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We, the Priests, Religious & Laity  
wish your Grace

**Most Rev. Dr. Antony Pappusamy D.D., STD.,**

the Archbishop of Madurai, the Harbinger of Peace

**a Very Happy Birthday**

**Ad multos Annos!**

தீருத்தந்தை பிரான்சிஸ் அவர்களால் 21.09.2023 அன்று  
சீவகங்கை மறைமாவட்டத்தின் 3-வது ஆயராக அறிவிக்கப்பட்ட  
பேரருள்திரு. முனைவர் லூர்தி ஆனந்தியை அவர்களுக்கு  
எம் வாழ்த்துக்களும் செபங்களும்!



ஒன்புடன்  
மேதகு அந்தோனி பாப்பாசாமி, பேராயர்  
அருள்பணியாளர்கள், இருபால் துறவிகள் மற்றும் கிறைமக்கள்  
மதுரை உயர்மறைமாவட்டம்.



# THE VOICE OF THE PASTOR

Dear brother priests and sisters,  
Greetings and Prayerful wishes in the name of  
Our Lord Jesus!

This month we celebrate the memorial of our Lady of the Rosary. If we were to ask what object is emblematic of Catholics, people would probably say it is the rosary. The rosary is the devotion in honour of the Virgin Mary based on the mysteries of Christ and it consists of a set number of specific prayers. It comes from a Latin word *Rosaria*, which means a crown of roses or a garden of roses. The prayer itself is sometimes seen as too simple and therefore rather superficial. The rosary is simple but the gentle repetition of its prayer makes it an excellent means of moving into deeper meditation. Prayed on the beads of the rosary, the beads strung together are not just decorations.



It is commonly said that St. Dominic the founder of the Order of preachers or famously called the Dominicans instituted the rosary as the rosary was given to him in a vision of the Blessed Virgin Mary. While St. Dominic did have a vision in the year 1221, he certainly did not institute the rosary. Certain parts of the rosary predated St. Dominic. Others arose only after his death. The use of knotted prayer ropes in Christianity goes back to the desert fathers in the 3<sup>rd</sup> and the 4<sup>th</sup> century. These counting devices were used for prayers such as the Jesus prayer in Christian monasticism. St. Dominic however preached its use to convert sinners and those who had strayed from the faith.

During the medieval period, monks had begun to recite all 150 psalms on a regular basis. As time went on, there was a desire to give the laity many of whom, who accompanied their masters to the monastery and to give to the lay brothers and a form of common prayer similar to that was being said in the monasteries. These lay people and lay brothers were distinct from the choir monks and a chief distinction was that they were illiterate. Besides remember that the Psalter or the Book of Psalms was a very expensive book. The laity and the lay brothers needed an easily remembered prayer. Since monastic prayer was structured around the Psalter from which we pray the psalms, a parallel to the monastic reading of the 150 psalms was developed with the praying of the Our Father 150 times throughout the day.

The laity and the lay brothers used beads to keep count and this method of prayer came to be known as the '*Paster Noster*.'

This devotion came to also be known as the poor man's breviary.

The rosary that originally was used to count Our Father and came to be used during the 12<sup>th</sup> century to count Hail Mary or

more particularly the first half of what we call now the Hail Mary, the second half was added some time later. The structure of the rosary gradually evolved between the 12<sup>th</sup> and the 15<sup>th</sup> century. In the 16<sup>th</sup> century the sets of five Joyful, Sorrowful and Glorious mysteries began to emerge. The vocal prayers of the rosary were finalized then. 'The glory be to' was added to the end of every decade and the second half of the Hail Mary was formalized. In the year 2002 October 16<sup>th</sup>, St. John Paul II, the then pope, pinpointed some of the events (miracles) which took place in the ministerial work of Jesus and named them as Luminous Mysteries on his 25<sup>th</sup> anniversary of papacy.

In the year 1569 Pope St. Pius V officially approved the rosary in this form. 15 decades of Hail Mary introduced by the Our Father and concluded with the Glory be to the Father. The rosary gained greater popularity in the 1500s, when Muslim Turks were ravaging Eastern Europe in 1453; Constantinople had fallen to the Muslims, leaving the Balkans and Hungary open to conquest with Muslim reaching even the coast of Italy. The control of Mediterranean was at stake. In the year 1571 Pope Pius V organized fleet under the command of Don Juan of Austria, the half brother of King Philip of Spain. While preparations were underway the Holy Father asked all of the faithful to say the rosary and implore our Blessed Mother's prayer under the title of our lady of victory that our Lord would grant victory to the Christians. Although the Muslims fleet outnumbered that of the Christians. The forces were ready to meet the battle. The Christian flagship flew a blue banner depicting Christ crucified. On October 7<sup>th</sup> 1571, the Muslims were defeated at the famous battle of Lepanto. The following year Pope St. Pius V established the feast of the Holy Rosary on October 7<sup>th</sup> where the faithful would not only remember this victory but also give thanks to the Lord for all His benefits and remember the powerful intercession of our blessed mother.

I do hope my dear brother priests and sisters that this is not just been a history lesson on the rosary but it also touches our hearts and constructs our daily living. So, in the diocese, parishes, institutions, community and all the more in our personal life do encourage and have the habit of reciting rosary.

May the universal Church be blessed through the intercessions of our Lady of the Rosary and protect us under her mantle.

May God bless you!

Devotedly yours in the Lord,

+ *Antony Pappusamy*

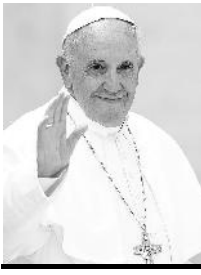
**+ Most Rev. Dr. Antony Pappusamy**  
Archbishop of Madurai

# Archbishop's October Engagements

- 02 Mon M Holy Mass, Oriyur  
04 Wed E Feast Mass, Palayakoil, Trichy  
05 Thu M Education Committee Meeting  
06 Fri M Holy Mass, St Xavier's College, Palayamkottai  
07 Sat E Feast Mass, Niraivazhvu Nagar  
08 Sun E Feast Mass, Rosary Church  
11 Wed E Thanks Giving Mass, K. Pudur  
12 Thu E Novena Mass, Vilangudi  
14 Sat E Feast Mass, Kavirayapuram  
15 Sun M Holy Mass, Nirmala Girls' Hr. Sec. School  
16 Mon M Jubilee Mass, FIHM Provincialate, Trichy  
17 Tue M General Body Meeting, MMSSS  
21 Sat E Feast Mass, Matha Maiyam, Suriyanagar  
23 Mon E Confirmation, Arupukottai  
24 Tue M Society Meeting, Archbishop's House,  
Madurai  
25 Wed M Nuptial Blessing, St Mary's Cathedral  
27 Fri M Nuptial Blessing, Anjal Nagar  
29 Sun E Jubilee Mass, St Joseph's Cathedral, Dindigul  
30 Mon M Centenary Celebration, St Patrick's Home,  
Madurai

Appointments may be fixed by calling the Archbishop's Secretary at **+91 94433 86761** or by mailing to **abssecretarymdu@gmail.com**.

\* Appointments are subject to change.



## Pope's General Prayer Intention

**For the Synod :** We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

## பேராயரின் இம்மாத செபக்கருத்து

**வார்த்தை :** “நீ என்னைக் கண்டதால் நம்மினாம். காணாமலே நம்புவோர் பேறுபெற்றோர்” (யோவா 20:29)

**வாழ்க்கை :** இறைநம்பிக்கையில் ஆழப்படுவோம். இறைபேற்றினைப் பெறுவோம்.



## விழா கொண்டாடும் பங்குகள்

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| 1. செபமாலை மாதா ஆலயம், மதுரை                   | - அக்டோபர் 07 |
| 2. செபமாலை மாதா ஆலயம், நிறைவாழ்வு நகர்         | - அக்டோபர் 07 |
| 4. குழந்தை இயேசு ஆலயம், உசிலம்பட்டி            | - அக்டோபர் 15 |
| 3. குழந்தை இயேசு ஆலயம், கவிராயபுரம்            | - அக்டோபர் 16 |
| 5. புனித அந்தோனி மரிய கிளாரட் ஆலயம், கருமாதூர் | - அக்டோபர் 24 |

இப்பங்குகளில் பணி புரியும் பங்குத்தந்தையர்களுக்கும், துறவறத்தாருக்கும் இறைமக்களுக்கும் எனது வாழ்த்துகளும் செபங்களும்.

+ பேராயர் அந்தோன் பாப்டொம்

## HAPPY FEAST

*The Archbishop & the Archdiocesan Priests wish the following religious congregations, serving in our Archdiocese, a blessed Feast Day.*

<b>Order of Friars Minor (OFM)</b>	<b>- 4<sup>th</sup> October</b>
<b>Order of Friar Minor Capuchins (OFM- Cap)</b>	<b>- 4<sup>th</sup> October</b>
<b>Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi (SFA)</b>	<b>- 4<sup>th</sup> October</b>
<b>Franciscan Sisters of St. Joseph (FSJ)</b>	<b>- 4<sup>th</sup> October</b>
<b>Franciscan Missionaries of Mary (FMM)</b>	<b>- 4<sup>th</sup> October</b>
<b>Franciscan of St. Mary of the Angels (FSMA)</b>	<b>- 4<sup>th</sup> October</b>
<b>Franciscan Sisters of the Destitute (FSD)</b>	<b>- 4<sup>th</sup> October</b>
<b>Sisters of St. Francis of Assisi (OSF)</b>	<b>- 4<sup>th</sup> October</b>
<b>Claretian Missionaries (CMF)</b>	<b>- 24<sup>th</sup> October</b>
<b>Servants of Charity (SDC)</b>	<b>- 24<sup>th</sup> October</b>

# PLEASE NOTE

## Haappy Birthday your Grace!

DNL wishes a very Happy Birthday to His Grace Most. Rev. Antony Pappusamy on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023. As he thankfully completes his 74 years, may the sovereign Lord shower upon him the choicest blessing from above in the years to come.

## Bishop Elect Dr. Lourdu Anandam

DNL joyfully congratulates Rev. Dr. L. Anandam, the Vicar Forane of Madurai South, the Parish Priest of Holy Rosary Church and the Episcopal Vicar for Religious of the Archdiocese of Madurai, who has been announced as the 3<sup>rd</sup> bishop of Sivagangai Diocese. The Episcopal Consecration and Canonical possession of the diocese will be on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2023, on the Solemnity of Christ the King (his biodata is given in this issue).

## Archbishop's House Feast

DNL wishes all the members of the Archbishop's House a Happy feast day on 1<sup>st</sup> October 2023, on the Feast of St. Therese of Lisieux, the patron saint of Archbishop's House.

## Annual Pilgrimage 2023

As it is the tradition of the Archdiocese to make our Annual Pilgrimage to the **Shrine of the Martyr, St. John De Britto, Oriyur** on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of October every year. This year also we have planned to make it on that day (Monday). The Prayer service will start at 9.30 am followed by Adoration, Solemn Eucharistic Concelebration and felicitation to our Archbishop. The Parish Priests are to encourage their faithful to participate in good number.

## Month of Rosary

The month of October is dedicated to recite the rosary and to come closer to Mother Mary with our fervent prayers. Parish Priests and Heads of the institutions are to motivate their faithful to offer daily Rosaries especially for the well being of our Archbishop, the Archdiocese and world peace.

## Mission Sunday

This year the Mission Sunday falls on 22<sup>nd</sup> October 2023. It is the Pontifical Mission Societies that Contributes to the most of the Major projects in our Archdiocese. It is our turn to show our gratitude and to participate in their ministry of helping the poor all around the world. Hence, kindly announce it to the people well in advance and motivate them to procure a good collection for Mission Sunday and remit it to the procurator's office as early as possible.

## Project Meeting

The Vicars Forane are invited to discuss with their Vicariate Priests on allowing the projects for Holy Childhood and Propagation of Faith. You can collect the respective forms from Mr. Ruban from the Archdiocesan Office. The last date to submit the filled in project applications is on 31<sup>st</sup> October 2023. Please prepare 4 copies of the project.

Those who have already received the projects are expected to submit their completion / on going reports with proper bills and vouchers on or before 15<sup>th</sup> October 2023.

- Archbishop's Secretary

## Gratitude

The Archdiocese expresses its deep sentiments of gratitude to Rev. Fr. Stephen Thachil CMI, the retreat preacher and his team from Sogathoor, Dharmapuri for having given the spiritual renewal to the Archdiocesan Clergy last month and to Rev. Fr. Immanuel, the director of Pillar and his staff for their food and accommodation services.

## Congratulations

To **Rev. Fr. Muthu**, the Vicar Forane & Parish Priest of Theni for the Construction of Archbishop Antony shopping Complex at Andipatti. His Grace blessed the building on 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2023

To the Principals, Staff and Students of **De Nobili Matric. Hr. Sec. School** for scoring the Kittu Trophy at the district level from the Madurai District Foot Ball Association.





DNL expresses hearty condolences to **Rev. Fr. Thomas Edison** the Parish Priest of Aruppukottai, on the sad demise of his beloved father **Mr. Joseph** (72) on 04<sup>th</sup> September 2023. The funeral services were officiated by Msgr. Jerom Eronimus, the Vicar General, on the same day 4.00pm at Murugathuranpatti.

DNL stands together with **Rev. Fr. Y. Jeyaseelan**, who is in United States, on the great loss of his beloved elder brother **Mr. Y. Arockiam** (65) on 26<sup>th</sup> September 2023 consoling him and the bereaved family. The funeral services were officiated by Msgr. Jerom Eronimus, the Vicar General, on 27<sup>th</sup> September 11.00 am at Perumalmalai.

## பல்சமய உரையாடல் பணிக்குழு

மதுரை மறைவட்ட பள்ளிகளில் பல்சமய மாணவ இயக்க வகுப்புக்கள் நடைபெற்றன. பணிக்குழு உறுப்பினர்கள், பணியாளர்கள் கலந்துகொண்டு வகுப்புகள் எடுத்தனர். ஒத்துழைப்பு நல்கிய தலைமையாசிரியர் மற்றும் வழிகாட்டி ஆசிரியர்களுக்கு நன்றிகள். 23.09.2023 அன்று பணிக்குழு உறுப்பினர்களுக்கான கூட்டம் நடைபெற்றது. கூட்டத்தில் பணிக்குழுவின் பணிகள், எதிர்காலத் திட்டம் ஆகியவை பற்றி கலந்துரையாடப்பட்டது. மதுரை வடக்கு, தெற்கு மறைவட்ட பள்ளிகளில் சிறப்பாக வகுப்புகள் நடத்திய பணிக்குழு உறுப்பினர்களுக்கு பாராட்டுக்களும், வாழ்த்துக்களும்.

### எதிர்காலத் திட்டம்

- சமய நல்லிணக்க விழாக்கள் கொண்டாடுவது; தீபாவளி, பொங்கல், ஒன்றிப்பு கிறிஸ்மஸ் விழா
- பள்ளியில் இயக்க வகுப்புகள் பற்றிய மாதிரி கையேடு தயார் செய்தல்
- பள்ளி தலைமையாசிரியர்கள், வழிகாட்டி ஆசிரியர்களுக்கு ஆயர் தலைமையில் சிறப்புக் கூட்டம்
- பங்கு அளவில் பல்சமய நல்லிணக்க குழுக்கள் அமைக்க பங்குதந்தையர்களுடன் இணைந்து திட்டமிடல்
- வத்தலகுண்டு, கொடைக்கானல், விருதுநகர், திருவில்லிபுத்தூர் மற்றும் தேனி மறைவட்டங்களில் அக்டோபர் மாதம் வகுப்புக்கள் நடத்துவது
- சமயத் தலைவர்கள் மற்றும் காந்தி, ஜார்ஜ் ஜோசப் போன்றவர்களின் நினைவு நாட்களுக்கு முக்கியத்துவம் கொடுக்க மாணவர்களுக்கு நினைவுபடுத்த வேண்டும்.
- இயக்க மாணவ மாணவியர்களுக்கு குளிர்கால பாசறை நடத்த திட்டமிடப்பட்டுள்ளது.

- செயலர்

## மதுரை பல்நோக்கு சமூக சேவா சங்கம்

29.08.2023 அன்று மதுரை பல்நோக்கு சமூக சேவா சங்கத்தின் கோல்பிங் அமைப்பும் பெரியகுளம் ஜெயராஜ் அன்னபாக்கியம் கல்லூரியும் இணைந்து “இணைந்து கரம் கோர்ப்போம் இயற்கையை பாதுகாப்போம்” என்ற கருப்பொருளில் கருத்தமர்வை நடத்தினர். பின்னர் கல்லூரி வளாகத்தில் இருந்து விழிப்புணர்வு பேரணியும் நடைபெற்றது. சங்கத்தின் துணைச் செயலர் அருட்தந்தை ராஜன் வரவேற்புரை வழங்கினார். பெரியகுளம் பங்குதந்தை பீட்டர் சகாயராஜ், தலைமை அருட்சகோதரி முனைவர் குயின்ஸ்ஸி ஜெயந்தி, தாமரைகுளம் பேரூராட்சி தலைவர் பால்பாண்டி ஆகியோர் பங்கேற்று சிறப்பு சேர்த்தனர். பெரியகுளம் சட்டமன்ற உறுப்பினர் மாண்புமிகு சரவணகுமார், ஜெயராஜ் அன்னபாக்கியம் கலை அறிவியல் பெண்கள் கல்லூரியின் முதல்வர் அருட்சகோதரி முனைவர் ஜேசுராணி அவர்களும் வாழ்த்துரை வழங்கினார்கள். சுற்றுச்சூழல் ஆர்வலர் கிரீன் போஸ் கருத்துரை வழங்கினார். சங்கத்தின் கோல்பிங் திட்ட ஒருங்கிணைப்பாளர் எலியாஸ் ராஜா நன்றியுரை வழங்கினார். பேரணியின் நிறைவில் மரக்கன்றுகள் நடப்பட்டன.

05.09.2023 அன்று மதுரை பல்நோக்கு சமூக சேவா சங்கத்தின் அருப்புக்கோட்டை வட்டாரத்தில் காலை 11:30 மணிக்கு கல்குறிச்சி அரசு உயர்நிலைப் பள்ளியில் ஆசிரியர் தினம் கொண்டாடப்பட்டது. ஆசிரியர் பணி வெறும் தொழிலாக பார்க்காமல், சேவையாக பணியாற்றியவர் டாக்டர் ராதாகிருஷ்ணன் என்றும், நாகரிகமான நடத்தையும், நல்ல பழக்க வழக்கங்களையும் கொண்ட பண்பான மக்களை உருவாக்குவதே கல்வியின் நோக்கம் என்று இந்நாளின் நோக்கத்தை கூறி விழாவினை தொடங்கி வைத்தார் வட்டார ஒருங்கிணைப்பாளர் திருமிகு பொருட்செல்வி. ஆசிரியர் மாணவர் உறவு என்ற தலைப்பில் கருத்துக்கள் வாயிலாகவும், கவிதை, நடனம், பாடல், நாடகம் வழியாகவும் ஆசிரியர்களுக்கு தங்கள் நன்றியினை தெரிவித்தார்கள் மாணவ, மாணவிகள். நிகழ்ச்சியில் கலந்துகொண்ட மாணவ மாணவியர்களுக்கு பரிசு வழங்கப்பட்டது. ஆசிரியர்களுக்கு பொன்னாடை அணிவித்து மகிழ்ந்தனர்.

21.09.2023 அன்று மதுரை பல்நோக்கு சமூக சேவா சங்கத்தின் தேனி வட்டார அலுவலகத்தில் காலை 11:30 மணிக்கு உலக அமைதி தினம் கொண்டாடப்பட்டது. திருமிகு.ரோசரி விழிப்புணர்வு பாடல் பாட நிகழ்வு தொடங்கியது. தேனி வட்டார ஒருங்கிணைப்பாளர் திருமிகு.எஸ்தர் ராணி வரவேற்புரை வழங்கினார். தேனி மாவட்ட ஒருங்கிணைப்பாளர் திருமிகு. எலியாஸ் ராஜா சமத்துவம், சகோதரத்துவம், சமூக நீதி எங்கு உள்ளதோ அங்கே தான் உலக அமைதி இருக்கிறது என்று விழாவின் நோக்கத்தை தொடக்க உரையாக வழங்கினார். எழுத்தாளர் திருமிகு விசாகன் தற்போது நிலவி வரும் அரசியலையும் எதிர்வரும் அரசியலையும் பற்றி மக்களுக்கு விளக்கமளித்தார். சமுதாய செயல்பாட்டாளர் திருமிகு வடிவேல் உலக



அமைதிக்கு முக்கிய காரணம் பெண்களின் செயல்பாடுகள் என வாழ்த்துரை வழங்கினார். அருட்சகோதரர் மனது, குடும்பம், நாடு மூன்றும் ஒன்றுக்கொன்று தொடர்புடையது இதில் சீர்குலைவு ஏற்படும் போது அமைதி குறைகிறது என்று கருத்துரை வழங்கினார். சமூக செயல்பாட்டாளர் திருமிகு முகமது ஷபி சமாதானத்தின்

தூதர்கள் அதிகம் உருவாகும் போது அமைதி பாதுகாக்கப்படுகிறது என்று கருத்துரை வழங்கினார். திருமிகு.ரோசரி அனைவருக்கும் நன்றி கூற விழா இனிதே நிறைவடைந்தது.

25.09.2023 அன்று மதுரை பல்நோக்கு சமூக சேவா சங்கத்தின் வத்தலகுண்டு வட்டார அலுவலகத்தில் புற்றுநோய் விழிப்புணர்வு கூட்டம் காலை 11.00 மணிக்கு நடைபெற்றது. வட்டார ஒருங்கிணைப்பாளர் திருமிகு பாக்கியலட்சுமி வருகை புரிந்து அனைவரையும் வரவேற்றார். மாஸ் நிறுவனம் திருமிகு தமிழ்செல்வி மார்பக மற்றும் கர்ப்பப்பை புற்றுநோய் பெண்களுக்கு அதிகம் பரவுகிறது என்றும், பெண்கள் சுய பரிசோதனை மூலம் கண்டுபிடிக்கலாம் எனவும், அதற்கான அறிகுறிகள் தென்பட்டால் மருத்துவமனைக்கு சென்று சிகிச்சை பெற வேண்டும் என்று அறிவுறுத்தினார். மாவட்ட அலுவலர் திருமிகு பாண்டியராஜ், பாரத பிரதமர் உணவு பதப்படுத்தப்படும் திட்டத்தின் வழியாக சிறுதொழில் செய்ய வாய்ப்புகள் இருக்கிறது என்பதையும், திட்டத்தில் பயன்பெற தேவையான ஆவணங்கள் பற்றியும் விளக்கினார். அருட்சகோதரர்கள், தையல் பயிற்சி மாணவிகளிடம் குழுவின் செயல்பாடு பற்றி கலந்துரையாடினர். திருமிகு.ரோஸி சுயமாக வருமானம் ஈட்டும் அளவிற்கு தையல் பயிற்சி பயனுள்ள வகையில் அமைந்தது பற்றி தன் அனுபவங்களை பகிர்ந்து கொண்டார். திருமிகு. நாகலட்சுமி நன்றி கூற கூட்டம் இனிதே நிறைவடைந்தது.

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# கிறிஸ்தவ வாழ்வுப் பணிக்குழு

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இந்த ஆண்டு நமது கிறிஸ்தவ வாழ்வுப் பணிக்குழுவானது, “மறையை அறிவோம், இறையில் இணைவோம்” என்ற மைய சிந்தனையில், நமது பங்குகளிலும், பள்ளிகளிலும் மறைக்கல்வியை இன்னும் ஊக்குவிக்கும் வகையில், மறைக்கல்வி சம்பந்தமான ஒருசில செயல்பாடுகளை முன்னெடுத்துள்ளோம். பங்குத்தந்தையர்கள் எங்களுக்கு ஒத்துழைப்பும், அதே நேரத்தில், தங்கள் பங்குகளிலிருந்து மறைக்கல்வி ஆசிரியர்கள் மற்றும் மாணவ மாணவியர்களை கீழ்க்காணும் நிகழ்வுகளில் பங்கேற்புச் செய்ய உற்சாகப்படுத்த தங்களை அன்போடு கேட்டுக்கொள்கின்றேன்.

- ☞ நமது இந்த ஆண்டு தியானத்தின் இறுதியில் அறிவிக்கப்பட்டது போல, நமது மறைமாவட்டம் முழுவதும், அனைத்து பங்குகளிலும் ஞாயிறு மறைக்கல்வி பயிற்றுவிக்கும் ஆசிரியர்களுக்கும், பங்கேற்கும் குழந்தைகளுக்கும், ஒரே மாதிரியான ஞாயிறு மறைக்கல்வி கையேடானது வழங்கப்பட உள்ளது. பங்குத்தந்தையர்கள் தங்கள் பங்குகளில் உள்ள ஞாயிறு மறைக்கல்வி குழந்தைகள் மற்றும் ஆசிரியர்களின் எண்ணிக்கையை வருகின்ற அக்டோபர் மாதம் 5-ஆம் தேதிக்குள் எனது அலைபேசி எண்ணிற்கு அனுப்பி வைக்கும்படி கேட்டுக்கொள்ளப்படுகிறீர்கள் (9487852854).
- ☞ மறைமாவட்ட ரீதியாக ஞாயிறு மறைக்கல்வி பயிற்றுவிக்கும் ஆசிரியர்களுக்கு அந்தந்த மறைமாவட்டங்களில் ஒருநாள் பயிற்சி பாசறையானது நடைபெறும்.
- ☞ விவிலிய வினாடிவினாவிற்கான விடைத்தாளை வருகின்ற அக்டோபர் 10ஆம் தேதிக்குள் கிறிஸ்தவ வாழ்வு பணிக்குழு செயலகத்தில் ஒப்படைக்கும்படி கேட்டுக்கொள்ளப்படுகிறீர்கள். அக்டோபர் 10ஆம் தேதிக்கு பிறகு வரும் விடைத்தாள்கள் எதுவும் ஏற்றுக்கொள்ளப்படாது.
- ☞ வருகின்ற நவம்பர் மாதத்தின் முதல் ஞாயிறானது (05.11.2023) மறைக்கல்வி ஞாயிறாக கொண்டாடப்படும். இதற்கு தேவையான சுவரொட்டிகள், திருவழிபாட்டு கையேடு மற்றும் பேராயரின் சுற்றுமடலானது தங்களுக்கு அனுப்பி வைக்கப்படும். பங்குத்தந்தையர்கள் தங்கள் மறைக்கல்வி குழந்தைகளை, இந்த மறைக்கல்வி ஞாயிறை சிறப்பாக கொண்டாட போட்டிகள் மற்றும் கலைநிகழ்ச்சிகளை நடத்தி, சிறப்பு செய்ய உதவும்படி தங்களை அன்போடு கேட்டுக்கொள்கின்றேன்.

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It was easy to love God in all that was beautiful. The lessons of deeper knowledge, though, instructed me to embrace God in all things.

St. Francis of Assisi  
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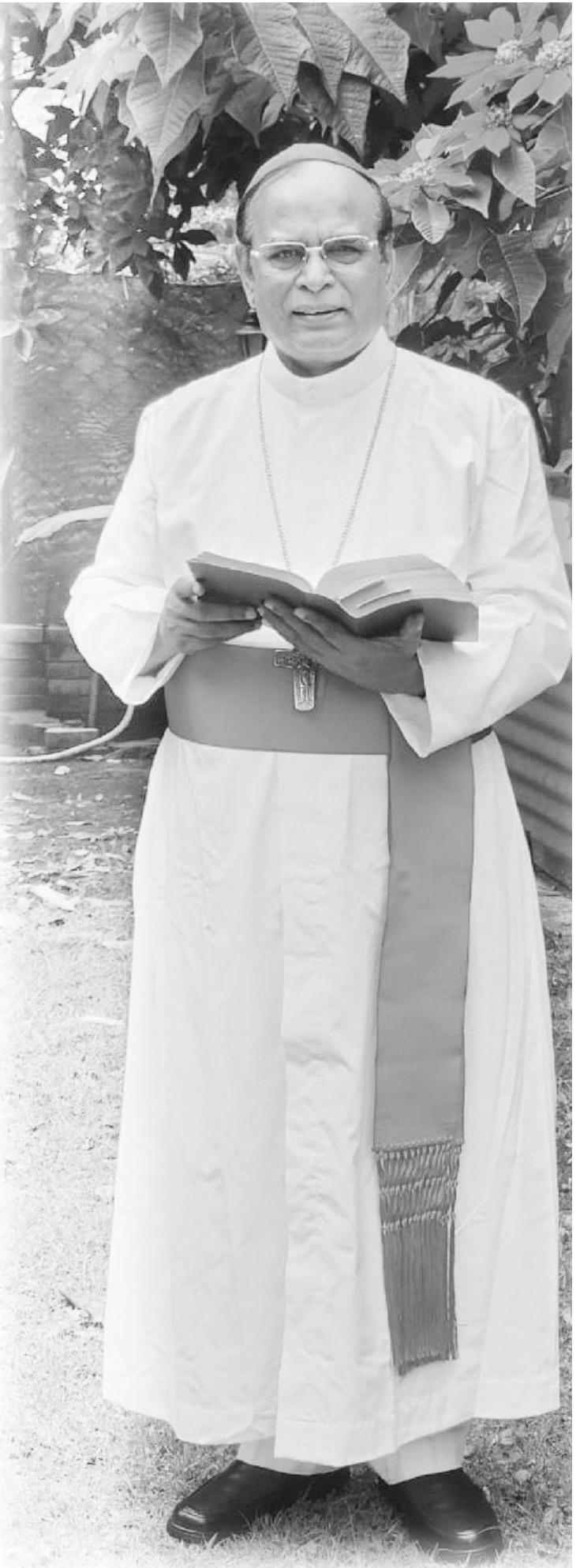
## **Institutes taught in the past**

1. The University of Madras,  
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2. The Jesuit Theologate  
Arulkadal, Chennai.
3. St. Joseph's Major Seminary,  
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4. Marian Institute, Vailankanni.

## **Other Portfolios**

1. President, Tamilnadu  
Systematic Theologians' Forum
2. Professor, MMI Seminary,  
Palanchur, Chennai.
3. Professor, Francesco, Capuchin  
Theologate, Trichy.
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Seminary, Bhopal.
6. Research Director,  
St. Joseph's University,  
Dimmapur, Nagaland.
7. Publisher, Nobili Publications,  
Madurai.
8. Editorial Board member,  
Catholic News Update Asia.
9. Ecclesiastical Counsellor,  
Society of the Holy Spirit.

He has also authored and compiled many books, both in Tamil and English; published good number of articles in International magazines and he has also published audio cassettes and CDs. May his contributions continue and flourish in his episcopate.





நல்லாயுதின்  
வெடவாழ்வுச்  
சுவருகள்

You who would accomplish little must sacrifice little;  
you who would achieve must sacrifice much;  
you who attain highly must sacrifice greatly.

- James Allen

What Allen says is true from the history that the one who wants to achieve higher ends must sacrifice greatly, even be ready to sacrifice their own lives. It was not the great leaders such as Martin Luther and Mahathma Gandhi who sacrificed, but every mother who feeds her child her blood, every father who laboured for his family also do great sacrifices. Following the paths of his master Jesus Christ, His Grace, the achiever of great changes, growth and developments both in Dindigul and Madurai dioceses is no exception from this. He lives like a father, loves like a mother but had sacrificed greatly as a saint for the Church. Let us read the experiences of the shareholders of his love.

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**Fr. A. Samson Arockiadass**

Diocese of Dindigul

**Celebrating a Shepherd's Journey**

When I sit to write this felicitation my mind goes down the memory lane to 4 February 1999, when from St. Peter's College, Viraganur, we were sent to attend the Episcopal Consecration of Msgr. Antony Pappusamy, Auxiliary Bishop-Elect of the Archdiocese of Madurai. Seeing the young Msgr. in purple baretta was a great sight. He walked into Saint Mary's Cathedral casting a warm smile on the onlookers. Two weeks later at the Board Meeting I and my companion, Yesu, had the privilege of welcoming the Auxiliary Bishop and leading him to his room. On our way he asked our names. Next day, after the meeting he called us by names. His memory for remembering names struck me. Our formator Rev. Fr. Amalraj of Trichy used to share in our comprehension classes about this new Auxiliary Bishop of Madurai, who would call everyone by his name. Calling someone by one's name shows that we care for the person's identity, dignity, and esteem.

Later, when I was in the Major Seminary, during the bifurcation of the Diocese of Dindigul, I was asked to join the Diocese of Dindigul. As a major seminarian, I admired his recognition of talents in human persons. He would approach everyone as a father who cares, sustains, and provides for. I had the privilege of being ordained by the Archbishop Antony Pappusamy. He identified young talents and empowered them so that they are more focused on their mission.

Peter Thiel along with Blake Masters writes a book titled as, "Zero to One." The book is a primer on start-ups and young entrepreneurs. He identifies three types of persons in the world: (a) from one to two: these types of persons take some people's achievement and build on them; (b) from two to one: these types of people, instead of developing further, takes the institution backward; and (c) from zero to one: these types of people are the game-changers; they begin something new, extraordinary, and brilliant.

Our First Bishop of Dindigul is the person who moved the Diocese from 'zero to one.' He began everything new, extraordinary and brilliant. His first residence, as Bishop, was a corridor of the presbytery, modified into room. People of Dindigul hailed him as 'namma bishop.' He was owned by the people, because he owned the people as his own. This was possible

only because he felt that he was owned by God. He pays visit to the Blessed Sacrament early in morning and at the end of every meals.

He has put up a new bishop's house in the diocese. At the inauguration of the bishop's house our First Bishop was filled with tears, marvelling at the providence of God. He said at the inaugural Mass, 'this is your father's house; and your father's house is your house.' His journey had a new turn. Our First Bishop was elevated as the Archbishop of Madurai. He has returned to the place where he began his episcopal ministry. But, his heart always beats for his first child in spirit, the Diocese of Dindigul. During his tenure as the President of the Tamil Nadu Bishops' Council, I initiated my service as the Secretary to the Commission for BCs and MBCs.

As the Auxiliary Bishop of Madurai he inspired me with his simplicity, as the First Bishop of Dindigul he groomed me in priestly ministry, appointed me as the Associate Director of DMSSS trusting in my ability, and now as the Archbishop of Madurai he continues to encourage me. Archbishop Antony Pappusamy is a person of integrity, compassion, and commitment. The priests and the lay faithful of the Diocese of Dindigul would admire his qualities and are inspired by his humility, compassion, dedication, wisdom, courage, and empathy. As I felicitate him on his episcopal silver jubilee, I implore his blessings and prayers.

On this special occasion, Your Grace, we extend our heartfelt felicitations to you. Your unwavering dedication to the Church and your tireless efforts in guiding and shepherding the faithful has become sources of inspiration to all of us. Your Grace, may your ministry be abundantly blessed, and may you continue to be a beacon of faith, hope, and love to all who are privileged to know you. As we remember these milestones in your journey, please know that our prayers and support are with you.

**Fr. Parish Priest, Alter Boys & Girls**  
Marianus Nagar

Your Grace! We, your children are immensely happy to felicitate you on your Grace-filled Episcopal Silver Jubilee Celebration.

It was 1<sup>st</sup> October 1949, the angels realised that God was going to perform a great miracle. They anxiously waited to see what was going to

happen. They even had an argument among them on that issue. Some said that God was going to create a new star, or planet or the eighth wonder of the world. Definitely not. It was the birthday of a beautiful and charming baby. That was none other than our beloved Archbishop Antony Pappusamy the living saint our of Archdiocese. Gratitude to God fills our hearts and minds as we celebrate 25<sup>th</sup> year of the Episcopal Consecration of our great shepherd.

### **Early Life and Education**

Our Beloved Archbishop was born on 1st October 1949 in Marambadi, in the diocese of Dindigul. His father is Mr. Pappusamy who was serving in the Indian Army and mother Mrs. Arockiammal, a simple and loving home maker. They were very pious parents. Archbishop completed his high school education from R.C. Higher Secondary School, Trichy and also did the Courses on Latin and Initiation from St. Peter's Seminary, Madurai. He completed his graduation from St Joseph's College, Tiruchirappalli. He completed his studies in Theology and Philosophy from St. Paul's Seminary, Trichy. He holds a doctorate from the Pontifical Lateran University and has acquired a Diploma in Spirituality from Pontifical University of Saint Thomas Aquina, Italy.

### **Our Beloved Archbishop is a man of poor**

He leads a simple and humble life like Jesus. His heart and mind would always draw towards the needy and the most vulnerable of the society. He extends his helping hands towards education and the upliftment of the poor children and medical assistance to the most deserving people. That is why he is called "Makkal Perayar and Manithaneya Perayar". This shepherd knows the sheep. This shepherd knows the smell of the sheep.

### **Our Archbishop Trusts God for everything**

Like any other saints our Archbishop could also say proudly that God is his everything. Almighty gives strengths to carry out His plan on earth through him. Our Archbishop spends quality time in front of the Blessed Sacrament. He draws energy from the Eucharist, the source and summit of Christian life and ministry. He travels across the diocese everyday to serve the people. 365 days of the year and 24 hours of the day he thinks of people and the Church.



## **Our Archbishop is the Friend of Priests and Religious**

With Fatherly care and Motherly love, he embraces them. He consoles them by listening to them patiently, encourages them to be more effective and enables them to be more productive. He is a model for them to be more energetic. He inspires them to have passion for God and compassion for people.

### **He stands for truth and justice**

Yes, he is not afraid of anybody. He takes courageous steps wherever and whenever it is needed. Especially, when the government oppress people, he stands for justice and peace. He organises gatherings to show his solidarity with the suffering humanity.

### **He is a Perfect Model**

He has obtained the qualities of a great leader. His simplicity, humility speaks volumes. His endurance and patience have no limits. Enormous are his kindness and compassion. He is very good in planning and implementing. His systematic way of doing is marvellous. He has a broad vision for the future of the diocese. His life shows that he is a real follower of Christ.

### **He is a man of God**

Through his Blessed hand he has baptised many, gave Christ's body and blood to many, many received confirmation, many marriages were blessed, great number of priests were ordained. Many received last sacrament. How blessed he is!

Your Grace, your every step leaves behind a legacy for us. You are a great treasure of our Church, especially the Church in Tamil Nadu. Every year of your life is a mile stone. We are very proud of you. We bow before you, a God's representative. We wish you a good health, happy life, peaceful mind. Bless us your children so that we grow in abundance of God's blessings and love.

### **Ongoing Formation Program**

St. Peter's Pontifical Seminary, Bengaluru organises an Ongoing Formation Program for the diocesan priests belonging to the age group of 50-65 years, on October 24-26, 2023. Non Alumni can also participate. Registration and accomodation fee only Rs. 2,000/-. Total number of participants 75 only, hence register earlier.

Contact: 7829339362 / 9787623444 / 8884391720.

Email: [stpeterongoingformation@gmail.com](mailto:stpeterongoingformation@gmail.com)

**MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS  
FOR WORLD MISSION DAY 2023**

**Hearts on fire, feet on the move (cf. Lk 24:13-35)**

Dear brothers and sisters!

For this year's World Mission Sunday, I have chosen a theme inspired by the story of the disciples on the way to Emmaus, in the Gospel of Luke (cf. 24:13-35): "Hearts on fire, feet on the move". Those two disciples were confused and dismayed, but their encounter with Christ in the word and in the breaking of the bread sparked in them the enthusiastic desire to set out again towards Jerusalem and proclaim that the Lord had truly risen. In the Gospel account, we perceive this change in the disciples through a few revealing images: their hearts burned within them as they heard the Scriptures explained by Jesus, their eyes were opened as they recognized him and, ultimately, their feet set out on the way. By meditating on these three images, which reflect the journey of all missionary disciples, we can renew our zeal for evangelization in today's world.

1. Our hearts burned within us "when he explained the Scriptures to us". In missionary activity, the word of God illumines and transforms hearts. On the road from Jerusalem to Emmaus, the hearts of the two disciples were downcast, as shown by their dejected faces, because of the death of Jesus, in whom they had believed (cf. v. 17). Faced with the failure of the crucified Master, their hopes that he was the Messiah collapsed (cf. v. 21). Then, "as they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them" (v. 15). As when he first called the disciples, so now, amid their bewilderment, the Lord takes the initiative; he approaches them and walks alongside them. So too, in his great mercy, he never tires of being with us, despite all our failings, doubts, weaknesses, and the dismay and pessimism that make us become "foolish and slow of heart" (v. 25), men and women of little faith.

Today, as then, the Risen Lord remains close to his missionary disciples and walks beside them, particularly when they feel disoriented, discouraged, fearful of the mystery of iniquity that surrounds them and seeks to overwhelm them. So, "let us not allow ourselves to be robbed of hope!" (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 86). The Lord is greater than all our problems, above all if we encounter them in our mission of proclaiming the Gospel to the world. For in the end, this mission is his and we are nothing more than his humble co-workers, "useless servants" (cf. Lk 17:10).

I desire to express my closeness in Christ to all the men and women missionaries in the world, especially to those enduring any kind of hardship. Dear friends, the Risen Lord is always with you. He sees your generosity and the sacrifices you are making for the mission of evangelization in distant lands. Not every day of our lives is serene and unclouded, but let us never forget the words of the Lord Jesus to his friends before his Passion: "In the world you will have tribulations, but be courageous: I have conquered the world!" (Jn 16:33).

After listening to the two disciples on the road to Emmaus, the risen Jesus, “beginning with Moses and all the prophets, explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself” (Lk 24:27). The hearts of the disciples thrilled, as they later confided to each other: “Were not our hearts burning within us while he spoke to us on the way and opened the Scriptures to us?” (v. 32). Jesus is himself the living Word, who alone can make our hearts burn within us, as he enlightens and transforms them.

In this way, we can better understand Saint Jerome’s dictum that “ignorance of the Scriptures is ignorance of Christ” (Commentary on Isaiah, Prologue). “Without the Lord to introduce us, it is impossible to understand sacred Scripture in depth; yet the opposite is equally true: without sacred Scripture, the events of Jesus’ mission and of his Church in the world remain indecipherable” (*Aperuit Illis*, 1). It follows that knowledge of Scripture is important for the Christian life, and even more so for the preaching of Christ and his Gospel. Otherwise, what are you passing on to others if not your own ideas and projects? A cold heart can never make other hearts burn!

So let us always be willing to let ourselves be accompanied by the Risen Lord as he explains to us the meaning of the Scriptures. May he make our hearts burn within us; may he enlighten and transform us, so that we can proclaim his mystery of salvation to the world with the power and wisdom that come from his Spirit.

2. Our eyes were “opened and recognized him” in the breaking of the bread. Jesus in the Eucharist is the source and summit of the mission.

The fact that their hearts burned for the word of God prompted the disciples of Emmaus to ask the mysterious Wayfarer to stay with them as evening drew near. When they gathered around the table, their eyes were opened and they recognized him when he broke the bread. The decisive element that opened the eyes of the disciples was the sequence of actions performed by Jesus: he took the bread, blessed it, broke it and gave it to them. Those were the usual gestures of the head of a Jewish household, but, performed by Jesus Christ with the grace of the Holy Spirit, they renewed for his two table companions the sign of the multiplication of the loaves and above all that of the Eucharist, the sacrament of the sacrifice of the cross. Yet at the very moment when they recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread, “he vanished from their sight” (Lk 24:31). Here we can recognize an essential reality of our faith: Christ, who breaks the bread, now becomes the bread broken, shared with the disciples and consumed by them. He is seen no longer, for now he has entered the hearts of the disciples, to make them burn all the more, and this prompts them to set out immediately to share with everyone their unique experience of meeting the Risen Lord. The risen Christ, then, is both the one who breaks the bread and, at the same time, the bread itself, broken for us. It follows that every missionary disciple is called to become, like Jesus and in him,

through the working of the Holy Spirit, one who breaks the bread and one who is broken bread for the world.

Here it should be remembered that breaking our material bread with the hungry in the name of Christ is already a work of Christian mission. How much more so is the breaking of the Eucharistic bread, which is Christ himself, a work of mission par excellence, since the Eucharist is the source and summit of the life and mission of the Church.

As Pope Benedict XVI pointed out: “We cannot keep to ourselves the love we celebrate in the Sacrament [of the Eucharist]. By its very nature, it asks to be communicated to everyone. What the world needs is the love of God, to encounter Christ and believe in him. For this reason the Eucharist is not only the source and summit of the life of the Church; it is also the source and summit of her mission: ‘An authentically Eucharistic Church is a missionary Church’” (*Sacramentum Caritatis*, 84).

In order to bear fruit we must remain united to Jesus (cf. Jn 15:4-9). This union is achieved through daily prayer, particularly in Eucharistic adoration, as we remain in silence in the presence of the Lord, who remains with us in the Blessed Sacrament. By lovingly cultivating this communion with Christ, the missionary disciple can become a mystic in action. May our hearts always yearn for the company of Jesus, echoing the ardent plea of the two disciples of Emmaus, especially in the evening hours: “Stay with us, Lord!” (cf. Lk 24:29).

3. Our feet set out on the way, with the joy of telling others about the Risen Christ. The eternal youth of a Church that is always going forth. After their eyes were opened and they recognized Jesus “in the breaking of the bread”, the disciples “set out without delay and returned to Jerusalem” (cf. Lk 24:33). This setting out in haste, to share with others the joy of meeting the Lord, demonstrates that “the joy of the Gospel fills the heart and the whole life of those who meet Jesus. Those who allow themselves to be saved by him are freed from sin, from sadness, from inner emptiness, from isolation. With Jesus Christ, joy is always born and reborn” (*Evangelii Gaudium*, 1). One cannot truly encounter the risen Jesus without being set on fire with enthusiasm to tell everyone about him. Therefore, the primary and principal resource of the mission are those persons who have come to know the risen Christ in the Scriptures and in the Eucharist, who carry his fire in their heart and his light in their gaze. They can bear witness to the life that never dies, even in the most difficult of situations and in the darkest of moments.

The image of “feet setting out” reminds us once more of the perennial validity of the *missio ad gentes*, the mission entrusted to the Church by the risen Lord to evangelize all individuals and peoples, even to the ends of the earth. Today more than ever, our human family, wounded by so many situations of injustice, so many divisions and wars, is in need of the Good News of peace and salvation in Christ. I take this opportunity to reiterate that “everyone has the right to receive the Gospel. Christians have the

duty to announce it without excluding anyone, not as one who imposes a new obligation, but as one who shares a joy, signals a beautiful horizon, offers a desirable banquet” (Evangelii Gaudium, 14). Missionary conversion remains the principal goal that we must set for ourselves as individuals and as a community, because “missionary outreach is paradigmatic for all the Church’s activity” (ibid., 15).

As the Apostle Paul confirms, the love of Christ captivates and impels us (cf. 2 Cor 5:14). This love is two-fold: the love of Christ for us, which calls forth, inspires and arouses our love for him. A love that makes the Church, in constantly setting out anew, ever young. For all her members are entrusted with the mission of proclaiming the Gospel of Christ, in the conviction that “he died for all, so that those who live should no longer live for themselves, but for him who died for them and was raised again” (v. 15). All of us can contribute to this missionary movement: with our prayers and activities, with material offerings and the offering of our sufferings, and with our personal witness. The Pontifical Mission Societies are the privileged means of fostering this missionary cooperation on both the spiritual and material levels. For this reason, the collection taken on World Mission Sunday is devoted to the Pontifical Society for the Propagation of the Faith.

The urgency of the Church’s missionary activity naturally calls for an ever closer missionary cooperation on the part of all her members and at every level. This is an essential goal of the synodal journey that the Church has undertaken, guided by the key words: communion, participation, mission. This journey is certainly not a turning of the Church in upon herself; nor is it a referendum about what we ought to believe and practice, nor a matter of human preferences. Rather, it is a process of setting out on the way and, like the disciples of Emmaus, listening to the risen Lord. For he always comes among us to explain the meaning of the Scriptures and to break bread for us, so that we can, by the power of the Holy Spirit, carry out his mission in the world.

Just as the two disciples of Emmaus told the others what had taken place along the way (cf. Lk 24:35), so too our proclamation will be a joyful telling of Christ the Lord, his life, his passion, his death and resurrection, and the wonders that his love has accomplished in our lives.

So let us set out once more, illumined by our encounter with the risen Lord and prompted by his Spirit. Let us set out again with burning hearts, with our eyes open and our feet in motion. Let us set out to make other hearts burn with the word of God, to open the eyes of others to Jesus in the Eucharist, and to invite everyone to walk together on the path of peace and salvation that God, in Christ, has bestowed upon all humanity.

Our Lady of the Way, Mother of Christ’s missionary disciples and Queen of Missions, pray for us!

Rome, Saint John Lateran, 6 January 2023, Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord.

- FRANCIS



# SPECIAL COLLECTIONS - 01.02.2023 - 25.09.2023

S. No.	Parish Name	Holy Childhood 12/02/23	Holy See 19/03/23	Hunger Disease 06/04/23	Good Friday 07/04/23	Vocation Sunday 30/04/23
1	A. Nathampatti					
2	Alankulam	500	500	3500	3000	300
3	Ammapatty	500	500	5000	5000	500
4	Anjal Nagar	2000	2000	78420	41110	1500
5	Anna Nagar	4000	4000			
6	Aruppukottai	800	800	11600	4400	800
7	Ayravathanallur	10000		50000	15000	
8	Bastin Nagar	16000	10000	115000	55000	5000
9	Batlagundu	21030	6040	52710	21400	6040
10	Bibikulam	5200	2100	50250	11150	2500
11	Bodinayakanur	500	500	6000	3000	500
12	Chinnamanur					
13	Cumbum	2000		20000	5000	
14	Devadanam	1500	1000		7860	
15	Ellis Nagar	9200	8200	71700	22600	9100
16	Gnanaolivupuram	21586	12170	140000	52000	12000
17	Hanumanthanpatty	2050	2100	44400	5400	2450
18	Holy Rosary Church	6,000	3000	30000	10000	2000
19	Iyyampalayam	600	600	9000	5000	600
20	K. Pudur	13750	7560	106480	100680	3460
21	Kadachanendal	2600	2100	41000	22000	
22	Kadamalaikundu			6000	4000	500
23	Kalladipatti	600	600	750	800	550
24	Kariapatty	1000	1000	4000	2000	1000
25	Karumathur	1720	750	3400	6100	600
26	Kavirayapuram	2300	1800	17130	15220	2200
27	Kottur	11320	2400	25000	4500	2030
28	Lourdupuram	600	500	2200	1300	300
29	Megamalai	200	200	300	300	
30	Mangalamkombu	500	500	5000	3500	500
31	M. Meenatchiapuram	1000	500	14500	3500	500
32	Mathankovilpatti					
33	Marianus Nagar	1000	1000	15000	5000	1000
34	Meenampatti	1500	1500	10000	5000	
35	Melur	3700	1150	56665	18881	1200

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37	Michaelpalayam	1000	1000	7500	4000	1000
38	Munjikkal	12000	500	80100	14800	2040
39	Murugathuranpatti	5347	1300	41267	5489	673
40	Nagamalai	35000	2000	98000	22000	2000
41	Nakkaneri	1000	500	14880	3296	
42	Nilakottai	500	300	20150	1000	500
43	Niraivazhvu Nagar (VNR)	2000	2000	10000	5000	1000
44	Othaiyal	1000	1000	7000	2000	
45	Packiapuram	2500	2000	50000	10000	2000
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47	Palanganatham	10500	9500	165000	40000	10100
48	Pandian Nagar	1100	1400	12176	5824	1400
49	Periyakulam	3000	4200	12000	9000	4000
50	Perumalmalai	500	500	14000	3000	500
51	R.R. Nagar	800	800	8500	2500	800
52	Railway Colony	1000	1000	12000	8000	1500
53	Rajapalayam	2000	2000	81450	14770	2000
54	Rayappanpatti	2200	2400	34000	38000	2800
55	Rayapuram	3040		4050	2060	
56	Samayanallur	12200	2500	61000	15000	
57	Sattur	500	500	6500	7300	1000
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59	Sengole Nagar					
60	Sempatti Mission			700	1600	
61	Silukkuvarpatty	7935	2242	16224	15620	2400
62	Sivakasi	8500	6300	51079	37617	8666
63	Srivilliputhur					
64	St. Mary's Cathedral	8000	4000	41000	37000	4000
65	Sundaranatchiapuram	14750	1000	9000	8000	1000
66	T. Sindalacherry	3000	1500	21800	13200	3000
67	T. Vadipatti Shrine	1000	1000	9000	20800	1000
68	Theni	3000	3000	3000	10000	3000
69	Thirumangalam	11251	3000	15000	11420	7684
70	Thirunagar	5100	4800	30400	24600	4950

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67	1500								
68									
69	5867	4035	9572						
70	5050	4850	4900						

## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS - 01.02.2023 - 25.09.2023

S. No.	Parish Name	Holy Childhood 12/02/23	Holy See 19/03/23	Hunger Disease 06/04/23	Good Friday 07/04/23	Vocation Sunday 30/04/23
71	Thiruthangal	5000	5000	30000	12000	3000
72	Thummuchinampatty	2100	500	3200	1500	500
73	Ugarthe Nagar	2000	1500	17550	17550	2000
74	Usilampatti	10302	1500	45301	8848	2100
75	Uthamapalayam	1500	1500	5000	5000	1500
76	Virudhunagar	12203	10432	128857	64917	11804
77	Vadapatti Mission					
78	W. Pudupatti	1000	1000	4000	3500	1000
79	Y. Othakadai	3760	1520	12827	16509	2560
	St. Pius X Seminary,Mdu			3066		
	<b>Total</b>	<b>348854</b>	<b>164344</b>	<b>2245996</b>	<b>1012673</b>	<b>155237</b>

### Mass Received From Parishes

Anna Nagar ( 500 Masses)	50,000.00
Palanganatham (350 Masses)	35,000.00
Fr. M. John Selva Manohar, USA	30,000.00
Rayappanpatti (130 Masses)	13,000.00

**Collection as on 26.09.2022**

**1,28,000.00**

### நொபிலி அருள்பணி மையம்

புதிய கட்டிடம் மலர்வதற்காக இதுவரை பெற்ற உதவிகள்

**Collection as on 25.09.2023**

**39,27,855.58**



### **குடும்ப நலவாழ்வுப்பணிக்குழு திருமண முன்தயாரிப்பு பயிற்சி வகுப்புகள்**

07,08.10.2023

நொபிலி அருள்பணி நிலையம்

சனி, ஞாயிறு

14,15.10.2023

உத்தமபாளையம்

சனி, ஞாயிறு

21,22.10.2023

நொபிலி அருள்பணி நிலையம்

சனி, ஞாயிறு

28,29.10.2023

விருதுநகர்

சனி, ஞாயிறு

அருள்பணி. எஸ். ஜேம்ஸ்பால்ராஜ்,செயலர்



## SPECIAL COLLECTIONS - 01.02.2023 - 25.09.2023

	St. Peter's Pence 02/07/23	Communi- cation Day 30/07/23	Prision Ministry 06/08/23	Bible Sunday 24/09/23	Mission Sunday 22/10/23	African Mission 05/11/23	Peter the Apostle 26/11/23	Opus 03/12/23	Communio India 10/12/23
71									
72			500						
73	1000	1000							
74									
75									
76									
77									
78	1500	1500	3000						
79	2238	1749	2013						
	<b>96340</b>	<b>96562</b>	<b>91455</b>	<b>23640</b>					

### **KANI (Seminarians Fund)**

**Opening Balance as on 25.08.2023** **13,04,706.72**

Fr. Parish Priest, Cumbum	20,000.00
Fr. Parish Priest, Virudhunagar	15,000.00
Fr. Rector & Parish Priest, T. Vadipatti	15,000.00
Er. Lawrence, Annai Construction P.Ltd. Annanagar	10,000.00
Sr. Superior, St. Mary of Leuca, Moondrumavadi	10,000.00
Fr. Parish Priest, Theni	10,000.00
Mr. A. John Sahaya Maria Raj, Madurai	10,000.00
Fr. Parish Priest, Anna Nagar	10,000.00
Mary Queen of Peace Province, Thirumangalam	5,000.00
Parishoners, Anna Nagar	2,000.00

**Closing Balance as on 25.09.2023**

**14,11,706.72**

Cash in Hand - Nil  
Cash at Bank - 14,11,706.72

**Total** **14,11,706.72**

## Church in India Inaugurates the Preparations for the Jubilee 2025 with the Release of the 35 Council Notebooks

The President of the CCBI stated that our Holy Mother Church is now heading towards the First Session of the Final Phase (Universal Phase) of the Synod for a Synodal Church 2021-2024. 'Pilgrims of Hope' is the motto of the celebrations of the ordinary Jubilee 2025. The purpose of the Jubilee 2025 is threefold: to celebrate Jesus, to celebrate the Church and to celebrate our faith. There are two years of preparation for the Jubilee 2025: (i) 2023 as Year of the Council (Year of Learning); (ii) 2024 as Year of Prayer. The Dicastery for Evangelization has brought out 35 booklets giving background information to the Second Vatican Council and to the Four Constitutions on the Word of God, the liturgy, the Church as the people of God, and the Church in the modern world. The Notebooks are translated into English for the world market and distributed by ATC Publishers India and published by the CCBI. The preparations and the celebrations of the Ordinary Jubilee 2025 are coordinated by Fr. Yesu Karunanidhi, in networking and collaboration with Communio, the Commission for Proclamation and the Commission for Theology and Doctrine.

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### Adoration Sunday

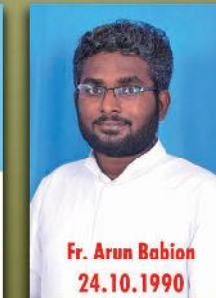
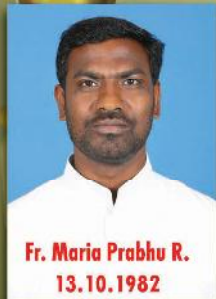
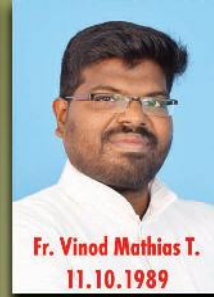
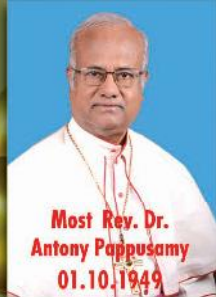
October				November	
01	Alangulam			05	Periakulam
08	Kavirayapuram			121	Nilakottai
15	Gnanaolivupuram			19	Samayanallur
22	T. Vadipatti			26	Aruppukottai
29	A. Nathampatty				

### Necrology

Fr. Alphonse N.P.	03.10.2006
Fr. Gnanapragasam D.	06.10.2017
Fr. Santiago G.	09.10.1969
Fr. Benedict Michael	10.10.1977
Fr. Maria Susai S.S.	15.10.1979
Fr. Michael T.A.	21.10.1981
Fr. Packiar G.	22.10.1992
Fr. Irudayam V.M.	23.10.2002
Fr. Antonysamy S.M.	24.10.1970
Fr. Francis Borgia	26.10.2020
Fr. Amalorpavam D.	28.10.1982
Fr. Rosario S.	30.10.2017



# Happy Birthday







Novena Mass at Annanagar



Thanksgiving Mass by Leuca Sisters



Blessing of Shops at Andipatti, Theni



Confirmation at Cumbum