

**Circular – 06/2024**  
**(22/10/2024)**

**Use of “*MY FAMILY PRAYER*”**

To,  
All Fathers, Brothers, Sisters and people,  
Diocese of Chanda

Dear Fathers, Brothers, Sisters, and my dear people,

**Thy Kingdom Come!**  
**Greetings in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ!**

“*My Family Prayer*” book was prepared in the Jubilee year (2022) as part of our Catechetical and Faith Renewal program in the diocese in tune with the Pastoral Plan 2019-2033. It is now ready in three languages: English, Marathi and Hindi. The English version was released in the Jubilee year itself. The Marathi and Hindi versions were released on Chanda Family Day on 12 October 2024. It should reach every family in the diocese depending upon their preference in language. Copies are available in CLC. Kindly contact Fr. Vivek Puthenpurayil for required copies.

‘My Family Prayer’ (माझी कौटुंबिक प्रार्थना & मेरे परिवार की प्रार्थना) is a prayer book for daily ‘family rosary’ in families. It is a small book-let and very user friendly. It contains holy rosary along with special daily devotions for seven days a week. Please instruct people how to use the prayer book for daily rosary. It is briefly explained in the beginning of the prayer book itself in respective languages. After the recitation of holy rosary they shall avail the special prayers for each day from Sunday to Saturday. A reading of a short bible passage on daily basis is highly exhorted. There are also other prayers that people can use at home for their spiritual nourishment and communion. *Pesaha* meal blessing, prayer at childbirth, prayer for birthday celebration, prayer during harvest season, prayer for domestic animals, prayer at death bed, prayer for the sick, prayer before starting of house construction, A family prayer at ordination etc are some of them. The other additions in the prayer book are litany to the Holy Eucharist, litany of humility, litany of all saints, consecration to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, Act of consecration to Mary Immaculate, prayer for peace etc. A few hymns to Blessed Virgin Mary in different languages are also given at the end. May I request everyone to explain to the people how to use the prayer book and encourage them to use it for family prayer daily. Please make sure that it reaches every family in the parishes. It may be good that people start using it from

1 January 2025 in the holy year. As you know, this prayer book is meant to develop a culture of 'family prayer' in every family. May this be an opportunity to start the practice/continue the practice of daily family prayer with more earnestness and enthusiasm. May I request everyone to do the needful to accomplish the purpose it intended. Thank you very much for your co-operation.

Yours devotedly in Christ



A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Ephrem Nariculam".

† Ephrem Nariculam  
Bishop, Diocese of Chanda