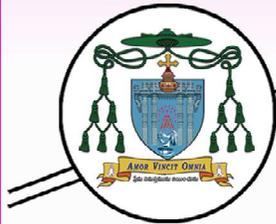


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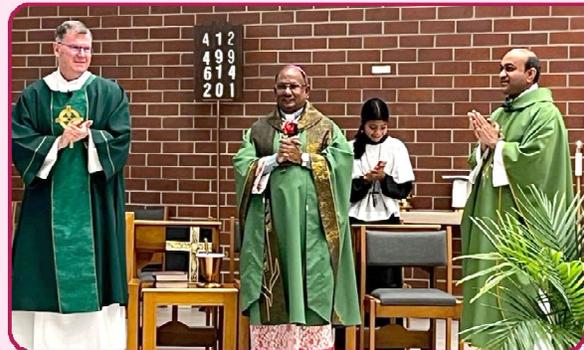
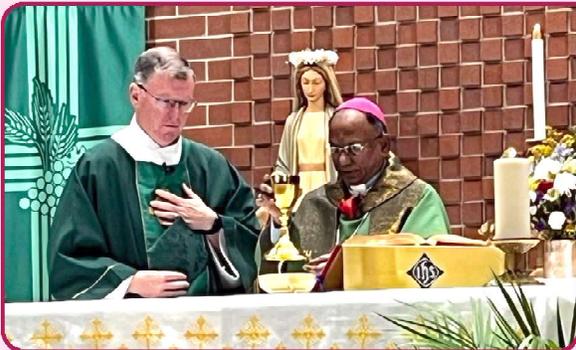
Happy Feast of  
**St. John Maria Vianney**

78<sup>Th</sup> Years  
**Happy Independence Day**

**HAPPY FEAST OF ASSUMPTION OF MARY**



**At St. Francis of Assisi Catholic Church, Madison with Fr. Albeen**



**His Lordship Felicitating Most. Rev. Jaime Soto, Bishop of Sacramento, California and celebrating the Sunday Mass at Saint John the Evangelist Parish, Sacramento, California**



**At St. Patrick Catholic Church, Hollandale, Madison diocese with Fr. Prabhakar**



**At St. Francis of Assisi Church, Belleville-WI with Fr. B. Joseph Praveen**

**Kapari Vani . . .**

**Pastoral Ministry : Ordained and Non-Ordained Ministries!**

Hi! Pastoral Ministers, Visiting many Dioceses, Chanceries and Parishes and Meeting with Arch/Bishops, Mission Directors, Vicars/s for Priests in USA, I could notice constant changes and updates on providing the best possible Pastoral Ministry, within the same Catholic Faith and Practice! Merging Parishes into **Pastorates** with one Parish Priest/ Administrator (sometimes a Lay Man/ Woman) and other ministers as Parochial Assistant, Permanent Deacons, Pastoral Associates, etc. is the current trend. It is the same Catholic Church and yet different in the Pastoring of the People of God as per the signs of the times. It is terrifying to note some Dioceses continue to declare themselves 'Bankrupt' as a consequence of Child Abuses allegations. **Synodality** in process "Pastoring" can occur in a variety of ways and at its foundation, it involves caring for God's people and **walking alongside them in their Christian formation**. The pastoral ministries address the needs of the Church and communicate the gospel in contextually appropriate ways. Christ is the leader of the Church, Paul in Ephesians 1:22 said "God placed everything under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the Church". However, Christ entrusted His authority to Peter (Mt 16:18) to lead the community to Him. Pastorhood as a public Leadership is to lead community, not to sit over it. A person who is called by God to lead has the responsibility to be in the community, with the community and for the community.



**Required Grace to Minister**

God is able to give the needed Grace, once he calls his people to ministry, as Paul said "I can do all this through him who gives me strength" (Phi 4:13). It is not an easy task to carry out public leadership, pastoral ministers must know everything, counseling marriage on the verge breaking down, baptizing dying babies, administering Holy Communion for dying individuals, leading marriage ceremony with unusual and complicated scenario. It is also not easy to accept ministry as God calling rather than as job placement. It is tough to accept the people, their culture, tradition and their whole identity, including the same sex orientated. God calls ministers to serve so that they will be able exercise his full authority (Matt 28:16-18) with full humility (Phi 2:6, 2Cor 8:9, Rom 5:6-8). They must deny themselves and follow the footsteps of our Lord (Lk 9:23). Most importantly, every pastor must know the distinctions of Authority and Power. It is not uncommon to see pastors are using power instead of the authority God given them. "Authority" is responsibility that derived from someone greater than us. That means the fullest responsibility!

**Caring for the Sheep**

Pastoral ministry relates to shepherds and their role caring for sheep. Christians were the first to adopt the term for symbolic usage, although many religions and non-religious traditions place an emphasis on care and social responsibility. In the USA, pastoral ministry has since expanded into **pastoral care** embracing many different religions and non-religious beliefs. The Bible does not explicitly define the role of a pastor but associates it with 'Proclaiming and Healing'. In short, Pastoral ministry involves shepherding the flock and Shepherding involves

protection, tending to needs, strengthening the weak, encouragement, feeding the flock, making provision, shielding, refreshing, restoring, leading people on in their pursuit of holiness, comforting, guiding (Ps 78:52). Historically looking, pastoral care primarily revolved around the Christian's struggle against sin, which threatened their ultimate salvation. **Humanist groups** or **Non-religious people** developed pastoral care offerings in response to growing demand for the provision of like-minded support from populations undergoing rapid secularization. The terms pastoral care and pastoral support are preferred because these sound less religious than terms such as chaplaincy. Surveys have shown that more than two thirds of patients support non-religious pastoral care available in the USA!

### **Lay Ecclesial Ministers**

There are, as we are aware "**Ordained and non-Ordained ministries**". In Catholic theology, pastoral ministry for the sick and infirm is one of the most significant ways that members of the Body of Christ continue the ministry and mission of Jesus. Pastoral ministry is, in the broad sense, the responsibility of "all the baptized". Sacramental pastoral ministry is the administration of the Sacraments (Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Penance, Extreme Unction, Holy Orders, Matrimony) that is reserved to consecrated priests except for Baptism (in an emergency, anyone can baptize) and marriage, where the spouses are the ministers, and the priest is the witness only. Pastoral ministry was understood differently at various times in history. A significant development occurred after the Fourth Lateran Council in 1215 and Vatican Council II applied the word "pastoral" to a variety of situations involving care of souls.

Many Catholic parishes employ lay ecclesial ministers as "**Pastoral Associates**" or "**Pastoral Assistants**", lay people who serve in ministerial or administrative roles, assisting the priest in his work, but they are not ordained clerics. They are responsible, among other things, for the spiritual care of the frail and housebound as well as for running a multitude of tasks associated with the sacramental life of the Church. Let us note that Pastoral care, or cure of souls, refers to emotional, social and spiritual support. The term implies inclusive of distinctly religious and non-religious forms of support, including atheist and religious communities. It is also an important form of support found in many spiritual and religious traditions.

### **Partnering with God's Work**

The work of pastoral ministry is primarily the work of partnering with God in His supernatural work of saving sinful human beings and transforming their lives into the image and likeness of Jesus Christ. God receives maximum glory in His church when His shepherds, and their people, are experiencing Christ-like transformation together. The purpose of this article is to challenge pastors to reclaim the biblical doctrine of Christ likeness. This theme has become conspicuously absent in our discussions of pastoral ministry, and in what we are seeking to accomplish in our churches. The relentless passion of the apostle Paul was to see "Christ formed" in the lives of those he ministered to (Gal. 4:19). In this hour, the church desperately needs pastors who will share Paul's passion for seeing Christ formed in the lives of their people. The pastoral calling is inherently theological. Given the fact that the pastor is to be the teacher of the Word of God and the teacher of the Gospel, it cannot be otherwise. The idea of the pastorate as a non-theological office is inconceivable in light of the Bible! The countdown of my return began, I pray

**May God Bless India and United States of America!!!**

## II. Holy Father's General Intention: For Political Leaders

We Pray that Political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and for the common good, especially caring for the poor and those who have lost their jobs.

## III. Message of Pope Francis at G7 Summit: AI is 'neither objective nor neutral'

At the G7 summit in southern Italy, Pope Francis holds one-on-one meetings with the leaders of the US, Ukraine, India, Kenya, France, Turkey, Canada, and Brazil.

In an address to the G7 summit, Pope Francis discusses the threat and promise of artificial intelligence, the 'techno-human condition', human vs algorithmic decision-making, AI-written essays, and the necessity of political collaboration on technology.



### AI: Dangers and promises

The Pope dedicated his address to the G7 to the subject of artificial intelligence. He began by saying that the birth of AI represents “a true cognitive-industrial revolution” which will lead to “complex epochal transformations”.

These transformations, the Pope said, have the potential to be both positive – for example, the “democratization of access to knowledge”, the “exponential advancement of scientific research”, and a reduction in “demanding and arduous work” – and negative – for instance, “greater injustice between advanced and developing nations or between dominant and oppressed social classes.”

### The 'techno-human condition'

Noting that AI is “above all a tool”, the Pope spoke of what he called the “techno-human condition”. He explained that he was referring to the fact that humans’ relationship with the environment has always been mediated by the tools that they have produced. Some, the Pope said, see this as a weakness, or a deficiency; however, he argued, it is in fact something positive. It stems, he said, from the fact that we are beings “inclined to what lies outside of us”, beings “radically open to the beyond.” This openness, Pope Francis said, is both the root of our “techno-human condition” and the root of our openness to others and to God, as well as the root of our artistic and intellectual creativity.

### Decision-making: Humans v Machines

The Pope then moved on to the subject of decision-making. He said that AI is capable of making “algorithmic choices” – that is, “technical” choices “among several possibilities based

either on well-defined criteria or on statistical inferences”. Human beings, however, “not only choose, but in their hearts are capable of deciding.” This is because, the Pope explained, they are capable of wisdom, of what the Ancient Greeks called *phronesis* (a type of intelligence concerned with practical action), and of listening to Sacred Scripture.

It is thus very important, the Pope stressed, that important decisions must “always be left to the human person.” As an example of this principle, the Pope pointed to the development of lethal autonomous weapons – which can take human life with no human input – and said that they must ultimately be banned.

### **“Algorithms ‘neither objective nor neutral’**

The Pope also stressed that the algorithms used by artificial intelligence to arrive at choices are “neither objective nor neutral.” He pointed to the algorithms designed to help judges in deciding whether to grant home-confinement to prison inmates. These programmes, he said, make a choice based on data such as the type of offence, behaviour in prison, psychological assessment, and the prisoner’s ethnic origin, educational attainment, and credit rating. However, the Pope stressed, this is reductive: “human beings are always developing, and are capable of surprising us by their actions. This is something that a machine cannot take into account.” A further problem, the Pope emphasised, is that algorithms “can only examine realities formalised in numerical terms:”

### **AI-generated essays**

The Pope then turned to consider the fact that many students are increasingly relying on AI to help them with their studies, and in particular, with writing essays. It is easy to forget, the Pope said, that “strictly speaking, so-called generative artificial intelligence is not really ‘generative’” – it does not “develop new analyses or concepts” but rather “repeats those that it finds, giving them an appealing form.” This, the Pope said, risks “undermining the educational process itself”. Education, he emphasised, should offer the chance for “authentic reflection”, but instead “runs the risk of being reduced to a repetition of notions, which will increasingly be evaluated as unobjectionable, simply because of their constant repetition.”

### **Towards an “algor-ethics”**

Bringing his speech to a close, the Pope emphasised that AI is always shaped by “the worldview of those who invented and developed it.” A particular concern in this regard, he said, is that today it is “increasingly difficult to find agreement on the major issues concerning social life” - there is less and less consensus, that is, regarding the philosophy that should be shaping artificial intelligence. What is necessary, therefore, the Pope said, is the development of an “algor-ethics”, a series of “global and pluralistic” principles which are “capable of finding support from cultures, religions, international organizations and major corporations.” “If we

struggle to define a single set of global values,” the Pope said, we can at least “find shared principles with which to address and resolve dilemmas or conflicts regarding how to live.”

### **A necessary politics**

Faced with this challenge, the Pope said, “political action is urgently needed.” “Only a healthy politics, involving the most diverse sectors and skills”, the Pope stressed, is capable of dealing with the challenges and promises of artificial intelligence. The goal, Pope Francis concluded, is not “stifling human creativity and its ideals of progress” but rather “directing that energy along new channels.”

### **Vatican Website Empowers Priests to Thrive**



Priests can find online support to thrive in challenging world on a new Vatican website- [clerus.va/en.html](http://clerus.va/en.html)-which is sponsored by the Dicastery for the Clergy. The website’s goal is to build a dynamic, interconnected community where Priests can support one another, share resources and be inspired. Prominent features include up-to-date news and resources, best practices, as well as online and in-person Dicastery-organized courses.

The Greater objective, however, is to foster connections where Priests can engage in discussion, seek advice from one another and offer peer support. By sharing best practices, Priests can collaborate on local initiatives and foster cross-cultural learning. Such discussions could spark innovation across the globe. The site offers Priestly related news from the Vatican, the world and Pope Francis. It also connects seminarians with pertinent links to the world day of Prayer for vocations, themagisterium, Dicastery documents and upcoming jubilee events, such as the jubilee day for seminarians on June 23, 2025. The Jubilee Day for Deacons on February 21, 2025. For Priests the date is set for June 26, 2025.

Cardinal Lazarus you Heun-sik, Prefect of the Dicastery for the Clergy, notes that the initiative’s success hinges on the Clergy’s participation. The objective, he says, is “to ensure that all Priests in the world are happy.”

**IV. భారతదేశ కఠోలిక పీఠాధిపతుల సమాఖ్య (CCBI)  
CCBI కాపరి పరిచర్య నమూనా: ఆదివారపు ప్రకటన పత్రము  
(Ref G CCBI/CIR-60)**

భారతదేశ లతీను కఠోలిక శ్రీసభకు చెందిన అతిమేత్రాణులు, పీఠాధిపతులు, గురువులు, డీకనులు, మఠవాసులు, సత్వోపదేశకులు, సామాన్య విశ్వాసులారా,

యేసు క్రీస్తు నందు ప్రియ సహోదరీ సహోదరులారా,

1. శ్రీసభ దైవ ప్రజల యాత్రిక సంఘము, శ్రీసభ సభ్యులు ఈ ప్రపంచములో ఉత్థానుడైన ప్రభు ప్రేషిత కార్యమును కొనసాగించువారు. రెండవ వాతికను మహోసభలో శ్రీసభ ఒక సంఘము అను దృక్పథమును నెమరు వేసుకుంటూ, అదే విధముగా శ్రీసభలో తరువాత వెలువడిన అనేక అధికారిక పత్రాలలో ప్రత్యేక దృష్టిని సారించిన విధముగా, 2021 లో మన ప్రియతమ ఫ్రాన్సిస్ పాపుగారు శ్రీసభ 'కలసి పయనించుట' అను ప్రక్రియలో విస్తృతమైన సంప్రదింపులతో, ధ్యానపూర్వకముగా, ప్రార్థనా పరమైన నిర్ణయముతో ప్రారంభమై 2024 అక్టోబరు నెలలో శిఖరాగ్రమునకు చేరుకుంటుంది. శ్రీసభ 'కలసి పయనించుట' అను ఈ కొనసాగే ప్రయాణములో, పవిత్రాత్మ నడిపింపుకు చెవియొగ్గి, ఒకరిని ఒకరు ఔత్సాహముతో ఆలకిస్తూ, సహవాసమును పెంపొందిస్తూ, భాగస్వామ్యము కలిగి, మనకు అప్పగింపబడిన ప్రేషిత కార్యమును ఆలింగనము చేసుకొని కలసి పయనించాలని మనమంతా ఆశాభావాన్ని వ్యక్తపరుస్తున్నాము. దేవుని కృపతో నిండిన 'కలసి పయనించుట' అను ప్రక్రియ సమావేశాలలో వివిధ స్థాయిలలో, మేత్రాసన, ప్రాంతీయ, దేశవ్యాప్తముగా పాల్గొనుట ద్వారా శ్రీసభ కలసి పయనించే ఒక దైవ ప్రజల సమూహముగా, శ్రద్ధగా దేవుని స్వరమును ఆలకిస్తూ, ఒకరిని ఒకరు ఆలకిస్తూ, దేవుడు చేసిన సృష్టిని కూడా ఆలకిస్తూ కొనసాగుతున్నాము.

2. ఏది ఏమైన, ఈ 'కలసి పయనించుట' అను అనుభూతిని ఏవిధముగా అమలుపరుస్తూ జీవించగలము అని ఎప్పటికప్పుడు మనలను మనము ప్రశ్నించుకుంటూనే ఉన్నాము. దీనిని కార్యరూపములో పెట్టుటకు భారతదేశ కఠోలిక పీఠాధిపతుల సమాఖ్య (CCBI) కాపరి పరిచర్య నమూనా ప్రక్రియ ద్వారా ఒక నిర్ణయము తీసుకొన్నది. ఈ ప్రయత్నములో ప్రశ్న-సమాధానము అను పద్ధతి ద్వారా 2033 నకు శ్రీసభ ఏవిధముగా ఉండాలని దేవుడు పిలుపునిస్తున్నాడు? అను ప్రశ్నకు సమాధానమును మనము కనుగొనాలి. లతీను కఠోలిక శ్రీసభకు చెందిన ఐదు వేల సభ్యులు, వారిలో పీఠాధిపతులు, గురువులు, మఠవాసులు, స్త్రీలు, పురుషులు, యువతీయువకులతో ఒక సంవత్సరము పాటు కొనసాగిన ప్రక్రియ ఇది. ఈ ప్రక్రియలో సహకారమును అందించిన ప్రతి ఒక్కరిని మనస్ఫూర్తిగా అభినందిస్తున్నాము.

3. ఈ కాపరి పరిచర్య నమూనాను మీతో పంచుకొనుటకు ఎంతో సంతోషిస్తున్నాము. ఈ నమూనా "కలసి పయనించు శ్రీసభ దిశగా ప్రయాణము: ప్రేషిత కార్యము 2033" అని నామకరణము చేయబడినది. ఇది పవిత్రాత్మ ప్రేరణతో జరిగిన సంభాషణ ఫలితము. ఈ నమూనాను ఆదరింప మిమ్మందరిని ప్రార్థయపడి అర్థిస్తున్నాము. ఈ కాపరి పరిచర్య నమూనా అను ఉత్తరువును మనకు మనమే ఏర్పాటు చేసుకున్నాము. ఇది మనందరి పథకము. కాబట్టి, ప్రతి ఒక్కరు వారి శక్తియుక్తులనుబట్టి వారు విచారణ, మేత్రాసన, ప్రాంతీయ, దేశ వ్యాప్తముగా ఏవిధముగా సహకారమును అందించగలరు అని కనుగొనాలి. ఈ నమూనా దృష్టి దేశ వ్యాప్త వివిధ

విభాగాలను పరిగణలోని తీసుకొని ఏర్పాటు చేయబడినా, వాటి ద్వారా వచ్చు ఫలితాలు ప్రాంతీయ, మేత్రాసన, విచారణ స్థాయిలో కూడా ఉపయుక్తముగా ఉండగలవను అవగాహనతో ఉన్నాము.

4. దేవుడు మన విశ్వాసపు నాణ్యతను పెంపొందించుటకు పిలుపునిస్తున్నారు, ప్రత్యేకముగా మన జీవనము, ప్రేషిత కార్యము అన్ని స్థాయిలలో అభివృద్ధి చెందాలని పిలుపునిస్తున్నారు. ఈ కాపరి పరిచర్య నమూనా విశ్వాసుల ఆశయమును నెరవేరుస్తుందని మేము దృఢముగా నమ్ముచున్నాము. ప్రత్యేకముగా కొన్ని మేత్రాసనాలు, స్థానిక శ్రీసభలు వారి కాపరి పరిచర్య నమూనాలను దేశ వ్యాప్త నమూనాతో క్రోడీకరించినందుకు సంతోషమును, కృతజ్ఞతా భావము కలిగియున్నాము.

5. నిరీక్షణ సంవత్సరమైన 2025 జూబిలీ పవిత్ర సంవత్సరమునకు మనము సిద్ధపడుచున్నాము, దేశ, ప్రాంతీయ, మేత్రాసన, విచారణ స్థాయిలలో CCBI కాపరి పరిచర్య నమూనా ఈ జూబిలీ సంవత్సరములోనే కార్యరూపము దాల్చాలని మా ప్రగాఢ కోరిక, తద్వారా 2033లో మన రక్షణ మహా జూబిలీ కొనియాడు నాటికి ఈ కాపరి పరిచర్య నమూనా ఫలాలను చవిచూడగలమని భావిస్తున్నాము. రాబోవు సంవత్సరాలలో ఈ నమూనా కార్యరూపము దాల్చుటకు మీ పాత్ర, సహకారము చాలా కీలకమైనవి. ముఖ్యముగా ఈ కార్యసిద్ధిలో సామాన్య విశ్వాసులు, స్త్రీలు, యువతీయువకులు ఎక్కువగా సహాయసహకారాలు అందించు అవశ్యకత ఉందని గట్టిగా విశ్వసిస్తున్నాము.

6. సెప్టెంబరు 2024లో ఈ కాపరి పరిచర్య నమూనా విడుదల చేయబడుతుంది. 2024 నవంబరు 24న ఈ నమూనాను దేశ, ప్రాంతీయ, మేత్రాసన, విచారణ స్థాయిలో కృతజ్ఞతా దివ్య బలిపూజను కొనియాడుట ద్వారా అధికారికముగా ప్రారంభించ ప్రతిపాదించబడినది.

7. CCBI బృందము దివ్య బలిపూజ నిర్వహణకు ఒక పథకమును తయారుచేసి, అంతే కాక, వీడియోలు, రీక్యూ, కరపత్రాలు మొదలగునవి తయారుచేసి, తగిన వివరాలతో, ఈ నమూనా ముఖ్యమైన అంశాలను అందుబాటులో ఉంచుతుంది. ఈ నమూనా అమలుచేయు ప్రక్రియలో ప్రజల, సంఘాల కథనాలను మనలను మరింత ఎక్కువగా ప్రేరేపించుటకు వాటిని అందరికి చేరునట్లు చేస్తుంది. ఒక ప్రత్యేక బృందము ఈ ప్రక్రియను సులభతరము చేయుటకు ప్రాంతీయ విభాలకు సహకారాన్ని అందిస్తుంది.

8. ఈ 'కలసి పయనించుట' అను ప్రయాణానికి మిమ్ము ఆహ్వానిస్తున్నాము. దేవుడు మనకు ఒసగి ఆహ్వానాన్ని కనుగొంటూ కలసి పయనించుట ద్వారా, వినూత్న మార్గాలలో పయనించుదాం. మన సౌకర్య వంతమైన పరిస్థితుల నుండి వెలుపలికి వచ్చి శ్రీసభలో అంకితభావము కలిగిన శిష్యులుగా, పవిత్రాత్మ ప్రేరణతో, ఒక క్రైస్తవ విశ్వాసిగా తోటి వారితో కలసి మనకు ఒసగబడిన ప్రేషిత కార్యమును జీవించుదాం. 'ప్రేషిత కార్యము నిర్వర్తించుటకు కలసి పయనించు మార్గములను కనుగొందాం'.

9. ప్రతీ అతిమేత్రాణులు, పీరాధిపతులు, గురువులు, మరవాసులు, సామాన్య విశ్వాసులు, యువతీయువకులు 'కలసి పయనించు శ్రీసభ' వైపుకు ప్రయాణించుటకు తద్వారా మనందరము అధిక ఫలాలను పొందుటకు ఆహ్వానింపబడుచున్నాము. మనందరము కలసి ప్రతీ ఒక్కరిని తనలో కలుపుకొను, కలసి పయనించు, అందరిని ఆహ్వానించు, క్రీస్తు ప్రేమచే, కరుణచే వ్యాపించు శ్రీసభను నిర్మించుటకు ప్రయాసపడుదాం.

మనమంతా ఈ ప్రయాణమును కలసి ప్రారంభించు తరుణములో దేవుని అపార దీవెనలు మీతో ఉండునుగాక.

**V. Conference of Catholic Bishops of India**  
**CCBI Pastoral Plan: Sunday Circular**

(Ref: CCBI/CIR-60)

To All Archbishops, Bishops, Priests, Deacons, Religious, Catechists and Lay Faithful  
of the Latin Catholic Church in India

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Jesus Christ,

1. The Church is the Pilgrim People of God, whose members are continuing in this world the mission entrusted by the Risen Lord. Recapturing this Conciliar ecclesial vision, frequently highlighted by the post-Conciliar documents, our beloved Pope Francis invited the entire Church, in October 2021, to undertake a Synodal process of extensive consultation, serious reflection and prayerful discernment, a process which will culminate in October 2024. Through this ongoing Synodal journey, we aspire to walk together, heeding the Holy Spirit's guidance, actively listening to one another, fostering communion, participation, and embracing our mission. We partook in the grace-filled Synodal sessions at the diocesan, regional and national levels, enabling the Church as God's people to journey together, by attentively listening to God, to one another and to creation.

2. However, we often find ourselves asking how we can concretely put into practice the outcome of the Synodal processes. To realise this, the Conference of Catholic Bishops of India (CCBI) decided to engage in a pastoral planning process, by responding to the question, 'Where is God calling the Church to be by 2033?' It has been a yearlong process, involving five thousand members of the Latin Catholic Church in India, comprising Bishops, Clergy, Religious, Women, Men and Youth. We sincerely acknowledge the contribution of everyone.

3. We are pleased to share with you the final Pastoral Plan, titled "Journeying towards a Synodal Church: Mission 2033." It is the fruit of a process of conversations in the Spirit. We earnestly appeal to all to embrace this Plan. This Pastoral Plan is a mandate that we have given to ourselves. It is a project of all of us. Therefore, every individual must discern his or her potential contribution to realizing these plans at the parish, diocesan, regional and national levels. While the focus of the Plan has been on the National Commissions, we were deeply aware that the fruits of the planning would also benefit our Regions, Dioceses and Parishes.

4. God is calling us to deepen the quality of our faith, life and mission at all levels. We strongly believe that the Pastoral Plan intends to fulfil this dream of the faithful. We are particularly happy and grateful that some Dioceses and Regions are aligning their pastoral plans with the National Pastoral Plan.

5. We are preparing ourselves for the Holy Year of 2025, the Year of Hope, and it is our earnest desire to begin implementing the CCBI Pastoral Plan at the national, regional, diocesan and parish levels during the Jubilee Year itself, so that, by 2033, when we celebrate the Great Jubilee of our Redemption, we may witness the fruits of this Pastoral Plan. Your participation and contribution to the implementation of the Plan in the coming years are crucial. We also

strongly believe that the laity, women and youth have much to contribute to the implementation process.

6. The release of the Pastoral Plan is scheduled for September 2024. It is proposed to have the official launch of this Plan on November 24, 2024, at the national, regional, diocesan and parish levels, by celebrating a Thanksgiving Holy Eucharist.

7. The CCBI Team will prepare a toolkit for the Eucharist as well as videos, reels, posters, etc. to communicate the relevant details and salient features of this Plan. During the implementation process, transforming narratives of the people and communities will be disseminated in order to motivate us even further. A Facilitation Committee will continue to guide the Commissions and the processes.

8. We invite you to participate in this Synodal journey. By walking together, we shall tread new pathways, realising God's invitation for us. Let us cut through our comfort zones and take new directions, guided by the Spirit, living our mission as Christians, in communion with one another and participating in the Church as committed disciples. Let us forge ahead, 'Discerning Synodal Pathways to Mission.'

9. All Archbishops, Bishops, Priests, Religious, Laity and Youth are urged to join in this journey towards a Synodal Church that will bear abundant fruit for us all. Together, let us strive to build a Church that is inclusive, Synodal, welcoming and permeated with the compassionate love of Christ.

May God bless you abundantly as we embark on this journey together.

CCBI General Secretariat, Bangalore, July 9, 2024.

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## **VI. Feast of St. John Mary Vianney (August 4-Sunday)**

### **Patron of Priests**

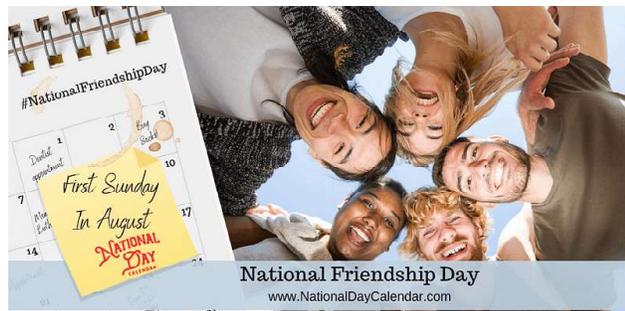
On August 4, the Church celebrates the feast day of St. John Vianney, patron of priests. John Vianney, also known as the Holy Curé de Ars, was born May 8, 1786 in Dardilly, near Lyon, France to a family of farmers. He was ordained a priest in 1815 and became curate in Ecully. He was then sent to the remote French community of Ars in 1818 to be a parish priest. Upon his arrival, the priest immediately began praying and working for the conversion of his parishioners. Although he saw himself as unworthy of his



mission as pastor, he allowed himself to be consumed by the love of God as he served the people. Vianney slowly helped to revive the community's faith through both his prayers and the witness of his lifestyle. He gave powerful homilies on the mercy and love of God, and it is said that even staunch sinners were converted upon hearing him. In addition, he restored his church, formed an orphanage, "La Providence," and cared for the poor. His reputation as a confessor grew rapidly, and pilgrims traveled from all over France to come to him in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Firmly committed to the conversion of the people, he would spend up to 16 hours a day in the confessional. Plagued by many trials and besieged by the devil, the St. John Vianney remained firm in his faith, and lived a life of devotion to God. Dedicated to the Blessed Sacrament, he spent much time in prayer and practiced much mortification. He lived on little food and sleep, while working without rest in unflinching humility, gentleness, patience and cheerfulness, until he was well into his 70s. John Vianney died on August 4, 1859. The Holy Curé of Ars was canonized by Pope Pius XI in 1925. He is the patron of priests. In 2009, Pope Benedict XVI, commemorating the 150th anniversary of St. John Vianney's death, declared the Year for Priests.

## VII. National Friendship Day (August 4)

National Friendship Day was originally founded by Hallmark in 1919. It was intended to be a day for people to celebrate their friendship by sending each other cards. However, by 1940 the market had dried up, and eventually, it died out completely. In April 2011, the United Nations officially recognized 30th



July as International Friendship Day; although most countries celebrate on the first Sunday of August. On the first Sunday in August, National Friendship Day encourages people across the country and world to connect with friends. Make a new friend or reconnect with an old one. Friendships come in many forms, and we begin developing them when we're very young. Throughout our lives, friendships and their meanings evolve. Our classmates and neighborhood pals explored the world with us. Friendship is one of the most precious things shared between friends in your life. The golden time spent with childhood friends stay as a treasure in our hearts for the whole life. In order to celebrate this precious bond of togetherness, Friendship day is celebrated every year on first Sunday of August month. In India, it will be observed on 4th August this year.

### VIII. Feast of Transfiguration of Jesus Christ (August 6)

Feast of the Transfiguration, Christian commemoration of the occasion upon which Jesus Christ took three of his disciples, Peter, James, and John, up on a mountain, where Moses and Elijah appeared and Jesus was transfigured, his face and clothes becoming dazzlingly bright (Mark 9:2–13; Matthew 17:1–13; Luke 9:28–36). The festival celebrates the



revelation of the eternal glory of the Second Person of the Trinity, which was normally veiled during Christ’s life on earth. According to tradition, the event took place on Mount Tabor. It is not known when the festival was first celebrated, but it was kept in Jerusalem as early as the 7th century and in most parts of the Byzantine Empire by the 9th century. It was gradually introduced into the Western Church, and its observance was fixed as August 6 by Pope Calixtus III in 1457 as a thank offering for the victory over the Turks at Belgrade on that day in 1456. In 2002 Pope John Paul II updated the meditations of the rosary with five “luminous mysteries,” of which the Transfiguration is one. In the Transfiguration Christ enjoyed for a short while that glorified state which was to be permanently His after His Resurrection on Easter Sunday. The splendor of His inward Divinity and of the Beatific Vision of His soul overflowed on His body, and permeated His garments so that Christ stood before Peter, James, and John in a snow-white brightness. The purpose of the Transfiguration was to encourage and strengthen the Apostles who were depressed by their Master’s prediction of His own Passion and Death. The Apostles were made to understand that His redeeming work has two phases: The Cross, and glory—that we shall be glorified with Him only if we first suffer with Him.

### IX. World Senior Citizens Day (August 08)

You have probably been told many times before that you need to respect your elders. In fact, this is a phrase that most children hear throughout their lives! Well, Senior Citizen Day is all about respecting your elders. It is about honoring those people who have been on this earth longer than we have. Getting old is not easy. You have been independent your whole life, and then you feel this being stripped away from you. It



can be very difficult to deal with, and that is why we all need to make sure that we are there for our grandparents and older people in general. That’s what this day celebrates, and it’s special to be a part of it. After all, seniors bring so much to the world!

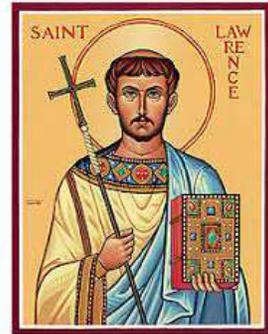
## X. National Mourning/Black Day (August 10)

The Commission (Scheduled Caste) Order 1950 was signed on 10th August 1950 by the then President of India which says that “No person who professes a religion other than Hinduism shall be deemed to be a member of the Scheduled Caste” which was later amended to include Sikhs (1956) and Buddhists (1990) in the Scheduled Caste net. Civil Writ Petition 180/2004 in the Honorable Supreme Court of India praying the deletion of Para 3 of the Constitution (Scheduled Caste) Order 1950 is still pending for the past 14 years in which the CBCI and NCCI have also impleaded. The case had been referred to a higher bench and still it has not been constituted. Thus Constitutional Rights for Dalit Christians and Dalit Muslims are denied based on religion for the past 69 Years. To express our dissatisfaction about this “Constitution Scheduled Caste Order 1950 Para 3 which is “unconstitutional and it is a black letter written outside the Constitution introduced through the back door by an executive order”

Hence I, request you all to observe ‘Day of Mourning’ on August 10<sup>th</sup> in our diocese in all possible ways. Kindly co-operate with the SC-ST commission. By this action we can show support and solidarity to the suffering Christians of Scheduled Caste Origin. We pray and continue to agitate till the Justice is done to SC Christians!

## XI. Feast of St. Lawrence- (August 10)

Saint Lawrence, Lawrence also spelled Laurence, (died 258, Rome [Italy]; feast day August 10), one of the most venerated Roman martyrs, celebrated for his Christian valour. He is the patron saint of the poor and of cooks. Lawrence was among the seven deacons of the Roman church serving Pope Sixtus II, whose martyrdom preceded Lawrence’s by a few days: they were executed during the persecution under the Roman emperor Valerian. It is said that Lawrence gave the church’s treasures to the poor and the sick before his arrest. Although Lawrence was probably beheaded, St.



Ambrose of Milan and the Latin poet Prudentius, among others, recorded that he was roasted to death on a gridiron, remarking to his torturers at one point, “I am cooked on that side; turn me over, and eat.” Many conversions to Christianity throughout Rome reportedly followed Lawrence’s death, including those of several senators witnessing his execution. The Basilica of San Lorenzo Fuori le Mura (St. Lawrence Outside the Walls), Rome, was built over his burial place. He is named in the canon of the Roman mass.

## **XII. St. Maximilian Kolbe – (August 14)**

St. Maximilian Kolbe was born in Poland in 1894 and at about the age of 10 had a vision of the Virgin Mary. She offered him a white crown and a red crown, representing purity and martyrdom. He chose both, a foreshadowing of his life to come. In 1910, he joined the Conventual Franciscan Order. He was sent to study in Rome where founded the M.I. on October 16, 1917. Ordained a priest in 1918, Father Maximilian returned to Poland and began his untiring missionary activity, starting a monthly magazine and establishing two evangelization centers dedicated to the Immaculate Virgin: Niepokalanów, the “City of the Immaculata,” in Poland, and Mugenzai no Sono in Japan, and envisioned missionary centers worldwide. To better “win the world for Christ through the Immaculata,” the friars utilized the most modern techniques.



St. Maximilian used short-wave radio and planned to build a motion picture studio. In 1939, during WWII, at Niepokalanów he welcomed thousands of refugees, especially Jews. In 1941, St. Maximilian was arrested by the Nazis and taken to the Auschwitz concentration camp. There he offered his life for another prisoner and was condemned to slow death in a starvation bunker. He died on August 14, 1941, with an injection of carbolic acid. Pope John Paul II canonized him as a Saint and Martyr of Charity on October 10, 1982. St. Maximilian Kolbe is considered a patron of journalists, families, prisoners, the pro-life movement, the chemically addicted and those with eating disorders.

## **XIII. Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary (August 15)**

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary was already being celebrated on 15 August in the 5th century. It bore the sense of Our Lady’s “Birth into heaven”, or in the Byzantine tradition, her “Dormition”. The feast began to be celebrated in Rome in the middle of the 7th century. It was not until 1 November 1950, that Pope Pius XII proclaimed the Dogma of Mary’s assumption body and soul into heaven. In the Apostles’ Creed, we profess our faith in the “Resurrection of the body” and in “life everlasting”. This is the ultimate goal and meaning of our life’s journey. This promise of faith is already accomplished in Mary, who is the “sign of sure hope and comfort” (Preface). It is a privilege granted to Mary, and closely connected to her being the Mother of Jesus. Since death and the corruption of the human body are consequences of sin, it was not right that the Virgin Mary – who is free from sin – should be affected by this natural law. Hence the mystery of her “Dormition” or “Assumption into heaven”. The fact that Mary has already been assumed into heaven is a reason to celebrate, to rejoice, to hope in the “already and the not yet”. One of God’s creatures – Mary – is already in heaven. With her, and like her, we too, who are God’s creatures, will one day be there too.



#### **XIV. 78<sup>th</sup> Independence Day of India (August 15)**

Every year India celebrates 15th of August as Independence Day. This day is significant for the Indian. After the slavery of years, India got independence on the same day from British rule, 15 August 1947. This day has been declared as a gazetted holiday Throughout India to honor the great sacrifice of our countrymen. India is a country with a rich cultural heritage and it is the world's largest democracy. The citizens here are committed to taking the country to higher heights. As soon as the tricolor wakes up in the sky, every citizen promises to work hard to increase the glory of the country and takes a firm resolve to make India a nation that is always firm for human values. For any country, the effect of history on its future journey is obvious. Because of this, the present generation should aware of the ancestor's sacrifice. Be respectful towards them. This day is very important for the current generation. So that they can take the lessons from history so as a citizen of the country we should not repeat the old mistakes. The importance of August 15 has increased even in our lives. The country is facing many challenges within and outside boundaries. Social, political and religious stability in the country is constantly under threat. It is now the responsibility of today's youth to realize the spirit of that magical night of 1947 and move on to the path shown by freedom fighters.



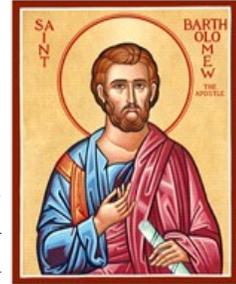
#### **XV. Rakhi: The Thread of Love (August 19)**

The bonding between a brother and a sister is simply unique and is beyond description in words. The relationship between siblings is extraordinary and is given importance in every part of the world. However, when it comes to India, the relationship becomes all the more important as there is a festival called “Raksha Bandhan” dedicated for the sibling love. Rakhi is basically a sacred thread of protection embellished with the love and affection of a sister for her brother. This day is also known as Raksha Bandhan and celebrated on the full moon day of the Hindu month of Shravana in India. This frail of thread of Rakhi is considered as stronger than iron chains as it binds the most beautiful relationship in an inseparable bond of love and trust. Rakhi festival also has a social significance because it underlines the notion that everybody should live in harmonious with each other. In India, festivals are the celebration of togetherness, of being one of the families. Raksha Bandhan is one such festival that is all about affection, fraternity and sublime sentiments. It is also known as Raksha Bandhan which means a ‘bond of protection’. This is an occasion to flourish love, care, affection and sacred feeling of brotherhood.



## XVI. St. Bartholomew, the Apostle (August 24)

**Saint Bartholomew**, (flourished 1st century AD—died unknown date, traditionally Albanopolis, Armenia; Western feast day Aug 24; date varies in Eastern churches), one of the Twelve Apostles. Apart from the mentions of him in four of the Apostle lists (Mark 3:18, Matt. 10:3, Luke 6:14, and Acts 1:13), nothing is known about him from the New Testament. Bartholomew is a Family name meaning “son of [Hebrew: *bar*] Tolmai, or Talmi,” so he may have had another personal name. For that reason and because he was always associated with St. Philip the Apostle in the Gospel lists, a 9th-century tradition identified him with Nathanael, who, according to John 1:43–51, was called with Philip by Jesus. Upon seeing Nathanael, Jesus said, “Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!” This identification sought to explain how the otherwise unknown Bartholomew could be mentioned in the Apostle lists, while Nathanael, whose call is explicitly described by John, does not figure in them. His full name would then be Nathanael bar Tolmai.. The apostle is said to have been martyred by flaying and beheading at the command of the Armenian king Astyages. His relics were supposedly taken to the Church of St. Bartholomew-in-the-Tiber, Rome.



## XVII. The Beheading of the Holy Glorious Prophet, Forerunner of the Lord, John the Baptist (August 29)

The drunken oath of a king with a shallow sense of honor, a seductive dance and the hateful heart of a queen combined to bring about the martyrdom of John the Baptist. The greatest of prophets suffered the fate of so many Old Testament prophets before him: rejection and martyrdom. The “voice crying in the desert” did not hesitate to accuse the guilty, did not hesitate to speak the truth. This great religious reformer was sent by God to prepare the people for the Messiah. His vocation was one of selfless giving. The only power that he claimed was the Spirit of Yahweh. “I am baptizing you with water, for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire” (Matthew 3:11). Scripture tells us that many people followed John looking to him for hope, perhaps in anticipation of some great messianic power. John never allowed himself the false honor of receiving these people for his own glory. He knew his calling was one of preparation. When the time came, he led his disciples to Jesus: “The next day John was there again with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, ‘Behold, the Lamb of God.’ The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus” (John 1:35-37). It is John the Baptist who has pointed the way to Christ. John’s life and death were a giving over of self for God and other people. His simple style of life was one of complete detachment from earthly possessions. His heart was centered on God and the call that he heard from the Spirit of God speaking to his heart. Confident of God’s grace, he had the courage to speak words of condemnation, repentance, and salvation.



### **XVIII. Bishop's Schedule for August, 2024**

- 04: Feast of St. John Maria Vianney: Patron of Priests
- 06: Return from UK & USA Mission Programs
- 06-08: Visit of FCT, MET & VKS Friends from Italy
- 08: Warangal Diocese Clergy Day: St. Francis Xavier's Major Seminary, Karunapuram
- 10: Golden Jubilee of FMM Sisters at Assunta Bhavan, Subedari
- 11: National Youth Sunday Celebrations at Fatima Cathedral, Fatimanagar
- 12: Office Day
- 17: Medicare Educational Trust Meeting
- 19: Office for Consecrated
- 21: Feast of St. Pius X Inter-Diocesan Minor Seminary, Karunapuram
- 22: WADES Annual Budget Meeting, Bishop's House, Fatimanagar
- 23: Office Day
- 25: Blessing of Day Care Centre at Mahabubabad Parish
- 28: Office Day
- 31: Rev. Fr. Augusto Colombo's Death Anniversary

### **XIX. Communications**

#### **1. Most Cordial Welcome to JMJ Inter-Province Collaboration at MET Institutions**

I am very pleased to communicate and offer Heartiest Welcome to the Two Provinces of CJMJ, Hyderabad and Guntur Provinces, who positively responded to MET invitation to offer their Services at FCIMs, MGH and FCNC Medical Institutions. It is an innovative joint collaboration of two Provinces and I profusely thank both the Provincials, Very Rev. Srs. Muktha Xess of Hyderabad and Tresa KVM of Guntur.

The Congregation of JMJ is world renowned for their Medical Apostolate, especially in India, which is very tangible in the Servant of God, Sr. Mary Glowry!

Both the Provinces are very magnanimous in taking great trouble to consent and allot their nuns, qualified and committed for the only Catholic Medical College in TCBC Region.

I am sure that with their presence the Services at Fr. Colombo Memorial Institutions, Warangal would be offering the Healing services after the Model of Jesus, the Healer Par Excellence!

**+ Udumala Bala**

**Bishop of Warangal and Managing Trustee, MET**

**2. Clergy Day and Monthly Recollection for Clergy on 8<sup>th</sup> August 2024 at Karunapuram:** In View of Celebrating St. John Mary Vianney Day, a monthly Recollection cum Sports & Games for Clergy at Diocesan Level is arranged on 8<sup>th</sup> August 2024 from 9.00 am at St. Xavier Major & St. Pius X Minor Twin Seminaries, Karunapuram. All the Priests are requested to attend it without fail.

**3. Independence Day & Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary:** As we celebrate our country's Independence day and solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on 15<sup>th</sup> of August, we thank God for all the blessings He has been showering and continue to pray that our country develops in every sector with a special attention to the poor and the rural areas. We pray that Mary assumed into heaven may protect and promote the unity and prosperity of India.

**4. National Youth Sunday:** National Youth Sunday will be celebrated on 11<sup>th</sup> August this year. Kindly celebrate in whatever way possible and send that Sunday's collection to the Diocesan office, some of it will go to the National Office. May the Youth grow in Faith, Wisdom and Service for the Church and Nation!

**5. Mourning Day:** As you know, 10<sup>th</sup> of August every year is commemorated as PROTEST DAY (earlier called Black Day). It was on this day, the Presidential Order 1950, Para 3, denying SC status to Dalit Christians and Muslims was promulgated. On this occasion, we do different activities like Rally, Dharna, Protest Meetings, demonstrating at Dr. Ambedkar Squares and before Collectorates, giving memorandum to District Collectors. These are organized by SC, ST and BC Commissions, NCDC and other Dalit Muslim and Christian groups in different places, in collaboration with other likeminded groups. Kindly take active participation through Prayer and Action!

#### **6. NEWS from Lodi MSSS:**

**I. Title of the Project:** Sustainable Livelihood Based Food Security program for the Tribal, Dalit and Backward Class Communities of 23 villages of Akkannapet Mandal of Siddipet district.

**Donor:** Manos Unidas, Spain- **Achievements in this reporting period:**

a) In 23 project villages, 23 village committees were formed. Each committee consists of 10 farmers. Every month these 230 farmers participate in planning and implementation of project activities. b) Through the meetings conducted in the project villages, 258 Marginalized farmers gained knowledge on organic farming, IPM/NPM methods, Vermi compost. c) 267 Farmers gained knowledge on soil moisture conservation & water harvesting structures and water management.

**II. Title of the Project: Donor:** Italian Bishops' Conference: Sustainable agriculture based Food Security and Livelihood for 4000 tribal, dalit & backward communities in Chennaraopet Mandal of Warangal District. During the month of July, 2024, we have distributed 6 varieties of vegetable seeds for kitchen garden to 1800 families in 20 villages.

**III. Care and Support Programme for HIV/AIDS infected / affected children Donor:** Diocese of Salzburg, Austria & CHAI, Secunderabad

- Free Medical camp was conducted by LODI MSSS, with the support and collaboration of YWAM Love in Action, Hyderabad. Totally 12 CLHA and 15 PLHA attended the camp and medicines were given to them as per the need.

- An Engineering graduate was sent to Rajasthan with financial assistance from Lodi MSSS for bank job training.

**IV. UJJWALA PROJECT PHASE III:** Donor: Misereor, Germany & Caritas India

As part of setting up of Climate resilient models: organic rice cultivation, the Director along with Community Educators selected 60 farmers from 9 U3 target villages of Gudur mandal, Mahabubabad district and distributed varieties of rice seeds such as Brown rice, Black rice, Navara rice and a varieties of millets seeds for cultivation. The farmers who were not available were given the seeds at their step by our community educator. On the same day, the Director distributed four varieties of vegetable seeds to the villagers as part of backyard planting and healthy food security. Totally 375 families were benefited. So too 6 cancer patients were supported to grow vegetable garden.

**V. Revolving Fund Loans**

- During the month of July, 2024, 468 beneficiaries of 12 villages were supported with the loan of Rs. 95,65,000/- - 2597 members of Fatima Mahila Sahakara Sangham of 65 villages of 28 parishes were supported with the loan of Rs. 1,45,80,000/-

- Total contribution towards Savings of Fatima Mahila Sahakara Sangham: Rs. 3,94,350/-

**Fr. S. Inna Reddy, Director, LODI MSSS**

## **7. News from Pastoral Centre**

**Marriage Preparation Course (MPC):** Our Marriage Preparation Course continues to be held on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month. This vital program is designed to equip engaged couples with the spiritual and practical knowledge necessary for a successful marriage. This month, we were delighted to welcome 11 participants, who engaged actively in the sessions led by the dedicated Pastoral Centre resource persons Fr. B. Jayaraj OCD and Fr. P. Suresh Director Youth Centre. The course concluded with a Holy Mass celebrated by the

Pastoral Centre Director, followed by the distribution of certificates, marking the beginning of their journey towards a sacramental marriage.

**Charismatic Prayers at Parishes:** In July, as part of our ongoing spiritual enrichment efforts, we conducted Charismatic Prayer sessions in various parishes. On July 19th, we gathered at Paidipally in Ekasheela Parish, and on July 26th, we held a session at Vangapahad in Reddipuram Parish. These gatherings serve as a means for spiritual renewal and community support. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to Rev. Fr. P. Prakash and Rev. Fr. Jerome for their warm invitations and cooperation.

**Preparations for Jubilee 2025 (Pilgrims of Hope):** In preparation for the Jubilee Year 2025, which is themed around the “Year of Prayer,” we have been visiting parishes on Sundays to foster faith and community spirit. This month, we visited Tekulagudem in Unikicherla Parish and Elukurthy in Dharmasagar Parish. During these visits, we preached the Word of God, celebrated the Holy Mass, and encouraged the faithful to spiritually prepare for the upcoming Jubilee. Our sincere thanks go to Rev. Fr. N. Balaswamy and Rev. Fr. K. Joseph SDM for their support and collaboration.

**Fr. T. Joseph, Director-Pastoral Centre**

## 8. News from Youth Centre

1. I visited Elakathurthy Parish Damera Village Youth on 7/7/2024 and Reddipuram parish, Vangapahad village youth. I celebrated mass for them and I spoke about career guidance and their goals to achieve in their life. I explained about moral values in life .I conducted some group discussions about the values in life. I thank Fr John Paul and Fr. T. Jerome for encouraging the youth and inviting us for the youth ministry in their parishes.



2. Arunodaya youth centre is conducting computer, typing and tailoring classes for the youth. Therefore I request the parish priests and heads of the institutions to announce in your parishes and institutions.

**Fr. Polimera Suresh-Youth Director**

## 9. News from WADES

It was indeed a special day for all of us- the management, staff, students and parents of St. Paul’s High School, Jangaon as the occasion drew unparalleled enthusiasm as we witnessed the inauguration and the blessing of CBSE building at St. Paul’s High School, Jangaon on 13th June, 2024. Bishop of Warangal diocese Most Rev. Dr. Udumala Bala garu blessed and inaugurated the new school building and unveiled the plaque in the presence of Smt. Pokala

Jamuna garu Municipal Chairperson, Jangaon, Sri. Mekala Ramprasad garu, Municipal Vice Chairperson-Jangaon, Smt. Banda Padma and Sri. B. Mallesh garu ward councilors, reverend father's, sisters and well wishers. The ceremony started with invocation to Almighty God. Rev. Fr. N. Maria Joseph, the HM Correspondent welcomed the gathering. The sun shone brightly and the new building



decorated like a bride stood majestically welcoming everyone. It is not coincidental, but it was in the plan of God that St. Paul's turns over a new leaf in its history by having the new school building for CBSE on the occasion of its Silver jubilee. CBSE is a great gift and management has put up great effort in planning and executing very thing that is conducive for quality education with spacious classrooms and well equipped furniture. Though the classes for CBSE commenced in the last academic year in the old building with the strength of 116 students up to grade II, this academic year 2024-25 it was upgraded up to grade IV with the strength of 216. It is considered as a blessing from God as it flourishes in leaps and bounds Meanwhile, the contractor, supervisor, the workers and all those families who generously donated the land for the CBSE building were grandly felicitated.

**Fr. N. Maria Joseph, HM & Correspondent,  
St. Paul's High School, Jangaon**

### **10. Inauguration of Velankanni Arogya Matha Shrine Chapel, Diesel Colony**

Velankanni Arogya Matha Shrine Chapel was inaugurated by His Lordship Most Rev. Dr. Udumala, Bishop of Warangal on 7-06-2024. This auspicious moment was witnessed by Clergy of the Diocese, Consecrated and Faithful of Diocese of Warangal. His Lordship in his Homily emphasized Mary's Magnificat as the revolutionary song and on powerful intercession of Mother Mary. I thank His Lordship for his encouragement and all the donors for their generous contribution.



**Fr. M. Jaya Paul, Parish Priest-Diesel Colony**

## SECOND SUNDAY COLLECTION

WARANGDAL DIOCESE  
BISHOP'S HOUSE, FATIMANAGAR, WARANGAL – 506 004

	May	June	July
Appannapct Parish	1300.00	1200.00	
Assisinagar Parish			
Atmakur Parish	525.00	600.00	
Bachannapet			
Balapala Parish	50.00		
Cherial Parish			
Dacharam Parish	500.00	736.00	
Devagiripatnam Parish	150.00		
Dharmasagar Parish	2985.00	1800.00	1452.00
Diesel Colony Parish			2220.00
Dornakal Parish	1441.00	1647.00	2643.00
Ekasilanagar Parish	2850.00	3120.00	2658.00
Elkathurthy Parish	1448.00	1522.00	1622.00
Eppagudem Mission	500.00	500.00	
Fatimanagar Parish	13000.00	13500.00	
Ghanpur Parish	1372.00	2066.00	
Godavarikhani Parish	1500.00		
Hasanparthy Parish	573.00	645.00	
Husnabad Parish			
Jagitial Parish	627.00	587.00	600.00
Jangaon Parish	4023.00	3715.00	4045.00
Jammikunta Parish			
Kadavendi Parish	500.00	850.00	800.00
Kamalapuram Parish			

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Kanchanapally Parish	1760.00	1800.00	1825.00
Karimnagar Parish			
Karunapuram Parish	1800.00	2000.00	2500.00
Kazipet Parish	3500.00	2200.00	3644.00
Kesamudram Parish	3500.00		
Korutla Parish			
Kumarpally Parish	350.00		
Madhapuram Parish	100.00	100.00	100.00
Mahabubabad Parish	412.00	320.00	
Malkapur Parish	750.00	700.00	
Mallakapally Parish	720.00		
Manugonda Parish	535.00	830.00	
Manthani Parish			
Maripeda Parish			
Mariapuram -Don Bosco Parish	690.00	700.00	750.00
Narmetta Parish		910.00	1100.00
Narsampet Parish	265.00	180.00	220.00
Nellikuduru Parish			
Mariapuram-Ookal Parish	900.00	1200.00	
Palakurthy Parish	300.00		
Palavelpula Parish			
Pallagutta Parish	250.00	230.00	
Parkal Parish			
Pasara Parish	280.00	280.00	260.00

WARANGDAL DIOCESE  
BISHOP'S HOUSE, FATIMANAGAR, WARANGAL – 506 004

Pulukurthy Parish	120.00	200.00	
Rampur Parish	800.00	500.00	520.00
Ranipuram Parish	858.00	572.00	570.00
Reddypalem Parish	1204.00	1212.00	1024.00
Reddypuram Parish	800.00	700.00	950.00
Sagaram Parish	950.00	1300.00	1250.00
St. Peter's Colony Parish	2000.00		
Shanthinagar Parish, Vemulawada			
Shanthinagar Parish			
Singaram Parish	2250.00	2200.00	2050.00
Subedari Parish	5500.00	6000.00	4750.00
Thigarajupally Parish	450.00	670.00	900.00
ThimmaraoPET Parish	2000.00	2500.00	2000.00
Thorrur Parish	420.00	582.00	570.00
Unikicherla Parish	1317.00	1121.00	900.00
Veleru Parish	1250.00	920.00	655.00
Venkatapuram Parish	542.00	470.00	
Waddepally Parish			
Wardhannapet Parish			
Bhecaram Village	1000.00		

### **Birthday Babies in the Month of August**

**Celebrate your Birthday today, Celebrate being Happy every day**

Rev. Fr. S. Shobhan Reddy	03-08-1970
Rev. Fr. A. Vincent	06-08-1963
Rev. Fr. Yeruva Ajith Kumar	07-08-1992
Rev. Fr. S. Mahipaul	09-08-1988
Rev. Fr. Y. Sebastian	11-08-1938
Rev. Fr. A. Inna	15-08-1965
Rev. Fr. T. Sunil	15-08-1977
Rev. Fr. D. Jaya Prathap	15-08-1971
Rev. Fr. P. Dasaiah	15-08-1979
Rev. Fr. T. Santhosh	19-08-1987
Rev. Fr. A. Bala	21-08-1958
Rev. Fr. E. Vijay Kumar	25-08-1985
Rev. Fr. Y. Sathish	26-08-1984
Rev. Fr. T. Manohar	31-08-1972
Rev. Fr. Mettu Sravan	21-08-1991

### **Priestly Ordinations**

Rev. Fr. Mettu Sravan	16-08-2021
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### **Necrology: R.I.P**

Rev. Fr. Augusto Colombo, PIME	31-08-2009
Rev. Fr. Boyapati Leeno	08-08-2016
Rev. Fr. M.P. Joseph	11-08-2020
Rev. Fr. Yeruva Lourdu	24-08-2021



**At St. Leonard Parish, Laona. Diocese of Green Bay, Wisconsin, USA with Fr. Anil & Fr. Kamal**



**With Fr. T. Anthony, Madison - USA**



**At St. Marys Parish, Bloomington, Madison Diocese  
With Fr. Sudhakar**



**At St. Damien Grave at Hawaii**



**With Bishop Larry in Hawaii, Honolulu**



**With Fr. Rayapu Reddy Thirumalareddy's Parishioners in California**





**At St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church, California with Fr. T. Rayapu Reddy**



**His Lordship Meets Megan Mio the Director for the Propagation of Faith for the Archdiocese of Chicago**



**His Lordship Meets Most. Rev. Bernard Hebda Archbishop of St. Paul and Minneapolis**



**His Lordship Meets Deacon Mickey Friesen, Director of Mission office, Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis**



**His Lordship Meets Danielle Dereks Mission Director of Green Bay Diocese**



**His Lordship Meets Bishop David Ricken Bishop of Green Bay**



**Holy Mass at Fr. Fr. T. Joji's Parish**



**His Lordship Visiting Catechist sisters of St. Ann in the Diocese of Joliet in USA**

