

*The Lord is risen and he is truly risen!*

I wish you all a Happy Easter.

The devotional observance of Lent leads us to the joy of Easter. With an intention of self-renewal we have observed the Lent with personal as well as the resolution of the community. The pious activities of this holy season have helped us to meditate the joy of Easter. There are messages that change our lives. The message of Easter is such a message. "He is not here; for he has been raised as he said". (Mt 28:6) This is the message of Easter, the message that changed the lives of mankind.

Without this message of this Easter, that Jesus is risen and alive, lacks something important. This message gives a new perspective to suffering and struggles. This message has to be passed on, because it is something different from what is said before.

The disciples and the Women, who came early morning of Sabbath to anoint him, have not remembered or grasped this message. They were preoccupied with struggles and hindrances that lay before them. Their concern was, "who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" (MK 16, 3). To their surprise "they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back." (Mk 16, 4)

Let us contemplate deeper on this message: "...the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back". It is a hope and assurance. It calls for a deeper trust in the Lord. We, as individual and as community aspire for the change and growth. But always we are stumbled with the same question who will roll back? Who will help us? How will go about? The empty tomb gives us the answer. Before we reach there the Stone is rolled away and the light of resurrection, wait for us.

The new administration after prayer and reflection along with consultation has come up with new decisions which call change of offices and responsibilities. I am grateful to all members for cooperating with the Provincial Council and accepting the decisions. We are aware that each decision involves the future of the Members and of the Province. Each of them are challenging and gives us the opportunity to bring out the talents of each Individual. I am sure all of us are able and talented to excel in their respective offices.

As the famous writer Ladislaus Boros writes, "The resurrection is not the private destiny of Jesus Christ, but the Future of the people and the future of the world." Let us be focused on the future of the people and of the world.

May the Risen Lord bless us all.



Yours in our Blessed Mother  
Fr. Sajive Maliakal, M.S.





### **La Salette Bhavan Parakkadavu**

**March 2nd Welcome Back:** Fr. Jesbin returned on March 2nd to the community after his successful parish ministry in the Palakkad Diocese. He was accompanied by the parish priest and parishioners of Mannarkkad.

**Laity Picnic:** On March 3rd La Salette Laity visited Fr. Jiju MS at Ezheekkara parish and they also visited few other pilgrim centres .

**Farewell:** A farewell party was held on March 18 for Bro. Benjamine. Everyone thanked for his selfless service at La Salette bhavan.

**Feast of St. Joseph:** We celebrated the feast of Fr. Jose Punnakunnel and all those who named after St. Joseph in our community.

**Exams:** Annual exams of our brothers started from 22nd onwards.

**Liturgical Music:** On March 30th our brothers performed the musical instruments in the chapel for the first time during the Holy Mass and novena.

### **La Salette Sadhan. Bengaluru**

**Philosophy:** Philosophy brothers had their exams from 2nd March to 12th March. After the exams B.A. classes started for brothers from 13th March. 27th of March brothers left for holidays.

**Scholastics:** Bros. Benjamin and Lithin left for PPP program on 23rd of March. Bros. Tinto and Nikhil left for their exposure program on 27th of March. Other theologians left for their holidays and vacation ministries on the 2nd of March.

**Birthday Celebration:** We celebrated the birthday of Bro. Adarsh on 24th of March.

**Farewell:** We gave a farewell party to Fr. Joby Muttathil on 22nd of March.

**Visitors:** Frs. Johnny, Jineesh, Benny, Jenson, Anoop, Joy, Jojo, Robin Vallattu, Rijo. James, Roy and his niece, Fr. Rojan's parishioners visited us in this month of March.

**Farwell and Welcome:** La Salette Sadhan community and La Salette Lay Association members gave a colorful welcome to our new provincial Fr. Sajive Maliakal and heart touching farewell to Fr. Roy Parayil. There were cultural programs of our brothers and La Salette Laity members. Program ended with an agape.







### **La Salette Niketan, Hunsur**

**Provincial Visit:** Rev.Fr. Provincial visited La Salette Niketan community and school and he had personal dialogue with community members. Provincial Treasurer, who accompanied Fr. Provincial, checked community's finances and records days ahead.

**International Women's Day:** International Women's Day was celebrated in LSVN to recognize the contribution and significance of women. It was a day to think about the extraordinary role of women in our everyday lives. Fr. Provincial was the chief guest of the programme and he also distributed prizes for the students.

**Science Exhibition:** The importance of science in our day to day life can never be underestimated. The school organized a science exhibition for the students and the budding scientists of our school. They displayed different models and experiments, with great enthusiasm and excitement.

**St. Joseph's Feast:** On March 19th the feast of St. Joseph, the patron saint of Sisters of St. Joseph, was celebrated. The community joyfully participated in this celebration.

**Exams, Vacation and Retreat:** The PU Students completed their First and Second year Board exams. The Second year seminarians are having their vacation and third years are having their annual retreat.

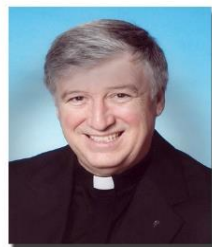
### **La Salette Ashram, Kayakkunnu**

**PARISH RETREAT:** The month of March was fully occupied with different parish retreats. The La Salette retreat team conducted annual retreats in various parishes such as Machikkolly (4-6), Pananchira (7-9), Kanjiradukkam (13-16), Meenangady (17-19) and Payyampilly (20-23)

**RECOLLECTION:** The charismatic service team members in the zonal level made their annual recollection on 23rd of March 2019 in La Salette Ashram.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** With great joy and happiness we the Ashram community celebrated the birthday of Fr. Jenson as the Superior's Day. The invited guests from nearby communities joined us for the dinner adding more colour to the celebration.

**CONGRATS:** Congratulations to Fr. Jenson who has published two new books namely; Aanipazhuthukal and Guruthuvam. The second edition of his book called Orkkathepokunnava has also been published in the month of March 2019.



Let us pray for the soul of Rev. Fr. Dennis Loomis, MS, the former Provincial Superior of US Province and our former Superior General, who played an important role in the growth of our La Salette Matha Province India.

*May his soul, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

### **Monthly Intention**

Let us pray  
for the Province of  
Madagascar





## **La Salette Nilayam. Thorredu. AP**

**Lenten Observances:** St Joseph RCM church together with La Salette Nilayam began our Lenten observances on 6th march. Nearly 100 people took Diksha and will be wearing white dress and walks barefoot throughout lent. we also have special prayers for them three times a day and Way of the Cross.

**Visit of Fr. Provincial:** Fr Sajive, MS our new Provincial Superior Made his first visit to La Salette Missionaries from 22 to 25 of March. Provincial visited all our sub- stations and interacted with the people.

**Visit of Frs. Jenson and Anoop:** Frs. Jenson and Anoop visited our community. They were here for some documentation works.

**Annual Award Cermony:** On 23rd of March, LSVN conducted Annual Award Ceremony to appreciate our kids who have excelled in different fields like Academics, Sports and Arts. Fr. Provincial was the Chief Guest of the ceremony.

### **Days to Remember – Month of April**

02	1997	Ordination	Valummel Alex	15	1986	Ordination	Punnakunnel Jose
05	1987	Birthday	Karakkadayil Jineesh	17	2004	Ordination	Poovathumkudy Sunny
06	2016	Ordination	Parakunnel Bibin	20	2002	Ordination	Parayil Roy
07	2016	Ordination	Chackiath Jino	21	2001	Ordination	Avittappally Baiju
09	2016	Ordination	Alappattu Saneesh	21	2001	Ordination	Chempottickal Biju
11	2016	Ordination	Karakkadayil Jineesh	21	2001	Ordination	Cheriyadan Rojan
13	2002	Ordination	Kunninu Sibi	21	2001	Ordination	Peethuruthel Joseph
13	2016	Ordination	Robin Vayalil	28	1990	Birthday	Veluthedathuparambil Jobins
14	1983	Birthday	Kallakkudiyen Sajith				



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