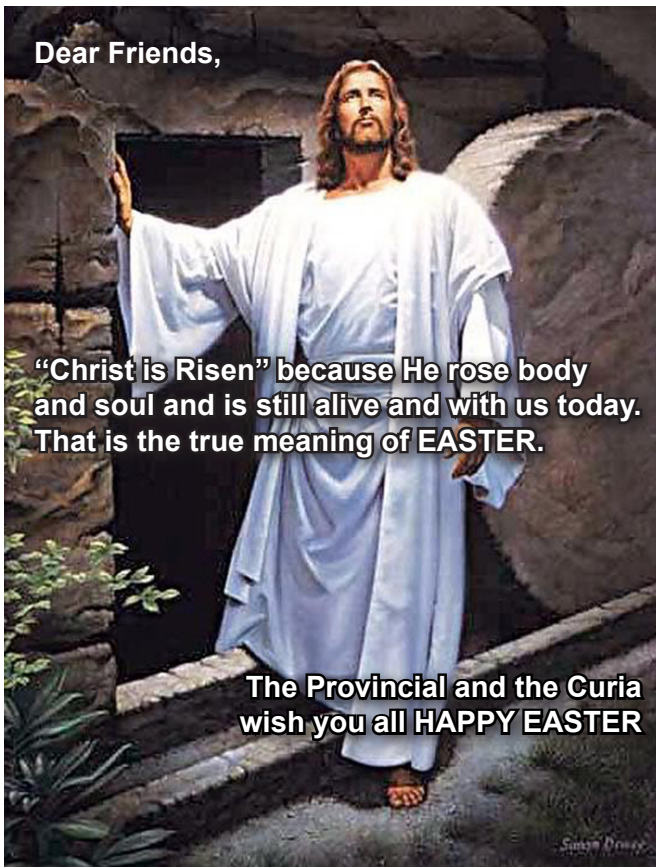




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Dear Friends,



“Christ is Risen” because He rose body and soul and is still alive and with us today. That is the true meaning of EASTER.

The Provincial and the Curia wish you all HAPPY EASTER

APPOINTED BY HOLY SEE

Fr Francis Serrao, Bishop of Shimoga. Father Serrao stepped down as the Provincial of the Karnataka Province

Fr Ernesto Globando, Bishop of Appiaria and Auxiliary Bishop of Buenos Aires ( Argentina)

APPOINTED BY FR GENERAL

Fr Stanislaus D’souza, the Provincial of Karnataka.

Fr Paramasivam S. Amalraj, the Provincial of Andhra

Fr Jakub Kolacz, the Provincial of the Southern Poland Province

Fr Francisco José Ruiz Pérez, the Provincial of Spain

APPOINTED BY FR POSA

Raj Irudaya (MDU) - Assistancy Delegate of Formation (ADF) (from 1 June 2014)

Arun Kumar (KAR) - Spiritual Director & Moderator of Philosophers, Papal Seminary, Pune (from 1 June 2014)

Caesar D’Cunha (GUJ) - Spiritual Director, De Nobili College, Pune (from 1 June 2014)

Christdhari Kujur (MAP) - Administrator & Treasurer, Jesuit Residence, Jor Bagh, Delhi (from 1 May 2014)

Edwin Rodrigues (BOM) -Faculty Member, Vidya Jyoti College, Delhi (from 1 June 2014)

Hermon Anthony (NEP) - Admin.& Treasurer, Sadhana Institute, Lonavla (from 1 August 2014)

Jerome Kerketta (JAM) -Tertianship, Shembaganur (June – Dec 2014)

Joy Pulikunnel (PAT) -Staff, Sadhana Institute, Lonavla (from 1 August 2014)

Patras Kujur (MAP) -Spiritual Director, Papal Seminary, Pune (from 1 June 2014)

Pravin Severeekar (BOM) -Staff, Sadhana Institute, Lonavla (from 1 April 2014)

Vincent Crasta (KAR) Registrar(Additional Responsibility), JDV, Pune (already assumed charge from 1 March 2014)

Alwyn Vaz (PAT) -Convenor of Conference of Jesuit Treasurers (COJET) (already assumed charge from 22 November 2013)

The South Asia Assistancy is deeply grateful to the following who have reverted / will revert to their Provinces after their dedicated service to the Common Houses and Works. Gratian Carlo (KHM), M.J. Victor (MDU), Thomas Rodrigues (HAZ), John W.Lobo (DAR), SwaminathanKrishnamurti (MDU), Selvam M. Xavier (MDU).

### ASSIGNMENTS & TRANSFERS

#### BY FR PROVINCIAL

Fr **Dominic Madathaniyil** – Acting Superior, St Michael's, Kannur

Fr **Joseph Edassery** – Acting Superior – SM Farm, Pariyaram

Fr **George R Kandathil** - Samanvaya, Kanjirapally

Fr **Augustine Kallungal** – AADI, Attappadi

Fr **Saji Kandassankunnel**– Prasanthi, Pachilakad

Fr **Sanil Mayilkunnel** – Loyola, Aluva

Fr **Jose Pulinthanath** – Christ Hall, Calicut

Fr **Babu Paul** – AICUF Centre, Trivandrum

Fr **Saji Joseph** –Loyola, Sreekariyam

Fr **Mathew Kannadan** – IRC, Pariyaram

Fr **C.T. Jose**–Loyola School, Mukundara

Fr **K.J. Thomas** – Loyola, Poovar

Fr **K.J. Mathew** – St Michael's, Kannur

Fr **V.C. George** – Pius X ITI, Edathua

Sch **Bastin Jose**– St Joseph's ICSE Junior School Unless & otherwise notified, all these transfers are to take place by the first week of May 2014.

### FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Fr Provincial has gone for a visit of France and to attend the diaconate of our men there and he will be back on 20 April. **During his absence the Socius will be the Acting Provincial.**

### PROVINCE ASSEMBLY - 2014

The Province Assembly will be held on **13-14 May 2014** in Christ Hall, Calicut. The first day is devoted to a seminar on "The suppression and Restoration of the Society of Jesus... Background, dynamics, lessons". Resource person is **Dr Alphonse Manickam, S.J.** (MDU). The Jubilee celebrations of our Jubilarians will be held on the next day.

**The Vision & Mission** document of our province and all its apostolates will be released on this occasion. Fr Provincial will interact with the Province members on the same day. All of ours are expected to join in this family gathering.

### PROVINCE RETREATS

The province is organizing 2 common retreats this year. **Fr M.J. Thomas** will direct a retreat at Christ Hall from **4-12 May 2014**. The retreat begins after supper on the 4<sup>th</sup> and ends at 4 p.m. on 12<sup>th</sup> May. **Fr Joe Pulickal** will direct a retreat at Sameeksha from **15-23 May 2014**. The retreat begins with supper on the 15<sup>th</sup> and ends at 4 p.m. on the 23<sup>rd</sup> May. The Province members are encouraged to take part in any one of these retreats.

### YOUNG PRIESTS' TRAINING PROGRAMME

All the young priests of our province will have their Ignatian Retreat Training Programme from **21-29 May 2014**, at Santhinilayam, Kottayam. **Frs Varghese Malpan** and **Jacob Madukakuzhy** are the resource persons. The programme begins with supper on 21 May and ends at 4 p.m. on 29 May.

### PROVINCIAL'S PROGRAMME

**APRIL – 2014**

03-20 Europe

24-30 JCSA Bhubaneswar

**MAY – 2014**

1-2 JCSA – Bhubaneswar

### FROM OUR INSTITUTIONS

#### CHRIST HALL, CALICUT

The members of the Christ Hall community refreshed themselves by spending a day out at

Sandbanks in Vadakara. A requiem Mass was held for Sch Jose Vallanattu on his first death anniversary. It was followed by the office of the dead and agape, which was attended by the friends and the family members of **Sch. Vallanattu**. Fr. Provincial shared with the community his experiences of his trip to Japan. The community bade farewell to **Fr George Kandathil, Sch. Rephin Kamal, Sch. Jose Pittapillil** and the Pre-Novices by hosting a grand dinner. **Fr Kurien Kunnumpuram** is back in the community after his stay at Pune for three months.

**Fr Jacob Madukakuzhy** guided the discernment retreat for the pre-novices. The Pre-Novices appeared for the All India English test. They also put up a captivating performance on the Pre-Novitiate Day which was attended by the members of the community as well as religious from nearby communities. Fr Provincial released the Pre-Novitiate magazine '**Nee Shabdham**' on that occasion.

*Jose Pittapillil*

#### LOYOLA, ALUVA

On 19 March, the feast of St Joseph, Patron of the Society, 1st Year Novices, **Amardeep, Henok** and **Nibin**, received cassocks, a sacred sign constantly reminding us that we have started a new way of life. On the same day, during the solemn Eucharistic celebration, **Fr Joseph Kallepallil**, Provincial, officially conferred on us the ministries of Lector & Acolyte. It was indeed a beautiful day. Fr Provincial returned from Japan just that morning, and his gracious presence brought much joy to our community. **Fathers Paul Vadakel, Mathew Nampiaparambil, Chacko Puthuparambil, Sabu Malayil, Wilson Mulackal, Roy Thottathil** and **Martin Puthussery**, representing our neighboring communities of Santhigram, Lumen and Sameeksha, too, came for the function, adding to our joy. **Mr Mathew**, our Music Master, too, blessed us with his presence. We are grateful to them all. The 2nd years took a lot of trouble in making the day beautiful and memorable. To cheer the 1st Years on this special occasion, they presented a much-appreciated shadow play on the Passion of Christ. On 20 March the entire Loyola Community went to Sameeksha, Kalady, to honour **Br Varkey Mampilly**, on his navathi. For us novices it was a moving experience.

On 21 March the 2nd year Novices left for their Hospital Experiment. **Libin & Sebin** were sent to Moolamkuzy, Fort Kochi, **Anjo & Joy** to Thuvvoor near Nilambur, and **Deslin** to Vellimadukunnu, Kozhikode. And the First years are scheduled to be sent for the Mission Experiment by the end of the month. We are eagerly looking forward to this experience.

**Fr Varghese Malpan** who was with us for a month left on 10 March for Samanvaya, Kanjirapally, his new community. Fr Malpan first unfolded before us different methods of prayer. Then he introduced to us some of the most important letters of our Holy Father, Ignatius. Thank you very much, Malpan Achan! Your classes and your presence were great blessings to us. Please do bless us in future, too. **Fr Jacob Madukakuzhy** returned to Loyola on the ides of March, after being away for a month and a half. He first directed a 30-day retreat to a group of Sisters in Bangalore; then he also guided our Pre novices in their Discernment Retreat. Welcome back, Jack Achan! We are certainly delighted to have you back! **Fr Saji** is as busy as ever with his multiple responsibilities despite a nagging back ache which has been troubling him for some time. He is undergoing treatment, including physiotherapy, to contain the pain.

*Nibin Manuel*

#### TUDI & SARVODAYA, EACHOME,

TUDI has been awarded with Institutional Garden honour with rupees 5000/- for bio-farming by the District Agricultural Department of Wayanad. We are also assured of continuous technical and financial support from this department. We have started harvesting in a great deal! Apart from this we have already launched bio-farming in one more acre open land and also grow-bags farming in semi poly house. It is a great encouragement for the staff and the members and associates of TUDI. Our aim is to propagate bio-farming. Another notable project we have undertaken is making TUDI drums, the folk instrument of the Paniya tribal community. TUDI kalasangam has great demand these days and we have performed on 6 stages during the month. Our programme has been recorded by the Doordarshan which will be telecast soon. At present we are in the thick of preparing for the TUDI Annual Day and Tribal Festival. Prior to this celebration a week-long folk theatre workshop has

begun in collaboration with ISI Bangalore. The construction of the tribal boarding is in progress.

**Fr Salvin** has joined the community after the successful completion of his Tertianship in Kandy, Sri Lanka and has assumed the responsibility of Minister. Biju is busy with HSS paper valuation camp. The school has been closed for summer holidays after the annual exams. We have planned a variety of summer programmes for the students. Fr George Thenadikulam and his parishioners paid a visit to Jesuit house and TUDI. They were highly impressed by the programme performed by the TUDI Kalasangam. The school auditorium construction is in progress but facing stringent financial constraints now.

*Salvin*

### **SAMEEKSHA, ATMAMITRA AND JEEVIKA, KALADY**

Two groups of seminarians made their retreat at Sameeksha under the guidance of **Frs Joe Pulickal** and **Fr M.J. Thomas**. Three inter-faith groups conducted seminars here on secular and ecological issues. **Fr Sebastian Painadath** attended the KCBC consultation on inter-religious dialogue.

Atmamitra team offered a three-day Youth Animators' Training Programme for Holy Cross Sisters at Kottiyam. **Fr Toby** guided a Jeevitha Darsana programme for students at Jeevodaya, Aluva. He also gave a one-day Teen Seminar at St Joseph's School, Pulluvazhy.

### **VOCATION PROMOTION: SPECIAL REQUEST**

**Fr Toby Joseph** requests you to pass on to him contacts of potential candidates and pre-novices from your family or ministry contacts. Also pray for good vocations! Kindly expect us as unannounced guests seeking accommodation.

### **AKJM & SAMANVAYA, KANJIRAPALLY**

The heavy days of examinations are over smoothly and the campus is calm and quiet now. The admission processes are on for the junior classes. We are happy to welcome **Fr Varghese Malpan** to our community; now the community has become more scholarly with his knowledge and enriching presence. We are also welcoming with open arms **Fr George R Kandathil** who has once again come to offer his services in Kanjirapally. Indeed he will

be an asset to the people around as well as for us Jesuits here. During lent, all of ours are busy helping out in various parishes for confessions and Holy Masses.

*Ramlal Thomas*

### **S.M.FARM, PARIYARAM**

'**Illam**' of **Samskriti** is getting a new look with the concerted work of **Fr Rajesh Jose**. Two wells were emptied and cleaned. A pond was cleared of mud together with thorough cleaning of inside and outside of Illam, thanks to two full days of work of 16 youth from Chundakara parish where Fr Rajesh was working and six ITC students under the leadership of **Fr Sunil**. Wiring inside was done by the ITC students; treatment of white ants was completed by a professional team; essential fencing was done. A few toilets are being built. In the nature of a programme, a group of children from neighboring L.P. school visited Illam where they were given talks on environment by a Forest Officer and Fr Rajesh. With noise and presence of human beings around, the neighbours are also taking interest in Illam. You are most welcome to visit this heritage building.

*Mathew Aertthayil*

### **ST XAVIER'S COLLEGE, THUMBA**

As the summer is reaching its peak and the sands turning red hot under the scorching sun, the College and XIM closed for summer vacation on 31 March. The vast and vibrant campus will remain silent and sober for the next two months till they reopen on 2 June. An atmosphere of serious study is prevailing now in the campus as the students are writing their university exams. Various activities like Youth Festival, Film Festival, Department Fests, Sports Day, Farewell to the Retiring Teachers and the Final Year Students, Programmes related to the Golden Jubilee Celebrations etc. kept the last month of the academic year very hectic and the campus very vibrant. Two of our illustrious teachers, **Mr Tomy Illickal** of the Department of Chemistry and **Mr George Mathew** of the Department of Mathematics retired from the College after long years of committed service from this temple of knowledge. A family get-together of the teaching staff was organized after a break of several years. It was well attended and appreciated by all.

Various activities related to the Golden Jubilee celebrations took place during the past few

weeks. The Department of Physics organized a national seminar. Another national seminar on 'Harassment of women and children' was jointly organized by Women's Studies Centre (WSC) of St Xavier's College and Sneharam Charitable and Welfare Society, Anchuthengu, supported by ISI, Bangalore, on 7-8 March 2014. The seminar was inaugurated by Smt. Aleyamma Vijayan, a renowned social activist at the College auditorium. A grand finale of the seminar was organized at Sneharam, Anchuthengu on 8 March 2014. Almost five hundred people attended the programme. The function concluded with a cultural programme by the tribal artists from TUDI, Wayanad and AADI, Attappadi led by **Frs Baby Chalil** and **P. S. Antony** respectively. This cultural extravaganza, which lasted for one and a half hours, was a time for the blending of two entirely different cultures, 'Fisher folks' and 'Tribals'. Congratulations to **Fr Benny Chiramel**, who meticulously planned and executed the seminar and acted as the link between Sneharam (as Director) and St Xavier's College (as Manager).

The College declared a holiday on 3 March as one of the founding fathers of our institution, **Fr George Aikara**, who was for a long term Principal and Manager of the College bade goodbye to this earthly life. A condolence meeting was held on 04 March gratefully remembering Fr Aikara. A fitting homage was paid to Fr Aikara by his students and colleagues by organizing a condolence meeting in Trivandrum city on 25 March. **Dr Jacob Punnoose**, IPS (Retd. DGP), an alumnus, took the initiative to organize the meeting. It was well attended by many illustrious alumni from all walks of life. More than two hundred people gathered from all over Kerala to pay their respects and to share their fond memories of Fr Aikara. **Archbishop Soosa Pakiam**, **Bishop Selvester Ponnuthan**, **ADGP Alexander Jacob**, Justice **Ramachandran Nair** and Poet **Madhusudhanan Nair** were among those who attended the meeting.

*Biju Jay*

#### VIDYANIKETAN, TRIVANDRUM

We had many joyful events in the month of March. Our Academy Day celebration was on 8 March in which **Fr Kristudas**, the Rector of the Archdiocesan Minor Seminary, was the Chief Guest. Religious and seminarians from nearby were the invitees for

the Academy Day and they highly appreciated the programme.

On 10 March we had a tour to Kanyakumari and Devasahayam Pillai shrine in Katradimalai. Ugadi, the Telugu New Year, was celebrated with a Holy Mass celebrated by **Fr Leo** and Ugadi special meals. We bade farewell to our gramapravesam on 15 March. The ADF common test for the Juniors was conducted on the 17th. **Fr Sunny Kunnappallil** was here with us accompanying us in our psycho-spiritual integration process. All Juniors liked his method of taking classes and all of us have immensely benefited from the course.

We attended the college day celebration in Loyola College, Sreekariyam. They entertained the audience with high quality singing, dancing, acting and oratory. The academic year will come to an end on 14 April 2014.

*Joman C.*

#### ARNOS PADIRI ACADEMY, VELUR

282nd Death Anniversary of Arnos Padiri was commemorated on 23 March 2014 in Kerala Sahitya Academy, Trissur. The whole program was organised and conducted by friends of Arnos Padiri Academy. **Sri. K. Jayakumar**, Vice chancellor of Malayalam University, Inaugurated the public meeting and **Dr M.C. Dileep Kumar**, Vice Chancellor of Sanskrit University, Kalady presided over the meeting. **Mr R. Gopalakrishnan**, Secretary of Sahitya Academy, **Mr P.P James**, president, press club of Trivandrum and **Mr P.I. Lazar**, co-ordinator of National Educational Minority Commission gave felicitations. Sixteen students who wrote dissertations on Arnos Padiri from different colleges and universities were honoured during the public meeting. Cash prizes were given away for the winners of Puthen Pana recital competition. Around ninety five people of different ages from 14 – 82 participated in the competition.

Two people were specially honoured in the function. Chevalier **C. L Jose**, noted writer and member of Kendra Sangeetha Nadaka Academy, has been honoured by Dr M.C Dileep Kumar. **Sri. Antony** Puthur who has been singing Puthenpana for the last forty years in Mount Carmel Church in Chatyath, Kochi, was honoured by Fr Joseph Maliekal, Rector of Sampaloor Church. **Fr George Kombara**, Vicar General of Thrissur

Archdiocese and **Fr Thobias Chalackal**, Vicar of Velur Church also participated in the anniversary function.

A copy of 'Gramatica Grantonica', the Sanskrit grammar book written by Arnos Padiri three centuries ago was handed over to Dr Dileep Kumar, the Vice Chancellor of Sanskrit University, Kalady, by the Director of Arnos Padiri Academy.

In the month of December 2013 Mar Andrews Thazhath, Archbishop of Thrissur visited Arnos Padiri Academy as part his Pastoral visit in Velur. He expressed his appreciation about the presence of Jesuits in Velur and extended his prayerful wishes for the works of Arnos Padiri Academy. Also he planted a fig tree in the courtyard of the Academy. Another event that took place in Arnos Academy was that our Jesuit dancer Saju George and his disciple **Sch. Emmanuel** performed Bharathanatyam and a dance workshop which was much appreciated by the local people.

*Roy Thottathil*

#### INDIAN SOCIAL INSTITUTE: BANGALORE

**Fr Jose Thaiparmabil** has done a magnificent job of repairs, maintenance and beautifying the campus, some of which were due almost for two decades. The campus now looks, new and fresh. We welcome you to depute people for our various programmes and /or just visit, use our library and learn something new in the field of Social Action. We have a Social Analysis programme, the unique of ISI's offers, coming up from the end of April to middle of May, 2014. We welcome anyone interested.

*M.K.George*

#### VIDYA JYOTI, DELHI

The months of February and March were eventful for the Vidya Jyoti community. Forty four third year scholastics received diaconate ordination. Forty of them including Prince Clarence were ordained by Archbishop Anil Couto, the Archbishop of Delhi on 22 February, while four, including Augustine Thomas and Binu Michael, were ordained by **Archbishop Kuriakose Bharanikulangara** of Faridabad on 8 March. **Sch. Sheise** was the official photographer at both the occasions. New Deacons will be preparing for their final comprehensive examination scheduled to be in June.

The Vidya Jyoti Jesuit community had a pilgrimage

in March to mark the restoration of the Society of Jesus. Visit to the Church of the Pieta, known as 'Akbar's Church', and Santo Padre Chapel in which many Jesuits have been buried, were the highlights of the pilgrimage.

The Plenary Academic Council (PAC) of Vidya Jyoti was held from 17-21 February. It is an annual event in which the staff and student representatives from the RTCs also participate. **Fr Felix Wilfred**, well known theologian from Chennai, animated the workshop on 'public theology'. He presented Pope Francis as a model for religion in the public sphere. **Sch. Rubil** attended the PAC in his capacity as the Class representative of the first year batch.

We celebrated the birthday of **Fr Chandy Kumblankal** along with his anticipated Golden Jubilee in the Society. **Fr P.T Mathew** found time for his personal Lenten retreat at the Jesuit novitiate in Lucknow.

*Binu Kaduthalakunnel*

#### FROM THE CHINESE PROVINCE

From March 14 morning to 17 morning, our Community (9 Juniors and 3 Fathers) was most of the time in a Minibus on our way to and from BALI. It was a long drive to the Ferry on the east coast of JAVA. We got down now and again for refreshments, lunch and supper. Having left here at 8.00 a.m., we reached the Ferry only at 2.00 a.m. Then we headed for a famous Hindu Temple in the hills where we met many Hindu devotees with offerings, because of a Festival. Incidentally, March 31 is a Public Holiday in Indonesia because it is the beginning of the Balinese New Year. BALI has good and kind people; it has verdant hills and fields; it boasts of beautiful beaches. Hindu Temple architecture is not just in the many Temples but also at private homes and even at Catholic Religious Houses and Institutions! As we were viewing a classical Balinese dance, an Indian Malaysian next to me whispered "Kathakali"! We visited wood and stone carving exhibitions. After I had celebrated and preached at the MASS in St Francis Xavier's Church, the Parish Priest invited me to return there for Holy Week Ministry in English.

After another long drive, we finally returned here at 3.30 a.m. All the same, we had our usual class at 8.30! All had gone well except for my feet becoming swollen because of too many hours of "cramped" sitting. Here in YOGYAKARTA, I was

befriended by a Chinese Catholic family. They run a Retreat House for which there is great demand. They invited me to a MASS and dinner when they celebrated the 88th Birthday of Grandma. They took me to the Javanese-style Churches and to 3 Grottos of Our Lady, where I was edified to find pious Javanese and Chinese in silent prayer. Very enjoyable was my visit and address to the students of five of the eighty rather small all-Indonesia "Canisius Schools"(Class 1 to 6) for poor children (hardly any Chinese among them). The Managers in three different cities are Jesuits, but the Principals and Teachers are all Lay People. Apparently the students rarely see a Jesuit; so, after I had spoken, they surrounded me asking for my autograph and an individual blessing. Truly the Kingdom of God belongs to children!

*John FJ Manipadam*

#### FROM FRANCE

The winter is almost over and the plants have begun to flower. The month of March was eventful in different ways. The community of Centre sevres had its "community week-end" in Epernon, 60 kilometers south to Paris. Normally, the community has two week-ends a year and it was the second one of the year. The theme of the week-end was "vocations" and we began the week-end with a revisit of one's own vocation to the Jesuit life. It was equally nourishing for the youngsters as well as for the elderly fathers. The next notable event was the defense of the final dissertations of **Schs. Sooraj and Vibin**. Both of them did well in the defense of their dissertations which is very much part of the final evaluation. Finally, both of us participated in the triduum in view of the preparation for the diaconate ordination which will be on 5 April. Father Bruno Regent helped us to prepare for this last leg before the diaconate ordination. It was an invitation to reflect over the important step that we take towards priesthood, with courage and hope. And we prayerfully prepare for our diaconate ordination that is to come soon.

*Vibin Padayadan*

#### FROM LONDON (UK)

**Cardinal Vincent Nichols**, Archbishop of Westminster, has ordained nine Jesuits as deacons. In one of the first major ceremonies since being made Cardinal by **Pope Francis**, he presided over

at the Ordination Mass in Westminster Cathedral, London on Saturday, 1 March. It was a great pleasure to have **Fr John Vattanky** with us some days in London despite his hectic schedule in Oxford University programme and he was well-represented the province in the ordination. As part of the Lenten preparation, Scholastics are organizing 'retreat in daily life' in various parishes. Five weeks of Lenten retreat, is organised by Jesuit Mount Street centre, London, it has been going on very well and forty retreatants are taking part in it. We had our Novena of Grace with St Francis Xavier in the Farm Street Parish from 4 March as part of recalling the anniversary on 12 March of his canonization in 1622. In Heythrop College there were two important public events this month; first one was a conference in honour of the anniversary of papal election, 'What's in a Name?' The Church and Pope Francis One Year On'. Various papers were presented on Pope Francis's impact upon the life and mission of the Church since his election. Second, was the part of Heythrop College's 400th anniversary celebrations series Loschert lectures, by Lord Daniel Brennan QC, on 'The Christian's Responsibility in Public Life'. The British province new website has been launched last week; you can visit the new website now in this address: <http://jesuit.org.uk/>. Romero Week 2014 was celebrated all over England by special Romero Lectures and special prayer services. The lectures titled, "A Poor Church for the poor - Romero and the Joy of the Gospel", were given by German Jesuit Theologian Fr Martin Maier. **Dn Joseph Mathew** is doing his diaconate ministry in the Farm Street Jesuit Parish, London. Here in UK, the summer time has just begun, and apart from blooming daffodils and gambolling lambs, the clocks have gone **forward one hour on 30 March**.

*Joseph Mathew*

#### FROM CURIA, ROME

**Meeting of Provincials 2015.** On 12 March, Father General sent a letter to all Major Superiors convoking the next meeting of Provincials. "The 34th General Congregation," writes Father General, "in its decree 23 (C4) asked the Superior General to convoke a meeting of all Provincials approximately every six years beginning from the last General Congregation, in order to consider the state, the problems and the initiatives of the universal Society, as well as international and

supra-Provincial cooperation. Accordingly, after having discussed the matter with my Councilors, I hereby convoke a Meeting of Provincials, from January 18 to January 25, 2015, at Yogyakarta (Indonesia).” The choice of Indonesia, writes Father General, will be a “unique opportunity to become aware of the challenges that interfaith dialogue presents to the Society in its service to the whole Church and to mankind.”

**Meeting of the Conference Delegates for Formation.** The Delegates for Formation from the six Conferences are at the General Curia in Rome, from March 17 to 20, for a meeting organized by Fr. José Magadia, General Counsellor for Formation. This is the first time such a meeting is being held, and it will focus on several critical formation issues, including the recent document on the intellectual formation of Jesuits. The six are Fathers Gratian Carlo (KHM) from South Asia, David Godleski (CDT) from the US, Alessandro Manaresi (ITA) from Europe, Patrick Mulemi (ZAM) from Africa, Norris Seenivasan (MAS) from Asia-Pacific, and Juan Miguel Zaldua (VEN) from Latin America.

**Meeting of CLC Executive Council.** The Executive Council of the World Christian Life Community (CLC) held its meeting in Rome from 16 to 22 February 2014. The focus of the meeting was to follow up on the recommendations of the World Assembly held in Lebanon in August 2013. The Assembly at Lebanon had recommended that CLC engage in the four frontiers of Family, Ecology, Poverty and Youth. At the meeting in Rome, council members discussed ways in which CLC groups could meaningfully respond to these frontiers at both the individual and communitarian level. Another broad area discussed was that of CLC Identity. In relation to this, topics about Ongoing Formation, Collaboration, Membership and Wisdom Language were raised. The discussion on wisdom language was initiated by Father Adolfo Nicolas who pointed to the need for new ways of proclaiming the faith today. He encouraged CLC members to use their Ignatian formation to discover and reveal the presence of God at the heart of all reality.

## GONE FOR THEIR REWARD

Fr Elvius Kujur S.J. (RAN) 87/64 on 30 March 2014 in Seva Nilay Health Centre Ara Gate Ranchi

Fr Rui De Menezes, SJ (GOA) 75/57 on 22 March 2014 in Nirmal Nagar Hospital, Belgaum.



## HAPPY BIRTHDAY

### APRIL

- 10 Antony Mechery
- Pious Vachaparambil
- 14 Bastin Jose Vattanky
- Benny Chiramel
- 20 Toby Kozhuppakalam
- 21 Chacko Vandakam
- 23 Jose Choorapoikayil
- 24 Joe Kunnathoor
- 27 Shin Kallungal
- 28 Dominic Joseph Palakeel
- 30 Mathew Pullattu

### MAY

- 04 Ajeesh A. Mathew Thoppil
- 09 Joseph Chiraparambil



## IN CHRIST WITH GLORY

### APRIL

- 02 (1988) Thomas Arackal
- 03 (1961) Carolus Vassallo
- 06 (2006) Job Pulikottil
- 12 (1992) Joseph Aricatt
- 22 (1991) Zacharias Palakunnel
- 22 (2007) Philip Kalarickal
- 24 (1969) Zacharias Chandy

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