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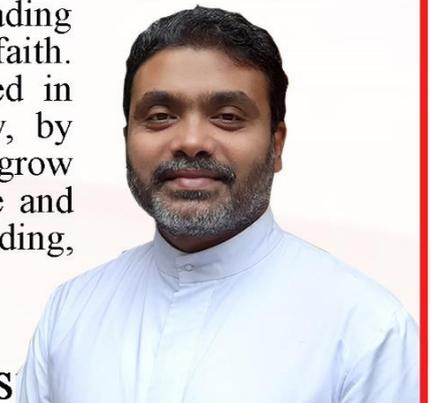
Dear fathers and brothers,

Many of us are familiar with the life of an eagle. There are videos uploaded to YouTube describing it. The eagle, often revered as the king of birds, embodies certain characteristics that set it apart from all others. It leads a remarkable life, avoiding shelter beneath trees during storms and instead soaring through the clouds to reach the skies above. With a lifespan of up to seventy years, the eagle undergoes a transformative process around the age of forty. It ascends to the mountaintop, sheds its old feathers, and waits patiently for new ones to emerge, symbolising renewal and rebirth. The eagle's resilience in storms and its ability to renew itself symbolise our potential for growth and transformation. Consider the journey of Malala Yousafzai, who survived a brutal attack by the Taliban for advocating girls' education in Pakistan. Despite facing adversity, Malala continued her activism, becoming the youngest Nobel Prize laureate. Like the eagle, we are meant to soar above life's challenges and make significant decisions guided by situations and insight.

In our journey, happiness and adversity intertwine like roses and thorns. Robert Collier once said, "In every adversity, there lies the seed of an equivalent advantage. Every defeat is a lesson showing you how to win the victory next time." This reminds us that within challenges, there are opportunities for growth and triumph. Just as roses bear thorns, our lives hold both joy and pain. Yet, it is by facing adversity that we discover our true strength. With faith and support, we can navigate through suffering, knowing that we're not alone on this journey. Embrace the journey, for even in the darkest moments, there's a glimmer of hope. Like following the footsteps of those who have walked before us, we find solace in knowing that we can overcome adversities, trials, and tribulations.

Trials and tribulations refine us, bringing out our best qualities. Consider the resilience of Anne Frank, who documented her experiences hiding from the Nazis during the Second World War. Her diary, filled with hope and courage, continues to inspire millions worldwide. By embracing adversity and submitting to God's will, we can experience His love and protection. Pain serves as a messenger, urging us to confront and let go of what no longer serves us. Consider individuals such as Mother Teresa, who triumphed over adversity to emerge as one of the most impactful figures globally. Her resilience and determination to rise above adversity are a testament to the power of the human spirit. Amidst hardships and challenges, it can be easy to lose sight of the bigger picture. However, by maintaining a positive outlook and focusing on the lessons that can be learned from difficult situations, it is possible to emerge stronger and wiser.

Heroes and saints are born from adversity, and life's adventures shape our existence. Challenges are common in everyone's life. The shape and mode of it change from person to person. We need to consider those as opportunities in disguise, leading to a better place, and try to embrace them with courage and faith. Standing firm in our beliefs and values and staying grounded in spirituality help us navigate through tough times. Ultimately, by embracing adversities as achievements, we discover serenity and grow into the heroes and saints of our time. In moments of struggle and misfortune, God views us as His beloved, protecting, safeguarding, and strengthening us to go ahead with courage and fidelity.



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



LA SALETTE SADHAN, BENGALURU

Birthday Celebration and Farewell: On June 1st, the Sadhan community celebrated the Birthday of Fr. Jacob MS and said goodbye to our cherished third-year brothers. We enjoyed a lovely supper after a fantastic evening celebration.

B.A Exams: 1st year brothers had their B.A Exams from 18th to 26th of June.

New Academic Year: We began a new academic year 2024-25 with the Holy Spirit Mass at Suvidya college on 15th of June.

Feasts of the Month: The Solemnities of the Body and Blood of Christ, the Sacred Heart of Jesus, the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, and the Saints. Peter and Paul were observed as the month's feasts.

Rector's Day: The community with full enthusiasm celebrated the Birthday of Rev. Fr. Anoop Manchirayil MS on 22nd of June. The chocolates were distributed to everyone who attended the Holy Mass in the morning and a grant birthday party organised in the evening.



B.Ed Exams: Frs. Nikhil MS, Anson MS, Benjamin MS, Joyal MS and Sisters Sangeetha and Divya stayed with us in order to attend their B.Ed exams.

Visit of General Superior: The community along with our laity enthusiastically welcomed Very Rev. Fr. Jojohn Chettiyakunnel MS, the Superior General, who paid a visit on 14th of June.

Visitors: We were so glad to have the presence Rev. Fr. Bino Poovannikunnel MS, the Vicar Provincial and of Frs. Sibi Edakkara MS, and Jince MS.





LA SALETTE BHAVAN, PARAKKADAVU

Arrival of New Brothers: La Salette Bhaven Community was very glad to welcome thirteen active and agile new minor seminarians to our community as the future La Salettes.

Visit of the General Superior: The superior and community was honoured to welcome Very Rev.Fr. Jojohn Chettiyakunnel MS, the newly elected Superior General to our community. His arrival was met with great anticipation and joy as he spent time engaging with the community members. He also visited the parish community and offered office for the dead for our departed brethren.

Holy Spirit Mass: The newly arrived brothers had their academic year begun with the invocation of the Holy Spirit by celebrating the Holy Spirit Mass. We were privileged to have Rev. Fr. Jojohn Chettiyakunnel MS as the main celebrant of the Eucharistic celebration.



Monthly Recollection: Seminarians had their First monthly recollection led by Fr. Rojan Cheriyan MS.

Laity Gathering: We had our Laity meeting and welcomed our new brothers. Two more families joined our group. During the hour Seminarians presented a good dance program and our children from Parakkadavu presented various programmes. We also honoured Mr. Joseph, the president of Laity association who celebrated his 80th Birthday.

Happy Feast: The community celebrated the feast of Fr. Jino MS and Fr. Johnny MS on 13th of June.

Thanks: Special thanks to our Scholastics: Jophin MS, Ajin MS, Joyal MS and Sarath MS, who helped us a lot during the summer holidays.





LA SALETTE NIKETHAN, HUNSUR, MYSORE

House Blessing: La Salette Nikethan community blessed the whole land and house after the Holy Eucharistic adoration and Holy Mass on 7th of June.

Arrival of Postulant: La Salette Nikethan community welcomed Postulant Blevin on 9th June. Brother is helping the community as well as the school ministry as per the Postulancy program.

Birthday of Fr. Benjamin MS: The members of the La Salette Nikethan community celebrated very joyfully the Birthday of Fr. Benjamin MS on 12th of June. Fr. Benjamin presided over the mass in the morning and the whole community greeted him. In the evening we had cultural program on account of his Birthday.

Visit to the Dornahalli Feast: The whole La Salette Nikethan community visited Dornahalli St. Antony's shrine on the occasion of feast and sought the intercession of St. Antony.



Visit of the Superior General: La Salette Nikethan community blessed with the visitation of Very Rev. Fr. Jojohn Chettiyakunnel MS on 15th of June. The community members wholeheartedly welcomed Superior General to the community and he spent two days encouraging every member of the community with his presence and by valuable words.





Farewell to Fr. Tinto MS: La Salette Nikethan community bid farewell to Fr. Tinto MS on 17th June, and thanked him for the valuable services that he had rendered to the community.

Visitors: Rev. Fr. Jenson Chenthappinny MS, Fr. Bino MS, Fr. Jacob MS, Fr. Jiju MS, Fr. Bibin MS, and Fr. Jesbin MS visited our community.

Session on Meditation: Fr. Jiju MS gave one session of class about meditation to the younger seminarians.

Monthly Recollection: Fr. Jiju MS led the monthly recollection and confession for our brothers on 28th June.

Happy Feast: La Salette Nikethan community solemnly celebrated the solemnity of Sts. Peter & Paul on 29th June. On this occasion we gladly celebrated the feast of our dear Fathers, Fr. Sanish MS and Fr. Jiju MS.

Birthdays: Seminarians Watson and Ajil celebrated their birthday in this month.



LA SALETTE VIDYA NIKETHAN, HUNSUR, MYOSRE

Orientation Class for Teachers: La Salette Vidya Nikethan conducted the orientation class for teachers at the beginning of the new academic year on 1st of June. Fr. Vinu Avittapally MSFS shared his vast experience in the academic field and insisted all the teachers to be effective in their teaching. The session was distributed with sharing, group activities, tests and classes

Environmental Day: La Salette Vidya Nikethan celebrated the environmental day on 5th June. On this occasion a meaningful message was given to the students to make them aware of the importance of protecting the environment and one each plant was distributed to every student. The management, staff and students planted one tree on behalf of the environmental day in our school campus.

School Blessing: On 7th of June our La Salette Vidya Nikethan School was blessed with the presence of the Eucharistic Adoration and with the Holy Water.



International Yoga Day: La Salette Vidya Nikethan and PU college co-ordinately celebrated International Yoga Day with guidance of the teachers. The yoga practices were conducted separately for the primary and secondary classes in our school ground.

Hygiene and Health Class: Hygiene and health class has conducted for girls from 8th standard to plus two students. The class was taken by a famous gynaecologist from KRS medical college. She had precisely pointed out the importance of cleanliness and sexual awareness during the time of puberty.

New School Bus: We purchased a new SML company school bus, which was really the moment of extreme happiness for the La Salette Vidya Nikethan school.

PU Class Test: PU students had their 1st class test after the opening of the new academic year. All the students performed their maximum in the 1st class test.

Moral Class: Fr. Jiju Valiyakandathil MS has taken few classes on moral values to our students.



Welcome Bro. Blevin: Postulant Bro. Blevin was wholeheartedly welcomed to our school for supporting and helping in the school ministry.

Birthday of Fr. Benjamin MS: La Salette Vidya Nikethan school very joyfully celebrated the Birthday of Fr. Benjamin on 12th of June. During the assembly time we had the cake cutting and all the staff and students greeted him with memorable birthday wishes.

World Child Labours Prohibition Day: La Salette Vidya Nikethan commemorated World Child Labours Prohibition Day on 12th of June. On this auspicious occasion the school faculties decided to give the awareness to the students about the importance of this day.





LA SALETTE NILAYAM, THORREDU, AP

Birthday Festive: Nilayam community celebrated the Birthday of Fr. Jacob Vettathu MS with much joy and happiness and prayed for him.

Feast Day: We solemnly celebrated the feast of Fr. Manibushan MS and wished him festal greetings.

Birthday Celebration: We celebrated the Birthday of Fr. Manibhushan MS on 24th of June. We had a grand celebration in the community.



ST. JOSEPH'S RCM CHURCH, THORREDU, AP

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

Prayer for Students: On June 9th, we had special prayers for all the students who were going to colleges and schools as they start their academic year.

Happy Birthday: The birthday of Fr. Manibushan was solemnly celebrated in the Church. The parishioners wished and thanked Fr. Manibushan and prayed for him. There were cultural programs after the mass.





LA SALETTE VIDYA NILAYAM, THORREDU, AP

Orientation Program: Fr. Jacob Vettathu MS and Fr. Manibhushan MS conducted an Orientation Program for the teaching staff of La Salette Vidyanilayam School. It helped them to use innovative methodologies for making classroom teaching interesting and to integrate knowledge of arts and crafts with curriculum teaching.

School Blessing: We had the blessing of the school with solemn Eucharistic Procession and a Prayer Session for the students and teachers on 12th of June.



Back to School: Students are back for their studies after their long days of vacation. Their classes began on 13th.

Fresher's Day: The fresher's day was organised on 13th with colourful program to welcome the new students.

Reading Day: National Reading Day was held in La Salette Vidyanilayam on 19th of June.



LA SALETTE SCHOLASTICS, NAGPUR

Annual Retreat: We had a fruitful and spiritually enriching retreat led by Hendry Fernandes at the beginning of our academic year.

Holy Spirit Mass and Inaugural Ceremony: The Holy Spirit Mass and Inaugural Ceremony were presided over by Archbishop Elias Gonsalves on June 29.



LA SALETTE NOVIATE, CHEMPERI

Hearty Welcome: Holy Novices had great opportunity to welcome Very Rev. Fr. Jojohn Chettiyakunnel MS, the Superior General, to the novitiate house. The Superior General along with the fathers made a fraternal visit to Mar Joseph Pamplany, the Archbishop of Tellicherry.

Visit: Rev. Fr. Jenson Chenthrappinny MS, the Provincial Superior, made a visit to novices.



LA SALETTE ASHRAM, WAYANAD

Hearty Welcome: La Salette Ashram community cordially welcomed Very Rev. Fr. Jojohn Chettiyakunnel MS, our new Superior General.



LA SALETTE MATHA RCM CHURCH, NUTHANKAL, KHAMMAM

Prayer Service: We conducted the second Saturday Prayer service.

Visit: Together with the parishioners made a visit to the Bishop Emeritus Paul Maipan.

Parish community also found time to spent time at Shanthinilayam, an orphanage for the mentally and physically disabled women.





Welcome

---Hearty Welcome to Our New Seminarians---



Hearty Congratulations to Our New Postulants Alen, Blevin, and Shan.

Rev. Fr. Jenson Chenthrappinny MS, the Provincial Superior accepted new Postulants to the Year of Postulancy on 1st of June, 2024, at La Salette Sadhan, Bengaluru.

Hearty Congratulations