



# PROVINCIAL CIRCULAR

## LA SALETTE MATHA PROVINCE

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Dear Fathers and Brothers,

As you all know, in the month of November, I had my canonical visitation in Australia for two weeks. I would like to mention an experience which happened there. On 13 November, I celebrated Holy Mass at St. Antony's Church, Toongabie, where Fr. Joby Kadambattuparambil MS is Vicar.

After the Mass, together with Fr. Joby, I was standing in the courtyard to greet the people. Many people came and spoke with us. Meanwhile, a father and daughter came to me.

Shaking hands, he said:

"Father I'm Ramu, from India"

"You belong to which part of India?" I asked.

"Andhra Pradesh"

When I heard about Andhra, I wanted to know more about him.

"Where in Andhra?"

"Vijayawada"

"Which is your proper place in Vijayawada?"

"Kanchikacherla ...."

When I heard Kanchikacherla, my heart started to beat faster.

"Do you know Amarlapudi Shekhar in Kanchikacherla?"

"Yes father, he is my cousin and a very good friend."

When I mentioned the names of Shekhar's wife and children, his eyes widened.

"Father how do you know Shekhar?"

"He is also a good friend of mine. I met him when I was doing ministry in Andhra.

We both went to the house of each other. You know, when I told him about my journey to Australia, he told me that he had a relative and a childhood friend here, but I didn't pay much attention to it because I found it difficult to find such a person in the midst of so many busy schedules. I didn't even ask the name of the friend at least. But today, God has placed that friend before me..."

Accepting Ramu's invitation, Fr. Joby and me went to his house for dinner. We prayed and had dinner together. As I left there, I was thinking about God's wonderful interventions. When I sent photos of us together to Shekhar, I was surprised by his reply: "Father it's a miracle... I can't believe my eyes and ears!"

Christmas is a season of wonder that God has prepared for us. How many stories of miracles the Holy Bible will present before us this month.

The messenger of God comes to the unknown Virgin Mary of Nazareth... The movement of the baby in her womb by divine intervention... God's grace on the barren woman Elizabeth... Message of joy to the shepherds and Magi... The Guiding star... In this way; many wonders are combined with Christmas.

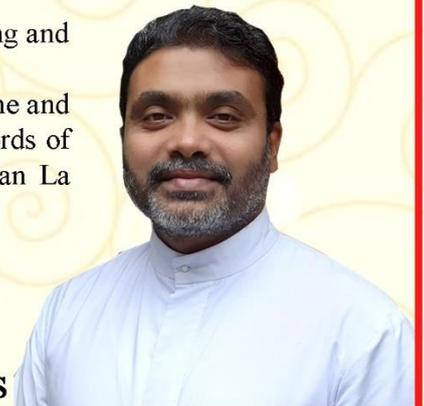
The coming days are the days when God calls us to believe that divine interventions will also take place in our lives. It has no age or time. All you need is an open mind and unwavering faith. These days also lead us to the realization that only when the doors of the inn are closed do we reach the haylofts. We can also strive to recognize divine interventions in our lives. Let us wait with the shepherds for divine intervention in our lives: "To you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord" (Lk 2:11).

Let us continue to pray for Father JP who is journeying through a lot of suffering and pain. May the good Lord give him strength and courage.

My sincere gratitude to members ministering in Australia for the warm welcome and hospitality rendered to me during the time of Canonical Visitation. My special words of appreciation to Rev. Fr. Joby kadambattuparambil MS, the superior of Australian La Salette Community, for all the arrangements made during the visit.

Wishing you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

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





## LA SALETTE NILAYAM, THORREDU, AP

**Birthday Celebration:** The community jointly made a festive birthday celebration of Frs. Jince and Fr. Sebastian. It was a blessed moment for both of them.

**Installation of the New Parish:** The newly erected La Salette parish at Noothanakkal of Khammam Diocese is a new venture of extension of our mission beyond Andhra to a new Telugu speaking state. Frs. Benjamin and Nikhil are active among the people in this new endeavour.

**Hearty Welcome Dear Fathers:** The Nilayam community joyously welcomed all our members visited Nilayam in order to participate in the inauguration of new mission at Khammam Diocese. We thank all of them with gratitude and love for their esteemed presence and graceful fellowship.

La Salette Nilayam community was so blessed with the presence of Rev. Fr. Joji, parish priest of Mittapally, Khammam Diocese, along with Frs. Benjamin and Nikhil Nilayam community also welcomed Rev. Fr. John CMI, the parish priest of Dn. Anson on the same day.

All our visitors enjoyed the stay and the serene atmosphere of our campus.



on 24th of November.





## LA SALETTE VIDYA NILAYAM, THORREDU, AP

**Farewell to Dn. Binu:** The Nilayam community along with La Salette Vidyaniyam and St. Joseph RCM church thanked Dn. Binu for his dedication and commitment to the community as well as to the school. He has been with us here for the past six months to render his willingness to work for the parish as well along with other areas. Thank you dear deacon once again for all that you have been to us and wishing you a blessed future in your priestly ministry.

**Happy Birthday:** La Salette Vidya Nilayam School celebrated birthday of Rev. Fr. Jince on 1st of November. The valuable presence of Rev. Fr. Provincial and few of our members from other communities made the day more memorable for our Birthday celebrant.



**Parent Teacher Meeting:** The school have organized parent-teacher meeting on 19th of November. Fr. Manibushan took one-hour power point presentation for the parents as he was highlighting the need to emphasize the relationship between the students and their parents. Fr. Jince thanked all the parents for their availability and responsibility to come over here to participate in the meeting.





**Children's Day Celebration:** The La Salette Vidyanilayam School celebrated children's day with great love and enthusiasm. The various organised events on the day was a great opportunity for the children to explore their talents as they are recognized and being loved.

**Karate Championship:** The school have achieved one more remarkable golden medal award in Karate championship by Binish, our 10th class student. The school is indeed so happy and grateful to the Lord for this achievement.

**Convocation Ceremony:** The school have had informal ceremony conducted for the 10th grade last batch students as they bagged their certificates respectively for their achievements. They received the certificates with great admiration and admonition as they look back to their school days.

**Field trip to Sri Sarvaraya Sugars LTD, Coca Cola Factory Rajahmundry:** As the part of the curriculum and also to rejuvenate the studies outside of the classrooms, the students made an academic visit to the Coca Cola factory. They were extremely thankful to Fr. Jince for his initiativeness to make this visit possible in order to gain more practical vital information for their future.



## ST. JOSEPH'S RCM CHURCH, THORREDU, AP

**All Souls Day:** St. Joseph RCM Church brought the memories on November 2nd to pray for all our beloved ones who departed from this world and offered holy mass and prayers thereafter in the cemetery. Many people led in tears for their beloved as they offered prayer and flowers in the cemetery.

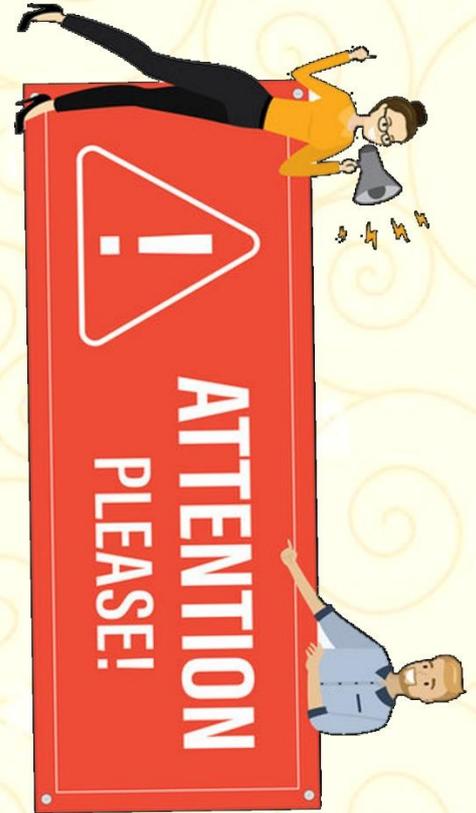
**Jyothirmai Exam:** On November 13th, the church has conducted the "Jyothirmai" exam in order to deepen the understanding of the Bible. The parishioners wholeheartedly participated in the exam.

### DECEMBER 2022

05	1987	Birthday	Parakunnel Bibin
05	1985	Ordination	Kollannoor Andrews
13	1976	Birthday	Maliakal Sajive
17	1984	Birthday	Chackiath Jino
21	1986	Birthday	Robin Vayalil
23	1987	Birthday	Mavathara Anit
27	2017	Ordination	Kallakudiyan Sajith
28	2017	Ordination	Veluthedathu Parambil Jobins
29	1987	Ordination	Manjaly Mathew

### JANUARY 2022

01	1972	Birthday	Poovathumkudy Sunny
01	2000	Ordination	Kalliath James Muttathan Jose Vadakkan Johnny
02	2018	Ordination	Chennelil Kuriakose
	2018	Ordination	Pulavelil Jesbin



### LA SALETTE SADHAN, BENGALURU

**Solemnities:** Sadhan community celebrated the solemnity of All Souls Day, All Saints Day, and Christ the King.

**Christmas Celebration:** Sadhan community Entered into the mode of Christmas in the beginning of advent itself.

**Visitors:** Frs. Jojo Pulpayil, Bibin, Nikhil, Elson, and Dns. Binu and Anson, visited us to spent their valuable time with us.





## LA SALETTE NIKEHAN, HUNSUR, MYSORE

**Rector's Day:** The community joyfully celebrated the Rector's Day. As a part of the Rector's Day, we had Volley Ball and Basket Ball Matches. The culmination of the celebration was in the evening with grant dinner with colourful programmes and campfire.

**B'Day of Brothers:** We had birthday celebration of Bros. Jesvin, George and Adhin.

**Cluster Outing and Meeting:** The community had gone for cluster outing in Ootty.

**Prayer for the Dead:** Nikethan community had special prayer service and adoration on the second of November in order to remember the all departed souls.

**Vanakkamasam' for the Dead:** We had everyday special 'Vanakkamasam' prayers for the dead as we remember all the departed souls in the month of November.

**Visit the Sick:** The Nikethan community together went to Parakkadavu to visit Fr. Jose Punnakunnel and showed our love, concern and prayers for him.





## **LA SALETTE VIDYA NIKETHAN, HUNSUR, MYOSRE**

**Mock Parliament:** Mock Parliament is an awareness program initiated by the Central and the State Government for Pre-University College students to create a sense of electing their representatives through general electorate voting system. Our college students being a part of this Mock Parliament were elected and sent for the district level held in Mysore.

**Children's Day Celebration:** Every happy moment needs to be celebrated. On 14 th of November we celebrated children's day beginning with prayer service, programmes by the teachers, followed by the students sharing of unique experience in the school. The stage was rocked by the marvellous dances of teachers dedicated to their students. The day was concluded with sports and distributed the sweets to all students.

**Taluk Level Arts Competition:** Our PU students participated in the arts competitions in the taluk level and our students bagged first prize in collage making, second prize in English essay writing and third in Kannada essay writing.

**Appreciation from the District:** Miss Thanush S K, our 2nd PUC Student of Humanities was honoured in Mysore for achievement in the annual examination. She is the district topper in the year 2021/22. The college management, principal and the staff congratulate her for this great feat.

**Investiture Ceremony:** College Cabinet Oath Taking Ceremony was held on 23/11/2022. Ex Special Force Gunman of Indian army preached the oath. Fr. Sanish MS the Director pronounced the official declaration and permitted the Principal to form the cabinet for the year 2022/23.





**Picnic:** Our students are gone for the picnic from KG to 8TH class. They were divided into 3 different places such as for the KG students to Mysore Darshan, from 2nd to 4 classes to Madikeri area and the 5 th to 8 th class students to GRS fantasy park. They all enjoyed the company of their peer groups and enjoyed the day well.

**Constitution Day:** To commemorate our Constitution, Indian Constitution Day was celebrated on 26th November 2022. Students stood in round circle as the pillars of Parliament House and read the Preamble of our Constitution. Dr. B R Ambedkar the architect of Constitution was remembered.



**Prathibha Talent Competitions:** To increase the integral development and motivate each student in their thinking capacity, imagination and creative writing on different topics students participated in PRATHIBHA TALENT EXAM (National level competitions). Excellence in academics and fostering love of learning is the top priority of Saletinians.

**FA 3 Exams:** KG to 10th students had their FA 3 exams from 17 to 19 of November.





## **LA SALETTE BHAVAN, PARAKKADAVU**

**Renewed Face for the Chapel:** A long cherished dream of the community came true. Bhavan Chapel looks bright and beautiful now, as she underwent a complete renovation. A heartfelt thanks to Fr. Baiju Avittappally MS for donating the new Tabernacle and thanks to Fr. Sijo Thekkekunnel MS for helping us to purchase the new Crucifix.



**All Soul's Day:** Family members of Dn. Binish Mutathil Joined for the Mass for the dead held at the parish church.

**Cultural Evening:** It was a remarkable evening for brothers as they exhibited their talents at the first cultural evening as part of their extracurricular activities.

**Visit of La Salette Laity Wayanad Unit:** The visit of La Salette Laity led by Frs. Rojan and Anil rejuvenated the enthusiasm of brothers.

**"Sraadham" A Day to Remember All the Departed Souls:** All joined the parish community for the memorial mass for the dead and for the meals thereafter.



## **LA SALETTE ASHRAM, WAYANAD**

**Community Experience:** Postulant John began his community experience. At present he is at Anapara community for his exposure program

**Visit and Pilgrimage:** La Salette Lay Association members along with Fr. Rojan and Fr. Anil made a visit to Fr Joseph Punnakunnel MS at La Salette Sneha Bhavan and spent time with him and received his blessings. On the way back made a visit to Koretty Shrine and Palyoor St Thomas Archiepiscopal Shrine Church.



**Birthday Greetings:** On 26th of November, La Salette Ashram community along with the lay faithful celebrated the birthday of our beloved shrine rector Rev. Fr. Rojan MS with the cake cutting and wishing. In the evening, we arranged a birthday party in honour of Fr. Rojan.

## LA SALETTE NOVITIATE, HUNSUR

**All Souls Day:** Novices attended the All Souls Day Mass at Hunsur Cemetry. Bishop Kannikadass William Antony, the Bishop of Mysore was the main celebrant for the liturgy.



## LA SALETTE MARIA BHAVAN, CHEMPERI

**FCRI:** A new FCRI Utilisation Account for the transactions at La Salette Maria Bhavan is opened.

**Cluster Picnic:** Members of Mysore, Kayakunnu and Chemperi Cluster made their Cluster Picnic to Ooty.

**Blooming:** Flower garden is becoming a reality under the initiative of Fr. Benny.

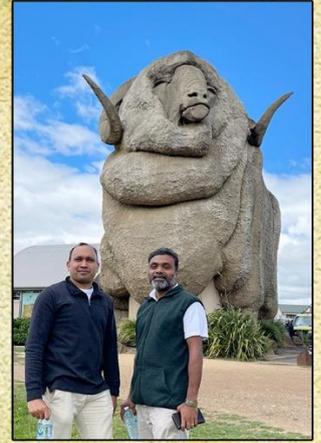
**Visit:** Frs. Saneesh Poovathinkal, Jobins, and Kuriakose made a surprise visit.

**Front Gate:** Industrial work for making a Gate at the entrance of our property is began.

**Maruthi Wagon R:** A new Maruthi Wagon R is arrived for the needs of La Salette Maria Bhavan.

**Vegetable Garden:** Community began to produce the needed vegetables from our own garden through the hard labour of Fr. Lithin.





## CANONICAL VISITATION TO AUSTRALIA

Fr. Jenson Chenthrappinny MS, the provincial superior made his canonical visitation to Australia from November 08 to 24th. He met all our priests ministering in Australia. He also mad official visit to Archbishop Christopher Prowse of the Archdiocese of Canberra and Bishop Vincent Van Nguyen OFM Conv of the diocese of Parmatta.

