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Dear Fathers and Brothers,

A pilgrim was on his journey when he met a man who looked like a monk sitting in the field. Next to him, another group of men were working at a stone building.

‘You look like a monk’, said the pilgrim.

‘I am’, replied the monk.

‘Who are these who are working on the abbey?’

‘The monks’, he replied.

‘I am the abbot’.

‘It is magnificent to see the building of a monastery’, said the pilgrim.

‘We are destroying it’, said the abbot.

‘Destroying it?’ Exclaimed the pilgrim. ‘But why?’

‘In order to see the sunrise each morning!’ replied the monk.

This tale is narrated by Sr. Joan Chittister in her book *Fire from These Ashes*. It is a story that beautifully captures the idea that our horizons are narrow as we shrink into our privations of comforts that we take for granted.

We can break this comfort zone and come out only with the thought of ‘**what is good for others through me**’, rather than ‘**what is good for me**’. The thought of Pope Francis can be read as well, ‘When those who are called ready to go to the peripheries, then the Gospel reach everywhere’.

The month of August is very special for us. On 15th August, we celebrate India's Independence Day and the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary. India was able to travel from the darkness of slavery to the light of freedom when people like Mahatma Gandhi were ready to break the framework of their comforts and walked the path of hunger, sacrifice, and suffering. Similarly, when Mary said, “Here am I, the servant of the Lord; let it be with me according to your word” (Lk 1:38), she was flying like a butterfly to the freedom that God gives. Mary teaches us the truth that only those who stay close to God, only them can break all the fetters of selfishness.

Along with Mother Mary, we can meditate on the words of Saint Paul: “I can do all things in him who strengthens me” (Phil 4:13). Miracles and signs will rise up before us as we entrust ourselves to God because then only God will begin to work through us. That is the truth and reality.

**Happy Independence Day to all
Blessings of the Feast of Assumption!**

Yours in Our Lady of La Salette
Fr. Jenson Chenthrappinny MS





LA SALETTE SNEHA BHAVAN, PARAKKADAU

Car Parking Shed: La Salette Sneha Bhavan community built a new car shed with three car parking spaces and also spaces for bikes. Thanks to Fr. Augustine Cheerakathil MS for sponsoring.

Visitors: La Salette Sneha Bhavan community is grateful for the visit of Fr. Joby Payyapilly MS and Fr. Joby Kadambattuparambil MS.

La Salette Lay Gathering: On 24th, we had a fruitful La Salette laity gathering at La Salette Bhavan with almost 50 people to discuss about the forthcoming feast of Our Lady of La Salette.

LA SALETTE ASHRAM, WAYANAD

Youth Prayer Day: A youth prayer day was held at Ashram on the 9th of July.

Charismatic Prayer Day: A day of prayer and gathering of charismatic subzone of Nadavayal-Sulthan Bathery was held at Ashram on the 18th of July.

Vocation Promotion: Fr. Anit with Fr. Jojo began the vocation promotion work of 2022-23 by visiting few parishes in this month of July.





LA SALETTE BHAVAN, PARAKKADAU

Holy Spirit Mass: La Salette Bhavan officially inaugurated the academic year with the Holy Spirit Mass on 5th of July.

B'Days of La Salette Lay Associates: Bhavan Community celebrated the Birthdays of Mrs. Thresiamma Ookken and Mr. Joseph Vayalaikkodath and thanked them for their long term close association with La Salette.

Death Anniversary: Bhavan community participated in the Memorial Mass for the departed soul of Mr. Itteera Kadambattuparambil on 23rd July.

Visitors: Family members of Fr. Augustine Cheerakathil MS, Fr. Lithin Palackal MS, Fr. Joby Kadambattu Parambil MS, and Brother and Friends of Fr. Saneesh Alapptu MS made visit to the community.



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AUGUST

06	1958	Birthday	Manjaly Mathew
24	2001	Ordination	Porathur Joy
31	1994	Birthday	Palatty Anson

SEPTEMBER

01	1993	Birthday	Nikhil Thekkineth
02	2012	Ordination	Kachappilly Jojo
03	2018	Death	Kuzhinjalil Jose
04	1983	Birthday	Kachappilly Jojo

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LA SALETTE VIDYA NIKETAN, HUNSUR, MYSORE

Exams: FA1 exams were held for all the students from KG to 10th on 6th to 8th July. Second PUC students had their first unit test on 1 to 4th of July.

Spoken English Class for Teachers: One day spoken English class was conducted for all the teaching staff of our school and college. Mr. Ravi V Deepak gave the class in which most of our teachers participated. All the teaching staffs are happy to learn proper English for the better teaching for our school.

Yoga Winner from Taluk Level: Ms. Chethana from 10th class participated the Taluk level yoga competition and obtained 2nd prize. The management and all the staff appreciated and distributed the prize to her.

Inauguration of CET/NEET/JEE: The various entrance coaching has begun for this new academic year in La Salette PU College this year. Fr. Sanish Poovathinkal MS, the director invited all the students to join and actively take part in these various entrance coaching.

Fresher's Day: The La Salette PU College had it fresher's day celebration on 16th July. The management, Principal, the staff and the second PU students wholeheartedly welcomed our new fresh 1 PUC students with lot of programmes and entertainment.





Birthday Celebrations: This month is full of celebrations. We had the birthday celebrations of Sr. Mariya Mercy, Fr. Tinto Kalapurackal MS and Fr. Sanish Poovathinkal MS.

La Salette Vidya Nikethan celebrated the birthday of Rev. Sr. Mariya Mercy our headmistress on 15th July very joyfully. During the assembly students performed various colorful programmes and made the day more happy.

On 18th of July La Salette Vidya Nikethan and PU College celebrated the birthday of Fr. Tinto Kalapurackal. After the assembly the staff came together and cut the cake and wished him Happy Birthday.

On 22nd of July La Salette PU college and Vidya Nikethan celebrated the birthday of Fr. Sanish Poovathinkal MS. School students and PU college students performed various programmes and celebrated his birthday separately. All the students enjoyed the birthday cake and the teachers the lunch. Along with the students and staff, non-teaching working staff and drivers came forward to celebrate the birthday of Fr. Sanish. All enjoyed the day well.

Parents Meeting: Parents teachers meeting was held for KG TO PUC on different dates in the month of July

Visit: Frs. Anoop Manchirayil MS, Jesbin Pulavelil MS, Bino Poovanikunnel MS and Joby Muttathil MS visited our school and college. Thank you so much for your love towards our school ministry.

Arts Day Competition: Arts competitions were held for KG to 10th classes at La Salette Vidya Nikethan in honour of coming Independence Day 2022. Flag making, fancy dress, drawing and writing, speech, mono act on freedom fighters, solo singing, dance, patriotic song, best out of the waste, etc., were conducted as a preparation for the forthcoming Independence Day celebrations.



LA SALETTE NILAYAM, THORREDU, A.P

Birthday Celebration: Nilayam community with much joy and happiness celebrated the Birthday of Dn. Binu Kizhikandayil MS on 3rd of July.

Feast Day: Community celebrated the Holy Eucharist in the Basilian convent and extended all wishes and prayers on the day of their feast.

Demise of Mr. Thomas Gompa: The La Salette Nilayam community participated in the funeral service of Father of Fr. Manibushan MS.



LA SALETTE VIDYA NILAYAM, THORREDU, A.P

New Bus: La Salette Vidiya Nilayam added one more bus to its fleet. Special thanks to provincial administration for the good heart.

School Reopening: La Salette Vidiya Nilayam reopened the school for all the students on 6th of July with lot of hope and dreams.

Anniversary of School: Vidya Nilayam celebrated its Tenth Anniversary of presence in Thoredu by cutting the cake and sharing the sweets to all staffs and students.



CANONICAL VISITATION USA





LA SALETTE NIKETHAN, HUNSUR, MYSORE

B'day of Novice Master: Nikethan had a splendid birthday celebration of our Novice Master Fr. Joy in the Novitiate house with meaningful cultural programme followed by grand dinner.

B'day of Assistant Rector: The community made joyful birthday celebration of Fr. Tinto morning with cake cutting and later wishes both in the Community and in the school. Brothers organised a wonderful birthday party celebration with creative programmes.

Superior's Day: The Nikethan Campus was overwhelmed to celebrate the Superior's Day, birthday of Fr. Sanish. The celebration began in the morning at 5.30 and the celebration continued in school as well as in the college. The culmination of the celebration was in the community with the presence of all the community members and sisters. We had creative programmes done by our Novices and minor seminary brothers. It was a memorable day for the Nikethan campus as we celebrated the superior's Day.



St. Thomas Day: Nikethan community joyfully celebrated the St. Thomas Day with Syro- Malabar Mass and a free day for brothers.

Monthly Recollection: Fr. Jobins shared the reflection capsules and Fr. Mathew spiritual direction for the monthly recollection of the brothers.

Greetings of the Day: Community wished all the blessings of the day to Bro. Thomas on his Birthday

Visitors: The community enjoyed the presence of Frs. Bino poovannikunnel MS, Anoop Manchi-rayil MS, Jesbin Pulavelil MS, and Joby Muttathil MS.





LA SALETTE SADHAN, BENGALURU

Solemnities: Sadhan community solemnly celebrated the feasts of St. Thomas, Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Mary Magdalene, St. James the Apostle, Sts Joachim, and Anne, St. Alphonsa

Shalom Shooting: Sadhan was privileged to be a part of the shooting of a short film by the shalom world channel in our campus

Visitors: community was blessed with the presence of Fr. Willson msfs who had been to our community to spend a part of his holidays.

Arrival of the Brothers: Brothers who had been enjoying their holidays were back in the nest.

Basketball Match: A friendly Basketball match was conducted with the O.S.F.S. Brothers where our brothers hit the jackpot.

