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# Salesian Thought

Straight from the heart of Fr. Peter Marie Mermier

"The pleasure and the movement of the will towards kind things is properly speaking, Love." "Only he can be said to be learned in God's love, who knows to love truly, effectively and forcefully."

# Prayer Intention of the Superior General for the Month of October

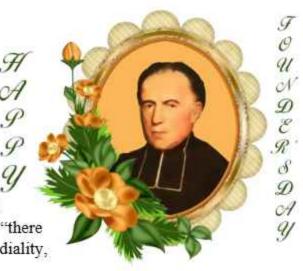
Through our Blessed Mother's intercession, our new missions and communities in Malawi, Indonesia, Ecuador, Peru, Chile, Spain, and Italy may be blessed by God, and our confreres may joyfully present our charism to the People of God. We pray to the Lord.

#### From the Desk of the Provincial

Dear Confreres.

With immense joy, I greet you on the Feast of our venerable Founder, Servant of God, Father Peter Mermier, an ardent and zealous religious and, an audacious and passionate missionary. We draw inspiration from him for our religious life and spirituality. Father Mermier and his colleagues began to lead religious life in La Roche. Fr. Petitjea who was one of them writes of the first community, "the

one of them writes of the first community, "there reigned between the members a sincere cordiality, simplicity and modes cementing their unity."



Even as a newly ordained priest, Father Mermier chalked out a rule of life for himself and was committed to prayer, work and persevering effort. He was passionate about practicing the evangelical vows unreservedly, much before founding the Congregation. His conviction about poverty is admirable. He wrote for himself the following: "as much as it depends on me, I will have a room without tapestry, without decoration... The Cross or Crucifix that I will have will not be gilt but of simple wood. I will have an earthen-ware holy water stoup. I will observe this same rule of simplicity and poverty with regard to some other necessary furniture: candle-stick, writing-desk, etc. In my room I will never have a mattress on my bed." Fr. Desjacques, to whom Father Mermier was the Curate, saw in him a soul of good will, ardent but docile. Both of them cultivated mutual trust and friendship. Father Mermier, the assistant priest, always sought the counsel and advise of Fr. Desjacques. Both of them lived a meaningful community life at the presbytery of Magland.

Seeking the will of God and being obedient to it was the characteristic that underlined the priestly life of Father Mermier. In December 1815, Mgr. de Solle, Bishop of Chambery wanted Father Mermier to be a professor at Melan. Fr. Desjacques himself said to Father Mermier: "God wants you at Melan." He took up the responsibility joyfully and obediently. At important times of decision making, the advice of Father Desjacques was helpful: "let your soul hear the voice of God. Embrace the Crucifix and listen to it." He learnt to find his will in the will of God. Such a communion of will increases in a communion of thought and sentiment, and thus our will and God's will increasingly coincide (cf. Deus Caritas est, 17).

The way our founder led the first community continues to remain a model for communityliving in our times, too. Father Mermier always shared with his colleagues his vision, plans and desires concerning his new community. He consulted them and sought their advice on important matters (Jean Rey on Father Peter Mermier). He was convinced that obedience includes consultation and being respectful. The members of the community shared all their experiences in the art of preaching and in being all to all. The members, including Father Mermier, played marbles in the parlour during recreation and organized games like children.

Father Mermier surrendered his heart always to God. Nevertheless, it was not easy to make decisions due to his undying missionary spirit. It pained our Founder much that he could not be a part of the pioneering missionaries to India. At La Feuillette, a farewell ceremony was organized during which the feet of those who were leaving were kissed by others. This solemn but emotionally moving ceremony expresses the passionate love of Father Mermier and his respect for the missionaries.

His death anniversary reminds us of our commitment to religious life and missionary life, rooted in community life. Let us mould ourselves further as courageous missionaries, joyful religious, and caring and compassionate confreres. I wish you a very Happy Feast of the Servant of God Father Peter Mermier, our Founder.

#### Jubilarians

#### Golden Jubilarian

#### Fr. Koottinal George

Parents : Cherian & Annamma

Date of Birth : 02<sup>nd</sup> August 1947

Parish : Nediakad, Kothamangalam

Place of Birth : Karimkunnam, Iddukki (Dt), Kerala

Minor Seminary : 1964 - 1966 Arumanur

Novitiate : 1966 - 1967 Salesianum, Visakhapatnam

First Profession : 04th May 1967, Salesianum, Visakhapatnam

Philosophy & BA : 1967 - 1971 St. Charles Seminary, Nagpur

B. Ed. : 1971 - 1972 Theology : 1972 - 1975

Final Profession : 04th May1971, Ettumanoor, Kerala

Ordination : 20th May 1975

Appointments



1975 - 1981 Dean of Studies, SFS Seminary, Ettumanoor

1981 - 1983 Post Graduate Studies (M.A.), Nagpur

1983 - 1985 Correspondent & Superior, SFS School, Nizamabad

1985 - 1987 Superior, SFS School, Seethamandhara

1987 - 1989 Principal, St. Aloysius School, Visakhapatnam

1989 - 1990 Spirituality Course, Bangalore

1990 - 1995 Principal, LRG High School, Ananthapur 1995 - 1996 Language Course, CIEFL, Hyderabad

1996 - 2000 Dean of Studies, SFS Seminary, Pudukkottai

2000 - 2001 Staff, Suvidya College, Bangalore 2001 - 2008 Rector, SFS Seminary, Pudukkottai

2008 - 2012 Rector, SFS Seminary, Eluru

2012 - 2014 Correspondent & Superior, SFS School, Janathapuram, Vaniyambadi

2014 - 2018 Rector, SFS Minor Seminary, Pudukkottai 2018 - 2020 Correspondent, SFS School, Pudukkottai

2020 - 2024 Dean of Studies, SFS Seminary, Vadakkencherry
 2024 - Dean of Studies, SFS Minor Seminary, Pudukkottai

#### Silver Jubilarians

# 1. Fr. A. Joseph Amalraj

Parents A. Antony & A. Soosai Mary

Date of Birth : 01st May 1972

Parish : Our Lady of Rosary Church, Orickottai

Place of Birth : Thirupalaikudi

Minor Seminary : 1988 - 1990 SFS Minor Seminary, Pudukkottai

Novitiate : 1990 - 1991 Salesianum, Visakhapatnam

First Profession : 10<sup>th</sup> June 1991 Salesianum, Visakhapatnam

Philosophy & BA : 1991 - 1994 Suvidya College, Bangalore

Regency : 1994 -1995 SFS School, Nagulapalem, Parachur

Theology : 1995 - 1998 Jnana Deepa Vidyapeeth, Pune

Final Profession : 17th January 1998

Diaconate Ministry 1998 - 1999, SFS School, Nagulapalem & Karemchedu Parish

: 1999 - 2000, Tanuku Parish

Ordination : 27<sup>th</sup> September 2000

Appointments :

2000 - 2001 Assistant Parish Priest, Garla



2001 - 2003 Assistant, Koratla

2003 - 2005 Procurator, SFS School, Nagulapalem

2005 - 2007 Assistant in Choiseul & Saltibus, St. Lucia

2008 - Pastoral Ministry, Passau, Germany

(2014 - 2020 Delegation Superior - GA

2018 - 2020 Coordinator - GA)

#### 2. Fr. C. Sebastin Robert

Parents : Chinnappan & Michael Ammal

Date of Birth : 13th November 1972

Parish : Our Lady of Good Health Church, Athippakkam

Place of Birth : Athippakkam

Minor Seminary : 1988 - 1991 SFS Minor Seminary, Pudukkottai

Novitiate : 1991 - 1992 Salesianum, Visakhapatnam

First Profession : 10th June 1992 Salesianum, Visakhapatnam

Philosophy & BA : 1992 - 1995 Suvidya College, Bangalore

Regency : 1995 -1996 MSFS Community. Parachur

Theology : 1996 - 2000 Vijnananilayam, Eluru

Final Profession : 15th June 1998

Diaconate Ministry : 2000 Our Lady of Good Health Church, Kadappakkam

Ordination : 14th May 2000

Appointments :

2000 - 2001 Assistant Parish Priest, R.C Church, Tanuku

2001 - 2002 Assistant Parish Priest, Sacred Heart Church, Kadayal

2000 - 2001 Assistant Parish Priest, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Salaigramam

2002 - 2003 Parish Priest, Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church, Salaigramam

2003 - 2006 Parish Priest, Mary Help of Christians' Church, Vaniyambadi

2006 - 2009 Canon Law (MCL), St. Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore

2009 - 2010 Parish Priest, St. Xavier's Church, Virudhunagar

2010 - 2011 Parish Priest, Our Lady of Ransom Church, Elappakkam

2011 - 2012 Vice-Rector, Minor Seminary, Baruipur, West Bengal

2013 - 2014 Parish Priest, Our Lady of Good Health Church, Thavasi Medai

2014 - 2019 Parish Priest, St. Andrew's Church, the Common Wealth of Dominica

2020 - 2021 Staff and Procurator, MSFS Seminary, Arusha

2021 - Malawi Mission (Parish Priest, Manyani, Malawi)



#### 3. Fr. S. Deivasakayaraj

Parents : Sebasthikannu & Sammanasu Mary

Date of Birth : 04th May 1971

Parish : Our Lady of Lourdes' Church, Thiruthuraippoondi

Place of Birth : Ponnirai

Minor Seminary : 1986 - 1989 MSFS Minor Seminary. Pudukkottai

Novitiate : 1989 - 1990 Salesianum, Visakhapatnam

First Profession : 10th June 1990 Salesianum, Visakhapatnam

Philosophy & BA : 1990 - 1993 Suvidya, Bangalore,

Regency : 1993 - 1994 Catholic Mission Centre, Jonai

M.Ph : 1994 -1996 Dharmaram College, Bangalore

Theology : 1996 - 1999 St. Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore.

Final Profession : 30th May 1997

Diaconate Ministry : 1999 - 2000 Holy Trinity Church, Adhanur

Ordination : 26th April 2000

Appointments :

2000 - 2001 Assistant Parish Priest, Kalladithidal 2001 - 2003 Staff, Suvidya College, Bangalore

2003 - 2006 Pre-doctoral Studies, Pontifical Urban University, Rome.

2007 - 2013 Parochial Vicar, Hauzenberg, Germany

2014 - 2017 Councillor incharge of Formation, and Part-time Staff in Suvidya

College, Bangalore

2018 - Pastoral Ministry, Oberpullendorf, Austria

#### Annual Retreat - I

The 1<sup>st</sup> annual retreat for 2024 – 2025 was held from 18<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> August at Holy Cross Spirituality Center, Yercard, in which 44 conferes took part. The Facilitator of the Retreat was Rev. Dr. Robin S. Seelan, SJ, Director of Satya Nilayam Research Institute, Chennai. The retreat was based on the Ignatian method, and its central theme



'the Sowers of Hope' was highlighted throughout the meditation, Eucharist, Holy Hour and

conference. Fr. Robin guided us to self-awareness, led us to self-discovery and helped us have an introspection of ourselves. The retreat was a great eyeopener for all of us in terms of self-care, and we learned the art of managing and balancing our lifestyle and above all we learned about the need to rest sufficiently so that we can focus on our mission intensively. It also taught us the power of silence, inspiring all the participants to practice silence throughout the retreat. Fr. Robin captivated everyone by his magnetic power of communication. Another remarkable element is that the preacher often referred to the study papers of General Chapter, Charism of our Congregation and even quoted every now and then St. Francis de Sales and Fr. Peter Mermier.

Breathing exercises, spiritual directions, guided meditation, well prepared talks, inspiring stories, video clips and anecdotes led us to deep reflections. The environment, both in and around the house made it possible for the participants in a prayerful atmosphere. The accommodation was pleasant and the meals were sumptuous. The Sisters of Holy Cross of Chavanod, as hosts, took best care of us. Rev. Fr. Patrick Jayaraj, the Provincial Superior and the administration made meticulous plan for the Retreat. May God be praised.

Fr. A. Jevaseelan

#### The Annual Retreat - II.

"The Lord will fight for you while you keep silence" (Exo 14:14).

The second Annual Retreat for 2024 - 2025 was held from 22<sup>nd</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> September at Holy Cross Spirituality Centre, Yercaud, in which 35 confreres Participated. The retreat was preached by Re, Dr. Maria Antony (Diocese of Sivagangai). On the 1<sup>st</sup> day Fr. C. Sebastin Raj addressed the participants and accorded the preacher a warm welcome. He was honoured by Fr. A. Charles Michael Raj with a shawl. The preacher then evoked and enlightened all of us in a holistic way.



His insights and thoughts were enriched with his personal experiences. He animated us all throughout the retreat with breathing exercise, journeying in to the inner self, seeking wisdom, sharing and serving our

seeking wisdom, sharing and serving our hearts' aptitudes and attaining the fullness of the heavenly spirit. His thoughts were founded on the Bible, lives of Saints, Indian Philosophy, Indian Theology and great heroes of the world. All the spiritual events from Morning Prayer till Rosary at night were well-arranged and participated. The preacher celebrated the Holy Eucharist on the

5th day for the wellbeing of the province. Fr. A. Edward thanked the preacher for the wonderful spiritual experience. He also thanked Fr. S. Santhanam, Fr. A. Mahimai and the Holy Cross Sisters for the meticulous arrangements.

- Fr. D. Johnson Sahayaraj

#### Province Family Day 2024



The South-East India Province celebrated its inaugural "Province Family Day" on 17th July 2024 at MSFS Provincialate in Trichy. This landmark event, deeply cherished by every confirere, offered a rare opportunity to step away from our hectic duties and routines, allowing all of us to come together as one MSFS South-East India Province family to refresh, rejuvenate, and rejoice.

The day exceeded the expectation of all, brimming with fun,

laughter and camaraderie with a variety of sports, games, cultural activities and shared meals. The organizing committee meticulously planned a wide range of both outdoor and indoor games such as: doubles in shuttle, carroms and table tennis; basketball and volleyball matches and a vibrant cultural fest that added colour and joy to the celebrations.



The day commenced with a meaningful Eucharistic Celebration, presided over by Fr. George Koottinal, the

eldest member of the province family, a meaningful homily preached by Fr. Vanathaiyan and concelebrated by the Apostolic Community Conveners, who led their respective teams throughout the day. During the opening ceremony, Fr. A. Patrick Jayaraj, the Provincial Superior, set the tone with an inspiring message following the unveiling of the theme, "Under One Umbrella." The entire day was packed with activities, as if, offering a nostalgic glimpse into our college days. It was heartwarming to witness senior and junior confreres playing together with such energy, dedication and sportsmanship. After intense competition, St. John de Britto Apostolic Community,



Pudukkottai emerged as the Overall Champion of the Day.

During the cultural hour and dinner that followed it, prizes were distributed, and confieres joyfully showcased their talents in singing, dancing and sharing jokes, and thereby creating an atmosphere of perfect entertainment. The day concluded with a word of exhortation and gratitude from Fr. Patrick, the Provincial.

Special thanks were extended to Fr. Johnson Jeyabal, the convener and the organizing committee: Fr.

Vincent Sagayaraj, Fr. Santhanam, Fr. D. Jaya Kumar and Fr. Mahimai - for their meticulous planning and execution. The provincial administration along with the Bursar was also commended for envisioning such a unique program. Heartfelt appreciation was conveyed to the Apostolic Community Conveners and Secretaries and to each confrere who participated enthusiastically, making the day a memorable one for all.

Live Jesus

Fr. D. Jaya Kumar

#### New Parish in the Diocese of Mzuzu in Malawi

Indeed, it is a grace-filled moment for our entire Province as we have taken up a new parish in the diocese of Mzuzu in Malawi. St. Alphonsus



Rodriguez pro-parish, Masasa is our sixth parish in Malawi. We thank God for His abundance of love and gracious gifts at every step of our missionary venture. Fr. Infant Jesus is installed as the parish priest and Fr. Eugine Earnest as the assistant parish priest. The handing-over program took place on 9th August 2024 at 09.00 am. Rev. Fr. Thomas Gondwe, the former Parish Priest, presented the reports in the presence of

Rt. Rev. Yohane, the Auxiliary Bishop of Mzuzu, Rev. Fr. Soosai Raj, MSFS, the Mission Superior, and the Parish committee. The Parish is located in Mzuzu, about three kilometers away from the centre of the town. It adds further value, as this place lies in the middle of our mission stations spread between the centre of the country to the northern borders.

There are around 1,500 Catholics living in this parish. A good number of them attend the daily

Mass. The parish consists of two zones and eleven small Christian communities. The territory of the parish is geographically very terrain. The roads connecting the villages to the main station are muddy and uneven. In the rainy season, it is slippery, making the travel risky and dangerous. The farthest village is 60 kilometers away from the parish and is situated down the hill. The parish has a spacious Church, but the presbytery needs to be constructed.



We appreciate Fr. Soosai Raj, the Mission Superior and the confreres in Malawi for their efforts in expanding the mission. We wish Fr. Infant Jesus and Fr. Eugine Earnest all the best and God's abundant blessings as they have taken up this pro-parish with a lot of enthusiasm and commitment.

#### Annual Meeting of Malawi Mission

It was an important occasion for the Malawi Mission when the confreres congregated for the Annual Meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> of September 2024 at Nkhata Bay. At the meeting a number of concerns were discussed in view of the growth of the Mission. At first, we evaluated the implementation of the decisions and the suggestions made at the previous meetings. The parish priests and curates shared about their success in their respective parishes and their future plan for their mission stations. We had also a serious discussion on the projects that we have executed in our parishes. Sufficient time was spent on the discussion on common projects in the Mission in

view of making the Mission and the local communities self-sufficient. Further, we had a discussion on the canonical visitation of the Assistant Superior General and the forthcoming visit of the Provincial Bursar and the Provincial Councilor for Mission to Malawi. The annual meeting was a successful one, wherein we could evaluate our life and ministry, and show our solidarity with one another. After the meeting, we had a half day picnic at the Lake where we shared our joy and happiness



as one family. Fr. M. Level Winner Raj

## Change of Address

## Fr. Santhiyagu Arockiyasamy

Pastor St. Mary and St. Joseph parish 700 E Columbia Dr, Durand, MI 48429 WhatsApp: 989 666 2480

# Fr. John Britto Chinnappa

St. John Neumann parish 44800 Warren Road, Canton, Michigan 48187 USA Mobile: 734-258-6064

#### Fr. P. Maria Pushpam

Zu den Lindern 7 92245 Kümmersbruck Germany

#### **Study Committees**

# Converting the Boys Home in Kolli Hills into School

Fr M John De Britto

Fr. M. Maria Francis Britto

Fr Jerome

# Animation / Retreat Centre at Manakudy

Fr. A. Christu Rai

Fr. S. Stephen Xavier

Fr. S. Sahaya Jerald Abin

#### A New School in one of our lands

Fr. S. Britto

Fr. J. Savarimuthu

Fr. S. Sahaya Wilson

Fr. M. Maria Francis Britto

## Completion of Studies



We congratulate Fr. Joseph Anish Kumar, who has successfully completed his Master's Degree in the field of systematic theology. On 25th May 2024, he defended his Master's thesis and on 18th June 2024 had his final exams. After the completion of his PG, he has begun his doctoral studies at the Catholic University of

Paris We wish him all the best for his further studies!

Fr. K. Rajasekar defended his doctoral thesis on 18th July 2024 on the topic "Influence of Servant Leadership on Catholic Pastors." The topic was explored from the Catholic pastors' perspective based on the teachings of Jesus and Robert K. Greenleaf. We congratulate Fr. Dr. K. Rajasekar for obtaining a PhD. We wish him all success and a fruitful

ministry.



#### Welcome Back to India

Fr. M. Rayappan John Britto has returned to the Province after his pastoral ministry in Austria. We thank Fr. Rayappan for his wonderful service in the parish at Oberpullendorf in the diocese of Eisenstadt, Austria. Moreover, we thank him for his service as the procurator of our community there, and for his contribution to the Province. We wish him God's blessings and a fruitful ministry in the Province.

#### Appointments

Fr. M. Rayappan John Britto - Staff at SFS School, Vaniyambadi and member of our community

in Vaniyambadi Parish,

Dn. Charles Benny - Ammapatty
Dn. Dony Diamond - Adhanur
Bro. Joseph Manickaraj - Ravusapatty

#### Appointments from General

Rev. Fr. Jnanamani Simon of Nagpur Province is appointed as the Program Coordinator of De Sales International Film and Media Academy.

#### SPA 2024

The Salesian Programme of Annecy (SPA 2024) is conducted from 28<sup>th</sup> September to 8<sup>th</sup> November. Fr. L. Jayaraj from our Province is participating in SPA 2024. We wish him all the best and a graceful time during the program.

#### Seminarians' Fund:

Othaiyal - Rs. 18,000/-

#### Upcoming Programs

#### Annual National Gathering of PMP and Prayer days

Dates: 28th October to 1st November 2024.

Venue: MSFS Provincial House, Silapathar, Assam

#### PMP Training Program

Dates: 25th to 30th November 2024

Venue: Harmony, Uchgaon, Belgaum, Karnataka

#### Ongoing Formation

The General Secretariat of Formation, in collaboration with the Southeast India Province, is organizing an Ongoing Formation Program at the Congregational level on the topic: "Ongoing Formation: A Call to Transformation." The participants of the programme will be the confreres, who were ordained from 2014 through 2016 from all the seven Provinces in India. It will be conducted at the Provincial House of the Cluny Sisters in Trichy from 12<sup>th</sup> to 14<sup>th</sup> November 2024.

## My Tentative Program

30th September - Perpetual Profession & Meeting the Scholastics, Shillong

02nd to 09th October - Classes at Morning Star and & Meeting the Scholastics, Kolkata

14th October - Council Meeting

22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> October - Visitation at Kanangadu, Kodungal, Adhanur & Perumbakkam

24th October - Visitation at Kelambakkam

25th October - Visitation at St. Thomas Mount

1st November - Visitation at R. S. Nagar

15th November - Annual Day, SFS School, Nallatinputhur

# Obituary

01st Oct - Bro. Joseph CHERADICKAL - Fr. Devasia KALAPURA

02nd Oct - Bro. Raymond BOCCARD 20th Oct - Bro. Manikya Rao TINGA

- Fr. Ignatius PUTHUR 21st Oct - Fr. François FAVRAT

- Fr. Joseph DOSTERT 03rd Oct - Fr. Georges VODOZ

- Fr. Louis LATTHUILLE 23rd Oct - Fr. Xavier DIAS 05th Oct - Fr. Luke CHERUVIL

- Fr. Andre DUPERTHUY 06th Oct - Fr. Theophile MUGNIER - Bro. Georges BOSSON

24th Oct - Bro. Antoine CROCHET - Fr. Gilbert VOLERY

08th Oct - Bro. John AROKIUM - Fr. Peter M. FERNANDES

- Fr. Gilbert CURTY - Fr. Damian FERNANDES

09th Oct - Bro. Jean Baptiste DALLE 25th Oct - Fr. Eugene GOJON

> - Fr. William POWER - Fr. Joseph THAYIL

10th Oct - Fr. Gérard van HOOREN 27th Oct - Fr. Joseph ULLIEL 11th Oct - Fr. Anselme CHELVUM

- Fr. Eugene DECISIER

12th Oct - Fr. Karl FREITAG - Bro. Theotonio MASCARENHAS - Fr. Howard Francis FORD - Fr. Thomas PIETERS

- Fr. Théodore VANNAY 28th Oct - Fr. Alphonse BARRIL

13th Oct - Fr. Francis DECARRE -Fr. Raison KADUVAKUZHICKAL

29th Oct - Fr. Eugene CHEVALLET - Fr. François BERARD

- Fr. A. Antony Savari Raj - Bro. Marius AVRILLON

14th Oct - Fr. Raymond CARVALHO 30th Oct - Fr. Charles JOLY

15th Oct - Fr. Alexandre BOCCARD - Fr. Antony MCCABE

16th Oct - Bro. Henry A CRUZ - Fr. Pierre FRONTIN

17th Oct - Fr. Jean Marie GIRARD - Fr Denis BREEN

31st Oct - Fr. Alex MANIGLIER - Fr. Fernand ANTHONIOZ 18th Oct - Fr. Ambroise MUFFATMERIDOL - Fr. George D'SOUZA

# Let us pray for the Departed

- Mr. Gnana Pragasam, aged 85, the grandfather of Fr. A. John Britto. He passed away on 16th June
- Bro. Malapuram Thomas, aged 93, belonging to Visakhapatnam Province. He passed away on 23<sup>rd</sup> June.
- Fr. Joseph Kallacheril (K. V Joseph), aged 85, belonging to the South-West India Province. He passed away on 12<sup>th</sup> July.

# May their souls Rest in Peace!

Yours Fraternally in Christ,

Fr. A. Patrick Jayaraj, MSFS

Provincial Superior

#### To Reflect

"All has been heard. Fear God, and keep his commandments; for that is the whole duty of everyone. For God will bring every deed into judgment, including every secret thing, whether good or evil" (Eccl 12:13-14).

# "Together, we pledge our commitment to raising awareness about the stewardship of creation." - Prope Princets

# திருக்குறள் - Thirukkural

தவமறைந்து அல்லவை செய்தல் புதல்மறைந்து வேட்டுவன் புள்சிமிழ்த் தற்று.

#### Transliteration

Thavamaraindhu allavai seidhal pudhalmaraindhu vaettuvan pulsimizhth thatru.

#### Translation

He who hides himself under the mask of an ascetic and commits sins is like a hunter who conceals himself in the thicket to catch birds.