



Dear Fathers and Brothers,

In his autobiography, Gandhiji narrates an incident that happened during the first year of his high school studies when he was about thirteen years old. Mr. Giles, the Educational Inspector who came to the school, gave a spelling test. Gandhi misspelt the word “kettle”. The class teacher poked him with his boots, prompting him to copy the spelling from his neighbour’s slate. But Gandhi could not bring himself to copy. The result was that all the boys except Gandhi were found to have spelled all the words correctly. And Gandhi appeared stupid. Speaking of his school days, Gandhi remarks: “I do not remember having ever told a lie ... either to my teachers or to my schoolmates”. I happened to read this story from an article by Fr. Joseph Kuttiyanimattathil SDB on ‘Self Leadership’. There are a few interesting things to know about self-leadership.

Self-leadership is the process of directing oneself. It is more about making rules and regulations for oneself than for others. Being able to lead oneself in a disciplined manner is a great help in finding purpose and satisfaction in life. All of us are leaders in one way or another. While leading others, we try to lead ourselves, at least to some extent. Some do it well, others badly. According to Plato, “The first and best victory is to conquer oneself.” Self-leadership orients towards influencing oneself to perform tasks that one is naturally motivated to carry out and to do things that have to be done but which one is not naturally motivated to do. It is the ability to influence oneself to think and behave in ways that are consistent with who we are and are conducive to the pursuit of goals and experiences that are important and relevant to us. In other words, it is the practise of intentionally guiding our thoughts, feelings, and actions to achieve goals that are important to us and are morally good. Self-leadership is important because it enables us to decide where we want to go and what we want to achieve in our lives and then take the steps necessary for that. It allows us to make our thoughts, feelings, energies, and actions serve our values and pursue goals that are relevant to us. In self-leadership, the motivation for doing things comes from within us. For achieving success in life, motivation is more important than talent. And when this motivation comes from within us, it is all the more powerful. Self-motivation is the foundation for living a purposeful, productive, and fulfilling life. In this area of leadership, the perfect example before us is Jesus himself, who practised what he preached, or preached what he could practise. Jesus correctly stated that, “What good is it for someone to gain the whole world yet forfeit his or her soul?” (Mk 8:36); “first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take out the speck that is in your brother’s eye” (Lk 6:42); “Can one blind person lead another? Won’t they both fall into a ditch?” (Lk 6:39). Let us try to imitate Jesus, who is our model and leader, who had a goal to achieve and for which he never sacrificed the values for which he was sent.

In this new academic year, I wish God’s blessings to our scholastic brothers, who began their theological studies at St. Charles Seminary, Nagpur, and at Sanathana Seminary, Thamarassery. Let us also pray for the new seminarians who began their initial formation at Parakkadavu. Remembering all of you and praying for you.

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





LA SALETTE VIDYA NIKETHAN, HUNSUR, MYOSRE

Environmental Day: La Salette Vidya Nikethan and PU College celebrated the Environmental Day meaningfully on 5th June bringing awareness among the children to take care of our mother earth. In order to have a taste for caring the nature we planted two trees in our school campus. PU students prepared and conducted a signature campaign to save our LAKSHMAN THEERTHA RIVER and sent same to the chief minister of Karnataka.

Devotion to Sacred Heart of Jesus: The Month began seeking the blessings from the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Frs. Sanish MS and Joyal MS blessed the campus and prayed for special guidance and support of Sacred Heart of Jesus over the staff and students.

The adoration of the Holy Eucharist was brought to the school campus and blessed the campus with HIS divine presence.

Arrival of Sr. Roselin: On 6th of June Sr. Roselin joined the school faculty.

Welcome New Teachers: We welcomed all the new teachers on 12th of June to La Salette Vidyanikethan family.

Exam: The bridge course exam was conducted for all the students from 8th & 9th of June. The first unit test for second PUC was conducted from 22nd June to 24.

PT Meeting: Parents and Teachers Meeting was conducted for all the classes in this month.



Theme of the Year: On 12th of June we unveiled the theme of the new academic year that is “Ablaze with Values” and invited the whole La Salette Vidhyaniketan family to live a value based life.

National Day of Reading: 19th June was a day to encourage the children to have the habit of reading. So we conducted a spot reading competition for the students.

Yoga Day-21: We celebrated Yoga Day making aware of the importance of Yoga in our life. Students of class nine and PU section had gone to CBT colony for a public yoga display.

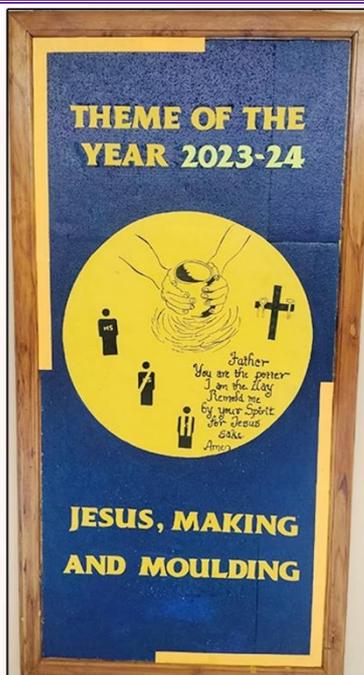
Olympics Day: On 23rd June an informative assembly was conducted and a short quiz was conducted to bring awareness about the Olympics



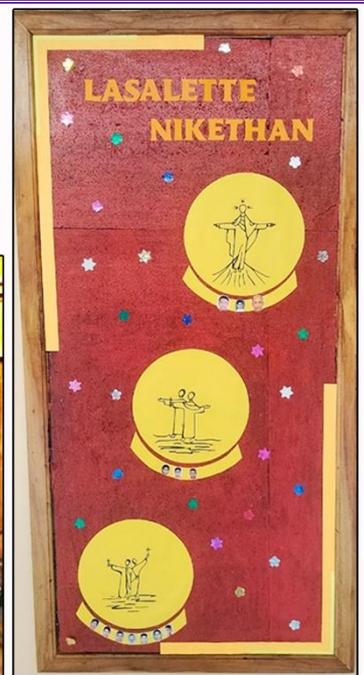
LA SALETTE NIKEHAN, HUNSUR, MYSORE

Postulancy Acceptance: On 7th of June five of our brothers entered into the Postulancy programme. Rev. Fr. Jenson Chenthrappinny MS, the Provincial Superior was the main celebrant for the Mass and he accepted five of them to the Year of Postulancy.





Logo and Theme of the Year: Rev. Fr. Jenson Chenthrappinny MS, the Provincial Superior, unveiled the theme “Jesus is Making and Moulding” and logo of the Academic Year 2023-2024.



Birthday Party: The Nikethan community celebrated the Birthday of Fr. Jacob Vettathu MS. We had a special birthday party in the Postulancy house and Postulancy brothers organized a wonderful cultural program and followed by super.

Thanks and Welcome: We the community thanked Fr. Jobins MS for his dedication and hard work for the last one year in our school and community. We also welcomed Fr. Joyal Narimattathil MS as the new Associate Director of the School.

Nikethan community welcomed five of our brothers who completed one year minor seminary formation in Parakkadavu for their plus two studies.

Holy Spirit Mass: On the solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ we had Holy Spirit Mass and inauguration of the academic year 2023-2024. The main celebrant for the Mass and inauguration ceremony was Rev. Fr. Bino Poovannikunnel MS, the Vicar Provincial.



Monthly Recollection: Brothers had monthly Recollection and confession By Fr. Kuriakose MS.

Visitors: The community enjoyed the presence of Frs. Bino Poovannikunnel MS, Anoop Manchirayil MS, Jesbin S Pulavelil MS, Mathew Manjaly MS, Anit MS, Rojan MS, and George MS.



Blessing and Eucharist Processions: On the solemnity of the sacred Heart of Jesus we had blessing of the house and property. We also had Eucharistic processions in the Nikethan campus.

Birthday and Feast: Nikethan community celebrated the Feast of Fr. Sanish Poovathinkal MS and Birthday of Bro. Ajil.



Postulancy Programme of the Month: La Salette Postulants attended the program 'Vocational Growth & Prayer' at Xavier Sadan, Jesuit Retreat & Renewal Center in Mysore from June 20-24, 2023 with candidtes from other congregations. The Eucharistic Celebration presided by Archbishop Emeritus Bernard Moras who is currently Apostolic Administrator of the Mysore diocese.



LA SALETTE ASHRAM, WAYANAD

Send Off: Ashram Community along with La Salette Lay Association gave a grant send off to Fr. Anit Mavathara MS who served the community for the last few years.

Superiors Meeting: All the superiors gathered at Ashram on 26th for the Superiors Meeting.





LA SALETTE MARIA BHAVAN, CHEMPERI

Our visitors of the Month: Fr. Jesbin MS and his friend Fr. Vijin MSFS Visited our community. Fr. James Poovathinkal MS together with his brother priest and few others visited our community.



Fr. Jacob MS also made a fraternal visit to our community with mangoes and Butter fruits from our Mysore community. Special thanks to Fr. Jacob and Mysore community for their love and sharing. Frs. Kuriakose and Tinto visited our community as a part of buying goats from our neighbour and their mission was successful.



Well Maintenance: We repaired our well which was in a very dangerous situation. Now we are blessed with pure and clean water. Thanks to the provincial administration for the generous support.

Farm: We sold our rubber trees and now the land is getting ready for the cultivation. And we wish to start the clearance of the land and the cultivation after the rainy monsoon season.

Forane Recollection: We conducted successfully the Forane monthly recollection in our house and 17 priests attended in the meeting and monthly recollection. It was really a fruitful recollection.

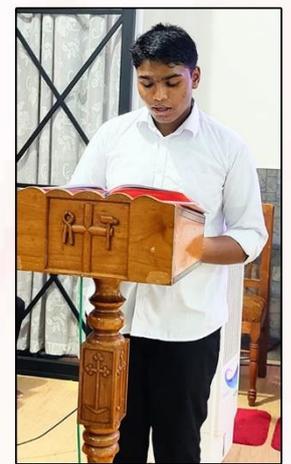




LA SALETTE BHAVAN, PARAKKADAVU

New Academic Year: Rev. Fr. Bino Poovannikunnel MS, the Vicar Provincial inaugurated the new academic year 2023-24 in La Salette Bhavan, and welcomed all the new comers. We are blessed with 13 seminarians in the first year of formation.

Laity Gathering: La Salette Laity of Prakkadavu made its annual gathering on 25th of June and elected Mrs. Seena Payyappilly as the new secretary. During the meeting the cash awards were distributed to those who achieved colourful result in the SSLC and PLUS 2 exams.



Pilgrimage: Fathers along with our new seminarians made a pilgrimage to the tombs of St. Mariam Thressia and St. Evuprasya.

Our Visitors: Mother, Brother and Sister of Rev. Fr. Jojohn Chettiyakunnel MS made a visit to our communities.



LA SALETTE MISSION, NUTHANKAL KHAMMAM

Birthday Celebration: On 12th of June, La Salette Matha RCM Church, parishioners celebrated the Birthday of Rev. Fr. Benjamin MS and wished him all the very best.



Visit of Provincial Superior: On 10th of June, Rev. Fr. Jenson Chenthappinny MS, the Provincial Superior, made a short visit to the Mission at Khammam. He also made a visit to the villages.

Construction: We have begun the construction of the parish office, parlour and the bathrooms in the parish rectory.



LA SALETTE MARIAN CENTER, TVM

Hearty Welcome: La Salette Marian Centre has welcomed Fr. Jobins Veluthedathu Parambil MS to the community. After one week, He was introduced to the Bishop of Neyyattinkara Diocese.

All the Blessings: Fr. Joby Muttathil MS has departed to Andhra Pradesh for his future ministry.

Parish Ministries: Catechism classes started in the parish for all the students in full swing. Praveshana Ultsavam was the ceremony started for the students in catechism and Students were awarded for their outstanding achievements in their academics.



LA SALETTE SCHOLASTICS, NAGPUR

New Beginning: We arrived at St. Charles Seminary, Nagpur on 15th June together with Rev. Fr. Jenson Chenthrappinny MS, the Provincial Superior.

St. Charls seminay started at 1958. At present it belongs to Nagpur Archdiocese and it is running by Dominican (OP) fathers. There are 232 brothers are studying here in both Philosophy and Theology, covering 39 dioceses and 11 religious communities.

Happy Birthday: We celebrated the birthday of Scho. Ajin Kuttiyanickal MS on June 16th.



Happy New Life: We had five days of annual retreat in the beginning of the academic year. The retreat was guided by Rev. Fr. Jenson Chenthrappinny MS. It was spiritually enriching and highly appreciated.

Holy Spirit Mass: The inauguration of the new academic year and Holy Spirit Mass was 24th June presided over by Bp. Elias Gonsalves the Archbishop of Diocese of Nagpur.



JULY 2023

03	1971	Birthday	Kalliath James
03	1988	Birthday	Kizhikandayil George
11	1960	Birthday	Chukkananickal Joy
16	1973	Birthday	Peethuruthel Joseph
18	1990	Birthday	Kalapurakkal Tinto
22	1987	Birthday	Poovathinkal Sanish





LA SALETTE NILAYAM, THORREDU, AP

Hearty Welcome: La Salette Nilayam community wholeheartedly welcomed Fr. Joby Muttathil MS to the Andhra Mission.

Visit: Fr. Jenson Chenthrappinny MS, the Provincial Superior, visited the community and spent two days with us.

Birthday Celebration: On 24th of June, we celebrated the Birthdays of Frs. Manibhushan MS and Benjamin MS. We had a grand celebration.



ST. JOSEPH'S RCM CHURCH, THORREDU, AP

Eucharist Procession: On the solemnity of the Corpus Christi, we had the Eucharist procession in the parish, school and in the villages.

Happy Birthday: The birthday of Fr. Manibushan MS was solemnly celebrated in the Church. The parishioners wished and thanked Fr. Manibushan and prayed for him and organised a cultural event honour of him.





LA SALETTE VIDYA NILAYAM, THORREDU, AP

Orientation Program: Fr. Thomas Mandy VC and Fr. Manibhushan MS conducted an Orientation Program for the teaching staff of La Salette Vidyanilayam School.

New Bus: La Salette Vidyanilayam is blessed with a new school bus. Rev. Fr. Jenson Chenthrappinny MS, the Provincial Superior, blessed the vehicle.

Back to School: Students are back for their studies after their long days of vacation. Their classes began from 12th.



SUPERIORS MEETING

The Superiors Meeting was called on 26th of June 2023 at La Salette Ashram, Wayanad.

PROCURATORS MEETINGS

The Procurators Meeting was called on 28th of June 2023 at La Salette Sadhan, Bengaluru.





LA SALETTE SADHAN, BENGALURU

Holy Spirit Mass: Sadhan community began the academic year with holy spirit mass. The motto of the year is “DRAW NEAR TO GOD AND HE WILL DRAW NEAR TO YOU”

Back to College: The new academic year of philosophy brothers began on 15th of June with the holy spirit mass presided by the president and vice-president of De Sales University Philadelphia.

Departure of Theologians: Our scholastics moved to Nagpur as they began their theological studies.

Procurators' Meeting: Sadhan community was very glad to have the presence of the procurators of all the communities of La Salette Matha province.



Rector's Day: Sadhan community celebrated the Birthday of Fr. Anoop Manchirayil MS by marking the first great event in our academic calendar of this year. The celebration was so colorful with varieties of cultural events and programs.

Happy Feast: Sadhan community solemnly celebrated the feasts of Body and Blood of Christ, Sacred Heart of Jesus, Immaculate Heart of Blessed Virgin Mary, Nativity of John the Baptist, and of Sts. Peter and Paul.

Visitors: We were very grateful to have the presence of Fr. Jince Koothodiyil MS and the family members of Fr. Jesbin S Pulivelil MS

Monthly Recollection: Theologians and philosophy brothers had their monthly recollection to nourish their souls with the word of God.

