

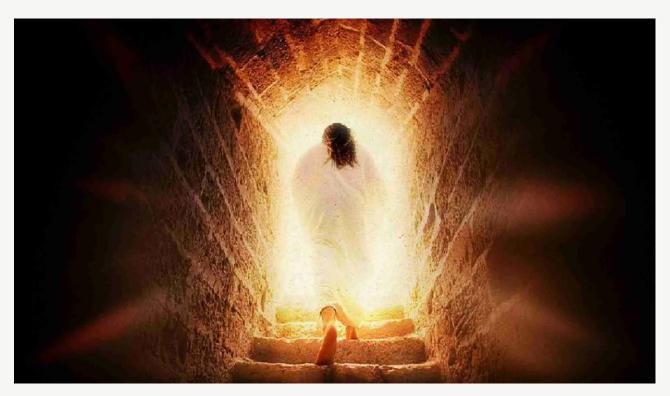
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SOUTH-WEST INDIA PROVINCE

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My dear Confreres,

Paschal Mystery of Jesus Christ. Immersed as we are in the spiritual atmosphere of the Holy Week, we commemorate the central events of our salvation and the essential core of our Christian faith -- the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus Christ -- over Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday with the Easter Vigil. The liturgical build-up to the Triduum is with a reminder of the double betrayal of Judas and Peter as well as the collective failure of the disciples in order to underline the fact that acceptance and the love of Jesus far exceed the failure of the disciples.

On Maundy Thursday we commemorate that evening when Christ left his disciples the testament of his love in the Eucharist as his everlasting presence. Both the pouring of the water at the washing of the feet as well as the wine in the chalice – core symbolisms of Maundy Thursday -- remind us of the blood poured out at his death. Feet too are symbolically very significant. On the one hand, they are that part of the body that gets dirty fastest. On the other

hand, feet carry the whole body around. We go where the feet take us. If our feet follow Jesus, then it is us who follow Jesus. Besides, Maundy Thursday speaks in a special way to us who are priests; it speaks of Christ "who makes us sharers in his priesthood, in his 'anointing' through our own priestly ordination," anointed to be another priest-victim like him.

We all will gather on Good Friday as though we were on Calvary to commemorate the redemptive Passion and Death of Jesus Christ, and while adoring the Cross, we will relive the journey of the innocent Lamb sacrificed for our salvation. We who participate in his passion through our service today are called not just to endure our own crosses, not to put-up with the cross, but rather to *'embrace'* the cross. Thereby, we will carry in our minds and hearts the sufferings of the sick, the poor, the rejected of this world and bring in prayer "sacrificed lambs" in our time.

To a world that expects dead things to stay dead, broken hearts to stay broken, Easter comes with new life, with grace, with healing, and with resurrection. "When Jesus speaks about eternal life, he is referring to real and true life, a life worthy of being lived. He is not simply speaking about life after death. He is talking about authentic life, a life fully alive and thus not subject to death, yet one which can already, and indeed must, begin in this world. Only if we learn even now how to live authentically, if we learn how to live the life which death cannot take away, does the promise of eternity become meaningful." (Pope Benedict XVI) May the saving power of Christ's resurrection fill all of us so that we can overcome every expression of that "culture of death" with which we get increasingly surrounded.



Fr Dhaman Kumar MSFS of Visakhapatnam Province is appointed Bishop of Nalgonda diocese. We congratulate him and pray for him.

CANONICAL VISITATION OF THE PROVINCIAL

xcept one community and two individuals, Provincial's canonical visitation of all the communities and individuals is completed. I take this opportunity for the wonderful
and fraternal way you all had prepared for the visitation and made the visitation a rich

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experience, evaluating the life and ministry of each individual and community and sharing the concerns and plans for the future. May I take this opportunity to thank all of you most sincerely for your co-operation and generosity.

INTERNAL AUDITING OF THE PROVINCE

O ur internal audit team has been going around our communities and institutions and doing a commendable job. In several cases, due to lack of sufficient familiarity with the nuances of account keeping, some issues have cropped up. As you are all well aware of the fact that the income tax department has in recent times tweaked changes to the requirements of accounting by charitable institutions and are meticulously monitoring the compliance of them. Any failure on our part can lead to very severe consequences like cancellation of the FCRA Accounts and the like, which has already been done in some cases. In order to insulate ourselves from any drawbacks from our part and to ensure that we do our accounting meticulously as per the requirements, **the following guidelines are made mandatory for all who are dealing with financial administration in our province**:

- 1. Please maintain Day Book whereby all the transactions of the day, both the income and the expenses, are recorded.
- 2. Please maintain a separate Cash Book whereby cash receipts & payments are recorded. Daily transactions of cash receipt and payments must be updated. If it is maintained in the computer system in excel, print and file the same on a monthly basis.
- 3. Accounts must be updated on a daily basis (not on annual, once in six months, monthly or even weekly basis).
- 4. As the accounts are written, keep the respective supporting bills, invoices and documents with the voucher and also the receipt books.
- 5. Obtain all the invoices & bills at the time of payment itself, so that the accountant can avoid booking entries under suspense and go behind them to clear it whereby a lot of time can be saved.
- 6. All the bills must have a covering voucher which will have details of "to whom" and "for what" it is paid. It would be better if the person incurring the expense write the voucher as he is aware of what that expense is for.
- 7. Present the monthly Receipts & Payments Account in the monthly Community meeting.
- 8. Submit the current monthly accounts to the Head Office by the 10th of next month.
- 9. Institutions where accounts are entered in Tally at a common place, submit a copy of the excel statement / day book on a weekly basis through mail so that if any TDS compliances are required, it could be attended to. So that TDS remittance can happen by 7th of next month without any interest or penalty.
- 10. If any kind of donations are received by the institution / community, kindly obtain the PAN and complete address of the donor irrespective of the amount.

Please note that from this financial year onwards, the province accountants will not be visiting different centres to collect accounts, instead submit bimonthly your accounts to the respective Province accountant of your house/ institution with all details of income and expenses.

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TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS

- 1. Fr. Albin Puthenveettil is appointed to be on the staff at SFS College, Hebbagodi.
- **2. Fr. Arun Cyriac Valliara** is appointed as the Administrator of SFS School and MSFS Community at Mattannur.
- **3. Fr. Arun Kumar** is appointed as the Administrator of SFS School & MSFS Community and to Assist at St Joseph's Church, Chintamani.
- **4. Fr. Baby Elanjimattathil** is appointed as the Superior and Administrator of MSFS House and designated to be appointed as the Parish Priest of St Francis de Sales Church at Vattiyoorkavu.
- **5. Fr. Bibin Uthuppassery** is appointed as the Assistant Vocation Promoter and member of Staff at SFS Seminary, Ettumanoor.
- 6. Fr. Biju Palankunnel is appointed as the Manager of SFS School at Chintamani.
- **7. Fr. Binod Puthenpurackal** is appointed as the Administrator of SFS School at Ettumanoor.
- 8. Fr. Conrad Sebastian is appointed as the Superior of De Sales Bhavan-MSFS Community at Kuvempunagar.
- 9. Fr. D. Doraiswamy is designated for pastoral ministry in Bangalore Archdiocese.
- Fr. D. Jeevan Prasad is designated to be appointed as the Secretary of the Archdiocesan Bible Commission, Bangalore.
- **11. Fr. E. Erudaya Raja** is appointed as the Manager & Administrator of SFS School at Savanur, and designated to be appointed as the priest in charge of the mission in Savanur.
- **12. Fr. Jaison Kollarayathu** is designated for Pastoral Ministry in Kannur Diocese.
- **13. Fr. Jibin George Anithottathil** is appointed as the Administrator of Indian Institute of Spirituality at Rajajinagar.
- **14. Fr. Jijo Chemplanickal** is appointed as the Administrator of MSFS House & Garments' factory at Karahalli.
- **15. Fr. John Gannot** is appointed as the Dean and Disciplinarian at SFS Seminary, Ettumanoor and ministry for the migrant workers at Charis Bhavan, Athirampuzha.

- **16. Fr. Joseph Ouseparambil** is appointed as the Administrator of FSST, Kolar and designated to be appointed as the Assistant Parish Priest of Immaculate Heart of Mary Church, Kolar.
- **17. Fr. Joshy Mangalathu** is appointed as the Administrator of SFS School and NEST Community at Kengeri.
- **18. Fr. Justin Chirackal** is appointed as the Manager & Administrator of SFS School at Kannur.
- 19. Fr. P. Maria Lawrence is appointed to the MSFS Community at Tamaka, Kolar.
- **20. Fr. Prasanth Kumar** is appointed as the Superior and Administrator of SFS School, and designated to be appointed as the priest in charge of the mission in Mundargi.
- **21. Fr. Rakesh Ekka** is appointed as the Socius in Chad-Cameroun Delegation.
- **22. Fr. Rony Thomas Madathiparambil** is appointed to the MSFS Community at Chintamani as the Hostel Warden and for Pastoral Ministry.
- **23. Fr. S. Arockiya Samy** is appointed as the Administrator of SFS School and MSFS Community at Kuknoor.
- **24. Fr. Sanoj Plamthottathil** is appointed as the Director of Prateeksha Boys' Home and designated to be appointed as the Parish Priest of St Joseph's Church at Ulikkal.
- **25. Fr. Santy Kochupurackal** is appointed as the Principal of SFS School at Srinivaspur.
- **26. Fr. Shajan Manickathan** is appointed as the Administrator of De Sales Bhavan ITSSCAT Community at Trivandrum.
- **27. Fr. Shino Puthusserry** is appointed as the Superior of MSFS Community and programme co-ordinator at Kattappana.
- 28. Fr. Subin Benny Palamattathil: Post-operative recuperation and rest.
- **29. Fr. Thomas Moongamakkal** is appointed as the Superior of MSFS House at Sulthan Bathery.
- **30. Fr. Tony Munduchalil** is appointed as the Assistant Director and Dean of Studies at Indian Institute of Spirituality, Rajajinagar.

Designated for Higher Studies

- **1. Fr. Anil Kiran C Buddini** is designated to pursue MBA Studies at SFS College, Hebbagodi, along with his current responsibility.
- **2. Fr. Bibin Sebastian Kelimattathil** is designated to pursue MBA studies in Perinthalmanna, along with his current responsibility.
- **3. Fr. David Buddini** is designated to pursue MA studies at Mysore University, residing at De Sales Bhavan-MSFS Community, Kuvempunagar.
- **4. Fr. Jijo Manjackal** is designated to pursue a Licentiate in Biblical Studies at Angelicum in Rome.
- **5. Fr. Joshy Thumpechirayil** is designated to pursue a PhD in Multimedia at SRM University in Chennai.
- **6. Fr. Justin Panachickal** is designated to pursue a PhD in Pastoral Communication at Salesian University in Rome.
- **7. Fr. K. Sudeep Andrews** is designated to pursue a Licentiate in Canon law at St. Peters, residing in Vinayalaya, MSFS Provincial House Community, Bengaluru.
- **8. Fr. Noby Kottuppallil** is designated to pursue a PhD in Philosophy at the University of Vienna, residing in Klosterneuburg.
- **9. Fr. Vijin Kottoor** is designated to pursue MBA Studies at SFS College, Hebbagodi, along with his current responsibility.

All the appointments to our institutions and communities are to come into effect between 1^{st} and $15^{th}\,May\,2024.$

PROMOTION OF THE SCHOLASTICS

The following scholastics in the Philippine delegation are promoted to the Order of Priesthood.

- 1. Dn. Jeson Ly Berdida
- 2. Dn. Jibin Pathil

MID-TERM ASSEMBLY

n tune with the theme of our coming General Chapter "I have chosen you: MSFS Live your Charism", we have chosen as the theme for the mid-term assembly "Heart on Fire – Feet on the Move!" The following members are appointed as members of the organizing committee:

Fr. Jose Kannanaikkal (Convenor), Fr. Balavendra Jacob (member), and Fr. Staney Rodrigues (member).

SFS SCHOOL, KANNUR

ur efforts to dispose of our school has not yet met with success. So, we have appointed Mr. Jils, who has over 20 years of experience in working in CBSE schools both as teacher and principal, to head the school and run it until we find a suitable buyer.

PROVINCIAL'S VISITATION TO EUROPE

canonical visitation of our confreres in Germany, Austria, France and Italy is planned from April 10, 2024 to May 26, 2024. During my absence, Fr. George Vattappara, the permanent delegate will be in charge of the affairs of the province.

INFORMATION

- Fr. Joseph C. MSFS is appointed as a member of the College of Consultors of the Archdiocese of Bangalore for a period of 5 years.
- Fr. A. Antony Sathiya Seelan MSFS successfully defended his doctoral thesis in theology on February 22, 2024 at the University of Vienna. The title of his thesis is: Religion as Relation
 -- Joseph Ratzinger's Theologia Religionis and Theologia Religionum - Seeking Catholic Responses to the Problem of Religious Pluralism in 21st Century. Congratulations Fr. Sathiya Seelan and wish him God's abundant Blessings for his future ministry.

Parish Mission Preaching

1. PMP Annual National Gathering and Prayer days

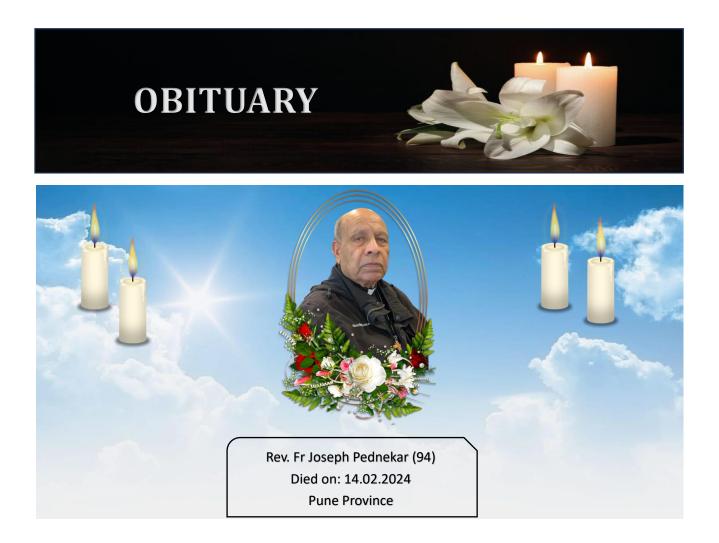
(for the confreres who are engaged in the preaching ministry)

Dates: October 21 to 25, 2024 Venue: MSFS Provincial House, Silapathar, Assam. (Dibrugarh Province) Arrival on October 21st evening Departure on October 25th morning

2. PMP Training Program – Phase II

(only for those confreres who participated in the Training session Phase I at Charis Bhavan in November 2023)

Dates: November 25 to 30, 2024 Venue: Harmony, Uchgaon, Belgaum, Karnataka. (Pune Province) Arrival November 25th evening, Departure 30th afternoon



- Mrs. Thresia Thomas (92), the beloved Mother of Fr Louis Parappuram, passed away on February 18, 2024.
- > Mr. George P. A (55), the Uncle of Fr. Rony Madathiparambil.
- Mr. Varkey (Kunju) Pannalakunnel, cousin of Fr Tom Pannalakunnel, passed away on February 20, 2024.
- Sr. Hermencia JMJ (84), the Elder Sister of Fr. Jose Edasseril, passed away on February 28, 2024.
- Mrs. Thresiamma Philip Tharayil (88), the aunt of Fr. Mathew Elayidathumadam and cousin of Fr. James Mukalel, passed away on March 03, 2024.
- ➢ Mr. Chacko Mathew Kattampally (98), the Maternal Grandfather of Fr. Abey Thunduparampil, passed away on March 11, 2024
- Mr. Biju George (51), the beloved brother of Fr. Vinoy Valachithinakathu, passed away on March 13, 2024.
- Mr Philip Thuruthippallil (65), the Paternal Uncle (father's brother) of Fr. Jose Simon huruthippallil, passed away on March 14, 2024.
- Mrs. Annakutty Kolenchery, the Elder Sister of Fr. Antony Kolencheryl, passed away on March 16, 2024.

VOICE OF SFS



God tests more the heart of him who prays than the words which he pronounces

Fraternally,

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Fr Thomas Kalariparambil, MSFS Provincial Superior



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