Dear Fathers,

Greetings from Bishop's House! I am writing this letter to you regarding the preparation of the PARISH PASTORAL CALENDAR 2013. As I have told you during the last priests' conference, I am sending you a copy of the Pastoral Calendar 2013 of the Diocese. This contains only Diocesan and Forane level common programmes. Basing on this, I request all the parish priests/correspondents to prepare their own parish/institution level programmes in the blank sheet that is attached. After preparing the programme, kindly make a photocopy and keep the original with you while send the photocopy to the Diocese.

The following Fathers are requested to collect the Parish Pastoral Calendar from the parishes/institutions that come under your respective Forane Churches by 31 December 2012:

Soosaipuram
Plankalai
Fr Tobin
Arukani
Fr Jomon
Nithravilai
Manchalumoodu
Fr Dency
Padanthalumoodu
Fr Togi

Fathers who are assigned more than one parish are requested to mention in the same calendar the activities of the sub-stations giving the name of the stations in brackets. When you prepare the Parish Pastoral Calendar 2013, please keep in mind that you give importance to all the activities of the parish. Before you prepare your Calendar, it is good to call for the meetings of the Parish Council, Pious Associations, etc. so that you can better plan your activities for the year 2013.

It is not necessary to copy the Diocese/Forane level programmes in your Parish Pastoral Calendar. We shall give a printed copy of the Diocesan Pastoral Calendar 2013 sometime later.

Kindly note that the parish level programmes should not clash with the major programmes of the Diocese so that you can be present for the diocesan level programmes without fail.

The planning for the parish programmes for the coming year may look very difficult. But once completed, it will give us a definite direction to all that we do. This will also provide some goals to achieve in this Year of Faith. I am also attaching a list of activities that can be possibly organized in your centres as ready reference.

I wish everyone God's blessing!

Yours in Christ

+ George Rajendran sdb Bishop of Thuckalay