it. Fr. Adarsh Koottanal CMF was instrumental in arranging and organizing the whole programme and he did it in a commendable way. Fr. Manu Parayanickal will be the Priest-in-charge of this Mission.

SILVER JUBILEE OF ST. FRANCIS HIGH SCHOOL, ALLAPALLI

Silver jubilee of St. Francis High school Allapalli was celebrated on 21st November 2019. Thanksgiving Mass was celebrated in St. Francis Convent Chapel at 11 a. m. The main celebrant was Bishop Mar Ephrem Nariculam. Fr. Kim D'Souza, the Under Secretary of the Oriental Congregation, Rome and Fr. Sebastian Orapuzhikal CMI, Parish Priest, Allapalli con-celebrated. In the evening Bp. Ephrem presided over the public function which was held in the school premises. It was an occasion for us to recall the marvellous ways in which the school has fulfilled its mission in imparting education.

JUBILEE CELEBRATION AT MSMI PROVINCIALTE, WARDHA

On 23rd of November the Golden Jubilee of Srs. Starly, Vincent, Susy, and Silver Jubilee of Srs ShantyManuel, Ligi Maria, Dency Jose, Shalet Thomas, Daly Jose, Rosmine Jose, Lancy George, and Jeena Jose celebrated at MSMI Provincialate at Wardha. His Excellency Mar Ephrem Nariculam, Bishop of Chanda Diocese presided over the solemn Eucharistic celebration. The presence of the family members of Jubilarians from Kerala enhanced the joy of celebration.

BLESSING OF MOUNT CARMEL CONVENT, ARVI

November 24th 2019 was an unforgetful and remarkable day in the history of Mount Carmel Convent Arvi. We had the blessing of our new convent. Rt. Rev. Dr. Ephrem Nariculam officiated the blessing ceremony and the Holy Qurbana. Fr. Raju Avookaran and Fr. Justin Thekkudan CMI (Darshana, Wardha) were the concelebrants. Many fathers, sisters, brothers, lay people, non-Christian teaching and non-teaching staff participated. Another important specialty of the day was, master Salmon Tigga received first Holy Communion and Confirmation. The programme concluded with agape.

THE VISIT OF FR. KIM D'SOUZA

Fr. Kim D'Souza, the under secretary of Congregation for the Eastern Churches, Rome, who is also the student of Bishop Ephrem visited Chanda. He spent three days in the diocese from 20th to 23rd, November, visiting mission stations and institutions. On 21st he visited Gojoli, met with Bp. Viajayanand CMI at Tarsa Ashram, participated in the Jubilee celebration of the St. Francis Assisi English medium school, Allapalli. On 22nd November, He concelebrated the Holy Qurbana at SVG and gave a thought provoking homily. Thereafter he moved to *Pahad* Mission visiting various villages under Pattaguda parish. On 23rd November on the way back to Rome he spent time in Babupeth, Christ Hospital Chandrapur, Sumthana and Jam. He was very happy to be in the mission diocese of Chanda.

LAYING OF FOUNDATION STONE AT KAMATHUGUDA & BLESSING OF LENDIGUDA VILLAGE CHAPEL, PATTAGUDA

It was a memorable day for Pattaguda parish specially for Kamathuguda villagers as foundation stone is laid for a new village chapel at Kamathuguda by Bp. Ephrem Nariculam on 26 Nov 2019. Thereafter renovated chapel at Lendiguda village was also blessed

by Bp. Ephrem. Our joy was doubled by the presence of Fr. Paul Madan, Vicar of Muttom parish and 13 parishioners of Muttom St. Mary's Forane Church in Ernakulam-Angamali Archdiocese, who are supporting the construction and renovation of the chapels financially.

LAHAN WANI

The renovated village chapel at Lahan wani was re-dedicated during the Holy Qurbana by His Excellency Bp. Ephrem Nariculam on 26th November 2019. Rev. Fr. Paul Madan the Parish Priest of Muttom Forane Church along with a group of 13 faithful were present on the day. We honoured them for their generous contribution to the mission station.

DIACONATE AND SVG DAY

It was a memorable day in the history of Sant Vianney Gurukul, the diocesan minor seminary as Bp. Ephrem Nariculam conferred Diaconate to Bro. Francis Minj on 27 Nov 2019 during the Holy Qurbana. It was followed by SVG DAY. Bishop Ephrem presided over the function. Brothers put up a beautiful cultural banquet. Thereafter everyone joined for the Agape. The day was marked by the presence of Fathers, Sisters, Brothers from the diocese and the relatives of Bro. Francis.

YOUTH DEPARTMENT

Syro-Malabar Youth Commission secretary Rev. Fr Joseph Allencheril visited the diocese on 28th November and a one day seminar for diocesan youth was conducted in LSSS HALL on 29th November. 40 youths from different parishes participated in it and Rev. Bp. Ephrem inaugurated the seminar and addressed the youth. Rev. Fr Joseph Allencheril gave a message and managed the first session. Our resource person was Rev. Fr Sunil Gandhare CMF. We concluded the seminar by 4pm.

ARANYA NIWAS CHURCH, LAKKADAKOT

We celebrated the feast of St. Francis Xavier at Aranya Nivas Church Lakkadkot on 3rd December 2019. As a preparation for the feast, we had 3 days of Novena. Bishop Ephrem Nariculam was the main celebrant, Fr Robinson and Fr Johny con-celebrated the solemn Eucharist. In the sermon Bishop spoke about four ways to go to heaven, such as Prayer, Eucharist, Bible reading and selfless service. Many priests and sisters from different mission stations came for the event and received blessings from Jesus through the intercession of St Francis Xavier. There were people from four villages, Koshtala, Gotta, Reddy guda and Lakkadkot. We had procession and Agape.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH, AWARPUR

We celebrated the feast of the immaculate conception of Mother Mary along with the conclusion of silver jubilee at St Mary's Church, Awarpur on 8th December 2019. Fr Thomas Punchayil the Syncellus of Chanda Diocese was the main celebrant for the solemn Eucharist. Fr. Nikhil Chakiath, the new priest preached a beautiful sermon about how can we be holy by the grace of God. We had procession, cultural program and Agape. During the cultural program Fr. Thomas Punchayil shared his fond memories about the Awarpur church - how they offered mass in houses and shops before the construction of the church building.

REPORT OF WRCC MEETING, VASAI

Western Region Catholic Council meeting was held at Jeevan Vikas Seva Ashram, Koshimbi, Bhiwandi, Maharashtra, in Vasai Diocese from 14-15 December 2019. The theme of the meeting was **Socio-Political Scenario of our Country**. Bp. Ephrem Nariculam, Bp. Vijayanand Nedumpuram CMI, Fr. Vigil Parassery, Sr. Rose CMC, Mr. Christopher Francis and Mr. Allen Kailas Durge participated in it. There were input sessions by Fr. Lancy Lobo SJ and Mr. Royston. The input sessions and discussions were really enriching. Representatives from all the dioceses of western region were present for the meeting.

VI. NEWS FROM THE MISSION STATIONS

- ALLAPALLI ZONE

- Lokmangal, Ghot

On 14th November 2019 was a remarkable day for the sisters, Women and Children of Lokmangal sanstha, Ghot where His Lordship paid a visit and celebrated the Holy Eucharist for us. On the occasion he gave inspiring message and challenged everyone. Though most of them are Non- Catholic, it was an encouraging and touching experience for all.

Lokmangal is a center run by the Congregation of the Sisters of the Holy spirit at Ghot, with a Vision that "A prosperous community where women enjoy holistic health and every individual lives with dignity that leads to a society free from injustice, exploitation and corruption giving way to equality, social justice and harmony".

Main Activities of the center are:-

- 1. Social Ministry
- 2. Mathoshri Swadhar Greh (Short Stay Home for women in Distress)
- 3. Ahilyadevi Balsadan
- 4. Legal Aid.

The center provides the following Services:-

- a) It provides Shelter and support to women from anywhere in India who are bearing the brunt of social, moral, and family problems and violence.
- b) It is a home away home for children from Gadchiroli District through Child welfare Board between the age group of 6 to 17 years who are orphans, in moral danger and in need of care and protection.
- c) It provides legal assistance for women, tribals and other vulnerable people through legal litigation.
- d) It brings to the compromising table the matrimonial disputes and settles them with the consent of both the parties.
- e)The center through its social ministry create awareness, motivation and capacity building programs to people at grass root level also net work with the likeminded NGO's, people's movements, and individuals on various issues.

In short the beneficiaries of the center is given Individual and family counselling, legal assistance, vocational training, formal and non-formal education, personality development and social awareness programs by which they are rehabilitated to lead a healthy normal life and get back into the mainstream of the society.

WARDHAZONE

-AMALASADA, WARDHA

- 1. Three regents are doing their community and mission experiences in Hanga, Nagar under the leadership of Sr. Maria Glory.
- 2. Our five candidates attended Vocacio 2019 at Bellampally CMI Provincial house on 08 -11 -19.
- 3. Three Aspirants entered in to postulancy on 07-12-19. Rev. Fr. Shajan Kuttiyil was the main celebrant for the Holy Qurbana.

- CARMELODAYA PROVINCE, WARDHA Green Auditing Class

- An awareness class on green Auditing was held in the Provincial House on 3rd and 4th November 2019 under the leader ship of Sr.Betsy. 24 sisters participated in it.
- Mr. Sachin Zade and Sachin Chatur the Resource staff of Bajaj Foundation Natural farming Centre, Wardha enriched our sisters with their vast knowledge on green auditing.

Classes

- An education seminar on value education was held at Bhopal in general level from 8th to 12th November 2019 and Sr.Philo was one of the resource persons.
- Sr. Philo gave an inspirational and enriching talk on effective teaching at St. Antony's School Wardha, on 2nd December 2019.

Awareness programmes

- Class on Christian Values was conducted by Sr.Amala to the parents and the grand parents of Bembal, Checkfuttana and Nandgaon villages and Christian students of Ghugus parish on 8,9,&10of November and 12th November 2019 respectively.
- In order to motivate the women, Kairose group was formed at Pen Parish by Srs.Leema and Yajna on 15th December and gave

an orientation talk to the Auto Rickshaw drivers and celebrated Christmas with them on 16th December 2019.

Arvi Convent Blessing

24th November 2019 was the inauguration day of Arvi Mount Carmel Renovated convent. The day was graced by the gracious presence of Rt. Rev. Mar Ephrem Nariculam Bishop of Chanda diocese, as the main celebrant of the Holy Mass & Blessing ceremony. Rev. Fr. Raju Avookaran Vicar of St. Anthony Forane Church Wardha & Rev. Fr. Justin Tekkudan C.M.I. Darshana Institute Of Philosophy Wardha, were the con-celebrants for the day's inaugural service. We had the charming presence of our dear loving Mother Provincial Sr.Lilly Grace C.M.C. and Rev. Sr. Philo C.M.C. - Vicar Provincial and Rev. Sr. Merciline C.M.C. Councillor for Renewal. There were distinguished guests, fathers and Sisters from far and near to attend the programme. Sisters from our Province also were present on this gracious occasion.

Celebration of the world Disabled day

On Dec. 3rd the world disabled day was celebrated in Mount Carmel Convent School for the mentally Challenged children, Chandrapur. On this august occasion, Dr. Ela Chatterjie the gynaecologist of Christ Hospital, Manager of MCC- Sr. Soumia, Principal - Sr. Nithya, Sr. Hitha, the staff and students were present. The colourful and unique programme of our differently abled children added beauty to the day. Adv. Rashid from District Court, Chandrapur gave awareness on legal rights to the staff and students at this juncture. In connection with the world disabled day, on Dec. 4th the sports and games were conducted by the sports club of MCC. The teachers and student representatives of class VI & VII were present and conducted various games and sports. The children were all the more enthusiastic and energetic to participate in the games. They distributed the prizes to the winners. We express our sincere gratitude to the Management, staff and students of MCC especially Sr. Nithya. "Whatsoever you do to the least of my people that you do unto me"is rightly fulfilled by them.

Participation in the District Level World Disabled Day Celebration by Carmel School for Divyang (MR) Children, Wardha.

On 3rd December,2019 World disabled day was celebrated with

Rally with All apang section staff and students of District from Ambedkar Statue to Gandhi Statue at Wardha. Later in Datta Meghe Institute of Rural Hospital Sabhagruh under the direction of Social Welfare Office, Zillah Parishat, Wardha an "Indradhanushyay Mahotsav" celebration was conducted. There was drawing and dance competitions and our children bagged 1st prize in group dance competition.

District level sports competition was conducted on 12th December,2019 in the sports stadium at Wardha. Our students participated in it and bagged seven-1st prizes, ten - 2nd prizes, and four - 3rd Prizes.

Competitions

In connection with the Silver Jubilee of our Province an exam and quiz competion based on the book 'Beneath Thy wings'-The History of our Province were conducted in Province level and Zonel level respectively.

Remarkable Days with the Special Ones.

- The special programmes for HIV/AIDS affected and infected children were conducted at Wardha and Chandrapur on 21st Dec. 2019 and provided nutritious food and counselling.
- Invited Transgenders at Carmel Bhavan on the occasion of Chritsmas celebration on 22nd Dec 2019
- The sisters, teachers, and students of Mount Carmel convent school, Chandrapur celebrated Christmas with the inmates of Chandrapur prison on 23rd Dec. 2019.

Carmelodaya Sparklings-2019

The Annual gathering of our 54 children from 08 boardings (Carmelodaya Sparklings) who are studying in our English medium Schools at Kaghaznagar, Chandrapur, Gughus, Sindola, Jam, Samudrapur, Katol, and Arvi gathered at Carmelodaya Provincial House, Wardha on 28th and 29th December 2019. The day was inaugurated with a Prayer Service led by Sr. Rose and Sr. Amalathe programme co-coordinators. Provincial Superior inaugurated the programme by breaking the balloon and giving away welcome address. The students from Std. VIth to Xth were given a motivational talk on the theme "From Comfort Zone to Courage Zone" by Sr. Rose C.M.C. The Boarders went for crib Darshan at Darshana Institute of Philosophy, Claretian Ashram, St. Anthony Forane

Church, and Euphrasia Bhavan.

- WIRUR ZONE

Chincholi Parish

Zonal level conclusion of *Bible Vaachan Varsh* 2019 and inauguration of *Susamachar Ghoshana Varsh* 2020 was organized on 30th Dec 2019 at Ashirvan Church, Chincholi. Fr. Nikhil Chakkiath was the main celebrant for the Holy Qurbana. Fathers and Sisters from the Wirur zone were present for the Holy Qurbana. Fr. Nikhil in his homily emphasized the importance of giving witness through proclamation specially through Action Plan for the *Susamachar Ghoshana Varsh* 2020. We had agape after the Holy Qurbana.

- Pattaguda Parish

- 1. During Diwali holidays one day seminar for children from Pattaguda Parish including those who are studying in different boardings was conducted on 3rd Nov 2019. Around 120 children participated in the seminar. Rev. Fr. Antony Munjanattu and team were the resource persons.
- 2. On 25th Nov 2019, A Team of 14 people from Cherthala Muttom Forane Church of Ernakulam Angamaly Archdiocese including parish priest very Rev. Fr. Paul V. Madan came for their one week mission experience at Pattaguda.
- 3. 1st death anniversary of Late Rev.Fr. Jomy Chakkalatharayil was celebrated at Pattaguda parish on 16th Nov 2019. Fr. Antony Munjanattu was the main celebrant. Fr. Jobin Ovelil preached the homily. Fr. Thomas Punchayil led office of the dead. Many faithful from all over Pahad area attended the Memorial Holy Qurbana. Many priests and Sisters from the diocese also joined for the Requiem Holy Qurbana.
- 4. Christmas celebrations at different villages started on 17th Nov 2019.

- Rajura Parish

As part of *Susamachar Ghoshana Varsh* 2020, parish council has decided to start Bible classes for the parishioners on every first Friday of the month.

VII. DEPARTMENTAL NEWS

CLC

Upcoming Events

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1. SAPIENZA 2019-20

Like every year this year also we are conducting Diocesan level Bible Quiz competition SAPIENZA 2019-20 on 19th February 2020. For a change this time preliminary rounds will be conducted on zonal basis at CLC Hall, Ballarshah on 19th February at 10.00 am. And the winners will be selected for the grand finale at C L C Hall, Balharshah on 19th February at 1.30 pm.

Schedule and venue for the preliminary round

Reference Sources: Gospel of St. Luke: 70%

: The Letter of Paul to the I Corinthians

Chapters 1-8: 20%

: General & Church Teachings: 10%

Timing : 10.00 am Ballarshah Zone

: 10.45 am Wirur Zone

: 11.30 am Brahmapuri Zone

: 12.15 am Allapally Zone

: 12.45 am Wardha Zone

Participants: The competition will be parish wise.

: Maximum number of participants from each parish is

three.

: They should be in or under 12^{th} Std. in the school.

2. Diocesan Level Catechism Annual Exam

● **Date & time** : 19th Feb. 2020, 11am - 12.30pm.

● Venue : For Balharshah, Brahmapuri, Wardha & Wirur

: Zone Pastoral Centre, Ballarpur. And for Allapalli

: Zone Seva Sadan Bhalbhavan, Nagepalli.

●Languages : Hindi/Marathi/English

• Participants : Catholic students of 5th to 10th Std. of catechism

class. Any number of children may attend the exam.

● Prizes : Cash awards of Rs. 750 and Rs. 500 as the first and second

prizes with certificates will be given to the topers in each

std.

•TA : TA could be provided to the C & B category parishes, if

needed, to one student each from every std. - 5th to 10th of

catechism class. The TA could be collected by any of the Parish Core Team members from the CLC Office after the programme. If it is to be given to the children, the respective parish priest may please inform the dept. through letter, email or phone, the number of participants and the amount required.

• Lunch will be provided after the exam and after that the children may remain for the Bible quiz competition.

LOKSAMGRAHA SOCIAL SERVICE SOCIETY

Major initiatives of LSSS in the last months.

The fifth stage of Sustainability through Participation, Empowerment and Decentralization- (SPED - V): A community Intervention program addressing the health and sanitation needs of 10 Villages of Rajura Block, Chandrapur was started in September 2019 onwards under the support Save A Family Plan India. Under this SPED V project to mitigate the issues related to health and sanitation in the selected targeted villages, 20 community Toilets (separately for men and women) and 10 community soak pits are being constructed.

The full support of the community was ensured through various community mobilizing programs. The sustainability is ensured with Village Action Team formation in each targeted villages. Awareness creation on health and hygiene was a major focus. As part of the project the targeted villages were cleaned with support of the public in order to keep up the hygiene level of each village. The adolescent girls of the targeted villages were yet another focused group of this project. In order to develop the menstrual hygiene among them special orientation classes were conducted and menstrual sanitary items were distributed.

Railway Childline, Balharshah

The Loksamgraha Social Service Society became the collaborative agency of the Railway CHILDLINE project at Balharshah Railway station supported by the Ministry of Women & Child welfare development with the collaboration of Indian Railways. This project intended to provide care and protection to the children who are in distress situations and started implementing from 3rd September onwards. So far through the intervention Railway CHILDLINE Balharshah we could rescue 20 distressed children. In order to popularize the program team

RCL has undertaken a couple of Campaigns including Signature Campaigns, Childline Se Dhosti, conducted awareness rally on child rights and publicized the toll free no1098. The Railway Childline program opened a new horizon to the LSSS in associating with the various Government departments and officials.

Jeevan Empowering Animation (JEA)

The Program is supported by the Caritas India; the marginalized communities in 20 villages in Jivati area empowered and enhanced their livelihood option toward the Sustainable development through good governance and Sustainable agriculture is the envisioned objective of this JEA program. Leadership development training was organized for the SHGs women, CBO members, Asha workers and Gram Panchayat members at Shengaon village.

155 hectors of land was brought under the Sustainable Agriculture practices under this project. A meeting was organized at Vijayaguda to orient the farmer community regarding the necessity of practicing the sustainable agricultural practices and its impacts. After the session five farmers participated were ready to start Sustainable Agricultural Practices at their field. Twenty farmers participated in the training program. In order to strengthen the CBO members, a CBO Strengthening meeting was conducted at Kamathguda village. Various community based issues were noted down to bring before the Gram Sabha.

Suposhan Project.

The Suposhan Project is supported by Indo-Global Social Service Society. The project is implemented in the 23 targeted villages of Sindewahi Block of Chandrapur district. The project is mainly aimed to increase the nutrition level among the children under the age of five years. Under this project the health aspects of the lactating and pregnant women are also focused. This Suposhan Project also aimed at improving the household income of small hold farmers and landless families through the adoption of diversified and innovative livelyhood options. The Team LSSS conducted six health camps for women and children and identified the malnourished children and anemic women. The team arranged four cluster level training for the CBOs on the malnourished children and its health impacts. Ten acute malnourished children were referred to Nutritional Rehabilitation center at Mul and health of the children have

improved a lot and they are coming back to the normal life.

Child Development (CD) and Enabling Environment (EE)

Catholic Health Association of India generally known as the CHAI is supporting this program; this is focused to safeguard the interest of the differently abled children of Balharshah, Rajura, Aksapur (Gondpipri), Babupeth, Jiwati of Chandrapur district. 103 children with various disabilities (CWD) are the major stakeholders of this project. The beneficiaries were identified based on the survey organized by the host organization every year. It will be presented before the management and LSSS management will finalize the neediest children for the benefits from the project.

Music Therapy

Music Therapy is an established health profession in which music is used within a therapeutic relationship to address physical, emotional, cognitive, and social needs of individuals. A professional team of Music therapy with six members from the University of Melbourne, Australia came under a collaborative program with the funding agency CHAI. This therapeutic intervention provided a greater opportunity to the children who are affected with extreme challenges in their life. The professional service of the team was made available to the stakeholders through home visits and trainings to the CBOs at the LSSS headquarters from 18th of November 2019 to 13th of December 2019. Twenty children mainly benefited out of this therapeutic intervention.

International Disable Day Celebration

3rd of December is being observed as the International Day for the Disabled. LSSS under the leadership of Team CHAI in collaboration with the other partner Organization arranged a programme. Total 75 members including the children as well as their parents took part in the meeting and cultural programs. The special day was observed with various cultural and sports items. Children participated with great enthusiasm and vigour. As a token of encouragement several prizes were given to the winners and participants.

Mr. Neelesh Pazare member of the National Trust Samithi, Chandrapur was the chief guest of the program. He mainly shared the reflections on the importance of such coming together and celebrations. Dr. Melissa Murphoy (University of Melbourne, Australia) head of the Music Therapy team also addressed the community and praised the services. Sr. Jaya the Director of Dilasagram Social Service Society shared many experiences and motivated the community. Sr. Agata, superior of Dilasagram Convent also addressed the gathering.

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The community development program is focused on the panacea for the drought & agriculture, employed youth and farmers through sustainable agriculture practices and income generation program, drought resilience mission and educational program to the distorted communities in the 10 selected tribal villages in Ettapalli Block of Gadchiroli district. This development project is supported by Manos Unidas, Spain. In order to increase the underground water level, well water soak pits and community soak pits are constructed in every ten targeted villages. Land levelling for the poor farmers is envisaged under this project by the coming months. Ponds deepening works are also planned under this project. An organic harvesting festival was organized by the Team LSSS in the five villages of Ettappalli block.

Child Parliament

The Loksamgraha Social Service Society LSSS Ballarpur in joint association with Centre of Social Action (CSA) Mumbai and with the UNICEF formed 14 children parliament in rural villages of Chandrapur district. 256 children are part of these parliaments. The children are oriented about their rights and various exploitations. Each children parliament will assemble in every week and discuss about child issues and issues in the schools. After the discussion they will prepare reports, serious issues if any will be directed to the concerned authority.

Outreach Services

- ➤ For the renovation of five houses, Rupees one lakh seventy-nine thousand and five hundred was allotted as per the request received from the concerned parishes.
- As part of the social responsibility to the community Rupees one lakh twenty-five thousand was allotted to 7 promising but economically poor students from the diocese for various professional courses.

Tribute to the Memory of Rev. Fr. John Louis Monteiro

Late Fr. John Monteiro, who was affectionately known as Fr. Johny to all his contemporaries, his conferrers and the people to whom he gave his precious life and services, was a priest of Nagpur Archdiocese. Our pioneering missionaries had a close acquaintance with him.



His parents were Paul Santan Monteiro and Rita Angelica. Johny, their son, saw the light of day on 25th August 1935, as one among seven sons and three daughters who were the children of a very God-fearing couple in Raichur, Karnataka. Late Bishop Sylvester was one of the 7 Maccabees as they were jokingly called. His father, serving in the railways, was transferred to Nagpur and the family naturally came along with him and took up residence in Khalasi Lines, Direct road, Mohan Nagar. Gradually, the Monteiros and Fernandes' families became household words in SFS cathedral Parish. Fr. Johny passed his XI Matric in 1952 from SFS High School, Nagpur and his Inter- arts from Raipur in 1963.

His vocation to the Priesthood was inspired by the example of his elder brother Sylvester, as he used to say, if Siloo can do it why can't I? Following him, his 2 younger brothers also had the same desire but alas they could not keep up with them, as God had other plans for them. From St. Charles Seminary Nagpur for "humanities" as said in those days, he advanced to St. Joseph's Seminary, Jeppu Mangalore for Philosophy. He completed his Theology in Propaganda College, Rome from 1957-1961, along with two others who also are no more with us. They were ordained together in the College chapel on 21.12.1960 by His Eminence Cardinal Agagianian, Head of the Congregation of Faith. The three of them returned to Nagpur in 1961 and were asked to do their Pastoral Course in St. Charles Seminary for six months or so, along with late Fr. Laurie Fernandes who was ordained in Pune. All in all, they were a great group of young Priests with a bright future in Nagpur Archdiocese. And now begins his epic ministry in the Archdiocese from January 1962 to 16th June 2016 when he could carry on no more. So, he retired at the Seminary Hills Red Building

for some rest. He was called to eternal rest on 19 Nov 2019.

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He was by nature gentle, soft spoken, patient and eventempered. With a smile on his face and his standard greeting "Hi Folks" he was welcome anywhere by one and all. His arrival anywhere was announced by cheerful whistling which could be heard wherever he was going. May Mother Mary whose Rosary you faithfully and devoutly prayed everyday welcome you into the portals of heaven, where you will be relieved of all your pains and be given that eternal peace and crown which God has reserved for those who love him as you did. May his soul rest in peace

Tribute to the Memory of Rev. Sr. Jean CSC

This little flower of Christ was rooted in the family of Chirakkal Ayrukkaran as the second child of the happy couple Paulose and Theressia on 21 February 1945. She was made a member of the church by her baptism on 5th March 1945 an received the name Annie. She



belonged to the parish of Edakkunnu of the Archeparchy of Ernakulam- Angamaly. This flower learnt about the first lessons of faith from her parents which she fondly used to remember during her sharings. She had her primary education from Edakunnu and completed her high school studies from Koratty. The voice of the beloved spouse made her uproot and plant herself in the fertile land of the CSC Congregation. She professed her first vows in 1972. She completely offered herself as a living oblation at the altar of the Lord with the profession of her final vows in the year 1977. In 1997, she celebrated the silver jubilee of her wedded life with the Lord.

Job extolled his faith in the Lord when he said in 13:15, "Even if the Lord were to kill me, yet I will trust in him." This was the living faith that this beautiful flower of the Lord had in her heart when she worked as an efficient and applauded missionary in the Various offices that she served in the congregation. From the year

1969 to 1973, this flower of Christ spread her aroma and served as a nurse at LF Convent, Kurkancherry. She served as a social worker and a sought after nurse in the Jubilee Hospital and Fatima Convent, Chowannur from 1973 to 1978. She served as a nurse at St. Joseph's Convent, Kalur, Paruppukara, Chittissery from 1978 to 1981. She was then transferred to Kadamapuzha where she rendered valuable services till 1988. She then joined the mission at Satpuli in Bijnor diocese 1990. She worked there for a year and then moved to her acclaimed mission station Sikwala in Jalandhar diocese, where she worked from 1991 to 2000. She was sent to Aksapur in chanda diocese 2001 and served our community there till the year 2006. She again moved to Sikwala and remained there till 2009 when she was made the Hostel in charge at Sitapur in Lucknow diocese till 2012to 2015. Again she served the community of Aksapur up to 2018. She then moved back to Sikwala, where she was at rest and service to the Lord. She was called to eternal rest on 05 December 2019.

She showed great courage and love in all the services she rendered to our congregation. In all the offices she shouldered, she had the vigour and vitality of a true missionary. The mission of the Church was her mission. Her very DNA was recharged with the Missionary zeal of the early apostles. She cared for the poor and the downtrodden as if they were members of her own family. Sister Jean was a wise and gracious handmaid in the loving service of God and the many to whom she ministered, in hospital rooms and corridors, in her availability in pastoral ministry and in her religious obligations. Through it all she has found God's yoke easy and his burden light and enjoyed the joy of radically following her master.

Our founder venerable Fr. Agustin John Ukken has said Your task is to love; let no one surpass you in love, I firmly believe that through her life she has faithfully fulfilled the dictum of our loving founder. Let the fragrance of her holy life be an inspiration and a sweet smelling bouquet at the altar of the Lord. God has given us a part to play, through prayer, in the dawning of eternal light and life for Sr. Jean. May her soul rest in peace!

VIII. HEAVENLY BRETHREN

JANUARY

1. Sr. (Dr.) Prasanthi ASMI	03-01-2013	Nuzvid
2. Fr. Zacheus Edakkalathoor CMI	03-01-2001	Shornur
3. Sr. Lawrence FCC	04-01-1999	Hoshangabad
4. Fr. Liguori Mundackal CMI	05-01-1995	Vazhakulam
5. Fr. Abraham Thuruthumaly CMI	11-01-2007	Jagdalpur
6. Sr. Lilly Joseph DM	13-01-2016	Wardha
7. Fr. Alipius Kuttickatt CMI	16-01-1995	Pavaratty
8. Sr. (Dr.) Fidelis SD	17-01-2008	Gaziabad
9. Fr. Polycarp CMI	20-01-2007	Kalamassery
10. Fr. George Pullankav CMI	21-01-2011	Karikkattur
11. Sr. Jaina Therese DM	25-01-2009	Wardha

FEBRUARY

1. Fr. Thomas Plathottathil	05-02-1984	Ayarkunnam
2. Sr. Elsa CSC	07-02-1995	Naduvarambu
3. Sr. Pavithra DM	11-02-2006	Wardha
4. Sr. Josephine DM	11-02-2009	Kerala
5. Sr. Goretti Francis ASMI	21-02-2007	Nagpur
6. Fr. John Damacene CMI	25-02-1984	Chethipuzha
7. Fr. Augustine Aikaramattam CMF	28-02-2002	Kuravilangad

MARCH

1. Sr. Alice FCC	18-03-2000	Kadukutty
2. Fr. Mathew Vettoonickal CMI	14-03-2012	Mutholy
3 Rn Januarius Palathuruthy CMI	28-03-1995	Rallarnur

OBITUARY

Please pray for the departed souls of:

- 1. Mr. Domnic Parethazath, 01/12/2019, Cousin of Sr. Aleena CHF
- 2. Mr. Georgekutty, 05/12/2019, Younger brother of Sr. Grecy SH
- 3. Mr. Thomas Kozhikothikkal, 18/12/2019, Younger brother of Fr. Joseph Kozhikothikkal.

IX. ONGOING FORMATION

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Address	Course	Date
The Programme Co-ordinator Ishvani Kendra Post Box - 3003, Sainikwadi Vadgaonsheri Road Pune 411 014 Ph: 020 27033507 ishvanikendra@gmail.com	E-Evangelization: Photography and Social media Tools	18 March to 04 April 2020
The Director NBCLC, Post bag 8426 Hutchins Road 2nd Cross	Interreligious meet: "Plurality Lived Together"	21-22 March 2020
Bangalore 560 084 Ph: 080 25472369 Email:director@nbclcindia.org	Catechetical Course: "Mission to proclaim: Learn, to be sent"	18-25 May 2020
Rector Don Bosco Renewal Centre, SOS Post	Leadership and animation of Communities	8 March to 4 April 2020
Bannerghatta Road Banglore 560 076 Tel: 080 -26584115	Counselling and Value training for Educators	13-25 April 2020
admitdbrc@gmail.com	Personal Growth and Renewal	28 May to 20 June 2020
The Program Co-ordinator Atma Darshan	Psycho-Spiritual Inner Healing Retreat	21-23 February 2020
Gyan Ashram Campus Mahakali Caves Road Andheri (East), Mumbai 400093	Lenten Journey with Jesus	20-22 March 2020
Ph: 09769694422 atmasvd@gmail.com	Healing One's Hurts	27-29 March 2020
The Program Director Satyodayam, 12-5-33 Vijayapuri Colony Secunderabad 500 017, TS Ph: 09133255690 mkrajsjap@gmail.com	Spiritual Direction Course	14 April to 23 May 2020
Rev. Dr. Paul Puthuva VC Course Director Divine Institute of Bible & Bpirituality, Muringoor P. O Thrissur, Kerala 680 309	One Year Residential Course for priests, Religious & Lay Leaders in Ministry	19 July 2020 to 14 March 2021