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Salesian Thought

Straight from the heart of Fr. Peter Many Mermier

"He will
unfailingly be pleased
with our patience
and take note of our diligence
and perseverance."

"Before everything else you have to train yourselves to prayer and piety."

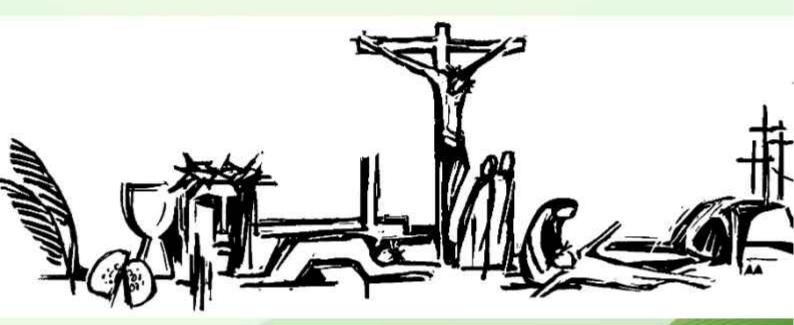
Prayer Intention of the Superior General for the Month of March

That the Lord may bless abundantly the new General Curia to implement the decisions and the action plans of the General Chapter XXI and lead the Congregation as the Lord wants. We pray to the Lord.

From the Provincial's Desk

The time of lent is a clarion call to repentance of the heart. The prophetic words, "Tear your hearts, not your garments" (Joel 2:13) will be echoing into our ears throughout this holy season. The Lord desires a change in our inner self. He sees the heart (1 Sam 16:7), and builds an inner relationship with us. However, the significance of inner conversion in no way takes away the importance of external signs. Christianity teaches that our actions should be expressions of our inner purification and vice versa. Our words and deeds are more often than not indicative of our inner and true self. Out of the fullness of heart, the mouth speaks (Lk 6:45). The Lenten observances should lead us to education / formation of the heart. A well-formed heart shapes one's thoughts, words and actions. Heart is believed to the locus of desires and decisions. Therefore, tearing the heart means utter remorse for the voluntary and deliberate and even inadvertent lapses. Tearing the heart is also a process of healing, like a surgeon cuts the human body in order to rectify the disorder inside the body. We need to tear our hearts in order to heal it from arrogance and ambition, pride and prejudice, and vengeance and vindictiveness. A healed heart is capable of overcoming the fragmentation caused by individualism and recreating an authentic bonding with others.

Lent gives us an opportunity to recreate a heart like that of Jesus, full of love and compassion. As the Holy Father Francis states in his encyclical letter *Dilexit Nos*, the open side of Jesus is a source of life for those whom God loves, the fount that quenches the thirst of his people. The Pope also points out that St. Francis de Sales frequently contemplated on Christ's open heart. Our heavenly Patron says, His love for us is genuine and personal, and not abstract and generic. Following the way of our Patron, we focus on the heart of Jesus and make our hearts like his. Our participation in the mission of Jesus also includes displaying his pure love through genuine deeds. I wish you, dear confreres, a meaningful and grace-filled season of lent.



XXI Ordinary General Chapter 2025

We, as the entire Congregation of Missionaries of St. Francis de Sales have been intensively praying and diligently preparing for the last two years through attentive study and serious discussions on the 4 study papers, participating in the series of recollections and reflecting on the theme "...I Chose You" (John 15:16): MSFS, Live Your Charism, for our XXI Ordinary General Chapter 2025. This significant spiritual event, hosted by Visakhapatnam Province, was held at Stella Maris, MSFS Provincialate, Visakhapatnam from February 1-14, 2025.

On the evening of 31st January 2025, the 43 Capitulants and the special invitees were formally welcomed by Rev. Fr. Suresh Babu, the Provincial of Visakhapatnam Province along with the Provincial Curia. The colourful cultural programme, choregraphed by the students and teachers from our schools in Vizag, bringing together various aspects of our Indian culture and traditional dances made this evening really a memorable one.

On 1st February, as immediate preparation for the General Chapter, we began our recollection, preached by Rev. Fr. Agnelo Fernandes. Dwelling on the theme, he further deepened it with three questions: What



is Charism? Why is Charism Important? How does one need to live it? The Keynote Address was delivered by Most Rev. Thomas Tharayil, the Archbishop of Changanacherry, who emphasized on cultivating a sense of mission, sense of identity and pride for our catholic faith in our secularized milieu. He invited us to use the social media for evangelization.

In the first phase of the Chapter, we had the presentations of the reports from the General Curia, Provinces, Regions and Delegations and various Congregational

forums, common ventures and common formation houses. The second phase focused on discussions and deliberations on the reports of the study papers and forums. The third phase of decision making followed it.

The General Chapter also elected the new Superior General and his Curia. Very Rev. Fr. Johnson Kallidukil was elected as our new Superior General, and Rev. Fr. Saji George as the Asst. General. We were indeed delighted that Rev. Fr. A. Christuraj from South-East India Province was elected as a General Councillor along with Rev. Fr. Thumma Mariadass Reddy, Rev. Fr. Anthony Swamy and Rev. Fr. Benedict De Souza. Rev. Fr. Jose Karickal was elected as the General Bursar.

As part of the Chapter programme, we undertook a pilgrimage to Yanam, where our first missionaries landed. We had the joy of celebrating the Eucharist and praying at their tombs. On the concluding day of the XXI General Chapter, on 14th February 2025, the outgoing General Curia was gratefully thanked for their significant contributions during their tenure. The Chapter Members also expressed their sincere appreciation to the Steering Committee and to the members of the Stella Maris Community for their meticulous planning, execution and warm hospitality. They made sure that all our needs were met in the best way possible. It was indeed an exhibition of great teamwork. Congratulations to all of them. We also participated in the Silver Jubilee celebrations of Rev. Fr. Suresh Babu.

All throughout the Chapter, we could experience the guiding hand of God and working of the Holy Spirit. We experienced a profound sense of fellowship, wonderful sharing of our thoughts and were filled with a sense of mission. We express our sincere gratitude to God, to all the Chapter Members and the Stella Maris community, for making this a memorable experience in our lives.

Implementation of the Call of the XXI General Chapter

Dear Confreres, the CALL OF THE GENERAL CHAPTER 2025 has been promulgated through the Superior General's Circular (SG JK-02). The Call of the General Chapter is binding on all of us. It is our responsibility, both individual and collective, to implement the Directives, Decisions and the Spirit of XXI General Chapter with an unfading love for the Congregation and unwavering commitment to our Charism. We shall study it individually at the earliest and take it up for discussion in the next community meeting. We will also discuss at the forthcoming Forum Meetings to arrive at concrete steps for the implementation.

Congratulations to the New General Curia

The South-East India Province together with the entire Congregation rejoices in congratulating the new General Curia members and wishing them all the best. We keep them in our deep prayers that with wisdom and grace of God, they may lead our Congregation.

Very Rev. Fr. Johnson Michael Kallidukil

- Superior General

Rev. Fr. Saji George - Assistant Superior General

Rev. Fr. Thumma Mariadas - General Councillor and General Secretary for Mission

Rev. Fr. A. Anthony Swamy - General Councillor and General Secretary for Education

Rev. Fr. A. Christuraj - General Councillor and General Secretary for the Social and Innovative Ministries (SAIM)

Rev. Fr. Benedict De Souza - General Councillor and General Secretary for Formation

Rev. Fr. Jose Karickal - General Bursar



SFS Feast and Jubilee Celebrations

On the feast of St. Francis de Sales, 24th January, the South-East India Province gathered in deep gratitude to celebrate the feast of our Patron, the Golden Jubilee of Fr. Kootinal George and the Silver Jubilee of Fr. S. Deivasakayaraj, Fr. A. Joseph Amal Raj and Fr. C. Sebastian Robert. The solemn Eucharist presided over by Fr. Kootinal George, was a moment of thanksgiving for their unwavering commitment to priesthood and mission. Fr. A. Patrick





Jayaraj, the Provincial, warmly welcomed the priests, religious, and faithful, expressing his honest appreciation for the jubilarians' service to the Church and the MSFS Congregation. He also utilized the occasion to share with the

guests some of the profound thoughts on St. Francis de Sales. Fr. S.



Deivasakayaraj, in his homily, beautifully reflected on the sacredness of priesthood and the missionary mandate entrusted to us.

Following the Eucharist, a felicitation ceremony was held to honour the jubilarians, recognizing their dedicated service in our esteemed Congregation. The celebration was further enriched by vibrant cultural performances by SFS School children from Sendurai and

Kunnathur (CBSE) and our Minor Seminarians from Pudukkottai.



During the felicitation, two devotional songs in honour of our Patron and Founder were released. Hearty congratulations to Rev. Fr. Santhiyagu for his initiatives.

The presence of priests, religious sisters, family members and confreres from various provinces made the occasion even more

special, as they extended their heartfelt congratulations and prayers. The success of this event

was ensured by the Organizing Committee: Fr. Alphonse (Convenor), Fr. Nayaga Seelan, Fr. D. Jaya Kumar and Fr. Naveen with the support of the Provincialate community. This Jubilee Celebration was a profound testament to the faithfulness, perseverance, and missionary dedication of our jubilarians. Ad Multos Annos!



Fr. D. Jayakumar

Annual day Celebrations

SFS School - Virudhunagar

What a fortune we had on 24th January 2025 on the Feast of our beloved Patron to celebrate the Annual Day of our school which looked back at its 21 years of existence. It was a much-anticipated event that showcased the talents of many dynamic students across various disciplines on the topic of technology.

Our Correspondent, Fr. A. Lawrance welcomed the parents and the invited the guests on this occasion. The presence of Rev. Fr. A. Patrick Jayaraj MSFS, the Provincial, doubled our happiness as he presided over the function and gave away the trophies and prizes for the achievers at different levels for the past two years. In his speech, he appreciated the



commitment of our fathers in imparting value education, and the teachers for their efforts in moulding the students.

Fr. A. Arockiam, the Principal, presented the annual report highlighting all the achievements and developments of the school. The esteemed chief guest, Dr. V. P. Jeyaseelan IAS, the District Collector, graced the occasion. In his inspiring address, he spoke of the formation and education he received in St.

Aloysius College of Education in Theni, where he developed the skill of reading, and motivated our students to have a passion for reading books. He gave away the prizes to the school toppers of 10th and 12th standard in the government public examinations, appreciating their outstanding academic performance.

Four of our teachers also were rewarded for their 21 years of long-standing service in our school. Their contribution to make the students to achieve more is very unique. Further, the programme typically included cultural performances, such as dances, acts, skits and musical presentations. It attracted many parents, grandparents and well-wishers. The event not only

fostered a sense of community spirit but also encouraged students to express their creativity and confidence. All the stunning performances were unique, smart and creative.

Finally, Fr. Maria John Franklin, the procurator, proposed the vote of thanks and expressed his sincere gratitude to the teaching and non-teaching staff and everyone who contributed to the success of

the memorable event. Our annual day was an epic, joyous and grand one.

Fr. A. Arockiam

SFS School, Kelambakkam

The sprawling grounds of SFS School, Kelambakkam, came alive with vibrancy and jubilance on February 01, 2025, as the school celebrated its Annual Day with grandeur and grace. The theme *Reverentia*, symbolizing reverence, respect and humility, echoed through every moment of the meticulously orchestrated event.



The august gathering was honoured by the presence of the distinguished chief guest, Dr. S. Suresh Kumar IAS, Additional Secretary to Government, whose words of wisdom inspired the young minds and left an indelible mark on every soul present. Adding to the solemnity of the occasion were the esteemed guests of honour, Rev. Fr. S. Joseph Henry, PCIC - Mission, and Rev. Fr. Charles Michael Raj, PCIC - Formation, whose unwavering support and spiritual guidance have always been a beacon of light for the institution.

The MSFS Fathers, Sisters, parishioners of Christ the Redeemer Parish, enthusiastic parents and well-wishers, witnessed a spectacular showcase of talent and creativity. The cultural programme, thoughtfully woven around the theme *Reverentia*, was a mesmerizing display of the multifaceted talents of our students. From enthralling dance performances to soulful musical renditions and thought-provoking skits, every act was a testament to the dedication, hard work and artistic flair of our young performers. The stage came alive with colours, emotions and expressions, leaving the audience spellbound and resonating with applause.

The highlight of the evening was the muchanticipated awards ceremony, where students were felicitated for their excellence in academics, attendance and overall performance. The Proficiency Awards, Attendance Awards and the prestigious Best Student Award recognized and celebrated the unwavering commitment, perseverance and brilliance of our young achievers. Equally noteworthy was the recognition of our dedicated educators through the Best Teacher Award, a fitting



tribute to their relentless efforts in shaping the future of our students.

The evening reached its zenith with the unveiling of the school magazine, SMART: Students' Mind Art - 2025, by our honourable Chief Guest. This magazine is a remarkable compilation of the reflective thoughts, creative expressions and logical musings of our students. As the curtains fell on this memorable day, the air was filled with a sense of pride, joy and accomplishment. The Annual Day 2025 of SFS School, Kelambakkam, not only celebrated the spirit of Reverentia but also reinforced the school's resolute commitment to nurturing young minds and fostering holistic development.

Fr Michael Selvans

SFS School, Pudukkottai

"Great events are crafted through meticulous planning and teamwork." The Desalite Jubilates – Pearl Jubilee Celebration at SFS School, Pudukkottai, was a spectacular event filled with



culture, vibrancy and excellence. The evening was woven around the theme, **World Heritage**, taking the audience on a mesmerizing journey across different countries. The event commenced with a powerful Parai (Drum Dance) performance, with which dignitaries were led to the dais.

Following this, the proclamation of the school's glorious history and achievements over 30 years echoed through the venue, underscoring the institution's commitment to academic brilliance and holistic development. Fr. Antony Tharcius, the Correspondent, extended a warm

welcome to everyone. Fr. John Thadews, the Principal, presented the annual report, clearly detailing the school's achievements, progress and aspirations. Students from each grade stepped forward to share the progress in every aspect emphasizing the institution's unwavering dedication to academic and extracurricular excellence.

The theme was unfolded with a spectacular portrayal of different nations, where students, dressed in vibrant traditional attire, acted as natives of various countries, passionately introducing their landmarks, art and cultures. The Sri Lankan dance, African dance, Russian dance, French dance, Korean dance, Brazilian dance, the intricate movements of Nepalese, Chinese and Japanese were a visual masterpiece, transporting the audience across continents with rich historical elegance. The speech on 'Our Heritage, Our Culture' in English and Hindi, and a thought-provoking skit, 'Boys' Thing, Girls' Thing,' mesmerised the audience. A meaningful skit on the life of St. Francis de Sales was performed, tracing his journey from birth to his missionary endeavours, resilience and teachings, offering a glimpse into the legacy that inspired the foundation of the school.

The distinguished chief guest, Mr. S. Regupathy, Hon'ble Minister for Law, delivered an inspiring address, appreciating the students' talents and encouraging them to pursue excellence with determination. Rev. Fr. Joseph Henry, PCIC - Mission and Dr. G. Vanangamudi further emphasized the importance of values, discipline and the transformative power of reading, urging parents and students to cultivate knowledge as a lifelong pursuit.



"Charity is love in action." To mark the Pearl Jubilee milestone, the school extended its compassionate support to thirty underprivileged elderly individuals and students, presenting them with clothing and financial assistance. Students who showcased constant dedication were recognized with shields for 100% attendance, while the top three rank holders from each class were awarded for their academic excellence. The Best Teacher Award in recognition of the commitment was conferred upon educators by Rev. Fr. Charles Michael Raj, PCIC - Formation.

As the grand finale, the spotlight shone on Tamil Nadu's vibrant folk dances, Bharatanatyam, Kolattam, Mayilattam, Kummi dance, Karagattam and Oyilattam. Each dance was a testament to Tamil Nadu's artistic grandeur bringing the celebration to a grand and befitting conclusion.

With hearts full of appreciation, the SPL and ASPL delivered the vote of thanks, acknowledging the tireless efforts of students, teachers and organizers who made this event a resounding success. As the curtains fell on this unforgettable celebration, the evening resonated with cheers, applause and an overwhelming sense of pride, marking Desalite Jubilates - Pearl Jubilee Annual Day as a true testament to heritage, culture and excellence.

Fr. John Thadews

Blessing and Inauguration of Fr. A. Gabriel Block at SFS School, Kelambakkam

On 30th January 2025, SFS School, Kelambakkam witnessed a momentous occasion with the Blessing and Inauguration of Fr. A. Gabriel Block. The ceremony was graced by Rev. Fr. A.

Patrick Jayaraj, MSFS, the Provincial of the South-East India Province, who led the blessing and inauguration, marking the beginning of a new chapter in the school's journey towards excellence in education.

The new block, named after Fr. A. Gabriel, stands as a tribute to his remarkable legacy of commitment, service and dedication to the field of education and formation. This building symbolizes not only academic excellence but also a lifelong learning and the values that Fr. A. Gabriel upheld throughout his life.



The event was attended by esteemed priests and sisters, members of the Parish Council of



Christ the Redeemer Parish, as well as enthusiastic parents, teachers and students. Their presence added grace and warmth to the occasion, reflecting a strong sense of community that SFS School embodies. The highlight of the day was the vibrant cultural performances by the students, who brought the event to life with their talent and enthusiasm.

At this moment, we, Fr. Luckas, Fr. S. Britto, Fr. Michael Selvans and Fr. A. Jeyaseelan, the MSFS Community, Kelambakkam, extend our heartfelt gratitude to Rev. Fr. A. Patrick Jayarai, MSFS, the

Provincial and his administration for their unwavering support and guidance in the continuous development of our SFS School. We also express our sincere thanks to the engineers and their dedicated team, whose hard work and expertise transformed our vision into reality.

- Fr. S. Britto

Blessing and opening of the Presbytery at Edingeni, Malawi

The opening of the presbytery on 01st March 2025 marks the significant milestone in the history of St. Francis de Sales Parish, Edingeni. The ceremony was attended by distinguished guests

from the diocese and local leaders. The event commenced with the official opening of the priest's house by His Lordship, Bishop John A. Ryan. This was followed by the opening of the FCC Seraphic Convent. The ceremony was concluded with a solemn eucharistic

celebration by His Lordship. The presence of the MSFS





confreres, diocesan clergy, FCC Sisters, CMC Sisters and Capuchin Brothers doubled our joy. The event also had the joyous presence of Honorable Raymond Nkhata, the Member of Parliament, village heads and local leaders around Edingeni parish. The

inauguration of the presbytery marks an important growth in Edingeni, providing a suitable residence for priests serving the parish community. The event demonstrated the diocese's commitment to supporting its clergy and promoting the Catholic faith in the region. Hence, we are grateful to His Lordship, John A. Ryan for his commitment to the growth of the parish at Edingeni. We extend our sincere gratitude to the different agencies, the diocese of Mzuzu and the South East India Province for their invaluable financial support and assistance in making this project a reality. The members of the MSFS community at Edingeni, Fr. Susairaj (parish priest), Fr. Maria Arockiam (curate) and Fr. Vimal Raj (curate) also express our heartfelt appreciation to Rev. Fr. A. Patrick Jayaraj, MSFS, the Provincial of South East India Province and the Provincial Curia for their continuous support and guidance throughout this endeavor.

Fr. Vimal Raj

SFS Feast in Livingstonia, Malawi

As we celebrate the Feast of Saint Francis de Sales, we are reminded of his profound words: "All by Love, Nothing by Force." This guiding principle inspires us to approach life with



kindness, compassion and generosity. In the spirit of sharing, caring and imparting joy, we celebrated the annual Feast of Saint Francis de Sales and the Feast of the parish on a grand scale on 25-01-2025 at St. Francis de Sales Parish, Livingstonia. It was a joyful occasion for all the parishioners. Fr. Nelson presided over the Holy Eucharist.

The celebration began with a procession, which added colour to the festive atmosphere. People from all the outstations came to participate in the event. Religious sisters and our priests from

different communities also joined in the celebration.

The programme was well-arranged by Fr. Jerald, the parish priest, ensuring a spiritual and enjoyable experience for all attendees. After the mass, a sumptuous meal was served, which everyone enjoyed. The event was a great



opportunity for the community to come together and celebrate the feast of our heavenly patron.

Regents' Meet 2024 - 2025

On 21st February 2025, the Regents' Meet was held at the Provincialate. All the regents arrived



at the venue on 20th evening. At 08:45 pm, the meeting began with a recollection talk by Rev. Fr. Michael Raja, the procurator of SFS Public School (CBSE), who inspired us with his words, focusing on the aspect of Self - Affirmation. On the next day



at 06:30 am, we had the Eucharistic Adoration integrated with Morning Prayer during which we also could make our confessions. After the breakfast, Rev. Fr. Patrick Jayaraj, the Provincial Superior of South East India Province addressed the regents. He, in his discussion and exhortation, insisted upon some relevant aspects for the religious life in our times, such as promotion of intellectual culture, dignified conduct and social values. He also touched upon the theme of this jubilee year (2025) - 'Pilgrims of hope'. The second session of the day was animated by Rev. Fr. Charles Michael, PCIC - Formation, who encouraged us with words of fraternal love. The regents had the opportunity to share our experience and expectations with both the Provincial and the Provincial Councillor. We thanked them for conducting monthly recollections at different places of regency, which helps us deepen our relationship with God and batchmates. We thank Rev. Fr. A. Christuraj, Superior and Community for hosting the day with a lot of care and concern.

- Bro. A. Dennis Dsepsa

Solar Projects

SFS Seminary

SFS Seminary, Pudukkottai has a facelift with regard to the circulation and utility of electricity. 12 KW solar system has been installed at SFS Seminary with backup batteries. A few solar street lamps have been added to the existing ones.





Rewiring has been done with updated automatic phase shift. In order to heighten our safety measures, the damaged electric poles are now replaced and the electricity meter has been shifted to a safer place. The new development has considerably reduced the electricity bill. We appreciate Fr. N. Arockia Selvam who organized financial assistance for this project. We thank him for his good will and generosity.

Fr Arockia Charles

SFS Printing Press, Chatram

On 25th February 2025, a significant event took place at the SFS ITI/Press community in

Adapakarasathiram. Following the installation of the solar panels and the completion of the necessary legal formalities, the site was officially blessed, during his visit, by Fr. Provincial. The solar plant is





expected to play a crucial role in providing sustainable and renewable energy to the community, which has long relied on traditional, non-renewable sources of electricity. The event symbolizes the community's commitment to adopting eco-friendly technologies that benefit both the environment and the people. The community expresses its gratitude to the Diocese of Rottenburg-Stuttgart, Germany, for its generous contribution toward installing the entire solar energy system at SFS ITI/Press. Our sincere thanks go to Fr. G. David, the project coordinator in GAH. In addition, various stakeholders (Mr. Vincent, Mr. Tom Louis, and Mr. Deepak Xavier) are also involved in realizing this project. We, the community members, express our sincere thanks and appreciation to all.

Appointment of Committees

Steering Committee for the Mid-term Assembly

Fr. M. Rayappan John Britto (Convener)

Fr. D. Sheen Prisal Singh

Fr. D. Jayakumar

Fr. C. Martin Kumar

Organizing Committee for the Ordination

Fr. A. Jeyaseelan (Convener)

Fr. S. Anantha Prabu

Fr. D. Emmanuvel Sathish

Fr. A. Arockia Renold Anand

Departure from the Congregation

Bro. Baban Nayak has decided to leave the Congregation for personal reasons. He was doing his regency in Tanzania at the time of departure. We wish him all the best and God's blessings.

Contribution to the Seminarians' Fund

Rs. 5,000 - Mithilaipatty, Kanakkanpatty

I sincerely thank Fr. Sahaya Wilson for his generous heart for the seminarians.

Save the Dates

Priestly Ordinations

02nd May - Group Ordinations at the Provincialate

Forum Meetings

03rd April - Mission Forum (morning)

03rd April - Superiors' Forum (afternoon)

04th April - SAIM Forum (morning)

04th April - Formation Forum (afternoon)

05th April - Education Forum (morning)

05th April - Stewardship Forum (afternoon)

Annual Retreats 2025 - 2026

21st to 26, Sep - Annual Retreat 1: at Sacred Heart College (Jesuits' House) Shembagnur, Kodaikanal

09th to 14th Nov - Annual Retreat 2: at Vailankanni Shrine Retreat Centre, Vailankanni

Kindly Note: Kindly reserve a place with the Provincial Secretary for one of these retreats after 1st June 2025. If anyone wishes to attend both, he may do so.

My Tentative Program

14th March - Annual Day and Blessing of the New Block, Perumbakkam

16th March - Visit to Mount

19th March - Visit to Nalam and Pochampally 20th March - Meeting with the Bishop of Vellore

21st March - Graduation of KG Section, SFS School, Sendurai 22nd March - Graduation of KG Section, SFS School, Kunnathur

25th March - Laying the Foundation Stone for the church in Kanangadu

26th March - Visit to Pandiyan Nagar & Nallatinputhur

27th March - Visit to Othaiyal and Mankuzhy

29th March - Visit to Sendurai 02nd April - Council Meeting 3rd to 5th April - Forum Meetings 22nd April - Council Meeting

10th May - Jubilee of Fr. Deiva Sagayaraj

13th May - Parish Feast & Silver Jubilee of the Parish, Kodungal

31st May - 1st Profession at Vishakhapatnam

- Fr. Frédéric MEYNET

Obituary

| 10 th March | - Fr. Jérémie SEIGNEUR, | 15 th March | - Bro. James GATTI |
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| | - Fr. Peter CHAKKULICKAL | | - Fr. Marius PERRET |
| 11th March | - Bro. Nicolas PAGE | | - Fr. Daniel ALFONSO |
| | - Bro. Fortuné CORBOUD | | ISIDORE |
| | - Fr. Polycarpe VIVOT | 16th March | - Bro. André ECHERNIER |
| | - Bro. Joseph | | - Mgr. François COPPEL |
| | THEKKUMTHOTTAM | | - Fr. François PALLUD |
| | - Fr.Bernard CASZO | | - Fr. Alexandre CHEVALLIER |
| 12 th March | - Mgr. Etienne | | - Fr. Joseph MONNARD |
| | BONAVENTURE | | - Fr. John |
| 13th March | - Mgr. Joseph BAUD | | KURANDIARKUNNEL |
| | - Fr. Sean MASON | | - Fr. Kurian |
| 14th March | - Bro. Alexis VOISIN | | CHEMPALAKUNNEL |
| | - Fr Louis DAYER | 17th March | - Fr. Cyrille ARVIN-BEROD. |

- Fr. Albino FERNANDES.

| | - Fr. Nicolas DESBOEUF, | | - Fr Aloysius Kuzhuppillil, |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|
| | - Fr. Mathew ALAPATT | | - Fr. Cyriac Velikkettel, |
| 18th March | - Fr. Jean PRUNIER | 25th March | - Bro. Jean-Marie PANISSET, |
| | - Fr. Scaria | 26th March | - Fr. Thomas MORRIN, |
| | THENGUMKUDIYIL | | - Bro. Anthony D'SOUZA, |
| | - Fr. Paul RIME | | - Fr. Camille SAVOY, |
| | - Mgr. Eugene D'SOUZA | | - Bro. Emmanuel Cyrille |
| 19th March | - Fr. Joseph BOUCHET | | ETABA BIVINA. |
| 20th March | - Bro, Antoine PERNOUD | 27th March | - Bro. Alick RIGLEY, |
| | - Fr. Joseph RAYMOND | | - Fr. Auguste ABOULIN, |
| 21st March | - Bro. Ernest PACCARD | 28th March | - Fr. Jean-Marie DEBORNES. |
| | - Bro. Mathew KUZHUPILLIL | | - Fr. Mathew |
| | - Fr. William John D'SILVA | | KUDAKACHERRY |
| 22 nd March | - Bro. Clément COTTET | 29th March | - Fr. Jacques VUICHARD, |
| | - Fr. Joseph DUNOYER | | - Fr. Basile LUYET, |
| | - Mgr. Pierre ROSSILLON | | - Bro. Lazarus |
| | - Fr. S. PILAVENDRAN | | KARAKUNNEL |
| 23rd March | - Bro. François MINOLETTI | | - Bro. George |
| | - Fr. Joseph Salvador Denis | | ETTACKAKUNNEL |
| 24th March | - Fr. Maurice CHAMONIN | 30th March | - Fr. Félix SALLANSONNET, |
| | - Fr. Mathew PAZHEDAM | | - Fr. Anil Francis TOPNO |
| | - Fr. Thomas ILLIKATTIL, | 31st March | - Fr. Philip SOURIAMKUZHY, |
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Let us pray for the Departed

Rev. Fr. Jean-Paul Fournier MSFS, aged 83, former Provincial of France-Switzerland Province. He passed away on 22nd February 2025.

Mr. S. Arockia Samy, aged 84, the father of A. Jeyaseela Rajan (Italy). He passed away on 23rd February 2025

Mrs. A. Ubagara Rani, aged 68, the mother of Fr. Nayaga Seelan (Studies) and the sister of Fr. S. Arockia Christu Raj (Pochampalli). She passed away on 19th March 2025.

Yours Fraternally in Christ,

Fr. A. Patrick Jayaraj, MSFS

Provincial Superior

To Reflect

Bible Quote

"For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breast that never nursed." Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?" (Luke 23:29-31).

திருக்குறன் - Thirukkural

வேண்டிய வேண்டியாங் கெய்தலால் செய்தவம் ஈண்டு முயலப் படும்.

Transliteration

Vaendiya vaentiyaang keydhalaal seydhavam Eendu muyalap padum

Explanation

Religious discipline is practised in this world, because it secures the attainment of whatever one may wish to enjoy (in the world to come).

