



**Happy
New Year
2026**

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APPOINTMENTS BY FR. GENERAL

Fr Arjen Tete (CCU): Consultor to POSA

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Fr Vincent Hansdak (HAZ): Consultor to POSA

PROVINCIAL'S PROGRAMME

January

- 6 : 12th Anniversary of Fr Linus Maria Zucol, S.J.,
Servant of God, Pariyaram
- 10-11 : Meeting of Directors of Works
- 12 : Consult, Christ Hall
- 14-16 : Visitation, Chennai
- 18 : Lumen-Jyothis, Kochi
- 22-26 : Visitation, AKJM, Kanjirappally
- 30 : Tribal Fest at AADI, Attapady
- 31- Feb 3: Visitation, St. Joseph's Calicut

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

DATES TO REMEMBER

Meeting of the **Directors of Works (DoWs)** of the Province will be held on **10-11, January 2026** (Saturday & Sunday) at Christ Hall, Calicut

Province Meet on 15-16, May 2026 (Friday and Saturday) at Christ Hall, Calicut

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING SCHEDULE - 2026

January 25, 2026 Lumen-Jyothis, Kochi - Jesuits from Kottayam, Kanjirappally, Kalady, Kochi, Aluva, Edathua and Velur

February 21, 2026 Loyola, Sreekariyam - Jesuits from Trivandrum: Anchuthengu, Mukundara, Sreekariyam, Thumba and Poovar

March 14, 2026 Christ Hall, Kozhikode - Jesuits from Attappadi, Kannur, Kozhikode, Pariyaram and Wayanad

May 14, 2026 Christ Hall, Kozhikode - Jesuit Scholastics and Tripura Jesuits

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FROM OUR INSTITUTIONS

CHRIST HALL, KOZHIKODE

The month of December was filled with blessings and joy. We celebrated Christmas with our coworkers, creating an occasion to acknowledge their service and remember them with grateful hearts. Christmas was observed with great enthusiasm. We shared festive meals, including a grand Christmas lunch and dinner, exchanged gifts, and strengthened bonds of love within the community.

SRC hosted several programmes for both religious and lay participants. The gathering of migrant workers was especially moving. Our parish youth took the lead in preparing a beautiful and meaningful crib, which was highly appreciated by one and all. The youth group also went carol singing to all the convents in the vicinity. Our parishioners actively participated in the *Felix Natalis* of the Archdiocese and even presented a Christmas-themed tableau for the rally.

The New Year was welcomed with grateful hearts and hopeful minds. The night services on Christmas Day and New Year's Eve at the Parish Church were meaningful and graceful.

Tinu

ST. JOSEPH'S, KOZHIKODE

The month of December was a vibrant blend of academic commitment and festive joy for both St. Joseph's School and Loyola School. At St. Joseph's

School, the second terminal examinations began in the second week of December, marking a time of focused learning and sincere effort from the students. Amidst this academic spirit, the campus also resonated with the joy of Christmas. The Christmas celebration on 23rd December was a memorable occasion, graced by **Fr Roy Alex**, Principal of Loyola School, as the Chief Guest. The students presented a variety of cultural and festive items that truly captured and lifted the spirit of Christmas. During the Christmas holidays, students continued their journey of service and discipline through the 10-day NSS camp at Savio School, Devagiri, while the NCC cadets actively participated in their respective camps, reflecting their commitment to leadership and social responsibility.

At Loyola School, December was marked by a beautiful harmony of calm preparation and joyful celebration. From the very first week, the campus was filled with the quiet determination of students preparing for their Second Terminal Examination, which commenced on 12th December. At the same time, the school was transformed into a festive wonderland—corridors adorned with shining stars, Christmas trees, and the humble crib, all echoing the message of hope, peace, and love. The Staff Christmas Celebration on 22nd December was a joyful gathering of togetherness, where gifts were exchanged and cultural items brought smiles



and laughter to all. The following day, 23rd December, the students, on the last day of their examinations, celebrated Christmas with great enthusiasm. **Fr Jobin Joseph**, SRC Director, was the Chief Guest for the occasion. Class-wise celebrations, gift exchanges, and cheerful performances made the day truly special.

Roy Alex

SARVODAYA, EACHOME

Sarvodaya is filled with Christmas joy. The campus is vibrant and cheerful, with various camps taking

place. The NSS volunteers of Mary Matha College, Mananthavady, are on the campus for their seven-day camp, while the SPC cadets are at TUDI for their camp. Our NSS volunteers are also at the St Thomas School campus, Arinjermala, for their camp. Our candidates are at home for the Christmas holidays. The farm looks colourful with ripened coffee beans, adding a wonderful charm to the campus. **Fr Lijo** met with a leg injury on December 3rd and was hospitalised for five days. He is undergoing treatment for six weeks with his leg in a plaster cast. He is recovering well and requests your prayers.

We celebrated Christmas here at TUDI in a grand manner with our neighbours, Fathers, candidates, and well-wishers on Saturday, the 20th. Our children and staff members prepared a beautiful crib, cultural programme, and a wonderful dinner. It was an occasion to thank God and our benefactors. All our students left for their Christmas holidays on the 23rd.

Jacob Kumminiyl

LOYOLA, ALUVA

December was a month filled with joy and meaningful activities. We were very happy with the presence of **Sch Charis**, who stayed with us for a few days. During his stay, he taught us unique and effective basketball techniques and skills and also introduced us to several interesting games and songs. We had a pleasant visit to Kochi on the occasion of the Episcopal Ordination of **Bishop Antony Kattiparambil** on the 7th. It was a very memorable day for all of us, as we enjoyed visiting the city and participating in the celebration. On the 10th, we celebrated Vijay's birthday, which was followed by a Eucharistic celebration. Our beloved Master, **Fr Rachans**, returned from Spain after attending a conference on Training Facilitators in Discernment in Common. After a short stay at the Novitiate, **Fr Jose Jacob** left for Christ Hall. We sincerely thank Jose Achan for his benevolent presence among us. Before Christmas, we engaged in various activities such as preparing the crib, decorating the house, and rehearsing for the carol singing. We had a meaningful carol service



with our neighbours, which was a soul-satisfying experience for all of us. We were glad to welcome the Augustinian brothers, who visited us with carol singing and a skit. We joyfully celebrated the 50th birthday of **Fr Renny** (JAM). On the same day, we participated in our neighbours' family unit Christmas celebration, during which we presented a few programmes. Celebrating with the people greatly enriched us. The presence of four deacons in our community added further joy and happiness. We had a pleasant outing to purchase gifts for our Christmas friend, and in the evening, we attended the vigil Mass at Mariapuram Parish. The next day, we went out to enjoy the beauty of the city, especially the beautifully illuminated Edappally Church. We were very happy to welcome our Provincial, **Fr Henry**, along with **Fr Biju** and **Fr Baby**. Their presence brought great joy to the community. We also had a community recreation in honour of **Fr Gracious** on the occasion of his 20th ordination anniversary.

Vijay Hansda

SAMEEKSHA/ATMAMITRA/JEEVIKA, KALADY

As part of the Dharmasameeksha series, Sr Deena, an Atmamitra staff member, gave an insightful talk on teenagers' mental struggles. We celebrated Sameeksha Day on the 24th. **Fr Manesh** travelled to St. Peter's Pontifical Institute (Seminary), Bangalore, to attend a national symposium held in commemoration of the 50th anniversary of Pope Paul VI's apostolic exhortation *Evangelii Nuntiandi*. He also visited Shantivanam (Saccidananda Ashram) in Kulithalai to participate in the interreligious dialogue meeting and the Ashrama Aikyam meeting held there. Additionally, he presented a paper on Swami Vivekananda, based on the work of Dr Rajiv Iringalakuda, in Ernakulam as part of an interreligious dialogue programme. **Fr Xavier Tharamel** was in Tamil Nadu visiting different dioceses



as part of the PWPN and EYM national ministry. The Kuttikoottam organized Christmas celebrations at Sameeksha, during which the carol group visited neighbours to wish them a Merry Christmas.

In December 2025, the Jeevika Migrant Workers' Movement stood in solidarity with migrants through

compassionate interventions and festive celebrations. Jeevika supported the dignified repatriation of the late Mr. Phaustina Baliyarsingh, a migrant from Odisha, by arranging an ambulance and accompanying his family. In collaboration with the CMC Sisters, a pre-Christmas celebration was organized at Palissery for 50 migrants, featuring awareness sessions, children's savings schemes, cultural programmes, games, and



supper. Jeevika also conducted family visits in migrant residential areas. Christmas was joyfully celebrated in a colourful manner at Jeevika Kalady with Holy Mass, meals, accommodation, and the distribution of gifts and clothes. Nearly 150 persons attended the celebration.

Manesh

AKJM SCHOOL, KANJIRAPALLY

December, the season of hope, joy, and celebration, proved to be a memorable and eventful month for the AKJM family, marked by meaningful participation and vibrant activities across various platforms.

Fr Wilson represented the state of Kerala at the Bharat Scouts and Guides National Jamboree held in Lucknow, where he participated as a state invitee. He was entrusted with the significant responsibility of exhibiting and showcasing Kerala at the national-level event, bringing recognition to the state and the mission. Adding cultural richness to the festive celebrations, **Fr Emmanuel Mathew** performed Bharatanatyam during the Christmas celebrations organized by the Conference of Religious India (CRI), Kanjirappally. His graceful performance was well appreciated and added a special artistic dimension to the occasion. AKJM School achieved remarkable success in co-curricular and sports activities. The school secured the Overall Championship at the Sub-District Kalolsavam and also delivered an outstanding performance at the District-level Kalolsavam. Furthermore, the Inter-Jesuit School Football Tournament, organized under the auspices of JEA, was hosted at AKJM School, in which St Joseph's School, Kozhikode, emerged as the champions. In addition to these achievements, AKJM students won the Overall Championship at the DCL Competition, bringing further distinction to the institution. Meanwhile, the NSS and Scouts and Guides camps are currently underway on the school campus, fostering leadership,

discipline, and social responsibility among students. These activities are being efficiently coordinated under the guidance of **Fr Augustine**, who is spearheading all major events within the AKJM mission.

Emmanuel Mathew

LOYOLA COLLEGE/ LES/LOYOLA SCHOOL, SREEKARIYAM

On 1 December, the Department of Personnel Management organized a seminar titled “Labour Code 360: Understanding the New Workplace Framework.” The keynote address was delivered by Adv. Anil Narayana, Hariman, ILM. On 10 December, the College hosted an awareness session on “Breaking Barriers: Public Awareness and Transgender Inclusion,” featuring transgender activist Sreemayi S.L as the resource person. The session invited deep reflection and meaningful dialogue. On 12 December, the Students’ Union was inaugurated, with Mr Anu S. Nair, IAS, a distinguished alumnus of Loyola, as the Chief Guest. From 12–14 December, Loyola welcomed Jesuits and faculty from higher education institutions across South India for a three-day workshop on “Democracy and Eco-Spiritually Engaged Spirituality.” With over 40 participants, the programme was deeply appreciated for its depth and relevance. On 17 December, Loyola organized an RTI Youth Conclave with Ms Aruna Roy as the Chief Guest. Mr Nikhil Day and Dr Patrick Heller from Brown University, USA, served as key resource persons. The event brought together students, RTI activists, and civil society leaders for a rich exchange on transparency and democratic participation. Throughout December, the College conducted the FYUGP internal examinations and the PG semester examinations. Loyola takes pride in having published all results within the announced timelines.

LES continues its vibrant work through a range of outreach initiatives and psychological interventions. Recruitment for the Constitutional Project, funded by the Azim Premji Foundation, is in its final stages, and the programme is set to begin in January 2026. Similarly, the recruitment of the third cohort of fellows for the Dialogical Democracy Project is nearly complete, and the one-month residential training is scheduled to take place in February. Meanwhile, the construction of ten new rooms is also nearing completion, marking another step forward in strengthening our infrastructure and services. On 23 December, the entire campus—FYUGP, PG, research scholars, and LES staff—came together for a joyful and spirited Christmas celebration, filled with music, laughter, and festive cheer. The campus reopens on January 5, as we return with hope-filled hearts to begin a new year of learning, growth, and service.

Loyola School, Trivandrum, recently hosted the

Southern Education Conclave for principals, which witnessed the participation of a large number of school leaders from across the region. The conclave provided a valuable platform for dialogue and collaboration on contemporary educational challenges and leadership. The school also hosted a Workshop on Education for Peace under the Jesuit Educational Association (JEA), conducted by **Frs Binoy** and **Rosan**. Teachers from three schools in Trivandrum participated actively in the workshop and prepared concrete action plans to strengthen the Peace Clubs already functioning in their respective educational institutions. Adding to its academic achievements, Loyola School secured the fifth position at the national level in the Biosphere Project Competition organized by UNESCO, marking a significant milestone for the institution. The Christmas celebrations at Loyola School were held in a grand and meaningful manner, featuring carol singing, a vibrant procession with beautifully designed floats, sharing of a Christmas meal, and a cultural programme. Ms Jeeva Maria Joy, IFS, Regional Passport Officer, was the Chief



Guest for the celebration. As part of the school’s social commitment during the Christmas season, a house was handed over to one of the non-teaching staff members, reflecting the institution’s strong values of care and solidarity. In addition, the Loyola Old Boys’ Association (LOBA) organized a grand Global Leadership Award (GLA) function, during which two former students Mr Atul Dinkar Rane, of the 1980 batch and Mr Benoy Stephan, of the 2011 batch were honoured for their outstanding contributions to society. The event was attended by former staff members, current staff, and alumni of Loyola School, making it a memorable and well-celebrated occasion.

Savit S

ST. XAVIER’S COLLEGE, THUMBA

The campus was in a festive mood throughout the month of December, marked by several significant occasions. The community joyfully celebrated the feast of our

heavenly patron, St. Francis Xavier—together with the college staff in the afternoon and with neighbouring religious communities, friends, and well-wishers in the evening. Soon after, the campus became busy and crowded as it served, for the first time in the recent past, as the distribution and counting centre for the local body elections.

The AICUF unit of the college, in collaboration with Xavier Outreach Services, organized a three-day residential camp for youth from the coastal area under the leadership of **Fr Dominic** and **Sch Joel**. The State Advisor of AICUF, **Fr Baby Chalil**, also found time to engage with the students. The camp witnessed good participation and proved to be a transforming experience for all those who were part of it.

The Christmas celebrations in both the college and the school were meaningful moments of sharing the peace and joy of the season. On the 23rd, the college staff had a meaningful celebration with **Fr John Francis** as the Chief Guest. The inter-departmental Christmas parade competition, organized under the leadership of the college union, was noted for its creativity and enthusiastic participation. Students and staff also visited the Benedict Menni Centre for the Destitute at Fathimapuram and St. Martha's Special School, Menamkulam, to share the joy of Christmas with the inmates and students. On Christmas Eve, the Juniorate community visited the campus and enriched the celebrations with melodious carol singing. Several development works were undertaken on the campus under the leadership of **Fr Biju Joy**, notably the development of a two-wheeler parking area near the front gate. **Bro Jacob** supervised a massive campus-cleaning drive around Loyola School on the campus. The construction of the school bus shed is also progressing steadily near the eastern gate of the college campus. After the semester examinations, **Schs Joel** and **Rejoy** joined the Juniors at Vidyaniketan to make their Triduum under the guidance of **Fr Xavier Tharamel**. We were also happy to have **Fr Joseph Pulickal** with the community for a couple of days during the month.

Rejoy

XAVIER TRAINING CENTRE, PACHILAKAD

As the month of December began, we joyfully celebrated the feast of St. Francis Xavier, a very special occasion for our community. We celebrated the feast with great happiness, and all the candidates joined us for the programme. We truly enjoyed the day together. The festal Mass was celebrated by **Fr Jacob Kumminiyl**, the Superior of the community, and the presence of the candidates added to the joy of the celebration. From 5th to 9th December 2025, we went on an exposure

programme to the Jesuit missions of Kannur and Calicut, guided by **Fr Adhul** and **Sch David**. One of the most touching moments for us was praying before the Eucharistic miracle at Christ the King Church, Vilakannur, where we deeply felt the presence of Jesus. We visited several Jesuit houses, schools, and mission centres and learned about the dedicated service of many Jesuit missionaries.

We were deeply inspired while visiting the tombs of the Servant of God **Rev. Fr Zucol, SJ**; **Rev. Fr Montanari, SJ**; **Rev. Fr Peter Caironi, SJ**; and **Mother Sr Petra**, whose lives of faith, sacrifice, and service touched our hearts. Hearing especially about Fr Zucol's life of service to the poor inspired us greatly. Meeting **Fr Stephen** at Ezhimala and witnessing his simple, prayer-filled life was a powerful experience for us. Along with prayer and learning, we also enjoyed moments of fun at the beaches, playing games, and spending quality time together. Our interactions with senior Jesuits at Christ Hall, Calicut, were especially meaningful and motivating.

We sincerely thank all the communities that warmly welcomed us and took such good care of us, especially the Jesuit communities of the Ignatian Retreat Centre, Pariyaram; S.M. Farm, Sahajeevanamillam; St. Michael's, Kannur; Christ Hall, Calicut; Loyola School, Calicut; and St. Joseph's School and community. We returned to XTC happy, grateful, and more deeply attracted to the Jesuit way of life. After our return, we completed our second-



term examinations. This was followed by a recollection led by **Fr Anto Muringathery**, which helped us reflect deeply and prepare ourselves spiritually for Christmas. We then celebrated Christmas carols and visited nearly twenty neighbouring houses. We also went to Panamaram and Palikunnu to share Christmas

carols—an enriching experience, especially through our interactions with the mothers there. We were also given a wonderful opportunity to create a five-day video series in preparation for Christmas for the Kerala Jesuits' Instagram channel. This initiative enabled us to share the joy, hope, and message of Christmas through our creativity. We celebrated the Christmas feast in our community with great enthusiasm. On the 21st, we had a campfire, Christmas gift exchange, and joyful celebrations together. We then began our Christmas holidays. Three of us went home on the night of the 22nd, and the rest left on the morning of the 23rd. **Ranjan** and **Barnes** went to Christ Hall to celebrate the holidays, and we are very grateful to the Christ Hall community for their warm welcome. **Fr Adhul** went to Andhra for the shooting of a short film by JESCOM. Prenovice Lawrence returned on the 29th after completing his treatment and rest. **Sch Charis** stayed with us for a day for vocation promotion work, and **Dn Savy** also paid us a brief visit.

Ranjan and Barnes

SNEHARAM, ANCHUTHENGU

We are delighted to share the highlights of events that took place over the last three months. December was a busy month filled with a variety of programmes. This year, we organized different Christmas celebrations with various groups. One particularly meaningful celebration was held with the Community Leaders of Ensuring Social Protection and the neighbours. During the celebration, we honoured all the newly elected local body members, including two Block Panchayat members and fourteen ward members of the Anchuthengu Grama Panchayat, by presenting them with a *Ponnada*. The students in our remedial education programme also enjoyed a special Christmas celebration featuring a variety of cultural programmes. In addition to these, we also had Christmas celebrations with Sneharam



staff members, senior citizens, and in the ESP Kadakam Pocket. We welcomed two batches of MSW students and other students from National College, as well as students from St Joseph's Higher Secondary School, for exposure visits at Sneharam on three different days, involving nearly 185 students in total. We celebrated World Fisheries Day with a symposium titled "Safe

and Sustainable Fishing: Challenges and Remedies," inaugurated by Rev. Sr Theremma Prayikkulam. The presidential address was delivered by **Rev. Fr Sunny Jose**, the Rector of St. Xavier's, followed by in-depth discussions among the participants. We are pleased to announce that ten students from various classes of our remedial education programme have joined our Global Young Researchers Academy (GYRA) programme. Furthermore, the newly appointed State Coordinator of Ensuring Social Protection, **Fr Shin**, visited the Wayanad and Attappady units, engaging in meaningful interactions with staff members from all seven organizations. We continued our regular ESP programmes with unit meetings, including various awareness initiatives, entitlement programmes, and monthly senior citizen programmes. Fr Saji Kunchacko also visited Sneharam and stayed with us for a few days. We remain committed to our pastoral involvement in parishes through our spiritual ministries, including recollection talks.

Shin Kallungal

VIDYAJYOTI, DELHI

December unfolded as a rich and meaningful month at Vidyajyoti, blending academic engagement, fraternal gatherings, and significant ecclesial moments. The JD-VJ Seminar provided a stimulating academic space. **Sch Frangle** presented his paper, while **Sch Anjo** was rightly appreciated for the smooth and dedicated organisation of the seminar. The community was grateful for **Fr Henry's** first visitation to Vidyajyoti as Provincial, a moment of encouragement and closeness. The presence of **Fr Vincent Pereppadan** further strengthened the Kerala Jesuit gathering in Delhi.

The most joyful highlight of the month was the ordination of three Kerala scholastics and one Delhi scholastic from Vidyajyoti as deacons on 22 December at the Vincentian Generalate. Many Jesuits from the Province graced the occasion with their presence and prayers. The ordination was conferred by **Bishop Tony Nilankavil**, and the community rejoices with the newly ordained deacons and assures them of continued



prayers.

In preparation for ministry, the third-year scholastics began their diaconate retreat, while the rest of the community concluded their Triduum and now look forward to the new academic year with hope and renewed energy. As winter deepened, dense fog and persistent pollution continued to shape daily life in Delhi, testing resilience even as the community moved forward in faith and mission.

Sauy George

DE NOBILI COLLEGE, PUNE

December was a month filled with grace, celebration, and community spirit. We joyfully celebrated the cultural feast of the North Zone provinces, bringing together our rich traditions and heritage. **Sch Albin** made a full recovery following his leg injury. The community welcomed back our Rector after his fruitful participation in a conference in Spain. The month marked in our house with the assignment of new offices, members. We also benefited from an enriching special session on MAIN (Migrant Assistance and Information Network) given by **Fr. Martin**, which deepened our understanding of this important ministry.

A highlight of the month was the graceful visitation of **Fr. Provincial**, who spent three meaningful days with our community, strengthening our bonds and offering his guidance and presence. Our creative talents shone brightly with the release of a new Christmas song on the Kerala Province YouTube channel. The beautiful



composition featured lyrics written by **Schs Abbey**, vocals by **Libin**, and was expertly coordinated by **Cicil**, adding a melodious touch to our festive season. The scholastics successfully completed their semester examinations. The community then came together to celebrate Christmas in a vibrant and joyful manner, embracing the spirit of the season with enthusiasm. We also celebrated the birthdays of **Sch Cicil** and **Fr Sunil** with joy and warmth. During the Christmas holidays, the scholastics enriched their break with visits to the historic sites of Ajanta and the scenic beauty of Goa. Our would-be deacons are currently in Belgaum for

their retreat, preparing themselves spiritually for the sacred step ahead. December has truly been a month of blessings, growth, and community joy.

Thomas Philip

XAVIER TRAINING COLLEGE, BELAGAVI

Time seems to be flowing swiftly yet calmly here at XTC. While the second-year novices were engaged in their experiments and placements, the first-year novices emerged from their deep encounter with the Lord through the Spiritual Exercises. On November 18, the second years set out in pairs for their begging pilgrimage to the Basilica of Bom Jesus, Old Goa. Amid the trials of walking and begging, it became a time of grace as they experienced God's loving presence and His parental care and concern. After a day of rest, they assisted in the preparations for the Novena in honour of St. Francis Xavier. By volunteering in various activities during the Novena, they carried out their pastoral experiment. It was a grace-filled experience to witness the deep faith and devotion of the thousands who flocked to the Basilica each day and to render humble service to them. Being present for the feast, offering service, and accompanying the faithful in their devotions proved to be a deeply moving experience. On December 1, the first years gradually emerged from their Long Retreat and began harvesting the graces received. On December 6, the second years returned to XTC, making it a joy to have the entire community together once again. On December 8, the whole community joined the Goa Jesuits at Bom Jesus Basilica to celebrate the final vows of **Fr John Fernandes** and **Fr Richard** (Goa). We then entered into a fruitful time of sharing our experiment experiences. It was a heart-touching moment to listen to and rejoice in the wonderful ways the Lord encountered each one of us during this journey. As Christmas draws near, we are preparing ourselves both externally and internally to welcome Christ. May joy be our manger, where Christ is laid.

Joel Abraham Manoj

OURS IN MEDIA

Fr Midhun J.F. Kochukallan:

- *The Qur'an in Rome: Manuscripts, Translations, and the Study of Islam in Early Modern Catholicism*, in Gregoriana, Roma, 106/4, 2025, pp. 891–896.
- *"Nostra Aetate: A Call to Journey in Love, Justice, and Spiritual Friendship"*, Light of Truth, November 29, 2025.
- "സൗഹൃദത്തിന്റെ സുവിശേഷം", Editorial in Madhyamam, December 25, 2025.
- "ക്രിസ്തുമസ് വിശ്വസമാധാനത്തിന്റെ പൂജാരി", Bahuswara, December 23, 2025.

Fr Thomas Karimundackal:

- *"Sinai Covenant: A Foundational Response to Divine-Human Relationship," in Inhabiting the Christian-Hindu Threshold: Francis X. D'Sa in Dialogical Hermeneutics, Kuruvilla Pandikattu SJ, Annie Kunnath et al. (eds.), (JD Philosophy Series – 35; Jnana Deepa & Christian World Imprints; Delhi: 2025), 85-116.*
- *"The God Who Suffers with Humanity—Toward a Biblical Understanding of Suffering," in AUC: Asian Journal of Religious Studies, Vol 71/1 (January-March 2026), 3-23.*

GONE FOR THEIR REWARD

Fr. Dominic Devraj (BOM), 84/60
on 5.12.2025 at Mumbai

Br. Amalraj Michael (MDU), 82/63
on 11.12.2025 at Dindigul

Fr. Bereciartua (Beretxi) Iñaki (GUJ), 90/73
on 12.12.2025 at Spain.

Fr. Agapit Tirkey (MAP), 81/60,
on 12.12.2025 at Chhattisgarh

Br. Timothy Macwan (GUJ), 90/67
on 16.12.2025 at Vadodara

Fr. Lourdu John (MDU), 92/72
on 21.12.2025 at Dindigul

Fr. M. Joseph Ignatius (MDU), 84/64
on 31.12.2025 at Dindigul

Prof. Joseph Panjikaran (90), the second eldest brother of Fr. Syriac Panjikaran on 28.12.2025 at Perumanoor
Sr. Leo Kadankavil, CMC (94), the eldest sister of Fr. Jose Kadankavil on 30.12.2025.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

January

- 01 John Elamkunnappuzha
- 01 David Mathew Madathinakathe
- 01 Ramlat Mekkulathil
- 02 Peter Mulluparambil
- 03 Tomson Vadakkeputhenpura
- 04 Varkeychan Mecheril
- 06 Biju George Kunnappillil
- 06 Joseph Pulickal
- 07 Biju Vadakkumchery



- 08 Dilan Davis Vadakumpadan
- 10 Roy Alex Kuzhimannil
- 11 Thomas Erinjery
- 13 Rabin C.
- 16 Rejoy Johny Chiriyankandath
- 18 Joseph Edassery
- 20 Jacob Kumminiyil
- 20 Jijimon Puthuveettilkalam
- 25 Antu Xavier Kalamparambil
- 26 James Pullokan
- 26 Thomas Panikulam

February

- 01 Anil Kochumethikalam
- 02 Eaby Shajan Parankimalil
- 02 Joel Thomas Chennothil
- 04 George Varangalakudy
- 05 George Vattukulam

IN CHRIST WITH GLORY

January

- 02 (2019) Samuel Rayan
- 06 (2007) Cecil Veliath
- 06 (2014) Linus Maria Zucol
- 07 (2006) Kurian Padapurackal
- 13 (2018) George R. Kandathil
- 13 (2020) John Molekunel
- 15 (2007) Antony Manipadam
- 18 (1967) Thomas Kalam
- 19 (1977) Joseph Koilparambil
- 21 (2003) Chandy Varickamakal
- 23 (2007) Dominic Gomez
- 26 (1963) Fortunatus Cutinho
- 31 (1986) Cherian Karippaparambil



Pope's Intention Jan 2026

For Prayer with the Word of God.

Let us pray that praying with the Word of God be nourishment for our lives and a source of hope in our communities, helping us to build a more fraternal and missionary Church.

**Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network
INDIA**

KINDLY PRAY FOR MANY GOOD VOCATIONS!

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