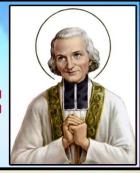


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Dear Fathers and Brothers in Christ,

The month of August is embedded with various celebrations that unite all of us as a family. The feast of St. John Maria Vianney, the feast of the Assumption of Blessed Mother, and the Independence Day of our country are some of the special celebrations of this month.

On 4th of August, we celebrate the feast of St. John Maria Vianney, the patron saint of all priests. I am thankful to God, that I was able to visit Ars twice and pray at the very place where this great saintly priest exercised his ministerial priesthood. I always wonder what might be the factors that transformed an ordinary and unintellectual priest into the altar for public veneration and later on as the patron saint of priests? Beyond doubt, I firmly believe, it is his immense love for God and his ardent zeal for the salvation of souls that elevated St. John Mary Vianney as the patron and model for sacred ministers. The simple stories of his life, the ardent zeal to earn souls of the sinners for Christ and his commitment to administer the sacraments and especially the sacrament of reconciliation for long hours remain as lessons for us all, who share the ministerial priesthood of Jesus. St. John Vianney responded to the Divine Call with his zeal, prayer, and love.

One of the famous quotes from the Curé D'Ars is "The priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus", that indicates how strongly he believes in the value of priesthood. He sets us an example how we should live our priesthood, after the model of Good Shepherd. We who are ordained as priests in the catholic church have a great challenge, to become a priest "after the heart of Jesus, the Eternal Priest".

The Assumption of Mary embodies a great mystery that unfolds our future too. Mary, in fact, precedes us on the path walked upon by those who, through their Baptism, have bound their life to Jesus, as Mary bound her own life to Him. This feast makes us look to heaven and foretells the "new heaven and new earth", with the Risen Christ's victory over death and the definitive defeat of evil. The Magnificat, resonates the song of all humanity and the generation to come, which sees with satisfaction the Lord stoop over all men and all women, humble creatures, and assume them with him into heaven.

The celebration of the Independence of India is a reminder for all of us to liberate our country from the clutches of poverty, inequality, injustice and shallow patriotism. In this sense, The Poem by Rabindranath Tagore is so meaningful and relevant:

Where the mind is without fear and the head is held high

Where knowledge is free

Where the world has not been broken up into fragments

By narrow domestic walls

Where words come out from the depth of truth

Where tireless striving stretches its arms towards perfection

Where the clear stream of reason has not lost its way

Into the dreary desert sand of dead habit

Where the mind is led forward by thee

Into ever-widening thought and action

Into that heaven of freedom, my Father, let my country awake.

Let this be a 'wakeup call' and rather a 'clarion call' into action in the footsteps of St. John Maria Vianney and our Mother Mary, who trod 'The Road Less Travelled'.

Yours in our Blessed Mother Fr. Sajive Maliakl MS

LA SALETTE VIDYA NIKETAN, HUNSUR

Blessing: The blessing and the inauguration of the procurator's cabin was done by Rev. Fr. Sajive Maliakal MS, the Provincial Superior on 12th of July.

Care the Nature: As part of the environmental celebration in

La Salette Vidya Niketan campus, we planted new trees to protect our nature. Fr. Jojo Kachappilly MS (Manager), Fr. Sanish Poovathinkal MS (Director), Fr. Joemon (Procurator),

Srs. Parimala (Headmistress), Karuna and Fransina attended the function expressing their love and care for the mother earth.

Celebration: We joyfully celebrated the birthdays of Fr. Sanish Poovathinkal MS, the Director and Sr. Parimala the Headmistress. Inspite of all circumstances with the presence of few teachers and staff we celebrated with both of them and made the day wonderful and a memorable one.

Parent's Meeting: There was an urgent meeting called for the 10th class student's parents in order to discuss and to know their pulse regarding the online classes for the children. Majority of the parents were happy to hear about this new initiative from the part of the management and they responded well telling that they will provide all the necessary arrangements for their children at home so that they get easy access to the online classes.

Online Class: We the La Salette PU College officially launched online classes for the Second year PU students from 22nd of July. The classes are being conducted regularly and all the students participate it without any failure.

Time to Rejoice: This is for the first time that our La Salette PU college has scored 98.57% results in the PU Exams. We have 4 distinctions in Science, 3 in Commerce, 2 in Arts (Bros. Abins & Rimal), 52 first class and 9 second class. We have 100% marks in Mathematics by Yeswasini. We thank God and express our gratitude to Fr. Jobit Thottumkara MS the previous Director, all fathers and brothers for continued support and prayers.

New Member: We joyfully welcomed Sr. Francina CST, the new member and Superior of the St. Joseph Sisters of Chambery at Mardur to La Salette Vidya Niketan Campus.



















LA SALETTE NIKETAN, HUNSUR, MYSORE

Annual Retreat: The annual retreat for the minor seminarians and philosophy brothers was conducted in the La Salette Novitiate House. Fr. Bibin Parakkunnel MS led the annual retreat. The MS seminarians were spiritually motivated and inspired by the talks of Fr. Bibin. The community members express their gratitude to him.

Quarantine Time: The Niketan community is witnessing the beauty and necessity of hospitality and sense of oneness during this pandemic situation. We are happy to see many of our brothers and fathers staying and experiencing our love and care. After the quarantine period, all of them left to Bangalore for the future course.

Volley ball & Basketball Matches: As part of this great occasion of acceptance to the Postulancy year, the community organized two matches. It was like a *mini-snehasangamam* for all of us. The Volleyball match was inaugurated by Fr. Bibin Parakunnel MS and basketball match was inaugurated by Fr. Jeneesh Mundithottiyil MS, new director of Postulants.

Holy Spirit Mass and Opening of the New Academic Year: The Holy Spirit Mass as part of the opening of the new academic year was celebrated on 12th July, 2020. Fr. Provincial was the main celebrant for the Eucharist. The theme for the new formative year is "Bloom Where you are Planted" was unveiled by the Provincial.

St. Thomas Day: The Niketan Seminary celebrated the 'St. Thomas Day' on 3rd July. Fr. Bibin Parakunnel MS was the main celebrant and delivered very inspiring message related to the present time.

Lawn at the Statue of Our Lady of La Salette: It was our dream to beautify the surroundings of the statue of Our Lady of La Salette. It has become a cherished dream now.















B'day of Fr. Sanish Poovathinkal MS: The Niketan community celebrated the B'day of Fr. Sanish on 22nd July. It was a great occasion to express our love and community spirit. Brothers took the leading role to organize the cultural



evening to enhance the happiness of the day. It was a memorable day for all of us.

PU Results: We have great news to tell you. The whole Niketan campus is glad after knowing the results of PU examinations. Two of our brothers obtained distinctions and others all passed with first class. We are really proud of you, dear brothers. We believe that this stupendous result is the result of your hard work. Dear brothers, your behavior and life style of this year raised the credibility and authenticity of seminary life in the college. We wish you all the best for your future life.

Visit to Bro. Robin's House: It was our long dream to visit the house of Bro. Robin V.M. All the fathers along with his batch members visited the family members and expressed our gratitude for the good works done in the Niketan campus. We got amazed seeing the preparations done to welcome us. We spent some time with them and enjoyed very delicious meal. Thank you dear Bro. Robin V.M.



LA SALETTE ASHRAM, WAYANAD

Reopen: The La Salette Shrine re-opened for the public Eucharistic celebration from 7th onwards.

Visitors: Fathers Anoop, Kuriakose and Jobins visited our community and joined us in all the activities. The Punalur parish members accompanied Fr. Anoop Manchirayil MS to here, and they thanked for his service.

New Bike: The new bike for Chembery mission is bought and blessed by Fr. Jenson MS.

Yoga Class: Fr. Kuriakose conducted a yoga class for fathers; it was a great inspiration for everyone to practice yoga. "If he can why can't I."

Agriculture: We use more time of this lockdown for garden renovation.

Funeral: Sr. Lisa Rose SD, who was helping us was expired due to cancer and our community offered homage to her.





LA SALETTE BHAVAN, PARAKKADAU

Celebration: La Salette Bhavan Community celebrated St. Thomas Day with Liturgical and cultural celebrations on July 3rd.

Shashtipurthi: Bhavan Community celebrated the 60th Birthday of Fr. Joy Chukkananickal MS. We had Sung Mass in Latin rite, sumptuous meal and cultural programs by our seminarians.



















LA SALETTE NILAYAM, THORREDU, A.P.

Dukrana Thirunal: On 3rd of July, Nilayam community along with Basilian Sisters celebrated St Thomas day with a Syro-Malabar High Mass and festal meal. We specially prayed for all those who are bearing the name of St. Thomas.

8th Anniversary: Our School, La Salette Vidyanilayam has successfully completed 8 years of academic excellence and is excelling to excellence with values (motto of our school). Thank you so much for all your prayers and support.





LA SALETTE MARIAN CENTRE, ANAPPARA

New Superior: On 3rd of July community welcomed our new superior Fr. Johny Vadakkan MS with lots of love. He was received after quarantine days from home by Fr. Joby Muttathil MS. We are waiting for more progress for community in the coming days with the leadership of new Superior.



Fr. Jose Muttathan MS is appointed as the parish Priest of St. Joseph church, Punchakad, Payannoor. This is besides the office he does as the Director of the Retreat Center in the same parish campus.

Fr. Anoop Manchirayil MS is appointed as Assistant parish priest of Fathima Matha Churach, Kudiyanmala, Archdiocese of Tellichery.



MONTHLY INTENTIONS

- 1. For our First and Second Year Seminarians
 - 2. For our Family Members
- 3. For all those affected by Covid19 Pandemic.



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LA SALETTE SADHAN, BENGALURU

Scholastics Retreat: All our scholastics attended their annual retreat at Dhyanashram, Bengaluru. Scholastics Nikhil and Tinto attended retreat for one month and other three of eight days. It was a blessed time for them to make a spiritual renewal.

Happy Trip: Community said good bye to Fr. Jineesh Karakkada MS, who was with us for his holidays from German mission.

Hearty Welcome: Community wholeheartedly welcomed Fr. Bibin Parakunnel MS for his higher studies and all our brothers who were back after summer holidays. This year we are blessed with 13 first year Philosophy brothers. Frs. Jojo Kachappilly MS, Provincial Councillor and Fr. Jeneesh Mundithottiyil MS, Postulant Director accompanied brothers from Mysore. First Year brothers also completed successfully their entrance exam in Suvidya College.

Inauguration of the Academic Year: New academic year was officially inaugurated with Hoy Spirit Mass on 30th of August. The same day was also celebrated as fresher's day with various activities such as basketball batch between freshees and oldees, cultural evening, etc. New comers could not stand over the spirit of their seniors and after a good fight happily allowed senior brothers to win the match.

Old House: Renovation of the Old house was progressing for the last couple of weeks. Finally on 30th of this month, it was blessed by Rev. Fr. Sajive Maliakal MS, Provincial Superior.



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