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*“She is the flower of the field from whom bloomed
the precious Lily of the Valley.”*

- St. Augustine





Honoring Late Bishop Joseph Thumma on his 24th Death Anniversary



Pandemic Relief-work at Ibrahimpatnam



Laying of Foundation Stone for the New Construction of Nirmal Hruday Bhavan



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TCBC Commission for Ecumenism & Dialogue



Reading the “signs of the times” to know the Divine Message



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The turn of world events these days have saddened all of us. The cries of the people of Afghanistan, especially those who desperately wanted to leave the country even by trying to cling on to the wheels of the Military aircraft made everyone to understand their desperation. We have also seen images of mothers throwing their babies across the wall into the hands of US Military personnel hoping to save them from the sufferings they may have to endure at the hands of Taliban if they stayed back in Afghanistan. Then there was that devastating earthquake in Haiti on the 14th August leaving 2000 people dead, 84,000 houses collapsed. Even after a week the aid has not reached the people and the little that managed to arrive there is controlled by violent street-gangs, causing enormous tension to the aid-workers. We have seen over TV screens, how five people were

fighting for a small bag of rice. We have seen images of children without limbs, people without a home, debris everywhere and whole region a rubble. There are cries for hunger, cries for freedom and cries for justice in all these countries. We ourselves are still reeling under the threat of Covid-19 variants and our social life is considerably blocked. In the Church related issues our education apostolate is shaken by the new laws introduced by the Government, and it looks that Government is keen on taking away our Institutions which we have brought up to well accepted levels of standard in all these years. This sudden decision is going to cripple our education apostolate. If the project of the Government comes true, we will not have any social outreach and we will not have any contact with children, youth and parents and we will not be able to impart any Gospel values that has traditionally been communicated through our Institutions. Europe had already gone through this experience

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and so we must be ready to learn from them.

These experiences invite us to read the 'signs of the times' and know the divine message through them.

The concept "signs of the times" was introduced into official Catholic terminology by Pope John XXIII in the 1961 apostolic constitution *Humanae Salutis* (HS): "We know that the sight of these evils so depresses the minds of some people that they see nothing but darkness, which they think entirely envelops the world. We, on the other hand, love to reaffirm our unshakable confidence in the divine Savior of the human race, who has by no means abandoned the mortals he has redeemed. On the contrary, following the admonitions of Christ the Lord, who exhorts us to interpret 'the signs of the times' (Matt 16:3), amidst such dark gloom we discern not a few signs that seem to offer the hope of a better era for the Church and for humanity" (HS 4).

In our pilgrimage through history where disorder and confusion seem to prevail, God continues to speak of his redeeming care via the signs of the times. We need, therefore, to

recognize and interpret them in order to understand how they communicate the loving providence of God.

In the Christian perspective there are three major categories of signs of the times: primordial, perennial, and episodic. The Christ event in its totality is the primordial sign of the times, in the sense that all other signs must be interpreted in its light. There are two perennial signs: Creation, revealing God's providence and the course of history, pointing to God's continuing involvement. Finally, the episodic signs refer to particular historical events, with both positive and negative outcomes. To identify them and to grasp their meaning requires discernment. While all of creation as well as times of peace and harmony might more easily show God's providence, troubled times usually require a social and personal internalization, leading to repentance and purification.

In order, to recognize the *signs of the times*, it is necessary to understand the language of the Spirit, who speaks in different "languages" at varied times. It may be in the form of a gentle breeze, a radiant dawn or a lush green canopy where the

Divine Artist is at His best. On the other hand, we can also hear the Spirit in the cry of the poor, in the silent groans of the sick and dying, in the frustration of stranded migrants, in the revolt of the oppressed masses, in the violence with which the exploited cosmos responds to ecological degradation, or in the important impulses we feel in our inner selves. Consequently, it is clear, that in the process of trying to discern such language of the Spirit, contemplation and discernment must be accompanied by insights that come from the humanities and faith.

In interpreting the *signs of the times*, faith, ethics and social analysis must go hand in hand. Without a faith perspective, social analysis would stop at the mere phenomenon, losing sight of the deeper dimensions of reality. Without a social analysis and an ethical commitment, faith would end up being mere piety, proposing unrealistic answers. The signs of the times, when we understand them as the results of God's presence and action in human history, also have an eschatological dimension. They are given in view of the fulfilment of history, and therefore must be

understood as the future impinging on the present, bringing a continuous newness to the here and now.

So, on our part as we face these problems, we need deep faith to understand that God is at work steering the world-events and will bring his purposes to a fulfilment. He is present and active in our difficulties and protects us as we go through the upheavals. Without hesitation the Church must assume a prophetic role and give hope to the otherwise desperate world. These signs must be understood as indications of a new path that the world should take. The believing community, that is, the Church must prepare itself to take leadership in various fields to lead the people through these paths indicated by God. That is going to be our new ministry in our world.

With good wishes and prayers,

Yours sincerely,



✠ **Thelagathoti J. Raja Rao, S.M.M.**
Bishop of Vijayawada

BISHOP'S ENGAGEMENTS : SEPTEMBER - OCTOBER 2021

SEPTEMBER

Date	Day	Programme
13	Monday	: Monthly Recollection, Bishop's House
22	Wednesday	: Inauguration of New House, SJA, Mustabada, 11:00 a.m.
23 - 24		: Diocesan Directors Meeting, Commission for Ecumenism
27	Monday	: First Professions, Silver & Golden Jubilee, SABS Sisters, Enikepadu, 10:00 a.m.
30	Thursday	: FCC Sisters Vestition, First Professions, Golden & Silver Jubilee, 10:00 a.m.

OCTOBER

03	Sunday	: Feast Mass, Kankipadu, 6:00 P.M.
07	Thursday	: Blessing of the Newly constructed Co-Cathedral, St. Peter's, Vijayawada, 9:30 a.m.
08	Friday	: Nuptial Blessing, St. Paul's Cathedral, 10:30 a.m.
09	Saturday	: Priestly Ordinations, SJ, Loyola College, 5:00 p.m.
16	Saturday	: New Church Blessing, Rudravaram, Bhairavapatnam, 10:00 a. m.
31	Sunday	: Silver Jubilee Lourdhu Nagar Parish and Silver Jubilee of Rev. Fr. Paul Muthoottil V.C, 5:30 p.m.



**MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS
FOR THE 107th WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND
REFUGEES 2021**

[27 September 2021]

TOWARDS AN EVER WIDER “WE”

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In the Encyclical *Fratelli Tutti*, I expressed a concern and a hope that remain uppermost in my thoughts: “Once this health crisis passes, our worst response would be to plunge even more deeply into feverish consumerism and new forms of egotistic self-preservation. God willing, after all this, we will think no longer in terms of ‘them’ and ‘those’, but only ‘us’” (No. 35).

For this reason, I have wished to devote the Message for this year’s World Day of Migrants and Refugees to the theme, *Towards An Ever Wider “We”*, in order to indicate a clear horizon for our common journey in this world.

The history of this “we”

That horizon is already present in God’s creative plan: “God created humankind in his image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them. God blessed them, and God said to them, ‘Be fruitful and multiply’” (*Gen 1:27-28*). God created us male and female, different yet complementary, in order to form a “we” destined to become ever more numerous in the succession of generations. God created us in his image, in the image of his own triune being, a communion in diversity.

When, in disobedience we turned away from God, he in his mercy wished to offer us a path of reconciliation, not as individuals but as a people, a

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“we”, meant to embrace the entire human family, without exception: “See, the home of God is among mortals. He will dwell with them; they will be his peoples, and God himself will be with them” (*Rev* 21:3).

Salvation history thus has a “we” in its beginning and a “we” at its end, and at its centre the mystery of Christ, who died and rose so “that they may all be one” (*Jn* 17:21). The present time, however, shows that this “we” willed by God is broken and fragmented, wounded and disfigured. This becomes all the more evident in moments of great crisis, as is the case with the current pandemic. Our “we”, both in the wider world and within the Church, is crumbling and cracking due to myopic and aggressive forms of nationalism (cf. *Fratelli Tutti*, 11) and radical individualism (cf. *ibid.*, 105). And the highest price is being paid by those who most easily become viewed as *others*: foreigners, migrants, the marginalized, those living on the existential peripheries.

The truth however is that we are all in the same boat and called to work together so that there will be no more walls that separate us, no longer *others*, but only a single “we”, encompassing all of humanity. Thus I would like to use this World Day to address a twofold appeal, first to the Catholic faithful and then all the men and women of our world, to advance together towards an ever wider “we”.

A Church that is more and more “catholic”

For the members of the Catholic Church, this appeal entails a commitment to becoming ever more faithful to our being “catholic”, as Saint Paul reminded the community in Ephesus: “There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism” (*Eph* 4:4-5).

Indeed the Church’s catholicity, her universality, must be embraced and expressed in every age, according to the will and grace of the Lord who promised to be with us always, until the end of the age (cf. *Mt* 28:20). The Holy Spirit enables us to embrace everyone, to build communion in diversity, to unify differences without imposing a depersonalized uniformity. In encountering the diversity of foreigners, migrants and refugees, and in

the intercultural dialogue that can emerge from this encounter, we have an opportunity to grow as Church and to enrich one another. All the baptized, wherever they find themselves, are by right members of both their local ecclesial community and the one Church, dwellers in one home and part of one family.

The Catholic faithful are called to work together, each in the midst of his or her own community, to make the Church become ever more inclusive as she carries out the mission entrusted to the Apostles by Jesus Christ: “As you go, proclaim the good news, ‘The kingdom of heaven has come near.’ Cure the sick, raise the dead, cleanse the lepers, cast out demons. You received without payment; give without payment” (*Mt 10:7-8*).

In our day, the Church is called to go out into the streets of every existential periphery in order to heal wounds and to seek out the straying, without prejudice or fear, without proselytising, but ready to widen her tent to embrace everyone. Among those dwelling in those existential peripheries, we find many migrants and refugees, displaced persons and victims of trafficking, to whom the Lord wants his love to be manifested and his salvation preached. “The current influx of migrants can be seen as a new “frontier” for mission, a privileged opportunity to proclaim Jesus Christ and the Gospel message at home, and to bear concrete witness to the Christian faith in a spirit of charity and profound esteem for other religious communities. The encounter with migrants and refugees of other denominations and religions represents a fertile ground for the growth of open and enriching ecumenical and interreligious dialogue” (*Address to the National Directors of Pastoral Care for Migrants, 22 September 2017*).

An ever more inclusive world

I also make this appeal to journey together towards an ever wider “we” to all men and women, for the sake of renewing the human family, building together a future of justice and peace, and ensuring that no one is left behind.

Our societies will have a “colourful” future, enriched by diversity and by cultural exchanges. Consequently, we must even now learn to live together

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in harmony and peace. I am always touched by the scene in the *Acts of the Apostles* when, on the day of the Church's "baptism" at Pentecost, immediately after the descent of the Holy Spirit, the people of Jerusalem hear the proclamation of salvation: "We... Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, Cretans and Arabs – in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power" (2:9-11).

This is the ideal of the new Jerusalem (cf. *Is 60; Rev 21:3*), where all peoples are united in peace and harmony, celebrating the goodness of God and the wonders of creation. To achieve this ideal, however, we must make every effort to break down the walls that separate us and, in acknowledging our profound interconnection, build bridges that foster a culture of encounter. Today's migration movements offer an opportunity for us to overcome our fears and let ourselves be enriched by the diversity of each person's gifts. Then, if we so desire, we can transform borders into privileged places of encounter, where the miracle of an ever wider "we" can come about.

I invite all men and women in our world to make good use of the gifts that the Lord has entrusted to us to preserve and make his creation even more beautiful. "A nobleman went to a distant country to get royal power for himself and then return. He summoned ten of his slaves, and gave them ten pounds, and said to them, 'Do business with these until I come back'" (*Lk 19:12-13*). The Lord will also demand of us an account of our work! In order to ensure the proper care of our common home, we must become a "we" that is ever wider and more co-responsible, in the profound conviction that whatever good is done in our world is done for present and future generations. Ours must be a personal and collective commitment that cares for all our brothers and sisters who continue to suffer, even as we work towards a more sustainable, balanced and inclusive development. A commitment that makes no distinction between natives and foreigners, between residents and guests, since it is a matter of a treasure we hold in common, from whose care and benefits no one should be excluded.

The dream begins

The prophet Joel predicted that the messianic future would be a time of dreams and visions inspired by the Spirit: “I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions” (*Joel 2:28*). We are called to dream together, fearlessly, as a single human family, as companions on the same journey, as sons and daughters of the same earth that is our common home, sisters and brothers all (cf. *Fratelli Tutti*, 8).

Prayer

Holy, beloved Father,
 your Son Jesus taught us
 that there is great rejoicing in heaven
 whenever someone lost is found,
 whenever someone excluded, rejected or discarded
 is gathered into our “we”,
 which thus becomes ever wider.
 We ask you to grant the followers of Jesus,
 and all people of good will,
 the grace to do your will on earth.
 Bless each act of welcome and outreach
 that draws those in exile
 into the “we” of community and of the Church,
 so that our earth may truly become
 what you yourself created it to be:
 the common home of all our brothers and sisters. Amen.
Rome, Saint John Lateran, 3 May 2021
Feast of Saints Philip and James, Apostles

Franciscus



**INTENTION OF THE HOLY FATHER
SEPTEMBER, 2021**

Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this



POPE'S QUOTE

“It is not enough to say we are Christians. We must live the faith, not only with our words, but with our actions.”

COMMUNICATIONS

New Ordo - 2022

As the new Ordo-2022 is being prepared, all the priests and the religious are requested to make sure that their personal names, dates of ordinations and the feast days of the congregations are rightly indicated in the Ordo. If anything has to be rectified from the previous Ordos of the diocese or anything to be added newly, please contact: Fr. N. David Raju, Director, Diocesan Liturgical Commission, Mobile No.: **9849925526**. A special note to the Religious Clergy currently serving in the Diocese. Kindly pass on the date of your Ordination to priesthood to Rev. Fr. David for inclusion in the Ordo.

Monthly Recollection for September

The monthly recollection for the month of September will be held on the **13th of September** at the

Bishop's House. It will begin at **9.30 a.m.**, and end with the lunch. All the pastoral clergy are to attend without fail.

Formation of Parish Youth Committee (Reference Group) in all the Parishes

Our diocesan youth centre is going to organize the parish youth committee groups in all the parishes in the coming days. It is the collective work of Prayrana Youth Centre and collaboration of the parish priest. Thereby, I request all the parish priests to support and encourage the Prayrana Youth Centre to form parish youth committee in every parish to facilitate training of our youth as effective leaders at the parish and the diocesan level in the future.

Fr. John Babu

The Director, Prayrana Youth Centre, Gunadala

List of the Seminarians of the Diocese of Vijayawada

NAME	COURSE	PLACE
Bro. Golla Dileep	1 st Year Initiation	St. Ambrose Minor Seminary
Bro. Kommini Sandeep Ratna Kumar	1 st Year Initiation	St. Ambrose Minor Seminary
Bro. Nagadasu Manoj Kumar	1 st Year Initiation	St. Ambrose Minor Seminary
Bro. Thangellamudi Avinash	1 st Year Initiation	St. Ambrose Minor Seminary
Bro. Garikimukku Lawrence	2 nd Year Initiation	St. Ambrose Minor Seminary
Bro. Jujjavarapu Noel David Raj	2 nd Year Initiation	St. Ambrose Minor Seminary
Bro. Jujjavarapu Sasidhar	2 nd Year Initiation	St. Ambrose Minor Seminary
Bro. Koppula Joseph Chaitanya	2 nd Year Initiation	St. Ambrose Minor Seminary
Bro. Movva Teja	2 nd Year Initiation	St. Ambrose Minor Seminary
Bro. Garikamukku Mario Guna Puneeth	Spirituality	St. Paul's Regional Seminary, Nuzvid
Bro. Chinnam Hooper Vardhan	1 st Year Philosophy	Vianney College, Janampeta
Bro. Gunde Joseph Thambi	2 nd Year Philosophy	Vianney College, Janampeta
Bro. Kakumanu John Raju	2 nd Year Philosophy	Vianney College, Janampeta
Bro. Philips Bhagyaraj	2 nd Year Philosophy	Vianney College, Janampeta
Bro. Yalla Nani Babu	2 nd Year Philosophy	Vianney College, Janampeta
Bro. Eleti Jayakar Roy	3 rd Year Philosophy	Vianney College, Janampeta
Bro. Muvvala Sravanth Roy	3 rd Year Philosophy	Vianney College, Janampeta
Bro. Domathoti Roy Kumar	Regency	Angel Boarding, Nuzvid
Bro. Janga Rajesh	Regency	Bishop's House, Vijayawada
Bro. Daram Thambi	Regency	St. Joseph's Boarding, Gunadala
Bro. Nandigama Manihar	1 st Year Theology	St. John's, Ramanthapur, Hyderabad
Bro. Jujjuvarapu Joseph (Vijaya Raju)	1 st Year Theology	St. John's, Ramanthapur, Hyderabad
Bro. Pothuraju Rajesh	1 st Year Theology	Poonamallee
Bro. Kalaka Madhu	1 st Year Theology	Italy
Bro. Thalluri Thambi Teja	1 st Year Theology	Italy
Bro. Saggurthi Lokesh	2 nd Year Theology	St. John's, Ramanthapur, Hyderabad
Bro. Goli Balaswamy	3 rd Year Theology	St. John's, Ramanthapur, Hyderabad
Bro. Komarapu Pratap	3 rd Year Theology	St. John's, Ramanthapur, Hyderabad
Bro. Kondaparla Vijay Raju	2 nd Year Theology	Italy
Bro. Rentala Vijay	3 rd Year Theology	Papal Seminary, Pune
Bro. Andugula Srikanth	4 th Year Theology	St. John's, Ramanthapur, Hyderabad
Bro. Boddu Vinay	4 th Year Theology	St. John's, Ramanthapur, Hyderabad
Dn. Mondru Ramesh	4 th Year Theology	Papal Seminary, Pune
Bro. Kurella Vinod	4 th Year Theology	St. John's, Ramanthapur, Hyderabad
Bro. Palli Ambedkar (Sirach)	Licentiate	Italy
Dn. Vadapalli Kiran Kumar	Licentiate	Italy

Consultative Session with the Vicars Forane and Heads of Various Institutions of our Diocese

A consultation meeting with the Vicars Forane and the Heads of SSC, Diocesan Education Desk, Holy Childhood, Pastoral Centre, Prayrana Youth Centre, Talitha Cumi Unnati and the Secretary, TCBC Commission of Migration and Displacement Desk was convened in the Bishop's House on 27th of August. The principal theme for deliberation was, "Recovery and Long-Term Action on Critical Issues for Socio-Pastoral Relevance and Impact." In his opening words, **Most Rev. Thelagathoti Joseph Raja Rao, SMM** our Bishop urged the discussants to have a dual perspective on the art of helping and care-giving: vocational and systematic. Being driven by our vocation to serve the needy is the essential motivation we cannot do without. But along with this we also need to bring some professional rigor in planning, implementing, and evaluating our caregiving activities to achieve time-bound results for the good of our people. He noted that we need to look beyond relief-work and facilitate full-time recovery. Only such a forward-looking approach will give a visible face for the Church.

The key resource person **Mr. Ray Kancherla** animated the session further and encouraged the discussants to deliberate on re-thinking and re-visioning the socio-pastoral plan of our diocese with a phase-wise strategy. Undertaking a two-pronged technical study was proposed by Mr. Kancherla. Lacking reliable data is a big setback for conceiving and framing achievable goals, he observed. To fill this lacuna, he said, two technical studies – one on Girl Child and another on Children and the Youth- will be undertaken throughout the length and the breadth of the Diocese. The logistics and the roles of all the stakeholders were then explained. The discussants observed that briefing all the Parish Priests of the Diocese and soliciting their valuable contribution for the goals we have set will prove extremely beneficial. It was decided therefore, that a virtual meeting with all the Parish Priests will be held on the 31st of August.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO DIOCESE IN AUGUST 2021

SECOND SUNDAY COLLECTIONS

S.No.	PARISH	CONTRIBUTION	S.No.	PARISH	CONTRIBUTION
1.	St. Paul's Cathedral (Jul - 6742)	₹ 7694	34.	Jaggayyapeta	
2.	St. Peter's Co-Cathedral	₹ 17,560	35.	Jakkampudi (Jeevan Nagar)	₹ 445
3.	Agiripalli(Apr-434, July-360)	₹ 385	36.	Joji Nagar	
4.	Ajithsinghnagar		37.	Jyothinagar	₹ 1,488
5.	Arugolanu	₹ 560	38.	Kaikaluru	₹ 1,500
6.	Assisi Nagar (Konkepudi)	₹ 1,220	39.	Kalidindi	₹ 1,160
7.	Avanigadda		40.	Kambhampadu	
8.	Avutapalli		41.	Kanchikacherla	
9.	Azzampudi	₹ 1,330	42.	Kankipadu	₹ 2,310
10.	Bantumilli		43.	Kanuru	₹ 4,140
11.	Bhaskaraopeta		44.	Keesara	
12.	Bhyravapatnam	₹ 1,130	45.	Kesarapalli	₹ 5,253
13.	Bodavada-Jammavaram		46.	Koduru	₹ 284
14.	Bommuluru		47.	Kondapalli	₹ 2,822
15.	Carmelnagar	₹ 609	48.	Kondapavuluru	₹ 900
16.	Challapalli	₹ 2,410	49.	Korukollu	
17.	Chandarlapadu		50.	Kotapadu	
18.	Chanubanda	₹ 377	51.	Kothapalli	
19.	Chatrai	₹ 597	52.	Kuchipudi	
20.	Chillakallu		53.	Labbipeta	₹ 3,339
21.	Christurajapuram		54.	Lourdunagar	
22.	Edara(July- ₹ 2,650)	₹ 4,760	55.	Machilipatnam	
23.	Edulagudem		56.	Mallavalli	₹ 601
24.	Enikepadu		57.	Manginapudi	₹ 457
25.	Gampalagudem (July - 590)	₹ 650	58.	Mariapuram	
26.	Gannavaram (July - 780)	₹ 780	59.	Mucchintala	
27.	Gollapudi	₹ 1860	60.	Mudinepalli	₹ 920
28.	Goodmanpeta		61.	Mulapadu	
29.	Gudivada	₹ 5,000	62.	Munagalapalli	₹ 999
30.	Gudlavalleru	₹ 2,422	63.	Musunuru	
31.	Gunadalamatha Shrine	₹ 50,910	64.	Mylavaram	
32.	Guntupalli	₹ 1,210	65.	Nagayalanka	
33.	Jagannadhapuram		66.	Nandigama	

Communications

S.No. PARISH	CONTRIBUTION	S.No. PARISH	CONTRIBUTION
67. Nawabupeta		85. Siluvagattu(July – 209)	₹ 205
68. Nehrupeta		86. Siluvagirinagar	₹ 415
69. Nunna		87. Telaprolu	
70. Nuzvid-Town		88. Thukkuluru	
71. Pamarru	₹ 2,400	89. Tiruvuru	
72. Pedda-Mustabad	₹ 1,045	90. Uppaluru	
73. Pedana	₹ 916	91. Vanukuru	₹ 1010
74. Penamaluru	₹ 2,009	92. Vatsavai	₹ 165
75. Penugolanu		93. Velagalagudem	
76. Pezzonipeta	₹ 3,014	94. Vellaturu	₹ 651
77. Polukonda	₹ 850	95. Velpur	₹ 1,157
78. Pydurupadu	₹ 410	96. Vennanapudi	
79. Rajareswaripeta	₹ 896	97. Ventrapragada	
80. Ramanakkapeta		98. Vissannapeta	
81. Ranigarithota(July – 476)	₹	99. Vuyyuru	
82. Sahayanagar (Ibrahimpatnam)		100. Yesupuram	
83. Saradhanagar	₹ 691		
84. Satyanarayanapuram	₹ 2,280		
		TOTAL	₹ 1,43,631

MASSES

16.08.2021	Challapalli	₹	2,000
09.08.2021	Edara	₹	7,600
26.08.2021	Edara	₹	4,600
27.08.2021	Gannavaram	₹	3,000
09.08.2021	Kesarapalli	₹	6,400
17.08.2021	Satyanarayanapuram	₹	6,400
28.08.2021	St. Peter's Co-Cathedral	₹	8,500
28.08.2021	Gudivada	₹	1,500
	TOTAL	₹	40,000

FAMILY CARDS

St. Peter's Co-Cathedral	₹	6,000
TOTAL	₹	6,000



Living the Vision & Mission of
St. Teresa of Kolkata

We are growing deeper in our call to love and to be loved, doing something beautiful for God, satiating the Thirst of Jesus as we serve the poor and needy.

According to the need of our time - in the time of Covid, when the world is stricken with uncertainty and anxiety, we the Missionaries of Charity sisters were privileged to care for the basic needs of the Covid patients in the ICU of Government Hospital and thus help them feel loved and wanted, which brought much healing and peace.

We continue to satiate the Thirst of Jesus by doing our humble works of love for the poor and needy.

**Missionaries of Charity,
Shishu Bhavan,
Vijayawada**

NEWS FROM THE DIOCESE

Pandemic Relief Work at Yesupuram Parish

Food Kits, Books, Blankets, and Medicine were distributed to the poor families in and around Yesupuram parish on 1st August 2021, with the financial assistance provided by the **Sneha Charitable**



trust and the **Buddhist TZU CHI Foundation**. We are grateful to these organizations for coming forward to distribute essentials to the poor families stricken by the pandemic. Fr. Prakash from the Camillus Congregation, Eluru distributed the essentials at Yesupuram parish. We thank the Camillian Congregation and His Lordship Most Rev. Joseph Raja Rao, SMM for their generosity towards the poor in lending a helping hand to the families affected by the pandemic and the lockdown that followed.

Fr. B. Madhu Babu
Parish Priest, Yesupuram

Pandemic Relief Work at Ibrahimpatnam Parish

On 12th August 2021 at Ibrahimpatnam parish we distributed Groceries and Food Items to 370 Catholic Families as part of humanitarian response to the devastation caused by the Second Wave of COVID - 19. Each kit contained 8 kg Rice, a packet of cooking oil, dall, wheat flour, sugar and chilli powder. I could see at least some relief and joy in the faces of people as we went about the distribution. I thank God for having given us this opportunity to serve His people. I could accomplish this work of charity because of my friends Mr. Greg and Mrs. Barb Trum's family, who extended their



generous support. I sincerely thank and appreciate them along with my parishioners for their generous heart towards the poor and needy. May God bless them abundantly for their

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love and Concern. I remain with gratitude and prayers.

Fr. Jojaiah Mandagiri msfs
Parish Priest, Ibrahimpatnam

First Profession of the Franciscan Sisters of the Sacred Heart (FMSC)

“Give thanks to the Lord for He is good; for his faithful love endures forever”.

It was a day of celebration and joy for the FMSC family. On 11 August 2021, on the feast of St. Clare of Assisi, two of our novices Albina Kispotta and PunamTurkey garbed in white, with lighted lamps consecrated themselves to God by making the first profession in the novitiate chapel at Carmelnagar. Sr. Mini Joseph, the provincial Superior received their vows.



The solemn Eucharistic celebration was presided over by His excellency, Most Rev. Joseph Raja Rao Thelagathoti, S.M.M., Bishop of Vijayawada Diocese. In his homily,

he enlightened them,”... to always be aware that the call to religious life is **God’s Initiative**. And the ultimate purpose is to be conformed to the Lord, who is our model. They



have to become Christ like. They must labour to be humble models for others like St. Francis and St. Clare were. Those who follow Christ will gain whatever they give up for the Lord and loose what they keep for themselves. Generosity flows from an abundant heart. A person gives generously in religious life without any ‘but.’”

He further emphasized, “ Today the people look at us as spiritual persons, as peaceful people. Then, what is our role considering such expectations from the people? It is a prophetic role, which includes speaking about God, and share that experience with the people. Once we are committed to Jesus, it should be seen in our life too.”

Finally, he exhorted them on the vow of obedience as listening and knowing the will of God.

The newly professed expressed their gratitude to everyone present.

Sr. Selinamma Sebastian
Provincial Secretary

Foundation Stone Laid for the New Construction of Nirmal Hriday Bhavan

In 1974 the Government of Andhra Pradesh had given a piece of land to Mother Teresa on lease near Ragavaiah Park to run a home for the dying destitutes. Mother was present and visited the home few times thereafter.

Even though a new construction was inevitable, we could not go for it as the lease was not getting renewed. However, in 2020 through



the generosity of the **Honorable Chief Minister Sri Jagan Mohan Reddy**, we got the renewal of lease.

On August 10th, in the presence of the Joint Collector Dr.K.Madhavi Latha I.A.S, Municipal Commissioner Sri Prasanna Venkatesh I.A.S, Regional Superior Sr.Marie Ancelle MC, Architect Sri

P.Ranganath Reddy, Engineer Sri Mekala Mallaiah, Sisters, Brothers, and the inmates of Nirmal Hriday Bhavan, **Most Rev.Thelagathoti Joseph Raja Rao**, SMM – the Bishop of Vijayawada, blessed and



laid the foundation stone for the new Construction of Nirmal Hriday Bhavan.

Nirmal Hriday Bhavan, a home dedicated to the Immaculate Heart of Mary takes care of male and female, sick, abandoned and dying destitutes of the city, irrespective of caste, creed or religion. The home has sheltered 7457 inmates till date.

May the good Lord continue to strengthen us as we the Missionaries of Charity continue our service to satiate the thirst of Jesus on the Cross for love and souls by laboring at the salvation and sanctification of the poorest of the poor.

NEWS FROM INSTITUTIONS / COMMISSIONS / CENTRES

National Youth Sunday Celebrations at Diocesan Youth Centre

The grand celebration of the National Youth Sunday was organized at the diocese level on the 8th of August with a limited number of youth coming from different parishes of our diocese. It was a great occasion as we celebrated the very existence and the role of youth



in the parish and diocese. The programme began at 9:30 am with the arrival of the youth followed by the mass celebrated by Rev. Fr. John Babu, the diocesan youth director who insisted the very important role of youth in the parishes and encouraged the youth to attend the needy and helpless ones in their parishes. The chief guest of the programme was Most. Rev. Joseph Raja Rao, SMM the Bishop of Vijayawada. His presence added to the grandeur of the celebration and made it more meaningful. He

addressed the youth and laid out the importance of National Youth



Sunday in our diocese and motivated the youth to stand against the evil practices of dowry and abortions. Thereafter, the prize distribution ceremony was conducted by Fr. John Babu and prizes were given to the all the online competitors. Finally, the celebration ended with tea and snacks at 3:00 pm.

Executive Committee Meeting of the TCBC Commissions for Ecumenism and Dialogue

The TCBC Commissions for Ecumenism & Dialogue had its executive committee meeting at the Bishops' House, Vijayawada on 18th August 2021. Most Rev. Thelagathoti Joseph Raja Rao, SMM the Bishop of Vijayawada & Chairman of the Commissions presided over the meeting. The

others present Fr. Kondaveeti Anthaiah, Regional secretary, Fr. Arlagadda Joseph, the deputy-



secretary of TCBC, Fr. Raju Alex, the Telangana State-Coordinator, Fr. Domathoti Nathaniel, the Andhra Pradesh State Coordinator, and Fr. Anthoniraj Thumma, the former regional secretary. They deliberated on the vision, goals, and activities of the commissions, and

made some important decisions for



the promotion of ecumenical and inter-religious dialogue in the Telugu region. It was further decided to organize a meeting for the diocesan directors of the respective commissions on 23rd and 24th September 2021.

Rev. Fr. Anthaiah Kondaveeti
Secretary, TCBC Commission for
Ecumenism & Dialogue

NATIONAL / INTERNATIONAL NEWS

Indian Church prays for world health

New Delhi: The Latin Catholics of India on August 7 prayed for the health of the world that is awaiting the third wave of the coronavirus virus pandemic.

Prayer services were conducted from the tombs of St. Thomas in Chennai, St. Francis Xavier in Old Goa and

St. Teresa of Kolkata and from major Marian basilicas in India.

The one-hour prayer services starting at 8:30 pm “took place exactly as they were planned,” Father Stephen Alathara, deputy secretary general of the Conference of Catholic Bishops of India, told Matters India.

The conference is the national body of the bishops of the Latin Church in India.

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The Church organized the services “in view of the difficult times that the people of our nation are going through on account of Covid 19 and to pray as one family for the health of the world,” Father Alathara explained.

The Marian basilicas that joined the services were the Basilica of Our Lady of the Mount in Mumbai’s Bandra suburb, Basilica of Our Lady of Graces at Sardhana near Meerut in Uttar Pradesh, Our Lady of the Assumption, Hyderabad, St Mary’s Basilica at Shivajinagar in Bengaluru and Basilica of Our Lady of Good Health at Vailankanni in Tamil Nadu.

Auxiliary Bishop John Rodrigues of Bombay and the choir members sang the opening hymn from the Bandra shrine. The initial part of the prayer was recited by Archbishop George Antonysamy of Madras-Mylapore from the tomb of St. Thomas in Chennai. He is the vice president of conference.

Father Raymond Joseph, secretary of the CCBI Commission for Vocations read the Gospel from the Bengaluru shrine. Cardinal Oswald Cardinal Gracias, the Archbishop of Bombay, gave a reflection from the

Holy Name Cathedral, Colaba, Mumbai.

The prayers of the Faithful were recited in seven languages from the Sardhana shrine. Father Chetan Machado, secretary CCBI Commission for Youth, led the the intercessory prayers.

Jyotsna D’Souza, President, Indian Catholic Youth Movement; Montfort Brother Alex Diamond Raj, director of Montfort Bhavan in Meerut; Valentia Nongtdu, finance secretary of Jowai diocese in Meghalaya; John Paul, member of the youth movement, Sisters Sudeepti, a nurse of Our Lady of Graces Hospital, Sardhana, Sister Doctor Lisa, of the same hospital, Montfort Brother Prem Murmu, assistant director, Montfort Bhavan, Meerut recited the prayers in Hindi, Tamil, Khasi, Telugu, Kannada, Santali and Malayalam.

Archbishop Anthony Poola of Hyderabad recited the prayer for the control of Coronavirus and Archbishop Thomas D’Souza of Calcutta and Sister Mary PremaPierick, Superior General of the Missionaries of Charity led the Litany of Supplications from the tomb of Mother Teresa, Kolkata.

Bishop Vincent Aind of Bagdogra, West Bengal, led the prayer for the departed souls. They organized special prayers for all deceased bishops, priests, religious and lay faithful, to whom the Church was not able to give a decent funeral due to the pandemic restrictions.

Archbishop Anil Joseph Thomas Couto of Delhi, CCBI secretary general, recited a prayer from the Sacred Heart Cathedral, New Delhi, consecrating all people in India to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and to the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

CCBI president Archbishop Filipe Neri Ferrã of Goa and Daman gave the Eucharistic Benediction from Old Goa's Bom Jesu Basilica. The concluding prayer song was delivered from the Basilica of Our Lady of Good Health, Vailankanni. Bishop Devadass Ambrose of Thanjavur and Father M. Prabakar, the rector of Shrine Basilica, joined the choir members to sing famous Marian prayer "Salve Regina" (Hail Holy Queen) in Latin.

All Latin Catholics in India spent one hour "as one family, thus giving witness to the Catholicity and cultural and linguistic diversity of the Church," Father Alathara said.

The Latin Catholic Church in India has 132 dioceses and 18 million members.

Salesian Sister's alumna wins Olympic badminton bronze

Salesian Sister Rosily Theckanath is proud that P V Sindhu, her former student, has become the second Indian and the country's first woman to win two Olympic medals.

Sindhu, the reigning Badminton world champion on August 1 secured a bronze after a straight-game win over world no. 9 He Bing Jiao of China in the badminton women's singles third-place play-off held in Tokyo 2020 Olympics.

Sister Theckanath, former principal at Auxilium School Secunderabad, recalls Sindhu's school days.

One of the first parents I met as I took charge of the Auxilium School Secunderabad in 2009 was Ramana, the Arjuna awardee. He came with his beloved daughter P.V. Sindhu who was a student of Auxilium School Secunderabad.

Ramana told me that Sindhu cannot attend the academic class daily as he had enrolled her in Pullella Gopichand Sports Academy.

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It gave me lots of joy to accompany this budding star and do all that I could in order to make her dream come true. A girl of determination and courage Sindhu wanted to be a winner always. Obedience and respectfulness especially towards her teachers is part and parcel of her life. She cherished every value we proposed with lot of interest and earnestness.

Sindhu could not attend the class daily specially when there were the rigorous practices and various national and international matches. We gave her all support including full attendance. Her friends were so good that before their teachers could ask they would complete Sindhu's notes.

Each time Sindhu reached the school with her hard earned prize we had a celebration in the morning assembly which boosted her for greater heights. Ramana always told me that it is because of the tremendous support from the school Sindhu is able to win even the tough matches.

When Sindhu was in grade ten at the time came for the Board Examinations, she had a match in Malaysia. Naturally my thought was that she would opt for the Board Examination of course with the

thought that our usual 100 percent pass may not go down. But to every one's surprise Sindhu said that she preferred going for the match than appearing for her first public examinations. We send her with all our blessings.

Competing with the Malaysian player Sindhu stood atop the podium to receive the gold medal and after this victory match as she returned, the public examinations were already completed. I started for her a few days of intense coaching with the help of other subject teachers and got her ready for the instant exams in June. Sindhu was much focused and most cooperative and earnest that she fetched a distinction in her board examinations.

I proudly recall that great moment in my life as Sindhu and her parents invited me to share the stage during the grand reception in Hyderabad as she returned to India as the Rio Olympics (2016) silver medallist. It was a rare moment and our hard work really paid off.

Christian persecution set to rise in Afghanistan

Christians are being urged to pray for people in Afghanistan as

persecution is likely to rise due to the Taliban takeover.

On Aug. 16, as the Taliban confirmed it had 90 per cent of government buildings under its control in Kabul, thousands gathered at the city's international airport in a desperate attempt to flee the country. Christians in the middle eastern nation already face being killed or imprisoned for their faith. However, Christian charity Release International fears persecution will become even worse under the Taliban's ruling.

"Even before the Taliban came to power in Afghanistan, the country has been going up the ranks of the most difficult countries in the world to be a Christian. So, if you try to change your faith from being a Muslim to Christian in Afghanistan, that's apostasy. You can be sentenced to death or imprisoned for doing that," Release International's Andrew Boyd told Premier.A Christian contact of one Release International partner described the situation as "dire".

"Our brothers and sisters in Christ are telling us how afraid they are. In the areas that the Taliban now control girls are not allowed to go to school and women are not

allowed to leave their homes without a male companion."

The Taliban have pledged to prevent what they see as the westernization of women. It was the Pakistan Taliban who shot 15-year-old Malala Yousafzai for going to school and telling the world about it in a blog.

Boyd thinks it is actually women who will play a key role in keeping churches alive in the country: "The position of women in Afghanistan has changed substantially. So, women have become far more educated. And it's possible the women may play a significant role in the underground church in the years to come. So, the church in Afghanistan is very well placed to function underground under extreme persecution, but they need our prayers," he said.

He went on to encourage Christians to pray for the situation in Afghanistan but also to act as "light and salt"."The good news here is that the UK has accepted report by the Bishop of Truro, that goes back a little bit now, which is implementing government policy to actually put religious freedom and human rights right at the centre of our dealings

internationally. So, this is a long-term issue, but we do need to recognise our calling, to engage, to be salt and light and to press for righteousness and oppressed, to make a difference. We're called to do it and we need to do it," he concluded.

Pope prays for Afghanistan, appeals for solidarity with Haiti

Vatican City: Pope Francis has expressed his concern over the situation in Afghanistan and people to unite in praying to "the God of peace so that the clamour of weapons might cease and solutions can be found at the table of dialogue."

After leading the recitation of the Angelus on Sunday's Solemnity of the Assumption on August 15, the Pope said only this way can the "battered population of that country – men, women, elderly and children" be able to "return to their own homes, and live-in peace and security, in total mutual respect".

The Pope also recalled the strong earthquake that shook Haiti overnight, causing numerous deaths, wounding many, and causing extensive damage. He expressed his "closeness to the dear people hard

hit by the earthquake", offering his prayers to the Lord for the victims. He offered his encouragement to the survivors and hopes that the help of the international community might reach them. "May the solidarity of all alleviate the consequences of the tragedy!", he emphasized, inviting everyone in the Square to pray a Hail Mary for Haiti.

Vaccination is an act of love, says pope in advert campaign

Pope Francis launches a powerful appeal for people to get inoculated with approved Covid-19 vaccines. When each individual makes a small act of charity, like getting the Covid-19 vaccine, every gesture added together can transform the world, Pope Francis said in a global advertising campaign.

"Being vaccinated with vaccines authorized by the competent authorities is an act of love. And contributing to ensure the majority of people are vaccinated is an act of love – love for oneself, love for one's family and friends, love for all people," he said in a public service announcement released Aug. 18 in Rome.

The video message was part of a global effort by the US-based Ad

Council and the Covid Collaborative's "It's Up to You" campaign to increase people's confidence in vaccines by reminding them that the vaccines are safe, effective and save people's lives. The Vatican's Dicastery for Integral Human Development also cooperated with the educational initiative.

The three-minute video in Spanish with English, Spanish and Portuguese subtitles feature Pope Francis and six cardinals and archbishops from North and South America. Archbishop José H. Gomez of Los Angeles, president of the US Conference of Catholic Bishops, is among them.

The "It's Up to You" campaign has been inviting "trusted messengers" to deliver "fact-based and life-saving information to populations hesitant about vaccines, helping them to make informed decisions for themselves and their families," it said in a joint news release with the Ad Council.

Lisa Sherman, president and CEO of the Ad Council, said: "The role of trusted messengers to educate and inspire their networks is undeniable."

"Thanks to God and to the work of many, we now have vaccines to protect us from Covid-19"

"We are extremely grateful to [Pope Francis] and the cardinals and archbishops for lending their voices and platforms to help people across the globe feel more confident in the vaccines," particularly to the world's 1.3 billion Catholics, she said in the news release.

It said 72 percent of the adult population and 67 percent of Hispanic adults have currently been vaccinated against Covid-19 with at least one dose in the United States.

But cases are on the rise worldwide, especially in North, Central and South America. Some nations are still showing very low rates of individuals who are fully vaccinated, such as Honduras with only 5.5 percent of the adult population and El Salvador with 30 percent.

While access to vaccines is a challenge, "confidence in the vaccines also presents a hurdle," the news release said.

OBITUARY



**REMEBERING SR. ANNE JOSE
VALLIAMTHADATHIL MSI**
(24.11.1943 – 23.08.2021)

“Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses.” 1 Timothy 6:12

Sr. Anne Jose Valliamthadathil MSI, who made her faith confessed in the presence of many witnesses is now called for an everlasting dwelling in heaven. She was born on 24th November 1943 at Bharananganam, Kerala to late Mr. Joseph and late Mrs. Mariaamma. Among 10 siblings, Sr. Anne was the fourth child to her parents who dedicated her to serve the Lord as a great missionary and accompanied her missionary journey till the end. She joined our missionary family on 10/06/1965 at Bhimavaram after the

completion of S.S.L.C and a Certificate Course on Telegraphy. She made her first Profession on 4th January 1970 and her final profession on 8th January 1976.

Being trained in the Leprosy Para Medical Field, she served in different capacities in our communities at Gunadala, Vegavaram, Jangareddigudem, Seethamma dhara and Bhimavaram. She also rendered her services at Adhikari (Siliguri Province) from 1996-1999. Since July 2006, she had been joyfully offering her services in our hospital at Gudivada.

Spending long hours before the Blessed Sacrament and her special devotion to the Chaplet of the Most Precious Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ were her enormous source of Grace and spiritual protection. Being a faithful child of the Rosary, she encouraged others to pray the rosary to merit a high degree of Glory in Heaven. As zealous missionary, she was simple, full of spirit, active and energetic in God’s

vineyard. She was ever committed to her pastoral ministry, in preparing people for baptism, meeting people and visiting the families specially the families of other faith with her warm and affectionate nature. Her habit of reading the Word of God during leisurely hours and sharing the Gospel reflection to lay staff inspired all. She had a special place for the poor and the less privileged in her heart which she expressed in her mission.

Sr. Anne was suffering long from Diabetes and hypertension. Later she developed rheumatic arthritis and moderate left ventricular dysfunction and was on regular medication. On 18th August, 2021 at 4.20 pm she suddenly developed breathlessness and was resuscitated in our hospital. As her health condition worsened, she was shifted to EVR Super Speciality Hospital, Gudivada on the same day. She was put on a ventilator, and she showed some signs of improvement. On 19th August, she had a myocardial infarction and went into coma. On

23rd August, she breathed her last at 1.05 pm in EVR Super Speciality Hospital, Gudivada. The funeral mass was held in Vegavaram on 24/08/2021 at 10.30 a.m. She was laid to rest in our cemetery.

Her 51 long years of missionary journey was a blessing to all of us. Her life spiced up with cheerfulness, simplicity, gratitude, missionary passion and optimistic approach are valued ever in our hearts. Her spirituality to be human interwoven through her personal attachment to the Blessed Sacrament and devotion to the Precious blood of Jesus are the fragrance that follow us in days ahead. May God grant her eternal peace and happiness in His Kingdom.

Nirmala Sisters,
Vijayawada.



BRO. FRANCIS MORE CMSF
(1958- 2021)

Bro. Francis More, was on his journey to the Promised Land which he unfortunately traversed only three quarters so to say. However, as Franciscans we are, we believe that he has been allured by sister death to join the heavenly family of the saints and the angels. All through his life Bro. Francis More was a true Franciscan as he is named after the great saint Francis. Belonging to the great Chandramauli Family of Hindu heritage, Bro. Francis was born to M. Panduranga Rao and M. Vita Bai in the year 1958 at Secundrabad. Being the eldest in the Family of four siblings, young Francis had many responsibilities. His parents always respected his freedom to choose the religion that he wanted. Having completed his graduation and a few years of working experience as an

accountant, Francis left home in 1986 to become a Franciscan Brother. By that time Francis More had duly fulfilled all the requirements to join the Congregation of Franciscan Missionary Brothers. He made his first profession in the year 1990 and his perpetual profession in 1996. Being very intelligent and astute in administration Bro. Francis More was always helpful to the Province even when he was in Formation. From 1995 Bro. Francis More's expertise in public relations was sought by the Generalate in Mumbai. From 1995 to 2008 Bro. Francis was the Asst. Bursar General at Borivili, the Generalate of the Franciscan missionary Brothers. He has held many other important offices in the Congregation such as Provincial Secretary, Asst. Bursar General, Registrar of SFIMAR (2003-2007), Borivily, Chairman of SFIMAR (2011-20130), Vice Provincial and Superior of Gokhivera Community (2013-2016), Principal Vidya Vikasini Junior College, Vasai (2014-2016) and Superior of St. Anthony's Institute, Goa (2016-2017).

Bro. Francis More was a learned person with many Degrees and Qualifications: He holds a PhD from Assumption University, Bangkok, besides having a B. Com from Madras University, MA in Public Administration and M.Com (General) both from Osmania University, M. Phil (Entp) from MK University, B. Ed from Krishna University and M. Ed from RKDF University. He also has 4 diplomas in various other disciplines.

For a few years Bro. Francis More was helping our ITI and ITC in Vijayawada and was under medication for heart ailments. He maintained a balanced lifestyle owing to his bad health and was regular for his morning walk and yoga exercises. On the fateful day Bro. Francis had a fall from a motorcycle and was taken to the hospital close by and the Doctors there advised us to shift him to Ramesh Heart Hospital, Vijayawada where he breathed his last on account of a Massive Heart Attack.

By the Demise of Bro. Francis More, we Franciscan missionary Brothers have lost an able

administrator who was a multi-linguist and multifaceted religious person. He had a heart for the poor that went all out to help them. He was deeply a spiritual person who would spend long hours in silence and meditation. Bro. Francis will be fresh in the galleries of our minds as he completed his journey having lived a life of charity, humility, and peace. May his Noble Soul rest in Peace!

The Funeral obsequies were held at Assisi Ashram Chapel Eluru, on 19th August 2021 at 03.00 pm in the afternoon. May his soul rest in Peace!

**Bro. Sebastian George CMSF
Secretary General**

DAYS TO REMEMBER IN THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER

ORDINATION DAY: HEARTY CONGRATULATIONS!

- 12th Fr. Nagothu Bala Raju, MSFS
28th Fr. Faustin Baliar Singh OSB



HAPPY BIRTHDAY: MANY RETURNS OF THE DAY

- 02nd Frs. Nimmagadda Ramesh, Thulimelli Jojappa
03rd Frs. Remalli Suresh, Kurma Thomas
05th Fr. Moganati Thambi CppS,
07th Frs. Kondala Thambi Ravikanth, Konda Mahesh Kumar,
Sebastian Simeon OMI, James Devasagayam OMI,
10th Fr. Udumula Balashowry
11th Fr. Meriga Suresh Babu
13th Frs. Yangaladasu Velangani Raju,
16th Fr. Antony Vincent CSSR
19th Fr. Michael sdb
21st Frs. Sebastian Anthikad CM, Pudota Anil Prasanth SJ
22nd Fr. Gundabathini Kishore Kumar
28th Fr. Neelam Lourduraj
30th Fr. Dovari Joseph



OBITUARY: MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

- 02nd Fr. Bezwada Samuel John (2017)
06th Fr. Joseph Vempeny (2016)
10th Frs. Eduardo Miranda PIME (1971),
Louis Misani PIME (1981)
14th Fr. Saka Johannes (2013)
20th Fr. Chacko Maniangatt (1981)
21st Fr. Meka Yesudas (2002)





Pandemic Relief-work at Yesupuram



National Youth Sunday Celebrations



Consultation Meeting with Vicars Forane & Heads of Diocesan Institutions



5 Second prayer to Mary

“Mary, mother of Jesus,
Please be a mother to me now.”

- St. Mother Teresa