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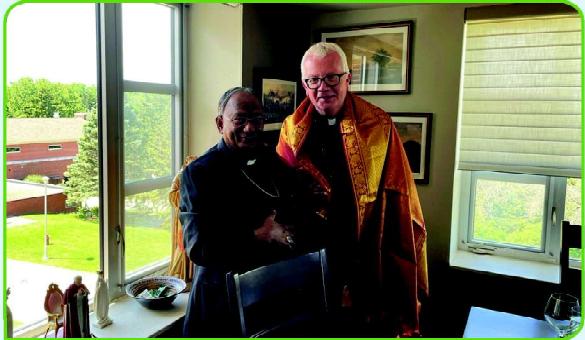


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His Lordship with Fr. Woody Pace Mission Director of The Diocese of LaCrosse, WI



Our Bishop with Bishop Donald Hying Bishop of Madison



With Bishop Dan Felton Bishop of Duluth Diocese, MN



With Deacon Micky mission Director of Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis



With Fr. John, Vicar General, Fr. Luke Vicar for Priests, Deacon Peter Gird incharge of International Priests - Green Bay Diocese



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India and USA: after their Respective Independence

Having been to the USA from India on Mission works, I have been studying, besides my works, the history, culture especially the religious dimension and the ‘Messy Status of the Life in the USA due to the Corona Pandemic’ Here below are some of the findings of observations: Both the Church and the secular society in the USA have been affected Many focus on its negative effect, while some look at it positively as an eye opening to pause and reflect how and where the USA has-been heading to. Naturally the ‘mission aspect is adversely affected, though the spirit of the mission is alive!

As most of us are aware, India and the US are two of the largest countries in the world when measuring population or land area. These are the two largest Lands of Democracy. These countries were both ruled by Britain during their history and found ways to gain freedom. July 4th and August 15th are the independence Days celebrated by the USA and India respectively. The USA and India are politically similar with democracy but are religiously different. The USA is predominantly Christian, while India is largely Hindu. The USA is largely Christian because of those who came from Europe. India is Hindu because of the religion’s rich history in Asia. It is said that the oldest surviving religion, Hinduism was born in India out of earlier Vedic traditions. Because this is the homeland of this ancient religion, it is no wonder it still has a presence in India today. India’s culture and social classes have been linked to this religion and its caste system. This is a fundamental part of Indian society that has not been removed for ages!



Although there are some differences between the USA and India, the religious atmosphere is one of similarity. Additionally, significant changes in immigration laws making it possible for an influx of Indians to enter the U.S. have only added to possible common ground between the two countries. Swami Vivekananda, already in the 19th century loudly and proudly proclaimed to the USA and the world of the glory of Hinduism. 20th century’s transnational networks make it increasingly possible for the USA to receive religious leaders and religious messages from India. They also enhanced the capability of the new immigrants in the USA to exercise influence in the Indian subcontinent. From the very beginning, India was very open to welcome and assimilate the Religion’s from outside. Joyfully we could note that In the very 1st century, St. Thomas, one of the 12 Apostles of Jesus Christ could travel to India and the sow the seeds of the Good news of Jesus! And since then Christianity flourished though limited to a certain area only.

Both America and India can a wide range of religions within their populations. Although both have numerous religions, their main religions and belief systems have more differences than similarities. India, with its vast size, is the most religiously diverse nation in the world. Some of the major

religions in India include Buddhism, Jainism, Sikhism, and Judaism. However, the Religion that encompassed most the nation is Hinduism. Hinduism accounts for seventy percent of India's population. While Hinduism is the top religion in India, Christianity takes up much of the United States' population. Known as "Sanatan Dharma", one of foundations of their beliefs is the idea of reincarnation. Reincarnation is its belief that life does not end when someone dies. The person, after their fatality, will reincarnate or come back to life in a different form.

Culture is the characteristics and knowledge of a particular group of people, defined by everything from language, religion, cuisine, social habits, music and arts. The cultures around the world are very different and very much the alike at the same time. On the other hand, some similarities also lie between two nations. While the culture of America is a mixture of different cultures, the Indian culture is unique and has its own values. There are many types of differences between American culture and Indian culture in terms of Religions, Languages, Rituals and Cuisines.

Christianity in India dates back to the earliest followers of Jesus in the first century AD. Today, there are millions of Christians in the country, although they make up just 2.4% of India's massive population. South India is home to about half of the Christians in the country, and Christians make up a relatively large share of people in India's more sparsely populated Northeast, where the vast majority of Christians belong to tribal communities.

Among Indians, 0.4% of adults are Hindu converts to Christianity. Conversion is a contentious issue in India, and 11 states have enacted laws against conversion as of early 2021. While Christianity is a proselytizing religion, many other religions in India are non-proselytizing, and religious conversion is rare in the country. Overall, just 2% of respondents report a different religion than the one in which they were raised, including 0.4% who are converts to Christianity. Christian converts in India mostly are former Hindus, but the survey also finds that Hindus tend to gain as many people as they lose through religious switching. Christian converts in India are mainly located in the South, while some are also located in the North East.

Three-quarters of Indian Christians (76%) say religion is very important in their lives, and Indian Christians engage in a variety of traditional beliefs and practices. Nearly all Indian Christians (98%) say they believe in God, and Christians in India are more likely than most other religious communities to say they pray daily (77%). Most Indian Christians also attend church weekly (55%), and overwhelming share give money to a church (89%). At the same time, 78% of Indian Christians say they read or listen to the Bible at least weekly.

I am very pleased to return and resume the Mission works in the illustrious diocese of Warangal. May God Bless our Diocese with its Faithful, Consecrated and the Clergy along with the great Country of India leading into the fullest Liberation and into the Haven of Freedom!!

Happy Independence Day and The Assumption of BV Mary!

II. Holy Father's Intention: For Small Businesses

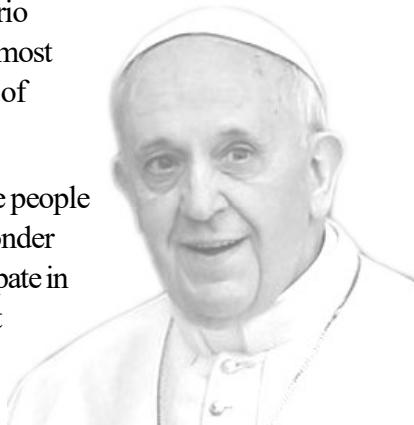
We Pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating and serving their communities.

III. Message of his Holiness Pope Francis from: ‘New Apostolic Letter Desiderio Desideravi’

Encountering the living Jesus in the community that celebrates

Every paragraph of Pope Francis' new Apostolic Letter “Desiderio desideravi” is filled with the awareness that liturgy is first and foremost about making space for the Other - the true antidote to any form of inadequate celebration.

At the core of Francis' Apostolic Letter is the desire for the entire people of God, starting with the celebrants, to rediscover beauty and wonder before the liturgy, letting the liturgy itself “form” those who participate in it, immersing them in what the Pope calls “the ocean of grace that floods every celebration.” On that occasion, speaking about the art of celebrating, Jorge Mario Bergoglio suggested the importance of “recovering amazement before the mystery” and called for the publication of a text that would not be a juridical or disciplinary treatise, crammed with norms and rubrics; nor even a treatise on liturgical abuses. Instead, he called for a document with a “pastoral and spiritual, and indeed a meditative tone.”



With “Desiderio desideravi” that wish is in some ways fulfilled. In the Apostolic Letter, Pope Francis takes us through a path that goes to the heart of the liturgical celebration, which is both “the summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed” and “the source from which all its energy flows,” as the Second Vatican Ecumenical Council teaches.

Pope Francis also quotes Romano Guardini, an Italian-born theologian and naturalized German, who was also particularly dear to Pope Benedict XVI. Every paragraph of Francis' new document is imbued with the awareness that the liturgy is first and foremost about leaving space for the Other.

The Pope writes: “before our response to His invitation well before! There is His desire for us. We may not even be aware of it, but every time we go to Mass, the first reason is that we are drawn there by His desire for us. For our part, the possible response — which is also the most demanding asceticism — is, as always, that surrender to this love, that letting ourselves be drawn by Him.”

Pope Francis further adds, “If we had somehow arrived in Jerusalem after Pentecost and had felt the desire not only to have information about Jesus of Nazareth but rather the desire still to be able to meet him, we would have had no other possibility than that of searching out his disciples so that we could hear his words and see his gestures, more alive than ever. We would have had no other possibility of a true encounter with him other than that of the community that celebrates.”

Starting a fresh from this awareness, rediscovering the beauty of the liturgy, opening ourselves to formation and allowing ourselves to be formed by it, can help clear the field of so many inadequacies. If taking part in the celebration means “hearing the words” of Jesus and “seeing his gestures, more alive than ever,” the narcissistic protagonism of the celebrant, showmanship, austere rigidity or sloppiness and trivialization cannot prevail. And the “source and summit”—liturgy—would not be transformed into an arena where people try to push through a vision of the Church that does not embrace what was established synodically by the Second Vatican Council.

IV. National Youth Commission: *National Youth Sunday - 14th August 2022*

National Youth Sunday 2022-Theme: “Mary rose up and went with haste” Lk 1:39

Brothers and Sisters, today the Church in India celebrates the National Youth Sunday 2022. Like the World Youth Day and Asian Youth Day, the Church in India celebrates this special day for the young people across the country. This year the theme is “Mary rose up and went with haste” Lk 1:39.

The new millennium has witnessed and continues to witness much violence. Hardly any day passes that we do not hear the sad news of violent aggression and brutality unleashed against innocent people somewhere around the world. To make matters worse, perpetrators of these acts of violence often try to justify these atrocities by claiming that they are fighting a holy war in God’s name. The holy war to which Christ calls us, therefore, is not a war against people of certain nationalities or cultures, creeds or ideologies, but a war in which we first have to identify the forces for evil in our own persons and in the persons of those who are dear to us (father, son, mother, daughter, mother-in-law, daughter-in-law) and then declare an uncompromising war against these forces. We need to rise and fight against these evil. We need to rise and work in haste without wasting time. The National Youth Sunday theme suggests that, like our heavenly mother we need to wake up from slumber and act now. We need to do it now. During this Eucharist, let us pray for the young people that they may understand the call and answer it positively.

V. Feast of St. John Mary Vianney (August 4) Patron of Priests

On August 4, the Church celebrates the feast day of St. John Vianney, patron of priests. John Vianney, also known as the Holy Curé de Ars, was born May 8, 1786 in Dardilly, near Lyon, France to a family of farmers. He was ordained a priest in 1815 and became curate in Ecully. He was then sent to the remote French community of Ars in 1818 to be a parish priest. Upon his arrival, the priest immediately began praying and working for the conversion of his parishioners. Although he saw himself as unworthy of his mission as pastor, he allowed himself to be consumed by the love of God as he served the people. Vianney slowly helped to revive the community’s faith through both his prayers and the witness of his lifestyle. He gave powerful homilies on the mercy and love of God, and it is said that even staunch sinners were converted upon hearing him.



In addition, he restored his church, formed an orphanage, “La Providence,” and cared for the poor. His reputation as a confessor grew rapidly, and pilgrims traveled from all over France to come to him in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Firmly committed to the conversion of the people, he would spend up to 16 hours a day in the confessional. Plagued by many trials and besieged by the devil, the St. John Vianney remained firm in his faith, and lived a life of devotion to God. Dedicated to the Blessed Sacrament, he spent much time in prayer and practiced much mortification. He lived on little food and sleep, while working without rest in unfailing humility, gentleness, patience and cheerfulness, until he was well into his 70s. John Vianney died on August 4, 1859. The Holy Curé of Ars was canonized by Pope Pius XI in 1925. He is the patron of priests. In 2009, Pope Benedict XVI, commemorating the 150th anniversary of St. John Vianney’s death, declared the Year for Priests.

VI. Feast of Transfiguration of Jesus Christ (August 6)

Feast of the Transfiguration, Christian commemoration of the occasion upon which Jesus Christ took three of his disciples, Peter, James, and John, up on a mountain, where Moses and Elijah appeared and Jesus was transfigured, his face and clothes becoming dazzlingly bright (Mark 9:2–13; Matthew 17:1–13;



Luke 9:28–36). The festival celebrates the revelation of the eternal glory of the Second Person of the Trinity, which was normally veiled during Christ’s life on earth. According to tradition, the event took place on Mount Tabor. It is not known when the festival was first celebrated, but it was kept in Jerusalem as early as the 7th century and in most parts of the Byzantine Empire by the 9th century. It was gradually introduced into the Western Church, and its observance was fixed as August 6 by Pope Calixtus III in 1457 as a thank offering for the victory over the Turks at Belgrade on that day in 1456. In 2002 Pope John Paul II updated the meditations of the rosary with five “luminous mysteries,” of which the Transfiguration is one. In the Transfiguration Christ enjoyed for a short while that glorified state which was to be permanently His after His Resurrection on Easter Sunday. The splendor of His inward Divinity and of the Beatific Vision of His soul overflowed on His body, and permeated His garments so that Christ stood before Peter, James, and John in a snow-white brightness. The purpose of the Transfiguration was to encourage and strengthen the Apostles who were depressed by their Master’s prediction of His own Passion and Death. The Apostles were made to understand that His redeeming work has two phases: The Cross, and glory—that we shall be glorified with Him only if we first suffer with Him.

VII. National Friendship Day (August 7)

National Friendship Day was originally founded by Hallmark in 1919. It was intended to be a day for people to celebrate their friendship by sending each other cards. However, by 1940 the market had dried up, and eventually, it died out completely. In April 2011, the United Nations officially recognized 30th July as International Friendship Day; although most countries celebrate on the first Sunday of August. On the first Sunday in August, National Friendship

Day encourages people across the country and world to connect with friends. Make a new friend or reconnect with an old one. Friendships come in many forms, and we begin developing them when we're very young. Throughout our lives, friendships and their meanings evolve. Our classmates and neighborhood pals explored the world with us. Friendship is one of the most precious things shared between friends in your life. The golden time spent with childhood friends stay as a treasure in our hearts for the whole life. In order to celebrate this precious bond of togetherness, Friendship day is celebrated every year on first sunday of August month. In India, it will be observed on 7th August this year.



VIII. National Senior Citizens Day (August 08)

You have probably been told many times before that you need to respect your elders. In fact, this is a phrase that most children hear throughout their lives! Well, Senior Citizen Day is all about respecting your elders. It is about honoring those people who have been on this earth longer than we have. Getting old is not easy. You have been independent your whole life, and then you feel this being stripped away from you. It can be very difficult to deal with, and that is why make sure that we are there for our grandparents and older people in general. That's what this day celebrates, and it's special to be a part of it. After all, seniors bring so much to the world!



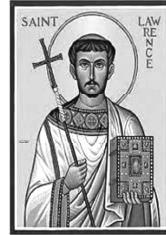
we all need to

IX. National Mourning Day (August 10)

The Commission (Scheduled Caste) Order 1950 was signed on 10th August 1950 by the then President of India which says that "No person who professes a religion other than Hinduism shall be deemed to be a member of the Scheduled Caste" which was later amended to include Sikhs (1956) and Buddhists (1990) in the Scheduled Caste net. Civil Writ Petition 180/2004 in the Honorable Supreme Court of India praying the deletion of Para 3 of the Constitution (Scheduled Caste) Order 1950 is still pending for the past 14 years in which the CBCI and NCCI have also impleaded. The case had been referred to a higher bench and still it has not been constituted. Thus Constitutional Rights for Dalit Christians and Dalit Muslims are denied based on religion for the past 69 Years. To express our dissatisfaction about this "Constitution Scheduled Caste Order 1950 Para 3 which is "unconstitutional and it is a black letter written outside the Constitution introduced through the back door by an executive order" Hence I, request you all to observe 'Day of Mourning' on August 10th in our diocese in all possible ways. Kindly co-operate with the SC-ST commission. By this action we can show support and solidarity to the suffering Christians of Scheduled Caste Origin. We pray and continue to agitate till the Justice is done to SC Christians!

X. Feast of St. Lawrence- (August 10)

Saint Lawrence, Lawrence also spelled Laurence, (died 258, Rome [Italy]; feast day August 10), one of the most venerated Roman martyrs, celebrated for his Christian valour. He is the patron saint of the poor and of cooks. Lawrence was among the seven deacons of the Roman church serving Pope Sixtus II, whose martyrdom preceded Lawrence's by a few days: they were executed during the persecution under the Roman emperor Valerian. It is said that Lawrence gave the church's treasures to the poor and the sick before his arrest. Although Lawrence was probably beheaded, St. Ambrose of Milan and the Latin poet Prudentius, among others, recorded that he was roasted to death on a gridiron, remarking to his torturers at one point, "I am cooked on that side; turn me over, and eat." Many conversions to Christianity throughout Rome reportedly followed Lawrence's death, including those of several senators witnessing his execution. The Basilica of San Lorenzo Fuori le Mura (St. Lawrence Outside the Walls), Rome, was built over his burial place. He is named in the canon of the Roman mass.



XI. St. Maximilian Kolbe – (August 14)

St. Maximilian Kolbe was born in Poland in 1894 and at about the age of 10 had a vision of the Virgin Mary. She offered him a white crown and a red crown, representing purity and martyrdom. He chose both, a foreshadowing of his life to come. In 1910, he joined the Conventual Franciscan Order. He was sent to study in Rome where founded the M.I. on October 16, 1917. Ordained a priest in 1918, Father Maximilian returned to Poland and began his untiring missionary activity, starting a monthly magazine and establishing two evangelization centers dedicated to the Immaculate Virgin: Niepokalanów, the "City of the Immaculata," in Poland, and Mugenzai no Sono in Japan, and envisioned missionary centers worldwide. To better "win the world for Christ through the Immaculata," the friars utilized the most modern techniques. St. Maximilian used short-wave radio and planned to build a motion picture studio. In 1939, during WWII, at Niepokalanów he welcomed thousands of refugees, especially Jews. In 1941, St. Maximilian was arrested by the Nazis and taken to the Auschwitz concentration camp. There he offered his life for another prisoner and was condemned to slow death in a starvation bunker. He died on August 14, 1941, with an injection of carbolic acid. Pope John Paul II canonized him as a Saint and Martyr of Charity on October 10, 1982. St. Maximilian Kolbe is considered a patron of journalists, families, prisoners, the pro-life movement, the chemically addicted and those with eating disorders.



XII. Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary (August 15)

The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary was already being celebrated on 15 August in the 5th century. It bore the sense of Our Lady's "Birth into heaven", or in the Byzantine tradition, her "Dormition". The feast began to be celebrated in Rome in the middle of the 7th century. It was not until 1 November 1950, that Pope Pius XII proclaimed the Dogma of Mary's assumption body and soul into heaven. In the Apostles' Creed, we profess our faith

in the “Resurrection of the body” and in “life everlasting”. This is the ultimate goal and meaning of our life’s journey. This promise of faith is already accomplished in Mary, who is the “sign of sure hope and comfort” (Preface). It is a privilege granted to Mary, and closely connected to her being the Mother of Jesus. Since death and the corruption of the human body are consequences of sin, it was not right that the Virgin Mary – who is free from sin – should be affected by this natural law. Hence the mystery of her “Dormition” or “Assumption into heaven”. The fact that Mary has already been assumed into heaven is a reason to celebrate, to rejoice, to hope in the “already and the not yet”. One of God’s creatures – Mary – is already in heaven. With her, and like her, we too, who are God’s creatures, will one day be there too.



XIII. 76th Independence Day of India (August 15)

Every year India celebrates 15th of August as Independence Day. This day is significant for the Indian. After the slavery of years, India got independence on the same day from British rule, 15 August 1947. This day has been declared as a gazetted holiday throughout India to honor the great sacrifice of our countrymen. India is a country with a rich cultural heritage and it is the world’s largest democracy.

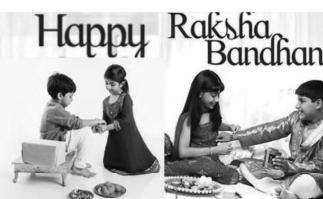
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citizens here are committed to taking the country to higher heights. tricolor wakes up in the sky, every citizen promises to work hard to increase the glory of the country and takes a firm resolve to make India a nation that is always firm for human values. For any country, the effect of history on its future journey is obvious. Because of this, the present generation should aware of the ancestor’s sacrifice. Be respectful towards them. This day is very important for the current generation. So that they can take the lessons from history so as a citizen of the country we should not repeat the old mistakes. The importance of August 15 has increased even in our lives. The country is facing many challenges within and outside boundaries. Social, political and religious stability in the country is constantly under threat. It is now the responsibility of today’s youth to realize the spirit of that magical night of 1947 and move on to the path shown by freedom fighters.



XIV. Rakhi: The Thread of Love (August 11)

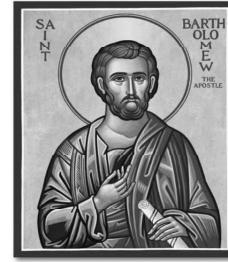
The bonding between a brother and a sister is simply unique and is beyond description in words. The relationship between siblings is extraordinary and is given importance in every part of the world. However, when it comes to India, the relationship becomes all the more important as there is a festival called “Raksha Bandhan” dedicated for the sibling love. Rakhi is basically a sacred thread of protection embellished with the love and affection of a sister for her brother. This day is also known as Raksha Bandhan and celebrated on the full moon day of the Hindu month of Shravana in India. This frail of thread of Rakhi is considered as stronger than iron chains as it binds the most beautiful relationship in an inseparable bond of love and trust. Rakhi festival also has a social significance because it underlines the notion that



everybody should live in harmonious with each other. In India, festivals are the celebration of togetherness, of being one of the families. Raksha Bandhan is one such festival that is all about affection, fraternity and sublime sentiments. It is also known as Raksha Bandhan which means a ‘bond of protection’. This is an occasion to flourish love, care, affection and sacred feeling of brotherhood.

XV. St. Bartholomew, the Apostle (August 24)

St. Bartholomew, (flourished 1st century AD-died unknown date, traditionally Albanopolis, Armenia; Western feast day Aug 24; date varies in Eastern churches), one of the Twelve Apostles. Apart from the mentions of him in four of the Apostle lists (Mark 3:18, Matt. 10:3, Luke 6:14, and Acts 1:13), nothing is known about him from the New Testament. Bartholomew is a Family name meaning “son of [Hebrew: *bar*] Tolmai, or Talmai,” so he may have had another personal name. For that reason and because he was always associated with St. Philip the Apostle in the Gospel lists, a 9th-century tradition identified him with Nathanael, who, according to John 1:43–51, was called with Philip by Jesus. Upon seeing Nathanael, Jesus said, “Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!” This identification sought to explain how the otherwise unknown Bartholomew could be mentioned in the Apostle lists, while Nathanael, whose call is explicitly described by John, does not figure in them. His full name would then be Nathanael bar Tolmai.. The apostle is said to have been martyred by flaying and beheading at the command of the Armenian king Astyages. His relics were supposedly taken to the Church of St. Bartholomew-in-the-Tiber, Rome.



XVI. The Beheading of the Holy Glorious Prophet, Forerunner of the Lord, John the Baptist (August 29)

The drunken oath of a king with a shallow sense of honor, a seductive dance and the hateful heart of a queen combined to bring about the martyrdom of John the Baptist. The greatest of prophets suffered the fate of so many Old Testament prophets before him: rejection and martyrdom. The “voice crying in the desert” did not hesitate to accuse the guilty, did not hesitate to speak the truth. This great religious reformer was sent by God to prepare the people for the Messiah. His vocation was one of selfless giving. The only power that he claimed was the Spirit of Yahweh. “I am baptizing you with water, for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is mightier than I. I am not worthy to carry his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire” (Matthew 3:11). Scripture tells us that many people followed John looking to him for hope, perhaps in anticipation of some great messianic power. John never allowed himself the false honor of receiving these people for his own glory. He knew his calling was one of preparation. When the time came, he led his disciples to Jesus: “The next day John was there again with two of his disciples, and as he watched Jesus walk by, he said, ‘Behold, the Lamb of God.’ The two disciples heard what he said and followed Jesus” (John 1:35-37). It is John the Baptist who has pointed the way to Christ. John’s life and death were a giving over of self for God and other people. His simple style of life was one of complete detachment from earthly possessions. His heart was centered on God and the call that he heard from the Spirit of God speaking to his heart. Confident of God’s grace, he had the courage to speak words of condemnation, repentance, and salvation.



XVII. Bishop's Schedule for August, 2022

(If Covid-19 Variants do not Hinder)

July 31	:	Return from USA & Feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola & 500 Years of his Conversion Celebrations, Karimnagar
1	:	Office
2	:	Medicare Meeting
3	:	CCBI Meeting, Bangalore
4	:	Feast of St. John Mary Vianney: Clergy Day with Recollection, Twin Seminaries, Karunapuram
7	:	National Friendship Day & Visit to Flood-hit Manthani Parish
8	:	Office
9	:	Office
10	:	National Mourning Day
11	:	Office for the Consecrated & Rakhi: The Thread of Love
12	:	Administering the Rite of Initiation: St. John's Regional Seminary, Hyderabad
13	:	Official Inaugural Mass at Jeevadhara Divine Retreat Centre, VC Congregation, Rampur
14	:	National Youth Sunday: Mass at Cathedral
15	:	Solemnity of Assumption of Mary & 76th Independence Day-Flag Hoisting & Holy Mass at Cathedral
17	:	Office
19	:	Office for the Consecrated
20	:	Feast of St. Plus X Minor Seminary, Karunapuram
23	:	Office
24	:	Feast of St. Bartholomew, the Apostle
25	:	Silver Jubilee Celebrations of Infant Jesus Church, 8th Incline Colony, Godavarikani Parish
26	:	WADES Budget Meeting, Fathimanagar
29	:	Office
30	:	Office

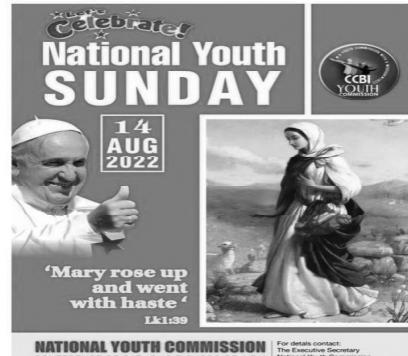
XVIII. Communications

- 1. Clergy Day and Monthly Recollection for Clergy on 4th August 2022 at Karunapuram:** In View of Celebrating St. John Mary Vianney Day, a monthly Recollection cum Sports & Games for Clergy at Diocesan Level is arranged on 4th August 2022 from 9.00 am at St. Xavier Major and St. Pius X Minor Twin Seminaries, Karunapuram. All the Priests are requested to attend it without fail.
- 2. Independence Day & Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary:** As we celebrate our country's Independence day and solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on 15th of August, we thank God for all the blessings He has been showering and continue to pray that our country develops in every sector with a special attention to the poor and the rural areas. We pray that Mary assumed into heaven may protect and promote the unity and prosperity of India.
- 3. National Youth Sunday:** National Youth Sunday will be celebrated on 14th August this year. Kindly celebrate in whatever way possible and send that Sunday's collection to the Diocesan office, some of it will go to the National Office. May the Youth grow in Faith, Wisdom and Service for the Church and Nation!
- 4. National Mourning Day:** As you know, 10th of August every year is commemorated as PROTEST DAY (earlier called Black Day). It was on this day, the Presidential Order 1950, para 3, denying SC status to Dalit Christians and Muslims was promulgated. On this occasion, we do different activities like Rally, Dharna, Protest Meetings, demonstrating at Dr. Ambedkar Squares and before Collectorates, giving memorandum to District Collectors. These are organized by SC, ST and BC Commissions, NCDC and other Dalit Muslim and Christian groups in different places, in collaboration with other likeminded groups. Kindly take active participation through Prayer and Action!

5. News from Youth Centre National Youth Sunday:

National Youth Sunday will be celebrated on 14th August this year with the theme "Mary rose up and went with haste" (LK 1:39). Most Rev. Dr. Uduvala Bala, Bishop of Warangal celebrates the Holy Mass in the Cathedral to pray for the Youth at 7.30 am and followed by programs in the Diocesan level. Parish Priest kindly announce and encourage the Youth to participate in it on August 14, 2022. If it is not possible to come to Fatimanagar, kindly conduct special programs in your respective Parishes for Youth on National Youth Sunday and send the Pictures to me.

Fr. Simon, Diocesan Youth Director



6. News from the Pastoral Centre:

1. Marriage Preparation Course and Counseling was conducted on Second Saturday and Fourth Saturday i.e. on 09th and 23rd of July 2022. On 09th seventeen members attended for MPC. The group shared and expressed their feelings about this MPC program. Rev. Fr.Y Chinnappa Reddy the Director of MPC and team guided and suggested the program and the program went on well.
2. I visited many parishes and institutions whoever invited me for pastoral program, Faith formation programs, Eucharist celebrations and Confessions.

Note:

- i) Marriage preparation course (MPC) is conducted in pastoral center on every second and fourth Saturday. As per the instructions given by Most Rev. Dr. Udumala Bala, Bishop of Warangal please do not celebrate marriage without the certificate of MPC.
- ii) Jyotirmai (Regional Pastoral Centre) **Bible Quiz is on 6th November 2022**. All those who would like to participate has to enroll their names before 30th September 2022, and the entrance fee is Rs: 15. Please collect the Quiz enrolment books and information from Pastoral Centre and encourage all the faithful in the parish and institutions to participate in this Quiz so that their Bible knowledge is improved. Please do announce in the Parishes and institutions.
- iii) All the Parishes and Educational Institutions are expected to appoint Catechism and Moral Science teacher and **teach Catechism and Value education in Schools, Colleges and Parishes** from starting of academic Year 2022. **Catechism is mandatory for our Catholic Children and Youth.** New catechism and value education **Books are Available at Pastoral Center** for classes 1 to 10. All the schools and parishes have to collect from the Pastoral Centre.
- iv) If any prayer requests or any help in spiritual activities or **Faith formation programs** pastoral program you are always welcome. We can overcome all the problems through prayers, prayer meetings, pastoral program and Eucharist celebrations.
- v) Please do promote Evangelization and New Evangelization in the parishes (Easy way is to visit families and form prayer group and evangelization. I am always ready to help you. Please do use my services in this regard.

Fr. G. Kamal, Director

7. NEWS from Lodi MSSS : Life is an echo, we get back what we give.

1. Project Title: Livelihood Based Food Security program for the tribal and Dalit communities in Kothaguda Mandal of Mahabubabad District.

1. Constructed 200 stone gullies in small streams, farmer's agricultural lands in 182 acres of 200 farmers in 6 villages of Kothaguda mandal to control the soil erosion and increase the soil moisture retention capacity.
2. Constructed 60 Vermi pits units for 60 farmers from 15 villages and prepared and applied the vermi compost in 78 acres of land and got good yield.

3. Linkages meeting was organised for 200 women and farmers with government departments and Panchayat Raj institutions on Government schemes.

II. Nutrition food kits and Educational supplies support to HIV Children: We have distributed food kits consisting of food materials – Rice, Dhall, Green Grams, Jaggary, Soaps, Wheat powder, Gold drop oil, Kabuli Channa and etc to 150 children at our office premises which is a continuous program on by-monthly basis. We have distributed educational facilities such as note books, school bags and stationary items to 245 HIV affected and infected children, which is done every year in the beginning of academic year for the welfare of the children to continue their education.

III. Organic Week: Under Promotion of appropriate Agronomic practices Promoted Preparation of “Jeevamrutha”:

Under Organic week we have conducted coordination meeting with agriculture department and from agriculture department we have collected IEC material on different crops. Using this IEC material we have sensitized in our target farmers in six villages of Gudurmandal of Mahabubabad district. We promoted the organic agriculture like IPM/NPM methods. We distributed vegetable seeds for under kitchen garden for 70 families and distributed green gram and red gram seeds for 5 selected farmers.

IV: Health Awareness & Check-up Program in Communities Supported: CHAI & V.GUARD

Venue : Community Health Center (CHC), Gudur Mdl. Dist. Mahabubabad No. of participants: 250 Objective: To create awareness among people regarding Health and its importance.

- i) To promote General health check-ups, ex, BP, Sugar, OI infections etc. among the villagers
- ii) To encourage vaccination drive among children.
- iii) To encourage disable children for their better health and identifications of the surgeries

Details of the Programme: LMSSS organized an awareness program with the support of CHAI- V. Guard for the public on General health in Community Health Center (CHC) Gudur Mandal head quarters of Mahabubabad district. 250 villagers including disable children and women participated. We have gathered all the people at the hall of the CHC and Dr. Veeranna Garu Superintendent of CHC addressed on seasonal diseases. Through this Health camp total 250 people were benefited mainly women and children, disabled children and elders were gained knowledge on how to protect themselves overcome the diseases and they have got free medications for different OI infection.

FR. D. Vijaya Paul, LODI MSSS.

8. Warangal Diocese Educational Institutions SSC Results 2021-22: WADES is happy to publish the SSC results of 2021-22. We feel proud and happy at the excellent results in the SSC Public examinations of 2021-22. The H.M, Staff and students proved that they have the power & strength to rise above any situation and deliver best results no matter the circumstances. Despite of Covid-19 pandemic disturbances for 2 consecutive years in the education sector, you have put up hard work. Your hard work has remitted in tangible and satisfactory results. You are all a force to be reckoned. Hence we extend our sincere appreciations to all the Headmasters and staff, of all the schools of WADES and more specially the students who scored 10 GPA, deserve great applauds.

S. No	Name of the Institution	No of Students	No of Students 10 GPA	No of students Above 9 GPA	No Of Student Passed	Pass Percentage
01	St Paul's High School	129	07	74	48	100%
02	Bishop Beretta High School	95	-	24	67	96%
03	St.Joseph's High School	80	10	41	29	100%
04	St.John's High School	53	01	12	40	96%
05	St.Mary's High School	50	-	15	32	94%
06	St.Anthony's High School	45	-	09	30	87%
07	St.Alphone's High School	41	02	12	23	90%
08	St.Francis High School	36	-	13	23	100%
09	Bishop Thumma Bala School	24	-	09	15	100%
10	St.Thomas High School	13	-	08	05	100%
11	Father Colombo High School	13	-	01	12	100%
	Total	579	20	218	324	97%

Fr. M. Jaya Paul
Deputy Manager, WADES

9. Invitation for the Inaugural Mass at Jeevadhara Divine Retreat Centre, Rampur

Fr. George VC, Director

Birthday Babies in the Month of August

Rev. Fr. S. Shobhan Reddy	03-08-1970
Rev. Fr. A. Vincent	06-08-1963
Rev. Fr. S. Mahipaul	09-08-1988
Rev. Fr. Y. Sebastian	11-08-1938
Rev. Fr. A. Inna	15-08-1965
Rev. Fr. T. Sunil	15-08-1977
Rev. Fr. D. Jaya Prathap	15-08-1971
Rev. Fr. P. Dasaiah	15-08-1979
Rev. Fr. T. Santosh	19-08-1987
Rev. Fr. A. Bala	21-08-1958
Rev. Fr. E. Vijay Kumar	25-08-1985
Rev. Fr. Y. Sathish	26-08-1984
Rev. Fr. T. Manohar	31-08-1972
Rev. Fr. Mettu Sravan	21-08-1991

Priestly Ordinations in the Month of August

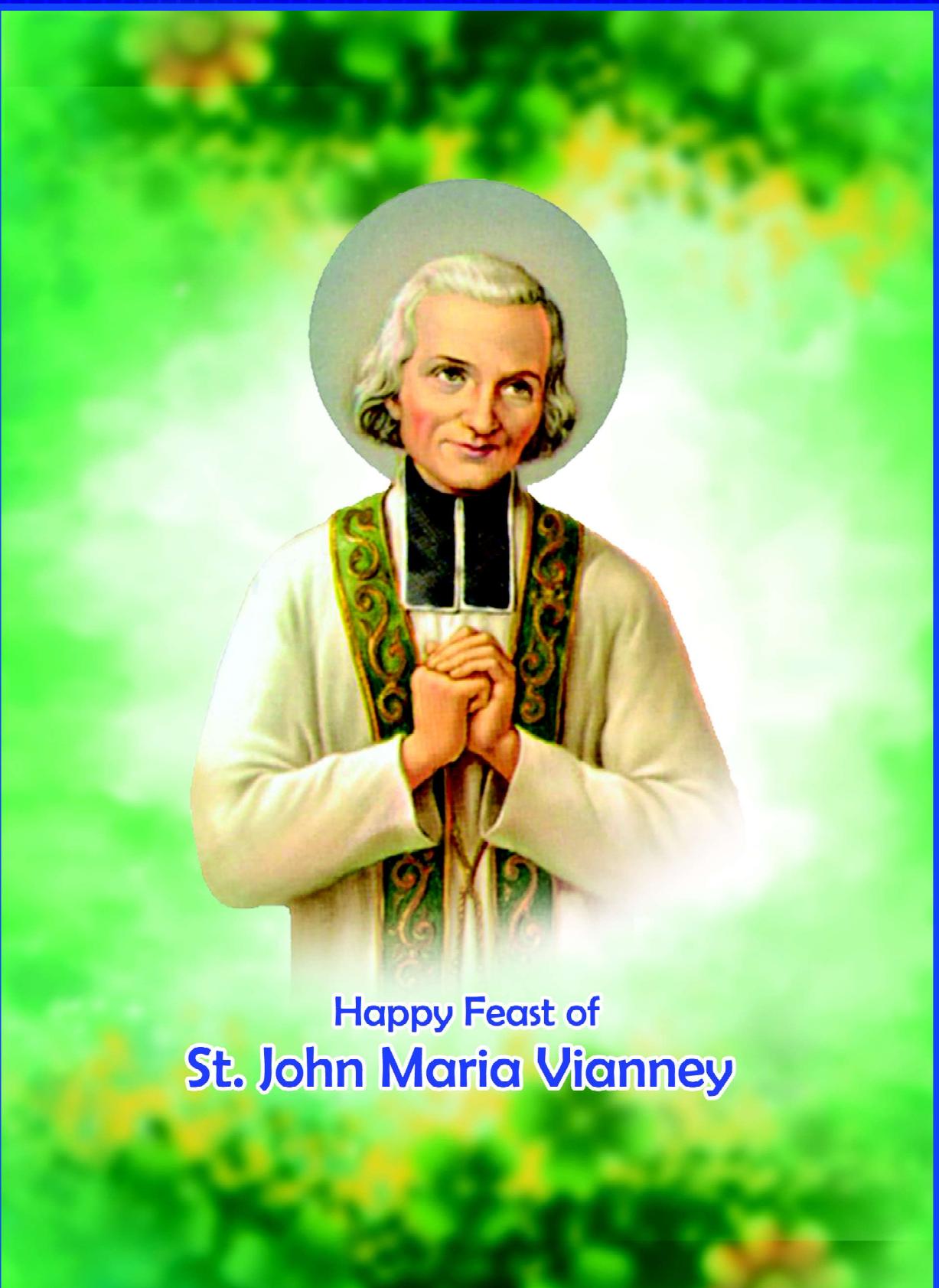
Rev. Fr. Mettu Sravan	16-08-2021
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Necrology: R.I.P

Rev. Fr. Augusto Colombo, PIME	31-08-2009
Rev. Fr. Boyapati Leeno	08-08-2016
Rev. Fr. M.P. Joseph	11-08-2020
Rev. Fr. Yeruva Lourdu	24-08-2021

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Happy Feast of
St. John Maria Vianney