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Dear Fathers and Brothers,

MERRY CHRISTMAS!!!

December is a special month for all of us. Christmas is the season during which the whole church celebrates the theme that is most central to our Christian theology and faith: God's incarnation: "God is present in us and in the world, working for our healing and growth, our direction and our comfort, our reconciliation and our redemption." This is the fundamental Christmas message to us in this age as it was to the preceding ages.

For believers, the birth of Jesus in Bethlehem represents the victory of light over darkness. The birth of Jesus Christ, Son of God, son of Mary, brings profound goodness to our world – each year and all year. And it happened because Mary and Joseph listened for God's direction in their lives, and were open to God's prompting.

Like last year the Christmas comes to again during the distress and fear of great Pandemic. The Christmas offer us a message of hope, joy and healing. This hope is rooted not in the eternal message of salvation. To be joyful even in the midst of so many troubling events does not diminish our solidarity with those who suffer, but rather speaks to the bright Christmas promise of Angels. "Do not be afraid...for a Saviour has been born for us who is Christ and Lord." (Luke 2:10-11)

On this beautiful occasion I share with you the famous CHRISTMAS PRAYER by St. Augustine of Hippo:

"Let the just rejoice, for their Justifier is born. Let the sick and infirm rejoice. For their Saviour is born. Let the captives rejoice, For their Redeemer is born. Let slaves rejoice, for their Master is born. Let free men rejoice, For their Liberator is born. Let All Christians rejoice, For Jesus Christ is born."

My humble and joyful wish for you is

"May you be filled with the wonder of Mary, the obedience of Joseph, the joy of the angels, the eagerness of the shepherds, the determination of the magi, and the peace of the Christ child."

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Yours in our Blessed Mother, Fr. Sajive Maliakal MS **Provincial Superior**







LA SALETTE NIKETAN, HUNSUR, MYSORE

B'day of Fr. Kuriakose: The Niketan seminary celebrated the B'day of Fr. Kuriakose Chennelil MS on 1st of November. We had simple but interesting programs in the evening. He expressed his gratitude to all the community members.

All Souls Day: We had special liturgical services on 2nd November as part of the "All Souls Day". We also recited the traditional one month prayer (*vanakkamasam*) for all departed members from our families and communities.

B'day of Bros. Jesvin, George and Akshay: The Niketan community celebrated the birthdays of brothers and wished them all the best.

Days with MC Brothers: The Postulants brothers were sent to Mysuru and Kozhikode to live with MC Brothers for few days. They had very inspiring moments with them.



Send Off: The Niketan community organized a simple program to express our gratitude to Fr. Jeneesh Mundithotti-yil MS for all the services done for the development of the campus as he is preparing to go to Europe. Fr. Jeneesh has done his best for the community. His silent but active involvement in the community was inspiring and motivating for all of us.

Season of Advent: We have entered to the new season with the advent liturgical services. Advent wreath is something special in the season of advent.

Farm Products: The Niketan community is expecting better yield this year. The continuous heavy rain is affecting bit badly for the agricultural products.













LA SALETTE VIDYA NIKETAN, HUNSUR, MYSORE

Birthday of Fr. Kuriakose: LSVN celebrated the Birthday of Fr. Kuriakose Chennelil MS very joyfully on 1st of November. The management, staff and students wished him all the blessings of the day. The students put up various colourful programmes on the stage.

Kannada Rajyolthsavu: As part of the Karnataka Jayanthi, LSVN celebrated the day on 1st of November. The Karnataka flag was hoisted by our manager Fr. Jojo Kachappilly MS. The teachers and students performed various programs and sang Karnataka Anthem.

LKG/UKG Admissions: LSVN began the admission to LKG and UKG from 10th of November. Still the admission to LKG and UKG is going on.



















Children's Day Celebration: On 11th of November, LSVN celebrated the Children's Day. Two hours of programmes were held on behalf of the children's day. The children were very happy and enjoyed the day very well. In the afternoon the management conducted special games for the children.

Sports Day for PUC: Two days of Taluk sports was conducted for the PU students in Boys Junior College Hunsur. Our students participated for the Volleyall, Ballthrow, Kabadi, Relay, Jawline, Long and High Jump etc. La Salette PU College has achieved 2 first and 8 second places and 3 thirds. Our PU student Manoj is declared individual championship award in Taluk level sports championship. Constitution Day: LSVN observed the constitution day on 26 November during the morning assembly. The importance and history of our constitution were explained to the students. The management paid homage to the image of Dr. B R. Ambedkar the architecture of our constitution.





LA SALETTE ASHRAM, WAYANAD

Back to Home: The community joyfully welcomed back Fr. Jenson Chenthrappinny MS, our Superior, after a successful kidney transplantation to Miss. Alphy.

Retreat: Fr. Johnson OPrem Nobertains and Sr. Rosily LSJ were welcomed to our campus for their personal retreats.

Bon Voyage: We thanked Sr. Diya SD for her service with us and wished all the best to her new mission in Africa.

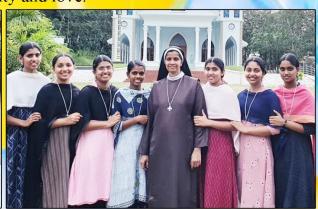




Welcome: With grateful hearts, we welcomed Sr. Anina SD, the new member of SD Convent, to the Ashram community and wished her all the best in her new mission.

Visitors: The presence of Frs. Anil Kochuthazhath MS, Sebastian Uriyarikunnel MS, Robin Vallattu MS, Joemon Edakkala MS, Clint MCBS, George Kaduppara, five of the priests from Trivandrum diocese, Novices from CMC Convent Nadavayal and Mr. Robert and family from Bangalore La Salette Laity were really a blessing for us in sharing our fraternity and love.





DECEMBER 2021

05 1987 Birthday Parakunnel Bibin

05 1985 Ordination Kollannoor Andrews

13 1976 Birthday Maliakal Sajive

17 1984 Birthday Chackiath Jino

21 1986 Birthday Vayalil Robin

23 1987 Birthday Mavathara Anit

27 2017 Ordination Kallakudiyan Sajith

28 2017 Ordination Veluthedathuparambil Jobins

29 1987 Ordination Manjaly Mathew





LA SALETTE SADHAN, BENGALURU

Celebrations: All Saints Day marked the beginning of our month of celebrations. On the same day, the Sadhan community made a magnificent Birthday celebrations of Fr. Sebastian Uriyarikunnel MS and Fr. Joemon Edakkala MS.

Visitors: The presence of the mother and sister of Fr. Saneesh Alappat MS as well as the presence of Fr. Bibin Parakkunnel MS made the community joyful.

Exam Fever: Our brothers are hard at work studying for their Christmas exams. Everyone is looking forward to the end of a successful semester and the Christmas break that will follow.















Festal Celebrations: On the 20th of this month, the community devotedly commemorated the Feast of Our Lady of La Salette. The presence of our fathers from Mysuru made the day more joyful.

New Vehicle: A new vehicle, Tata Harrierr, is added to the vehicle fleet of the community. On November 15th, Rev. Fr. Sajive Maliakal MS, the Provincial Superior, blessed it.















LA SALETTE BHAVAN, PARAKKADAU

All Souls Day: Bhavan community commemorated All Souls Day on the 2nd of November joining with the Parakkadavu parish community at the cemetery chapel.

Rector's Day: La Salette Bhavan Community celebrated the Rector's Day on November 28. The day was blessed with many visitors and there was big meal and different cultural programs of seminarians.

Visitors: Community was blessed to accommodate number of our fathers at Snehabhavan as there was Cluster meeting and picnic held on the 30th of November.



LA SALETTE NILAYAM, THORREDU, A.P.

Happy Birthday: On 1st of November, Nilayam community celebrated the Birthday of Fr. Jince Koothodiyil MS. We had celebration in the school and Parish as well.

Jyothirmayi Bible Examinations: On 7th of November, parishioners had Jyothirmayi Bible Examinations basing on selected passages under four categories...around 100 members attend the exam.





Advent Recollections: Rev. Fr. Thomas Mandy VC from Vijayavada Divine Mercy Retreat Center lead the two days recollection for the parishioners.

All Souls Day: On 2nd of November, all the parish community came together to offer prayers for their deceased family members. We had mass and special prayers at their tombs.







LA SALETTE VIDYA NILAYAM, THORREDU, A.P.

Greetings: The school staff along with children joyfully celebrated the Birthday of Fr. Jince Koothodiyil MS. There were programs, wishes and lunch for all the students and staff.

School Election: Election to the posts of Head Boy and Head Girl was conducted in our school on 13th November and the Students voted Madda Charan and Golthi Sugandhipriya from 9th standard as the Head Boy and Head Girl of the School respectively for this academic year.

Children's Day: We had a grant celebration of Children's Day at our school on 15th of November. There were programs, sweets and classes on the need for the overall development of children.





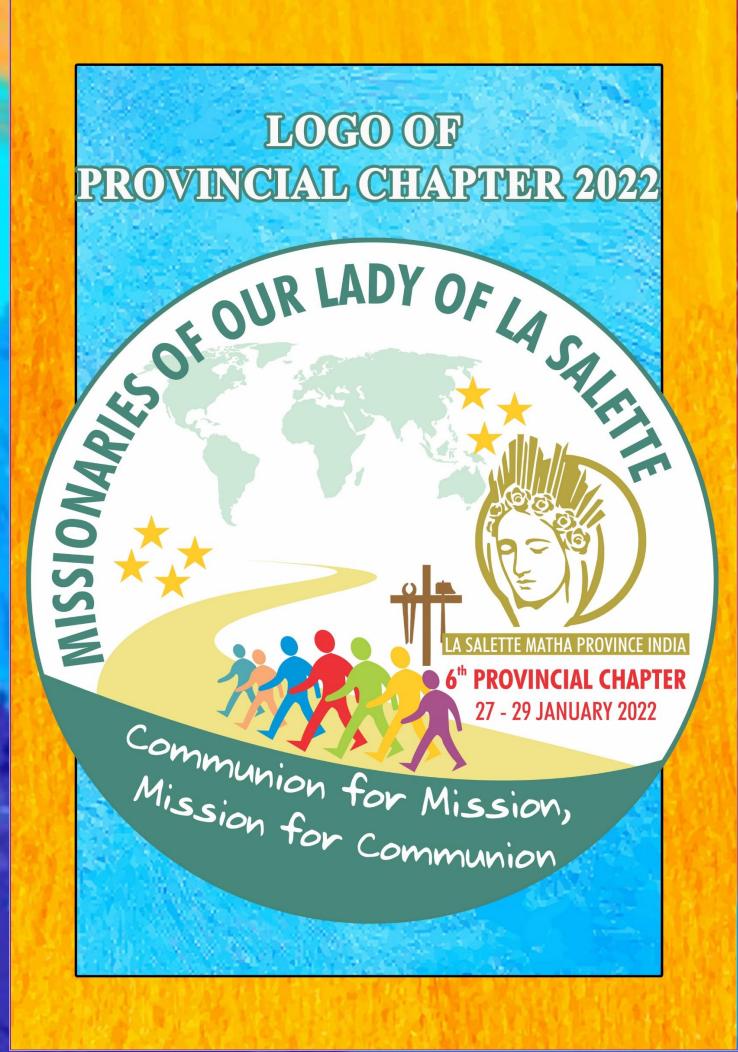




From La Salette, Chemperi, Kannur, Kerala.....

Works are Progressing.....







Weeping Mother: Signifies the apparition of Bl. Virgin Mary at La Salette, which is the founding event of La Salette Missionaries.

La Salette Cross: Stands for the identity and heritage of La Salette Missionaries in the World.

Seven Stars: Stand for the 7 houses of La Salette Missionaries in India.

Globe in the Background: Denotes the universal presence of La Salette Congregation. It also reminds us the missionary task of La Salette Congregation to announce the message of Reconciliation to the ends of the earth.

People on the Move: Signify the readiness for the mission of the congregation and reminds us the need of communion in diversity.

Yellow Path: Marching ahead with the message of Reconciliation in communion with the Church.

Green Colour: Signifies the necessity of exploring oneself in communion with the nature and the need of protecting the common home. (Encyclical Letter-Loudato Si').

Communion for Mission, Mission for Communion: Theme of the Provincial Chapter 2022.

