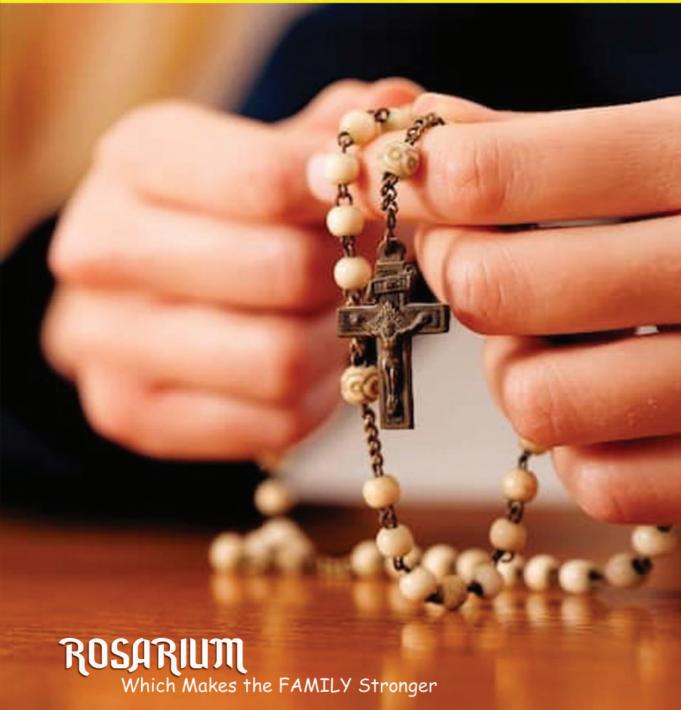


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Most Rev. Siby Mathew Peedikayil HGN

on Being Consecrated as the Bishop of Aitape, Papua New Guinea



















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Dear Friends in Christ Jesus,

Reaching you once again through this PAULINE TIMES gives me immense joy. The outcome of this present issue of Newsletter is the combined effort of Pauline family, and all of us have contributed to the best of the ability to bring out this Pauline Times. All deserve a bouquet of appreciation and gratitude. In the Gospel of Matthew, Jesus says: "Nor do they light a lamp and then put it under a bushel basket; it is set on a lampstand, where it gives light to all in the house. Just so, your light must shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father." Here we set the Pauline Times on the lampstand that God be glorified.

A well said quote goes like this; 'The family that prays together stays together.' An aspect of Prayer is emphazised in the above seen quote as the underling factor of staying together.



In this month of October, we consider the beautiful prayer of the Rosary as a means that we can use in order to stay together by meditating on the great and beautiful mysteries of love for the mankind. As the month of October is the Marian Devotion time, praying Rosary is the nexus of the whole exercise. Mother Mary knows it well how to keep the flock together without letting it be devoured by the wolves.

While analyzing the holy Rosary, we come to know that it expresses wonderfully the principle of solidarity because it transcends the boundaries of culture and language and it reflects the spirit of Mary and her intention to do the work of Christ. As St. John Paul II emphasizes, 'The Rosary is a prayer of man for man; it is a prayer of human solidarity, a collegial prayer of the redeemed which reflects the spirit and the intention of the first redeemed, Mary, mother and image of the church.' It is a covenantal prayer that reflects the beautiful prayer of Christ asking the Father to become one so that the world may believe that the Father sent him. Thus praying the rosary has the power of bringing everyone under one roof. Holy Rosary is the communion of mysteries, thereby it brings communion to the ones praying and meditating over it.

Everything the Church teaches about Mother Mary is meant to teach the family of God something about Jesus Christ. She always points and directs everyone to Jesus, her Son. She helps to increase one's love for Jesus day by day. Through Mary, the Savior entered into human history. In other words, through her our Lord Jesus Christ came to make heaven a reality, accessible to all by His redemptive death and resurrection. Thus, perhaps, if she hadn't been born, heaven would not have been opened for us. Thus, Mary must be understood as the gate through which Jesus came forth

and through which he could be accessed. In invoking the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Church affirms that through her we are led to intimacy with our Lord Jesus Christ, and thus access salvation. Undoubtedly, devotion to Mary is a gateway to enter the Heart of Jesus. Mary is like a road of sign indicating the direction, she is not the point of arrival, she is not heaven, and hence, she is the gate.

Only mothers know much about their children, thus Mother Mary too knows her Son well. It is an undisputable fact that a great treasure in any house is a good mother for she is the heart of a home. Mary, in our case, as she is so much present before the Lord, does what the best mother does in a family, indeed more than what the best of mothers can do. Mary brings a human smile and celestial happiness, even where sorrow had gained entrance. She brings faith in faithless situation, hope in hopeless situation, usefulness in useless situation, upliftment in bottom line situation, light in dark situation and prayerfulness where there is no prayer. Mary softens hearts, makes things turn out well, for faith is revived through Mary, the hope of heaven is reinforced and charity is spread. Just as our earthly mothers will not let their children down, our Heavenly Mother too will never let us down and she will continue to guide us towards the heavenly path. With Blessings of God through the intercession of Mary, let us keep running for the imperishable crown, yet stronger, all the more vibrant as one family.

> Rev. Fr. Tony Cheeramkuzhiyil HGN The Editor in Chief





Provincial's Desk



Dear and loving Brother Priests, Deacons and Seminarians,

Prayerful Greetings of Christ's Peace! Let us be united sincerely to the Holy Father Pope Francis to pray for the Church in an extraordinary way as we have mentioned in the monthly tidings of the month. It was an earnest exhortation from the Roman Pontiff to pray for the Universal Church. This is the prayer intention of the Holy Father for this month. We are all aware of the updates of the Synod, that takes place in Rome this month, beginning from 4th and ending on 29th October 2023. The Holy Father repeatedly requested the whole world, more than a couple of times, in an unusual way, to pray for the Church as it is gathered together in a Synod this month of the year, I noticed.

Proceeding with the assignment of responsibilities for the new Cardinals created last September 30, on 4th October 2023, the Holy Father Pope Francis counted Cardinal Ángel Fernández Artime

SDB, the Rector Major of the Salesian Society of St. John Bosco, among the members of the Congregation for Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life. The competence of this Congregation is to promote, encourage and regulate the practice of the evangelical counsels, how they are lived out in the approved form of consecrated life and all matters concerning the life and activity of Societies of Apostolic Life throughout the Church. The Congregation works to ensure that the Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life make progress in following Christ in conformity with the Gospel according to their proper charism stemming from the spirit of the founder and sound traditions, that they faithfully pursue their own ends and contribute effectively to the building up of the Church and its mission in the world. This gesture of the Holy Father reiterates once again the role of the Religious in the Church for an urgent renewal through wholehearted observation of the Evangelical Counsels of Chastity,



Obedience and Poverty, according to the experts of the time.

The four columns/pillars of the Church according to Robert Cardinal Sarah;

- 1. Prayer Faith
- 2. Catholic doctrine Magisterium
- 3. Love for Peter Supremacy of Roman Pontiff
- 4. Mutual charity Fraternal charity

The Cardinal who has been a faithful guardian of the richness and holiness of the Sacramental life of the Catholic Church reproposes these four elements to be held firm by each and every member of the Church, whether one is in the hierarchical order or in the order of laity. When we tend to approach the modern issues from a human perspective, forgetting the divine and ecclesial elements involved in it, we fail to resolve any problem that we face in the contemporary world. We are advised and warned seriously by the Cardinal to hold firm and keep erect these four columns to be a Church united and as instituted by Christ Himself.

Finally, repair the Church or rebuild the Church is a sincere cry that is relevant all through the ages of church's life here on earth in the life of every priest and religious as it was very dear to St. Francis of Assisi, the second Christ, whose feast we celebrated on 4th of this month. Let us begin this reconstruction of the Universal Church from the very parish community or the local community we serve and guide. Let us give a proper lead in this direction without delay and negligence. Month of October is peculiar for a couple of reasons. We celebrated the feast of St. Therese of Child Jesus on 1st of this month who is considered as a great missionary with no missionary undertaking. Month October is also the month of mission, mission Sunday. The missionary dimension is always conveniently forgotten and not given a proper attention in the present era. As we are well instructed and informed, there is no Church without a missionary mandate and outreach. Let the whole Church be awakened and reawakened, beginning with the ministers of the Church and continuing with the lay faithful, through a renowned evangelization and re-evangelization in the modern world, for a One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church. Let us all safeguard the Unity, Integrity and Spiritual Legacy of our Mother Church.

Rev. Fr. Selvan Lazar HGNProvincial Superior





RECENT APPOINTMENTS/ASSIGNMENTS...

1. Rev. Fr. Pamplaniyil Saji Thomas : Correspondent, St. Joseph's School,

Yernagudem

2. Rev. Fr. Vakkevattukulathil Shiju George: Superior, Cuneo Community, Italy

3. Rev. Fr. Parambukattil Sunny Issac : Procurator, Cuneo Community, Italy

4. Rev. Fr. Meprath Justine Varghese : Pastoral Ministry, Archdiocese of

Thalassery

5. Rev. Fr. Kochuparambil Santhosh : Rector, St. Paul Minor Seminary

6. Rev. Fr. Manickathan Paulose : Superior, GNAB Community, Vagamon

7. Rev. Fr. Puthiyamangalath Praveen : Vice-Rector, Vocation Promoter, St.

Mary's Minor Seminary, Karunapuram

8. Rev. Fr. Melattu Jijomon : Procurator, Vocation Promoter, St.

Mary's Minor Seminary, Karunapuram

9. Rev. Fr. Kurumpurath Mathew : Pastoral Ministry, Archdiocese of

Thalassery

10. Rev. Fr. Vazhappillil Shijomon : Pastoral Ministry, Diocese of Punalur

11. Rev. Fr. Thottathil Noble : Good News Retreat Centre, Pampady

12. Rev. Fr. Shabu Varghese : Pastoral Ministry, Diocese of Passau,

Germany

13. Rev. Fr. Perumpuzhakadavil Jipson : Pastoral Ministry, Diocese of Passau,

Germany

14. Rev. Fr. Jince Cheenkallel : Director, Good News Retreat Centre,

Pampady

15. Rev. Fr. Joosa Marydasan : Pastoral Ministry, Diocese of Kannur

16. Rev. Fr. Thulimelli Jaya Babu : Executive Board Member of the Trust,

Germany

17. Rev. Fr. Chirakkalakathu Vipin Varghese: Mission Superior, Italy

18. Rev. Fr. Kevin Pereira : Mission Superior, Germany



NEWS FROM THE PARISHES & EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

MISSION IN PAPUA NEW GUINEA



Loving regards to you from Papua New Guinea, from the Diocese of Aitape, Vanimo, Lae and Mendi. His Excellency Most Rev. Siby Mathew Peedikayil and Rev. Fr Pradeesh are fine and doing their ministry very actively in the Diocese of Aitape. As we know, Rev. Fr. Tomy Thomas is in the Diocese of Lae and he is doing the ministry wonderfully. Rev. Fr. Johnson Antony who is in the Diocese of Vanimo, is on his holidays in India. He is also very active in carrying out the missionary work. Rev. Fr. Shijo Mattathilanickal and myself are in the Diocese of Mendi. Rev. Fr. Shijo Mattathilanickal is busy with his ministry. He has built a new substation church and he is waiting for the Bishop to come and

bless the newly built church. His Parish is in the celebrative mode of its Silver Jubilee. In the month of February this year, Rev. Fr. Shijo Mattathilanickal was elected as the president of the Conference of Men Religious (CMR) for Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands. We congratulate and wish him very best in his new responsibility.

I am also happy to update a few good things that happened in my parish and school. Recently we could build a new science lab for our school with the help of Exxon Mobil Company. The school is now elevated to the standard of the secondary school. The school had its first batch of 10th standard with 80 students. Parish activities are also going on well. At present we are doing maintenance work in the substations. Here our Fathers are all happy and doing the missionary work with so much of passion. Please do remember our mission here in Papua New Guinea in your prayers. We remain in love. Thank you.

Rev. Fr. Selvinivas Johnson HGN



FATHIMA MATHA CHURCH, MALAYAMPADY



Prayerful wishes from Fathima Matha Church, Malayampady in the Diocese of Kannur. This parish comprises of 37 families. It is a shrine church wherein we have the special devotion to Our Lady of Fathima and many pilgrims come and pray for their various needs, seeking the intercession of Blessed Virgin Mary. The parish has a substation too, namely St. Jude Church, Mannurthy, with 7 families. These Churches were founded in 1970 by Jesuit Missionaries followed by OCD Fathers. Once the missionaries left the parish, the Diocesan Fathers were administering the

Sacraments and taking care of the flock. And in the month of September 2023, the Bishop of the Diocese of Kannur, His Excellency Rt. Rev. Dr. Alex Vadakumthala requested our help to take up this parish. Therefore on 24th September I took charge of the parish as parish priest in the presence of Rev. Fr. Jose George (Vicar of Iritty Forane), Rev. Fr. Antony Ambattu, the Provincial Councilor and Rev. Fr. Praveen Puthiyamangalath. After taking up this parish everything is going on smoothly. This is a beautiful place. The people here are very poor and some do not have even a proper shelter, especially in the rainy season people really struggle and their situation seems very pathetic. Trusting in the providence of God in and through the powerful intercession of Mary our dearest Mother both for parish and substation.

Rev. Fr. Charathady J. Marydasan HGN

ST. ANTONY'S CHURCH, VAGAMON



Warm greetings from St. Antony's Church, Vagamon. By the grace of the Good Lord everything is fine and going on well here in our parish. Now we are

concentrating on the spiritual renewal and revitalization of the people. On 30th July we celebrated the youth revival day to strengthen the faith of the youth. It was a full day program. We provided breakfast, lunch and coffee with snacks to all the participants. It was guided by Rev. Fr. Varghese Kochupurakal, the youth director of Diocese of Kanjirappally and afternoon session was guided by Advocate Justin Pallivathukkal, a well-known preacher and motivator. The KCYM members were



of great help to organize the event. The event was an inspiration for our youth. 24th September was celebrated as the Eucharistic day in our parish. It was intended to renew the faith of the people in the Eucharist, as we celebrate this year "The Year of Eucharist." It started around 9:30 am. We made it as a day of prayer. Rev. Fr. Jain Vempala MCBS gave classes on Eucharist and conducted adoration. At three o'clock in the afternoon all the priests who are working in Peerumed Forane arrived to hear the confession. After the confession they conducted the Eucharistic procession and gave blessings. It was followed by solemn Eucharistic

celebration, concelebrated by 14 priests. It was a real blessing to our Parish. The day was concluded with Casus (gathering of priests who are working in this forane). All of them appreciated our parishioners for organizing this event and making it a day of blessing. We are happy that we could purchase a new mike system for our Parish. I thank everybody for your support and prayers. Please do pray for me and for our Parishioners that we may grow in faith and be happy.

Rev. Fr. Mervin Varayankunnel HGN

ST. MARY'S ENGLISH MEDIUM SCHOOL, BONAKAL



Greetings to you from St. Mary's English Medium High School, Bonakal. Hope all are keeping fine, we are all fine and the ministry at our school and hostels is progressing well by the grace of God. I would like to share with you few updates about our community at Bonakal. The previous academic year 2022-23 was concluded on 23rd April 2023. After the summer vacation we had a fresh start, and the school was reopened on 12th June 2023. The inauguration of the new academic year was held on 26th June in the presence of the

Rector and staff from St. Joseph's Major Seminary, Khammam. In this academic year, we have a new principal in the person of Rev. Sr. Josephino who belongs to the Secular Congregation of Disciples of Jesus. Our school strength consists of 550 students, 16 teaching staff and 8 non-teaching staff. In our hostel this year we have 32 boys and 20 girls. We had different celebrations occasionally and that boost the pulse of the school. Some of our students have a special taste for cultivation and they do cultivate different kinds of vegetables.

We thank you for your prayers and concern for our mission here. We seek your continuous prayers and support for the further growth and development of our mission. We assure you all our sincere prayers. May God continue to bless us all abundantly.

Rev. Fr. Mathew Kalpakasseril HGN



ST. PAUL SCHOOL, PATHARLAPADU



Dear Fathers and Brothers, we are glad to bring to you some news from St. Paul School. The academic year 2023-24 which we started on 12th June 2023 is going on rather well. We have classes from Nursery to 5th standard and we have around 280 students.

Inauguration of the academic year and blessing of the school campus: We had the official inauguration of the academic year on 13th July in a grant way. The school leaders were elected on the same day. We had also the cultural program on this day. Along with the inauguration we also blessed all the staff & students, the school building and the campus.

Celebrations: We celebrated our nation's Independence & Teachers' Day in a meaningful way. Gifts were given to the teachers on Teachers' Day. We conducted games for teachers and prizes were distributed to the winners.

Arts & Sports Competitions for Students: Various competitions were conducted on 15th & 16th of September in the school. Different events were conducted

for KG & Primary students separately in order that children get prizes according to their ability. All the children who secured prizes would be honoured on the Annual Day with certificates and mementos.

Art & Craft Training for students:

A training program was organized for our students on 23rd August in our school. Mr. Deeraj Kumar was the resource person for the training programme. He exhibited and showed different methods of making useful things even from waste materials. We hope it would help the children to make use of their talents in making different decorative things for needs.

Construction: By the grace of God and with the support and financial assistance of many people the work of St. Paul Tailoring Centre is progressing well and is nearing completion. We continue to depend on God to complete the work and get it blessed for the use of the people in and around our school.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Picnic for Students: We hope to take our students for one day outing most probably on 14th of October to an Urban Park at Velugumatla near Khammam.

Blessing & Inauguration of St. Paul Tailoring Centre and Annual Day Celebrations of St. Paul School: The work of tailoring Centre building is nearing its completion and we plan to get it blessed on 18th November 2023. We are also getting



ready for the Annual Day Celebrations of the School on the same day. Let us keep this new project and our school in our special prayers.

At present our school is functioning rather well. We wish to thank you all for your prayers for our mission here. We still count on your humble prayers and support for the further growth and development of our mission. We assure you all our sincere prayers. May God continue to bless us all and all our initiatives abundantly.

Rev. Fr. Sibi Thadathil HGN

ST. PAUL'S SCHOOL, DHONEKHONA



Warm greetings and prayerful wishes to you from St. Paul's School Dhonekhona, Arunachal Pradesh. Myself and Rev. Fr. Jeffy Francis are fine here by the grace of God. So far there have been a lot of things contributive to the growth of our mission, and I would like to bring to your gaze a short view of that. After the summer vacation, we could begin the new academic year officially on 15th June 2023. During the inaugural ceremony we specially welcomed our newcomers, 55 of them who were to begin their LKG class. Together with them we introduced all our new teachers to the gathering. This year the total strength of the institution is 540 in the school and besides that we have another 40 hostel boys staying with us. We are very glad to inform you that our St. Paul's School, Dhonekhona had got affiliated to CBSE Syllabus three years back and now

again we have successfully renewed for another five more years. We are working hard to finish the remaining works, so as to fulfill the requirements of the Central Board of Secondary Education.

In the month of July our community at Dhonekhona was pleased to have the presence of Very Rev. Fr. Selvan Lazar, the Provincial Superior and Rev. Fr. Shaiju Berkmans. Their visit was a matter of encouragement for us. On 15th August we celebrated the Independence Day of our country with colorful programmes. The day was blessed with the presence of Mr. Varma Sir, the Sub Inspector of CRPF 186 Battalion. He was the chief guest of the day and along with him Mr. Nareswara Paleng, the Head of Dhonekhona Village was the guest of honor. Mr. Varma sir along with the village head hoisted the National flag and gave a beautiful message to our children, reminding them to be proud Indians. We had a wonderful march-past and some of the children spoke about the significance of Independence Day. After the programmes, all were given sweets. We had a meaningful teacher's day celebration on 5th September with wonderful stage



programmes. Everything was arranged by the school students with much creativity and collaboration of teachers. At the end of the program all the teachers were called individually to the stage and were honored with gifts and shawl.

With regard to our pastoral ministry here in Dhonekhona, we are given five mission substations under Namsai Parish, and we do take care of all the substations with full pastoral care. Every substation parish gets holy mass once in a month except Dhonekhona village. Apart from the Sunday ministry we do go for house visiting, saying Rosary and keeping Adoration with the help of our sisters (SKD) Sisters of Kristu Dasi. As a conclusion we can proudly say that our mission here in Dhonekhona is flourishing. We promise that you are all in our prayers and we request you also to keep continuously our Arunanchal mission in your humble prayers. We remain with love and prayers.

Rev. Fr. Binesh Mathew Mlakuzhiyil HGN

ST. JOSEPH'S ENGLISH MEDIUM SCHOOL, YERNAGUDEM



Loving greetings and prayers to you all from Yernagudem community. It all begins with one step to start our long journey. At the very beginning I express the sincere gratitude towards Rev. Fr. Mathew Vengaloor, the former correspondent of the school for his committed and praiseworthy service. My tenure as the correspondent of St. Joseph's School, Yernagudem started when I took charge on 18th March. The school staff appreciated the efficient and dedicated hard work of Rev. Fr. Mathew, the former correspondent and bid him farewell accrediting his services and for bringing normalcy in the scholastic

matters during covid-19 and post covid-19 pandemic which is highly renowned. Later, Rev. Sr. Elsy SABS was appointed as the new principal of the school, in place of Rev. Sr. Divya SABS who collaborated so well as a part of the management, contributing her best for the chair she occupied. The Staff together welcomed Rev. Sr. Elsy on 30th May and gave a tearful send off to Rev. Sr. Divya appreciating her services to the institution.

Commencement of the new academic year, 2023: It was time for the start of the new academic year after the summer vacation. The school reopened on 12th June. We started the new scholastic year with a prayer service seeking God's blessings to be showered on the institution, staff and students so that this year may bring good tidings and fruitful results in all aspects.

The status quo of the school: The school consists of 1800 students hailing from 28 different villages nearby,



47 teaching staff, 25 non-teaching staff, 10 buses, a computer lab, 2 staff rooms (Primary & High School), 40 class rooms, a newly designed auditorium, a spacious dining hall and hygienic washrooms.

Inauguration of the renovated Computer Lab on 9th August 2023: It was one of the most memorable days in the history of St. Joseph's E.M. High School, as it was the day of the visit of His Excellency Most Rev. Siby Mathew Peedikayil, the Bishop of Aitape, Papua New Guinea, to our school. We cordially welcomed the Bishop and Very Rev. Fr. Selvan Lazar, the Provincial Superior of St. Paul Province. The newly renovated computer lab was opened by the Provincial Superior. Later, the blessing and unveiling of the stone was done by the Bishop. This lab is equipped with 24 new computers which is an added advantage to the students in this modern world of technological advancement, where the knowledge about computers is a must.

Independence Day Celebrations: As we all know the day of independence is celebrated on 15th August every year. On this day our campus was decorated colorfully with tri-colored flags and balloons. The Indian map drawn in the ground was the centre of attraction of the day. We invited Mr. Praveen, the Asst. Manager of 'Bank of Baroda' as the chief guest. Students had put up a beautiful programme showcasing their patriotic fervor and belongingness to their country through their songs and dances. The chief guest hoisted the flag and later made a thought provoking speech

which inspired our students in rendering their responsibility to the society. The programme ended with the distribution of sweets to the students.

Teachers Day celebrations: Teachers are pillars for any educational institution. They elevate the standard of the institution and also the lives of the students in forming their character and molding them as good citizens of the nation. On 5th September, we had a grand celebration of Teachers Day, recognizing their perennial services to the institution as well as to the students. In the morning, a prayer service was conducted for the good health and well-being of all the teachers working in the institution. From noon, a grateful felicitation was given to all teachers and a meaningful programme was arranged by the students to appreciate, acknowledge and for some part to entertain them as it's a very special day for all the teachers.

So finally dear friends, continuous work has been going on in the campus, to create, to renovate and to facilitate the students in the infrastructural matters, academic prospectus, in curricular and extracurricular activities to enhance the standard of the institution, to face the cut-throat competition, to standup for our values and morale sticking to the motto of our institution - Love, Service and Sacrifice. I am confident that you will remember us in your prayers as we do remember you in our daily prayers.

Rev. Fr. Saji Thomas Pamplaniyil HGN



NEWS FROM THE SEMINARY FORMATION

ST. JOSEPH'S MAJOR SEMINARY, KHAMMAM



Remembering the good olden days that brought us together, we shared our joy and happiness whenever we met, and this time too let us know each other through these few words. We hope and pray that all are keeping well in your respective mission areas. We too are happy and good by your valuable prayers. At this sharing, we bring to your notice some of the activities that took place at our campus.

This year we are 110 in total including 9 staff members. Out of 101 Brothers, 23 are from St. Paul Province of Heralds of Good News. We are happy here and life is as loveable as we make ourselves

together always. On 5th June, the academic year 2023-24 was inaugurated by Very Rev. Dr. Mathew Kallikatt, the Superior General of Heralds of Good News. And the Holy Eucharist was also solemnized by him. On this same day, Brothers of 3rd Year Theology and 2nd Year Theology received their ministries of Acolyte and Lector respectively. And three of our Brothers namely, Bro. Ajin Y., Bro. Thadaus A. Varghese and Bro. Reneesh R. S. received the ministry of Acolyte and Bro. Britto Kurian received the ministry of Lector. It was a happy and prayerful moment for all of us especially for the Pauline Brothers of Herald of Good News. And on this day two of our Professors namely, Rev. Fr. G. Charles and Rev. Fr. Anil Dungdung took the oath of fidelity and joined the community.

We celebrated the birthday of Rev. Fr. Thomas Pazheparambil, our Procurator on 17th June. The solemn holy banquet was presided over by him and we



the Pauline Brothers gathered together to join in his happiness. We commemorated our Province patron's day on 29th of June. Rev. Fr. Thomas Pazheparambil was the main celebrant for the day's Eucharistic celebration. We made the day so grant. We as a family came together and shared our happiness by cutting a cake and Rev. Fr. Sibi Thadathil also joined us for the gathering.

On 3rd July, the Josephite family had triple celebrations; New Priest's Day, Benjamin's Day and the feast day of Rev. Fr. Thomas Pazheparampil. It was a joyful moment for the community as we honored and welcomed our new gems together. And on 27th July, we gathered together to welcome Rev. Fr. Jibin Ambattu, the Provincial Councilor who was here to take classes for the theologians. Rev. Fr. Sibi Thadathil also joined us for the gathering. We also acknowledge the presence of Rev. Fr. Mathew Vengaloor, the General Councilor who often encouraged and dialogued with us during his stay over here.

The Josephite family looked so beautiful on 8th August, as we had the Diaconate Ordination of six of our Brothers. The ordination to Diaconate was conferred by his Excellency Most Rev. Siby Mathew Peedikayil HGN, the Bishop of Aitape, PNG. The day also had a felicitation ceremony arranged to honour his Excellency. The family of St. Joseph's Major Seminary was so blessed to honour our beloved Bishop. The ceremony was colored by the esteemed presence of Very

Rev. Dr. Mathew Kallikatt, the Superior General of Heralds of Good News, members of the General Administration, Provincial Superiors and their Council members, Fathers, Sisters and beloved relatives of our newly ordained Deacons. After the ceremony, we Pauline Brothers had a friendly conversation with our Bishop and Very Rev. Fr. Selvan Lazar, the Provincial Superior of St. Paul Province of Heralds of Good News. Our Bishop shared his experience of the new ministry he is entrusted with. And he prayed and blessed us. It was a remarkable day to remember for the Paulines at St. Joseph's Major Seminary.

On 31st August, we celebrated our regional festival, Onam in a great manner keeping up the traditions of the festival. Rev. Fr. Thomas Pazheparambil celebrated the Holy Eucharist and Fr. Rector and other staff members joined along with him for the solemn Eucharistic celebration. At this moment we thank Rev. Dr. N. Suresh Kumar, the Rector, the staff members and Brothers for creating good memories. This joyful moment was witnessed by our community and Rev. Fr. Sibi Thadathil, Sisters and teachers from St. Paul School Patharlapadu. We made everyone happy with our preparations of delicious food and the day's activities. On 16th September, we celebrated the Rector's Day because it was the birthday of Rev. Dr. N. Suresh Kumar, our Rector. Brothers put up a good show on this beautiful day and many guests were present for the cultural event.



Now we are little busy with the preparations for the semester examinations. We request your prayers for our good stay here. We express our gratitude to all of you for your prayers and concern towards these little Brothers here. We thank in a special way Very Rev. Fr. Selvan Lazar, the Provincial Superior, Rev. Fr. Jibin Ambattu, the Provincial Councilor. Rev.

Dr. Mathew Vengaloor, the General Councilor, Rev. Fr. Sibi Thadathil, Rev. Fr. Philip Kulathinapadickal and Rev. Fr. Mathew Daniel whose presence made us so encouraged. We too assure you our prayers and wishes dear Fathers and Brothers.

Bro. Reneesh R. S. HGN

HERALDS SPIRITUAL ORIENTATION CENTRE, KURUKURU



Greetings of love and joy to you all in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ! We, the family of the Heralds Spiritual Orientation Center, Kurukuru, are very happy to meet you all through this Newsletter and share our happiness with you all. Our community consists of Rev. Dr. Reji Joseph, the Rector, Rev. Fr. Gnanaraj, the Spiritual Director, Rev. Fr. Xavier Kindo, the Procurator, Bro. Jasil Johnson, the regent, and fourteen Brothers from all five Provinces of our Society. We had arrived here on 10th June 2023. The new Academic Year 2023-2024 was inaugurated by Very Rev. Dr. Mathew Kallikatt, our Superior General. We were inspired and guided by his heart-touching message.

On 29th June, we celebrated the Feast of Sts. Paul and Peter, and our Province Day. The Holy Mass was presided over by Rev. Fr. Saji Thomas Pamplaniyil, the Vice-Provincial of St. Paul Province. On the same day, we had volleyball match and a delicious meal. On 3rd July, we celebrated St. Thomas Day and on 4th August, we had the celebration of St. John Mary Vianney, the patron Saint of Priests. On 8th August, we had the visit of His Excellency Most Rev. Siby Mathew Peedikayil, the Bishop of Aitape in Papua New Guinea, along with Very Rev. Fr. Selvan Lazar, the Provincial Superior of St. Paul Province, which doubled our joy and happiness. We had the celebration of the feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the 76th Independence Day of our Nation on 15th of August, and on that auspicious day we had a football match and a grand celebration.

On 22nd August, we celebrated the feast of Mary Queen of the Apostles Province, and Rev. Fr. M. Alexander, the Provincial Councilor of their Province, celebrated the Mass. On 3rd September,

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we had the belated *Onam* celebration with some of the traditional songs and a good *Onasadhya*. We too celebrated the feast of St. Mother Theresa Province, along with Rev. Fr. Joshy James, the Provincial Councilor of their Province, and some other priests from our neighboring communities, and conducted a cricket match between Fathers and Brothers. The feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary on 8th September, was celebrated with a solemn rosary procession. We have regular monthly recollections and confession, which help us to be authentic and loyal.

The seminary is progressing effectively with God's providence and mercy. We, the seminarians, do well in our spiritual activities, studies, and all other activities of the seminary. Finally, we would like to convey our greetings to all Fathers and Brothers of our Province. We are grateful to you for your guidance, support, prayer and love. Requesting you to continue the same. We assure you of our prayers. May God bless us all.

Bro. Bibin E. P. HGN

ST. THOMAS APOSTOLIC SEMINARY, VADAVATHOOR



Grace and peace to you dear Fathers and Brothers,

It gives me more joy to meet you all again through this Newsletter. I thank God for all the graces that I received through you. Specially I remember and thank you for your prayers on my diaconate ordination. I have almost completed my theological course here at St. Thomas Apostolic Seminary, Vadavathoor. By November 12th I will be saying good bye to St. Thomas Apostolic Seminary, Vadavathoor. I have successfully

completed my comprehensive exams. This academic year, which began from the month of June, had only pastoral courses. As the requirement of this course we went to different institutions and places for the pastoral experience. We went to Mylapore and visited the tomb of St. Thomas and we got the occasion to celebrate the holy mass there. Last four months I had my pastoral ministry in a parish at Kumarakom. I had a good time with the parish priest, parishioners and the students. Now we are preparing for the Deacon's retreat which is going to be led by Rev. Fr. Binoy Karimaruthinkal. I request your prayers that this retreat may be more graceful in my life and successfully complete my stay here in the seminary. I do keep you all in my prayers. May God bless us all.

Rev. Dn. Abhijith Manuel HGN

Glimpses from the Ministry Abroad



Fr. Shijo Mattathilanickal and his Parishioners in one of his Substations in the Diocese of Mendi, PNG



Bishop Siby Mathew and Fr. Pradeesh Mathew along with of the Flock of the Diocese of Aitape, PNG



Fr. Selvinivas Johnson and Other Dignitaries while Inaugurating the New Science Lab in his Parish in the Diocese of Mendi, PNG



The Parishioners of Fr. Tomy Thomas during a Feast Day
Celebration in the Diocese of Lae, PNG



At the Celebration of Holy Mass on the Occassion of Gathering of the Pauline Family who are Working in USA



Gathering of the Pauline Family who are Working in the United States of America



Our Fathers Working in Germany Having a Gathering along with Fr. Selvan Lazar, the Provincial Superior



Fr. Saji Sebastian and his Parishioners along with Bishop Siby Mathew on his Visit in the Diocese of Pisa, Italy

Events from the Parish Ministry in Kerala



On the Occassion of the Blessing of the New Church in the Parish of Fr. Sunny Ellickal at Edamon in the Diocese of Vijayapuram



Fr. Sunny Ellickal is being Congratulated by His Excellency
Rt. Rev. Dr. Sebastian Thekethecheril, the Bishop of Vijayapuram
for Constructing a New Church



Rt. Rev. Dr. Selvister Ponnumuthan before Taking up his
New Assingment in the Diocese of Punalur



Fr. Baiju Thomas while Taking Charge as the Parish Priest of St. Thomas Church, Vechuchira in the Diocese of Vijayapuram



Fr. Mervin John along with his Parishioners during the Catholic Mission League Day Celebration



Fr. Marydasan while Taking Charge as the Parish Priest at Fathima Matha Church, Malayampadi in the Diocese of Kannur



Fr. Justine Meprath while Taking Charge as the Parish Priest of St. Joseph's Church, Josegiri in the Archdiocese of Thalasserry

Events in Charitable Institutions



Annual Day Celebration of Good News Ammaveedu, Pampady, Kerala



The Silver Jubilee Celebration of Fr. Joseph Kandathiparambil, the Director of Good News Ammaveedu



The Inmates of Good News Ammaveedu, having Onam
Celebrations



Fr. Tony Cheeramkuzhiyil Distributing the Gifts to the Inmates of Good News Snehabhavan, Kakkoor, Kerala



The Inmates of Good News Snehabhavan, Kakkoor, while Celebrating their Birthday Together



The Independence Day Celebrations at Good News Snehabhavan, Kakkoor, Kerala



Welcoming Fr. Paulose Manickathan, the New Director of Good News Asha Bhavan, Vagamon, Kerala



The Fathers and Inmates of Good News Asha Bhavan while having some Time Together

Events at seminarians Gatheringg



Our Seminarians while Making their First Promise of the Evangelical Counsels



Our Theology Students while Renewing their Promise of Evangelical Counsels



Bro. Abhijith, Bro. Abin and Bro. Roy at the Time of Making their Permanent Promise



The Joy of Sharing the Cake after Having Made their Perpetual Incorporation in the Society during the Family Gathering



Our Brothers while Receiving the Cassock from the Provincial Superior



The Seminarians are being Distributed the Prizes for their Personal Achievements by Provincial Superior



The Seminarians after Making and Renewing their Promise of the Evangelical Counsels



The Seminarians after Having Received the Cassock During the Annual Seminarians Gathering

Cenacle Times



Fr. Paulose Manickathan and Fr. Tony Cheeramkuzhiyil Sharing the Joy of their Silver Jubilee in the midst of the Pauline Family at Cenacle



Fr. Paulose Manickathan and Fr. Tony Cheeramkuzhiyil along with their Family Members during their Silver Jubilee Celebrations at Cenacle



Welcoming the New Rector and Bidding Adieu to the Outgoing Rector



Fr. Santhosh Kochuparambil on Assuming the Office as the Rector of St. Paul Minor Seminary, Koratty



Fr. Jipson Perumpuzhakadavil and Fr. Shabu Varghese as they were Leaving to Germany for their New Assignment



St. Paul Minor Seminary's Token of Gratitude Being Submitted to the Outgoing Rector Fr. Paulose Manickathan



Fr. Jacob Oravanamthadathil and Fr. Sibi Thadathil along with their Batchmates at Cenacle on the Occassion of the Beginning of their Silver Jubilee



Fr. Jacob Oravanamthadathil and Fr. Sibi Thadathil along with their Batchmates at the Inauguration of their Silver Jubilee Year at Cenacle

Events from our Educational Institutions



The Students of St. Paul's Hostel, Dhonekhona, Arunachal Pradesh



Independence Day Celebration at St. Paul's School, Dhonekhona, Arunachal Pradesh



The Birthday Celebration of Fr. Jeffy Illickal at St. Paul's School, Dhonekhona, Arunachal Pradesh



Fr. Philip Kulathinapadickal and the Students of St. Mary's E. M. School, Bonakal, Telangana



The Blessing of the Renowated Computer Lab by Bishop Siby Mathew at St. Joseph's School, Yernagudem, Andhra Pradesh



The Feast Day Celebration of Fr. Saji Thomas in the Presence of other Heralds at St. Joseph's School, Yernagudem, Andhra Pradesh



Fr. Sibi Thadathil and the Teaching Staff of St. Paul School, Patharlapadu, Telangana



Fr. Sibi Thadathil along with the School Children on the Occasion of his Birthday at St. Paul School, Patharlapadu, Telangana

Events at our Formation Houses



Our Major Seminarians at St. Joseph's Major Seminary, Khammam, Telangana



Pauline Stars at St. Joseph's Major Seminary, Khammam during a Match on Province Day



Gathering of our Fathers along with our Seminarians Studying at Heralds Spiritual Orientation Centre, Kurukuru,
Andhra Pradesh



Fr. Reji Joseph and Fr. Saji Thomas along with the Seminarians on the Province Day at Heralds Spiritual Orientation Centre, Kurukuru, Andhra Pradesh



The Inauguration of the New Academic Year at St. Mary's Minor Seminary, Karunapuram, Kerala



Fr. Praveen and Fr. Jijomon while Assuming the New Offices at St. Mary's Minor Seminary, Karunapuram, Kerala



The Students at St. Paul Minor Seminary, Koratty, Kerala while Performing a Stage Show



The Rector and Students at St. Paul Minor Seminary, Koratty, Kerala

Common Events



Gathering of our Fathers for the Lenten Recollection at Good News Campus, Pampady, Kerala



Gathering of our Fathers Working in Andhra Pradesh and Telangana for the Lenten Recollection



The Memorial Mass on the First Death Anniversary of Fr. Thomas Alencherry at GNRC Pampady, Kerala



The Memorial Mass on the Death Anniversary of Fr. Ajish Azhakulathil at GNRC Pampady, Kerala

Glimpses from the Retreat Ministry



Fr. Noble Thottathil is Being Welcomed by other Fathers of GNRC for his New Responsibility in the Retreat Team



The Retreat Ministry Being Carried out at Good News Retreat Centre, Pampady, Kerala



New Crucifix Placed at the Entrance of the Retreat Hall in Good News Retreat Centre, Pampady, Kerala



The Blessing of the New Crucifix Placed at the Entrance of the Retreat Hall in Good News Retreat Centre, Pampady, Kerala



ST. MARY'S MINOR SEMINARY, KARUNAPURAM



Joyful greetings from St. Mary's Minor Seminary, Karunapuram. We are fine and doing well in our mission with your prayers and support. We are very happy to come to you through this Newsletter and to share with you some of the happiest events in our community. We, the St. Mary's family consists of four Fathers, one regent and twenty-three Brothers, fifteen plus two students and eight plus one students. Our joy on each day were filled with the visiting of many of our Fathers to our community, which really shows us about your love and concern to our family. We thank you for your valuable support and concern.

It was on 9th June 2023, nine Brothers from Cenacle joined our Seminary for the plus one batch. On 10th June Rev. Fr. Praveen Puthiyamangalath and Rev. Fr. Jijomon Melattu joined our community as Vice-Rector and Procurator respectively. On 12th June we had the inauguration of the academic year 2023-24, in the presence of Very Rev. Fr. Selvan Lazer, the Provincial Superior and Very Rev. Fr. Antony Muthukunnel, the Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Thalassery. We

celebrated Vianney day on 4th August whereon the solemn Mass was presided over by Rev. Fr. Geo Pulickal; latter we conducted a volleyball match, followed by a gathering in the presence of Fathers and Sisters from neighboring parishes and communities. On 15th August, Most Rev. Siby Mathew Peedikayil, Bishop of Aitape, visited our community which expressed his fatherly care towards us. Next day we had the Eucharistic celebration which was presided over by His Excellency and followed by a small felicitation program, in the presence of the priests and religious of Vayattuparamba Forane.

On 22nd August we had *Onam* celebration, which began with the Eucharistic celebration, followed by some of the traditional games and ended up with *Onasadhya*. We, celebrated the birthdays and feast days of our Fathers and Brothers in the respective days. We are also very happy to enjoy the presence of our Fathers serving in the neighboring parishes. On 8th September we celebrated the feast of the Nativity of Blessed Virgin Mary. In the morning we had a solemn rosary and in the evening, we had a solemn Eucharistic procession in the house, with the blessing of the house.

Monthly recollections and confessions are regular, which helps the brothers to realize their potentiality and call to priesthood. Academies and classes are going on well. We have three visiting



professors taking classes for our Brothers. On 2nd October, we bid farewell to Rev. Fr. Jipson Perumpuzhakadavil and thanked him for his commendable ministry in the Seminary. The members from neighboring communities were also present to bid him farewell and express their concern and love

towards him. As our Brothers are busy with their studies and assignments, kindly keep us all in your prayers. We assure our prayers for you all, thanks be to God.

Bro. Jyothis Varghese Pottamplackel HGN

ST. PAUL MINOR SEMINARY, KONOOR-KORATTY



"The priest is not and must not be a civil servant of the church. Above all the priest is a man who lives for the Spirit of God. This being the case, the seminary is the place where he learns to be with him." - St. John Paul II

Man is always interweaved with choice. This choice remains always acerbic for strategizing his future. Because as a rational animal he always attempts to mount his growth. But compounding oneself with Christ seems to be incongruous in this present scenario. When one prefers to emulate Christ among these possibilities and choices, he is been affluenced and glossed with divinity.

Greetings of love to you all in the name of holy Trinity. The community of

St. Paul Minor Seminary is extravagantly obsessed with joy and happiness to expound the glad tidings of the months passed.

On 8th of June we bid adieu to our former Rector, Rev. Fr. Paulose Manickathan and welcomed our new Rector, Rev. Fr. Santhosh Kochuparambil. The farewell mass was presided over by Rev. Fr. Paulose and within the holy Mass Rev. Fr. Santhosh Kochuparambil took oath of fidelity and assumed the office as Rector of St. Paul Minor Seminary. Thereafter we had the farewell and welcoming programme along with the cultural event. On 9th June, the 2nd year minor seminarians left Cenacle and went to St. Mary's Minor Seminary, Karunapuram.

On 10th of the same month 21 new students got admitted into our Seminary for initiation. On 13th June we went to St. Antony's shrine, Koratty for taking part in the "Oottunercha feast" and we made ourselves available to the shrine for assisting and supporting in the ceremonies of feast. On 14th June with the blessings of God we began the classes. Meanwhile they were taught songs and the responses for the



holy mass in Malayalam and English as well, and basic English Grammar.

On 18th June we merrily celebrated the ordination anniversary of our beloved Vice-Rector, Rev. Fr. Shaiju Berkmans. On 29th of the same month the cenacle community gathered together for celebrating the feast day of our Province Patron, St. Paul and the holy mass was presided over by Very Rev. Fr. Selvan Lazar, the Provincial Superior and thereafter in the afternoon we had the inauguration of academic year 2023-2024. The academic year was inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Santhosh Kochuparambil, the Rector. The theme of this year is "VOX DEI" to be the voice of God.

On 3rd July we celebrated the feast of St. Thomas, the Apostle, who made his landmark in India as the first missionary. We had the house blessing and Eucharist procession at cenacle on 12th July and it was led by Rev. Fr. Shabu Varghese and Rev. Fr. Noble Thottathil. On 28th July we went to the shrine of Koratty Muthy for participating in the feast day mass of St. Alphonsa, who is the first native saint from India. On 3rd August we gave a warm welcome to Most Rev. Siby Mathew Peedikayil, the Bishop of Aitape and we were really glad to have him in our midst. On 15th August with immense joy and pleasure we celebrated the dual fiesta of the Assumption of our Blessed Mother and the Independence Day of our Nation. The holy Eucharistic celebration was presided over by Most. Rev. Siby Mathew Peedikayil and the national flag was also hoisted by him.

On 26th August we participated in the diaconate ordination of three of our Brothers and we had made our participation memorable by our support and assistance for the Holy mass and performing various programme in the felicitation event of Bishop Siby. On 29th of the same month we solemnly celebrated the *Onam* festival with *Onasadhya* and by making floral designs. On 8th September we exuberantly commemorated our blessed mother as the Holy Catholic Church celebrated her nativity on that day. On 16th September, Brothers left for holidays and they came back on 25th of the same month.

We have been trying our best to provide them with a holistic formation. The guest priests who make their visit to our Seminary also are invited to enlighten the aspirants with their mission adventure to make them know about the essentiality and importance of proclaiming the good news and the need for becoming a clergy. The Seminary is marching ahead successfully by training them spiritually, mentally and physically. We thank our Provincial Superior and his administration for their support and affability for the progressive railing of the Seminary. We also extend our sincere gratitude for all those who are helping us. We wish you a wonderful day ahead. We as one family of Heralds let us seek what is germane to the will to the God and make the Church prosper through our service.

Bro. Deenu Yeshudhas HGN



ST. JOSEPH'S PONTIFICAL SEMINARY, CARMELGIRI



Greetings of peace and joy to the Pauline family from Carmelgiri campus; and a hearty congratulation to our newly ordained Rev. Deacons.

At this very beginning, we are very glad to update you the tidings from the seminary that occurred during this last semester. Being a seminarian at carmelgiri itself is a privilege and a wonderful experience, the old huge trees, the calmness of the nature, the flowing Periyar river, experiencing the fresh air, community prayer gatherings, monthly recollections, batch gatherings, recreations, sports, academic seminars, English academies, extension lectures by different scholarly persons, batch mass, Latin prayer chanting and moreover the valuable presence of saint like formators are inspiring, motivating and refreshing us every day and makes our formation more meaningful and prayerful.

This year we began our academic year with the blessings of Syro-Malankara Bishop, His Excellency Most. Rev. Dr. Yoohanon Mar Theodosius, in the Holy Qurbana. Receiving the blessings of the Bishop was enriching experience for all of us and that grace still motivates and guides us in our journey of vocation. Another wonderful experience was the inauguration of the English academy; it was inaugurated by the most famous Sri. Santhosh George Kulangara Sir. The sharing session with 'the living legend' who travelled more than one hundred and twenty countries covering all the seven continents was an enriching experience and memory for those who participated in it. And the different personalities who followed after him for the academies and for the different purposes always helped us to think big and taught us to be humble in our ministry. Like this in many other ways our Seminary and our formators help us to grow intellectually and spiritually. In the month of October, we had a rare chance to meet all the Latin Bishops of Kerala church at our Seminary and to have a dialogue with them, it was really a blessing and at the same time a moment of joy. Another wonderful experience was the celebration of Onam, in which each batch adorned themselves with different costumes, decorations and different traditional games. Rev. Fathers and Brothers without any differences made themselves colorful during the day of Kerala's Great Festival. The final Onasadhya, was one of the major event in the programs of the Seminary, and everyone at Carmelgiri campus enjoyed that day. In spite of many other events the final major event was the sports day of both campuses, Carmelgiri and Magalapuzha. Coming



together of seven hundred seminarians was something extraordinary for us to think, the vibe and the bond that gathering created was something amazing. All these events make our stay at Carmalgiri more enjoyable and enriching and we are always grateful to our Province and to our Superiors, for allowing us to have this part of formation at Carmelgiri Seminary. Thank you for the love and concern that the Province and all the Fathers and Brothers of our Province and Congregation show towards us. Continue to pray for us and we too assure you our humble prayers and loving concern. May the Almighty God bless us all.

Bro. Sebin Xavier HGN

ST. JOSEPH'S REGIONAL SEMINARY, PRAYAGRAJ



"My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me."

Wishes from St. Joseph's Regional Seminary, Prayagraj. The reopening of the Seminary was a memorable day to all the members of Josem family. We are totally 62 Brothers, including 15 newcomers. This year we have a new candidate from our Society of Heralds of Good News namely Bro. Sasank a temporarily professed member of St. John Paul II Province. The new academic year started with a retreat and culminated with the second and third year Brothers receiving the ministries of Lector and Acolyte.

The month of August had multiple grand celebrations to be remembered.

Josem's family with a grateful heart to God brought forth 13 Brothers to be ordained as Deacons, All 13 candidates for 12 different dioceses and one religious congregations (OFM). They were ordained as Deacons on 13th August by his Grace Most Rev. Dr. Raphy Manjaly, the Archbishop of Agra at St. Joseph's Cathedral, Allahabad. We had the honor of having Archbishop Leopoldo Girelli, the Apostolic Nuncio to India and Nepal in our Seminary, who encouraged us to be priests, who loves the Church and its mission. On 24th August Bishop Louis Mascarenhas was consecrated as the new shepherd of Allahabad Diocese. We celebrated *Onam* in our community very grandly. This year we had this *Onam* celebration in a unique manner. For the celebration we joined the Syro-Malabar community of Allahabad. The Seminary is now engaged in the preparation for the upcoming Seminary day which is to be hosted on 15th October. I seek your special prayers and continual encouragement. Thank you all, remaining in love.

Bro. Alex George HGN



ST. CHARLES SEMINARY, NAGPUR



Dear Fathers and Friends in Christ Jesus, wish you all a good season of love and friendship.

We are extremely happy to share some of our life events in St. Charles Seminary, Nagpur. As you know we are two deacons, Dn. Roy Tomy and Dn. Abin Thomas studying in Nagpur. First and foremost, we take this opportunity to recall the auspicious occasions, the perpetual promise as well as ordination to diaconate. From the bottom of our heart we are grateful to God, the Provincial Administration and you all who have joined and prayed on these occasions

After a vacation for two months, we returned to St. Charles Seminary on 16th June. Our life here began with spiritual preparation through a week of retreat led by Rev. Fr. Jenson MS. In fact, the retreat was enriching and motivating. On 24th June our academic year was inaugurated with the Eucharistic celebration presided over by His Grace Most Rev. Dr. Elias Gonsalves, The Archbishop of Nagpur. Rev. Fr. Aquin Noronha, OP and other 11 staff members concelebrated at the

ceremony. In this academic year four new members have joined the staff and four have been transferred. For this academic year St. Charles Seminary has 227 students out of which 158 are residents and 69 are non-residents.

As usual, St. Charles Seminary welcomed the new comers with a great celebration and cultural evening on 15th July. The feast of St. John Mary Vianney was marked by the vestition ceremony of first year Theology Brothers and celebrated it in a grant manner with the presence of Archbishop. Seminary also organised a Pre-Independence Day celebration on 14th August. A cultural evening was displayed 'Charley Sky' in which Malayali Samaj depicted typical arts of Kerala culture. It was, in fact, an occasion to nurture our culture and identity. Malavali Samai also organised Onam celebration on 2nd September which was begun with the Malayalam Syro-Malabar Qurbana presided over by Rev. Fr. Jose, MST. The celebration was coloured by flower carpet at the car porch, Onakalikal and Onasadhya.

Now, as part of pastoral ministry, we are going to the parishes on Sundays. As far as the studies are concerned, the thesis work is under progress and now preparing for *Ad Auds* as well as comprehensive exams in the coming months. At this occasion, we request your valuable prayers and assuring you our prayers as well.

Rev. Dn. Roy Tomy Kuzhiplakil HGN





NEWS FROM THE COMMUNITIES

GOOD NEWS AMMAVEEDU, PAMPADY



"St. Joseph is a beloved father, a tender and loving father, an obedient father, an accepting father, a father who is creatively courageous, a working father and a father in the shadows." - Pope Francis

Greetings and prayers from Good News Ammaveedu, Pampady. I deem it is a privilege to present a brief news of Good News Ammaveedu, Pampady from the months March to August 2023. This report illustrates various moments captured from the life and activities of Good News Ammaveedu. Each of the moments illustrated in this report with words and

images are not mere factual accounts of Good News Ammaveedu, rather they announce God's immeasurable mercy and fraternal collaboration. It also illustrates that Good News Ammaveedu is indeed a home of love, care and fellowship. At a glance of these few months, Good News Ammaveedu was filled with joy and happiness with the events like St. Joseph's Day, Annual Day Celebrations, and Onam Celebrations. It was indeed a great privilege for us to have the Silver Jubilee Celebrations of the Priestly Ordination of Rev. Fr. Joseph Kandathiparambil.

Good News Ammaveedu celebrated the feast day of St. Joseph on 19th March. All the Fathers of our campus were present in the Holy Mass. It was the moment of community love and brotherhood. May 3rd was remembered as a significant day in the history Good News Ammaveedu. On that day we had the Silver Jubilee Celebrations of the Priestly



Ordination of our Director, Rev. Fr. Joseph Kandathiparambil. On that day we had a felicitation ceremony with the invited guests. Bishop Samuel Mar Irenios (the Bishop of Pathanamthitta) blessed us with his inaugural address. Our Provincial Superior Very Rev. Fr. Selvan Lazar gave the presidential address. Sri. Thomas Chazhikadan (Member of Lok Sabha), Sri. Job Michael (Member of Kerala Legislative Assembly), Sri. Deva Prasad (Senior Journalist, Former Chief Editor of Deepika), Sri. Santhosh Joseph (Director, Mariasadan, Pala), Mrs. Daly Roy (the President, Pampady Grama Panchayath) were the invited guests. Many of our Fathers along with our benefactors and neighbors were present for the Jubilee celebrations. On this same day we could release a souvenir about the 25 years of inspiring priestly life of Rev. Fr. Joseph Kandathiparambil and Good News Ammaveedu titled "Daiva Karunayude Mahatbhuthangal."

We celebrated the Annual Day of Good News Ammaveedu on 29th July. Rev. Fr. Joseph Kandathiparambil welcomed the guests through his welcome speech. The Annual Day was inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Mervin Varayankunnel (the Provincial Councilor). Rev. Fr. Joseph Meenaikodathu (Vicar, Manarcad Latin Church) gave the presidential address. Mr. George Patteril (International Coordinator of Good News Retreats) and Mrs. Daly Roy (President, Pampady Grama Panchayath) gave the thoughtful messages. Some of our *Makkal* performed few programmes.

Onam was celebrated on 29th August at our Good News Ammaveedu with a variety of programmes by our Makkal and Staff. An awesome Athappookkalam was prepared by our staff with many colours of flowers. Onam special games were organized for both Makkal and Staff, some of them were musical chair, ball passing, filling the bottle with water and tug of war. Our home was made into a vibrant hub of celebration by these Onam games. Everybody actively participated in all the competitions and gathered several prizes. After the competitions, there was sharing of sumptuous Onasadhya.

We lift up our hearts with unending chants of gratitude towards our Lord for His incessant paternal care for Good News Ammaveedu. The daily activities of Good News Ammaveedu are made possible through the generous financial support of our benefactors from India and Abroad. We thank all the benefactors known and unknown. Good News Ammaveedu achieves its goal only with the spiritual support of many of our priests and people. Thank you all for the spiritual backing.

As it is stated in the quote above let us try to cultivate the good quality of St. Joseph in our life and ministry. May St. Joseph intercede for us all. Rev. Fr. Joseph Kandathiparambil and all the members of Good News Ammaveedu are fine and we request your prayers and support. With a heart full of love and prayers we remain.

Rev. Fr. Joseph Cherian Panthappallil HGN



GOOD NEWS SNEHABHAVAN, KAKKOOR



Dear Rev. Fathers, Brothers and Friends, Greetings of love and joy to you from Good News Snehabhavan, Kakkoor. Hope you all are doing well and keeping good health in your respective places. Here, we the staff and inmates are doing well. We are very happy to share with you some happenings of recent months.

We always experience the Divine Providence through the generous hearts of our sponsors in various manner. At present we have twelve inmates. In August we lost one of our inmates who had a severe infection. Two of our inmates were sent back home as they were not adjusting and cooperating with us. We expect another new member to join us this month. We always try to give admission to the ones who have some contacts otherwise we will be in trouble to transfer them or to return them if needed.

We were privileged to have the gracious presence of His Excellency Bishop Siby Mathew Peedikayil who visited us during his home leave. We acknowledge

the concern of our Provincial Superior Very Rev. Fr. Selvan Lazar and his administrative team towards the ministry of Good News Snehabhavan. We are always very grateful for their support and encouragements.

We gratefully acknowledge the service of Rev. Fr. Mathew Kurumpurath who was with us for six months. We thank him for his cheerful presence in our community. We remember with gratitude Bro. Ashik James, our former regent, for his wonderful services. Bro. Alvin Joseph is appointed in this community as the regent for this year. Also, we thank Bros. Sam and Ribin who did their vacation duty with us in the month of April. We are very grateful to our Fathers and Brothers who have visited our community in recent months for their thoughtfulness and the words of appreciation.

As usual we had a beautiful celebration on our Independence Day. *Onam* too was celebrated colorfully with the involvement of everyone. On 8th September the birthday of Mother Mary was celebrated, together with it we had the 'Common Birthday'celebration of all our inmates. Assuring you our prayers and requesting your valuable prayers.

Bro. Alvin Joseph Kaithackal HGN



GOOD NEWS RETREAT CENTRE, PAMPADY



Greetings from Good News Retreat Centre (GNRC), Pampady.

We are very happy to share our ministry and monthly activities that took place in our Retreat Centre. Every month we have three retreats and one day Convention namely; *Tapas, Heal and Vachananubhava Dhyanam*. Apart from this, we preach retreats in different Parishes and Religious Communities.

On 29th March the third year Philosophy students from Khammam Seminary along with Vice-Rector Rev. Fr. Sanjay Pradhan and Rev. Fr. Jayaraj visited our community. Lenten recollection for our Fathers those who are working in south central region was held in GNRC, preached by Rev. Dr. Kaduppil Roy (Diocese of Palai). On the same day we had the birthday celebration of Rev. Fr. Jince Cheenkallel. The Holy Week ceremonies were held along with Ammaveedu community. On 23rd April we celebrated the Ordination Anniversary of Rev. Fr. Jince Cheenkallel.

The newly ordained priest Rev. Fr. Jijomon Melattu celebrated Holy Eucharist

in GNRC on 6th May and it was a day of rejoicing and celebrations, culminated with congratulating him and praying for his future mission. On 12th May, we commemorated the first death Anniversary of Rev. Fr. Thomas Alencherry and had a requiem Mass. On 29th June we celebrated the feast of St. Peter and St. Paul, the feast of our Province. We had a get together of the Fathers working near our campus. It was a moment of prayer and thanksgiving, praying for our Province intentions and all our Fathers working in different parts of the world. The Provincial Superior and our Fathers working nearby Dioceses were present. The day ended with fellowship meal.

On 5th July Rev. Fr. Sibi Thadathil and Rev. Fr. Baby Oravanamthadathil and their batchmates who studied at Hyderbad Seminary visited our community, on the occasion of their Silver Jubilee of their Priestly Ordination and in thanksgiving they offered Holy Eucharist at GNRC. On First of September Rev. Fr. Jince Mathew Cheenkallel was appointed as the Director of Good News Retreat Centre. On 19th September Rev. Fr. Noble Thottathil was appointed in the Good News Retreat Centre. We extended him a warm welcome. On 16th September, we commemorated death anniversary of Rev. Fr. Ajish Azhakulathil and had a requiem Mass. We express our heartfelt gratitude to all who have visited us specially Most Rev. Siby Mathew Peedikayil, the Bishop of Aitape, PNG.



"The greatest method of praying is to pray the Rosary." says Saint Francis de Sales. Good News Retreat Center is organizing *Akantajapamala* from 1st October to 31st October. On 28th October there will be a *Japamalarali* (Rosary Procession) from Kottyam Cathedral

Church to Good News Retreat Center. We welcome you all for that. Let us pray that Our Lady of the Rosary, bless each of us with her tender Motherly Love.

Rev. Fr. Lijo Emmanuel HGN

GOOD NEWS ASHA BHAVAN, VAGAMON



Dear Rev. Fathers and Brothers. greetings and prayerful wishes from Good News Asha Bhavan, Vagamon. I am indeed glad to bring to your kind notice some of the events that took place during the last couple of months. I took charge as the Superior of the community here in the month of June. At present, we are altogether 17 inmates, one social worker, Rev. Fr. Mervin Varayankunnel and myself in the community. First and foremost we thank Rev. Fr. Saji Pamplaniyil who was the former Superior and Rev. Fr. Justine Meprath who served here as the Procurator for their dedication and hardwork for the upliftment of Good News Asha Bhavan, Vagamon.

Here we all of us are keeping fine by the grace of God. Rev. Fr. Mervin John Varayankunnel is doing well in his pastoral ministry and apart from that he finds time to take care of the needs of the inmates and gardening as well. Here in Vagamon almost every day it is raining as a result we are not able to do much activities outside. However very often we have the visit of the medical team and visitors from nearby villages. We had a visit from Rev. Fr. Sibi Thadathil and Rev. Fr. Jacob Oravanamthadathil with their classmates for the inauguration of their silver jubilee celebrations. We are grateful for their visit with us, especially towards Rev. Fr. Sibi Thadathil and Rev. Fr. Jacob Oravanamthadathil.

Few days back, with the contribution of the relatives of Rev. Fr. Mervin Varayankunnel we could purchase a new refrigerator. Very recently, we had the visit of Most Rev. Mathew Nellikunnel, the new Bishop of Gorakhpur diocese, he prayed for the inmates and gave us his blessings. We expressed our gesture of gratitude towards his Excellency for his maiden visit. By the grace of God and by your prayers and support we are doing well, please continue to pray for us.

Rev. Fr. Paulose Manickathan HGN





CENACLE, ST. PAUL PROVINCIAL HOUSE, KONOOR-KORATTY



The Endnotes...

'Welcome back Home' used to be the typical saying of care and affection, a member offers to another member of the family. And now, we are once again back home with this endnotes. Warmest greetings of welcome back home dear ones in the Family.

Cenacle gets different flavors from time to time depending upon the events that takes place in the house. Jotting down a few credentials; the Cenacle community witnessed various events, i.e., annual seminarians gathering, silver jubilee celebrations, retreat for the members, provincial forum, celebrations of feasts and festivals, timely visits and stay of the members, etc. The community here at Cenacle comprises of five priests, a regent brother and 21 aspirants. The members here are fine and able to render their assistance and services as the river flows to make the land prosperous and fertile. The frequent and the intermittent visit of our own members, priests and religious from neighboring communities, seminarians and well-wishers do cherish the ambience of Cenacle as a whole. Here is the gleeful bulletin of the recent months;

Annual Seminarians Gathering 2023: The euphoric event of the seminarians get together was hosted between 17-19th of April. During the gathering Bro. Abhijith Manuel, Bro. Abin Thomas and Bro. Roy Tomy made their final promise and they became the permanent members of the Society. Three of our seminarians namely,

Bro. Antony Michael, Bro. Ashik James and



Bro. Robin Mathew were initiated to the candidacy to priesthood. The seminarians gathering was a boost to the bond between the seminarians with fond memories.

Silver Jubilee Celebrations (1998

Batch): The Pauline family joined together for the sacerdotal silver jubilee celebration of its members on 20th of April. Rev. Fr. Paulose Manickathan and Rev. Fr. Tony Cheeramkuzhiyil together with their family members, friends and well-wishers added beauty to the event, making it a jubilation.

We were so blessed to have a new priest in the person of Rev. Fr. Jijomon Joseph on 4th May. The priestly ordination was held in his home Parish at Thekkemala.

The Provincial Forum: Later in the month of May Cenacle was set as an abode for the fifth Provincial Forum that took place on 19th and 20th of May. Prior to the Forum there was also the preparatory retreat which commenced on 15th of the same month. Almost everyone in India could attend the event.

On 16th May Rev. Fr. Santhosh Kochuparambil returned to India after the completion of his term of service in Italy. Meanwhile On 6th June Rev. Fr. Praveen Puthiyamangalath and Rev. Fr. Jijo Melattu left cenacle and went to St. Mary's Minor Seminary, Kannur for assuming their new responsibilities; Rev. Fr. Praveen as Vice-Rector, and Rev. Fr. Jijomon as the Procurator. Rev. Fr. Shijomon left Cenacle for taking up his new appointment in the diocese of Punalur on 18th June.

Celebration of Province Patron's

Day: As usual we had our Patron's Day celebration on the Solemnity of St. Paul and St. Peter on 29th June. On the festive day the holy Eucharistic celebration was presided over by Very Rev. Fr. Selvan Lazar, the Provincial Superior. Later in the evening there was also a cultural programme. The day was made so memorable by the vibrant stars of St. Paul Minor Seminary through their marvelous performance.

On 17th July we were so glad and exquisite to have the presence of Rev. Fr. Chacko Puthumayil. He was very kind to celebrate the holy Eucharist and pray for all. On 25th July Fr. Marydasan returned to Cenacle after completing his pastoral ministry in the diocese of Punalur. On 26th of July Very Rev. Fr. Selvan Lazar went to Arunachal Pradesh for Visit.

Visit of Bishop Siby Mathew Peedikayil: It was yet another joyful occasion to have the presence of his Excellency Most Rev. Siby Mathew Peedikayil in the month of August. He came to India for the first time after his episcopal ordination. On 7th August Very Rev. Fr. Selvan Lazar went to Khammam along with Most Rev. Siby Mathew Peedikayil for the diaconate ordination. On 15th August we were Joyful to celebrate the dual fiesta of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the independence day of our Nation. On that day the Holy Eucharist was presided over by Most Rev. Siby Mathew Peedikayil. Very Rev. Fr. Selvan Lazar gave presidency for the Independence Day programme.



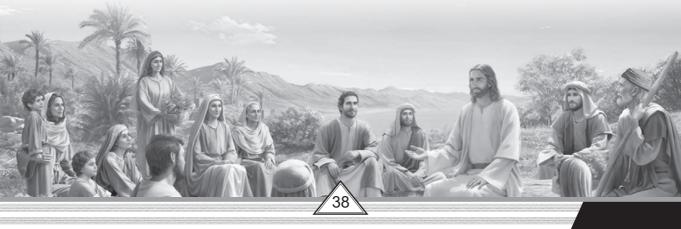
Felicitation Ceremony to Bishop Siby Mathew Peedikayil & Diaconate Ordination: On 26th August, the Cenacle community was replenished and obsessed with happiness to have the diaconate ordination of Bro. Abijith Manuel, Bro. Abin Thomas and Bro. Roy Tomy which was conferred by Most. Rev. Siby Mathew Peedikayil HGN, Bishop of Aitape, Papua New Guinea. And after the solemn holy Eucharistic celebration, a felicitation ceremony was held in order to honour Bishop Siby Mathew Peedikayil. Most of our Fathers' participation in it beautified the day. The distinguished guests of the day included Very Rev. Fr. Roy George, the Provincial Superior and other Fathers from Mother Theresa Province: Rev. Fr. Basker, the Provincial Councilor and other Fathers from Mary Queen of Apostles Province. The Priests and Religious from the neighboring Parishes were also invited for the programme. On 29th of the same month we celebrated *Onam* with much enthusiasm.

On 13th September our Fathers from Cenacle went to Tamil Nadu for participating in the sacerdotal ordination of Rev. Fr. Vincent of the Mary Queen of the

Apostles Province. Rev. Fr. Noble Thottathil left cenacle on 17th September for taking his new appointment in Good News Retreat Centre, Pampady. On 19th September the cenacle community was fortunate to celebrate the birthday of Very Rev. Fr. Selvan Lazar, our Provincial Superior. On the following day Very Rev. Fr. Selvan Lazar left to Europe for his canonical visit. On 21st September we celebrated the feast day of Rev. Fr. Manu Kuttikattu. On 22nd September Rev. Fr. Marydasan went to take his new assignment in the diocese of Kannur. On 5th October Rev. Fr. Jipson Perumpuzhakadavil and Rev. Fr. Shabu Varghese left to Germany for the pastoral ministry in the Diocese of Passau. So these are the tidings from Cenacle.

As a conclusion; there were many other moments of sharing love and affection which was made possible by the frequent visit of the members. Everyone comes home and make the house rejuvenated with one's caring presence in ways possible. It always adds beauty to the Pauline bond. May God help us to be together to form a home of love in action.

Rev. Fr. Shaiju Berkmans HGN





DAYS TO REMEMBER

	NOVEMBER			
03	Rev. Fr. Puthiyamangalath Praveen (Martin)	Feast Day		
04	Rev. Fr. Chirackal Thomas (Pradeesh Mathew)	Ordination Day		
06	Rev. Fr. Paradiyil John (Johny Jose)	Ordination Day		
19	Rev. Fr. Thottathil Noble (Sebastian)	Birth Day		
21	Rev. Fr. Ambattu Jibin	Birth Day		
24	Rev. Fr. Raju Peter (Feast of Christ the King)	Feast Day		

DECEMBER				
01	Rev. Fr. Pulickal Mathew	Birth Day		
03	Rev. Fr. Medanki Francis	Feast Day		
05	Rev. Fr. Maramattathil Mathew (Joby Michael)	Birth Day		
06	Most Rev. Siby Mathew Peedikayil	Birth Day		
08	Rev. Fr. Mattathilanickal James (Shijo)	Birth Day		
17	Rev. Fr. Panthappallil Joseph Cherian	Birth Day		
21	Rev. Fr. Thottathil Noble (Sebastian)	Ordination Anniversary		
22	Rev. Fr. Puthen Pradeep (Joseph)	Birth Day		
25	Rev. Dn. Akambadiyil Abijith Manuel	Feast Day		
26	Rev. Fr. Thadathil Sibi (Stephen)	Feast Day		
26	Rev. Fr. Adattu Nikson	Ordination Anniversary		
26	Rev. Fr. Mlakuzhiyil Binesh (Mathew)	Ordination Anniversary		
27	Rev. Fr. Paradiyil Johny Jose (John)	Feast Day		
27	Rev. Fr. Chakkalackal Antony (Antony C. P.)	Ordination Anniversary		
27	Rev. Fr. Kalappurayil Baiju (Thomas)	Ordination Anniversary		
27	Rev. Fr. Kochuparambil Santhosh (Joseph)	Ordination Anniversary		
27	Rev. Fr. Purayidathil Raju Peter	Ordination Anniversary		
27	Rev. Fr. Vakevattukulathil Shiju George (Mathew)	Ordination Anniversary		
28	Rev. Fr. Ellickal Sunny Philip (Thomas)	Ordination Anniversary		
28	Rev. Fr. Plackal Vinod (Kuruvila)	Ordination Anniversary		
28	Rev. Fr. Velamparambil Sunny (Sebastian)	Ordination Anniversary		
29	Rev. Fr. Kuttiyanimattathil Tomy	Ordination Anniversary		
29	Rev. Fr. Poovamnilkumthottiyil Saji Sebastian	Ordination Anniversary		
29	Rev. Fr. Sabbavarappu Thomas Naidu	Ordination Anniversary		
29	Rev. Fr. Vengaloor Mathew	Ordination Anniversary		
30	Rev. Fr. Kurialassery Joseph	Ordination Anniversary		
31	Rev. Fr. Thadathiparambil Kunjumon (Abraham)	Ordination Anniversary		



JANUARY

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01	Rev. Fr. Edathil Jaison Mathew (James)	Ordination Anniversary		
01	Rev. Fr. Thekkevalayil Shiju Lukose (Abraham)	Ordination Anniversary		
02	Rev. Fr. Tomy Ambattu	Feast Day		
02	Rev. Fr. Kallarackal Santhosh (Sebastian)	Ordination Anniversary		
02	Rev. Fr. Varayankunnel Mervin (Philip)	Ordination Anniversary		
02	Rev. Fr. Jipson Perumpuzhakadavil	Ordination Anniversary		
04	Rev. Fr. Kanjirathumkunnel Reji Joseph (Thomas)	Ordination Anniversary		
04	Rev. Fr. Vazhappillil Shijomon (Joseph)	Ordination Anniversary		
05	Rev. Fr. Olikunnel Thomas	Ordination Anniversary		
06	Rev. Fr. Pynadath Sinoj (Paul)	Ordination Anniversary		
07	Rev. Fr. Chakkalackal Antony (Antony C. P.)	Birth Day		
07	Rev. Fr. Kuttiyanimattathil Tomy	Birth Day		
07	Rev. Fr. Myalil Roji Peter (Peter)	Ordination Anniversary		
08	Rev. Fr. Paradiyil Johny Jose	Birth Day		
11	Rev. Fr. Puthen Pradeep (Joseph)	Ordination Anniversary		
11	Rev. Fr. Selvan Lazar	Ordination Anniversary		
12	Rev. Fr. Vakevattukulathil Shiju George	Birth Day		
15	Rev. Fr. Kuthuliyil Joseph	Ordination Anniversary		
16	Rev. Fr. Alanickal Lijo Emmanuel (Thomas)	Ordination Anniversary		
19	Rev. Fr. Vattamalayil Sanish Mathew (Varghese)	Birth Day		
20	Rev. Fr. Kallarackal Santhosh (Sebastian)	Feast Day		
20	Rev. Fr. Thottathil Noble (Sebastian)	Feast Day		
20	Rev. Fr. Velamparambil Sunny (Sebastian)	Feast Day		
20	Rev. Dn. Kuzhiplakkil Roy Tomy	Feast Day		
23	Rev. Fr. Mangara Jinto Antony	Birth Day		
26	Rev. Fr. Varavilathopu Shabu Varghese	Birth Day		
27	Rev. Fr. Kuthuliyil Joseph	Birth Day		
28	Rev. Fr. Thekkevalayil Shiju Lukose (Abraham)	Birth Day		
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Hearty Congratulations DEAR NEW PRIEST & DEACONS





Priestly Ordination of Rev. Fr. Melattu Jijomon Joseph by Mar Jose Pulickal at St. Mary's Church, Thekkemala, Kanjirapally Diocese



Newly Ordained Deacons along with our Bishop and Provincial Superior



The Diaconate Ordination of Rev. Dn. Abijith Manuel



The Diaconate Ordination of Rev. Dn. Abin Thomas



The Diaconate Ordination of Rev. Dn. Roy Tomy



Group Photo, Taken during the Diaconate Ordination at Cenacle



Fifth Provincial Forum, 19-20 May 2023



