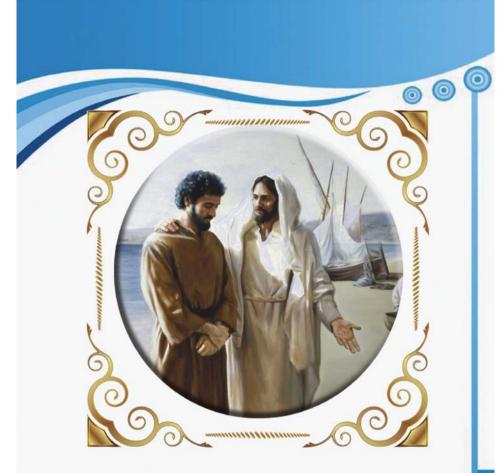


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#### Archbishop's Message



#### SIMON. DO YOU LOVE ME?

Simon, do vou love me? (Jn 21:15)

The name of St. Peter stands **first** in the list of the apostles (Mk 3:16; Lk 6.14). **Simon**, who was named **Peter** by Jesus, was called to follow the Lord Jesus (Mt 4:19). Simon was the **first one** of the apostles to be called and he assumes the role of the spokesperson of the rest of the apostles (Jn 6: 68-69; Mt 16:16). Peter had great faith in Jesus (Mt 14:28-29) and ardent **love** for Jesus (Mk 14:29-31). He was a bold defender of Jesus (Jn 18: 10-11)

Jesus prayed for Peter's faith in a special way (Lk 22:31-32). Peter was ready to die with Jesus and for Jesus, rather than deny him (Mk 14:31). When Jesus was arrested at the garden of gethsemane, all the disciples, including Peter, forsook him and fled. During the passion Peter followed Jesus at a distance (Lk 22:54). Peter denied Jesus three times, repeatedly and publicly. The **look** of Jesus made Peter become aware of his sins and wept bitterly and repented unto the lord (Lk 22:61-62).

Before ascending into heaven, Jesus wants to rehabilitate Peter and entrust him with a special mission. It is being done by three questions, three answers and three commands (Jn 21:15-19).

"Simon, son of John, **do you love me** more than these?"

"Yes, Lord; you know that I love you".

#### "Feed my lambs"

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ii. "Simon, son of John, do you love me?"

"Yes, Lord; you know that I love you".

"Tend my sheep"

iii. "Simon, son of John, do you love me?"

"Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you"

"Feed my sheep"

Peter denied Jesus three times repeatedly. Peter has affirmed his love for Jesus three times repeatedly. Peter is made the supreme shepherd of the flock of Jesus. Devoted love for the master is the heart of true discipleship.

The shepherding mission of Peter entails praying with and for the community (Acts 6.3), guiding the community through teaching and preaching (Acts 6:3), loving and serving the community through various ministries and services, self-giving to the community to the point of laying down one's life (Cf Jn 10:1-18).

The Lord says to Peter three times clearly: "Feed my lambs"; "Tend my sheep"; "Feed my sheep". Peter is entrusted with the mission feeding the **sheep of Christ**. The authority of Peter over the community is dependent on Christ. This authority is meant for service. Following the example of Christ who "came not to be served **but to serve** and to give his life as a ransom for many" (Mk. 10:45), Peter and all those who have shepherding mission, should serve the community willingly and remain examples to it (1 Pet. 5: 1-4). Those who are charged with the pastoral care, should follow Jesus to the extent of laying down their lives for the sake of people.

The first words of Jesus to Peter were! "Follow me" (Mt. 4:19). The final words of Jesus to Peter were: "Follow me" (Jn. 21:19). Relying on his enthusiasm and on his own strength, Peter could not and did not follow Jesus and lay down his life

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for Jesus. But relying on the assurance and power of Jesus, Peter could and did follow Jesus and laid down his life for Jesus.

Peter **loved** Jesus; Peter **followed** Jesus; Peter **died** for Jesus. Peter is the **best disciple** of Jesus because he loved and followed Jesus. Peter is the **best witness** of Jesus because he died for Jesus.

On 29<sup>th</sup> June we celebrate the solemnity of St. Peter and St. Paul two great apostles, two great pillars of the Catholic Church. As priests and religious, we have received a share in the shepherding mission of Peter. Let us sincerely and seriously examine the way we exercise our shepherding mission:

- ❖ Do I sincerely love Jesus?
- ❖ Am I faithful to the Gospel of Jesus?
- Am I fully committed to the mission of Jesus?
- Do I sincerely love the people entrusted to my pastoral charity and service?
- Am I always approachable and available to the people?
- Do I serve the people willingly?
- Is my life style an example to the people?

O Mary, queen of the Apostles, pray for us!

#### 1. Ad Limina Visit

The Indian Bishops are having Ad Limina visit in September 2019. From 3<sup>rd</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> September 2019, I will be abroad for the purpose of Ad Limina visit and other visits. During my absence, Very Rev. Msgr. A. Arulanandam, the Vicar General will take care of the administration of the Archdiocese.

#### 2. Permissions Granted

i. **Sisters of St. Anne, Bangalore** are given the required permission to start a canonical community at Ariyalur Thirukai, Kakkanur parish, for evangelization, pastoral, catechetical and educational services.

ii. **Sisters of St. Thomas, Trichy** are given the required permission to start a canonical community at Saram, Tindivanam for catechetical and educational services.

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#### 3. Prayer for India

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We offer our prayerful wishes to His Excellency Shri. Narendra Modi, the Honourable Prime Minister of India and his team members and wish them success in their devoted services to the nation.

The following are some of the important concerns for our country today:

- ✓ The secular character of our country, unity in diversity and diversity in unity are to be strongly maintained.
- ✓ Religious harmony needs to be promoted.
- ✓ The rights of the minorities need to be respected.
- ✓ The youth are the hope of our country. Their needs should be taken care of in a special way.
- ✓ Women, Dalits and Tribals need to be empowered.
- ✓ Children need to be protected.
- ✓ The needs of the farmers are to be adequately addressed.
- ✓ Poverty should be notably reduced.
- ✓ Literacy should be increased.
- ✓ More employment opportunities are to be created.
- ✓ The safety and dignity of workers are to be promoted.

Everyday let us pray for our country in a special way.

June	20	)19 🕽 ————	(202) Engagements
ARCH	BISHO	DP'S ENGAG	EMENTS FOR JUNE -2019
01	SAT	11.00 a.m.	Requiem Mass for Cardinal D.S Lourdusamy, Cathedral.
02	SUN	07.30 a.m.	Confirmations, Muthialpet.
05	WED	06.00 p.m.	Confirmations, Sathiamangalam.
06	THU	09.30 a.m.	Blessing of New Classrooms, Petit Seminaire HSS, Pondy.
09	SUN	08.00 a.m.	Confirmations, Cathedral.
13	THU	08.00 a.m.	Feast Mass, Mel-Nariappanur
		06.30 p.m.	Feast Mass, Attupatti.
16	SUN	07.30 a.m.	Confirmations, Karaikal.
20	THU	07.30 a.m.	Confirmations, Anilady.
21	FRI		TNBC Liturgy Commission Meeting, Tindivanam.
29	SAT	11.00 a.m.	Feast Mass, FIHM Generalate.
30	SUN	07.00 a.m.	Confirmations, Tagore Nagar
		12.00 a.m.	Feast Mass, Sacred Heart Basilica, Pondy.

### [sd]+Most Rev. Dr. A. Anandarayar Archbishop of Pondicherry and Cuddalore

#### ARCHBISHOP'S EDUCATION FUND

			INTERIBION OF EDUCATION TOND	
1	No	o. Da	ite Name	Amount
[:	1	08.05.19	FSAG Generalate, Pondicherry	25001
2	2	"	St. Antony's Convent, Pondicherry	5000
3	3	<i>u</i>	Adaikala Annai Hr.Sec.School, Viriyur	50000
4	4	"	Viriyur Parish	20000
5	5	<i>u</i>	M.Antoniammal, Viriyur	1000
16	ŝ	u	People of Periyanayagai nagar, Michaelpuram	1000
7	7	<i>u</i>	Farmer sangam, Viriyur	500
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<b>&amp;</b> June	2019 <b>2</b> 03 Ec	lu.Fund	3
8 "	Confirmation Children, Agarakottalam Parish	250	0
9 "	RM.Appadurai, Agarakottalam	200	0
10 "	Parishioners, Agarakottalam	100	0
11 "	R.Kanthasamy, Agarakottalam	100	0
12 "	St.Joseph's Health centre, Agarakottalam	100	0
13 "	People of Rayapuram, Agarakottalam	100	0
14 "	People of Ranganathapuram, Agarakottalam	100	0
15 "	Choire, Agarakottalam	500	)
16 "	People of Anaikaraikottalam, Agarakottalam	500	)
17 "	Legion of Mary, Agarakottalam	500	)
18 "	Irudai Parishioners	1000	00
19 "	Fr.L.A.Arulpushpam	500	0
20 "	People of Sithanangur, Irundai	110	0
21 "	Immaculate Generalate, Pondicherry	1000	00
22 "	L.John Paul, Vellakulam	500	)
23 "	John Victoria, Vellakulam	200	)
24 "	Villianur Parish	100	00
25 "	V.Louis Sinniya Arokiasamy, Pondicherry	100	00
26 "	Fr.Periyanayagam Anandaraj CSSR, Sengadu	500	)0
27 "	P.Alexander, Pondicherry	100	
	Sacred Heart Basilica, Pondicherry	300	
29 "	V.Karthikeyan, Aziz Nagar	100	00
30 "	T.David Mariyanayagam, Tindivanam	100	
31 "	Sengadu parish	500	
32 "	S.Augustine, Sengadu	50	
33 "	Legion of Mary, Sengadu	50	
34 "	A.Joseph Thamizharasan, Sengadu	50	
35 "	St.vincent de Paul Conference, Sengadu	50	
36 "	A.Denis Robin, Sengadu	50	
37 "	J.Sunil Jovin, Sengadu	20	
38 "	J.Prajan Antto, Sengadu	20	
39 "	Well wishers, Sengadu	160	
40 "	Neyveli Parish	500	
41 "	St.Pauls Mat. Hr.Sec.School, Neyveli	2500	
42 "	St. Antony's Hr. Sec. School, Neyveli	2500	
43 "	Confirmation children, Neyveli parish	1000	
44 "	Cluny Convent, Neyveli	1000	
45 "	A.Jude, Neyveli	200	
46 "	A.Mary Julina, Neyveli	200	
47 "	Kevin Cederick, Neyveli	120	VOD.
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48 "	G.Joseph, Neyveli	1000	86 "	N.A.Anthonisamy, Vadalur	500
49 "	K.John Sheril, Neyveli	500	87 "	R.Robert Benjamin, Mugasaparur	1000
50 "	A.Ritamary, Vadalur	500	88 "	Faithful, RC Konankuppam	500
51 "	Legion of Mary, Neyeli	500	89 "	Faithful, Kanyankuppam	500
52 "	Well wisher, Neyveli	5100	90 "	Faithful, M.Barur	500
	.19 First communion and confirmation children, Kod	I .	91 "	Faithful, Pavazhangudi	500
	,	10000	92 "	A.Richard, Mugasaparur	500
54 "	Kodungal Parish	5000	93 24.05	5.19 Mel-nariappanur parish	5000
55 "	Legion of Mary, Kodungal	2000	94 "	People of Akkarapalayam parish	2000
56 "	F.Mark, Kodungal	1000	95 " Hol	y communion and confirmation children, Veerare	eddikuppam
57 "	Vincent D Paul society (women), Kodungal	1000			3000
58 "	Nedungampet Parish	13000	96 "	C.Pillaipitchai, Veerareddikuppam	2500
59 "	Legin of Mary, Nedungampet	1000	97 "	Immaculate Convent, Veerareddikuppam	2000
60 "	People of Soriyapet, Nedungampet	1000	98 "	Parishioners, Veerareddikuppam	1000
61 "	Anthonisamy, Nedungampet	500	99 "	A.Arul Chinnappan, Veerareddikuppam	500
62 "	Durai Rani, Nedungampet	200	100"	Shanal Ezhilmaran, Cuddalore	500
63 "	M.Savarimuthu, Nedungampet	100	101	Rev.Fr.R.Josephraj, Pondicherry	5000
64 "	Vellakulam Parish	5000	102	St.Thomas Generalate, Trichy	5000
65 "	A.Rebekah, Nellithope	1500	103 28.0	5.19 Cluny Provincial, Pondicherry	10000
66 21.05	.19 Perianolambai parish	1000	104 "	Cluny Provincialate, Trichy-10	10000
67 "	A.Michael, Gingee	500	105"	Narasinganur parish	5000
68 "	People of Perianolambai parish	500	106 29.0	5.19 Eraiyur Parish	10000
69"	Vincent D Paul Society, Perianolambai	500	107 "	Confirmation girls, Eraiyur parish	5000
70 "	Saravanan, Perianolambai	300	108 "	Confirmation Boys, Eraiyur parish	5000
71 "	Legion of Mary, Perianolambai	300	109 "	Immaculate Convent, Eraiyur	5000
72"	K.Pushparaj, Perianolambai	300	110 "	S.Amaladoss, Eraiyur	3000
73"	Catechisam Children, Perianolambai	200	111 "	S.Immanuel, Eraiyur	2000
74"	Substation peoples, Perianolambai	200	112 "	People of Eraiyur parish	1000
75 "	Reddiarpalayam Parish	10000	113 "	People of Vada kurumbur, Eraiyur parish	1000
76 "	Confirmation Children, Reddiarpalayam Parish	3120	114 "	Legion of Mary, Eraiyur	500
77 "	Mugaiyur Parish	5000			
78 "	Confirmation Children, Nellithope Parish	5000		Total as on 31.05.2019	577671
79"	Nellithope Parish	30000		Received up to 30.04.2019	34697857
80 "	Vadalur Parish	10000		Grand Total	35275528
81 "	Ist communion and confirmation children, Vadal	lur 10000			
82 "	Fatima Mat.Hr.Sec.School, Vadalur	10000		[sd]+Most Rev. Dr. A.	Anandaravar
83 "	L.George, Vadalur	10000		Archbishop of Pondicherry at	
84 "	Vincent D Paul, Vadalur	1000		p 1	
85 "	Legion of Mary, Vadalur	850			

June 2019 Transfers

# List of Transfers and Appointments – 2019 Reverend and dear Fathers,

Prayerful Greetings to You!

I am glad to inform you that following are the transfers and appointments taking place in our Archdiocese. I wish the Reverend Fathers God's abundant blessings and every success in the new assignments.

Name	From	То
1 Very. Rev. Msgr. A. Arulanandam		Manager, Mission Press, Additional Charge
2 Rev. Fr. S. Alphonse	PP, Arasakuzhi	Emmaus Retired House
3 Rev. Fr. S. Maria Joseph	Rector, S.H. Basilica, Pondy.	PP, Kurusukuppam
4 Rev. Fr. A. Thomas	PP, Ariyankuppam	Anboli Full Time Service
5 Rev. Fr. S. Kulandai Samy	PP, Nellithope	Rector, S.H. Basilica, Pondy.
6 Rev. Fr. V. Aruldoss	PP, Konankuppam	PP, Arasakuzhi
7 Rev. Fr. C. Antony Roche	Manager, Mission Press	PP. Ariyankuppam
8. Rev. Fr. I. Ratchager		PP, Ulundurpet & V.F. Kallakurichi Vicariat
9 Rev. Fr. P. Paul Rajkumar	Principal & Correspondent, St. Ann's HSS, Tindivanam.	PP, Virudhachalam
10 Rev. Fr. L. Vincent	PP, Seppakkam.	PP, Nellithope
11 Rev. Fr. Z. Devasagayaraj	Secretary, SC/ST National Commission, Delhi.	PP, Konankuppam
12 Rev. Fr. S. Paulraj	PP, Melnariyappanur	PP, Seppakkam
13 Rev. I. Sagaya Arulselvam	PP, H.M & Correspondent, O.L. Health Church, Athipakkam.	Principal&Correspondent St. Ann's HSS, Tindivanam
14 Rev. Fr. M. Abraham	Medical leave	Spiritual Father, St. Ann's Boarding, Tindivanam

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15 Rev. Fr. A. Zacharias	PP, Fathimapalayam	Socius, Eraiyur
16 Rev. Fr. D. Arokiadoss	PP, Virudachalam.	PP, Melnariyappanur
17 Rev. Fr. M. Jayaseelan	PP. Kalleri	PP, Manalurpet
18 Rev. Fr. Y. Mahimaidoss Oli	PP, Manalurpet.	PP, H.M &Correspondent, Athipakkam.
19 Rev. Fr. F. Henry Ezhilmaran	Leave	PP, Kalleri
20 Rev. Fr. J. Arulpragasam	PP, Kurusukuppam	PP, Melvizhi
21 Rev. Fr. A. Edward Francis	PP, Krishnakuppam	PP, Mugaiyur
22 Rev. Fr. R. Lourdu Jerard	Socius, Athipakkam	Higher Studies, Bangalore
23 Rev. S. Arokiasamy	PP, Melvizhi	Professor, St. Peter's Bangalore
24 Rev. Fr. I. James Victor	Staff, St. Peter's Seminary, Bangalore.	Higher studies, Germany
25 Rev. Fr. V.S.Dominic Savio	Vice Principal, St. Paul's Neyveli.	PP, Fathimapalayam
26 Rev. Fr. Vincent Amal raj	Asst. PP, Villianur.	PP, Krishnankuppam
27 Rev. Fr. D. Alexander	Asst. PP. Nellithope	Asst. PP.Reddiarpalayam.
28 Rev. Fr. P. Antony raj	Asst. PP, S.H, Basilica	Asst. PP. Nellithope
29 Rev. Fr. S. Martin D' Cruz	Assistant, Fathima Hr.Sec. School, Muthialpet.	M.TH, St. Peter's Bangalore.
30 Rev. Fr. C. William Johnson Antonyraj	Asst. PP, Vadalur	Asst. PP. Iruppukurichi
31 Rev. Fr. A. Amala Mathavan	Asst. PP, Athipakkam.	Asst. Fathima HSS, Muthailpet
32 Rev. Fr. J. Irudaya Raj	Asst. PP, Karaikal.	Asst. PP. SH Basilica
33 Rev. Fr. J. John Paul	Asst. PP. Eraiyur	Asst. PP. Villianur
34 Rev. Fr. D. Arokia Sagayaraj	Asst. PP.Iruppukurichy	Asst. PP. Karaikal
35 Rev. Fr. Alex Olil Kumar	New priest	Asst. PP. Konankuppam
36 Rev. Fr. J. A. Arulpushparaja	New priest	Asst. PP. Eraiyur
37 Rev. Fr. A. Maria Susai	New priest	Asst. PP. Vadalur
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June 2019 Necrology

- **NB: A.** Fathers are kindly requested to handover the present charge and assume their new assignments in the presence of Vicar Forane or any other Priest delegated by me and they must:
  - Keep ready all the registers and accounts pertaining to the parish and the Institution.
  - ii) Give details of any project incomplete together with accounts.
  - iii) Submit a copy of the inventory to the concerned Vicar Forane or Priest delegated by me.
- **B.** i) Rev. Fathers appointed in educational institutions will take charge on 1<sup>st</sup> of June, 2019.
- ii) Rev. Fathers appointed in parishes will take charge in the first week of June, 2019 as specified in their letter of appointment.

With cordial wishes,

Yours in Christ.

**Most Rev. Dr. A. Anandarayar** Archbishop of Pondicherry & Cuddalore

#### **NECROLOGY**

#### Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

	02-06-2014	His Eminence Simon Cardinal Lourdusamy
I	03-06-1951	Amaladassou. J. M
١	05-06-1999	Anthonisamy. V. S
١	05-06-2017	Bhagyanathan. T
١	07-06-1973	Divianader. S
١	10-06-1998	Auguste Mahe, MEP
I	14-06-1984	James Perianayagam
١	15-06-1948	Mgr. MOREL Elie Jean Joseph
١	25-06-2018	Arokiadoss. Roy
١	27-06-1970	Savainather. R
١	27-06-2018	Susaikannu. C
١	30-06-2009	John Bosco. A
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**BLESSINGS** 

Blessings

### 1. Blessing of the New Church of Punitha Sagaya Annai, Sagayapuram, Arasakuzhi.

The Newly built Punitha Sagaya Annai Church, at Sagayapuram, Arasakuzhi Parish was blessed and opened by His Grace the Most Rev. Dr. A. Anandarayar, our Archbishop, in the gracious occasion of the Holy Mass on 29th May 2019. We appreciate Rev. Fr. S. Alphonse the Parish Priest and we thank the donors and the Parishioners for their generous contributions.

### 2. Blessing of the Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Adichanur, Athipakkam Parish

The Newly built Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Athichanur, Athipakkam Parish was blessed and opened by His Grace the Most Rev. Dr. A. Anandarayar, our Archbishop, in the gracious occasion of the Holy Mass on 30th May 2019. We appreciate Rev. Fr. I. Sagaya Arulselvam the Parish Priest and we thank the donors and the Parishioners for their generous contributions.

# 3. Blessing of the Manimandapam for Most. Rev. Dr. Michael Augustine, Archbishop Emeritus of Pondicherry.

The Newly built Manimandapam for Most. Rev. Dr. Michael Augustine, Emiritus Archbishop of Pondicherry blessed and opened by His Grace the Most Rev. Dr. A. Anandarayar, our Archbishop, on 22nd May 2019. We appreciate Rev. Fr. R. Joseph Raj and Rev. Fr. Lenin Andreves the Parish Priest. And we thank the donors for the generous contributions.

#### **ORDINATIONS**

Deacons S. Alex Olil Kumar, J.A. Arul Pushparaja and A. Maria Susai of our Archdiocese were ordained to the order of Priesthood and Bros.S. Johnson, P. Chinnappan, A. Jayabalan to the order of Diaconate by His Grace the Most Rev. Dr. A. Anandarayar, our Archbishop on 2nd May 2019 at

Immaculate Conception Cathedral Pondicherry. We offer our hearty felicitations to them and wish them success in their new ministry.

Deacon **P. Anbu Anantharaj** of **CSSR** was ordained to the Priest hood on 2nd May 2019 at Immaculate Conception Cathedral Pondicherry, by **His Grace the MostRev.Dr. A. Anandarayar**. We offer our hearty felicitations to him and wish him success in his new ministry.

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#### **INFORMATION**

#### 1. New Supplement to the ORDO

As it is time for the preparation of the **New Supplement to the ORDO** for the year 2019 – 2020, it would be of great help if you could communicate to us your **suggestions**, **corrections and additions** to be made in the forthcoming Supplement to the Ordo.

# 2. Please note down the mobile numbers of the newly ordained priests of Our Archdiocese:

Fr. S. Alex Olil Kumar
 Fr. J.A. Arul Pushparaja
 Fr. A. Maria Susai
 9444855771
 9597886296
 9095630696

Fr. A. Kulandai Yesu Raja

Secretary to the Archbishop

#### <u>Voice from Metropolitan Matrimonial Tribunal – 104</u>

#### Family in the Plan of God

Saint Mother Teresa of Kolkata made some alarming statements about modern family in the hope of preserving sacred family values. "I think the world today is upside down. Everybody seems to be in such a terrible rush, anxious for greater development and greater

riches. There is much suffering because there is so very little love in homes and in family life. We have no time for each other".

God laid the foundation for every family with Adam and Eve, but the loving communion of Eden was broken by greed. Not content with the fullness of God's plan, they reached for forbidden fruit, bringing sin and sorrow into the world. Their legacy continues even today with families living in various degrees of spiritual blindness, wanting and working towards more – more than God's loving plan. But through humility and supplication the Holy Family of Nazareth ushered in peace and salvation for humanity. The month of June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart of Jesus to pour the sacrificial love towards the Family and Home dedicated to the bond of love and unity as a model and inspiration for all Catholic families.

St. John Paul in his *Familiaris Consortio* "I wish to invoke the protection of the Holy Family of Nazareth. Through God's mysterious design, it was in that family that the Son of God spent long years of a hidden life. It is therefore the prototype and example for all Christian families. It was unique in the world. Its life was passed in anonymity and silence in a little town in Palestine. It underwent trials of poverty, persecution and exile. It glorified God in an incomparably exalted and pure way. And it will not fail to help Christian families to be faithful to their day-to-day duties, to bear the cares and tribulations of life, to be open and generous to the needs of others, and to fulfill with joy the plan of God in their regard."

The happiness of the Holy Family that lived modestly was the outcome of the varying virtues they held dear; the virtues that bring us closer to God and to one another.

The Virtue of Silence, Instruction of the Blessed Virgin Mary to Venerable Mary of Agreda: "I desire that you esteem as a great

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treasure, the virtue of silence. Speaking without moderation and forethought is a two-edged sword, which wounds both the one who speaks and the one who hears, and the two of them destroy or hinder charity and all the virtues. From this you can understand how much God is offended by the vice of inconsiderate and loose talk... Only with God and His Saints can one speak with security, and even then it must be with forethought and discretion. With creatures it is very difficult to preserve the golden mean without danger of passing from the correct and necessary to the imperfect and superfluous"

The Virtue of Humility, Father Maurice Meschier S.J: "St. Joseph had nothing in the temporal line to offer our Savior but his calloused hands and a heart full of devotion and love, and instead of the splendid pomp of the world, poverty and obscurity. This was precisely what the Redeemer wished. For this He had come down from Heaven."

The Virtue of Chastity, St. Josemaria Escrivá: "You don't have to wait to be old or lifeless to practice the virtue of chastity. Purity comes from love; and the strength and gaiety of youth is no obstacle for noble love. Joseph had a young heart and a young body when he married Mary, when he learned of the mystery of her divine motherhood, when he lived in her company, respecting the integrity God wished to give the world as one more sign that he had come to share the life of his creatures. Anyone who cannot understand a love like that knows very little of true love and is a complete stranger to the Christian meaning of chastity."

The Virtue of Obedience, St. Bernard of Clairvaux: "Who obeyed? Whom did He obey? God obeyed man! Yes, the God to whom the angels are subject... was subject to Mary, and not only to Mary, but also to Joseph. For God to obey a woman is humility without parallel... Learn then, man, to obey. God subjected Himself to men;

and do you, desiring to dominate others, place yourself above your Creator?"

The Virtue of Piety, Bishop Jacques-Bénigne Bossuet: "Jesus Christ did not wish to be born into a wealthy family, nor to choose parents who were illustrious for their learning. He was content with their piety.'

In a world that is indifferent in virtues, it is the humble and the hidden life of the Holy Family that continues to advocate God's plan for marriage and family. And the following words of Pope Leo XIII give us the impetus to sanctify our ordinary life through their example.

"Fathers of families, have in St. Joseph a shining pattern for watchfulness and foresight. Mothers have in the most Holy Virgin Mother of God an extraordinary model of love, of modesty, of submissiveness of mind, and of perfect faith. Children of the family have in Jesus, who was subject to Joseph and Mary, a divine example of obedience to admire, cultivate and imitate. Those nobly born may learn from a family of royal blood how to restrain themselves in good fortune, and to retain their dignity in ill. The rich may learn from this family how much less estimable are riches than virtue. If working men and all those sorely harassed by family distresses and meager circumstances would but look to the most holy members of this domestic society, they would find there reason to rejoice rather than to grieve at their lot". (cf. Saumika Crasta, the writer is a Catholic wife and homeschooling mother; Fr. Agnel's Call magazine, Vol.54/No.2, Feb. 2019, pp. 12-13). Thanking you.

#### **Points to Ponder:**

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- A world is supported by four things: the learning of wise, the justice of great, the prayers of the righteous and the valor of the brave. But all of these are as nothing without a ruler who knows the art of ruling.
- Grace is the reward that the Good Shepherd gives to those who give themselves entirely to Him.
- A man who was completely innocent, offered himself as a sacrifice for the good of others, including his enemies, and became the ransom of the world. It was a perfect act.

#### - Mahatma Gandhi

- Love always involves responsibility, and love always involves sacrifice. And we do not really love Christ unless we are prepared to face. His task and to take up His Cross.
- -William Barclay.
- **Discipline** yourself to do the things you need to do when you need to do them, and the day will come when you will be able to do the things you want to do when you want to do them!

Rev.Fr. S. Pascal Raj **Judicial Vicar** 

#### **Commissions and Reports**

#### St. Xavier's Pastoral Centre

#### **Commission for Evangelization**

This month we had a "Three days Evangellization Charismatic Manadu" from 17th to 19th (17, 18, 19-05-2019, Friday, Saturday & Sunday) of May in our Pastoral Centre from 09.30

a.m. to 05.00 p.m. We had a good response from the people in spite of the hot summer. Everyday around 500 people attended from various parishes of Pondicherry, Cuddalore, Tindivanam and Villupuram. I thank all the Parish Priests who announced during the Masses and distributed the notices and encouraged the people to come and attend this prayer manadu. Rev. Fr. Arokia Selvam, a Norbertine priest along with his team members. Rev. Fr. Dominic, Mr. Inbanathan, Mr. Henry and Ms. Pushpa of "மாகாவின் அருள் செப ஊழியம்" conducted this prayer meeting on the following themes, one for each day. The themes are

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The sessions were really extraordinary with prayers, singing, healing program, masses and adorations. People really enjoyed it and profited by the Manadu.

A team which is called "St. Xavier Prayer Preparatory Group" organized everything with their own voluntary contribution and with the contributions of the Donors. Many people came forward to share the expenses. I thank them all, very specially Rev. Fr. R. Pascal Raj, Principal, Petit Seminarie Hr. Sec. School who helped us for the food for the people. May God Bless You.

This month, the third Saturday prayer meeting will be on 15th June 2019 which will be conducted by Rev. Fr. T. Albert, Director, Diocesan Charismatic Centre, Trichy. He is a well known preacher who conducts a lot of prayer sessions, very specially in Madha T.V. Kindly announce it to the people so that our people who long for the Word of God and God's Grace may come and profit for it.

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#### **Commission for Social Communication**

On 14<sup>th</sup> May, Madha T.V. had the meeting of the diocesan secretaries of the Mass Media and Communication and planned for the celebration of Social Communication day, which will be celebrated on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2019 and the theme given by the Holy Father for this year to "From Network Communication to Human Communication" we do feel the responsibility of the church to teach our young generation to make use of the social media carefully and fruitfully. If you have any suggestion for the meaningful celebration of this day, kindly feel free to propose to me.

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#### **Synod 2019**

Dear Rev. Fathers, I thank you all and appreciate you for the efforts you are putting in at the parish level to collect the opinions of Christ's faithful for the betterment of our life and ministry as the disciples of our Lord. I hope that in spite of your heavy schedule of the summer with various feasts in your parishes and the preparations for the 1st communion and confirmation, you are additionally doing this work of animating the anbiyams, associations and movements and making them to come together and share and collect their opinions over the Questions that we have given to them. Kindly encourage them to act responsibly and reflect deeply. The parish level report should be given to the Vicars Forane by 15th of July as you see in the calendar of the Synod 2019 in the Questionnaire book page 31. By doing this, we, the Church of Pondicherry are really evaluating our Christian life and marching towards our renewal. Please send the name and address (with phone number and e-mail) of your Parish Synodal Member as early as possible. Please consult with your Vicar Forane whether your parish Synodal member should be a male or female.

#### Christuvar Vazhurimai Iyakkam

During the parliamentary elections, Our Fathers and Religious have really worked hard and prudently to animate our people politically. To evaluate our political activities, we are having a meeting of Christuvar Vazhurimai Iyakkam on 29th May at Trichy, Laity Centre, Pratiyur. I thank all of you who gave full co-operation and made known our political stand to our Christian Voters who made an historical victory in Tamil Nadu for our option. I shall give the report of the meeting in the next News Letter.

Fr. A. J. Philomindoss

Director

#### **Youth Commission Report**

#### **Activities**

#### 1. Prayer for Sri lanka:

The youth commission has organised candle light procession and prayer service in Vikravandi Parish on 28<sup>th</sup> April 2019 for the affected during the bomb blasting in Sri Lanka on the Easter Day. It was the symbol of participating with the universal church to solidarity with the affected and condemn the inhuman and barbaric activity.

#### 2. Planning meeting for Youth Year 2020:

We had a one day meeting in Trichy on 9<sup>th</sup> May 2019 to prepare for the Youth year 2020.

#### 3. Summer Youth Cultural Festivel:

We had three days Youth Cultural Fest in Vikravandi Parish from  $27^{\text{th}}$  May 2019 to  $29^{\text{th}}$  May 2019. A good number of Youth participated in the games and cultural events

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#### **Forthcoming Events:**

#### 1. Cultural Training for youth:

In collaboration with 'SEED' cultural team, our commission organises cultural training for rural youth on 15th-16<sup>th</sup> June 2019 in Vikravandi Parish. I request the Parish Priests to send interested youth from your parish. Kindly register the names of the participants in the youth commission office on or before 10<sup>th</sup> June 2019.

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# 2. Honouring Catholic students( YCS) toppers in the secondary and senior secondary exams-2018-19

The Diocesan Youth commission is planning to felicitate the Catholic students' toppers in diocesan level. (Under the category of BPL) in Secondary and Senior Secondary Exams held this year (2019) from each state. I request the Parish Priests to identify the toppers first mark in parish level (10th std and 12th std) and inform youth commission on or before 10th June 2019. After collecting the data, from which the three toppers in diocesan level will be honoured with cash award together with a shield and certificate. The decision of the selection

Rev. Fr. A. Arputharaj, Secretary.

#### **SC/ST Commission report for June**

#### **Activities:**

#### 1. Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's Birthday as Festival of Equality:

The Diocesan Commission celebrated Dr. B.R.Ambedkar's Birthday as "Festival of Equality" on 14th April, 2019, in SC/ST Commission office, Vikravandi.

#### 2. National level SC/ST Commission secretaries meeting

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One day National level SC/ST Commission secretaries meeting is held on 30th April 2019 in Indian Social Institute, Bangalore. Fr.Prakash Luise SJ presided over the meeting. He had given a powerful speech about the empowerment of dalit christians.Fr. Devasagayaraj, National secretary welcomed the participants and explained about the aim of the meeting. All the secretaries shared their commission activities. National Dalit Christians Youth Net in charge Master Srujan Segev has proposed a Newsletter idea to reach youth of every parish, so that we can easily reach, guide and motivate Dalit Youth to become successful in their life.

#### 3. Social Awareness Program in through our Cultural Team:

Social Awareness Program is organised by our "SEED" Cultural team on 16th May 2019 in Perianolambai Parish. Thanks to Fr. Praveen kumar for the invitation and good arrangements.

#### **Upcoming Events:**

#### 1. Self Employment program for DCPC

One day self employment program will be conducted for Dalit Christians People Cell groups on 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2019 in SAMSSS, Vikravandi.

#### 2. Admission on the basis of G.O 92:

We need to aware of G.O 92 in receiving scholarship for higher studies. It is very helpful for the SC/ST Christians in receiving scholarship including the hostel fees, except the books, exam fees and personal

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needs. For any further clarification please approach our commission co-ordinator Mr. Babu. Cell 9486221021

Rev. Fr. A. Arputharaj, Secretary.

#### தமிழ்நாடு பொதுநிலையினர் பணிக்குழு

இந்த ஆண்டு "பொதுநிலையினரின் தலைமைத்துவத்தை வளர்த்தெடுப்போம்" என்ற மையக் கருத்தில் 30-06-2019 அன்று கொண்டாடப்படுகிறது. மாநில பொதுநிலையினர் பணிக்குழு அனப்பியுள்ள திருவழிப்பாட்டுக் குறிப்புகள். துண்டுபிரசுரம். சுவரொட்டிகள் அனைத்தும் பங்குகளுக்கு அனுப்பப்பட்டுள்ளது. பொதுநிலையினர் ஞாயிறை தங்கள் பங்குகளில் சிறப்பாகக் கொண்டாடபங்கு குரு. அமைப்புகள். இறைமக்கள் அனைவரையும் அன்புடன் கேட்டுக் கொள்கிறோம்.

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#### **DOCTOR'S PAGE**

#### GET SCARED.....

- (1) The stomach is scared when you do not have breakfast in the morning.
- (2) The kidneys are afraid when you do not even drink 10 glasses of water in 24 hours.
- (3) The gallbladder is scared when you do not even sleep until 11 o'clock and do not wake up to the sunrise.
- (4) The small intestine is scared when you eat cold and stale food.
- (5) Large intestines are scared when you eat more fried and spicy food.
- (6) The lungs are scared when you breathe in smoke, dirt and polluted environment of cigarettes and bidi.

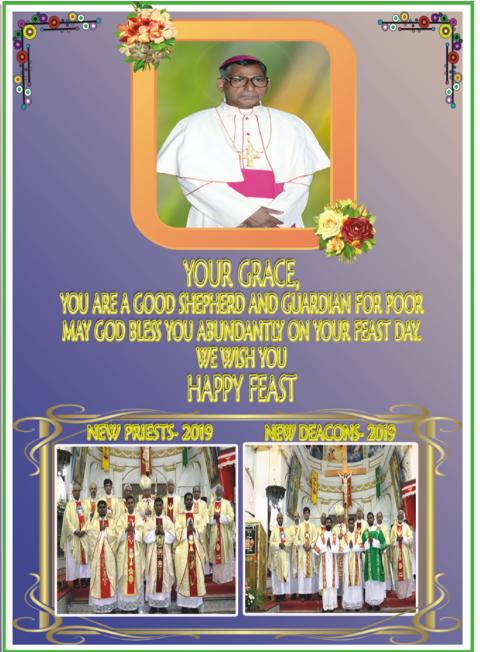
- (7) The liver is scared when you eat heavy fried food, junk, and fast food.
- (8) The heart is afraid when you eat your meal with more salt and cholesterol.
- (9) The pancreas is scared when you eat more sweet because of the taste and freely available.
- (10) Eyes are scared when you work in the light of mobile and computer screen in the dark.
- (11) The brain is scared when you start thinking negative thoughts.

Take care of the parts of your body and do not scare them.

All these parts are not available in the market. Those available are very expensive and probably cannot be adjusted in your body. So keep your body parts healthy. Make regular Yoga, Meditation or any kind of activities so that you can stay healthy...

#### Dr J Irudayaraj Medical consultant





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