

## X. ONGOING FORMATION

Address	Course	Date
The programme Director Don Bosco Renewal Centre, Bannerghatta Road, SOS Village P. O Bangalore 560076 admitdbrc@gmail.com	Renewal course and retreat for the Silver Jubilarians	01-29 August 2019
	Renewal course and retreat for the Silver Jubilarians	21 Oct. to 17 Nov. 2019
	Formation of Formators	18 Sept. To 16 October 2019
Director, NBCLC, Post Bag 8426 Hutchins Road 2nd Cross Bangalore 560 084 080-25472369 director@nbclcindia	Colloquim: "Priests on pastoral path"	19-21 August 2019
	Youth: "Limitless Potential & Future Hope"	10-12 October 2019
The director NVSC, Near Christ the king Church, Wadgaonsheri Road, Sainikwadi Pune 411014 09021146762	Therapeutic journey to wholeness	22 Sep. To 13 Oct. 2019
	Training for skills in counselling	20 Oct. to 10 Nov. 2019

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## IX. HEAVENLY BRETHREN

### JULY

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
6. Fr. Mathew Kalarickal CMI	17-07-2003	Bellampalli
7. Bro. Michael Nellikunnel CMI(Aspirant)	23-07-1988	Ballarpur
8. Sr. (Dr.) Jose Maria FCC	25-07-2004	Aluva
9. Fr. Remiji Nadackal CMI	30-07-1991	Yellareddy
10. Sr. Auxillia ASMI	10-07-2015	Allapally

### AUGUST

1. Sr. Vijaya FCC	11-08-1991	Muvattupuzha
2. Sr. Amala SD	11-08-2000	Chethipuzha
3. Sr. Priya SJB	13-08-1998	Hinganghat
4. Fr. Joseph Koikara CMI	14-08-2017	Kalamassery
5. Fr. Thomas Pandipally CMI	16-08-2008	Bellampally
6. Fr. James Thottapally CMI	25-08-1986	Neeleswaram
7. Fr. Dharmanand Muttathottil CMI	25-08-1990	Ballarpur

#### RIP

Let us pray for the departed Soul of Sr. Dr. Marina Francis ASMI,  
Born 18.03.1944  
Died 07.06.2019



#### RIP

Let us pray for the departed Soul of Sr. Guna CMC, Carmelodaya Province, Wardha  
Born 23.04.1949  
Died 20.06.2019



#### OBITUARY

Let us pray for the repose of the souls of:  
Mr. Joseph K. Kurungattu, beloved father of Bro. Abhilash  
Mrs Kochuthresia, beloved eldest sister of Rev. Fr. Oswald CMI  
Mr. Saison beloved Brother of Sr. Benny FHGS

9	Bro. Jeslin Reji	Arogyapuram	Palakkad
10	Bro. Jerald Mathew	Keerampara	Kothamangalam
<b>I Years</b>			
	Name	Date of Birth	Parish
11	Bro. Abin Thomas	08/09/2003	St. Alphonsa Church, Ettupara
12	Bro. Augustine (Sarang)	12/06/2004	St. Alphonsa Church, Ettupara
13	Bro. Savul	14/01/2003	St. George Forane Church, Kaipuzha
			Diocese
			Address
			Muthalakuzhiyil (H) Ettupara P. O, Nellikutty Kannur 670 632
			Thottiyil (H) Ettupara P. O, Nellikutty Kannur 670 632
			Vettikatt (H) Kaipuzha P. O Kottayam

### SVG News:

1. Christeen children from Thamarassery diocese, with Rev. Fr. Simon Vallopilly, visited SVG on 2<sup>nd</sup> May.
2. The new Vice-Rector Rev. Fr. Vivek Puthenpurackal was welcomed to SVG very solemnly on 6<sup>th</sup> May.
3. Retreat for Major seminarians was held at SVG from 7<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> May. Rev. Fr. Dinny OFM Cap guided them to receive minor orders and diaconate.
4. Vestition, Minor Orders and Diaconate were given to the major seminarians on 11<sup>th</sup> May.
5. The New comers and all other minor seminarians reached SVG on 10<sup>th</sup> June.
6. A crash course on English Language was held for the minor seminarians for two weeks.

### I. SHEPHERD'S VOICE

SV.3/2019

Dear Fathers, Brothers, Sisters and My dear People,

### Thy Kingdom Come!

God's ways are mysterious and we are called to abide by his plans. What may come God turns everything for good. Some have apprehensions regarding the present socio-political scenario of our country. Whether it is true or not we have to continue with our mission. We are called to be evangelizers, means dispensers of the message of good news that contains love, compassion, justice, peace, truth etc. Spread of such message should not be a problem in any situation. Living the message that we preach is the need of the hour. To be a follower of Christ means to be a person of integrity, justice, truth, love and peace. As Christians we have to be committed persons who stand for the kingdom values. Such persons are honoured and respected by all. Let us be genuine in our commitment to our faith and be par excellence in our service to the humanity. St. Thomas the Apostle is a beautiful icon of faith in Christ and service to the humanity. Let us be imbued by his spirit to be genuine in our missionary commitment. May St. Thomas, the Apostle of India and Patron of our Church and the Eparchy, intercede for us. I wish you all a happy feast of Dukhrana.

Your shepherd in the Lord



*Ephrem Nariculam*

† Ephrem Nariculam  
Bishop, Eparchy of Chanda

**PASTORAL LETTER I**

**PL 6/2019/July 1**

**'Life in Faith'**

Dear Fathers, Brothers, Sisters and my dear people,

**Thy Kingdom Come!**

The Primary responsibility of a Christian is to grow in faith, thus achieve/attain Christian maturity. For which one should make great strides 'to be rooted in Christ' (Col.2:17) on daily basis. Our life is building up Christ - our saviour - in us, through us and with us. Christ is the source, inspiration, and target in life. Christ-centrism is foundational to growth in Christian maturity. The basics to these are the word of God, the sacraments and the prayer, besides charity or acts of mercy. It is with this view in mind that we have been observing different years with special intentions and specific dedications.

In the year 2015-16 we observed the Year of Mercy - it was a global event. The Year of Family Prayer - *Parivarik Prarthana Varsh* was observed in the following year (2017). Then we switched over to the Year of Adoration - *Aaradhana Varsh* (2018). Now we are in the Year of Bible reading - *Bible Vaachan Varsh* (2019). The next year (2020) will be the Year of Proclamation - *Susamachar Ghoshna Varsh*. It will be meaningful, if we can declare the year 2021 as the Year of Divine Life. These observations/celebrations will be a great preparation for the diamond jubilee of our diocese - completing sixty years. What matters is not celebrations but transformation in to a genuine men and women of Christian life. One should be able to proclaim "it is not I but Christ who lives in me" (Gal 2:20) - to be another Christ, *Alter Christus*. It is our goal and it is our hope.

The Year of Mercy (2015-16) reminded us of our great responsibility to steward our fellow brethren - to love one another as Jesus has loved us (Jn. 13:34). A concern to the poor and the needy is and should be the characteristic trait of Christian identity (Mt. 5:3). Likewise, the *Daya Varsh* (The Year of Mercy) has revamped our

21	Bro. Josey Kollampampil	Regency	Tera Prem Church, Warur
22	Bro. Nikhil Mundunadackal	Philosophy III	St. Thomas Apostolic Seminary, Vadavathoor
23	Bro. Algin Pallivathukal	Philosophy III	Ruhalaya Major Seminary, Ujjain
24	Bro. Romario Edasseripampil	Philosophy III	St. Charles Seminary, Nagpur
25	Bro. Jibin Perumakunnel	Philosophy II	Papal Seminary, Pune
25	Bro. Mariyanus Kerketta	Degree	Christ University, Bengaluru
25	Bro. Johnny Jose	Degree	Brahmapuri
25	Bro. Tesson Thomas	Degree	Brahmapuri
<b>MINOR SEMINARIANS</b>			
Sr.No	Name	Parish	Native Diocese
1	Bro. Jils Sebastian	<b>IV Years</b> Ampanirappel	Palai
2	Bro. Melbin Manoj	Eettupara	Thalassery
3	Bro. Sajjil Shiju	Velimanam	Thalassery
4	Bro. Arun Pannah	Jarawandi	Chanda
5	Bro. Fredin Jose	Chirakkal	Thrissur
		<b>III Years</b>	
6	Bro. Jefin Pindikkanayil	Josepuram	Ernakulam-Angamali
7	Bro. Jins Joseph	Marika	Kothamangalam
		<b>II Years</b>	
8	Bro. Anto Joy	Villoonni	Changanassery

## LIST OF MAJOR SEMINARIANS

Sr.No.	Name	Year	Name of the Seminary/Parish
1	Bro. Benson Cherian	Theology IV	St. Ephrems Theological College, Satna
2	Bro. Jose Zade	Theology IV	St. Ephrems Theological College, Satna
3	Bro. Francis Minj	Theology IV	Pontificio Collegio Urbano, Rome
4	Bro. Shine Manjaly	Theology III	Maria Mater Ecclesiae, Rome
5	Bro. Bernard Kujur	Theology III	St. Charles Seminary, Nagpur
6	Bro. Priju Puthenpurackal	Theology II	Oriens Theological College, Shillong
7	Bro. Tiji Karakunnel	Theology II	Holy Trinity Regional Seminar, Jalandhar
8	Bro. Joby Illimootil	Theology II	St. Joseph's Pontifical Seminary, Aluva
9	Bro. Josekutty Thathampilly	Theology II	St. Charles Seminary, Nagpur
10	Bro. Vishal Jangam	Theology I	Oriens Theological College, Shillong
11	Bro. Alwin Vattamkattil	Theology I	St. Thomas Apostolic Seminary, Vadavathoor
12	Bro. Naveen Kallaparambil	Theology I	Ruhalya Major Seminary Ujjain
13	Bro. Linto Vallathukaran	Theology I	Papal Seminary, Pune
14	Bro. Deepak Tirkey	Theology I	St. Ephrems Theological College, Satna
15	Bro. Pramod Godselwar	Regency	LSSS & Kalabhavan
16	Bro. Abhilash Kurungattu	Regency	Chavara Bhavan, Ettapally
17	Bro. Christo Kavil	Regency	Asha Niketan Church, Wasa
18	Bro. Joseph Jumde	Regency	Sant Vianney Gurukul
19	Bro. Ajay Puthukkattuchira	Regency	Bishop's Home, Ballarpur
20	Bro. James Ekka	Regency	Krupasroth Church, Mul

Christian identity to a great extent. As it is not a finished programme, we have to continue to work on it. *Parivarik Prarthana Varsh* instilled in us the great need of daily family prayer. It is noticed that a habit of daily family prayer is started/practiced in some families. That is great. The *Aaradhana Varsh* (2018) aimed at developing devotion to the sacraments in general and Holy Eucharist in particular. It is reported that some effect is there of our observance of *Aaradhana Varsh*. Daily adoration is started in Brahmapuri as a result of *Aaradhana Varsh* besides our regular adoration in Cathedral and CMC Provincial house Wardha. There is also half-day daily adoration held in Sanjeevani Ashram, Wardha, run by SJB Sisters. I hope the *Bible Vachan Varsh* inspire us to be men and women of love, truth, justice and peace - the kingdom values. The year follows (2020) is going to be an year of sharing the kingdom values to others - the proclamation of good news - *Susamachar Goshana Varsh*. It is our mission and ministry - for that matter of any baptized Christian (Mt. 28:19-20, 1 Cor. 9:16). Let us resolved to be more and more convinced of our mission.

The diocese is seriously thinking about declaring 2021 as the Year of Divine Life. It (2021) will be an year of communion with God and with others - sharing good news is nothing but sharing divine life with everyone. Jesus came to give life and life in abundance (Jn.10:10). Thus, gradually prepare our hearts and minds to celebrate the diamond jubilee of the diocese in the year 2022.

Jubilee is normally an occasion of celebration and transformation a time to renew, revive and revamp. We will cut short celebrations and focus on transformation - a change to become better persons, Christians and missionaries. We resolve to re-commit ourselves to our mission and ministry with more enthusiasm, vigour and valour. Life of a Christian is called to be genuine in our faith and Christian life. I exhort every missionary to imbibe that spirit and enhance our life as well as empower our people to follow the suit. If we can do it, that will be a great celebration of our diamond jubilee. As we all know in 2012 we had

celebration of our diamond jubilee. As we all know in 2012 we had golden jubilee of our eparchy with some pomp and glory. In another ten years yet one more jubilee with celebration is out of place or not suit to the simplicity of Christian spirituality. However a commemoration with due importance is befitting. We will plan out it accordingly as the time approaches. As the years pass let us spiritually prepare for the same. We resolve to avail the opportunity of *Bible Vachan Varsh* as well as ensuing *Susamachar Ghoshana Varsh* to revamp ourselves to be good shepherds and missionaries (being sent) after the example of Christ, our Lord and Saviour, the Good Shepherd.

Entrusting our eparchy to our Lord Jesus and interceding Mary our blessed mother.



Your Shepherd in the Lord

*A. Ephrem Nariculam*

† Ephrem Nariculam  
Bishop, Eparchy of Chanda

## PASTORAL LETTER II

PL 7/2019/August 1

### Missionary Commitment

Dear Fathers, Brothers and Sisters,

#### Thy Kingdom Come!

"A poor teacher tells  
An average teacher explains  
A good teacher demonstrates  
A great teacher inspires".

A dictum I remember to have read somewhere. I know neither the source nor the author. Neither knows whether it is a quote or a wise saying, but message is crystal clear. Though it pertains to teachers it is simultaneously applicable to every missionary as well. Indeed, each missionary is a teacher. The

- ✓ Please make a note of the dates of 21<sup>st</sup> Chanda Live-in and arrange your programmes accordingly. Please make sure your participation for the same.

## VII. DEPARTMENTAL NEWS

### CLC

#### 1. Home Mission Programme

“Go into all the world and proclaim the good news to the whole creation” (Mk 16:15). Under the guidance of Family Apostolate Ministry 10 sisters of CMC Carmalodaya province, wardha conducted home mission in Chincholi and Wirue parishes. 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.

#### Upcoming Events

##### 1. Catechism Classes

Catechism classes of this academic year start on 7<sup>th</sup> July, Sunday : Parish priests are requested to inaugurate catechism classes in your parishes accordingly. Please note also our usual programmes regarding catechism of the children:

- Parish level and Diocesan level catechism annual exam & Bible Quiz competition will be conducted as every year.
- Best parish award will be rewarded on the basis of diocesan level catechism annual exam.
- Catechism books in Marathi, Hindi & English from 1<sup>st</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> Std. are available with the CLC Dept.

Fr. Kurian Panayalil  
Director CLC

dinner with people in the village he returned to the parish for rest. On the second day, bishop visited all families in Sindhi and Nalwadi villages. Both in the morning and in the afternoon he did visit the villages. On the third day of the visit after Holy Qurbana in the convent he met with Sisters and continued visiting families. Today's visits were to Navegaon and Danora.

In the afternoon bishop met with all staffs of the Asha Dham hospital and continued the village visit. Bishop visited all the families in the parish. On 23rd after adoration at 8.30 bishop presided over Holy Qurbana during which he administered the sacrament of confirmation to 34 members of the parish. After celebration of Holy Qurbana he met people in common and had lunch with them. Later bishop left for Ballarpur.

#### **FORTHCOMING EVENTS OF C.S.A.**

Sl. No	Date	Place	Programme
1	Saturday, 10 August	Ghugus, Mount Carmel School	General Body Meeting Executive Body Meeting
2	Wed-Sat, 23-26 October	Chimur, St. Claret School	Chanda-Live-in
3	Saturday, 7 December		Volley ball Match
4	Saturday, 8 February 2020		General Body Meeting Executive Body Meeting

- ✓ Please note that the General Body and Executive Body Meeting of CSA is fixed for the second Saturdays of the Month of February and August every year.
- ✓ Please bring the Annual Subscription (Rs. 2 per student) when you come for the General / Executive Body Meeting at Mount Carmel Convent School, Gughus on 10<sup>th</sup> August 2019.
- ✓ New schools can take membership in CSA by paying Rs. 1,000 as membership Fee.

evangelist Mark lucidly articulates the “why” of 'calling the disciples': “And he ordained twelve, that they should be with him, and that he might send them forth to preach, and to have power to heal sicknesses, and to cast out devils” (Mk.3:14-15). Jesus called the disciples to be with him” and “to be sent out to proclaim (teach) the good news”.

The credential of a teacher is his/her degrees. The degree documents certify him/her to teach. But, it is the appointment letter that 'enables'/empowers one to teach. We the missionaries are 'enabled' and 'empowered'- appointed - to teach (Mt. 28:19-20, Mk. 16:15, Jn. 20:21, Acts 1:8). How do we teach/preach - by telling, explaining, demonstrating or inspiring? Often it is pointed out that today what lacks' is role models. Do all 'role models' inspires? Let us reflect, No doubt they serve a great lot. What else more required? The knowledge that we acquire by our formation assists us to become teachers/preachers. The 'experience' from childhood too serve in forming teachers/preachers in us. But as missionaries we become genuine teachers/preachers by divine touch - the experience of divine wisdom by being with God. Touch and taste how good is the Lord (Ps. 34:8). Being missionaries we are not social workers doing a spiritual ministry but spiritual persons doing social apostolate. The question is, what is my priority in personal commitment to the mission entrusted to me. Am I genuinely a man/woman of God, man/woman of prayer and a man/woman of divine experience? My prayer life, spiritual exercises and commitment to ministry - a show or out of conviction borne of commitment to Christ?

The invitation Christ extended to the disciples 'then and even today' is "to be with him” and “to send out to proclaim (teach)". When, "to be with him” lacks in a missionary he/she becomes a teacher who 'tells' who "explains" and who "demonstrates". They need not necessarily "inspire". A missionary is called to be inspiring icons of God's Kingdom values where social apostolate - community building, Education ministry or service to the sick become channels of divine experience both for the missionary and

for the beneficiaries. A genuine missionary is a channel of God's love and presence of divine experience amidst people (Cf. Jn. 4:42). We have to examine and see 'what are we' and what do people feel / experience with us!

Paul in Gal.2:20 exclaims: "it is not I but Christ who lives in me". Paul really means when he proclaims "we have become fragrance of Christ Jesus in God" (2Cor 2:15). Jesus categorically instructed his disciples "by your love, they will know, that you are my disciples (Jn.13:35). So, to be with Jesus sincerely has inspiring strength and empowering valour: Sincerity, Simplicity, Sensitivity, Humility and Chastity are ingredients of missionary character that transform us to be 'inspiring' in our missionary endeavours. God bless you all.



Your shepherd in the Lord,

Ephrem Nariculam,  
Bishop, Diocese of Chanda.

Front Cover page photo is the Infant Jesus, the patron of Holy Childhood Association. In the diocese of Chanda the Holy Childhood Association is to be inaugurated on 12 August 2019. Kindly confer *Chanda Samachar*, Vol. XLII No. 3 (May-June 2019) pp. 3-5, 35-38. All Fathers and Sisters are requested to do needful to deepen the devotion to Infant Jesus particularly among children by Holy Childhood Association activities in the parishes and missions as per the guidelines.

Vice-Chancellor

## - Carmelodaya Province, Wardha

### 1. Home Mission

Responding to the missionary command of Christ our sisters set out to the parishes of Chincholi and Wirur to share the joy of the Gospel with the whole hearted support of the Parish Priest Fr.Sijo Kattukaran and Fr. Robinson respectively. Sr.Celia, Sr. Jency, Sr.Anoopa, Sr.Soona, Sr.Nirmal and Sr.Santhwana conducted the Home Mission at Wirur Parish from 10<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup> June 2019. Sr.Litty, Sr.Deepa, Sr.Deepthy and Sr.Irine did Home Mission at Chincholi Parish and its substations for one week from June 4,2019. Enduring the scorching heat of the summer they went about the villages satiating the spiritual thirst of the people with the Word of God. The people were very open and they expressed all their spiritual and material problems and needs to the sisters. The people could grow in faith as well as sacramental life and they expressed their desire to get these kinds of spiritual nourishment frequently.

### 2. Marathi Course

Our Sisters Sr.Rose Mary and Angeline Mary attended the Marathi Course at Bishop House, Ballarpur from 28<sup>th</sup> May to 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2019.

### 3. Obituary

Our beloved Mother Guna the former Provincial Superior departed from us for her heavenly reward on 20<sup>th</sup> June 2019. She was a dedicated and devoted religious who radiated the joy of the Gospel to all through her noble behavior and faced every situation of her life with a sweet smile on her face. She suffered from motor neuron disease for one year and was called to the everlasting bliss at the age of 70.The funeral rites were conducted at Carmelodaya Convent Thommana Kerala on 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2019 at 3 pm by Rt.Rev.Bishop Mar Prince the Bishop of Adilabad Diocese. May her soul rest in peace.

## WIRUR ZONE

### - Shanti Niwas Church Wirur

#### 1. Canonical Visitation - Report

Bishop arrived the Church in the evening on 20 June 2019. He was received by offering a bouquet by Tarachand, the Guruji of the parish. Later bishop visited Wirur village - the houses behind Church and Kambada village. After Holy Rosary in a family and



## VI. NEWS FROM THE MISSION STATIONS

### Ballarpur Zone

#### - St. Thomas Cathedral, Ballarpur

1. We had the Diaconate, Minor Orders and Vestition of diocesan brothers on 11<sup>th</sup> May 2019. Bp. Ephrem Nariculam was the main celebrant and Homilist.
2. We gave farewell to Sr. Philseena FDSHJ on 12<sup>th</sup> May who served our parish for almost five years.
3. On 13<sup>th</sup> June, we celebrated the feast of St. Anthony of Padua. Fr. Antony Munjanattu was the celebrant and Homilist.
4. We gave farewell to Fr. Vigil Parassery, the asst. Parish Priest, on 23<sup>rd</sup> June who served the Cathedral for 2 years. We also felicitated Bro. Naveen Kallapampil who received cassock on 11th May.

#### - St. Alphonsa Church, Kalmana

1. Master Aniket Pipare, Our Balbhavan student scored 89.40% in tenth exam and stood first in Yenbody school. Congratulations....



### Wardha Zone

#### - St. Mary's Church, Kaotha

1. Jubilee greetings

MSMI Sisters completed 25 years of their service at Kaotha station this year. The Chanda family expresses heart-felt gratitude to Sr. Elsy Vadakkemury MSMI and her Sisters for their dedicated service in the diocese. Besides Kaotha convent, the MSMI Sisters have their provincial house, Wardha and Formation house at Paloti, Wardha. In connection with the occasion, Fr. Subin Kallampally arranged a gathering of Sisters at Kaotha. Almost 30 number of Sisters gathered. Fr. Varghese Puthuparampil CMI, Fr. James Thuruthiyil CMI were also present on the occasion.

## CIRCULAR 4

8 May 2019

### World Day of Vocations 12 May 2019

Dear Fathers, Brothers and Sisters,

#### Greetings from Bishop's Home, Ballarpur

Vocation Sunday of 2019 falls on 12 May. Every priest-in-charge is requested to announce it in the parishes and pray for vocations to priesthood and religious life. Kindly take necessary steps to celebrate it in each parish befittingly. 2019 theme for Vocation Sunday is 'The courage to take a risk for God's promise'. Take special efforts to highlight the theme in the homilies on that Sunday. I earnestly request each missionary in the diocese to speak about vocation with our young generation and pray zealously for vocations to missionary life for the Church and for Chanda diocese. Make some banners, wall-posts or some activities that will attract people to the importance of the day. Let us pray intensely: "Lord send labourers to the harvest" (Lk. 10:2)



With prayers and good wishes  
Yours devotedly in Christ

Ephrem Nariculam  
Bishop, Eparchy of Chanda

### III. BISHOP'S ENGAGEMENTS

#### JULY 2019

- 1 - Hyderabad
- 2 - Requiem Holy Qurbana, Wardha
- 3 - Holy Qurbana, Gatta
- 4 - Requiem Holy Qurbana, Allapally
- 9 - To Pune
- 10-18 - WRBC, Pune
- 20 - Blessing, Mount Carmel, Chandrapur
- 26 - Canonical Visitation, Shengaon

#### AUGUST 2019

- 2 - Monthly Recollection, Ballarpur
- 3 - Vianney Day, Ballarpur
- 11 - Jubilee, Allapalli
- 12 - Missionary Conference
- 13 - To Kerala
- 15 - Betrothal, Thannipuzha
- 17 - Solemn Holy Communion, Munnoorpilly
- 19-31 - Synod of Bishops, Mount St. Thomas, Kakkanad
- 24 - Wedding, Karayampampu
- 25 - Mission preaching & Holy Qurbana, Baslehem  
Solemn Holy Communion, Kottakavu, Paravur

#### SEPTEMBER 2019

- 1-Oct. 31 - Canada-Europe (*Ad Limina* Visit)

final profession.

Her missionary activities which she started at Nepa Nagar in Madhya Pradesh later on spread to the diocese of Chanda, Adilabad and Kalyan. Even though her main service was in the field of education she found time to be with the poor and the down trodden, the sick and the marginalized. Being a zealous, intelligent and hardworking missionary, Sr. Guna steered the wheel as the Principal of 2 High Schools for Long 31 years - 19 Years at Cement Nagar and 12 Years at Kaghaznagar. For 3 Years she served as the superior of Mount Carmel Convent Cement Nagar and for six years as the Provincial Superior of Carmelodaya Province Wardha. Sr. Guna was an exemplar for noble countenance and sweet behavior imbibing the spirit of Carmel. All who approached her could experience the warmth of her motherly and sisterly love. She was an inspiration for many to keep up good relationships especially with the Students who passed through her hands. The ever sweet smile on her face proclaimed loudly the joy and contentment she experienced in her religious life. She was a beacon of love and unity in all the communities that she lived.

She was ever ready to submit herself to the will of God revealed through the superiors. She was very quiet, simple and jovial. She had an ardent love for the Eucharistic Lord and as the Lord acknowledge this love, he called her to himself on the feast of 'Corpus Christi'. She used to spend long hours before the Eucharistic Lord like her founder father St. Chavara and St. Euphrasia. On her sick bed, rosary could find no rest on her fingers; it was moving incessantly.

On the feast of Corpus Christi she seemed to be tired. When the nurse went to give her supper, Sr. Guna seemed to be extra ordinarily happy and told the nurse that two of them have come to take her with them. With these she had a bit of food and in the midst of this Last supper, she was taken to share in the heavenly meal with her Lord.

Chanda Family is grateful to **Sr. Daria SD, Sr. Marina ASMI, Sr. Ives CMC and Sr. Guna CMC** for their selfless service in the diocese. May their soul Rest In Peace.

**Bp. Ephrem Nariculam**

nickname 'nonstop'.

She showed extra ordinary patience on her sick bed. Her jokes and joy attracted every one's attention. Since the month of January 2019, Sr. Ives became very sick and her capacity for communication was impaired. She was treated in the hospitals at Wardha and Nagpur and later shifted to Kerala for better treatment in the month of February. On 31<sup>st</sup> March, she received the Sacrament of anointing of the Sick from the Parish Priest of Pullur, Rev. Fr. Thomson CMI. On the feast day of her heavenly Patron, 24<sup>th</sup> April 2019, her condition was worsened and she was shifted to Sacred Heart Mission Hospital, Pullur for medical assistance. In the early hours of 25<sup>th</sup> April 2019, at 1.50 am, her soul entered into the realm of her beloved Lord.

The fifth holy and virtuous flower from Carmelodaya was plucked out by her Gardner. Her funeral rites were conducted on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2019, Saturday at 2.30pm by Mar Prince Antony, Bishop of Adilabad diocese where she spent long years of her life. Many priests and sisters from far and near attended the ceremony at Thommana, Kerala. Fulfilling in full, the work entrusted to her, she now shares in the glory and bliss of her Lord.

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#### **A Tribute to Sr. GUNA CMC (1949-2019)**



Clara (Sr. Clara Guna) was born on 23<sup>rd</sup> April 1949 as the 3<sup>rd</sup> of the 8 children of Kunjipavu and Annamma. She hails from the pullokkaran family in the parish of Parappukkara which is blessed with the patronage of St. John Nepumsian. It is a religious family enriched with many priests and Nuns. After the high school education, Clara did her T.T.C. from Lisieux Teachers training centre Kattungachira.

She heard her Lord calling her to follow him, when she was working as a teacher. In response to the divine call, she joined CMC Holy Trinity Convent, Kolazhy, Thrissur in 1969. She was given the name Sr. Clara Guna at the time of her first profession on 3<sup>rd</sup> May 1971 and sealed the covenant with the Lord on 26<sup>th</sup> June 1977 through her

## **IV. BISHOP'S DIARY**

**May**

- 1-10 - Major Seminarians' Diocesan Formation Programme in Bishop's Home campus. Bishop met with major seminarians personally.
- 02 - Officiated funeral service of Sr. Daria SD at Krupadham Provincial house, Wardha
- 04 - Visited Manchady village under Mul Station
- 11 - Conferred Diaconate and minor orders to the diocesan seminarians at Cathedral. Ballarpur. Bishop met with Fr. Joby Kavungal RCJ, the provincial of Rogationist Congregation at their provincial house, Aluva.
- 12 - Presided over Solemn Holy Communion Qurbana at Ulawaip Parish, Pallipuram and solemnized a marriage at Nadel Church, Vaikom, in Ernakulam-Angamali archdiocese. Bishop blessed and inaugurated *Krupabhishekam* Retreat office at St. Mary's Forane Church, Muttom, Cherthala.
- 13 - Blessed a bell tower of Kanjippadam parish in the diocese of Alappuzha and met with Bp. Stephen Athipozhiyil and Bp. James Anaparambil at Alapuzha Bishop's House.
- 14 - Offered Holy Qurbana at *Krupasanam* retreat centre, Kalavoor in Alappuzha diocese and presided over Solemn Holy Communion Qurbana at St. Joseph's Church, Madackal.
- 15 - Ordained deacon Joseph (Nikhil) Chakiath to priesthood at Thundathumkadavu parish in Ernakulam-Angamali archdiocese. Bishop visited CMC mission house, Thommana and prayed at the tomb of Sr. Ives CMC. Later bishop visited the house of Bro. Naveen Kallaprampil at Kottanalloor parish.
- 16 - Concelebrated Holy Qurbana at Cathedral, Pala in connection with Golden Jubilee of Snehagiri Sisters.

Later bishop visited MST Generalate and met with Fr. Antony Perumanoor, Director General and his team. Bishop visited the house of Bro. Jils and FDSHJ Generalate at Punnaveley.

- 17 - Visited Kurisumala Ashram and later met with Bp. Mathew Arackal and Bp. Jose Pulickal at Kanjirappilly Bishop's House.
- 18 - Offered Holy Qurbana at Martha-Mariam Church, Kuravilangad and later blessed an office building at Kuravilangad.
- 19 - Blessed a marriage at Thoppil Church, Edapilly.
- 20 - Attended a meeting at Thannipuzha.
- 21-31 - Visited different mission stations in Diburgarh, Diphu, Kohima, Guwahati and Shillong dioceses.

#### June

- 01 - Visited Oriens seminary, Shillong and met with Bro. Priju Puthenpurackal.
- 08 - Officiated Jubilee Qurbana of SMI Sisters at Provincial house, Kalyani in Krishnagar diocese
- 13 - Offered Holy Qurbana at Sanjoe Bhavan convent, Bamini and delivered a talk on mission at their regional assembly.
- 20-23 - Canonical visitation to Wirur parish.
- 25 - Attended recollection of diocesan priests and men religious.
- 29-30 - Visited Shamshabad Bishop's House in Hyderabad.

**Relationships** always work when:

**Trust is bigger than Doubt**

**Love is bigger than Ego**

&

**Mutual respect is bigger than Expectations!**

#### A Tribute to SR. IVES CMC (1945 -2019)



Appolonia ( Sr. Ives ) was born on 22<sup>nd</sup> July 1945 as the 7<sup>th</sup> of the 11 children of Joseph and Rosa. She hails from Paliekara family in the parish of Chiyaram, blessed with the sweet fragrance of holiness spread by the Rose of Carmel, St. Euphrasia. Appolonia did her school education in St. Mary's Convent School, Ollur, Aspiring to commit her life to the Lord, she joined Holy Trinity Convent, Kolazhy, Thrissur in 1963. She took the name Sr. Ives at the time of

her first profession on 5<sup>th</sup> May 1965. With a great desire to offer herself for her Lord, she made her final profession on 30<sup>th</sup> April 1969.

The first ten years after her first profession, she was in the field of education. In 1966 when the congregation celebrated the centenary of the foundation, Sr. Ives started her life as missionary. She was one of the pioneers who set out to the unknown villages, to live among them and to bring them up to the main stream of the society. She served in different convents in 8 dioceses in and outside India, such as Indore, Jabalpur, Nagpur, Chanda, Somalia in Africa, Kalyan, Adilabad and Irinjalakuda.

She was blessed enough to celebrate her golden jubilee on the occasion of the sesquicentennial jubilee of our congregation. Simple life and simplicity constituted her hall-mark. During the last phase of her life, she used to spend long hours before the Eucharistic presence, adoring Him and making supplications for the whole world.

Sr. Ives was very keen to be ever submissive to the will of God, revealed through the superiors and through her life situations. A zealous, vibrant, jovial missionary - Sr. Ives, was an exemplar for everyone to live for the poor, with the poor and among the poor. She never had the words IDLENESS and TIREDNESS in her personal dictionary of life. She walked without stop, worked without stop and talked without stop; taking herself the nickname 'nonstop'.

profession. Since 2004 she has been working here. Being a Medical Officer of the Leprosy Control Work (DFIT), she used to visit the villages and conduct medical camps on a regular basis in the Naxal-hit interior villages of Gadchiroli dist.

She was a zealous and courageous to speak to the patients and other people about Jesus and tell them about the healing power of Jesus. She had a very powerful healing hand. Thousands of patients affected with cerebral malaria- brought in unconscious or disoriented state used to recover not only by her medicines but by her ardent prayers. Soon after duty she used to go the chapel and not to take rest. All the 365 days of the year she would be the 1<sup>st</sup> person in the chapel from 4 a.m. or even before, whether she went to bed late or sick she never missed it. So strong was her commitment to prayer and communion with Jesus. She was the only doctor in Sevasadan till the year 2013. Sr. Marina herself was not a healthy person; she had hydrocortisone deficiency since several years, diabetics etc and was on medication. Still she never failed to fulfill her ministry. In 2010 she had a fall and broke her hip, and hip replacement surgery was done. After the rest she resumed her duty.

In last October she went for a retreat in Divine Vachan Ashram Balharsha and had a fall in the chapel. She was brought to Nagpur for treatment. After few months when she could walk a little with support, she was taken back to Sevasadan convent again. After a month she had another fall in the room and was in bed for the last 2 months. She had great desire to walk and serve the sick for few more years. But God's will was something else. On 5<sup>th</sup> June morning she was found quite weak with high fever and too weak to travel. Seeing her condition anointing of the sick was given and soon transported her to Christ hospital and admitted in the ICU. She was diagnosed to have multi-organ failure with great variations in the ECG. Rev. Fr. Joshy Chettianchira the administrator and other staff took great interest and gave maximum care for her. She was restless and struggling. She was in a critical stage. On 7<sup>th</sup> June the First Friday of the month she rested herself in the Sacred Heart of Jesus in eternal and everlasting peace. Let the life of Sr. Marina continue to inspire us so that we too may live her values; be zealous missionaries true to our vocation.

Sr. Leo Francis ASMI  
Provincial

## ***MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE 53rd WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY***

***“We are members one of another” (Eph 4:25).***

***From social network communities to the human community***

*Dear Brothers and Sisters,*

Ever since the internet first became available, the Church has always sought to promote its use in the service of the encounter between persons, and of solidarity among all. With this *Message* I would like to invite you once again to reflect on the foundation and importance of our being-in-relation and to rediscover, in the vast array of challenges of the current communications context, the desire of the human person who does not want to be left isolated and alone.

### ***The metaphors of the net and community***

Today's media environment is so pervasive as to be indistinguishable from the sphere of everyday life. The Net is a resource of our time. It is a source of knowledge and relationships that were once unthinkable. However, in terms of the profound transformations technology has brought to bear on the process of production, distribution and use of content, many experts also highlight the risks that threaten the search for, and sharing of, authentic information on a global scale. If the Internet represents an extraordinary possibility of access to knowledge, it is also true that it has proven to be one of the areas most exposed to disinformation and to the conscious and targeted distortion of facts and interpersonal relationships, which are often used to discredit.

We need to recognize how social networks, on the one hand, help us to better connect, rediscover, and assist one another, but on the other, lend themselves to the manipulation of personal data, aimed at obtaining political or economic advantages, without due respect for the person and his or her rights. Statistics show that among young people one in four is involved in episodes of *cyberbullying*.

In this complex scenario, it may be useful to reflect again on the metaphor of the *net*, which was the basis of the Internet to begin

with, to rediscover its positive potential. The image of the net invites us to reflect on the multiplicity of lines and intersections that ensure its stability in the absence of a centre, a hierarchical structure, a form of vertical organization. The net works because all its elements share responsibility.

From an anthropological point of view, the metaphor of the net recalls another meaningful image: the *community*. A community is that much stronger if it is cohesive and supportive, if it is animated by feelings of trust, and pursues common objectives. The community as a network of solidarity requires mutual listening and dialogue, based on the responsible use of language.

Everyone can see how, in the present scenario, *social network communities* are not automatically synonymous with community. In the best cases, these *virtual communities* are able to demonstrate cohesion and solidarity, but often they remain simply groups of individuals who recognize one another through common interests or concerns characterized by weak bonds. Moreover, in the *social web* identity is too often based on opposition to the other, the person outside the group: we define ourselves starting with what divides us rather than with what unites us, giving rise to suspicion and to the venting of every kind of prejudice (ethnic, sexual, religious and other). This tendency encourages groups that exclude diversity, that even in the digital environment nourish unbridled individualism which sometimes ends up fomenting spirals of hatred. In this way, what ought to be a window on the world becomes a showcase for exhibiting personal narcissism.

The Net is an opportunity to promote encounter with others, but it can also increase our self-isolation, like a web that can entrap us. Young people are the ones most exposed to the illusion that the *social web* can completely satisfy them on a relational level. There is the dangerous phenomenon of young people becoming “social hermits” who risk alienating themselves completely from society. This dramatic situation reveals a serious rupture in the relational fabric of society, one we cannot ignore.

This multiform and dangerous reality raises various questions of an ethical, social, juridical, political and economic

2<sup>nd</sup> May 2019.

It was officiated by Most. Rev Dr. Ephrem Nariculam, the Bishop of Chanda. Rev. Fr. Varghese Puthuparampil CMI the VG of Chanda, Fr. George Kulangara CMI rector of Darshana institute of Philosophy, Rev. Fr. Raju Avookaran the parish priest of Wardha and fathers from Kalyan, Chanda, Adilabad... etc were present.

His Lordship in his homily defined Sr. Daria in four words, which resembled throughout her life. She was humble, simple, noble and gentle. Her selfless, cheerful and dedicated services in the diocese too were acknowledged.

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#### **A Tribute to Dr. Sr. Marina Francis, ASMI (1944-2019)**

Sr. Marina was born on 18<sup>th</sup> March 1944 in Chathamkandathil family, Karakkunnam, Muvattupuzha as the 3<sup>rd</sup> child of Mr. Ulahannan and Mrs. Rosakutty. Her baptismal name was Mary and was fondly called Marykutty. She has 6 sisters and three brothers out of whom one brother Jose died few years back. One sister is in the S.H. Congregation Muvattupuzha and her younger sister Pavithra Mary in our ASMI Congregation.



Young Marykutty was very cute, active, studious and energetic. She did her studies at St. Mary's High school Karakunnam and later did her B.Sc in Nirmala college, Muvattupuzha. Her father wanted to send her for MBBS and make her a doctor but she expressed her desire which she had from childhood onwards, to become a religious. She joined the congregation of the Assisi Sisters of Mary Immaculate on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 1965. After her Postulancy and Novitiate she made her 1<sup>st</sup> Profession on 7<sup>th</sup> May 1967 and took her religious name as Sr. Marina Francis.

Sr. Marina was sent for MBBS in Lady Harding Medical college New Delhi from 1968-1974. Her first appointment was in the interior mission station of Duhania in Jabalpur diocese from 1974-78. She used to conduct operations namely caesareans with the help of torch light and was famed for her love for the poor. She has also rendered her services in our hospitals in T.N, U.P and C.G. In 1987 she was elected as Superior General and served the congregation for one term. Being a zealous missionary she wanted to come back to her

## A Tribute to Sr. Daria Kadavil SD (1945-2019)

Sr. Daria Kadavil an angel of mercy was born on 29<sup>th</sup> February 1945 as the 4<sup>th</sup> child of late Mr. Kadavil Joseph and Annamma at Pallipuram in the Archdiocese of Ernakulum Angamaly. She was known as Kunjamma Jose, a very lovely as well as a naughty child to her parents.



After completing her schooling at Chalakkudy, she joined the Congregation of the Sisters of the Destitute. She made her first profession on 6<sup>th</sup> January 1965 and perpetual profession on 19<sup>th</sup> March 1969. Sr. Agnes OCD is her sister. She did nursing studies in Madras central Government hospital. She was a real SD sister who tried to live the charism of SD in its fullness.

She considered the destitute and the abandoned as her own and she was always ready to do anything for them at any cost. She rendered her dedicated and selfless services at Pazhanganad, Chethipuzha, Bangalore, Kunnoor, Karumaloor, Chemmanathukara, Kanjoor, Wirur, Nirmalagiri, and Chandrapur as a nurse and at Nirmalagiri, Satara, Tamsi, Wirur, Chandrapur. Being calm and still in the presence of the Eucharistic Lord in the late hours of night and early mornings, she drew the strength from Him to lead a God centered life.

She shared God's compassionate love with everyone. She was a zealous missionary, She was always happy and she let others be happy. She was a gifted chef. She loved everyone impartially. Many experienced her service oriented life.

The people who encountered Sr. Daria once in their life never forget her. She became Dariamma to them. She was very enthusiastic in her healing ministry though she was suffering from Hypertension and Diabetes Mellitus since twenty years. On 29<sup>th</sup> April 2019 evening she presented a lot of sweet memories to sisters by jokes, and then went out to the grotto to pray Rosary with sisters, but due to heat weaves returned to parlor and continued the prayers there. After a while she went into her room, to take rest around 7.00 pm., and that was a deep sleep in the Lord. Her body was kept in Kasturba Medical College at Sewagram and was brought to the provincial house on 1<sup>st</sup> May 2019 around 6.00 pm. The funeral ceremony of Sr. Daria began at 9.00 am on

nature, and challenges the Church as well. While governments seek legal ways to regulate the web and to protect the original vision of a free, open and secure network, we all have the possibility and the responsibility to promote its positive use.

Clearly, it is not enough to multiply connections in order to increase mutual understanding. How, then, can we find our true communitarian identity, aware of the responsibility we have towards one another in the online network as well?

### ***We are members one of another***

A possible answer can be drawn from a third metaphor: that of the *body and the members*, which Saint Paul uses to describe the reciprocal relationship among people, based on the organism that unites them. "Therefore, putting away falsehood, speak the truth, each to his neighbour, for we are members one of another" (*Eph* 4:25). Being *members one of another* is the profound motivation with which the Apostle invites us to put away falsehood and speak the truth: the duty to guard the truth springs from the need not to belie the mutual relationship of communion. Truth is revealed in communion. Lies, on the other hand, are a selfish refusal to recognize that we are members of one body; they are a refusal to give ourselves to others, thus losing the only way to find ourselves.

The metaphor of the body and the members leads us to reflect on our identity, which is based on communion and on "otherness". As Christians, we all recognize ourselves as members of the one body whose head is Christ. This helps us not to see people as potential competitors, but to consider even our enemies as persons. We no longer need an adversary in order to define ourselves, because the all-encompassing gaze we learn from Christ leads us to discover otherness in a new way, as an integral part and condition of relationship and closeness.

Such a capacity for understanding and communication among human persons is based on the communion of love among the divine Persons. God is not Solitude, but Communion; he is Love, and therefore communication, because love always communicates; indeed, it communicates itself in order to encounter

the other. In order to communicate with us and to communicate himself to us, God adapts himself to our language, establishing a real dialogue with humanity throughout history (cf. Second Vatican Ecumenical Council, Dogmatic Constitution *Dei Verbum*, 2).

By virtue of our being created in the image and likeness of God who is communion and communication-of-Self, we carry forever in our hearts the longing for living in communion, for belonging to a community. “Nothing, in fact, is as specific to our nature as entering into a relationship one with another, having need of one another,” says Saint Basil.

The present context calls on all of us to invest in relationships, and to affirm the interpersonal nature of our humanity, including in and through the network. All the more so, we Christians are called to manifest that communion which marks our identity as believers. Faith itself, in fact, is a relationship, an encounter; and under the impetus of God's love, we can communicate, welcome and understand the gift of the other and respond to it.

Communion in the image of the Trinity is precisely what distinguishes the person from the individual. From faith in God who is Trinity, it follows that in order to be myself I need others. I am truly human, truly personal, only if I relate to others. In fact, the word “person” signifies the human being as a “face”, whose face is turned towards the other, who is engaged with others. Our life becomes more human insofar as its nature becomes less individual and more personal; we see this authentic path of becoming more human in one who moves from being an *individual* who perceives the other as a rival, to a *person* who recognizes others as travelling companions.

*From a “like” to an “amen”*

The image of the body and the members reminds us that the use of the *social web* is complementary to an encounter in the flesh that comes alive through the body, heart, eyes, gaze, breath of the other. If the Net is used as an extension or expectation of such an encounter, then the network concept is not betrayed and remains a gether seek out the good to rediscover what unites us, then it is a

August 30 Isaiah 33 - 34 Proverbs 22:17 - 22:29 1 Cor. 11:1 -11:16  
August 31 Isaiah 35 - 36 Proverbs 23:1 - 23:18 1 Cor. 11:17 -11:34  
September 01 Isaiah 37 - 38 Proverbs 23:19 - 23:35 1 Cor 12  
September 02 Isaiah 39 - 40 Proverbs 24:1 - 24:18 1 Corinthians 13  
September 03 Isaiah 41 -42 Proverbs 24:19 - 24:34 1 Cor. 14:1 -20  
September 04 Isaiah 43 - 44 Proverbs 25:1 - 25:14 1 Cor. 14:21 -40  
September 05 Isaiah 45-46 Proverbs 25:15 - 25:28 1 Cor. 15:1 28  
September 06 Isaiah 47 - 48 Proverbs 26:1 - 26:14 1 Cor 15:29 58  
September 07 Isaiah 49 - 50 Proverbs 26:15 - 26:28 1 Cor. 16  
September 08 Isaiah 51 - 52 Proverbs 27:1 - 27:14 2 Corinthians 1  
September 09 Isaiah 53 - 54 Proverbs 27:15 - 27:27 2 Corinthians 2  
September 10 Isaiah 55 - 56 Proverbs 28:1 - 28:14 2 Corinthians 3  
September 11 Isaiah 57 - 58 Proverbs 28:15 - 28:28 2 Corinthians 4  
September 12 Isaiah 59 - 60 Proverbs 29:1 - 29:14 2 Corinthians 5  
September 13 Isaiah 61 - 62 Proverbs 29:15 - 29:27 2 Corinthians 6  
September 14 Isaiah 63-64 Proverbs 30:1 - 30:17 2 Corinthians 7  
September 15 Isaiah 65 - 66 Proverbs 30:18 - 30:33 2 Corinthians 8  
September 16 Jeremiah 1-2 Proverbs 31:1 -31:31 2 Corinthians 9  
September 17 Jeremiah 3-4 Ecclesiastes 1 2 Corinthians 10  
September 18 Jeremiah 5-6 Ecclesiastes 2 2 Corinthians 11:1-11  
September 19 Jeremiah 7-8 Ecclesiastes 3 2 Cor. 11:16 -11:33  
September 20 Jeremiah 9-10 Ecclesiastes 4 2 Corinthians 12  
September 21 Jeremiah 11-12 Ecclesiastes 5 2 Corinthians 13  
September 22 Jeremiah 13-14 Ecclesiastes 6 Galatians 1  
September 23 Jeremiah 15-16 Ecclesiastes 7 Galatians 2  
September 24 Jeremiah 17-18 Ecclesiastes 8 Galatians 3  
September 25 Jeremiah 19-20 Ecclesiastes 9 Galatians 4  
September 26 Jeremiah 21 - 22 Ecclesiastes 10 Galatians 5  
September 27 Jeremiah 23 - 24 Ecclesiastes 11 Galatians 6  
September 28 Jeremiah 25 - 26 Ecclesiastes 12 Ephesians 1  
September 29 Jeremiah 27 - 28 Song of Songs 1 Ephesians 2  
September 30 Jeremiah 29 - 30 Song of Songs 2 Ephesians 3



**BIBLE Vaachan Varsh 2019**  
**Read the whole Bible in a Year**  
**Reading for August &September**

August 01 Judith 1-2 Proverbs 8:1 - 8:21 Romans 4  
August 02 Judith 3-4 Proverbs 8:22 - 8:36 Romans 5  
August 03 Judith 5-6 Proverbs 9:1 - 9:12 Romans 6  
August 04 Judith 7-8 Proverbs 9:13 - 9:18 Romans 7  
August 05 Judith 9-10 Proverbs 10:1 -10:13 Romans 8:1 - 8:21  
August 06 Judith 11-12 Proverbs 10:14 -10:32 Romans 8:22 - 8:39  
August 07 Judith 13-14 Proverbs 11:1-11:15 Romans 9:1 - 9:15  
August 08 Judith 15-16 Proverbs 11:16 -11:31 Romans 9:16 - 9:33  
August 09 Esther 1-2 Proverbs 12:1 -12:14 Romans 10  
August 10 Esther 3-4 Proverbs 12:15 -12:28 Romans 11:1 -11:18  
August 11 Esther 5-6 Proverbs 13:1 -13:12 Romans 11:19-11:36  
August 12 Esther 7-8 Proverbs 13:13 -13:25 Romans 12  
August 13 Esther 9 -10 Proverbs 14:1 -14:18 Romans 13  
August 14 Isaiah 1-2 Proverbs 14:19 -14:35 Romans 14  
August 15 Isaiah 3-4 Proverbs 15:1 -15:18 Romans 15:1 -15:13  
August 16 Isaiah 5-6 Proverbs 15:19 -15:33 Romans 15:14 -15:33  
August 17 Isaiah 7-8 Proverbs 16:1 -16:16 Romans 16  
August 18 Isaiah 9-10 Proverbs 16:17 -16:33 1 Corinthians 1  
August 19 Isaiah 11 -12 Proverbs 17:1 -17:14 1 Corinthians 2  
August 20 Isaiah 13-14 Proverbs 17:15 -17:28 1 Corinthians 3  
August 21 Isaiah 15-16 Proverbs 18:1 -18:12 1 Corinthians 4  
August 22 Isaiah 17 -18 Proverbs 18:13 -18:24 1 Corinthians 5  
August 23 Isaiah 19 - 20 Proverbs 19:1 -19:15 1 Corinthians 6  
August 24 Isaiah 21 - 22 Proverbs 19:16 -19:29 1 Cor. 7:1 - 7:19  
August 25 Isaiah 23 - 24 Proverbs 20:1 - 20:15 1 Cor. 7:20 - 7:40  
August 26 Isaiah 25 - 26 Proverbs 20:16 - 20:30 1 Corinthians 8  
August 27 Isaiah 27 - 28 Proverbs 21:1 - 21:16 1 Corinthians 9  
August 28 Isaiah 29 - 30 Proverbs 21:17-21:31 1 Cor. 10:1 -10:18  
August 29 Isaiah 31 - 32 Proverbs 22:1 - 22:16 1 Cor. 10:19 -10:33

resource for communion. If a family uses the Net to be more connected, to then meet at table and look into each other's eyes, then it is a resource. If a Church community coordinates its activity through the network, and then celebrates the Eucharist together, then it is a resource. If the Net becomes an opportunity to share stories and experiences of beauty or suffering that are physically distant from us, in order to pray together and together seek out the good to rediscover what unites us, then it is a resource.

We can, in this way, move from diagnosis to treatment: opening the way for dialogue, for encounter, for “smiles” and expressions of tenderness... This is the network we want, a network created not to entrap, but to liberate, to protect a communion of people who are free. The Church herself is a network woven together by Eucharistic communion, where unity is based not on “likes”, but on the truth, on the “Amen”, by which each one clings to the Body of Christ, and welcomes others.

**FRANCIS**

**Pope's Prayer Intention**

**JULY**

The Integrity of Justice

That those who administer justice may work with integrity, and that the injustice which prevails in the world may not have the last word.

**AUGUST**

Families, Schools of Human Growth

That families, through their life of prayer and love, become ever more clearly “schools of true human growth”.

**SEPTEMBER**

The Protection of the Oceans

That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans.

**"Walls do not create prisons"**

**Prison Ministry Sunday**

**11 August 2019**

**Pastoral Letter**

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Jesus Christ,

On 17 March 1887, Marie Regnault, a prominent Parisian woman was found dead on the floor of her chamber, her throat cut and her body terribly mutilated. Lying near the door was the dead body of Annette, her servant whose throat had also been cut. On her bed was lifeless little Marie, the servant's daughter. The New York Times reported that the motive was robbery of jewelry. Within a week police caught Pranzini, the culprit and he was condemned to death for the triple murder.

**St Therese of Lisieux**

St. Therese of Lisieux was just 14 at the time, but she felt compelled to intervene. In her autobiography, The Story of a Soul she wrote that she felt that Pranzini would die impenitent. She wanted at all costs to keep him from falling into hell. She offered to God all the infinite merits of Our Lord and offered Holy Masses and mortifications to redeem Pranzini. On 1st September 1887 Therese read in the paper that when he was about to put his head into the device, he turned, took hold of the crucifix the priest was holding out to him, and kissed the sacred wounds three times! Then his soul went to receive the merciful sentence of him who declares that in heaven there will be more joy over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine who have no need of repentance (Lk 15: 7).

**Prison Ministry Our Responsibility**

Like St Therese of Lisieux, we Catholics have a great responsibility to liberate and redeem prisoners from eternal damnation. Have you ever thought of the plight of prisoners? Their suffering, humiliation, hopelessness, helplessness, frustration, and inhuman situations? Often, prisons are overcrowded, understaffed, unhygienic, and underfunded. Have you ever prayed for them, written a letter to them, and visited them? To remind us of this significant task, every year the Indian

**50 GOLDEN YEARS!**

The Missionary Congregation of the Daughters of St. Thomas (DST) is the first Missionary Congregation for women in the Syro-Malabar Church. DST is dedicated to promote the missionary activities of the Church taking inspiration from the compassionate love of Jesus. DST-Congregation

DST takes up missionary apostolate among peoples and groups giving preference of those areas where the merciful glimpse of Jesus has not yet reached explicitly. The members are engaged in collective apostolate such as pastoral care, catechetics, formal and non-formal education, hospitals and dispensaries, family apostolate, social work, training and rehabilitation of the mentally challenged, physically handicapped, caring of the aged, prison ministry, social empowerment of the weak and the women, tribals and marginalized and the like which directly or indirectly involve all walks of life.

The founder of DST is the charismatic and zealous priest Very Reverend Father Jacob Thazhathel. Having been founded at Aruvithura, Kerala, South India on July 03, 1969 our Congregation has 322 professed sisters, witnessing the Gospel in different countries. DST has 82 candidates under 5 stages of formation in 8 centers in the states of Kerala, Madhya Pradesh and Meghalaya of India.

DST has got two provinces namely Santhome Province Pala and St. Thomas Province Ujjain. Santhome Province Pala is spread over the Dioceses of Pala, Kanjirapally, Idukki, Kalyan, Satna, Thamarassery, Palakkad, Tura and Gauhati having the Provincial House at Chethimattam, Pala. St. Thomas Province Ujjain is spread over the Dioceses of Ujjain, Bijnor, Chanda, Ernakulam, Kothamangalam, Thamarassery, Adilabad, Thalassery, and Sagar having the Provincial House at Khilchipur, Ujjain.

DST Sisters are rendering their service in Wardha parish as well as in the Christ Hospital. CHANDA FAMILY congratulates and wishes all the best to DST Sisters on the occasion of Golden Jubilee of their Congregation.

5.15.2. Individuals with the knowledge of sexual offences against minors and vulnerable adults shall report the case to the Eparchial Complaint Committee and also the civil authorities as required by the law.

5.16. "The Procedural Norms for dealing with cases involving Sexual Abuse of Minors" promulgated by the CBCI on 1st October, 2015 shall be followed by the eparchy in the matter of reporting of and dealing with cases involving sexual offences against minors and vulnerable adults.

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### **Major Seminarians' Diocesan Formation Programme 2019 (MSDFP)**

The Major Seminarians' Diocesan Formation Programme (MSDFP) of Chanda was held from 29 April to 11 May 2019 at Bishop's Home campus, Ballarpur. The first week was specially set apart for language study. Fr. Satish Jamnik and Fr. Antony Munjanattu conducted Hindi Class for the students. There were also presentations of assignments and Marathi speeches. There was manual labor every day - cleaning Bishop's Home campus. In the second week the philosophy students continued manual labor and the students of theology and regents went to SVG for their retreat in preparation for the reception of Diaconate, Minor Orders and Vestition. Everyone had personal meeting with the Bishop. Bp. Ephrem and Fr. Binu met with the seminarians at different occasions for instructions, guidance and friendly chats. The minor Orders were conferred on 11 May in the Cathedral, Ballarpur.

Diaconate: Bro. Benson Puthenpurackal and Bro. Jose Zade

*Karoyusa*/Acolyte: Bros. Joby Illimoottil, Tiji Karakkunnel & Josekutty Tathampally

Vestition: Bros. Naveen Kallaprampil, Linto Vallathukaran, Deepak Tirkey, Vishal Jangam, Alwyn Vattamkattil

Congratulations to each one of them. Parents and relatives of a few brothers along with number of Rev. Fathers and Sisters attended conferring of minor Orders held in the cathedral which was officiated by Bp. Ephrem Nariculam. Parents and relatives had a mission tour to a few of the stations in and around Balharshah. Thanks to everyone for co-operation.

Catholic Church dedicates the second Sunday of August for the incarcerated, known as Prison Ministry Sunday. According to the Institute for Criminal Policy Research (ICPR) report on 30 September 2018 there are 10,743,619 prisoners worldwide and 4, 19,623 brethren behind the bars in India. It is our duty to pray for them, visit them, and help them in their process of release, reformation, rehabilitation and redemption. For prisoners are our own brethren created in the image and likeness of God (Gen 1:27).

### **Prison Ministry India**

To guide you in prison ministry, we have Prison Ministry India (PMI), a voluntary organization for the integral development of prisoners, their victims and families working under the Justice, Peace and Development Commission (JPDC) of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of India (CBCI). PMI volunteers visit brethren behind the bars regularly and build relationships with both staff and inmates. Every diocese has its office and a priest is appointed as its director to coordinate the ministry. Most of the major seminaries have prayer groups who organize liturgical ceremonies, cultural programs and extend spiritual, psychological and material assistance to prisoners. PMI has more than 30 rehabilitation centers in different states where released prisoners who are committed to renewing their lives can come and stay for their reformation and rehabilitation. I am happy to note that many religious communities come forward to take this challenging work of prisoners' release, reformation, rehabilitation and redemption. While I wholeheartedly appreciate them on behalf of the CBCI, I would also like to invite the laity to do prison ministry in association with the PMI volunteers and thereby acquire your ticket to heaven. For Jesus said, "Come, you that are blessed by my father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world ... for I was in prison and you visited me (Mt 25: 34-36). "Just as you did to one of the least of these who are members of my family you did it to me" (Mt 25: 40).

### **Jesus' Mission**

Prison is a place where criminals are sent as punishment

by the judicial system with the intention to reform them. We may not like prison and prisoners. But Jesus was not like us. He loved prisoners, prostitutes, tax collectors, sinners and criminals in a special way and shed His blood to redeem them. He said, “the tax collectors and prostitutes are going into the Kingdom of God ahead of you” (Mt 21: 31). He visited the tax booth of Mathew, called him and made him His disciple. While He was eating with sinners and tax collectors, Jesus declared that He had come to call not the righteous but sinners for repentance (Lk 5: 32). Jesus proclaimed publicly His commitment to the prisoners in the Synagogue of Nazareth “He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives” (Lk 4:18). He revealed to us that He Himself lives in the hungry, thirsty, stranger, naked, sick, and prisoner (Mt 25: 31-46).

### **Walls Do Not Make Prisons**

The theme of the 2019 Prison Ministry Sunday is Walls Do Not Create Prisons. This title is taken from Richard Lovelace's poem entitled “ To Althea, from Prison.” He wrote this poem in 1642 while imprisoned in the Gatehouse Prison adjoining Westminster Abbey and meant that stone walls and iron bars may prevent a person from moving freely in their body, but if they can still love freely, whoever they want and let their thoughts fly free, then in heart, mind and soul, they are free. Incarceration will not lock up one's thoughts, imagination, dreams, visions, insights, plans, and projects. If you have the right frame of mind - if your mind is innocent and quiet, then what others see as a prison can be a refuge, a hermitage, an ashram where reformations and revolutions can take place. For nothing will be impossible with God (Lk 1:37).

### **No Friend But the Mountains**

Behrouz Boochani, an Iranian Kurd and an asylum seeker who was detained for years on Papua New Guinea's Manus Island, is the best example for someone who lived the theme *Walls do not create Prisons*. From Manus Detention Center he wrote a book *No Friend But the Mountains* by text messaging through WhatsApp to his friend. This book won the 2019 Victorian Prize for Literature, worth A\$ 100,000, Australia's

rectory or other living quarters of priests, unless the minor is accompanied by parent or an adult entrusted by the parent.

5.8.2. The minor/vulnerable adults is not alone with the church personnel in a residence, sleeping facility, locker room, rest room, dressing facility or other closed room or in an isolated area.

5.8.3. There is no physical disciplining of a minor/vulnerable adults. Corporal punishment is never acceptable. Disciplinary problems must be handled in co-ordination with the parents of the minor.

5.8.4. Overnight trips alone with a minor/vulnerable adults should be avoided.

5.8.5. Do not take photographs of the minors/vulnerable adults when they are unclothed or are dressing.

5.9. If a Church personnel observes that a minor/vulnerable adult is being abused by anyone (adult or minor), he/she shall take appropriate steps to intervene and to provide a safe environment to the victim.

5.10. If a Church personnel is accused of engaging in inappropriate conduct, he/she shall immediately notify the Eparchy and the Eparchial Complaint Committee.

5.11. While organizing events involving minors and vulnerable adults, adequate number of screened and trained adults shall be present for supervision.

5.12. Facilities for girls and boys shall be monitored during church services and all school and other activities.

5.13. Children shall not be released to strangers unless the parent or guardian requests in writing.

5.14. Only qualified drivers who satisfy all legal requirements to drive the vehicle may be engaged to drive any church/school vehicle or other vehicles chartered, rented or leased by the church/school/other institutions.

5.15. Church Personnel shall bear in mind and comply with the provisions in the POCSO Act 2012 regarding reporting of sexual offences:

5.15.1. Church personnel are bound to report cases of sexual offences to the authorities concerned and also to cooperate with the investigation by civil authorities.

- 5.3. Church Personnel shall refrain from viewing and exhibiting any sexually explicit or morally inappropriate material in the presence of minors and vulnerable adults. Such materials include magazines, photos, videos, films, recordings, computer software, computer/video games or printed materials.
- 5.4. Church Personnel shall not indulge in or encourage sexually offensive humour and conversation in the presence of minors and vulnerable adults.
- 5.5. Church Personnel shall not engage in physical, mental, psychological, written or verbal harassment of staff, volunteers or parishioners and shall not tolerate such harassment by other Church Personnel. Harassment encompasses a broad range of behaviour including, but not limited to, the following:
- 5.5.1. Physical or mental abuse
  - 5.5.2. Unwelcome sexual advances or touching
  - 5.5.3. Sexual comments or sexual jokes
  - 5.5.4. Requesting for sexual favours as a condition for employment, promotion, service benefits, compensation etc.
- 5.6. Professionalism requires that adults maintain clear boundaries in their relationship with the minors and vulnerable adults they are serving. For example:
- 5.6.1. Excessive familiarity or intimacy between adults and minors is not permitted;
  - 5.6.2. Adults should not relate to minors, as if they are peers or friends;
  - 5.6.3. Adults may not give such undue attention or favourable treatment to a minor or group of minors which will indicate a special relationship or a favourite status.
- 5.7. In the matter of physical contact between adults and minors, a high degree of caution must be applied. Physical contact must be very strictly limited. Adults should ensure that there is no inappropriate physical contact with minors. Physical contact must be entirely non-sexual and incapable of being misconstrued by the minor or others.
- 5.8. Working with minors/vulnerable adults, Church personnel shall ensure that:
- 5.8.1. No minor/vulnerable adults shall reside in any church the

richest literary prize. In response to winning the award, he said “We are forgotten people thrown on forgotten islands. I write in isolation with 700 other people who are hidden on a remote island in the north of Papua New Guinea. My goal has always been to make people in Australia and around the world clearly aware of the systematic torture of innocent people on the islands of Manus and Nauru for six years”.

#### **Liu Xiaobo (1955- 2017)**

Liu Xiaobo is another example of someone who lived in prison but beyond its walls. Known as Chinas Nelson Mandela, he was a writer, literary critic, human rights activist, and Nobel Peace Prize laureate who called for political reforms in China. He was incarcerated as a political prisoner in Jinzhou, Liaoning. During his fourth prison term, Liu was awarded the 2010 Nobel Peace Prize for “his long and non-violent struggle for fundamental human rights in China”. He said that freedom of expression is the foundation of human rights, the source of humanity and the mother of truth. Like Mahatma Gandhi he stood for non-violent resistance and taught that even as man is faced with tyranny and suffering, he shall respond to hate with love, prejudice with tolerance, arrogance with humility, humiliation with dignity, and violence with reason.

#### **Pope Francis**

His Holiness Pope Francis on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2019, during a penitential liturgy at Las Garzas de Pacora detention center for minors, in Panama, denounced how society puts up “invisible walls” to marginalize sinners and criminals. In his homily, the Holy Father exhorted, “I invite you not to build walls but bridges to conquer evil with good, offence with forgiveness, and to live in peace with everyone”. Let us join hands with Pope Francis in his attempt to abolish Capital punishment worldwide because it is “an attack” on human dignity.

#### **Wall-Less Prison**

In this context CBCI would like to appreciate one of the novel steps introduced by the Indian prison administration, the

novel steps introduced by the Indian prison administration, the Wall-less prison or the Open Air Camps. Self-responsibility plays a greater role in such system. Eligible convicted prisoners are sent to open air camps with the objective of making them learn self-dependence by lawful means of livelihood and social interaction. These half way homes have changed the scenario of prison discipline as the prisoner becomes more rule abiding and relaxed when living with family. The presence of family avoids many unwanted distractions that a person may otherwise indulge in.

### Conclusion

Through the celebration of Prison Ministry Sunday, the Church wants to affirm to each one of those 4,19,623 prisoners held inside 1401 prisons in India that walls do not make prisons. What matters is our attitude, our perception, our vision, our outlook, our acceptance of the will of God! Dear brothers and sisters in prison, we walk with you, pray for you and support you. God is your stronghold, He will restore your life. Dear brothers and sisters outside the prison, let us hear the cry of prisoners and try our best to respond with our prayer, presence and assistance like St Therese of Lisieux. As the Letter to the Hebrews says, "Remember those who are in prison as though you were in prison with them" (Heb 13:2). Along with my brother Bishops, I express my sincere gratitude for the generous contribution towards this ministry and acknowledge the dedicated service of PMI volunteers in liberating, reforming, rehabilitating and redeeming prisoners. May the patron saint of Prison Ministry India, St. Maximilian Kolbe guide you and may Mary our Blessed Mother be always there to protect you.

Bishop Allwyn D'Silva  
Chairman of Prison Ministry India

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| iv. Std IV     | - जीवनाचा झरा                        |
| v. Std V       | - तारणाऱ्याची वाट पाहणारे लोक        |
| vi. Std VI     | - लोक ज्यांनी येशूचा अनुभव घेतला     |
| vii. Std VII   | - येशूची शिकवणूक                     |
| viii. Std VIII | - ख्रिस्तसभा परमेश्वराचे लोक         |
| ix. Std IX     | - ख्रिस्तसभा आराधना करणाऱ्यांचा समूह |
| x. Std X       | - ख्रिस्तसभा प्रेषितांचा समूह        |
2. सदासहायिनी मातेची नोव्हेना प्रार्थना - Novena to our lady of perpetual succour
  3. क्रुसाच्या वाटेची भक्ती - Stations of the cross Marathi
  4. क्रुस का रास्ता - Stations of the cross Hindi
  5. प्रार्थनांजली - Collection of daily prayers in Marathi
  6. प्रार्थना मालिका - Collection of daily prayers in Hindi
  7. पवित्र बलिदान (कुरबान) - Holy Qurbana text, Marathi
  8. पवित्र बलिदान (कुरबान) - Holy Qurbana text, Hindi

Fr. Kurian Panayalil  
Director, CLC  
Diocese of Chanda

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

### **Extract**

#### **5. CODE OF CONDUCT**

- 5.1. Church Personnel shall adhere to all applicable Civil Laws, the Canon Law, professional code of conduct and ethical norms so as to prevent and deal with cases of sexual assault or harassment of minors and vulnerable adults.
- 5.2. Church Personnel shall seek to provide a safe environment to the minors and the vulnerable adults which is just, non-discriminatory, free from all forms of sexual abuse or exploitation and ensuring their dignity and personal safety.

1.30 pm. Fr. Justin also gave one day seminar on 29 April for the Diocesan Major Seminarians from 9.30 am to 4.00 pm. Fathers, Sisters and the seminarians greatly appreciated his sharings as they were practical, creative and contextually oriented towards our mission in Chanda. Thanks to Fr. Justin and to all the participants.



**Catechetical Liturgical Committee (CLC)**  
(See also back cover page of the current issue of *Chanda Samachar*)

The following are the activities and publications of the CLC of Diocese of Chanda.

I. Activities

1. Distribution of Holy Bibles in Marathi, Hindi and English.
2. Publication of *Chanda Jyothi* twice a year - a Marathi leaf-let for diocesan and Church news for the people.
3. Publication of Catechetical and Liturgical books.
4. Providing religious articles as required.
5. Formation of Catechists' seminar, retreats etc.
6. Co-ordination of children's catechism in the diocese.
7. Conducting periodical home mission in the parishes.
8. Co-ordinating Family Apostolate activities - Couples' seminar, Family Counselling etc.
9. Retreats and seminars in the diocesan, zonal and parish level for the people, the youth and the children.
10. Pre-cana Course - for the youth who are getting ready for marriage.
11. Marriage Bureau - *Vadu Vara Mela* is also conducted occasionally.
12. Holy Childhood Association - It is conducted by CLC to instil devotion to Infant Jesus among the Children.

II. Publications

1. Marathi Catechism Books are published for Std. I to X
  - i. Std I - परमेश्वर आमचा निर्माणकर्ता
  - ii. Std II - परमेश्वर आमचा मुक्तिदाता
  - iii. Std III - परमेश्वर आमचा जीवनदाता

<b>V. CURIA MATTERS</b>				
<b>Transfers/Appointments</b>				
Sl No	Name	From/Relieved	To/Appointed	W.E.F.
1	Fr. Vigil Parassery	Asst. Parish Priest Cathedral	_____	24 June 2019
2	Fr. Nikhil Chakiath		Asst. Parish Priest, Cathedral Asst. to House Administrator, Bishop's Home Bishop's Office (Part time) Assisting Vocation promotion	24 June 2019
3	Fr. Siju Koalthabrayil MST	_____	Priest-in-charge, Nandgaon	24 June 2019
4	Fr. Tony Blayil RCJ		Asst. Parish priest, Brahmapuri	24 June 2019
5	Fr. Paulson Kunnath CMF		Asst. Parish priest, Wardha	24 June 2019
6	Fr. Jimmy Kootala	Director CLC	Pastoral ministry in Germany (13/08/2019)	24 June 2019
7	Fr. Kurian Panayalil		Director CLC	24 June 2019
8	Fr. Bibin Thekkekara	Director, Talent Club Priest-in-charge, Nandgaon Asst. Director, Youth	Director, Vianney Bhavan, Kodakara Vocation Promoter	24 June 2019

9	Fr. Roby Thaliparampil	Vocation Promoter	Priest-in-charge, Nandgaon (Additional)	24 June 2019
10	Fr. Antony Munjanattu		Director, Talent Club (Additional)	29 April 2019 29 April 2019
11	Fr. Vivek Puthenpurackal		Asst. Director, Youth (Additional) Asst. Vocation Promoter (Additional)	24 June 2019
<p>Sr. Seena DM - Health Coordinator - 15 May 2019</p> <p><b>Regents</b></p> <p>1. Bro. Abhilash Kurangattu - Ettapally  2. Bro. Christo Kavil - Wasa  3. Bro. Ajay Puthukkattuchira - Bishop's Home  Asst. House Administrator - May 12  4. Bro. Joseph Jumde - SVG - May 12  5. Bro. James Ekka - Mul - May 12  6. Bro. Pramod Godselwar - LSSS &amp; Kalabhavan - May 12  7. Bro. Josey Kollampampil - Warur - 24 June  8. Bro. Tojith Thomas CMF - Aksapur - 24 June</p>				

Project Director's office.

13. Direct projects to different agencies as required.

14. Visit project sites, if necessary, and give necessary guidance and submit a progress report to bishop/curia as required.

Fr. Pius Ananiurumbil is appointed Project Director for the diocese of Chanda w.e.f 29 April 2019. From June 1 onwards he is available in the office in the Bishop's Home from 9.00 am to 5.00 pm on Mondays and Tuesdays. He may be available in the evening hours on Mondays as well. It is highly recommended to meet him with prior appointment to make sure his availability. Ph: 07030798366, 09422136287,

Fr. Vigil Parassery  
Vice-Chancellor



**MISSION SEMINAR: A Report  
(26-27, April 2019)**

A mission seminar was held on 26 and 27 April 2019 at Cathedral, Ballarpur for all missionaries of Chanda diocese. In two days, not less than one hundred Rev. Fathers and Sisters participated in the seminar. It was a re-visiting of Living missionary Vocation in the Eparchy of Chanda. Fr. Justin Vettukallel MST, the seminar facilitator enriched the participants by arousing interest to deepen their missionary consciousness and commitment through re-vitalizing the existing methods by explaining the new ways of doing mission in Chanda. Fr. Justin focussed attention on a paradigm shift from *ad gentes* mission to *intra-gentes* mission, from one-way proclamation to two-way track - proclaiming and listening, thus making our mission comprehensive and cordial. Bp. Ephrem welcomed Fr. Justin and the gathering on both days and started the session with prayer. Fr. Dinny OFM Cap and Fr. KD Chacko proposed vote of thanks on two days of seminar respectively. The sessions started at 10.00 and ended with lunch at



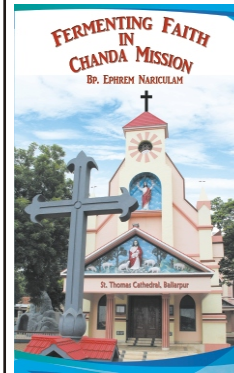
## PROJECT DIRECTOR

(Consultant and Co-ordinator of Projects for parishes and the diocesan institutions)

### Job description

1. Any Priest-in-Charge of parishes or diocesan institutions is free to avail his services.
2. At the request of Bishop/Curia/Individual priest or religious he is to prepare the projects. However, it is highly recommended that a nutshell of the project is presented to him or required information is provided with.
3. The estimate is to be collected by the individual priest or concerned person as directed.
4. The project director is to co-ordinate project implementation as per project stipulations:-
  - i. Make sure that the project stipulations are strictly followed and if not it should be intimated to the bishop.
  - ii. Make sure that the interim report is sent within six months of the receipt of first instalment.
  - iii. Completion report is to be sent within three months of the completion of the project. It should be accompanied with all necessary documents: bills, vouchers, photos, audit statement etc. as directed by the donor agency
5. Please keep a project copy in the Project Director's office, in Bishop's office as well as in the respective station/institution.
6. Follow up the project as required, with regard to audited report, adherence to project stipulations, time frame-work etc.
7. Inform Bishop's office regarding project completion and transfer the report to respective files.
8. Update the projects under pending to the bishop and submit in every six months a project status to the Curia.
9. Explore possibilities of new projects from different agencies and inform the bishop of the same.
10. Update all running projects in every six months.
11. Obtain budget of the project in advance, duly approved by the donating agency.
12. Make necessary entries to the project directory preserved in

## BOOK RELEASE



A booklet on Chanda missionary endeavours ***FERMENTING FAITH IN CHANDA MISSION*** authored by Bp. Ephrem Nariculam will be released on 12 August 2019 during Missionary Conference. In 60 pages it contains the success story of the mission experiments of the Syro-Malabar Church under the auspices of the CMI missionaries from Kerala. It is a story of "blossoming and blooming of the desert" under the able leadership of Bp. Januarius Palathuruthy CMI, the founder and architect of

Chanda. The novel strategy in mission methodology, the progress of the mission in the last 57 years, the new initiatives to accommodate the dire needs of the time, the wide-range mission activities in nutshell, the places of interest within the territory of the diocese, pictorial glimpse of mission activities etc make the work comprehensive and gives a total picture of the Chanda mission in succinct. The booklet will be released on 12 August 2019, on the day of Missionary Conference. Hearty Congratulations to the author Bp. Ephrem Nariculam for his devoted effort in bringing out the booklet for the missionaries and the well wishers of Chanda.

### Special Remembrances

**4 August:** - The first Sunday of August is observed in the diocese as the day of Chanda Heavenly Brethren day in parish level.

**4 August:** The Sunday after 4th August is celebrated in the diocese as **Priest Sunday**. This year 4th is a Sunday. Priests-in-charge are requested to celebrate it fittingly in every parish.

**15 August:-** Establishment day of Chanda Mission. The Sunday after 15 August is celebrated in the diocese as Chanda Establishment Day. Please announce in the church and make a special collection for the same. Kindly make sure that the amount reaches DFO latest by 30 September 2019.

### **BIBLE VAACHAN VARSH**

*Bible Vaachan Varsh* activities are going on well is the report from the different corners of the diocese. Some have taken it very seriously and doing it quite well. It is greatly appreciated. The Audio-Visual Department is doing a great job by reaching everyone in the diocese by their regular information of daily readings in their website. Fr. Vincent Pangola, the director AVD deserves our gratitude and appreciation for his laudable job. May I once again request everyone in the diocese to avail this opportunity to accomplish the target of the *Bible Vachan Varsh* 2019, particularly to develop a habit of Bible reading daily. Please continue taking great interest so as to make it a great success.

Bp. Ephrem Nariculam

### **FORTH COMING DIOCESAN COLLECTIONS**

**July 3 - Sabhadhinam**

**August 18 - Chanda Foundation Day**

Please remind these in the church and forward the collection to Diocesan Finance Officer not later than a month after having made the collection in the church.

### **FASTING**

Two Fasting in preparation for two important feasts are round the corner. Fifteen days fasting for the feast of Assumption of Blessed Virgin Mary (August 1-15) and Eight days fast for the feast of Nativity of Blessed Mother (September 1-8). Let the intercession of Mother Mary be with us always.

### **MISSIONARY CONFERENCE**

**Date: 12 August 2019**

**Venue: Cathedral, Ballarpur**

#### **Schedule**

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| 09.00 AM | - Adoration (Facility for confession)  |
| 10.00 AM | - Talk<br>Fr. Joshy Pazhukkathara CMI  |
| 11.30 AM | - Holy Qurbana,<br>Inauguration of Holy Childhood Association,<br>Book Release - <b>“Fermenting Faith in Chanda Mission”</b> by Bp. Ephrem Nariculam |
| 01.00 PM | Prayer for the Dead in the Cemetery<br>- Lunch, Good Bye   |

### **FIAT EXHIBITION**



Vocation exhibition under the auspices of FIAT Mission was held at CIAL Golf club, Nedumbassery from 01 to 05 May 2019. Along with 60 others, the diocese of Chanda also put up a stall in the venue. Fr. Bibin Thekkekara coordinated it with the help of Bro. Jifin, Bro. Anto, Bro. Robin and Bro. Gerald. Thanks for their effort.