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New Year Vigil Mass at Fatima Cathedral



Final Vows of Mary Mediatrix Sisters, Karunapuram



Golden Jubilee Celebrations of CSA sisters at Jangaon and Fatimanagar



Assesmnet of United Christmas & Christian unity Prayer at Ecclesia Gospel Ministry



K a p a r i V a n i
Holy Childhood turns 100
Children make a Difference

The Pontifical Society of the Holy Childhood or the Missionary Childhood Association is a world-wide organization made up of Catholic children: from baptism to teen years. Called by Baptism to share the gospel with others, we serve the Church world-wide through a distinct focus entirely on children. Dedicated to the idea of “children helping children,” an awareness of the universality of the Church and the call to witness our faith is enhanced through global education, prayer and support from children to children across the continents. These hundred years are filled with God’s special graces, which have been spread throughout the world by missionary children. At this historic milestone let us also recognize the relevance and value of this Society and its charism. Being Pontifical means serving the Pope and all missions, feeling like members of the Universal Church, experiencing this belonging while living in a Local Church like Warangal. The Pontifical Society is at the service of the local Churches. It’s an effective tool to awake in children a universal missionary awareness.



Children Encounter Jesus

Many children respond to the needs of other children simply because they are pushed by the love that Jesus, the Son of God, becoming a child, made present among us. The missionary nature of every Christian, and therefore of every child, is to reach out to others and share with them the good news. It begins with the encounter with Jesus. If Jesus becomes a friend with a special place in the child’s heart, then he or she will feel the need to share the joy of this encounter with others. The Holy Childhood aims to bring the children of the whole world® into communion with Jesus and through them, thus becoming missionary disciples through prayer, sacrifice and witness: Children pray for children, Children evangelizing children, Children helping children worldwide.

Missionary Day for Children

The Pontifical Mission Society of the Holy Childhood takes lead in providing awareness and preparations for the Missionary Day for children. The motto for Holy Childhood is “Children evangelizing fellow children and children helping children”. This celebration for children is also a demonstration of the Catholic Church in upholding, promoting and enforcing the fundamental principles of children’s rights.

Theme for Holy Childhood Day February 13, 2022

“*You will be my witnesses... to the ends of the earth*” (Acts 1:8). The theme this year is empowering children to take up the missionary role at a tender age. The Holy Father and the Catholic Church through animation of PMS, emphases three fundamental ways children can do missionary work: (a) Through Prayer: Prayer is the most important missionary activity or the very first pastoral action that helps in converting souls to Christ and transforming the world; (b) Through Services: daily services at home, at school, at Church and towards other people, especially the poor, the needy, the sick, the abandoned and other fellow children. As friends of Jesus, Children love to do faith-action and serve with passion; and (c) Through contributions or offering of money:

when children are taught to contribute money or material support towards a particular cause, they respond and do it with joy and concern for the one in need.

Children, Subjects for Jesus

Missionary Childhood Day is born with the purpose of having a specific day during the year in which children in all the countries of the world are involved in a special way. It is celebrated in different periods and forms, according to the calendar and the contexts, with the aim of educating them to the missionary spirit of attention towards other children, through prayer, offerings and sharing. The Society is based on the example of Christ who put children at the centre and seeks to take care of children so they learn from their tender age to share". Holy Childhood began in the mid-1800s by French Bishop Charles who, in order to face the tragic condition of the children of China, began to sensitize children in France, asking them for a prayer a day and a penny a month. It was something new. For centuries the child remained only the recipient of attentions; now he/she becomes subject, he/she who can give a contribution in first person. In this way we educate them to the missionary spirit, to be attentive to the needs of others. Today in many parts of the world, childhood is violated, abused, exploited. In addition to the crucial field of education, the Society intervenes in areas such as the protection of life like health care, nutrition, reception: "All to restore dignity to the lives of children".

Missionary Education

This organization facilitates to learn about children lives and struggles in different parts of the world. Missionaries serve the Church all over the world. MCA members will learn more about the work of missionaries sharing the love of God. They also will learn how they too, as baptized members of the Church, can serve as missionaries! No matter where we live, we can find many ways to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ! MCA members are given the opportunity year-round to offer sacrifices for other MCA members. Schools and parishes may offer their children collection boxes to be used during special times of the year. Institutions and individuals can hold creative fundraisers to collect money. Students might decide to give up a certain luxury so that the money can be shared. MCA members are encouraged to be creative with the way they support children in mission dioceses. This is an institution of the Church and so is led by the Holy Spirit. MCA members will be encouraged to pray daily and develop a strong relationship with God. They will learn the importance of praying for our brothers and sisters in countries all over the world. We are one family in mission.

Universal Vis-a-vis Local Church

Today the Catholic Church in mission territories, has primary schools, children's hospitals and many orphanages constructed and supported through offerings and collections from children. For children to do important missionary actions they must be given proper Christian (missionary) formation. Holy Childhood, on behalf of the Church and the Holy Father, provides this missionary formation during Catechism lessons along with Christian education. The Children in Warangal Diocese should be made aware, celebrate their vocation and become missionaries for other children all over the Globe.

Love You Children!!

II. Holy Father's Intention: for Religious Sisters and Consecrated Women

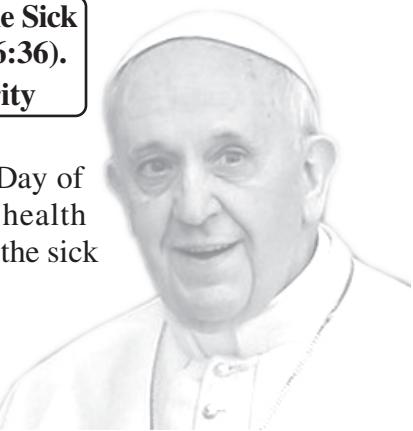
We pray for religious sisters and consecrated women; thanking them for their mission and their courage; may they continue to find new responses to the challenges of our times.

III. Message of the Holy Father: 30th World Day of the Sick “Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful” (Lk 6:36). Standing beside those who suffer on a path of charity

Dear brothers and sisters

Thirty years ago, Saint John Paul II instituted the World Day of the Sick to encourage the people of God, Catholic health institutions and civil society to be increasingly attentive to the sick and to those who care for them.

We are grateful to the Lord for the progress made over the years in the particular Churches worldwide. Many advances have been made, yet there is still a long way to go in ensuring that all the sick, also those living in places and situations of great poverty and marginalization, receive the health care they need, as well as the pastoral care that can help them experience their sickness in union with the crucified and risen Christ. May the Thirtieth World Day of the Sick – whose closing celebration, due to the pandemic, will not take place as planned in Arequipa, Peru, but in Saint Peter’s Basilica in the Vatican – help us grow in closeness and service to the sick and to their families.



1. Merciful like the Father

The theme chosen for this Thirtieth World Day of the Sick, “Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful” (Lk 6:36), makes us first turn our gaze towards God, who is “rich in mercy” (Eph 2:4); he always watches over his children with a father’s love, even when they turn away from him. Mercy is God’s name par excellence; mercy, understood not as an occasional sentimental feeling but as an ever-present and active force, expresses God’s very nature. It combines strength and tenderness. For this reason, we can say with wonder and gratitude that God’s mercy embraces both fatherhood and motherhood (cf. Is 49:15). God cares for us with the strength of a father and the tenderness of a mother; he unceasingly desires to give us new life in the Holy Spirit.

2. Jesus, the mercy of the Father

The supreme witness of the Father’s merciful love for the sick is his only-begotten Son. How often do the Gospels relate Jesus’ encounters with people suffering from various diseases! He “went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every infirmity among the people” (Mt 4:23). We do well to ask ourselves why Jesus showed such great concern for the sick, so much so that he made it paramount in the mission of the apostles, who were sent by the Master to proclaim the Gospel and to heal the sick (cf. Lk 9:2).

3. To touch the suffering flesh of Christ

Jesus' invitation to be merciful like the Father has particular significance for healthcare workers. I think of all those physicians, nurses, laboratory technicians, the support staff and the caretakers of the sick, as well as the numerous volunteers who donate their precious time to assist those who suffer. Dear healthcare workers, your service alongside the sick, carried out with love and competence, transcends the bounds of your profession and becomes a mission. Your hands, which touch the suffering flesh of Christ, can be a sign of the merciful hands of the Father. Be mindful of the great dignity of your profession, as well as the responsibility that it entails.

4. Centres of care as “houses of mercy”

The World Day of the Sick is also a good occasion to focus our attention on centres of care. Down the centuries, showing mercy to the sick led the Christian community to open innumerable “inns of the good Samaritan”, where love and care can be given to people with various kinds of sickness, especially those whose health needs are not being met due to poverty or social exclusion or to the difficulties associated with treating certain pathologies. In these situations, it is children, the elderly and those who are most frail who most often pay the price. Merciful like the Father, countless missionaries have combined the preaching of the Gospel with the construction of hospitals, dispensaries and care homes.

5. Pastoral mercy: presence and proximity

In the past thirty years, pastoral health care has also seen its indispensable service increasingly recognized. If the worst discrimination suffered by the poor – including the sick, who are poor in health – is the lack of spiritual attention, we cannot fail to offer them God’s closeness, his blessing and his word, as well as the celebration of the sacraments and the opportunity for a journey of growth and maturation in faith. In this regard, I would like to remind everyone that closeness to the sick and their pastoral care is not only the task of certain specifically designated ministers; visiting the sick is an invitation that Christ addresses to all his disciples. How many sick and elderly people are living at home and waiting for a visit! The ministry of consolation is a task for every baptized person, mindful of the word of Jesus: “I was sick and you visited me”

(Mt 25:36).

Dear brothers and sisters, to the intercession of Mary, Health of the Infirm, I entrust all the sick and their families. United with Christ, who bears the pain of the world, may they find meaning, consolation and trust. I pray for healthcare workers everywhere, that, rich in mercy, they may offer patients, together with suitable care, their fraternal closeness.

From the Vatican, 8 December 2021
FRANCISCUS

IV. PONTIFICAL MISSION ORGANIZATIONS - HOLY CHILDHOOD 2022

Ref. No.: PMO-023/2022

18th January 2022

Greetings of Peace and Joy from the Pontifical Mission Organizations, Bangalore.

The third wave with omicron variant is hitting many thousands every day and still is increasing, resulting in different types of restrictions in various regions which are affecting our day-to-day activities, especially causing more damage to the lives of ordinary and poor people. It is also hindering the normal religious and spiritual practices of the faithful, as well as the ministry that caters all.

Considering the current situation prevailing in the country and the restrictions placed in front of us, PMO exhorts your kind self for a safe and secure celebration of the Holy Childhood Sunday on 13th February 2022 wherever and however possible. Moreover, we could very well promote, encourage and support our children to follow the motto of the Holy Childhood:

Children evangelizing children,

Children praying for children, and

Children helping children worldwide

and so being a missionary disciple by their witnessing life; thus, continuing the missionary works in and through the children in our pastoral care.

As you have already received the Holy Childhood materials along with the Mission Sunday materials sent to your diocese as per your list of requirements, we request you to distribute the Holy Childhood materials to all parishes and other centres. PMO has also prepared a special liturgy (in English) for a more meaningful Eucharistic celebration on the Holy Childhood Sunday (attached herewith).

Thanking you in anticipation for all your support and collaboration for the mission of the Universal Church. Praying to the good Lord to protect us and ease the situation to breathe a fresh air that is virus free and healthy to all.

Seeking your prayers and blessings,

Fr. Ambrose Pitchaimuthu
National Director, PMO - India

V. Liturgy for the HOLY CHILDHOOD SUNDAY 2022

13th February 2022 (06th Sunday in Ordinary Time-Year C)

Introduction:

Today, the Church celebrates the Holy Childhood Sunday, in order to promote, encourage and support **Children Helping Children**. The theme for the year 2022 is '**Let us Share ...**' be reflected, not only today, but in every activity throughout our life. The motto of the Holy Childhood has been enriched to

CHILDREN EVANGELIZING CHILDREN,
CHILDREN PRAYING FOR CHILDREN,
and CHILDREN HELPING CHILDREN WORLDWIDE.

Through their behaviour and life's message, the missionary children are witnesses and an example for their peers and the whole community.

In this Eucharistic celebration, let us join together and pray for all the children. More importantly for those who influence the children directly or indirectly, to be a witness, like Parents, Family, Relatives, Friends, Teachers, Catechists, Animators, Religious, Priests, and others.

Let us also pray for those children who are victims of various evils that prevail in the world, which affect their growth and development - physically, intellectually, mentally, emotionally, socially and spiritually. In a special way let us also remember and pray for all the children who are dying without having received Baptism.

As Jesus teaches us the great values of life through the beatitudes, let us also make all the possible efforts to live the beatitudes, and especially teach them to our children.

Prayer of the Faithful:

Cel: Dear sisters, brothers and children in Christ, we learn the values of God's Kingdom from the Beatitudes. Let us ask God to strengthen us to follow them sincerely, and pray: **Lord hear our prayer.**

- 1 For the leaders of the Church, that they may live the values taught by Jesus and light up the lives of the faithful who are entrusted to their care. *Let us Pray to the Lord.*
- 2 For all the Children, that they understand the importance of helping, praying and evangelizing other children, and live a life of Missionary Children in their everyday activities. *Let us Pray to the Lord.*
- 3 For the Children to help other children monetarily and spiritually, by way of sharing what they have, with the spirit of solidarity and missionary charity of the work. *Let us Pray to the Lord.*

- 4 For all of us who are gathered in this Eucharistic assembly: Help us to live as the Beatitudes of Jesus, especially by being a witness to the children and help all of us to learn the values of God's Kingdom. *Let us pray to the Lord.*

- 5 For the children who are dying without receiving baptism, for the unwanted child before they are born, and for all the diseased, that they may enjoy the peace and joy in the company of saints in heaven. *Let us Pray to the Lord.*

Pray silently for our personal and community needs.

Cel: God our Father, you have blessed us with your words that teaches us to be your true witnesses. We ask you to bless all the children in a special way today, that they may be an example by their behaviour and life. We place all these prayers and petitions through Christ our Lord. Amen.

VI. World Day of Prayer for Consecrated Life

February 2, 2022

Congratulations and Prayers

In 1997, Pope Saint John Paul II instituted a day of prayer for women and men in consecrated life. This celebration is attached to the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on February 2nd. This Feast is also known as Candlemas Day; the day on which candles are blessed symbolizing Christ who is the light of the world. So too, those in consecrated life are called to reflect the light of Jesus Christ to all peoples. The celebration of World Day for Consecrated Life is transferred to the following Sunday in order to highlight the gift of consecrated persons for the whole Church. Moral social and Laity's apostolate problems, numerous and often dramatic, are calling as Institutes of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life into question.

Whatever, the Vows impel them to keep alive in the world and the way of life which Jesus, the supreme Consecrated One and missionary of the Father for the sake of his Kingdom, embraced and proposed to his disciples & quote; (*Vita Consecrata*, n. 22; cf. Mt 4:18.22; Mk 1:16-20; Lk 5:10:1; Jn 15:16). United to Christ in his consecration to the Father, they never cease to seek his face; we want to stay with him and, like the Samaritan woman of the Gospel, draw through him from the sources of living water, to quench their thirst with his word and rejoice in his presence.

We Congratulate all the Consecrated in the Diocese of Warangal and pray to the Lord 'for those consecrated to God by the vows of chastity, poverty and obedience that they may seek to live their baptismal promises more intensely and have the grace to persevere in their commitment to the Lord and serve with open hearts and willing spirits' by experiencing the support of the Church as they continue their growth in holiness and witness to Christ in Evangelization and Faith Formation especially in Warangal Diocese.

VII. DECREE: Prot No. 1118/21/1
- Relics of St. Lucy Filippini - Patron of Nuns Serving at Jammikunta

The APOSTOLIC PENITENTIARY, by virtue of the faculties granted to it in a very special way by our Holy Father Francis, in order to promote the holiness of the faithful and the good of souls, attentive to the request recently presented by the Rev. Sister Ascenza Tizzano, Superior General of the Institute of the Maestre Pie Filippini, on the occasion of the jubilee year of St. Lucy Filippini, founder of the aforementioned Institute, drawing on the spiritual treasure of the Church, willingly grants a plenary indulgence, which can be obtained under the usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic Communion and prayer according to the intentions of the Supreme Pontiff), by the Maestre Pie and the Christian faithful, truly repentant and animated by charity, from the 13th of January 2022, until the 13th of January 2023, and (grants) also that it can be applied in suffrage of the souls of the faithful who are in Purgatory, if on pilgrimage they visit and devoutly participate in the jubilee rites:

- the chapel of the Generalate in Rome,
- or the sanctuary of Montefiascone, where the venerated remains of St. Lucy Filippini are kept,
- or any chapel or church, which in any place concerns, is cared for, followed, or refers to the Institute of the Maestre Pie Filippini,
- or if they remain in front of the relics of St. Lucy Filippini at least for a suitable period of time in meditation and prayer, to be concluded with the Our Father, the Creed, the invocation to the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, and to St. Lucy Filippini.

The elderly, the sick and all those who for a serious cause are unable to leave their homes will still be able to obtain the plenary indulgence if, detesting every sin, having the intention of satisfying the three usual conditions as soon as possible, spiritually they are united to the Jubilee celebrations, having humbly offered to the merciful God their prayers, their pains and the inconveniences of life.

So that, therefore, the attainment of divine grace, through the Church, may be pastorally facilitated, this Penitentiary strongly recommends to Priests in possession of the faculty of hearing confessions, to offer themselves with an available and generous spirit for the celebration of the Sacrament of Penance.

This decree is valid only for the jubilee year. Notwithstanding any provision to the contrary.

Rome, Palace of the Apostolic Penitentiary, December 2, Year of the Incarnation of the Lord 2021.

**Mauro Card. Piacenza, Major Penitentiary
Christopher Nykiel, Regent**

VIII. News from TCBC Commission for VSCR

The Regional commission for VSCR is unable to conduct physical seminar for the priests of our Telugu Regions this year due to fast spreading of COVID -19. The Commission is planning to conduct a Webinar on February 16, 2022 from 6 pm to 8 pm for all the diocesan priests of Telugu Regions. The resource person Rev. Dr. Rajkumar SJ (Systematic Theology Professor at Vidya Jyothi College, New Delhi). The theme of the Webinar is “The Christian meaning of suffering and hope in Corona Context”.

I request you to publish this information in your diocese News letter of February edition and encourage your Priests to participate in this webinar. They can enroll their names with Fr. P. Raja Reddy, the secretary to TCBC Commission for VSCR. The webinar ID and Password will be informed very shortly. Cell: 9985468349. Email: pentreddyraja92@gamil.com

IX. Feast of Presentation of the Lord (February 2)

On Feast, we contemplate the Lord Jesus, whom Mary and Joseph bring to the Temple “to present him to the Lord” (Lk 2:22). This Gospel scene reveals the mystery of the Son of the Virgin, the consecrated One of the Father who came into the world to do his will faithfully (cf. Heb 10:5-7). Simeon identifies him as “a light for revelation to the Gentiles” (Lk 2:32) and announces with prophetic words his supreme offering to God and his final victory (cf. Lk 2:32-35). This is the meeting point of the two



Testaments, Old and New. Jesus enters the ancient temple; he who is the new Temple of God: he comes to visit his people, thus bringing to fulfillment obedience to the Law and ushering in the last times of salvation. It is interesting to take a close look at this entrance of the Child Jesus into the solemnity of the temple, in the great comings and goings of many people, busy with their work: priests and Levites taking turns to be on duty, the numerous devout people and pilgrims anxious to encounter the Holy God of Israel.

X. Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes (February 11)

Today the Church celebrates the memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes. In 1858, the Blessed Virgin Mary appeared to a 14-year-old French peasant girl, St. Bernadette Soubirous. The first appearance was on Feb. 11, and she would meet with Bernadette a total of 18 times through July 16 of that year. On Feb. 11, Bernadette went to gather firewood with her sister and a friend. She saw light coming from a rosebush at a grotto near the river, and in that light, a woman in a white dress appeared, holding a rosary. The woman made the sign of the Cross, so Bernadette knelt, took out her own rosary, and began to pray. After a four-year investigation, the bishop declared the apparitions to be real, and worth believing. In 1866, Bernadette left Lourdes to join a religious order, where she served until her death in 1879. A basilica was built and consecrated at the grotto at Lourdes.



XI. Holy Childhood Sunday (February 13)

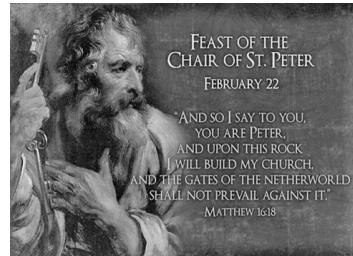
On the Sunday Feb. 13, 2022, day the Church has the following aims:

- a) To pray for all children in the world so that they should be under the protection and guidance of Child Jesus (hence the name Holy Childhood).
- b) To give chance to children to take an active role in the celebration of the Liturgy of the day so that gradually they should live their baptismal obligations.
- c) To contribute money through the ordinary offertory of Sunday service or through other well-organized special collections or a Paper Sundays with the aim of increasing the Sunday collection of that day. This collection is for the Universal Missionary Solidarity Fund for the Pontifical Society of Holy Childhood. The money helps to support needy children in the whole world.
- d) To demonstrate solidarity with the whole Church and the whole world in helping children who have not heard the Gospel of salvation and helping those who suffering because of various reasons. Thus, every Christian, including children themselves, have to come together in prayer and charity to contribute money towards missionary supporting other children and promoting the well being of other children



XII. Feast of See of St. Peter, the Apostle (February 22)

Since early times, the Roman Church has had a special commemoration of the primatial authority of St. Peter. As witness one of the most renowned of the Apostolic Fathers, the Roman See has always held a peculiar place in the affection and obedience of orthodox believers because of its “presiding in love” and service over all the Churches of God. “We shall find in the Gospel that Jesus Christ, willing to begin the mystery of unity in His Church, among all His disciples chose twelve; but that, willing to consummate the mystery of unity in the same Church, among the twelve He chose one. He called His disciples, said the Gospel; here are all; and among them He chose twelve. Here is the first separation, and the Apostles chosen. And these are the names of the twelve Apostles: the first, Simon, who is called Peter. [Mt. 10, 1-2] Here, in a second separation, St. Peter is set at the head, and called for that reason by the name of Peter, ‘which Jesus Christ,’ says St. Mark, ‘had given him,’ in order to prepare, as you will see, the work which He was proposing to raise all His building on that stone. And I, He says, say to you, you are Peter; and, He adds, upon this rock I will build my Church, and, He concludes, the gates of hell shall not prevail against it. [Mt. 16, 18] To prepare him for that honor Jesus Christ, who knows that faith in Himself is the foundation of His Church, inspires Peter with a faith worthy to be the foundation of that admirable building. You are the Christ, the Son of the living God. [Mt. 16, 16] By that bold preaching of the faith he draws to himself the inviolable promise which makes him the foundation of the Church.



" All Programs Subject to Covid-19 Variants' Protocol "

XIII. Bishop's Engagements in the Month of February, 2022

2	:	Dedication of Chapel of St. Joseph : Missionaries of the Poor, Fatimanagar
4	:	Medicare Hospital Inaugural Meeting & Meeting of College Of Consultors
7-8	:	Classes at St. John's Regional Seminary, Ramanthapur
9	:	Holy Matrimony at Peddakottala, Kurnool Diocese
12	:	Singaram Village Centenary Celebrations
13	:	Holy Childhood Day
		Silver Jubilee Celebration of St. Joseph Church, Kumarapally
14	:	Valentine's Day
21	:	See of St. Peter's Church Feast: First Holy Communion & Confirmation, Thimmaraopet
27	:	Silver Jubilee Celebration, Mount Carmel Convent, Jagital
March 2022		
2	:	Ash Wednesday: Lenten Season Begins
3	:	Flag Hoisting: Fatima Tirunalla Novena Begins
7	:	ARMS Exco Meeting: Virtual
7-9	:	Classes at St. John's Regional Seminary, Ramanthapur
10-12	:	Minor Seminary Rectors Meeting - North India at Varanasi
11-13	:	Triduum: Fatima Tirunallu

XIV. Communications

1. World Day of the Sick: Every year the Church celebrates the World Day of the Sick on the 11th of February, on the Feast Day of Our Lady of Lourdes. I request all the parish priests to observe it meaningfully-kindly arrange a Holy Mass, Prayers for Healing and deliverance of evil spirits.

2. Holy Childhood Day: This year the Holy Childhood Day falls on the 13th of February. Parish Priests and Heads of Institutions are requested to observe the Day and make a special collection and send it to the Diocesan office by the end of the month. Kindly **animate Catholic children with special preaching, prayer and contribution.** Let them thank the Holy Childhood office and learn to help the poorest children. They should be guided to conduct activities and raise funds for poorer children and should become Child-Missionaries.

3. No Financial Transactions from 15th of March to 3rd of April 2022: As the financial year 2021 – 2022 will come to a close on 31st of March 2022, there will be no financial transactions in Bishop's House from 15th of March to 3rd April, 2022.

4. NEWS from Lodi MSSS.

I. National Award from CHAI& Liliane Fonds (LF) Netherlands: The Catholic Health Association of India (CHAI) in partnership with the Liliane fonds (LF) Netherlands organized the "Mary Glowrey Liliane Brekelmans (MGLB) 2021 Disability Award Ceremony on 15th December 2021 via Zoom Platform.

II. Childline 1098 in Warangal & Bhupalapally Dist: OPERATION SMILE

In an effort to rescue missing children and hand them over to their parents, **Operation Smile VIII** announces January 2022 this year as a program to prevent children under the age of 18 from doing any work. The district administration has launched '**Operation Smile**' in the district.

The committee will scrutinize every area of child labor in public places, railway stations; bus stands, market areas and other places identify them and bring them before the CWC. The committee that includes officials from District Child Protection Unit, police department, National Child Labor Project and CHILDLINE1098 would conclude their programme.

In order to assist, they should inform the District Collector or the District Child Protection Unit, Child line at 1098, or nearest police station.

DISTRICT	INTERVENTION	OUT-REACH	1098 CASES	AWARENESS	POPULATION	TESTING CALLS
Warangal	73	61	12	37	11786	151
Bhupalpally	28	22	6	33	6737	152

Fr. D. Vijaya Paul. Director, Lodi MSSS

5. WADES NEWS:

The G.O Rt NO.4 dated on 04.01.2022, of the Educational department of Telangana, the Sankranthi festive holiday from 8th to 16th Jan 2022 that were initially given, is now being extended till 30.01.2022 to all the Educational institutions except Medical colleges in the state of Telangana.

Further Dt 22.01.2022 the Educational department of Telangana has issued yet another G.O Rc.No.100 / Gen/2022 in which it has given guide lines for conducting Online / distance teaching for classes VIII, IX & X from 24.01.2022. Hence WADES management committee requests all it's members to follow the instructions as given above, observing strictly COVID-19 regulation.

Thanking you
Fr. M. JayaPaul, DM

6. News from Arunodaya Youth Centre

a) National Youth Day

National Youth day was celebrated on January 12, 2022 in Parishes, thanks to the Parish Priests' who supported and took initiative for the success of the program. Youth Director went to Mallakpally Parish to celebrate Mass and to highlight the importance of the National Youth Day and conduct Programs. On behalf of National Youth Day 40 Bibles were distributed in Shanthinagar Parish (Vemulawada).

b) Skill Development Program for Youth

TCBC Commission for Youth office is conducting Skill Development Program for Youth in various aspects like (1) Computer Training, (2) Motor Training (3) Motor Mechanic, (4) A/C, Refrigerator Repair, (5) Mobile Repair, (6) Tailoring and Embroidery, (7) Fashion Designing etc.

c) Courses in Arunodaya Youth

Various training Programs like (1) Computer (Hardware and Software) Training, (2) Motor Training, (3) Tailoring and Embroidery, (4) Beautician Course, (5) Spoken English Classes etc. are available in Arunodaya Youth Centre kindly make use of the opportunity to shine in the society. For further details please contact @9989720406 **Fr. Simon Reddy, Director**

7. News from the Pastoral Centre:

- a) New Year Eucharist celebrations were celebrated in Ghanpur Parish with the invitation of Parish Priest Fr. S. Prabhakar. All the faithful were motivated for diocesan synod and synodology. Communion, participation and mission in the Parish.
- b) I with the permission of our Bishop Most. Rev. Dr. Uduamala Bala attended regional synod meeting on 4th Jan at Vijayawada. In this meeting Regional Synod team suggested Major aspects: spirituality of synodality, Methodology of synodology, participations at all levels, missionary aspects and ecumenism was discussed. Report was presented on all diocesan synod programs. Regional team expressed their views about the synod and its plans.
- c) Deanery level Synod meetings were conducted in all Deaneries except one due to Covid omicron rapid spread. In detail it is explained in deanery level synod program.
- d) Marriage Preparation Course and Counseling was conducted on Second Saturday i.e. on 08th and 22nd of Jan 2022. On 08th Nineteen members and on 22nd thirteen members attended for MPC. The group shared and expressed their feelings about this MPC program. It was really fruitful. During this Pandemic. We are following SMS (Social distancing, Mask, Sanitization) in pastoral center. Rev. Fr. Y Chinnappa Reddy the Director of MPC with the help of Fr. T. Santhosh and team guided the program.
- e) On the occasion of Parish level Diocesan Synod I visited a mission place (Mandaripata) in Athmakur Parish with the invitation of Fr. G. Ranjith Parish Priest of Athmakur. I encourage, motivated and congratulated Fr. G. Ranjith and catechists for their mission work in Mandaripeta, Athmakur Parish. Father with his team preparing baptisms in new Mission place.

Note: 1. Marriage preparation course is canceled from Feb to Mar 12th due to rapid increase of the corona and omicron. It is renewed from March 26th onwards. Fr. Y. Chinnappa Reddy, MPC Director.

Fr. G. Kamal, Director

8. Report on Deanary Level Synod Meetings

By the Direction of Most Rev. Dr. Uduamala Bala, Bishop of Warangal, we (Regional, and Diocesan, Dean and Denary synod team) had organized deanary level synod meetings. The following are the basic information for Fatima Vani Diocesan News Letter.

As Bishop had instructed all Parish Priests to bring along with them the Consecrated, Catechists, Village Elders, Youth and Female Representatives of the Parish Head quarters and all the sub-stations most of them had brought them for the meeting. Their presences are appreciated and absentees are noted.

This meeting had motivated the people and brought awareness and Response in the diocesan process of Synodology. Everything was planned well and organized well.

Resource persons: Regional Synod Team: Fr. Soloman Raj, Mr. Praveen and team
Diocesan Synod Team: Fr. G. Kamal, Sr. Selvi, Mr. Rayapa, Mrs. Salina and G. Paul

Place, Participants, Date and time:

1. Janagam Deanary

Place: Janagam Parish Church **Participants:** 73 **Date:** 10th January 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM

2. Fatimanagar Deanary

Place: Pastoral Centre **Participants:** 150 **Date:** 11th January 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM

3. Karunapuram Deanary

Place: Jeevadhara Centre Rampur **Participants:** 90 **Date:** 12th January 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM

4. Karimnagar Deanary

Place: Karimnagar Parish church **Participants:** 82 **Date:** 17th January 2:00 PM to 5:00 PM

5. Mahabubad Denary Note: Not conducted due to omicrone carona

6. Ookal Deanary

Place: Mahaswaram School (Narsampet) **Participants:** 74 **Date:** 19th Jan 9:00AM to 12:00PM

Content of the Deanary Level Synod Meeting

a) The Origin of Synod

The Origin of “Synod” goes back to the great ecumenical council called Vatican II Council convened by Pope John Paul XXII in October 1962 with the words “Aggiornamento” (bringing up to date) ‘Let the door be open (Church)’. It is used to mean throwing open the doors of the Church metaphorically in order to open a dialogue with the world. This great Council was concluded by Pope Paul the VI on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception on December 8, 1965. The desire of the Vatican II council to have a Synod of Bishops is expressed in its document Lumen Gentium (Nov 21, 1964) on the Church. Pope Paul the VI established the new mechanism of Synod of Bishops in the Church on September 15, 1965.

b) Three Types of Synod: Ordinary General Assemblies, Extra ordinary General Assemblies, and Special Assemblies. The present Synod is Ordinary Synod.

c) We were briefed about the Synod, highlighting the purpose of the Synod as –

- A Church that journeys together
- An inclusive Church
- A listening Church
- A Church of Christ animated by the Holy Spirit.

We were provided with the Preparatory document, *Vademecum* for a detailed study of the Synod. Website of the Synod was shared with us.

d) Three pathways open before us:

1) ENOUNTER ONE ANOTHER: Walking together starts with getting to know each other. Organizing an event together, visiting each other taking an interest in each other... there are so many ways of encountering each other and opening ourselves to one another.

2) LISTEN TO EACH OTHER: Taking the time to listen to one another. Not to convert each other but to receive something good, beautiful, and true from one another. Listening to each other shows that we care and are willing to welcome the other as a gift from God.

3) SERVE TOGETHER: Joint initiatives that care for those in need are an ideal way of putting what we believe into practice in a way that speaks to everyone and puts us all on common ground. Responding to the needs of our fellow human beings with concrete acts of service is a powerful magnet that draws us together. Being united for a common cause - fighting injustice, promoting peace, safeguarding the environment, caring for those in need - puts us on the same path, walking forward in the same direction for the good of all.

Let us dare to get in touch with the other churches, synagogues, mosques, and temples in our neighborhood and find ways of coming together. There is so much that we can receive from one another and offer to others together. There's no better time than now.

And hope and pray that this “ecumenical dimension of the Synodal process will promote both synodality and Christian unity so that ‘all may believe’ (John 17,21)”

e) Suggested Major Aspects of Synodal Consultation

Preamble

We are Companions on the Journey

The basis of the lived synodality which the Holy Father envisages, is that of the Church as the pilgrim People of God journeying together. This happens in two ways: 1. Journey with one another as the People of God. 2. As the People of God with Universal Human Family He says “By walking together, and together reflecting on the journey made, the Church will be able to learn from what it will experience which processes can help it to live communion, to achieve participation, to open itself to mission”.

f) Participation is the major tenet of Synodality:

The entire People of God is challenged by its fundamentally synodal calling. In this perspective, the participation of the lay faithful becomes essential. They are the immense majority of the People of God and there is much to be learnt from their participation in various forms of the life and mission of ecclesial communities, from popular piety and generic pastoral care, as well as their specific competency in various sectors of cultural and social life.

Participation is based on the fact that all the faithful are qualified and called to serve each other through the gifts they have received from the Holy Spirit. The authority of Pastors is a specific gift of the Spirit of Christ the Head for the upbuilding of the entire Body, not a delegated and representative function of the people.

g) Methodology: Dialogue and Conversation

The process of consultation at Parish/Deanery/Diocesan:

1. Shared Understanding
2. Shared Experiences
3. Shared Expectations

h) Participation at all levels

A. Discerning and Deciding Synodality speaks about a way of being Church, where its members walk together, where its leaders listen to all the faithful, as it discerns God's will for its future. This is a humble Church that puts God's will above all other criteria in decision-making, one in which the little and the least have a voice.

B. The intuition underlying in Synodality for Synod is that discernment is a key element for a genuine process of Synodality to take place. If it is not based on attentive listening to the inspiration of the Holy Spirit, a healthy synodal process is not possible.

i) On Missionary Aspect A. Dialogue in Church and Society Pope Francis recently noted: "When leaders in various fields ask me for advice, my response is always the same: dialogue, dialogue, dialogue."¹ From Paul VI to Francis, successive popes have actively called the People of God to be a Church in dialogue with other Christian communities, with other world religions, and with the cultural worlds in which we live. The universal Church has fostered dialogue through diverse means. From a faith perspective, the source and inspiration of all of this dialogue should come from our understanding of who God is and how God has entered into relationship with the human race and the Church through history.

**Fr. G. Kamal, Director
Pastoral Centre**

Birthday Babies: Wishes and Prayers

Rev. Fr. Idara Abraham	04-02-1940
Rev. Fr. Golamari Bala Martin	08-02-1967
Rev. Fr. Nagothu Maria Joseph	08-02-1981
Rev. Fr. Singareddy Balashowreddy	14-02-1959
Rev. Fr. Arlagadda Prakash	14-02-1941
Rev. Fr. Yeruva Chinnappa	15-02-1949
Rev. Fr. Basani Prakash	20-02-1957
Rev. Fr. Gopu Prakash Pradeep	25-02-1986

Yadireddy pally 100 Years Celebrations, Nalgonda diocese



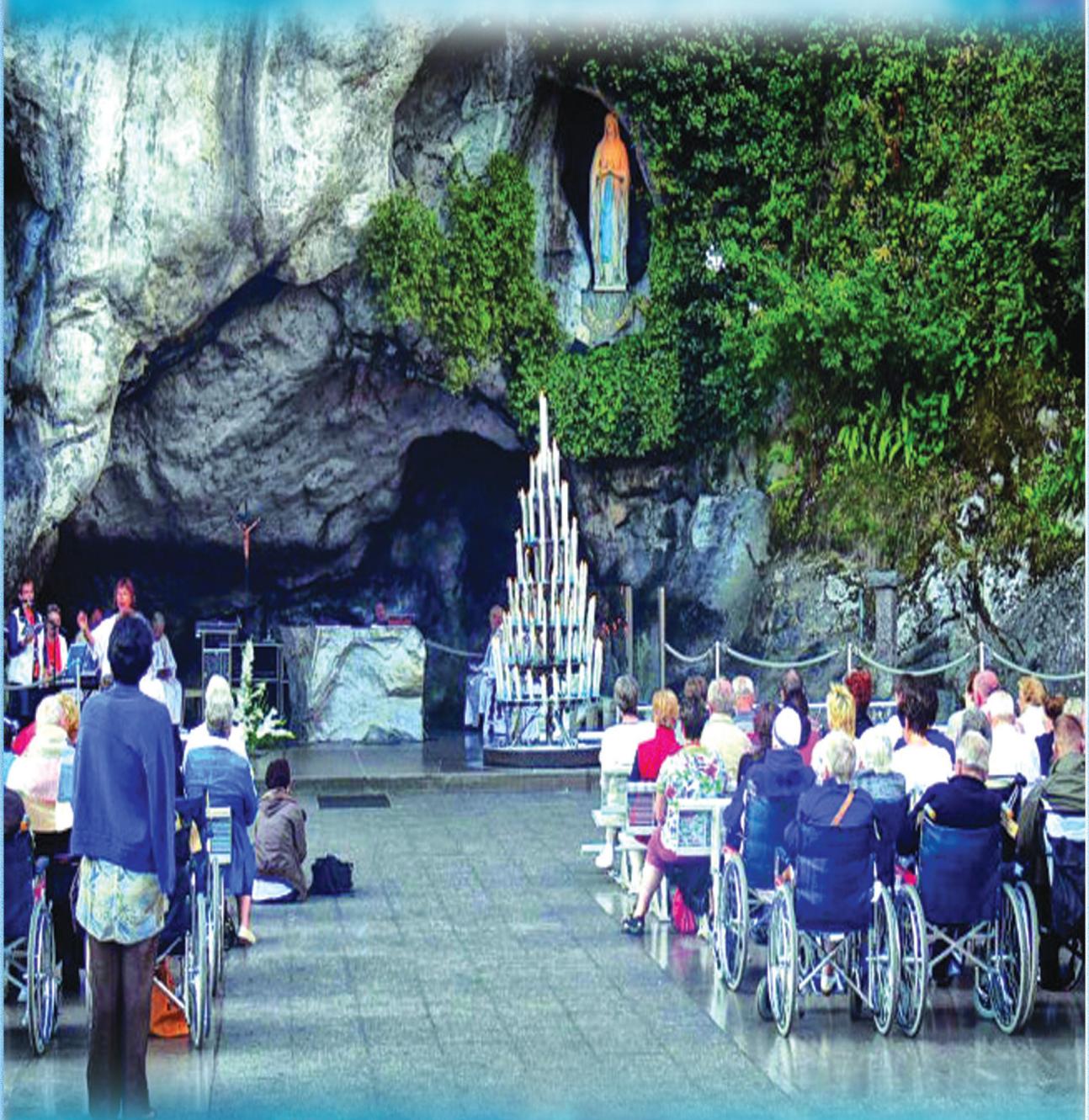
St. Thomas Church Silver Jubilee Celebrations, Shanthinagar



Reddipuram Centennial Jubilee Celebrations



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