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From the Provincial's Desk

My Dear Friends in the Lord,

It is more than a month since we completed the Province Congregation-2021 at Christ Hall, Calicut. The structured meeting, tedious as it is, contributed to the experience of companionship and enabled us to become aware of our strengths, weaknesses and vulnerabilities. As suggested at the PC, the Consultors and Apostolic Monitoring Team met at Sameeksha on 17 January 2022 and reviewed the whole experience. We felt that the PC-2021 was a moment of grace. We identified four areas for focused follow up to the PC-2021. The areas are a) Community Life; b) Strengthening of Ministries and Commissions; c) Province Administration; d) Formation and Vocation Promotion. Allow me to express a few aspects regarding our living together. Community life on the one hand is a great strength and over the years we have developed a deep appreciation of it vis-à-vis our mission. At the same time we painfully realize that in spite of our best intentions, we are far from the ideals of living together. There is lack of shared vision of our mission, the growing generation gap, the inability to keep up the avowed structures and systems that contribute to common living, the growing shadows of individualism and careerism. Perhaps we also need to see these aspects in the context of the culture of the day that promotes distorted sense of privacy, connected always yet distanced from persons. Our Jesuit legacy rooted in the Gospels should inspire us to become deeply aware of the dangers to community life mentioned above. The communitas that we painfully build over the years may become real strength for us.

E.P. Mathew, SJ
Provincial

Congratulations, Best Wishes and Prayers



REV. DR. THOMAS J. NETTO
Archbishop Elect of Latin Archdioceses of Trivandrum.

FR PROVINCIAL'S PROGRAMME

FEBRUARY

- 04-05 : Visitation, St Joseph's, Kozhikode
- 16 : Province Consult (online)
- 20-25 : JCSA (online)

APPOINTMENT BY POPE

Holy Father, **Pope Francis** has appointed **Fr Theodore Kodidis, S.J.** Archbishop of Athens

APPOINTMENT BY FR GENERAL

Fr Girish Santiago, S.J. as the new Regional Superior of the Myanmar Dependent Region, Philippine Province

APPOINTMENTS AND TRANSFERS BY FR PROVINCIAL

Fr Benny Chiramel: State-level Coordinator of JWLP Programmes

Fr Biju George Kunnappillil: Editor, Ezhuthu Magazine

Fr Jose Choorapoikayil: St Mary's School, Christ Hill, Jampujala, Tripura

Fr Lijo Antony Pathickal: St George Church, Kattappana, Idukki Diocese

Fr Rubil Martin Mampuzhakkal: Assistant Vicar, St Thomas Church, Karikottakari, Kannur

Fr Steevensen Maliekal Cheniyara: St John of The Cross Church, Anthiyoorakonam, Neyyattinkara Diocese

Fr Thomas Erinjery: IRC, Pariyaram (help out in the Research Department, St Joseph's College, Pilathara, Kannur)

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

DIACONATE ORDINATION

Sch Rosan Roy Periakottil will be ordained deacon on February 19, 2022 at De Nobili College, Pune by **Most Rev. Thomas Dabre**, Bishop of Pune. He requests your prayerful support.

Congratulations Fr C. Rabin

"A Study on Women Entrepreneurs with Special Reference to Coastal Area of Kanyakumari District." Thesis submitted to Bharathiar University, Coimbatore for the Award of the Degree of Doctor Of Philosophy In Commerce By C. Rabin Under the Guidance of Dr. D. Mahila Vasanthi Thangam, M.Com. M.Phil. PGDCA. MBA., PhD. Assistant Professor, PG & Research Department of Commerce, Karunya Technology and Science, Coimbatore.

ANNOUNCEMENT

All are encouraged to watch the Monthly Video on Jesuit Poverty that is promoted from the Fr. General's Curia.

Each month a Jesuit from different parts of our world will talk about how he lives his poverty - the struggles...the joys...how it helps him follow Jesus - A resource for major and local superiors and all Jesuits - A follow up to Fr General's letter on Jesuit Poverty (September last). (See link below)

<https://www.jesuits.global/2022/01/12/the-jesuit-vow-of-poverty-a-new-monthly-video-series/>

LEFT THE SOCIETY

NS Bazil P. Titus Puthuppadiyil left the novitiate on 08 January 2022

Sch Nibin Manuel Vadakkonaparambil left the Society on 12 January 2022

FROM OUR INSTITUTIONS

CHRIST HALL, KOZHIKODE

The Province congregation was a very touching experience for the whole community as we could interact with the most active members of the province for a couple of days. **Frs P.S. Antony** and **Rubil** moved to their new assigned ministries. Birthdays of **Frs Adappur** and **P.T. Augustine** were celebrated well. Reena, our worker for years, lost her mother. Our new priest **Fr Steevensen** celebrated Mass for the Community before he left for Thiruvananthapuram. **Fr Pullatu** is very weak after his hospitalization for pneumonia. **Fr Anikuzhy** directed an Eight-Day retreat for three Bethany sisters.



Fr Madukkakuzhy had a short stint of stay here before he left to Mangalore for directing a 30-day retreat for Bethany sisters. With the renovation of the new basketball halfcourt, Christ Hall community looks forward to having more lively games in the evenings.

Devasia

ST JOSEPH'S, KOZHIKODE

One of the major events in the month of January was the mega vaccination camp organized on the campus. Almost 400 students got vaccinated in the school on Saturday, 22nd January, with the help of parents and teachers. After the Christmas holidays, regular classes started from 3rd January by dividing students into different groups. After the staff tour to Munnar for two days, a group of staff members were tested COVID positive. Due to this HSS section went for online classes for five days. There was an extended management body meeting on 26th January to discuss the Master Plan for the school. Our candidates went home for Christmas holidays and returned on January 3rd.

The ICSE school reopened on Jan 3rd after the Christmas vacation. The students of ICSE School secured the second prize in the district-level poster-making competitions

organized by OISCA in Tagore Hall. Many of our students bagged prizes and certificates in National Olympiads and Scholarship Exams. The award day was conducted to honor the achievers of the ICSE examination 2021-22. Ms Bini K U, the Secretary of the Calicut Corporation was the guest of the day. One of our boys is selected to the Kozhikode district football team.

Ramlal

S.M. FARM/NIRMALA ITI/SAMSKRITI, PARIYARAM

Fr P.S. Antony has joined the Community. He is the Director of Samskriti and stays at IRC. **Frs V.T. Jose** and **Kannadan** have moved back to the IRC. Two DSS Sisters have joined the Community. The cleaning up of the IRC is nearing completion. The Retreat for the Diocesson Priests will begin once the Covid situation changes. The ITI classes are going on regularly. Students are getting ready for the Examination. Cleaning up of the Rubber Plantation is in Progress.

K.P. Mahtem

LOYOLA, ALUVA

The month of January started with a New Year Holy Mass. **Fr Biju Vadakkumchery** was with us to share our joy. **Fr E.J. Thomas** consulted an Ayurvedic doctor at Muttam. We were happy to host the Tripura missionaries, **Fr James Morais** and **Fr P.T. Mathew** on their way to Tripura. The novices attended the parish feast of St Sebastian and Mother Mary at Mariyapuram Church on January 9th. New office-bearers in the novitiate took charge on the 12th of January. **Fr Baby Mulluparambil** was with us for internal auditing. **Fr Vibin Padayadan** was here for his quarantine. **Fr Provincial** visited us on his way to Pizhala Church. The presence of **Fr Jose Jacob** for a few days added great joy. Novices conducted a one-day seminar on the Encyclical 'Rejoice and be Glad'.

We enjoyed a one-day walking picnic on 20th. We were happy to welcome Novice David's brother and family. We had a three-day course on 'Jesuit History' by **Fr Sunny Jose**. We celebrated the Republic Day with a Holy Mass officiated by **Fr Sunny Jose**. **Fr E.J. Thomas** unfurled the flag and Novice Alen delivered the message. We hosted the zonal gathering of Jesuits; welcomed **Fr Xavier Tharamel** to the community; and celebrated the birthday of **Fr James Pullokaran**. Novices organized a painting exhibition on the Spiritual Exercises, conducted a prayer service and cultural programmes. We were blessed by the newly ordained priest from Ss. Peter and Paul Church, **Fr Lijo Thekkanath CMI**, who concelebrated the Mass with the parish priest of the Church **Fr Jimmy** and **Fr Vivian** of Calcutta province. We joyfully celebrated the Birthdays of **Fr E.J. Thomas**,

Fr Kumminiyl and Novice **David. Bazil P. Titus** left the Society and went home on January 8th.

Sabatto and David

SAMEEKSHA, KALADY

Fr Provincial conducted the annual *visitation* from 16 to 18 January. On 17th the Province Consult met at Sameeksha. At the monthly series *Dharmasameeksha*, **Sr Deena** of Atmamitra team gave an online talk on self-esteem. **Fr Sebastian Painadath** gives every week an online talk to an audience in Germany. His new book *Gottliche Seinsdynamik* has been published in Germany. Two of the Atmamitra team members, Jaimol and Stemy, got married in January.

Sebastian Painadath

LUMEN-JYOTHIS, KOCHI

Ezhuthu magazine has a new editor from February 2022. **Fr Biju George** succeeds **Fr Roy Thottam** who has been serving as Editor for the past three years. *Ezhuthu* family is extremely grateful to Fr Roy for the generous and dedicated service during his tenure. We also wish Fr Biju, with his literary aptitude and experience, to take our mission to new heights in the next phase. The January issue of Pax Lumina on *Climate Change and the Poor* has received reviews and positive responses from various corners of the globe. The Editorial Team is happy about the global reach of the message of peace and reconciliation. The Newman Association had its monthly meeting on the recent "Silver Line Project." Dr M.P. Sukumaran Nair, Director, Centre for Green Technology and Management, Kochi, and C.R. Neelakandan, a renowned writer and environmental activist, were the main resource persons. The group discussed the pros and cons of the project and proposed practical and viable means instead of the mega project. Lumen-Jyothis campus sports a fresh look after the recent maintenance and painting work.

Devassy Paul

VIDYANIKETAN, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

We began the New Year 2022 with our first Triduum, guided by **Fr Sunny Kunnappallil**, following which



we renewed our vows. As we began the third and final term of our academic year, **Abbey** became the Beadle. **Fr Francis Fernandez S.J.** the PCF of Karnataka Province, visited us and met the scholastics of his province. We celebrated Tamil Nadu Regional feast, Pongal, on the 15th in a grand manner. We had the Holy Eucharist in Tamil, officiated by **Fr Swaminathan Krishnamurthi**. Madurai and Chennai Juniors presented special cultural items that day. They introduced us to the Tamil culture and the Tamil way of life.

Fr K.C. Philip from Ranchi Province paid us a visit. We celebrated the Regional Feast of Ranchi Province on the Republic Day. A solemn Hindi Mass was celebrated by **Fr William Christopher**, the Dean of Studies, following which the National flag was unfurled by **Fr John Manipadam**, Chief Guest of the ceremony. Ranchi scholastics made the day a memorable one by conducting funny games and by introducing us aspects of their tribal culture.

Rina and Abbey

AADI, ATTAPPADI

Fr James Morais paid a short visit to AADI and his presence at AADI was a learning experience for many MSW and BSW students on our campus. **Fr Xavier Tharamel** visited AADI as part of his vocation promotion programme. AADI organized a two-day Cadre Formation Camp for 50 tribal students in collaboration with ISI Bangalore. Fifteen trainees from three colleges completed their Internship at AADI. One-day awareness camp on 'Drug Abuse' was organized in tribal hamlets by AADI in association with Janamaithri Excise Police with a session by Circle Inspector S. Binu. AADI along with other Lok Manch partners in Attappady finished wall paintings on awareness about COVID-19 prevention and treatment in three panchayats. Two groups consisting of 50 and 30 college students came to AADI for three-day and one-day Rural Camps. Trainees from AADI conducted one-day classes on RTI Act in the tribal hamlets. Under the guidance of AADI, the MSW trainees conducted a one-week street theatre workshop for the tribal students from *Mahila Samakhya*.

Rephin Kamal

XAVIER TRAINING CENTRE, PACHILAKKAD

Pre-novices returned after their Christmas vacation on 3rd January. **Fr Jacob Madukakuzhy** directed the discernment retreat for the pre-novices from 17 to 24 January. Pramod Saha from Odisha, a pre-novice for the Jamshedpur Province has joined our Pre-novitiate. Congratulations to **Frs Steevensen** and **Lijo** who celebrated the Holy Eucharist for the community on the 6th and 10th of January, respectively. Both were

generous to share their experiences in the Society to the pre-novices. **Fr Deepak** was with us for a few days.

Dilan, Emmanuel

PIUS X ITI, EDATHUA

2022 is a great year for Pius X ITI Edathua. This is the Diamond Jubilee Year and we are planning to make this year meaningful and memorable. There is a good number of admissions during this Covid affected year to Pius X ITI. Seventy-five students took admissions. We would like to express our gratitude to our Alumnae and P T A and Forane Vicar Fr Mathew Chooravadi and other parish priests for helping us to get more admissions. Panjayathu president Mrs Mariyamma George inaugurated fresher's day celebration. Heart moving send off was given to the outgoing students.



Pius X ITI went through two inspections in the month of January 2022, viz., I S O Certificate Inspection and N C V T Grade Inspection. Both inspections went on well and the inspectors were very happy with infrastructural facilities and the convenience and the atmosphere of our institute. Fr Rubil was given send off by I T I and Jesuit house on 3rd January 2022. Thanks to Fr Rubil for his great service he rendered to ITI and house.

Jose Palinthanath

LOYOLA, POOVAR

In the month of December separate Christmas gatherings were held at Loyola for the students, the staff, the members of *Loyola Pakalveedu*, and for the members of fish-vending women at Poovar junction. **Fr Sony Thazhathel**, the Coordinator of the religious priests and nuns for the Pulluvila Forane organized a Christmas gathering for the religious. More than 100 religious participated in the gathering. A new AICUF unit was formed in Loyola College of Commerce and thirty-three selected students from the group attended a two-day camp at AICUF Centre. In the first week of January, the half-yearly exams were held in the College and the batch-wise PTA meetings are scheduled in the coming days. Fourteen students from B.com final year have completed the Global English Language Programme at

B1 and B1+ Levels and their certificates will soon be distributed. This year 40 new students have joined the same programme.

Binu Kaduthalakkunel

SNEHARAM, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM

The JWL Team at Sneharam conducted the online Cambridge Placement Test sponsored by JWL. Of the 15 students who took the test, four of them finished it at the highest level, namely C1 and above both in reading and listening tests, seven of them at the B2 level, and four of them at B1 level. We are looking forward to enrolling at least 10 students each in the three of the courses we are offering at Sneharam under JWL, namely Professional Certificate Courses such as the Learning Facilitator and Peace Leader, and Creative Writing and Design. In the meanwhile, we have been accompanying around 40 students at different levels of the Global English Language Programme, though the pandemic-related restrictions had negative impact on the programme. We are very grateful to Ms Francina and **Frs Saji ArithiyalPuraidam, Dominic Palakeel, and Manesh Jerald** for their support in reaching out to our JWL students in Loyola College, Sreekariyam, CRC, Valiyathura and elsewhere in the coastal areas of Thiruvananthapuram. Though we had uncertainties regarding the continuation of Lok Manch programme due to the recent issues related to FCRA regulations, we are in the process of getting our acts together to prepare our staff for the new areas of thrust in the third phase of the programme, the major one being 'Impact of climate change and our response'.

Benny Chiramel

XAVIER INSTITUTE FOR DEVELOPMENT EDUCATION (XIDE), TRIPURA

Fr P.T. Mathew reached Tripura on 7 January 2022 and was received by **Fr Babu Paul** at the Agartala airport. After five hours of journey by car he reached XIDE, Jamtolibari at 8 pm on the same day and was accorded a warm welcome by the Jesuits and Sisters of St Joseph. On 8 January during the Eucharistic celebration, Fr Babu Paul who was leading the mission team for the past three years, handed over the mantle of the Mission Coordinator of Tripura to Fr P.T. Mathew. The new Coordinator has started his work earnestly and is getting adjusted to the food, weather, people, culture, and language. Fr Babu Paul as the first Coordinator has given creative and committed leadership to the Mission which grew from ground zero to three centers and a parish. Thank you, Fr Babu Paul. Formation of SHGs among the tea garden workers guided by **Fr Jothi**

is a new initiative of the social centre at Jamtolibari. Three SHGs are already formed and more are in the making. Fr Jothi was also much in demand as a resource person on 'Synodality' in different parishes and groups. Construction of the building for the proposed St Xavier's School at Kailashahar is steadily progressing and the plan is to open it in April 2022.

James Morais

PASTORAL MINISTRY

I took charge as the Assistant Parish Priest at St George Forane Church, Kattapana, in the month of January. We are three priests in the parish; the parish priest and two assistants, including myself. The parish activities remain rather muted due to the restrictions imposed in the wake of the third wave of the COVID-19 pandemic. Let me place on record my sincere gratitude to all the Jesuits of the province for their esteemed presence and valuable prayers on the occasion of my Ordination to Priesthood which took place on January 05, 2022, at St Joseph's Church, Chundakkara, Wayanad. I gratefully remember the generous support of the Jesuits at Sarvodaya and Prasanthi communities for coordinating the accommodation and travel arrangements of the guests. I seek your continued prayers as I exercise my priestly ministry in the parish.

Lijo Antony

INIGO SADAN, BANGALORE

2022 began with New year's mass seeking the blessings of Mary Mother of God. **Sch Sebastian** is the new Beadle for the Scholastics. The odd semester exams have been postponed to March due to the rising COVID and Omicron cases. **Schs Cicil and Sebastian** were quarantined for a week. Inigo Sadan community celebrated the 73rd Republic Day by unfurling the National Flag. Our head cook Sumithra was the chief guest for the occasion and Sch Romiyo (*DAR*) delivered the Republic Day message. Schs Cicil and Sebastian will be going for their triduum to Mount St Joseph and they request your prayers.



Cicil and Sebastian

ST XAVIER'S HIGH SCHOOL COMMUNITY, MUMBAI

The St Xavier's School community celebrated the Feast of Our Lady of the Forsaken, on January 26. This is a special

devotion to Mother Mary, which traces its origins to a statue of Our Lady of the Forsaken, which was brought to Mumbai by the Spanish Jesuits of yesteryears. Over the course of time, the statue and the devotion acquired pride of place in the hearts of the faithful in the locality. The Feast day Mass and the novena were live-streamed as we could not invite the faithful due to the COVID-19 restrictions. In the midst of the festivities of the feast, the Omicron variant paid a brief visit to the community, leaving most of the community members sick for several days; none of them with any serious complications.

The city, however, remains unaffected by the waxing and waning of the pandemic waves. Schools, which were shut in the first week of January, reopened in the last week of the same month. St Xavier's College is slated to reopen on February 1. The classes, however, will take place in the hybrid form. My fourth-semester exams will take place in the month of March.

Ivin Tommy

19TH ANNOTATION RETREAT

The online 19th annotation retreat for 33 weeks began in the month of May 2021 under the leadership of **Fr Prince Clarence** during the pandemic. This new venture had overwhelming support from the **Provincial** and the members of the province. There were 40 Jesuits from across the country to help the retreatants as their guides. The presence of **Frs Edward Mudavasserry, Varkey Perekatt, Stephen Chundanthadam, Jose Jacob, Devadas Muthaiah**, and others as guides was a great encouragement. **Frs Jacob Kumminiyil, Joe Mathew, Rachans Lukose, Wilson Mulackal, Salvin Augustine, Sheise P, Shin K, Immanuel Koyan, Xavier Tharammel, Roy Alex, Dominic Palakeel, Deepak Edattu, Anil Kochumethikalam, Linto K, Reji Kunnatheth** and **Midhun** from our Province were part of the retreat as guides. Sch Deslin Chelatt helped in the logistics.

More than 1200 members registered for the retreat from around the globe. According to the statistics, 47.4% were laity, 35.1% were religious from various congregations, 15.5% were single and the rest were priests. Participants were from India, Sri Lanka, Australia, UAE, Arabia, Malaysia, Kenya, Ghana, Italy, the USA, and Canada.

Every day, materials and audio clips in English and Malayalam were posted. Luminous Radio studio in Trivandrum helped in increasing the quality of the audio clip. Many retreatants sent their daily reviews to the guides and received guidance from them regularly via phone or video conferences. Evaluation through Google Form was held at the middle and end of the retreat.

All of them expressed their joy in being part of this retreat. Many of them had deep spiritual experiences and transformations. Around 100 of them were faithful in doing this retreat till the end. Their dedication and generosity is a model for us. Many spiritual guides shared that they were touched by the spiritual progress and commitment of many lay people who were consistent in their daily reviews. Many of the lay people who could do this retreat till the end shared the need of having this type of retreat in the coming years. The reach that Ignatian Spirituality has and the fruits that it produces are much more than our expectations.

Prince Clarence

TOWARDS A CULTURE OF VOCATION PROMOTION

"...focus on vocations is not an ancillary concern, it is not something we are prompted to do simply in response to decreasing numbers... It is part of our way of proceeding, an essential characteristic of our Jesuit culture and identity". (Fr Arturo Sosa, SJ, *Letter on Promoting vocations to the Society of Jesus*, 12th April 2021). Ours are requested to follow carefully Fr Provincial's Circular on Vocation Promotion dated 13 January 2022.

FROM SCH NIKHIL GEORGE PARUVANANICKAL, SJ

My brother, Nibin Joseph Philip, met with a car accident on 24 December 2021 and was admitted first in the Calicut Medical College Hospital and was later shifted to Aster MIMS Hospital, Calicut. He has cervical fracture and contusion, multiple rib fractures, and haemorrhage in the brain. When he showed some signs of improvement after a month's treatment at Aster, Calicut, he was discharged from there for rehabilitation as he still does not move his legs, has minimum movement of his wrists and fingers and little control of his bowel and bladder movements. He is taken to an ayurvedic hospital at Taliparamba but from there he developed high fever the next day due to urinary tract infection and is admitted in Aster, Kannur. Presently, He is stable but weak as he fights infections of lungs and urinary tract. I have been with him since the day of accident.

Thank you very much dear fathers and brothers for your valuable prayers and support you gave me and family during these hard times.

My brother has two kids - a three year old boy and a two weeks old baby girl. He is Assistant Professor at Marian Academy of Management, Kothamanangalam. I humbly request you to continue to pray for him and our family.

Nikhil

RETURN FROM SAN FRANCISCO

When the Tidings' Editor asked me to share with you in a few paragraphs on my exposure to and reflections about my program in San Francisco, I was happy and confused as well; happy because it's a matter of joy to share the providential aspect of an opportunity that comes on our way; confused because of the surge of memories about the program and life on the other side of the world.



My studies at the University of San Francisco began in August 2018. I pursued a doctoral program in the Graduate School of Education (SOE) with Organization and Leadership (O&L) as my major. I chose India's latest National Education

Policy (NEP) 2020 as my dissertation topic. Thank you for your support and prayers. I analyzed two aspects of the NEP 2020. Primarily, it was an analysis of the NEP's higher education discourses, and subsequently, I analyzed the independent and personal responses from 168 faculty members of Indian Jesuit institutions. The findings of my research suggested that while the NEP 2020 projected a 21st-century education goal founded on India's ancient past, it required a 21st-century methodology to attain the envisioned goal.

San Francisco maintains a pleasant weather throughout the year. It is known for its diversity of the population, inclusive culture inaugurated with the Hippie movement, Silicon Valley companies, Universities of

Stanford, California, Berkeley and San Francisco, and the most famous Golden Gate Bridge. Our university, top-ranked with Stanford in diversity, is in the middle of San Francisco on the top of Lone Mountain landmarked by the imposing Saint Ignatius Church, the largest in the city. USF caters to well over 12,000 students in various disciplines in its three campuses. The 32-membered Jesuit community at USF lives at the top of the hill overlooking the Bay and the Berkeley Hills on the one side and the Golden Gate Bridge and the Marin Heights on the other.

As a result of my studies, I propose that we, the Jesuits as global educators, have the responsibility to take this opportunity to our stride and show the nation the pathway of the global scientific-educational methodology. Perhaps, the Indian Jesuit educators are called to design a dramatic breakthrough in our educational paradigm. Let this be our door. Let this be our time. Let this be our mission.

Vincent Pereppadan

FIRST 'SERVANT OF GOD' - AKASH BASHIR



Akash Bashir, a lay Catholic and former pupil of Don Bosco Technical Institute of Lahore, became a martyr in his bid to prevent a suicide bomber from entering a packed church in 2015. The Catholic Church of Pakistan now has its first

official candidate to sainthood and martyrdom, a young victim of a suicide bombing who prevented an even larger massacre. Archbishop Sebastian Shaw of Lahore announced that the Vatican has accepted the cause of Akash Bashir's martyrdom, UCA News reported.

"He offered his life as a sacrifice to save the lives of the Christian community at St. John's Catholic Church, Youhanabad, Lahore," said Vicar General of the archdiocese, Father Francis Gulzar, in a statement. "He is the first Pakistani Christian who has been raised to the rank of the Holy People of God." Born on 22 June 1994 in Risalpur, Nowshera, Khyber-Pakhtunkhwa province, Akash died a martyr at the age of 20.

Vatican News via CMA

Pope's Intentions Feb 2022



For Religious Sisters & Consecrated Women
We pray for Religious Sisters and Consecrated Women; thanking them for their mission and courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times



OURS IN MEDIA

Books :

- **Frs P.T. Mathew and Dominic Palakeel**, "A Saga of Service", *History of Jesuit Institutions and Houses in Kerala Province*, published by *Yatra Publications*, Lumen-Jyothis, Kochi, 2021
- **Fr Sebastian Painadath**, *Göttliche Seinsdynamik* (Divine Dynamism of Being), *Östliche Mystik und christliche Spiritualität im Dialog* (Eastern mysticism and Christian spirituality in dialogue), Vier-Türme-Verlag, Münsterschwarzach, January 2022, 270 pages.

Articles :

- **Fr Benny Chiramel**, 'Cry for Water: Cry for Survival' was published in *PromotioIusticiae* n.132, 2021/2.
- **Fr Thomas Karimundackal**, "To be Neighbours in the World: Pope Francis' Vision for Humanity and Society in *Fratelli Tutti*," in *Jnanadeepa, Pune Journal of Religious Studies* 26/1-2 January-June 2022, 124-172.

GONE FOR THEIR REWARD

- Fr Michael V. Panimegam** (DUM), 72/53
on 03.01.2022 in Kalidanga, Rampurhat.
- Fr Jose Luis Arana** (GUJ), 91/73
on 8.01.2022 in Vadodara.
- Fr Mathew Pichalakkattu** (GUJ), 61/81
on 9.01.2022 in Vadodara.
- Fr Viaguladasan Manickam** (MDU), 83/64
on 10.01.2022 in Dindigul.
- Fr Xalxo James**, (MAP), 78/56
on 12.01.2022 in Kotma, Madhya Pradesh.
- Fr Levis Gomes** (GOA), 57/36
on 24.01.2022 in Margao, Goa.
- Fr Jeyaseelan Thomas Barnabas**, (MDU), 69/51
on 26.01.2022 in Dindigul.
- Fr Lucas Rayappan** (GUJ), 59/39
on 27.01.2022, at Ahmedabad.
- Fr M. Joseph John Britto**, (MDU), 77/58
on 3.02.2022, at Madurai
- Br Ignatius Podimattom** (103), a Franciscan Brother, eldest brother of Fr Joseph Podimattom expired in Jhansi.
- Fr Antony Thottan** (84) of Trichur Diocese, elder brother of Fr Raphael Thottan expired at Trichur.



Mr. A. S. Rajappan (82), grandfather of Sch Abbey Jose Arukulasseril (Juniorate) on 02.02.2022 at Pattanakkad, Cherthala.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

FEBRUARY

- 01 Anil Kochumethikalam
02 Eby Shajan Parankimalil
02 Joel Thomas Chennothil
04 George Varangalakudy
05 George Vattukulam
08 Chandy Kumblankal
09 Dasappan Vattathil
10 Robert Shelton
10 Thomas Kuravanveliyel
14 Vincent Pereppadan
14 Jaison Joseph Cheruvuparampil
18 Charis Xavier Puthenpurakal
18 Lijo Antony Pathickal
23 Poly Martin Narikuzha
27 Deepak George Edattu
27 John Thottupattu
28 Irudaya Jothi

MARCH

- 01 George V Thommithazath
02 Thomas Madathiparambil
03 Libin Mathew Puthukadath
05 Henry Pattarumadathil



IN CHRIST WITH GLORY

FEBRUARY

- 05 (1987) Joseph Edamaram
07 (2006) Jose Murickan
09 (1958) Aloysius Spinelli
09 (2015) Michael Thannivelil
11 (2011) Cherian Curiyicad
14 (2016) Paul Valiakandathil
17 (2019) Augustine Kallunkal
20 (2002) Antony Vachaparambil
22 (1982) Philip Veliath
22 (2021) John Vattanky
28 (2008) Antony Manjil



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