

Health Corner

(Garlic treatment for Varicose Vein)

Many people suffer a lot from the disease known as varicose vein. Often the pain caused by this disease is excruciating and it is usually accompanied by severe itching in the affected areas. Veins carry unclean blood from the different parts of the human body to the heart. Then, that blood is pumped to the lungs for purification. After that the purified blood is sent back to the heart and from there it is sent to the different parts of the body for the maintenance of the entire human body. A person who suffers from varicose vein will have swollen veins on the legs. Sometimes the veins appear to be twisted. Varicose veins usually appear to be blackish. Varicose vein is found in both men and women. A history of varicose in the family, advanced age and obesity are some of the causes of varicose vein.

By using garlic one can completely get rid of varicose vein. Garlic has a lot of medicinal value. Garlic is good in removing blocks in veins and blood vessels. Toxins in the body can also be removed by garlic. Garlic, olive oil and orange juice together can fight varicose vein effectively.

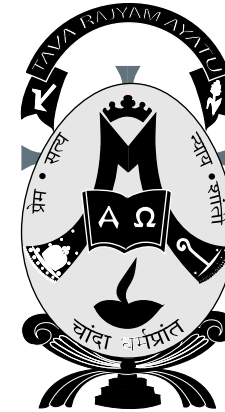
Garlic has a lot of health benefits. It increases the flow of blood in the human body. It is capable of reducing the toxins in the body. We need only three things to get rid of the varicose vein, viz, orange juice, olive oil and garlic. Take half a glass of orange juice and pour one table spoon of olive oil in it. Take a big flake of garlic and make a paste out of it. Then add this paste to the mixture of orange juice and the olive oil. After that mix the three ingredients well stirring it with a spoon. Keep the solution for 12 hours. Then apply this well over the skin affected by the varicose vein. Apply this well repeatedly a few times over a very short period of time. Then cover it with a bandage and keep it that way for 15 minutes. You can feel a lot of relief if you repeat this process for 15 days. Please share this information with those of your friends who suffer from varicose vein.

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Thy Kingdom Come (Mt. 6:10)

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Address	Course	Date
Director Dhyana Sadhana Bogadi Ring Road circle Bogadi - Mysuru 570 026 dhyanasadhana@gmail.com Ph: 08762423129	Eight Month Certificate course in Christian spiritual life	20 July 2019 to 10 March 2020
	Authentic Discipleship Follow me	20 July to 20 December 2019
	Discovering true self in God experience	20 July to 04 October 2019
	Inner journey	06 Oct to 20 Dec 2019
Director Jyotir Bhavan Institute of Theology and Spirituality N. Kalamassery 683 104 Ernakulam, Kerala 9048968101 jboedmanj@gmail.com	A Biblico-Pscho-Spiritual for consecrated women	9 month course in English from 1July 2019 to 18 March 2020
	3 Months' certificate courses July-Sept/Oct-Dec/Jan-March	
The Director Pontifical John Paul II Institute, CANA Thuruthy P. O 686 535 Chenganacherry Kottayam, Kerala Ph: 08289833641 johnpaulismf1998@gmail.com	Licentiate studies on Marriage and Family	Sept - May (2 Years - 4 semesters)
	Master's studies on Marriage and Family	Sept - May (2 Years - 4 semesters)
Quotes from Pope Francis on Poverty and Social Justice "I recognize that globalization has helped many people rise out of poverty, but it has also damned many others to starve to death. It is true that global wealth is growing in absolute terms, but inequalities have also grown and new poverty arisen."		

IX. ONGOING FORMATION

Address	Course	Date
The Director Visvadeep, Kristu Jyoti College, Bosco Nagar K. R. Puram, Bangalore 560 036, India puthenpadi@yahoo.com 08147172590	Basic theology for faith formators	07 June to 31 August 2019
	Faith Formation and Youth Ministry	02 Sept. 2019 to 18 Feb. 2020
	Audio-Visuals in Pastoral Ministry	19 February to 19 March 2020
The Director Pontifical John Paul II Institute, CANA Thuruthy P. O 686 535 Chenganacherry Kottayam, Kerala Ph: 08289833641 johnpaulismf1998@gmail.com	Short Term Courses Medium Malayalam 1. Spiritual direction 2. Family Spirituality 3. Family Counselling 4. Male and female psychology 5. Basic Skills in Psychology 6. Youth counselling 7. Old age counselling 8. Counselling Praticum 9. Abnormal Psychology 10. Transactional analysis 11. Alchoholism and Family 12. Love and sexuality	Begins in October 2019 and ends in January 2020
Director Sanyasa, Carmalaram Bangalore 560 035 sanyasac@gmail.com Ph: 9964161332	One year diploma in Theology of Consecrated Life	18 June 2019 to March 2020
	Six month "Word on Fire" Bible Study programme	18 June 2019 to 21 Dec. 2019
Director Indian Institute of Spirituality P. B. No. 5639, Rajajinagar 1st Block, Bangalore 560 010 frviphilip@gmail.com Ph: 8951579255	Licentiate in Spirituality	30 June 2019 to 31 March 2021
	Diploma in Spirituality	2 June 2019 to 10 March 2020
	Doctorate in Spiritual Theology	30th June to 31 March (2 to 5 Years)

PASTORAL LETTER I

PL.5 /May 1

On Holy Childhood Association

Dear Fathers, Brothers, Sisters and my dear people,
Thy Kingdom come!

I have been reflecting over establishing the Holy Childhood Association in our diocese for some time. We have not less than 3000 children in the diocese who are below 18 years of age. Out of which almost 1100 may be in our boardings (total number of boarders are around 1800 but not less than 700 are children of other faiths). Out of 3000 children only 1100 are in our boardings the rest at least 900 children are below 5 years of age and another 1000 are in *Ashram* schools and studying from home or elsewhere. This is a random picture of our children in the diocese. We all agree that we need to adopt different ways and means to give faith and character formation to these children. Needless to say we have to work together for the same.

As per now the following are the methods that we avail for the formation of our children: i) Spiritual, character and intellectual formation given to them in our boardings and schools, ii) The Sunday catechism is being done with great interest of our Priests and Sisters. The CLC is doing its best to co-ordinate it in a systematic way, iii) Annual Bible quiz also help them a lot to deepen their knowledge in Holy Bible, iv) The youth department conduct occasional seminars and Diocesan Children's convention to give some orientation in character formation, v) Some priests do 'Summer Camps' for the drop-outs and children studying in *Ashram* schools. Besides all these our diocesan departments like LSSS, CLC, Youth, Talent Club and Language Lab conducts different seminars, English language course, career guidance, leadership course, vocation camp etc. to form the young minds in right perspective. I thank them all for their self-less service in this regard. With all that is being done I wish to add one more to our children's faith and character formation. It is the establishment of Holy

Childhood Association or technically known as the Society of Missionary Childhood. It is an association started in France in the year 1843 by a bishop viz. Charles De Forbin-Janson. It is highly recommended by different popes in the past. The primary purpose of the Association is to develop a special devotion to Infant Jesus and like Infant Jesus become spirit-filled in the activities of the Church. The zeal of the Infant Jesus “Do you not know that I had to be in my Father's House?” (Lk. 2:49) has to be the perception and perspective of every child. He/she should be concerned of his/her faith and mission. From the very childhood one should develop a concern for faith and spiritual matters. The elders parents, priests and sisters have to focus attention on it, lest they be lost. They must learn to treasure their faith seriously and faithfully, for which Infant Jesus is an amazing example.

Secondly to awaken in them a sense of Church's mission to the world. Church by her very nature is missionary (LG 2). Christ gave the command to the disciples to go to the end of the world to proclaim the good news (Mt. 28:19-20). It is every Christian's mission. A Christian from the very childhood should develop such habit. So this missionary Association will boost such a missionary spirit in our children.

Thirdly it is meant to develop the children's communitarian spirit. The Church is people of God worshipping together, working together and walking together with the same goal towards the same target the heavenly Jerusalem. The life after death is not an unrealistic goal but a goal that has to be achieved and to work for on daily basis. They must be given opportunities to think in such terms from the very childhood. The Holy Childhood Association provides opportunities for the same.

Fourthly, the commandment of Christ to love one another as he has loved us (Jn. 13:34) is a fact to be practiced as Christians from birth to death. Christ offered his life for the salvation of the humankind - a mentality of sharing. There is no greater love than laying down one's life for the other (Jn. 15:13). The sense of doing

VIII. HEAVENLY BRETHREN

MAY

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| 1. Fr. Mathew Kaniyamparampil CMI | 05-05-2011 | Pala |
| 2. Sr. Darsana SJB | 07.05. 2012 | Kuriachera |
| 3. Sr. Lia CMC | 08-05-2001 | Thommana |
| 4. Sr. Rose Margaret CMC | 08-05-2012 | Thommana |
| 5. Fr. George Chakkalackal CMI | 10.05.2012 | Trichur |
| 6. Sr. Shaify FCC | 25-05-2002 | Kadukutty |
| 7. Bro. Jomon Mattapillil CMI | 30-05-1997 | Bellampalli |

JUNE

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| 1. Sr. Jesslima SD | 02-06-1995 | Chethipuzha |
| 2. Sr. Clementia SHSp | 04-06-2018 | Germany |
| 3. Fr. Davis Kannampuzha CMI | 07-06-2006 | Bellampalli |
| 4. Fr. Alex Ukken CMI | 11-06-2006 | Irinjalakuda |
| 5. Sr. Justina SD | 16-06-2002 | Wardha |
| 6. Sr. Lutgardis Pauwelyn SJB | 24-06-2018 | Germany |
| 7. Fr. Antony Cyriac Chirayil CMI | 28-06-2002 | Bellampalli |

JULY

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| 1. Fr. Diego Kodankandath CMI | 01-07-2004 | Pavarty |
| 2. Fr. Mathew Manikompel CMI | 09-07-2009 | Mutholy |
| 3. Fr. Christian Plakatt CMI | 12-07-2005 | Mutholy |
| 4. Fr. Callistus Chavarananickal CMI | 14-07-2011 | Ballarpur |
| 5. Sr. Infant Mary FCC | 16-07-1998 | Bhopal |

OBITUARY

Let us pray for the departed soul of Sr. Ives CMC, who was a pioneering missionary to the Chanda Mission. May the Good Lord give her Eternal Rest.



RIP

- Let us pray for the departed soul of Fr. Abraham Valiyakandathil CMF - 8 March 2019
- Let us pray for the departed soul of Mr. Gabriel Kerketta, Father of Mr. Amruth Kerketta - 15 April 2019.

- SYRO MALABAR YOUTH MOVEMENT CHANDA

One day seminar was conducted for the youth of Brahmappuri parish. 25 youth including few nurses attended the seminar. Fr. Antony Munjanattu, Diocesan youth director organized the seminar, Sr. Jyoti Ramteke S.A.B.S. and Sr. Angel Ekonkar S.A.B.S. helped the youth with their session and action songs. Inputs on '**The importance of team work**', '**Youth the future of the Church**' and '**The need of a transformation in the life**' were given to them.

Fr. Antony Munjanattu

VII. NEWS FROM FORMATION HOUSES

- *The feast of the Vice Rector Rev Fr Joseph Kalayil was celebrated on 19th March 2019.
- *Rt Rev Bp Prince Antony, bishop of Adilabad and Rev Fr James Puliurumbil from Vadavathoor Seminary visited us.
- *The Fortieth ordination anniversary of Rev Fr Mathew Kandassankunnel was celebrated on 2nd March 2019.
- * Prizes for the academic competitions were distributed to the seminarians on 3rd March 2019.
- *Rev Fr Paulson CMF conducted two weeks music class and basketball instructions for the seminarians in the month of March.
- * Second semester examinations commenced for the seminarians on 27th March.
- * All community participated the requiem Mass of our first Bp Januarius Palathuruthy CMI on 28th March.
- * A gathering was held to bid farewell to Rev Fr Joseph Kalayil CMF, Bro Regent Linto and the outgoing fourth year brothers on 7th April 2019.
- * CMI brothers of Hyderabad Province visited SVG during there mission visit on 10th April
- *SVG celebrated Palm Sunday with our parish community on 14th April. First year Brothers went for their home holidays on 15th April.
- * SVG participated the Muron Qurbana at the cathedral on 16th April

small sacrifices from the childhood help one to develop such attitude. The Holy Childhood Association highly encourages it. The Society's goals can be summed up as follows:

- To awaken in the children the awareness of the mission work of the Church.
 - To let children participate in missionary work through prayer, sacrifices and offerings (Children LOVE Children).
 - To move children to share their faith and material means with the children of the neediest churches (Children HELP Children).
 - To promote in the hearts of children esteem and love for missionary vocations (Children ARE MISSIONARIES and inspire other Children BECOME MISSIONARIES).

Thus from the very childhood, let us make efforts to give orientation to our children to be genuine missionaries helping one another, helping the needy, helping the parents, a sense of communitarian worship, a sense of Christian discipline, a sense of Christian discipleship and ultimately a genuine human person after the example of Infant Jesus who was obedient to his parents, who grew in wisdom before God and men (Lk. 2:52). I request everyone Fathers, Brothers, Sisters, parents, elders to do all what is needful to establish the Holy Childhood Association in every parish and foster it to the optimum way to help our children to grow in Christian faith and Christian discipleship. Kindly follow the bylaws of the association and guidance given as to make its activities effective. Please do inaugurate it in every parish as directed (CF. Chanda Samachar May - June, 2019, P.37). Novena prayer book to Infant Jesus and picture of Infant Jesus are available from CLC department. God bless all our children

Yours devotedly in Christ



Bp. Ephrem Nariculam
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Bishop, Eparchy of Chanda

HOMILY

Muron Qurbana

16 April 2019

(Gen. 28:10-22, Jer. 23:16-22, 1 Tim. 4:6-16, Jn. 10:7-18)

Dear brother Priests, Brothers, Sisters and my dear people,

Muron Qurbana day is a special day for all Priests in the Church. As per Western Church tradition it is done in the morning hours on Holy Thursday. In Eastern tradition it is done on any convenient day before Easter. However it is for some time that number of Eastern Churches do it on Tuesday of the Holy Week. Formerly it was done by the bishop with a few Priests who live with him in his residence. It is the Western tradition that Holy Muron/Chrism is blessed by the bishop con-celebrated by all the Priests in the diocese. That tradition now followed by the Eastern Churches also. It is very meaningful indeed. As we know it is in the Holy Muron Qurbana that Muron/Chrism for the whole year is blessed - the oil that we are expected to use for the sacraments such as Baptism, Confirmation, Holy Orders as well as for the consecration of the Church. Now things have changed and in Syro-Malabar Church though bishop is expected to bless only Muron/Chrism for the first anointment of Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Orders, the other oils are blessed at the time of conferring of respective sacraments or Church's consecration. For convenience' sake, taking in to consideration of the mission context we are blessing all three oils separately. The oil of catechumens (OC/OS), the oil of the sick (OI) and sacred chrism (SC).

As we come to the word of God of today, we had four readings: The first reading is from Gen. 28:10-22, the dream of Jacob. It reminds us of the necessary contact that we need to cherish with the angelic world, the heavenly abode and the missionary response that we have to hold on in our daily endeavours connected to the space and time of spiritual world and temporal world. The second reading is from the prophecy of Jeremiah 23:16-22. The warning of God against misbehaviours of the prophets. The false prophecies bears no fruit and God warns people against false

ministry of Family Apostolate conducted a one day seminar for the couples of Shanti Nivas Church, Wirur on 03rd of March 2019. Fr Kurian Panayalil and Sr. Rose CMC were the resource persons. The programme was well arranged. Thanks to Fr. Robinson, Fr. Emmanuel and S.D. Sisters.

4. **“Jyothirvachan”Marathi Retreat**

Diocesan Retreat: In view of the Lent-season a 4 day retreat was arranged on March 31st Sunday to Wednesday 3rd April 2019 by the Ministry of Family Apostolate, Chanda at Divine Vachan Ashram, Bamini. The Tabore Retreat Team from Mumbai under the leadership of Fr Sahayaraj Fernandes conducted the retreat. Around 300 people from different parishes attended the retreat. Last day's Divine Liturgy was presided over by Rev. Bp. Ephrem Nariculam, with a Solemn Quebana, Healing Prayer and Anointing. The participants in the retreat experienced the feeling that they were able to enter into the season of Lent with an added fervour. These were days of memorable spiritual renewal and enrichment.

Upcoming Events

1. **Home Mission Programme**

A). Parish - Nav Jyothi Church, Aksapur

Date - 6th to 12th May 2019

Resource Team - CMC Sisters, Wardha Province

B). Parish - Ashirvan Church, Chincholi

Date - 3rd to 9th June 2019

Resource Team - CMC Sisters, Wardha Province

C). Parish - Shanti Nivas Church, Wirur

Date - 10th to 16th June 2019

Resource Team - CMC Sisters, Wardha Province

Fr. Kurian Panayalil

CLC Department

VI. DEPARTMENTAL NEWS

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1. Alpha Marriage Course

The Alpha Marriage course (AMC) is a pre-marital program that aims at preparing young men and women of marriageable age for Christian married life. It was held at Diocesan Pastoral Center, Balharshah from 5th April 2019 to 7th April 2019. Twenty delegates from our diocese participated in it. Fr. Dinesh Mate, Administrator, Bishop's Home graced the occasion with his presence.



2. Home Mission Programme

Under the guidance of Family Apostolate Ministry 3 sisters of CMC Carmalodaya province, wardha conducted home mission in Gajamandi parish. We are thankful to Rev. Sisters for their selfless service. We raise our grateful hearts to the God Almighty and the priests and the sisters who helped us to proclaim Jesus our Lord in the Diocese.



3. Couples Seminar

"It is the parish that is the primary center of evangelization, family life, and spiritual and catechetical formation."
Recognizing family's central role in God's plan for humanity the

prophets. The third reading is a model code of conduct for good ministers and genuine missionaries. I wish to leave with you a message primarily on the third reading of today.

Dear co-workers in the mission of Christ, I wish to focus your attention to the epistle of today the third reading. It is from 1 Tim. 4:6-16. It is about the ministry of the missionaries. The subtitle given in the RSV bible for this passage is "A Good Minister of Jesus Christ". We are all called to be ministers indeed good ministers. How to be/become good ministers? The apostle Paul articulates in clear terms as follows:

1. Nourished on the words of faith
2. Follow sound teachings of Jesus/Church
3. Have nothing to do with profane myths.
4. Disregard all cooked up stories/ gossips
5. Train yourself in Godliness
6. Hold promises for both the present life and the life to come
7. Receive the divine word that is ever faithful
8. Set our hope on the living God who is the saviour of all people.
9. Insist on the right teaching
10. May all appreciate your conduct in love, in faith and in purity
11. Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophetic utterance when the council of elders laid their hands upon you.
12. Devout yourself to the people who are entrusted to your care.
13. Pay attention to your teachings

Paul concludes the passage by exhorting us "pay close attention to yourself and to your teaching: continue in these things, for in doing this you will save both yourself and your hearers"(Vs. 16). This concluding verse of today's reading from St. Timothy is very important. Paul articulate four important points as conclusion. i) Pay close attention to yourself ii) Pay close attention to your teaching iii) continue in these things (all what is said above). iv) for in doing this you will save both yourself and your hearers.

i. Pay close attention to yourself

In the gospel of John 8:14 Jesus affirms "I know where I

came from and what is my mission”. Socrates once said “the greatest of all knowledge is 'Know Thyself’”. As missionaries one of the areas of gaining knowledge is to know ourselves our greatness, our skills, our talents, our tastes, our strengths, our limitations, our weaknesses etc. Mastery over our 'self' is a great knowledge and it will embellish our character and human relations. They abstain from gossips and respect others with utmost care. Let us reflect what is my state of affairs?

ii. Pay close attention to your teaching

The most important element in our teaching as missionaries is not the greatness of the ideas, not the floury language or style, not even the novelty in content or presentation but the fidelity to Christ and the teaching magisterium. Jesus' teaching is very clear when you have to say 'yes' say 'yes' and when you have to say 'no' say 'no'. All others come from the evil spirit (Mt 5:37). Truthful and Trustworthy, Sincere and Transparent are qualities that matters great. In other words as Mother Theresa puts it “be faithful rather than successful”.

iii. Continue in these things

Here Paul exhorts us to be missionaries of Jesus after the good example of Shepherded. We know the qualities of the good shepherd (Jn.10: 1-18). In the words of Pope Francis Good shepherd has to have the smell of the sheep. Good shepherd calls the sheep by name and lead them to green pastures. He goes ahead of the sheep. The sheep knows the voice of the shepherded. Good shepherd is the gate through which sheep enters the fold. Good shepherd gives the life and in abundance. He lays down his life for the sheep. As missionary am I a good shepherd to my people?

iv. For in doing this you will save both yourself and your hearers

As we all know Christ came to save the humankind. The Church, the mystical body of Christ is “the sacrament of salvation” teaches the Holy Mother Church. We the missionaries are but only the dispensers of mysteries of God in sacraments, in the divine word, in prayer and in the acts of charity/mercy. Salvation of the world is our primary task. We are not social workers doing some

life.

- Renewal and Refreshing

Seven of our junior sisters renewed their vows on 17-04-2019 after the three days of retreat under the guidance of Rev. Fr.Justin Thekkudan CMI. It made them to recollect and refresh themselves. Hearty Congratulations dear little sisters...!!!

- A visit to Jail

Just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.” Fr.Joshy Chettiyanchira, Parish priest St.Thomas Church, Chandrapur washed the feet of the 12 inmates of Chadrapur Prison on Maundy Thursday. Sr.Yajna spoke to them regarding the importance of the day and Fr.Joshy enriched them with thought provoking message. Representatives from St. Thomas Church and the Sisters of Mount Carmel and Carmel Bhavan were present to witness this great event.

WIRUR ZONE

- Shantiwan Church, Pattaguda

Fr. Jomy's month's mind was observed in the parish on 28 January 2019. A great number of priests and sisters from the diocese was present for the function. Fr. Varghese Puthuparambil, Proto-Sycellus offered Holy Qurbana and Fr. Thomas Punchayil delivered homily. Almost the entire people of the parish was present in the Church for the celebration. Fr. Jomy's Brothers and Family along with their mother also came for the function.

- Tera Prem Church, Warur

The grotto feast was celebrated on 11 February with great solemnity. Bishop Ephrem celebrated Holy Qurbana, concelebrated by New Priests Fr. Vivek Puthenpurackal, and Fr. Somy Thannikappara. The Hindi homily was preached by Fr. Benny Mukalel CMI and Telugu was by Fr. Baiju from Adilabad diocese. The procession, healing prayer and adoration added color to the celebration. Almost 4000 people including Fathers, Brothers and Sisters attended the celebration. A number of people including some Fathers, Sisters and Seminarians took walking pilgrimage to Warur from different stations of the diocese.

- St. Antony's Church, Wardha

SJB Sisters Jubilee was celebrated in the parish Church. Rev. Srs. Vidhya Lima, Manjusha, Roshni celebrated their Silver Jubilee. Bp. Ephrem Nariculam was the main celebrant for the Holy Qurbana and delivered homily. A felicitation meeting was also held after the Holy Qurbana. Many Fathers, Sisters and people from the parish participated in the function. In paying tribute to CRPF army men, who were killed in Pulwama terrorist attack, the bishop and representatives from the community paid floral respect to them in the function which was held immediately after the jubilee celebration.

- Claretian Ashram, Wardha

The convocation was held in Claretian Ashram on 23 February 2019 Fr. Jose Thenpilly CMF, the provincial Superior was the Chief Guest. A cultural banquet was prepared by the Brothers. The neighboring religious community members were also present.

- DM Provincial House, Wardha

Sr. James Maria DM and Sr. Merin DM's Jubilee was celebrated in the provincial house. Fr. Canisius Fr. Raju, Fr. Tomy, Fr. Francis and Fr. Suresh concelebrated Holy Qurbana. The Fathers and Sisters from different communities in the diocese participated in the celebration.

- Carmelodaya Province, Wardha

- Vocation camps

Vocation camps were arranged for the girls in different places like Maharashtra, Telengana and Kerala in the month of March 2019.

- Home Mission

Taking into notice the challenge that our parishes face today understanding the needs of the time the Diocese of Chanda arranged the Home Mission at Sindasur village. Our sisters, Sr. Ancy, Sr. Maria, Sr. Ananya and Sr. Siya reached at Sindasur Parish on 24th March 2019. The cordial welcome & whole hearted support by the Parish Priest Fr. Adaharsh CMF and the parishioners made this Home mission programme a successful one.. We spend for one week with the people and prepared preparing them to lead a better Christian

spiritual ministries but spiritual ministers doing some social works. We are not event managers, builders, architects, educators, though we do all that but primarily we are animators, who give life and life in abundance (John 10:10) - we are ministers of God's Kingdom and dispensers of God's mysteries. What am I doing now? How do I impart this message of salvation to my people through my missionary endeavours?

Thus the gospel reading Jn. 10:7-18 is a natural flow from the content of the epistle of today. We are men and women to give life to the people, gate of heaven, savers of souls, showing right path. As missionaries we are lamp-stand the gives light, and sign boards that gives direction and sacraments that gives experience.

We are light to see God
Direction to go to God
Experience to know God

So my dear co-missionaries let us be serious about our mission and ministry. Make great strides to commit ourselves and ameliorate our missionary commitment. Sincerely work out for the mission. My God bless you all. Amen.



Our Dear Bishopji celebrates his Patron's day on June 9. Let us specially pray for God's choicest blessings on our Bishopji on the special day. Chanda Family wishes a HAPPY FEAST.

Poet, teacher, orator, and defender of the faith, St. Ephrem is the only Syrian recognized as a doctor of the Church. He took upon himself the special task of opposing the many false doctrines rampant at his time, always remaining a true and forceful defender of the Catholic Church. St. Ephrem, patron of spiritual Directors and spiritual leaders pray for us...

JERICHO PRAYER SUNDAY (7 April 2019)

Jericho prayer campaign under the initiative of Charismatic Renewal groups in India have travelled through all the 174 dioceses in the country. The visit to our diocese was in the month of August 2018 and it was well received in the diocese. A national level celebration and convention was held in November at Divine Retreat Centre, Muringoor in Kerala. It is primarily meant to pray for our Country - Harmony, Unity, Peace, and Prosperity of the Country. The context of Jericho prayer is Joshua chapter Six. Hereby I request everyone in the diocese to observe Sunday 7 April as Jericho Prayer Sunday and pray for our Country. Kindly announce it in the Parish/Mission Station and observe it. The following can be the features of the celebrations:

- i) A Crucifix be well decorated in any place in the Church before the celebration of holy Qurbana (incensing/*aarathi* will be a good gesture).
- ii) Homily of the day can be directed to this purpose.
- iii) Special prayers can be added to karoza for the said intentions.
- iv) Procession with Crucifix (preferably all carrying a cross/Crucifix) around the Church will be good.
- v) Veneration of the Cross/Crucifix in the Church after the procession (Priest can hold it, while people come in line to venerate it).

Please do any other befitting celebration to mark the occasion.



Your Shepherd in the Lord

†Ephrem Nariculam
Bishop, Eparchy of Chanda

Parish Priest at St. Thomas Cathedral Church, Bengaluru. He will be joining the formation team of the Province.

CMI Ashram, Thukum

1. The golden jubilee of Fr. Narakat CMI Fr. Joy Parapilly CMI along with silver Jubilee of profession of Fr. Binoy Chekonthayil CMI was celebrated in the Ashram. New Priests Fr. Prince Munjanattu CMI, Fr. Aisteen vadakumcherry CMI, Fr. George velloothottathil CMI were accorded reception on the occasion. The Jubilarians and new Priests along with the other Fathers concelebrated the Holy Qurbana. In the felicitation meeting that followed was presided over by Fr. Benny Mukalel CMI in which Bp. Ephrem was the Chief Guest. A cultural banquet and agape added colors to the celebration

BRAHMAPURI ZONE**- Chamorshi**

Bishop Ephrem visited the parish on 17th March 2019. He offered Holy Qurbana in the morning and met with the people. A felicitation was accorded to the bishop after Holy Qurbana. The boarders of Chamorshi and Ghot presented different cultural programmes in the felicitation meeting.

- St. Joseph's Church, Marakbody

The new boys' boarding at Marakbody was inaugurated and blessed by Bishop Ephrem Nariculam. It was held on 29-01-2019. Cultural programmes were followed. Friends of Fr. Ajish, Mr. & Mrs. Peter Morris and Mr. & Mrs. John Greenwood from UK were also present on the occasion.

WARDHA ZONE**- Jeevan Jyothi Church, Hinganghat**

The newly constructed Church was blessed by Bp. Ephrem Nariculam on 7 April 2019. Fr. Varghese Puthuparambil CMI, Proto-sycellus and Fr. James Kurissery CMI, the founder of the Hinganghat station concelebrated the Holy Qurbana along with other Priests. The ceremony started with procession from the presbytery. Jericho prayer was held after the celebration of the Holy Qurbana. A short felicitation meeting was arranged at the end of the blessing ceremony which was followed by agape. Fr. James Thururthy CMI welcomed the gathering and Fr. Tomy Chirapurath CMI served as ceremony master.

in the month of May 2019. The ceremony will start at 10.30 am. with the Divine Liturgy. It will be done together with the Mary Matha Vice Province, Hyderabad and it will be at Mary Matha Ashram, Chowara. The immediate preparation for Final Profession will begin from April 25, at Chavara Hills, Kakkanad. Let us keep Bro. Bonis in our prayers and wish him all success and God's abundant graces!

NEW APPOINTMENTS

1. Rev. Fr. Mathew Njarakkattu is appointed as the new superior of Teranur, Aluva.
2. Rev. Fr. George Neeliyara is appointed as the Superior of the New house - Chanda Niwas at Njalookara, Angamaly.
3. Rev. Fr. Thomas Kollasseril is ascribed to the New house: Chanda Niwas at Njalookara, Angamaly.
4. Rev. Fr. Aisteen George Vadakumcherry is also ascribed to the New house: Chanda Niwas at Njalookara, Angamaly. He will also take charge from Rev. Fr. Thomas Kollasseril as the Vocation Promoter and Formation Co-Ordinator of the Province as Fr. Thomas is going for higher studies in Canon Law. All the best to Rev. Fr. Aisteen for the new assignment. The Province wishes to express sincere gratitude to Rev. Fr. Thomas Kollasseril for discharging the duties very well as the Vocation Promoter and Formation Co-Ordinator of the Province. Thank you Fr. Thomas and Best Wishes for the higher studies in Canon Law.
5. Rev. Fr. Bijo Vellothottathil is appointed as the Administrator of the Vinayalaya Novitiate house, Bhanpuri, Jagdalpur.
6. Rev. Fr. Prince Munjanattu, is given temporary appointment at Nandgoan mission station by the diocese of Chanda.
7. Rev. Fr. Philip Vathyakaryil is appointed as the Director of CMI Bhavan Chamorshi.
8. Rev. Fr. Meljo Parappuram will proceed to Dharmaram College for pursuing his higher studies in Formation. We wish him Best Wishes and Prayers.
9. Rev. Fr. Thomas Thadathil has come back to the Province after having completed successfully his assignment as assistant

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BIBLE SUNDAY (21 JULY 2019)

2019 being *Bible Vaachan Varsh* in the diocese, it is highly recommended that we observe one day as Bible Sunday. Accordingly, we will observe 21 July as Bible Sunday.

The following can be its features:

- i) Ask everyone to bring a copy of Bible to the Church.
- ii) The homily can be on the importance of the word of God in the life of the Christian faithful.
- iii) A procession holding Bible in the hands around the Church may be a good idea.
- iv) Bible can be incensed and kept solemnly before the celebration of the Holy Qurbana on that Sunday.
- v) Continuous reading of the Bible can be arranged in the parish 12 hours, 24 hours, a week etc.
- vi) Bible class for different groups on that day or in the week.
- vii) Bible at Every Home Campaign.
- viii) Bible verse exhibition/competition.
- ix) Video presentations connected to the Holy Bible.
- x) Bible Quiz, Bible Declamation, Bible re-writing etc.

As our target is to create an awareness of the importance of the holy Bible in the life a Christian, please do whatever is possible to serve the purpose.

Your Shepherd in the Lord



Ephrem Nariculam

†Ephrem Nariculam
Bishop, Eparchy of Chanda

Decree of Establishment of Holy Childhood Association in the Eparchy of Chanda

In the name of Infant Jesus I impart my blessings to all children below 12 years old in the eparchy of Chanda. May Infant Jesus bless every child and be their guide, model and source of inspiration. Hereby, with authority vested on me as bishop of Chanda as the successor of the Apostles I establish the HOLY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION in the eparchy of Chanda. All children in our diocese below 12 years shall be its members. For convenience sake all the others up to +2 level may also join them for prayers and other activities of the Association. They shall follow the bye-laws of the Association and do the special prayers to Infant Jesus on all Sundays/any other day at any convenient time, preferably after Holy Qurbana in the morning. May I request all the Fathers and Sisters to form this Association in every parish/boarding and do prayers to Infant Jesus as instructed. I earnestly cherish the desire that all our children may grow in great devotion to infant Jesus. Like Infant Jesus they may grow in body and in wisdom, gaining favour with God and men (Lk. 2:52). It shall be officially inaugurated in every parish on Sunday 17th August 2019. Every year Holy Childhood day shall be celebrated befittingly on 6th January in every parish/boarding in the eparchy. God bless you all.



John Vadakkal

† Ephrem Nariculam
Bishop, Eparchy of Chanda

parish for 5 years, on the occasion of the silver jubilee of his first profession on 28th April 2019.

- St. Jude Church, Gojoli

1. A three days retreat was conducted here. It started on 11-4-19. The morning session was at Gojoli and evening session was at Chekkipri. Fr. Augustine Alencherry CMI was the preacher. He dealt with main Christian principles, giving stress on Sacraments and ideal Christian life. For the last ay confession, Fr. Saju also helped us. It created some change in their life.

Marthoma Province, Chanda

“ASHREY”

Daily Mid Day Meal Served At CMI Provincial House

Being inspired by the saintly Founder Kuriakose Elias Chavara, Mar Thoma Provincial House Chanda started mid-day meal distribution to the poor people living around the Provincial House, Bamni and it is called "ASHREY". The recipients of the Mid Day Meal primarily consist of old-aged people from Begar village and nomadic people settled near Bamni village. It is noted that for many, the meal that is provided is the only meal they receive in the entire day. So the members of the provincial house are very keen to make the midday meal healthy, nutritious and packed with all the important fibres, vitamins and nutrients required for the healthy growth of the people. The meals are customised with local taste and served with love. Everybody appreciated the selfless efforts of all the members of the provincial house under the generous leadership of Rev. Fr. Benny Mukalel, the Provincial Superior. As the name suggests it is indeed a great consolation for the poor people who cannot afford to have a square meal a day. People who are regular to the midday meal carry food packets to their family members who are sick and bed ridden.

MINOR ORDERS CONFERRED

Brother Anil Murmade CMI was conferred the minor orders of Karoyusa and Heupadiaknusa at Prithvipal Sadan Church Rishikesh by His excellency Mar John Vadakkal CMI, the Bishop of Bijnor on March 17, 2019. Congratulations and Best Wishes!

FINAL PROFESSION

Rev. Bro. Bonis Karottukizhakkal will make his Final Profession

procession around the Church was held after the Holy Qurbana. The people enthusiastically participated in it. The Jericho prayer came to an end by the veneration of the cross after the procession.

5. Fr. Binu Muthalakuzhy, Rector SVG, officiated the Palm Sunday liturgy.

6. Muron Holy Qurbana was on 16 March. The day started with Holy Hour from 9.00 am to 10.00 am. There was facility for confession. 10.00 am we had a Talk by Fr. Joshy Pazhukkathara CMI. Holy Qurbana was at 11.15. Bishop was the main celebrant and homilist. Many Fathers, Sisters and Lay Faithful participated in the Holy Muron Qurbana.

7. Fr. Benny Mukalel CMI led the Maundy Thursday Holy Qurbana. Fr. Mathew Nirappel washed the feet of the disciples.

8. Fr. Jobin Ovelil led the Good Friday services. We had Way of the Cross in the campus after the Good Friday services.

9. Bp. Ephrem Nariculam was the main celebrant for Easter Holy Qurbana. Frs. Mathew Nirappel, Jobin Ovelil, Jojo Plapill and Vigil Parassery concelebrated.

- Gnana Sadan Convent, Bamni

1. The new altar of the DW Convent chapel was consecrated by Bp. Ephrem Nariculam on 7 March 2019. Rev. Fr. Vigil Parassery concelebrated. Bishop in his homily reminded the congregation the great need of recommitment to our missionary endeavors. The consecration of the altar for the Qurbana is incomplete unless the consecration of the altar of our own hearts in love and service is dedicated first, was the focus of bishop's message.

- St. Mary's Church, Durgapur

1. A grant farewell had given to one of the parish member, Mr. Devassikutty Parekkadan, the nephew of Fr. Joseph Koikkara CMI, on his retirement from w.c.l. on 30th march 2019.

2. Annual retreat was conducted for the parishioners as a preparation for the Holy week on 7th April 2019 Sunday. Fr. Satish Jamnik preached the retreat, nearly 150 people including catechism children participated in the retreat.

3. A reception and felicitation was given to Rev. Fr. Binoy Chekonthayil CMI, the former parish priest who served the

CIRCULAR 3

20 April 2019

EASTER LITURGY AS PER THE NEW HINDI TEXT

In the new Hindi Holy Week text Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil) and Easter Qurbana is given separately to be conducted on two different days, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday. In the mission context normally we do it together on Holy Saturday evening as vigil and proceed to Easter Qurbana. The following is a suggestion for the same (to integrate both). It may be done in three parts/places: The first part in the *Mondalam* (Portico of the Church), the second part at the resurrection site (if a separate area designated for it - resurrection event presented dramatically) and the third part in the Church. If it is done in two designated places or in the Church alone, please adapt accordingly. However it is highly recommended to follow the order as given below. As there is no blessing of fire as such in the new text it may be taken from the old text page 113 (the same prayer is xeroxed herewith in the circular).

Preparation:

1. Fire (Not firewood but *Agni* in a *Gamela* or so)
2. Water in a clean bucket/steel *Berthan*, sprinkler (Empty)
3. *Thurible* (Empty) and incense
4. Easter candle for the Celebrant and small ones for the people
5. Procession - cross and two candle globes
6. There are four readings including gospel reading (First three readings are from Holy Saturday pp. 231 - 236)
7. Gospel on a stand in part II area (Gospel reading is from Easter Qurbana p. 286)

Orientation:

In today's celebration, we commemorate:-

1. God's promise of salvation
2. Fulfilment of His promises in Jesus' passion, death, burial and resurrection.

3. New life in Jesus (Baptismal renewal, blessing of *Agni*, water etc. represent it)
4. Expectation of our resurrection

Part I - In *Mondalam* (Portico of the Church)

1. Liturgy starts as usual as per the new Holy Week text p. 220.
2. Holy Saturday text: pp. 220 - 236 (it includes the first three readings) (go to p. 242)
3. Blessing of water pp. 242 - 244.
4. Blessing of Fire : (Old text p. 113)
5. Lighting Easter candle: pp. 244-245 (Light candle for the people also)
6. Baptismal renewal : pp. 246-250 (it includes creed as in the *Thaksa* pp. 61-62) (Extinguish candles)
7. *Karozuza/Ghoshana Prarthana I* (pp. 248 -250)
(During *Ghoshana Prarthana* the celebrant sprinkles the people with new Holy Water)
8. Procession starts to the designated area for resurrection event while singing Halleluia Hymn (p. 284 Easter Qurbana).

Part II - At designated area for resurrection event

1. Procession arrives at the designated area for gospel reading and the resurrection event.
2. The celebrant incense the gospel
3. Gospel reading (New text - Easter Qurbana p. 286)
4. Unveils the resurrection statue of the risen Christ (p. 287)/Resurrection event.
5. Procession with the statue of the Risen Christ. (Candles are lit, Procession hymns/songs in pp. 289-292).

Part III - In the Church

1. Procession after having reached the Church, the celebrant incense the statue of the Risen Christ.
2. Homily
3. *Karozuza/Ghoshana Prarthana II* (pp. 300-301) (Then Qurbana continues as in the *Thaksa*)
4. The final prayers and blessing of the Easter Qurbana is given

Thomson and SJB Sisters Gomni.

- St. Alphonsa Church, Jarawandi

1. The parish feast and canonical visitation of the bishop was done on 22 to 24 February 2019. 30 children and adults received First Holy Communion and Confirmation on the occasion. Fathers and Sisters from most number of stations in the zone were present for the celebration. The procession and adoration after Holy Qurbana was followed by cultural presentation by the boarders and the people. As part of canonical visit, bishop offered Holy Qurbana in the following villages: Kasansur, Bungandola and Jamulgatta besides visiting number of other villages.

BALLARPUR ZONE-

- Nav Jyothi Church, Aksapur

1. The school day celebration of Aksapur school was held on 26 February 2019. Bp. Ephrem was the Chief Guest on the occasion. It was well attended by students, teachers, parents, well wishers, besides number of Fathers, Brothers and Sisters from the neighboring mission stations. A few days prior to the school day on 19 February 2019 Bp. Ephrem blessed the new school building. Thanks to everyone.

- St. Joseph's Church, Babupeth

On 14th April one day retreat was conducted in preparation of Easter. Fr Anthony Munjanattu preached the word of God and spiritual inputs was really helpful in preparation of holy week.

- St. Thomas Cathedral, Ballarpur

1. We had 40 Hours adoration in preparation for the great lent from 4 March to 6 March. It concluded with solemn Eucharistic procession and Holy Qurbana led by Bp. Ephrem Nariculam.
2. Requiem Holy Qurbana was on 28 March 2019 on the occasion of 24th Death Anniversary of Bp. Januarius CMI. Bp. Ephrem Nariculam was the main celebrant. Fr. Mathew Vaathaloor CMI preached the Homily. There were many Fathers, Sisters and Lay faithful from the diocese to attend the Holy Qurbana and Office for the Dead.
3. One day preparatory retreat was arranged in our parish on 31st March 2019. Fr. Dibin Aluvassery VC preached the retreat.
4. Jericho prayer was held on 7 April 2019. A seven-round

V. NEWS FROM THE MISSION STATIONS

ALLAPALLY ZONE:-

- Seva Sadan Church, Allapally

1. In connection with *Bible Vaachan Varsh*, *Akhand Bible Padan Shibir* was held in the parish Church on Ashday on 6th March 2019. Continuous Bible reading was held in the parish Church from morning till evening. Many parishioners, boarders besides Rev. Sisters participated in it.

- Maria Rani Church, Gatta

The newly constructed Boys' and Girls' hostel was blessed on 3 March 2019 by Bp. Ephrem Nariculam. The parish feast also was celebrated on the occasion. A three day retreat by CMC Sisters preceded the blessing and feast. Almost 400 people attended the function. Thanks to Manos Unidas for their generous help in construction of the hostel building. Number of Fathers and Sisters were present on the occasion.

- Christuvan, Gomini

1. As part of *Bible Vaachan Varsh* the following programmes were held in the parish in the month of march: 1) Memorising Bible verse competition. 2) Bible story presentation competition. The boarders and parishioners enthusiastically participated in it.

2. Kissanwadi church society, Christuvan Gomini witnessed a mega gathering titled "*Ring the Bell*", a program to make aware the people on the importance of including the specially abled children to the normal education system with other normal children, on 13th March 2019. The program was blessed with the gracious presence of Vicar General and the Secretary of Kisanwadi Church Society Fr. Thomas Panchayil and many other dignitaries such as school principals, teachers, politicians, press members, health workers, special children and children from different schools and institutions of Gomini area. The program gave the platform for more than 550 people to get the awareness on the importance of inclusive education system where the Special children as part of their right to education will join in normal schools with other children for their education without any bias. The programme was organised by Fr.

in pages 308-310.

Please note:

- i. If all three parts are done in one place (in the Church), then please follow the order as given above.
- ii. Procession with the statue of the risen Christ is highly recommended.
- iii. The blessing of the fire is not in the new text, however it is desired to do so (check old text p. 113)
- iv. As creed is recited in Baptismal renewal rite, it may be omitted later.
- v. Avail the guidance given from CLC for the use of new hymns/songs of the new text.

I request everyone to follow the guidelines so as to make use of new Holy Week Hindi text easy, without confusion and liturgically proper.



Your Shepherd in the Lord

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Ephrem Nariculam'.

Ephrem Nariculam
Bishop, Eparchy of Chanda

TEN FANTASTIC WORDS

Most selfish **ONE** letter word: **I** : Avoid it

Most satisfying **TWO** letter word: **WE** : Use it

Most poisonous **THREE** letter word: **EGO** : Overcome it

Most used **FOUR** letter word: **LOVE** : Value it

Most pleasing **FIVE** letter word: **SMILE** : Keep it

Fast spreading **SIX** letter word: **RUMOUR** : Ignore it

Hardest working **SEVEN** letter word: **SUCCESS** : Achieve it

Most enviable **EIGHT** letter word: **JEALOUSY** : Distance it

Powerful **NINE** letter word: **KNOWLEDGE** : Acquire it

Most valued **TEN** letter word: **FRIENDSHIP** : Maintain it

II. BISHOP'S ENGAGEMENTS

May

- 1-10 - Major Seminarians' Diocesan Formation Programme, Ballarpur
- 11 - Minor Orders and Vestition, Ballarpur
- 12 - Solemn Holy Communion and Confirmation Ulavaipu Church in Ernakulam- Angamaly Archdiocese. Marriage blessing at Vaikom.
- 13 - Meeting, Alappuzha
- 14 - Solemn Holy Communion, Madackal
- 15 - Priestly Ordination Dn. Nikhil Chakiath, Thundathumkadavu, Ernakulam-Angamali Archdiocese
- 16 - Jubilee, Snehagiri Sisters, Pala
- 17 - Holy Qurbana Chemmalamattam, Kurisumala Ashram, Kanjirappally
- 18 - Holy Qurbana and Blessing, Kuravilangad
- 20 - Thommana and meeting at Koonammavu and Kanjoor

21 June 6 - Gauhati -Shillong

June

- 08 - Jubilee Kalyani, Calcutta
- 13 - Meeting & Talk SABS convent, New Daheli
- 20-23 - Canonical Visitation, Wirur
- 29- July 1 - Hydrabad

July

- 15-21 - WRBC, Pune
- 26-28 - Canonical Visitation, Shengaon

June 30 2 Chronicles 11-12 Job 25 Acts 10:1 -10:23

July 01 2 Chronicles 13 -14 Job 26 Acts 10:24 -10:48

July 02 2 Chronicles 15-16 Job 27 Acts 11

July 03 2 Chronicles 17-18 Job 28 Acts 12

July 04 2 Chronicles 19-20 Job 29 Acts 13:1 -13:25

July 05 2 Chronicles 21 - 22 Job 30 Acts 13:26 -13:52

July 06 2 Chronicles 23 - 24 Job 31 Acts 14

July 07 2 Chronicles 25 - 26 Job 32 Acts 15:1 -15:21

July 08 2 Chronicles 27 - 28 Job 33 Acts 15:22 -15:41

July 09 2 Chronicles 29 - 30 Job 34 Acts 16:1 -16:21

July 10 2 Chronicles 31 - 32 Job 35 Acts 16:22 -16:40

July 11 2 Chronicles 33-34 Job 36 Acts 17:1 -17:15

July 12 2 Chronicles 35 - 36 Job 37 Acts 17:16 -17:34

July 13 Ezra 1 - 2 Job 38 Acts 18

July 14 Ezra 3-4 Job 39 Acts 19:1 -19:20

July 15 Ezra 5-6 Job 40 Acts 19:21 -19:41

July 16 Ezra 7-8 Job 41 Acts 20:1 - 20:16

July 17 Ezra 9-10 Job 42 Acts 20:17 - 20:38

July 18 Nehemiah 1 - 2 Proverbs 1:1 -1:15 Acts 21:1 -21:17

July 19 Nehemiah 3-4 Proverbs 1:16 -1:33 Acts 21:18-21:40

July 20 Nehemiah 5-6 Proverbs 2:1 - 2:15 Acts 22

July 21 Nehemiah 7-8 Proverbs 2:16 - 2:22 Acts 23:1 - 23:15

July 22 Nehemiah 9-10 Proverbs 3:1 - 3:18 Acts 23:16 - 23:35

July 23 Nehemiah 11-12 Proverbs 3:19 - 3:35 Acts 24

July 24 Nehemiah 13 Proverbs 4:1 -4:19 Acts 25

July 25 Tobit 1-2 Proverbs 4:20 - 4:27 Acts 26

July 26 Tobit 3-4 Proverbs 5:1 - 5:14 Acts 27:1 -27:26

July 27 Tobit 5-6 Proverbs 5:15 - 5:23 Acts 27:27 - 27:44

July 28 Tobit 7-8 Proverbs 6:1 - 6:19 Acts 28

July 29 Tobit 9 -10 Proverbs 6:20 - 6:35 Romans 1

July 30 Tobit 11 -12 Proverbs 7:1 - 7:9 Romans 2

July 31 Tobit 13-14 Proverbs 7:10 - 7:27 Romans 3

Bible Vaachan Varsh 2019
Read the whole Bible in a Year
Reading for June & July

June 01 2 Kings 5-6 Psalm 146 John 12:27 -12:50
 June 02 2 Kings 7-8 Psalm 147 John 13:1 -13:20
 June 03 2 Kings 9 -10 Psalm 148 John 13:21 -13:38
 June 04 2 Kings 11 -12 Psalm 149 John 14
 June 05 2 Kings 13 -14 Psalm 150 John 15
 June 06 2 Kings 15-16 Job 1 John 16
 June 07 2 Kings 17-18 Job 2 John 17
 June 08 2 Kings 19 - 20 Job 3 John 18:1 -18:18
 June 09 2 Kings 21 - 22 Job 4 John 18:19-18:40
 June 10 2 Kings 23 - 25 Job 5 John 19:1 -19:22
 June 11 1 Chronicles 1-2 Job 6 John 19:23 -19:42
 June 12 1 Chronicles 3-4 Job 7 John 20
 June 13 1 Chronicles 5-6 Job 8 John 21
 June 14 1 Chronicles 7-8 Job 9 Acts 1
 June 15 1 Chronicles 9-10 Job 10 Acts 2:1 - 2:21
 June 16 1 Chronicles 11-12 Job 11 Acts 2:22 - 2:47
 June 17 1 Chronicles 13-14 Job 12 Acts 3
 June 18 1 Chronicles 15-16 Job 13 Acts 4:1 -4:22
 June 19 1 Chronicles 17-18 Job 14 Acts 4:23-4:37
 June 20 1 Chronicles 19-20 Job 15 Acts 5:1 - 5:21
 June 21 1 Chronicles 21 - 22 Job 16 Acts 5:22 - 5:42
 June 22 1 Chronicles 23 - 24 Job 17 Acts 6
 June 23 1 Chronicles 25 - 26 Job 18 Acts 7:1 - 7:21
 June 24 1 Chronicles 27 - 29 Job 19 Acts 7:22 - 7:43
 June 25 2 Chronicles 1-2 Job 20 Acts 7:44 - 7:60
 June 26 2 Chronicles 3-4 Job 21 Acts 8:1 - 8:25
 June 27 2 Chronicles 5-6 Job 22 Acts 8:26 - 8:40
 June 28 2 Chronicles 7-8 Job 23 Acts 9:1 - 9:21
 June 29 2 Chronicles 9-10 Job 24 Acts 9:22 - 9:43

III. BISHOP'S DIARY

MARCH 2019

- 03 - Visited Allappally and Ettappilly Stations and later in the evening Bishop blessed newly constructed boarding at Gatta Station and presided over Festal Holy Qurbana of the Parish.
- 04 - Attended Forty Hours Adoration in the Cathedral and presided over Ash day Service in the Cathedral, Ballarpur.
- 05 - Attended Forty hours adoration at Cathedral.
- 06 - Bishop lead Eucharistic procession at Cathedral parish at the solemn conclusion of Forty Hours Adoration and offered Holy Qurbana in the Cathedral.
- 07 - Consecrated new altar at DW Convent, Bamini.
- 07-09, 11-12 - Attended PPT meeting in the Bishop's Home.
- 14 - Offered Holy Qurbana for retreatants at Divine Vachan Ashram and delivered a talk.
- 16 - Visited Nandgaon Station and later offered Holy Qurbana at Holy Spirit Convent, Ghot.
- 17 - Offered Holy Qurbana at Chamorshi Mission Station and met with the people. Later Bishop visited Kopreli, Gomini and Ashti Stations.
- 18 - Bishop along with Curia members visited Durgapur, Chandrapur and Babupeth stations.
- 19 - Bishop along with Curia members visited Mul Station.
- 20-21 - Animated Quinquennial meet of the diocesan Priests.
- 22-24 - Canonical visitation was done in Kalmana Parish. Bishop arrived at Montfort School Community at 07.30 PM on 22 March and had Holy Qurbana with the Brothers, later he met community members. He reached Kalmana after Holy Qurbana in Montfort. On Saturday morning after having offered Holy Qurbana in the Kalmana FHGS Convent bishop went to visit Sant Vianney Gurukul, after which he visited the families in Kalmana Village. In the afternoon, he met with boarders, visited Sanjo Bhavan Convent, and the families in New Daheli village. In the evening he had core team meeting

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- 24 - Inaugurated vocation Camp at Pastoral Centre, Ballarpur.
- 26 - Visited Nagpur Seminary and later met with archbishop Elias Gonsalves at Archbishop's House. Bishop visited Sisters of Mercy Convent Mouda and St. Peter's Parish, Bhandara in the archdiocese of Nagpur.
- 27 - Visited Nagbid SABS Convent, Brahmapuri and Kurkheda Stations and also visited Dalenwadi and Mul stations.
- 28 - Offered Holy Qurbana for the Death anniversary of Bp. Januarius CMI at Cathedral, Ballarpur.
- 31 - Presided over Complaint Committee meeting appointed to look into allegations against harassment of minors and vulnerable adults in workplace in the eparchy of Chanda.

APRIL 2019

- 03 - Offered Holy Qurbana and delivered message at Divine Vachan Ashram for Marathi retreatants.
- 04 - The OMI Priests Fr. Varam and Fr. Jeeva met with bishop in the Bishop's Home.
- 06 - Offered Holy Qurbana for pre-marriage preparation course participants at Pastoral Centre, Ballarpur.
- 07 - Blessed the newly constructed Church at Hinganghat Parish and chaired core-team meeting of Wardha.
- 08 - Visited Sr. Sangeetha SJB at Provincial House, Mhasala, Wardha at Wardha Parish. Bishop visited Samvad in Wardha and Waddhamana CMI school, Nagpur and Pallotine Animation Centre, Monfort ITI, PSDP House and Dominican Ashram, Seminary Hills.
- 09 - Visited Katol CMC convent. Concelebrated Requiem Holy Qurbana for Archbishop Abraham Viruthakulangara at SFX Cathedral, Nagpur.

continuing participation in God's creation. If the dignity of work is to be protected, then the basic rights of workers must be respected-the right to productive work, to decent and fair wages, to the organization and joining of unions, to private property, and to economic initiative.

7. Solidarity

We are one human family whatever our national, racial, ethnic, economic, and ideological differences. We are our brothers' and sisters' keepers, wherever they may be. Loving our neighbour has global dimensions in a shrinking world.

At the core of the virtue of solidarity is the pursuit of justice and peace. Pope Paul VI taught that "if you want peace, work for justice." The Gospel calls us to be peacemakers. Our love for all our sisters and brothers demands that we promote peace in a world surrounded by violence and conflict.

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Canonical Visit of the Bishop - Kalmana (Report)

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Fr. Anoop Aerimattom
Priest-in-Charge, Kalmana

dignity of the human person.

2. Call to family, community, and participation

The person is not only sacred but also social. How we organize our society in economics and politics, in law and policy, directly affects human dignity and the capacity of individuals to grow in community. Marriage and the family are the central social institutions that must be supported and strengthened, not undermined.

We believe people have a right and a duty to participate in society, seeking together the common good and well-being of all, especially the poor and vulnerable.

3. Option for the poor and vulnerable

A basic moral test is how our most vulnerable members are faring. In a society marred by deepening divisions between rich and poor, our tradition recalls the story of the Last Judgment (Mt 25:31-46) and instructs us to put the needs of the poor and vulnerable first.

4. Care for God's creation

We show our respect for the Creator by our stewardship of creation. Care for the earth is not just an Earth Day slogan, it is a requirement of our faith. We are called to protect people and the planet, living our faith in relationship with all of God's creation. This environmental challenge has fundamental moral and ethical dimensions that cannot be ignored.

5. Rights and responsibilities

The Catholic tradition teaches that human dignity can be protected and a healthy community can be achieved only if human rights are protected and responsibilities are met. Therefore, every person has a fundamental right to life and a right to those things required for human decency.

Corresponding to these rights are duties and responsibilities- to one another, to our families, and to the larger society.

6. Dignity of work and the rights of workers

The economy must serve people, not the other way around. Work is more than a way to make a living; it is a form of

- 12 - Attended PPT meetings, Bishop's Home, Ballarpur
- 14 - Officiated Palm Sunday Service and offered Holy Qurbana at Shengaon and Lakkadakot Parishes.
- 15 - In the evening bishop distributed course completion certificates to the students of English Coaching course.
- 16 - Presided over Muron Holy Qurbana at Cathedral Parish, Ballarpur.
- 18 - Officiated Maundy Thursday Service and offered Holy Qurbana at Ettappilly parish.
- 19 - Officiated Good Friday Service at Allapalli Parish. Later bishop participated in the Lakkadakot Calvarigiri pilgrimage and gave final blessing on the mountain.
- 21 - Officiated Easter vigil and Holy Qurbana at Cathedral Parish, Ballarpur.
- 23 - Visited Mul Station.
- 25 - Offered Holy Qurbana at Sant Vianney Gurukul and met with the students. Bishop met with the Christeen Movement students who are visiting Chanda mission from the diocese of Thamarassery. Bishop met with Jesus Youth from Palaghat diocese who are visiting Chanda mission.
- 26-27 -Attended mission Seminar for priests and Religious at Cathedral, Ballarpur.
- 28 - Offered Holy Qurbana for Silver Jubilee of Sr. Chaya SMI at Kalmana Parish. She is the First Religious Sister from the diocese (Aksapur parish).
- 29-30 -Animated Major Seminarians gathering at Pastoral Centre, Ballarpur.

LANGUAGE STUDY CENTRE, BALLARPUR

Marathi/Hindi language course for Fathers, Brothers and Sisters:

Date: **27 May to 22 June 2019**

Venue: Pastoral Centre, Ballarpur

Kindly register your names before 15 May 2019. For more information and registration contact:

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**Canonical matters concerning Syro-Malabar
Migrants outside Kerala**

Your Grace/Excellency,

As per the decision of the XXV11 Synod (2019), Session I. held from 07 - 18 January 2019, I would like to give the following pastoral direction which is to be published in the Archeparchial/eparchial bulletins.

With the erection of the Eparchies of Shamshabad and Hosur, the Syro-Malabar Church has got the right for Evangelization and the Pastoral care all over India. Now, when the Syro-Malabar faithful approach the Parish priests of their home parishes for their pastoral needs, the following instructions are to be observed.

In the letter of Pope Francis to all the Bishops of India (09/10/2017) it is stated that "a member of the Syro-Malabar faithful, by virtue of the same law, is also a member of the Syro-Malabar parish where he or she is domiciled (CCEO, Can. 280 §1). And hence the Syro-Malabar Parish priest is the proper parish priest of all the Syro-Malabar faithful even if he/she practices in the Latin Parish.

Hence the Syro-Malabar parish priests need to get mandate/letters from respective Syro-Malabar eparchies for the licit and valid celebration of sacraments.

- a. For the celebration of the sacraments of baptism and confirmation, it is mandatory to have permission letter from the Syro-Malabar parish priests (cfr. CCEO can. 677 §1, 678 and 683).
- b. For marriage, if it concerns of two Syro-Malabar faithful, the delegation should be from the Syro-Malabar parish priest for its validity (ad validitatem). It is the same in the case of mixed or disparity of cult marriages. If only one party is Oriental, the delegation from the Syro-Malabar Parish priest is mandatory for its liceity.
- c. However, documentation based upon the register (e.g. "free state certificate") will be accepted from either the Syro-Malabar Pastor or the Latin Pastor of the place of baptism. If other attestations are needed (e.g. that the person is currently practicing), these should be given by the Pastor of the parish frequented by the individual.

A helping approach shall be more encouraging for the faithful to observe their rite in the land of migration. In case of doubts, the Eparchial curia is to be approached before proceeding.

George Cardinal Alencherry

3.4. Sexual offence or sexual abuse or sexual misconduct means any form of sexual assault or sexual harassment as defined in the POCSO Act, 2012.

3.5. Eparchial Complaint Committee means the committee appointed by the Bishop to look into sexual assault cases as explained in this policy.

3.6. Chairperson of Diocesan Complaint Committee means the individual appointed by the Bishop to implement the safety policy in the eparchy. He/she is responsible for ensuring adherence to the requirements under these Guidelines.

3.7. These Guidelines are meant for minors and vulnerable adults. Even if they are not distinctly mentioned, they both come under the purview of the Guidelines.

4. SAFE ENVIRONMENT TRAINING

Periodical Safe Environment Training may be given to the clergy, staff and volunteers in the eparchy. The Eparchial Complaint Committee shall be responsible for this. A copy of this Guidelines shall be given to each trainee.

THE PRINCIPLES OF CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING

Seven principles of Catholic social teaching listed below.

1. Life and dignity of the human person

The Catholic Church proclaims that human life is sacred and that the dignity of the human person is the foundation of a moral vision for society. This belief is the foundation of all the principles of our social teaching. In our society, human life is under direct attack from abortion and euthanasia. The value of human life is being threatened by cloning, embryonic stem cell research, and the use of the death penalty.

Catholic teaching also calls on us to work to avoid war. Nations must protect the right to life by finding increasingly effective ways to prevent conflicts and resolve them by peaceful means. We believe that every person is precious, that people are more important than things, and that the measure of every institution is whether it threatens or enhances the life and

- 2.5.2. Protect them from any form of sexual exploitation and sexual abuse;
 - 2.5.3. Emphasize the need for reporting any incident of sexual assault or harassment to the church authorities as well as to the civil authorities;
 - 2.5.4. Address the spiritual, physical and emotional care of the victim, its family and the affected community;
 - 2.5.5. Address the possibility of false accusations against clergy, employees and volunteers.
- 2.6. These Guidelines manifest the commitment of the Eparchy of Chanda:
- 2.6.1. To address the critical component of prevention;
 - 2.6.2. To show zero tolerance towards sexual assault or harassment of minors and vulnerable adults;
 - 2.6.3. To take necessary ecclesiastical disciplinary action against the offenders;
 - 2.6.4. To ensure reporting of sexual offences against minors or vulnerable adults to civil authorities as required by law;
 - 2.6.5. To respond to victims of sexual offences with care and compassion;
 - 2.6.6. To constitute an appropriate mechanism with necessary infrastructure and time bound procedures to deal with cases of sexual offences.

3. MEANING OF WORDS AND EXPRESSIONS

Meaning of words and expressions used in the Guidelines:

- 3.1. 'Minor' means a person below the age of 18 years.
- 3.2. 'Vulnerable adult' means any adult who is physically, mentally or emotionally impaired, whether temporary or long-term, or is otherwise unable to function as a typical adult. Vulnerable adults may also include those who come for spiritual guidance or counselling or confession, depending on that person's mental, emotional or psychological condition at that time.
- 3.3. 'Church Personnel' means Clerics, Lay employees and volunteers, men and women, religious and seminarians.

MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE 2019 WORLD DAY OF VOCATIONS

(12 May 2019)

The courage to take a risk for God's promise

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

After the lively and fruitful experience of the Synod devoted to young people last October, we recently celebrated the Thirty-fourth World Youth Day in Panama City. These two great events allowed the Church to be attentive both to the voice of the Spirit and to the life of young men and women, their questions and concerns, their problems and their hopes.

Building on what I shared with the young people in Panama, I would like to reflect, on this World Day of Prayer for Vocations, on how the Lord's call makes us *bearers of a promise* and, at the same time, asks of us the *courage to take a risk*, with him and for him. I will do this by reflecting briefly with you on these two aspects promise and risk as they appear in the Gospel account of the calling of the first disciples by the sea of Galilee (*Mk 1:16-20*).

Two pairs of brothers Simon and Andrew, and James and John are going about their daily tasks as fishermen. In this demanding work, they had learned the laws of nature, yet at times, when the winds were adverse and waves shook their boats, they had to defy the elements. On some days, the catch of fish amply repaid their efforts, but on others, an entire night's work was not sufficient to fill their nets, and they had to return to shore weary and disappointed.

Much of life is like that. Each of us tries to realize his or her deepest desires; we engage in activities that we hope will prove enriching, and we put out on a "sea" of possibilities in the hope of steering the right course, one that will satisfy our thirst for happiness. Sometimes we enjoy a good catch, while at others, we need courage to keep our boat from being tossed by the waves, or we are frustrated at seeing our nets come up empty.

As with every call, the Gospel speaks of an encounter. Jesus walks by, sees those fishermen, and walks up to them... The same thing happened when we met the person we wanted to marry, or when we first felt the attraction of a life of consecration: we were

surprised by an encounter, and at that moment we glimpsed the promise of a joy capable of bringing fulfilment to our lives. That day, by the sea of Galilee, Jesus drew near to those fishermen, breaking through the “paralysis of routine” ([*Homily for the XXII World Day for Consecrated Life, 2 February 2018*](#)). And he immediately made them a promise: “I will make you fishers of men” (*Mk 1:17*).

The Lord's call is not an intrusion of God in our freedom; it is not a “cage” or a burden to be borne. On the contrary, it is the loving initiative whereby God encounters us and invites us to be part of a great undertaking. He opens before our eyes the horizon of a greater sea and an abundant catch.

God in fact desires that our lives not become banal and predictable, imprisoned by daily routine, or unresponsive before decisions that could give it meaning. The Lord does not want us to live from day to day, thinking that nothing is worth fighting for, slowly losing our desire to set out on new and exciting paths. If at times he makes us experience a “miraculous catch”, it is because he wants us to discover that each of us is called in a variety of ways to something grand, and that our lives should not grow entangled in the nets of an ennui that dulls the heart. Every vocation is a summons not to stand on the shore, nets in hand, but to follow Jesus on the path he has marked out for us, for our own happiness and for the good of those around us.

Embracing this promise naturally demands the courage to risk making a decision. The first disciples, called by Jesus to be part of something greater, “immediately left their nets and followed him” (*Mk 1:18*). Responding to the Lord's call involves putting ourselves on the line and facing a great challenge. It means being ready to leave behind whatever would keep us tied to our little boat and prevent us from making a definitive choice. We are called to be bold and decisive in seeking God's plan for our lives. Gazing out at the vast “ocean” of vocation, we cannot remain content to repair our nets on the boat that gives us security, but must trust instead in the Lord's promise.

I think primarily of the call to the Christian life which all of us

THE POLICY FOR THE SAFETY OF MINORS AND VULNERABLE ADULTS (EPARCHY OF CHANDA)

Extracts

1. INTRODUCTION

In the light of the recommendations of the CBCI requiring every eparchy to establish Guidelines for Church Personnel connected with institutions where minors and vulnerable adults are given particular care, so as to ensure a safe environment in the Church, the Eparchy of Chanda has the following **Guidelines for Church Personnel connected with institutions where minors and vulnerable adults are given particular care**. These guidelines are in effect in the eparchy of Chanda from the first of January 2018.

2. BACKGROUND/PREMISES

- 2.1. Our presbyteries, religious houses, churches, educational institutions, houses of special care and Catholic organizations should be places where all feel comfortable.
- 2.2. Sexual exploitation and sexual abuse of children and vulnerable adults are heinous crimes and grave in moral nature.
- 2.3. These guidelines are a part of our endeavour to put in place a safe environment program in the faith communities in the Eparchy of Chanda.
- 2.4. It is based on the basic Christian values and morals and "The Procedural Norms for Dealing with Cases involving Sexual Abuse of Minors" issued by the CBCI on 1st October, 2015 and also bearing in mind the provisions of the Protection of Children from Sexual Offences (POCSO) Act, 2012.
- 2.5. The purpose of these Guidelines is:
 - 2.5.1. Provide a secure and safe environment for minors and vulnerable adults in the faith communities within our eparchy;

Christian Member for the last more than three years. Facilitate issuing the Minority Certificates by the State Minority Commissions and the NCMEI without too many hassles or allow the National Bodies of the minority communities to issue such certification as they know best regarding the minority status of each institution.

7. An overall inclusive approach, unprejudiced treatment, supportive attitude, appreciation towards all and celebration of differences can contribute to restore confidence in the minority communities. Nationalism is in the blood of every Indian whether belonging to majority or minority. No one should even doubt such a thing or alienate anyone by being suspicious. No one needs to prove one's nationalism. We have all contributed towards the independence, development, progress and welfare of the country in its onward journey.
8. Diversity not uniformity is to be promoted. The Government must protect indigenous cultures and communities. Take special care of the dalits, the tribals, the poor and the marginalised. Extend scheduled cast status and reservation also to Christian and Muslim dalits. Chottanagpur Tenancy Act, Santal Pargana Tenancy Act, Forest Rights must be upheld and respected. Eviction, displacement and land alienation of Tribals and forest dwellers should be stopped. Caste system and untouchability should be abolished and violations should be made punishable. Tribal land should be protected. Schedules caste status / reservation should be extended to tribals and dalits who have domicile anywhere in the country. Scholarships, Fellowships and all grants for higher education for tribal students should be resumed. Adequate policy should be made for proper implementation of 5th and 6th Schedules (provisions of PESA Act 1996) of the Constitutions making structural changes in governance.

**Report prepared by
Fr. Joseph Manipadam
Secretary of CBCI Office for Education and Culture**

received at Baptism. It teaches us that our life is not a fluke but rather a gift: that of being God's beloved children, gathered in the great family of the Church. It is precisely in the ecclesial community that the Christian life is born and develops, especially through the liturgy. The liturgy introduces us to God's word and the grace of the sacraments; from an early age, we are taught the art of prayer and fraternal sharing. In the end, the Church is our mother because she brings us to new life and leads us to Christ. So we must love her, even when we see her face marred by human frailty and sin, and we must help to make her ever more beautiful and radiant, so that she can bear witness to God's love in the world.

The Christian life thus finds expression in those decisions that, while giving a precise direction to our personal journey, also contribute to the growth of God's kingdom in our world. I think of the decision to marry in Christ and to form a family, as well as all those other vocations associated with work and professional life, with the commitment to charity and solidarity, with social and political responsibilities, and so forth. These vocations make us bearers of a promise of goodness, love and justice, not only for ourselves but also for our societies and cultures, which need courageous Christians and authentic witnesses of the kingdom of God.

In encountering the Lord, some may feel the attraction of a call to the consecrated life or to the ordained priesthood. It is a discovery that can excite and at the same time frighten us, since we feel called to become "fishers of men" in the barque of the Church by giving totally of ourselves in commitment to faithful service of the Gospel and our brothers and sisters. Such a decision carries the risk of leaving everything behind to follow the Lord, to devote ourselves completely to him, and to share in his work. Many kinds of interior resistance can stand in the way of making this decision, especially in highly secularized contexts where there no longer seems to be a place for God and for the Gospel. Places where it is easy to grow discouraged and fall into the "weariness of hope" ([*Homily at Mass with Priests, Consecrated Persons and Lay Movements, Panama, 26 January 2019*](#)).

And yet, there can be no greater joy than to risk one's life for

the Lord! I would like to say this especially to you, the young. Do not be deaf to the Lord's call. If he calls you to follow this path, do not pull your oars into the boat, but trust him. Do not yield to fear, which paralyzes us before the great heights to which the Lord points us. Always remember that to those who leave their nets and boat behind, and follow him, the Lord promises the joy of a new life that can fill our hearts and enliven our journey.

Dear friends, it is not always easy to discern our vocation and to steer our life in the right direction. For this reason, there needs to be a renewed commitment on the part of the whole Church – priests, religious, pastoral workers and educators – to provide young people in particular with opportunities for listening and discernment. There is a need for a youth ministry and a vocational promotion that can open the way to discovering God's plan, above all through prayer, meditation on God's word, eucharistic adoration and spiritual accompaniment.

As was made clear several times during the World Youth Day in Panama, we should always look to Mary. Also in the story of this young woman, vocation was both a promise and a risk. Her mission was not easy, yet she did not allow fear to prevail. “It was the 'yes' of someone prepared to be committed, someone willing to take a risk, ready to stake everything she had, with no more security than the certainty of knowing that she was the bearer of a promise. I ask each one of you: Do you see yourselves as bearers of a promise? What promise do I bear within my heart to take forward? Mary's would undoubtedly be a difficult mission, but the challenges that lay ahead were no reason to say 'no'. Things would get complicated, of course, but not in the same way as happens when cowardice paralyzes us because things are not clear or sure in advance” ([Vigil with Young People, Panama, 26 January 2019](#)).

On this World Day of Prayer for Vocations, let us join in prayer and ask the Lord to help us discover his plan of love for our lives, and to grant us the courage to walk in the path that, from the beginning, he has chosen for each of us.

FRANCIS

Alleviation, protection of the farmers, promotion of agriculture and care of the rural areas as India lives in its villages.

3. All religions should be respected and promoted. Government must respect the sacred days and celebrations of all religions and support, participate and promote such events. The various religions are an asset to the country and uphold the morality and spiritual wellbeing and ethics in the country.
4. National Institutions, Autonomous Bodies (UGC, Universities, Colleges, CBSE, NCERT, Various Examination Boards, IITs, IIMs, CBCI, ED, Judiciary etc.) should be allowed to function without restraint and should not be suppressed or substituted. People have more faith in autonomous Bodies rather than government offices.
5. Education is something that affects all the people of the country so any change should be brought about gradually and carefully. Going headlong into making a new Education Policy and targeting to bring it out in 100 days turned out to be a flip flop as the NEP is still to see the light of day even with two Drafting Committees working on it. Multiple education providers should be there as there are still 50 million children out of school and only about 19% of school graduates can get admission for higher education. There should be neighbourhood schools and not composite schools and they should be inclusive. There should be no Centralisation, commercialisation and communalisation of Education. There should be no saffronization of text books or distortion of Historical facts. Acknowledge the valuable contribution of the Christian Missionaries in education in India right from the year 1542. Even today they run the most sought after institutions in the country. Promote them and involve them in drafting the National Education Policy. Include them in the Standing Committees and accreditation Bodies using their experience and time tested expertise.
6. Revive the National Commission for Minority Educational Institutions (NCMEI). It is still without a chairperson and a

**CBCI Team makes Suggestions and proposals
to the Honourable Prime Minister
towards “Sankalp Patra” for 2019 Lok Sabha Polls**

7th March 2019, New Delhi- at a meeting at the Ambedkar International Centre, presided over by the Honourable Minister for Minority affairs, Shri Mukhtar Abbas Naqvi, among the leaders and representatives from the various Minority communities, was a team from the CBCI, delegated by and representing Most Rev. Theodore Mascarenhas, the Secretary General of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of India. The team from the CBCI was invited by the Union ministry for minorities was led by Fr. Joseph Manipadam, SDB Secretary to the CBCI Office for Education and culture as the Secretary General of the CBCI Bishop Theodore Mascarenhas and the Deputy Secretary General were both in Ranchi conducting a Youth Seminar there. The CBCI Delegation presented suggestions and proposals for the “Sankalp Patra” towards the 2019 Lok Sabha Polls. The following are the proposals made by the team from the CBCI led by Fr. Joseph Manipadam SDB, the Secretary for the CBCI Office for Education and Culture.

1. The Minority Communities should feel secure in the country. The secular nature of the Country, Democratic Principles, Constitutional values, Republic Character, Parliamentary traditions should be upheld. Minority Rights are basic to the Indian Constitutions and they have to be preserved and promoted. Suppression of the Media, lynching in the name of differences in religious practices, food habits and cultural differences have considerably dented the credibility of the Government and made the minorities feel unsafe. The Constitutional right to practice, preach and propagate one's religion must be upheld.
2. The priority of the Government should be Employment for all, Housing for all, Education for all food security for all. The Government must focus on a hunger free society, poverty

**“Christus Vivit”
document released**

In his follow-up document to October's youth synod, Pope Francis urged young people to approach holiness not only with the joy and boldness of youth, but with seriousness. Published on 2 April, *Christus vivit* (Christ lives) is Pope Francis' apostolic exhortation on the Synod of Bishops on young people, faith, and vocational discernment, which took place on 3-28 Oct 2018. It was signed on 25 March, in the Holy House of Mary in Loreto, Italy. The 50-page letter is addressed to “all Christian young people” in particular and to the “entire People of God.” Francis stated that while the document was inspired by what emerged from synod discussions it is not exhaustive, but a summary of the proposals he considers most important. - CNA

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Pope Francis: New rules for religious life

Pope Francis changes the Code of Canon Law, to provide for the dismissal 'ipso facto' of religious who are illegitimately absent from their religious house for a full year.

Pope Francis has made several changes to ecclesial canons concerning the dismissal of consecrated persons from the religious institutes to which they belong. According to the revised canons, religious who have been “illegitimately absent” from their religious house for a full twelve months are dismissed ipso facto from their Institutes. The new canons also stipulate that the superior of the institute must gather evidence of facts and issue a declaration, which must be confirmed, for the dismissal to be legally recognized. In his letter, with the *incipit Communis vita*, The new regulations will go into effect on 10 April 2019. Subsequently, they will be published in the *Acta Apostolicae Sedis*. -

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IV. CURIA MATTERS
Transfers/Appointments

Sl No	Name	From/Relieved	To/Appointed	W.E.F.
1	Fr. Philip Vathyakaryil CMI	Priest-in-charge, Lakkadkot	_____	01 April 2019
2	Fr. Shyju Madapallikunnel	_____	Priest-in-charge, Lakkadkot	01 April 2019
3	Fr. Albin Vadakkemulanjanal	_____	Residence in Lakkadkot	01 April 2019
4	Fr. Robinson Chekathadathil	Priest-in-charge, Pattaguda & Jiwathi	_____	01 April 2019
5	Fr. Johnny Narikkat	_____	Priest-in-charge, Pattaguda Jiwathi (Additional)	01 April 2019
6	Fr. Johnny Narikkat	Priest-in-charge, Bhamragrah	_____	29 April 2019
7	Fr. Clement Madamana	Asst. Priest-in-charge, Pattaguda & Jiwathi	_____	01 April 2019
8	Fr. Clement Madamana	Asst. Priest-in-charge, Wani	Priest-in-charge, Bhamragrah	29 April 2019
9	Fr. Joseph Kalayil CMF	Vice Rector, SVG	_____	08 April 2019
10	Fr. Antony Munjanattu	_____	Residence, Priest Home, (LSSS Campus)	29 April 2019
11	Fr. Antony Munjanattu	Priest-in-charge, Wani	_____	29 April 2019
12	Fr. Tony Villyadath	Asst. Priest-in-charge, Marakbodi	Priest-in-charge, Wani	29 April 2019

in the *Chanda Samachar*. The diocese and all diocesan institutions should strictly follow the guidelines and what is required of POCSO Act 2012. The meeting came to an end at 5.15PM. Contacts of Complaint Committee

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Bp. Ephrem Nariculam

Office bearers

Please choose a president and secretary (one boy and a girl) for the association. They should co-ordinate all activities in the parish under the guidance of the animator (either priest-in-charge or Sister-in-charge of boarding or anyone else). There will be a Diocesan Director, appointed by the bishop, who will co-ordinate all diocesan activities under the umbrella department of CLC.

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Diocesan Complaint Committee Meeting Report

The Diocesan Complaint Committee to look into the Safety of Minors and Vulnerable Adults in the diocese of Chanda was held on 31 March 2019 at 4.00 PM in the Bishop's Home, BPQ. Bp. Ephrem chaired the meeting. All the five members were present - Sr. Shiny S.H Sp, Mrs. Jacqueline Pereira, Mrs. Seema Mejo, Fr. Varghese Puthuparampil CMI and Fr. Shaiju Madapalikunnel. The meeting started and ended with a prayer by the bishop. The meeting evaluated all the activities so far done by the committee. All thanked the bishop for publishing, *The Policy for the Safety of Minors and Vulnerable Adults* (Eparchy of Chanda). Bishop briefly explained the importance of such policy and the need of Complaint Committee in a diocese. Bishop reported that Mrs. Seema Mejo gave a talk on the policy with power point presentation to the quinquennial Priests of the diocese couple of weeks ago. It was suggested that such presentations should be done to all Priests, Sisters, Brothers, Seminarians, and the Candidates to religious life in the diocese. Sr. Shiny and Fr. Shaiju will do further sharing on the matter particularly on POCSO Act 2012 at some time in the fourth coming year for Priests and Religious in the diocese. It was suggested that constant reminders regarding the importance of the matter and necessary care, that each one should take in the matter need to be highlighted through *Chanda Samachar* and in Bishop's talks. It is good to publish part by part extracts from diocesan policy

13	Fr. Mathew Nirappal	Priest-in-charge, Marakbodi	_____	29 April 2019
14	Fr. Sumesh Cheruchilampil	Asst. Parish Priest, Wardha	Priest-in-charge, Marakbodi	29 April 2019
15	Fr. Pius Ananiurumpil	Priest-in-charge, Repanpally	Priest-in-charge, Aksapur, Co-ordinator and consultant for projects, Correspondent for Trusts and Societies	29 April 2019
16	Fr. Kurian Panayalil	Project co-ordinator	_____	29 April 2019
17	Fr. Saju Chamakalayil	Priest-in-charge, Aksapur	Priest-in-charge, Repanpally	29 April 2019
18	Fr. Vivek Puthenpurackal	Asst. Director, LSSS and Kalabhavan	Vice-rector, SVG Director, Holy Childhood Association	29 April 2019
19	Fr. Prince Munjanattu CMI	Priest-in-substitute, Nandgaon	Asst. Parish Priest, Warur	29 April 2019
20	Fr. Sharon OFM	Priest-in-substitute, Pattaguda	_____	29 April 2019
<p>Quotes from Pope Francis on Poverty and Social Justice</p> <p>“This concern for the poor is in the Gospel, it is within the tradition of the Church, it is not the invention of communism and it must not be turned into an ideology, as has sometimes happened before in the course of history”.</p>				

PPT Meeting 2020

PPT Meeting 2020 will start Saturday 15 February and will be completed by Saturday 29 February. Everyone is requested to mark it in your calendar.

Bp. Ephrem Nariculam

BALABHAVAN FUND

To,

All managers/principals of schools in the diocese of Chanda Hereby you are reminded to give your contribution to the Balbhavan Fund of the diocese. As per the Eparchial Statutes of Chanda, every school is expected to contribute Rs. 25/- per student to the above mentioned Fund (Statutes # 215). If any school is yet to do it, kindly do so as early as possible. If you have already done it, please ignore this reminder. Thanks for your co-operation.

By Order
Chancellor

HOLY MURON

All parish priests/priests-in-charge are requested to collect the newly blessed Muron as early as possible. Kindly bring cleared oil caskets with new cotton to fill it with new oil. All three oils are (OC/OS for Catechumen, OI for the sick and SC the Sacred Chrism) are blessed and kept in the Cathedral. Please contact Bishop's office.

Fr. Vigil Parassery
Vice-Chancellor

COLLECTIONS

Sabhadinam:-

Please make a collection in the Churches on July 3 and hand over the amount to DFO before 15 August 2019.

Good Friday Collection:-

Please hand over the amount to DFO before 30 May 2019.

Lenten Campaign:-

Please hand over the amount to LSSS before 30 May 2019.

HOLY CHILDHOOD ASSOCIATION INAUGURATION

(The diocesan level inauguration will be held on 12 August at Missionary conference by his Grace Archbishop Elias Gonsalves, archbishop of Nagpur)

Date : Sunday 17 August 2019
Place : Every parish/mission station in the Eparchy of Chanda
Time : Before Holy Qurbana
Procedure : The children in procession bring to the Church the statue/picture of Infant Jesus. At the front of the altar the priest-celebrant receive the statue/picture and place it on a decorated table, then light a candle and do incense/*Aarathi*. After a brief introduction about Holy Childhood Association Holy Qurbana begins. It is highly recommended that the days homily be on Holy Childhood. After the Holy Qurbana the children gather together in front of the statue/picture of Infant Jesus and recite the special prayer/novena. Thence forth the prayer/novena is done on all Sundays/on another convenient day by the children.

Activities:

1. Novena every week.
2. One Hail Mary everyday for all children in the world.
3. Do some sacrifice and save at least one rupee per month and donate to Holy Childhood Association to be sent to the needy children in the world.
4. Monthly meeting to discuss the different activities.
5. Annual day celebration and some competitions.
6. Holy Childhood Day celebration on 6th January or Sunday after it.
7. Visit to sick children in the parish or nearby hospital once a month or occasionally.
8. Praying for the persecuted children in the world.
9. Helping a needy person whenever an occasion arise.
10. Once a month offer a Holy Qurbana for the Church's mission.

children who are abandoned, marginalised, persecuted in different ways. Thus it is an organisation of children and for children in the world over. The patron of the Association is Holy Childhood. Every year the children's collection of their sacrifices is sent to national office for distribution among the needy children in the world.

In brief, the Holy Childhood Association is also known as the Society of Missionary Childhood, leads children to discover the missionary spirit and teaches them to help children of their same age around the world through prayer and small material sacrifices.

The Society's goals can be summed up as follows:

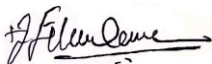
- To awaken in the children the awareness of the mission work of the Church.
- To let children participate in missionary work through prayer, sacrifices and offerings (Children LOVE Children).
- To move children to share their faith and material means with the children of the neediest churches (Children HELP Children).
- To promote in the hearts of children esteem and love for missionary vocations (Children ARE MISSIONARIES and inspire other Children BECOME MISSIONARIES).

Every year the Society organizes a special day on which it brings children's attention to the spiritual and material needs of children throughout the world. Children are encouraged to offer to another children of the world their assistance in terms of prayers, sacrifices and offerings, and are encouraged to discover in them the face of Jesus. Children in communities, orphanages, homes for the disabled, refugees, and those living on the streets are assisted by the generosity of children who wish to make the love of Jesus know everywhere.

BOARD OF EDUCATION (Eparchy of Chanda)

It is the By-laws of Board of Education approved by the curia of the eparchy of Chanda dated 01 December 2018 and promulgated by Ephrem Nariculam, bishop, eparchy of Chanda dated 01 January 2019. All the eparchial schools in the eparchy of Chanda are bound by this By-laws from the day of its effect in the eparchy.




Bp. Ephrem Nariculam

1. Introduction: The School is a vibrant community in which students, teachers, staff, parents and Board of Education work together towards the achievement of mission and goals. Every Trust or Society has a Board of Education for its educational institutions for their efficient and effective functioning. Every diocese and every religious Congregation has Board of Education. In the present context it is not only mandatory but also need of the time. The CBCI commission for Education & Culture have asked every diocese to form the Board of Education to facilitate for better co-ordination and smooth functioning of the educational institutions.

In the eparchy of Chanda it is the prime responsibility of the Board of Education to provide strategic guidance to the schools and effectively monitor and review the functioning of the Eparchial schools. Good governance requires a good Board of Education. The Board shall abide by the directions given by the Eparchial Bishop and the Eparchial Curia and should faithfully follow Education Policy of the Eparchy of Chanda. The Board shall facilitate its activities under the instruction of Guidelines given by the Catholic Church on Education, SyroMalabar Synodal Commission for Education, Education & Cultural Commission of CBCI (Catholic Bishops Conference of India), and WRBCEF (Western Region Bishops' Council Educational Forum). Their directions shall be incorporated into day to day running of the Board of Education.

2. Membership

- 2.1 All members shall be appointed by the bishop of Chanda
- 2.2 The board will have five members.
- 2.3 The Syncellus for Education of the diocese of Chanda will be the director of the board, unless otherwise decided by the bishop of Chanda.
- 2.4 The term of the Board of Education will be upto six years. It may be extended if required for another three years or for another term.
- 2.5 All members shall abide by the by-laws of Board of Education and Education policy of the eparchy of Chanda.
- 2.6 Removal of member from the Board is reserved to the bishop of Chanda after due consultation in the eparchial curia.
- 2.7 Absence from the meetings continuously can cease membership from the Board as decided by the Eparchial Curia.

3. Meetings

- 3.1 There shall be at least four Board meetings in a year. Out of which one meeting should be held in the presence of the bishop of Chanda.
- 3.2 More meetings may be held as required.
- 3.3 Principals/ Managers or other experts shall be called for the meetings if necessary.
- 3.4 Any decision that is taken shall have binding effect only after the consent of the Bishop of Chanda.
- 3.5 The amendments of the by-laws of the Board of Education shall be with majority of members and it will come into effect only after the approval of the Curia.
- 3.6 The quorum of the meeting is 3 plus director of Board of Education or bishop.
- 3.7 Director of Board of Education is the convener of the meeting.

4. Duties of the members

- 4.1 **Annual review of the schools` progress**
 - 4.1.1 The Board of Education (minimum two members) shall visit the schools at least once a year.

ASSOCIATION OF HOLY CHILDHOOD: SUCCINCT HISTORY

It was established by Bp. Charles de Forbin-Janson, Bishop of Nancy, France in the year 1843. The primary purpose was children's charity to provide assistance to Children in foreign lands. Pope and other ecclesiastical dignitaries approved the association and recommended it to the Catholic faithful. Pope Pius IX, by a bull of 18 July 1856, raised it to the rank of a canonical institution, gave it a Cardinal protector, and requested all bishops to introduce it in their dioceses. Pope Leo XIII, in the encyclical letter *Sancta Dei civitas* (3 December 1890), blessed it and recommended it again to the bishops.

The affairs of the association were managed by an international council at Paris, consisting of fifteen priests and as many laymen. This general council had an exclusive right of general direction and of the distribution of the Society's funds. In 1922 the Association received the official title of "Pontifical" work, and the central administration was transferred to Rome. National offices exist now in more than 120 countries. The Association distributes educational and fund-raising programmes to schools and religious education programmes. The proceeds support programmes for underprivileged in Third World situations.

As per now it functions in the Church under Pontifical Mission Organisations (PMO) which coordinate the international activities of the Holy Childhood, Pontifical Society for Propagation of Faith and Society for St. Peter the Apostle. At present its international office is in Rome and national office for India is in Bangalore. In most countries 6th January is celebrated as Holy Childhood day. The Association fosters among children up to 12 years old to grow in great devotion to Infant Jesus. They must be fostered to do little services, small contributions and ejaculations for all children in the world particularly for those

DIOCESAN PRO'S MEETING (DIOCESE OF CHANDA)

A meeting of diocesan PRO's was held at Bishop's Home on 9 March 2019 at 05.00 pm. Bp Ephrem chaired the meeting which was also attended by Fr. Varghese Puthuparambil CMI, Proto-syncellus. All three PRO's, Fr. Dinesh Mate, Fr. Binoy Chekonthayil CMI, Fr. Subin Kallampally were present for the meeting. Fr. Dinesh was elected as the Secretary to PRO's of the diocese. Bishop reminded the PRO's as their main task to make Church's presence in the society by reporting all important activities, programmes and celebrations of the diocese from time to time. Any speeches of the bishop or Church personnel in the diocese with regard to Nation building, development, social involvement and upliftment of the poor should be reported regularly. The PRO's should have mutual communication on regular basis. As PRO's are also the spoke persons of the diocese, they should not disseminate any news without prior permission/consultation with the bishop or diocesan curia. It was suggested that the following programmes of the diocese should be reported as required Lakkadakat Pilgrimage, Good Friday, services in the parishes, Feet Washing on Maundy Thursday, Muron Qurbana, Warur Feast, Chanda Family Day, 40 Hours Adoration, Christmas etc. The programme of reception to Archbishop Elias Gonsalves on 12 August on Missionary Conference Day should be reported. It was proposed that under the title "Chanda Diocese for the Society" a feature article with photographs should be published as early as possible. It should include the following: *Karuna Bhavan*, Chandrapur, *Raksha*, Rajura, LSSS Activities, Bamni, *Kshitij*, Jam, Leprosy Irradication Programme, ASMI Sisters, Allapally, etc. Fr. Binoy will co-ordinate it. Fr. Binoy will be contact person for *Vidharba* Line news reporting and Fr. Dinesh will be for *Lokmath* and *Navbharath*. Some highlights from the pastoral letters of the bishop - also may be reported as required. The whole purpose of the reporting is not for publicity but for witness of Christian values and mission in public. It was decided that the meeting of the PRO's should be held at least once a year. The meeting came to an end at 06.00pm.

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- 4.1.2 The internal inspection of the school shall be done with prior notice before January every year.
 - 4.1.3 Internal auditing of the accounts shall be done annually.
 - 4.1.4 All the applications for any purchase (vehicles, furnitures, electronic gadgets etc.) of one lakh and above need prior approval of the Board of Education.
 - 4.1.5 Meetings with teachers, students, other staffs and parents may be done as required during their visit.
 - 4.1.6 The Board should also check over-all development of the school, in checking general disciplines, teaching standard facilities and provisions in the school etc.
 - 4.1.7 After every visit of the Board members to the schools, they should prepare a report and submit to the Director within seven days of their visit.
 - 4.1.8 The Board should assist schools for necessary permission, approval from government or ecclesiastical units as required.
- 4.2 Effective & Efficient Structure**
- 4.2.1 Documentation: Helping in organizing the documents for future reference.
 - 4.2.2 Fee Structure: Approval of fee structure as per the norms of the government (As per now it is to 15% of hike once in two years). If necessary it should be done with due consultation with concerned parties.
 - 4.2.3 The Board shall setup interview board for staff selection. The following shall be its members: one from the Board, Principal & one expert from outside in consultation with Eparchial Bishop.
 - 4.2.4 Appointment of the staff for the institution.
 - 4.2.5 Approval of salary scale as per the provisions of Eparchial Statutes and Eparchial Education Policy.
 - 4.2.6 Appointment of approval or removal of staff and complaint committee.
 - 4.2.7 Amendments of Service Rules of institution time to time (preferably once in three years).
 - 4.2.8 Common text books/ question paper/ centralized text

books order/ central pooling system of finance etc.
Policies to be executed effectively with due consultation from time to time.

4.3 Approval of major developmental projects

- 4.3.1 Construction of Buildings in the campus.
- 4.3.2 Extension of classrooms.
- 4.3.3 Construction of Labs, playgrounds etc.

4.4 Providing Support for the following

- 4.4.1 Seminar for teachers and students.
- 4.4.2 Life Orientation Camps for the students.
- 4.4.3 Staff Training: Classroom management, teaching methods etc..
- 4.4.4 Staff appraisal and assessment programme: Evaluation of the teachers and assessing their calibre through evaluation process: It will generate accountability and respect among staff.
- 4.4.5 Inter school competitions (Literary, Cultural & Sports etc..)
- 4.4.6 Outreach programme (Health camps for locality, social development events etc.).
- 4.4.7 Health Check up of students.
- 4.4.8 Scholarship to the needy via scholarship examinations.
- 4.4.9 Rapport with CSA and other educational bodies/societies in the diocese.

5. Conclusion

The Board of Education is established in the eparchy of Chanda for the welfare of all - manager, principal, teachers, staffs, students and parents. It is also meant for a better co-ordination among eparchial schools as well as smooth and progressive functioning of each school under its purview. As eparchy of Chanda is a juridical person with a divine mandate of proclamation of good news of Jesus Christ, the board is to facilitate it in the best way possible to communicate that message of Kingdom values - Love, truth, justice and peace - through its activities as

- Love, truth, justice and peace - through its activities as well as by every school that comes under its jurisdiction. They also should make sure a proper management and distribution of all resources of schools under it for welfare of all connected to schools and the diocese as a whole. Ultimately the Board of Education should pave way for witness of Christian values among themselves and among all those who are connected to the schools in the eparchy of Chanda and everywhere in the world.

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QUINQUENNIAL PRIESTS' MEET 2019 **REPORT**

Quinquennial Priests' Meet 2019 was held at Pastoral Centre, Ballarpur on 20th & 21st March 2019. It is the meeting for the priest who are in the first five years of their priesthood. In the welcome address Bp. Ephrem said that a plant needs more care when it is planted to a new soil, so also after long years of formation when a priest is in the new soil he needs more care, support and strength. So the Quinquennial meet is very essential in the life of a priest. We had two input sessions by two eminent personalities. Adv. Lalji with his class on "Priestly Maturity in pastoral field: What People expect" and Mrs. Seema Majo with her class on "Policy of Harassment of minors and vulnerable adults in Church institutions" inspired us a lot. Some of the points were really eye-opener for all of us. We had also sharing by the priests. Our bishopji guided us with his experience in the pastoral field. In his homily on 21st morning Holy Qurbana he said about the need of pastoral prudence, love for the Church, and the need of becoming real witnesses to people around us by our life. The Quinquennial meet came to an end by the evaluation of the meeting and the suggestions for next Quinquennial meet.