



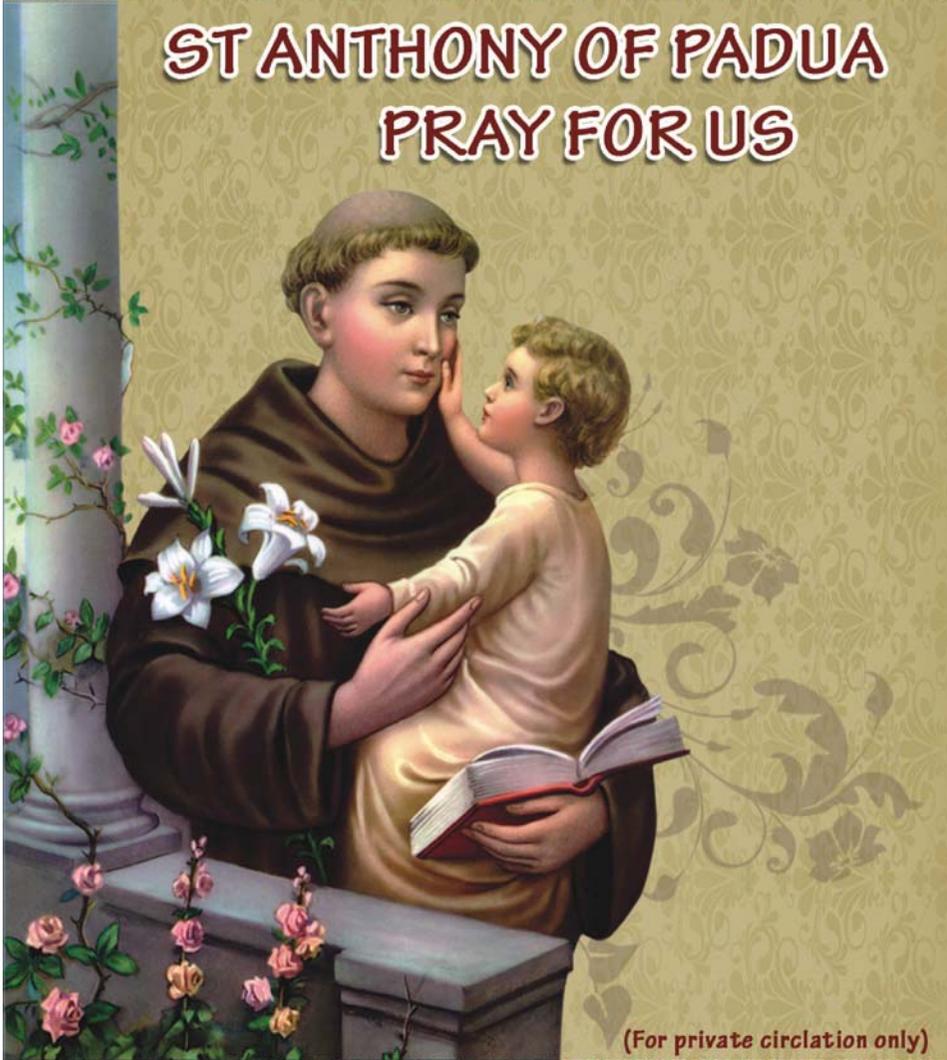
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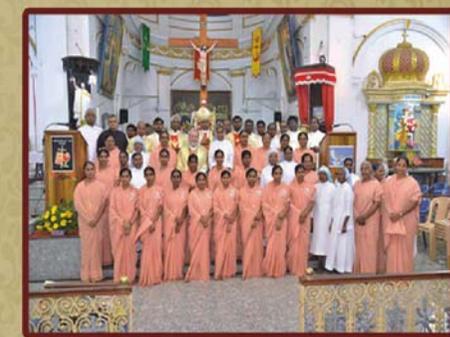
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**BLESSING & OPENING OF
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KRISHNANKUPPAM**



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FINAL VOWS, FIHM

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for June 2018

Mission: Universal: Social Networks: That social networks may work towards that inclusiveness which respects others for their differences.



Archbishop's Message



St. Anthony on the Homily

01. The Homily

“Go into all the world and preach the gospel to the whole creation” (Mk. 16:15). This is the command given by the Risen Lord to the Apostles. On the day of Pentecost, the Apostles were filled by the power of the Holy Spirit and they began to proclaim the gospel. (Acts. 2:1-13). Proclamation of the Gospel is the vocation proper to the church. The church exists in order to evangelize. (cf. En. 14)

“Feed my lambs”, “tend my sheep” (Jn. 21: 15-17) is the specific command given by the Lord to St. Peter, the Head of the Apostolic College. “Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you Guardians” (Acts

20:28) is the admonition given by St. Paul to the elders of the church.

The Bishops and the Priests are called to feed themselves and the flock of Christ by the **Word of God** contained in the **Holy Scriptures** and in the Most **Holy Eucharist**. “The Parish Priest has the obligation of ensuring that the word of the God is proclaimed in its entirety to those living in the parish. He is therefore to see to it that the lay members of Christ’s faithful are instructed in the truths of faith, especially by means of the **homily** on Sundays and holydays of obligation and by **catechetical formation**” (can. 528:1)

Prayer, proclamation of the word of God, celebration of the sacraments are the important duties and functions of the Parish Priests. “The most important form of preaching is the **homily**, which is part of the liturgy and is reserved to a priest or deacon. In the course of the liturgical year, the mysteries of the faith and the rules of Christian living are to be expounded in the homily **from the sacred text**” (can. 767)

St. Anthony of Padua is a model and guide for us in our ministry of the word of God; especially in the art of preaching the homily. He compares the homily to a **chariot** and the **four wheels** of the chariot are the four readings of the liturgy on Sundays and Holydays of obligation:-

1. The gospels reading
2. The reading from the old testaments
3. The introductory versicle
4. The reading from the Epistles

The words of God are “Words of eternal life” (Jn. 6:68). The word of God is a Light to our path and a lamp to our feet (cf. Ps. 118:105). Preaching the homily is an art. It is to be learnt. The words of God need to be communicated to people in a fruitful manner. The homily is to be preached not only efficiently but also effectively. The word of God should accomplish in men that which God purposes (cf. Is. 55:11).

St. Anthony of Pauda is both an effective and efficient preacher of the word of God. He proposes the following steps for an effective and efficient way of proclaiming the homily.

- A.**
- i. **Reading** the words of God attentively.
 - ii. **Reflecting** over the readings deeply.
 - iii. **Understanding** the **words** and the **meaning** of the reading with the help of Commentaries.
 - iv. Paying special attention to the **texts** in their **contexts**.
 - v. **Praying** over the words of God and invoking the special assistance of the Holy Spirit, who is the real agent of the proclamation of the word of God.
 - vi. **Preparing** the homily by focusing on the **message** to be given to the community in its concrete life-situations.
 - vii. **Preparing the homily** by carefully selecting the most suitable words, phrases and examples to convey the message.
 - viii. **Intense Prayer** is the best immediate preparation.

ix. **Preaching** the homily clearly, slowly, audibly and with conviction.

B. Holiness of life is the best way of preaching the homily effectively. “Modern man listens more willingly to **witnesses** than to teachers; and if he listens to teachers, it is because they are witnesses at the same time” (E.N.41)

- + St. Antony of Pauda **read** the word of God
- + He **believed** in the word of God
- + He **practised** the word of God
- + He **preached** the word of God

Hence, his homily was always effective. The best way to preach the gospel is to live the gospel.

C. St. Anthony of Padua places the homily in the history of salvation and in the mystery of Christ. He encourages a great devotion to the person of Christ, Christ present in the Eucharist. He promotes a tender and filial devotion to Mary. He exhorts the faithful to lead a truly Christian life according to the teaching of Christ.

He encourages the people to practice virtues such as faith, hope, humility, poverty, chastity, love of God and of the neighbours. He says **humility** is the mother and root of all virtues. He denounces strongly the following vices; pride, avarice and debauchery.

St. Anthony of Padua is a Saint of **Prayer**, of the **Word of God**, of the most Holy **Eucharist**. He is eminently a **Marian saint**. His life is a powerful witness of sanctity. He is a constant intercessor for the people. He is a powerful protector of the people. He is an eminent teacher of divine truths. And he is an excellent preacher of the word of God. His life brought glory to God and good to the people.

To-day people are hungering and thirsting for the word of God. People are eagerly waiting to get the messages of the gospel from us, priests and religious. Following the example of the Apostles, let us entrust to the lay persons services such as serving at the **table** and let us “**devote ourselves to prayer** and to **the ministry of the word**” (Acts 6:4). Following the example and instructions of St. Anthony of Padua, let us prepare well our Sundays homilies and preach them effectively and efficiently. Let us keep in mind that a short homily at weekday masses is strongly recommended (cf. Can. 767.3). Let us preach the gospel in season and out of season (2 Tim. 4:2) both by word and deed, by oral proclamation and by the witness of our holy life.

O St. Anthony of Padua, pray for us and assist us that, following your example, we may live the gospel and preach the gospel effectively.

2. Sterlite

We strongly condemn the atrocities on the anti-sterlite protestors. We condole the death of those persons who were shot dead. We express our prayerful solidarity with the victims

and with the Bishop, the clergy, the religious and the laity of the Diocese of Tuticorin.

3. Accounts

Those Parish Priests and the heads of the educational institutions and estates, who have not yet submitted the accounts, are asked to submit the accounts immediately.

4. Laity Sunday

Sunday 24th June 2018 is celebrated as the Laity Sunday. The theme is: “கூட்டுப் பொறும்பும் இணைந்த செயல்பாடும் பங்குகளில் மலர்”. Parish Priests are greatly exhorted to celebrate the Laity Sunday in a meaningful manner. Let us affirm our Laity and encourage them to be active participates both in the church and in the society.

ARCHBISHOP'S ENGAGEMENTS FOR JUNE -2018

03	SUN	08.00 a.m.	Confirmations, Kurumbagaram.
05	TUE	06.00 p.m	Meeting, TNBCLC, Tindivanam.
	6-8		TNBC Labour Commission Meeting, Coonoor.
09	SAT	11.00 a.m	Feast Mass, FIHM Generalate.
10	SUN	07.30 a.m	Feast Mass, S.H. Basilica.
		06.00 p.m.	Mass, Murungapakkam.

11	MON	06.30 a.m	Blessing of FIHM Convent, Chinna Kanganankuppam.
13	WED	08.00 a.m	Feast Mass, Melnariappanur.
		06. 30 p.m	Feast Mass, Attupatti, Pondy.
17	SUN	08.15 a.m	Confirmations, Cuddalore O.T.
22	FRI	10.30. a.m	Mass, Lumen Institute, Tindivanam.
24	SUN	07.00 a.m.	Feast Mass, Tagore Nagar.
30	SAT	10.30 a.m	Mass, Vincent de Paul Society, Uppalam.

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

ARCHBISHOP'S EDUCATION FUND

No.	Date	Name	Amount
1	04.05.2018	Confirmation Children, Keezputhupet	15000
2	"	Kuppan, Keezputhupet	500
3	"	Louis Kannaiya, Pondy	10000
4	"	ME Sisters, St.Antony Convent, Attupatty	5000
5	"	Dr.Jude Ernest Dileep, Vinoba Nagar	3000
6	"	St.Josephs society, Vinobanagar	3000
7	"	Veronese Antoine, Vinoba nagar	1000
8	"	A Well wisher, Vinoba nagar	100
9	09.05.2018	Immaculate Generalte, Pondicherry	20000
10	"	Msgr.A.Arulanadam	5000
11	"	Fr.Jermanus Irudayaraj, Memalur	10000
12	"	Memalur Parishioners	2000
13	"	Alphonse, Memalur	100
14	"	Well wisher, Memalur	600
15	"	Confirmation children, Thiurinjicollai	2300

16	"	Headmaster, RC middle school, Thiurinjicollai	1000
17	"	People of Valayamadevi, Thiurinjicollai	1000
18	"	People of Thattonadai, Thiurinjicollai	500
19	"	People of Chinna nerkunnam, Thiurinjicollai	500
20	"	Well wisher, Thiurinjicollai	100
21	"	St.Michael's Matric Hr.Sec.School, Gingee	10000
22	"	Immaculate Convent, Gingee	5000
23	"	St.Joseph's Hospital, Gingee	3000
24	"	Parishioners, Gingee	5000
25	"	A.Michael, Gingee	500
26	"	Shalom Provincialate, Tindivanam	10000
27	14.05.2018	Holy communion & confirmation children, Kanangadu	10000
28	"	RC Middle School, Kanangadu	7500
29	"	Kanangadu Parishioners	2000
30	"	Legion of Mary, Kanangadu	1000
31	"	People of Pushpakri, Kanangadu	500
32	"	Fr.Naveen Nirmal, Manalurpet	5000
33	"	St.Josephs Matric HSS, Veppoor	5000
34	"	Parishioners, Manalurpet	2000
35	"	A.Periyanygam, Manalurpet	1000
36	"	Legion of Mary, Manalurpet	500
37	"	G.Velanganni, Murukampadi, Manalurpet	100
38	"	C.A.Chinnappan, Murukampadi, Manalurpet	100
39	"	G.Sagaya Arputharaj, Murukampadi, Manalurpet	100
40	"	G.Christuraj, Murukampadi, Manalurpet	100
41	"	L.Anthoni, Murukampadi, Manalurpet	100
42	"	M.Jayaraj, Murukampadi, Manalurpet	100
43	"	Melvazhi parish	3000
44	"	St.Thomas Convent, Melvazhi	1000
45	"	RC Primary School, Melvazhi	1000
46	"	Parishioners, Melvazhi	1000
47	"	People of Kunniyur, Melvazhi	500
48	"	People of Rishivanthiyam, Melvazhi	500
49	"	Fr.S.Philipraj, Fr.P.Veevin Richard, Fr.Leo Nelson and Fr.Johnson Preedeep, Irudayampattu	10000
50	"	Parishioners, Irudayampattu	5000

51	"	Vinnarasi Annai Legion of Mary, Irudayampattu	1000
52	"	RC Primary School, Irudayampattu	1000
53	"	Fathima Annai Legion of Mary, Irudayampattu	1000
54	"	Choire, Irudayampattu	1000
55	"	Vinnarasi Sagodharavazhu sangam, Irudayampattu	1000
56	"	A.Jackulinmary, Irudayampattu	500
57	"	St.Joseph Anbiyam, Irudayampattu	500
58	"	Immanuel Anbiyam, Irudayampattu	500
59	"	Immaculate convent, Irudayampattu	500
60	"	Emmaus Anbiyam, Irudayampattu	500
61	"	Sagaya Annai Legion of Mary, Irudayampattu	500
62	"	Legion of Mary (men), Irudayampattu	500
63	"	Masilamani, Irudayampattu	200
64	"	M.Annammal, Irudayampattu	100
65	"	Well wisher, Irudayampattu	500
66	15.05.2018	Confirmation Children, Thattanchavady	8000
67	"	Parishioners, Thattanchavady	6000
68	"	A.K.Susai, Gorimedu	2500
69	"	J.Sruthi, Thattanchavdy	500
70	"	Ravi, Thattanchavdy	100
71	"	A.Irudayanathan, Thattanchavdy	100
72	"	Nellithope Parish	25000
73	"	Confirmation Children, Nellithope	8000
74	16.05.2018	St.Antony's Matric Hr.Sec.School, Neyveli	25000
75	"	St.Paul's Matric Hr.Sec.School, Neyveli	25000
76	"	Neyveli Parish	15000
77	"	Confirmation Children, Neyveli	10000
78	"	Cluny Convent, Neyveli	10000
79	"	Legion of Mary, Neyveli	500
80	21.05.2018	Reddiarpalayam Parish	20000
81	"	J.Boniface, Reddiarpalayam	500
82	"	Jenipriya, Pudunagar	500
83	"	M.Arokiasamy, Mulakulam	300
84	"	Yelodimarceline, Oulgaret	300
85	"	Devinla Napoleon, Pudunagar	200
86	"	I.Moses Napoleon, Reddiarpalayam	200
87	"	Well wishers, Reddiarpalayam	900

88	"	Sacred Heart Basilica, Pondicherry	25000
89	22.05.2018	Cathedral Parish	5000
90	"	Fr.Alphonse Manickam SJ, Vettavalam	10000
91	"	Confirmation Children, Cathedral	13250
92	"	People of Siluvaipalayam, Krishnankuppam	3000
93	"	Women groups, Siluvaipalayam, Krishnankuppam	1500
94	"	Krishnankuppam Parish	1000
95	"	People of Vazhuthalampattu South, Krishnankuppam	1000
96	"	People of Vazhuthalampattu North, Krishnankuppam	1000
97	"	Goodshpered Society, Vazhuthalampattu North	1000
98	"	People of Madhanagopalapuram, Krishnankuppam	1000
99	"	L.Andhuselvam, Arsadikuppam	500
100	"	Legion of Mary, Vazhuthalampattu North, Krishnankuppam	500
101	"	St.Louis Convent, Krishnankuppam	500
102	"	Annai Teresa Society, Vazhuthalampattu North	500
103	"	People of Ayeepttai, Krishnankuppam	500
104	"	Legion of Mary, Ayeepttai, Krishnankuppam	300
105	"	Well wishers, Siluvaipalayam, Krishnankuppam	1100
106	25.05.2018	Eraiur Parish	10000
107	"	Confirmation Boys, Eraiyur	5000
108	"	Confirmation Girls, Eraiyur	5000
109	"	Assisi Hospital, Eraiyur	5000
110	"	St.Anne's High School, Eraiyur	5000
111	"	People, Eraiyur	1200
112	"	S.Amaladoss, Eraiyur	1000
113	"	K.S.Irudayaraj, Eraiyur	1000
114	"	People of Vada Kurumbur, Eraiyur	1000
115	"	Lourdu Annai Legion of Mary, Eraiyur	500
116	"	Irudaya Annai Legion of Mary, Eraiyur	500
117	"	Jabamalai Annai Legion of Mary, Eraiyur	200
118	30.05.2018	Gonzaga Generalate, Pondicherry	5000
119	"	Kallery Parish	5000
120	"	Confirmation Children, Kallery	2000
121	"	Jayarakkini Annai sogaravazhu Sangam, Kallery	2000
122	"	Vimala Arokiamary, Kanakkankuppam	3000
123	"	John Paul Tony, Pondy	2000
124	"	Vimali Eliza, Dubrayapet	500

125	"	Ariyankuppam Parish	10000
126	"	Cluny Provincialate, Pondicherry	5000
127	"	Uppalam Parish	10000
128	"	A.Joe Antoraj, Uppalam	2000
129	"	J.Golvainbes Jotham, Uppalam	1800
130	"	A.Rohit Amalraj, Uppalam	500
131	"	Obileevin, Uppalam	500
132	"	A.Roshanjairaj, Uppalam	500
133	"	J.Dennison Saviour, Uppalam	500
134	"	Claire Lloyd, Uppalam	500
135	"	J.Jerry, Uppalam	200
136	"	P.Arokiaraj, Uppalam	200
137	"	Charles Lemo, Uppalam	200
138	"	Anjalai Antoine, Uppalam	200
139	"	A.Joseph Xavier, Uppalam	150
140	"	I.Benson Marienathan, Uppalam	100
141	"	John Sundarraj Jayaseeli, Uppalam	100
142	"	Rozamber Vincent, Uppalam	100
143	"	Well wishers, Uppalam	2200
144	"	Memalur Parish	15000
145	"	Memalur Parishioners	5000
146	"	Legion of Mary, Memalur	1500
147	"	People of Carmelpuram, Memalur	1000
148	"	People of G.Ariyur, Memalur	500
149	"	Legion of Mary, Memalur	450
150	"	A.Bernathuva Benisha, Memalur	200
151	"	A.Arul Methasalon, Memalur	200
152	"	K.Rosemary, Memalur	200
153	"	Anthonisamy, Memalur	100
154	"	Well wishers, Memalur	2580

Total as on 31.05.2018

522230

Received upto 30.04.2018

29596762

Grand Total

30118992

[sd] + Most Rev. Dr. A. Anandarayar

Archbishop of Pondicherry and Cuddalore

List of Transfers and Appointments – 2018

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	To
1.	Rev. Fr. R. Ratchagar	PP Neyveli T.S.	Retired
2.	Rev. Fr. P. Aruldass	PPManalurpet	PP. Thattanchavady
3.	Rev. Fr. A.J. Lawrence	PP. Vinobha Nagar	PP. Murungapakkam
4.	Rev. Fr. V. Chinnappan	PP. Vikravandi	PP. Vinobha Nagar
5.	Rev. Fr. Susai Kannu	PP. Agarakottalam	Medical Leave
6.	Rev. Fr. N. Belevendiran Socius,	Neyveli T.S	PP. Melapazhangur
7.	Rev. Fr. M.A. Ratchagar	PPT.R. Pattinam	Leave
8.	Rev. Fr. M. Germanus Irudayaraj	Papa New Guniea,	Studies Dharmaram Bangalore
9.	Rev. Fr. A. Michael John	PP. Thattanchavady	Rochelle, France
10.	Rev. Fr. Antony Lourduraj	PP&V.F Karaikal	PP&V.F Cuddalore-1
11.	Rev.Fr.A.Devadoss H.M.St.Joseph's	HSS,Eraiyyur Principal,	St. Antony's HSS Melnariyappanur
12.	Rev. Fr. R. Joseph Paul	D.O.S Manager & SADC Secretary	PP &V.F Neyveli T.S
13.	Rev. Fr. A. Zacharias	Socius, Tiruppapuliyyur	PP. Fathimapalayam
14.	Rev. Fr. S.Josephsagayaraj	Parochial Administrator, Odiyathur,	H.M. & Corres, O.L of Lourdes High school, Villianur
15.	Rev. Fr. S. Arokiadoss	Socius, Karaikal	PP, Thuringicollai
16.	Rev. Fr. D.S. Antony Raj	PP&V.F Cuddalore-1	PP& V.F. Karaikal

17. Rev. Fr. S. Richard Principal, St. Ann's Primary DOS Manager & SADC
School, Tindivanam Secretary
18. Rev. Fr. V.G. Charles P.P. Kovilanur Leave
19. Rev. Fr. C. Sagayaraja Principal, St. Antony's H.M St. Joseph's
HSS Melnariyappanur HSS, Eraiyur
20. Rev. Fr. Y. Mahimaidoss Oli P.P & H.M Nangathur P.P. Manalurpet
21. Rev. Fr. D. Savarimuthu P.P. Fathimapalaym P.P. Vikravandi
22. Rev. Fr. A. Justin Arokiaraj P.P. Arcadu P.P. T.R. Pattinam
23. Rev. Fr. S.P. Arokiadoss P.P. Thuringicollai P.P. Agarakottalam
24. Rev. Fr. R. Arokia Ratchagar P.P. Melapazhangur P.P. H.M, Odiyathur
25. Rev. Fr. S. Victor Immanuel SubEditor, Namvazhvu Studies, Austria
26. Rev. Fr. A. Sathesh Kumar Asst, PP, Rediyarpalaym PP & Correspondent,
Nangathur.
27. Rev. Fr. J. Lenin Andreves Asst, PP, Villianur P.P. Kovilanur
28. Rev. Fr. G. Sagayanathan Asst, PP, Neyveli-1 P.P, Uluthur
29. Rev. Fr. Z. John Cyril Asst. PP, SH Basilica M.C.L. Studies,
St. Peter's Bangalore
30. Rev. Fr S. Selvanathan Asst. PP & B.T Asst Christ the King, Warden,
Villupuram Joseph Hostel, Cud-1
31. Rev. Fr. A. Deivanayagam Priest in charge, Odiyathur P.P, Arcadu
32. Rev. Fr. A. Maria Susai Asst. PP, Iruppukurichy Asst. PP,
Reddiyarpalayam
33. Rev. Fr. A. Yesuraj Asst. PP, Cathedral La Rochelle, France
34. Rev. Fr. D. Alexander Asst. PP, Eraiyur Asst. PP Nellithope
35. Rev. Fr. A. Vincent Amalraj Prefect, Punitha Adaikala Asst. PP
Annai Boarding, Viriyur Villianur

36. Rev. Fr. A. James Asst. P.P Nellithope Asst, P.P, Neyveli-1
37. Rev. Fr. D. Arokiasagaraj New priest Asst. P.P, Iruppukurichi
38. Rev. Fr. S. Jayaseelan New priest Asst. P.P Mugaiyur
39. Rev. Fr. Jeeva Edward Edison New priest Asst. P.P St. Francis Xavier,
Villupuram.
40. Rev. Fr. A.R. Alex New priest Asst. P.P Christ the
King, Villupuram.

- 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.
 - Give details of any project incomplete together with accounts.
 - 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 1st of June, 2018.

ii) Rev. Fathers appointed in parishes will take charge in the first week of June, 2018 as specified in their letter of appointment.

With cordial wishes,

Yours in Christ,

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

BLESSING

1. Blessing of the New Church of Punitha Sagaya Annai, Siluvaipalayam, Krishnankuppam

The **Newly built Church of Punitha Sagaya Annai, at Siluvaipalayam, Krishnankuppam** 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 **21st May 2018**. We appreciate **Rev. Fr. Edward Francis** the Parish

Priest **and Rev. Fr. Alphonse Manickam S.J** , for their labourious work and we thank the donors and the Parishioners for their generous contributions.

ORDINATIONS

Deacons **A. Alex, D. Arokia Sagayaraj, S. Jayaseelan and L. Edward Jeeva Edison** of our Archdiocese were ordained to the order of Priesthood and **Bros. S. Alex Oli Kumar, J.A. Arul Pushparaja and A. Maria Susai** to the order of Diaconate by **His Grace the Most Rev. Dr. A. Anandarayar**, our Archbishop on 3rd May 2018 at Immaculate Conception Cathedral Pondicherry. We offer our hearty felicitations to them and wish them success in their new ministry.

Deacon **Jermanus Irudayaraj** of HGN was ordained to the Priest hood on 4th May 2018 at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, Memalur, Deacon **Naveen Nirmal** of **MSFS** was ordained to the Priest hood on 8th May 2018 at Sacred Heart Church, Manalurpet, **and** Deacons **K. Johnson Pradeep, A. Leoneson, S. Philip Raj and P. Veevin Richard** of **Society of Catholic Apostolate** were ordained to the order of Priesthood by **His Grace the Most Rev. Dr. A. Anandarayar**, our Archbishop on 10th May 2018 at Our Lady Queen of Heaven Church, Irudayampattu. We offer our hearty felicitations to them and wish them success in their new ministry.

INFORMATION

1. New Supplement to the ORDO

As it is time for the preparation of the **New Supplement to the ORDO** for the year 2018 – 2019, 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

1. Fr. A. Alex	9524242429
2. Fr. D. Arokia Sagayaraj	9489288680
3. Fr. S. Jayaseelan	8610392386
4. L. Edward Jeeva Edison	8903464272

Fr. A. Kulandai Yesu Raja
Secretary to the Archbishop

NECROLOGY

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

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

Surplus Mass Intentions received for the month of May-2018

Date	Name of the Parish	No. of Masses
05.04.2018	Konankuppam parish	419 mass intentions
03.05.2018	Vinoba Nagar parish	174 mass intentions
04.05.2018	Notre Dame Des Anges	387 mass intentions

intentional communication. Here are some of the tools that can help couples transform their marriage.

1. Acknowledge: When problems arise, acknowledge that you are part of the problem. Take responsibility for your own words, emotions, actions, and reactions. Don't justify them by blaming them on your spouse. "All must test their own work; then that work, rather than their neighbor's work, will become a cause for pride." – Galatians 6:4-5

2. Be open for change: Try to put yourself in your spouse's shoes and be willing to go with his/her perspective and suggestions. A marriage succeeds to the extent that the husband can accept influence from his wife and vice versa. "When Jesus saw him lying there and knew that he had been there a long time, he said to him, Do you want to be made well?"-John 5:6

3. Practice Empathy: Empathy is accurately identifying the feelings and experiences of your spouse. You demonstrate empathy when you communicate an understanding of your partner's feeling in a particular situation. Try to understand your spouse's viewpoint. He or she wants to be heard and understood. When you and your spouse meet these needs, the result is more healthy communication patterns, greater intimacy, and a higher level of marital satisfaction. "Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep" – Romans 12:15.

4. Clear Self-expression: Many assume that their partner knows their needs, feelings, and opinions even though they have never actually been verbalized. If you expect your partner to read your mindset, both of you are up for negative results-hurt, disappointment, misunderstandings. State your thoughts as clearly, honestly, and positively as you can. Don't

avoid talking about something because you are afraid of what your partner will think. Focus on how something is affecting you. Try not to blame or criticize your partner while you are expressing yourself. "But speaking the truth in love, we must grow up in every way into him who is the head, into Christ." – Ephesians 4:15.

5. Have appropriate Body Language: Good communication is more about body language than actual words. You can shut down your spouse by sending the clear message by your body language that you are not interested, that you are bored, angry, or have to quit listening. Examples: Crossed arms, angry glares, tone of voice, blank stare, rolling eyes, lack of eye contact, turning your back to your spouse. Make sure that your facial expressions, body language, and the tone of your voice reflect what you are saying. As you develop an awareness of the signs and symbols of body language, you can better understand your spouse, and communicate more effectively with him or her. At the same time, your body language reveals your feelings and meanings to your spouse. "A word fitly spoken is like apples of gold in a setting of silver. Like a gold ring or an ornament of gold is a wise rebuke to a listening ear." – Proverbs 25:11-12.

6. Don't dump your garbage on your spouse: Express negative feelings constructively. There will be time when you feel bitterness, resentment, disappointment or disapproval. These feelings need to be communicated in order for change to occur. But how you express these thoughts is critical. "I am really disappointed that you are working late again tonight," is very different from, "You clearly do not care one whit about me or the kids. If you did, you would not work late every night." "Be angry but do not sin; do not let the sun go down on your anger, and do not make room for the devil." Eph. 4:26-27.

7. Listen without being defensive: For a marriage to succeed, both spouses must be able to hear each other's complaints without getting defensive. This is much harder than learning how to express negative feelings effectively. "You must understand this, my beloved: let everyone be quick to listen, slow to speak, slow to anger; for your anger does not produce God's righteousness." James 1:19-20.

8. Do not keep bringing up old negative memories: When a couple is consumed with negativity, it not only affects their past but it can put their future in danger. In almost all cases there are very good and happy memories in every relationship, but if the spouses are so negative that they can't remember the good times they had, their relationship is deteriorating. "Do not remember the former things, or consider the things of old." - Isaiah 43:18

9. Focus on the positive instead of the negative: Freely express positive feelings. Most people are quicker to express negative feelings than positive ones. It is vital to the health of your marriage that you affirm your spouse. Positive feelings such as appreciation, affection, respect, admiration, approval, and warmth expressed to your spouse are like making deposits into your love account. You should have five positive deposits for every one negative. If your compliments exceed your complaints, your spouse will pay attention to your grievances. If your complaints exceed your compliments, your criticism will fall on deaf ears. "Finally, beloved, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is pleasing, whatever is commendable, if there is any excellence and

if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things." – Philippians 4:8.

10. Speak with kindness and gentleness: When something is bothering you, bring it up gently and without blame. Be aware of the tone used when communicating problems. A mutually respectful tone - one that is neither passive nor aggressive - goes a long way in starting a productive dialogue. "A soft answer turns away wrath, but a harsh word stirs up anger." – Proverbs 15:1

11. Using "I" Messages: Try to own your feelings, by using "I" statements when communicating (e.g., I feel, I need, I want). "I" messages are very different from a "you" message. "You" messages blame and judge the other person on his/her behavior. "You" messages often trigger defensiveness or hostility towards your partner and tend to increase conflict. "The mind of the wise makes their speech judicious, and adds persuasiveness to their lips." – Proverbs 16:23

12. Use humour: Levity can go a long way when used at the right time. If you find yourself stuck in a cycle of negativity, try to lighten things up with some humour or silly behaviour. This can sometimes snap a couple out of an anger trance. Like other strategies, it's important to be thoughtful about how and when to use humour, so that your significant other doesn't feel that his/her concerns are being trivialized. "A cheerful heart is a good medicine, but a downcast spirit dries up the bones." – Proverbs 17:22.

13. Seek first to understand rather than being understood: When in conflict, one wants to be understood. How many times have you heard, "you just don't understand what I'm saying!" Of course, healthy relationships do involve understanding one another, but rather than emphasizing your own desire to be heard, try changing your focus to putting attention on understanding the other. This can

really shift the relational dynamic and pave the way for more open and fresh communication. “In everything do to others as you would have them do to you; for this is the law and the prophets.” – Matthew 7:12

14. Be ready to forgive: Let your partner know that you understand his/her point of view by validating it. It may sound obvious, but don't forget to take responsibility for what you've done and apologize in necessary. “Be kind to one another, tender hearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you.” Ephesians 4:32.

15. Spend quality time together: Spending time together, as quality time, is important to nurture your relationship. So, take interest in what your spouse does, and take the opportunity to spend enjoyable time together. You also need time to discuss issues or problems in your relationship. But this should not be a time for blaming, but for finding common solutions to enhance your relationship. “Therefore a man leaves his father and his mother and clings to his wife, and they become one flesh.” Genesis 2:24

16. Pray continually: Take a few moments to listen to God, express your concerns to Him and ask Him to help you reflect His relational ideas in your marriage. “Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart.” –Luke 18:1 (extracts from the Newsletter of Holy Cross Family Ministries, India, written by Fr. Sundar Wilson, ofm. Cap, Vol.12, no.1, March 2018, pp. 5-6). Thanking you.

Rev.Fr. S. Pascal Raj
Judicial Vicar

St. Xavier's Pastoral Centre

01. Anbiyam

Dear Fathers, the new scholastic year is started. Let us also renew the activities of our Anbiyams. The five members team has attended the General Body Meeting of the TNBC's Commission for Anbiyam held at Coimbatore last month. Our Commission Chairman Most Rev. Dr. Amalaraj, Bishop of Ooty has animated the sessions and he is particular that we have a Vicariate Anbiyam Animation Team consisting of representative from each parish of that vicariate. So, Dear Vicars Forane, in your Vicariate Meeting, kindly form a Vicariate Anbiyam animation team headed by a young Parish Priest, so that he may work enthusiastically. And kindly inform me about this team as early as possible.

02. Commission for Evangelization

We have successfully conducted the three days Charismatic Congress, with the theme “Celebration of the Renewal of our Faith”. The Madha T.V. promotion team Rev. Fr. David, Rev. Fr. Athi Ruban, Rev. Fr. Christopher and Mr. Shaji conducted the programme excellently in the Immaculate Heart Hr. Sec. School (extension) Uppalam from 18th to 20th May, everyday from 09.30 a.m. to 05.00 p.m. Really it was a wonderful experience for thousands of people. I am very grateful to Very Rev. Fr. Pascalraj, Very Rev. Sr. Asir, Provincial, Rev. Sr. Dariya, Principal, Immaculate Hr. Sec. School, Rev. Sr. Cheeta and the members of Prayer preparatory committee of St. Xavier's Pastoral Centre and the youth and Legion of Mary of St. Xavier's Parish, Uppalam for their financial support and physical helps to conduct this Congress very successfully.

03. Synod 2019

I have uploaded the topics of the Synod in the Whatsapp group that I had created. Many have read it, some responded very positively, some negatively, most of the group members ignorant and indifferent and some took it lightly and jokingly. These reactions are quite natural. Yet we hope

in the working of the Spirit of Jesus in the Catholic hierarchy and the Archbishop has come forward inspired by the Spirit of God to go for the Synod, because Catholic religion and community of our diocese should be more and more transformed into the Kingdom of God announced by our Lord Jesus Christ.

So Dear Fathers, Renewal in our Diocesan machineries, ministries, organizations, activities, administration, worship, celebrations, Vision and plannings may be a must and timely need. This is for the good of our faith and life. So Dear Fathers, I am going to send the copy of the topics to all the parishes, institutions, convents and religious houses. Let us take one month to discuss about this in your parish councils, pious associations, convent communities and let the principals of High School, Higher Secondary Schools and colleges gather the Catholic teachers and workers and present these topics and get their opinions, suggestions and clarifications and send it to me as early as possible. Kindly do it before 15th July.

04. Senate and Diocesan Pastoral Council

There will be a Senate Meeting in the month of July, so kindly get the suggestion of the vicariate fathers and sent them to me at your convenience by post or by email (fr_philo@yahoo.com). Also we are going to call for the diocesan pastoral council and the vicars foraine who have not sent the names of their vicariate team for senate, kindly send their address, phone numbers and email address (if they have).

05. Madha T.V.

On 20th June 2018, we have our periodical meeting of the Diocesan Secretaries of the Commission for Media and Social Communication in Santhome Communication Centre, Chennai. They always insist upon promoting the growth of the project of “மாதந்தோறும் மாதாவுக்கு 100 ரூபாய்” to support the running of Madha T.V. regularly. So Dear Fathers, kindly appoint somebody to collect this subscription in your parish and give their details to me and I will guide them regarding their work.

06. Krithuvar Vazhurimai Iyakkam

You must be witnessing in our catholic media and social media regarding the planned attracities on our Christian Churches and Institutions. Also we are seeing how the central religious fundamentalistic govt. and its indirect supporters of the ruling state government are treating the people’s movement so violently yet we do not have a strong forum or movement to organize a demonstration except this Krithuvar Vazhurimai Iyakkam. So dear Fathers take some interest to start a branch of this Iyakkam. Kindly try to know about this and animate.

Fr. A. J. Philomindoss

Director

Youth Commission Report for June -2018

Activities

1. National Youth Commission Conference of CCBI Animators and Chaplains Training Programme (ACT)

The second Animators and Chaplains Training programme (ACT-II) organised by the National Youth Commission under the aegis of Conference of Catholic Bishops of India supported by Indian Catholic Youth Movement and Young Catholic Students/ Young Students’ Movement was held from 18th -26th May 2018 at NBCLC, Bangalore. The twelve days programme included a 2 days’ consultation meeting with the ICYM NEXCOs followed by the training programme, which started on 18th May 2018 with the inaugural mass celebrated by Rev. Fr. Stephen Alathara, Deputy Secretary General, CCBI. During his homily

he explained the importance of the training and power youth contain. The training session began by invoking God's blessings followed by lighting the lamp by the dignitaries. Mr. Percival Holt, President of ICYM welcomed the delegates. Fr. Sagaya John welcomed the participants and gave some important instructions for their stay. Following this Fr. Stephen delivered the key note address in which he said that 'we are not here to participate but to contribute'. We have been moving from confusion to clarity. Today we have reached some clarity but miles to go. He also explained about CCBI and CBCI movements. Post lunch, the training programme began with a session on group dynamics & group building by Mr Prashanth. He conducted many group building activities to demonstrate to the animators and also 'how to attract young people' to youth ministry. The training programme continued for the next eight days. Participants were trained based on 8 modules: Module 1: Principles & Dynamics of Youth ministry Models of youth ministry; skills in conducting youth meetings; methods of conducting youth programmes; event management with youth. Module 2: Youth Psychology Youth psychology; understanding young people; Youth: their inner world, needs and problems; handling youth issues. Module 3: Youth & Media Media management: potential of social media in youth ministry; media relations and youth ministry. Module 4: Youth & Spirituality Methodology for conducting creative prayer sessions, prayer meetings, Bible study groups, youth I, youth retreats etc. National Youth Commission Conference of Catholic Bishops' of India (CCBI) Module 5: Working with

Youth at Risk Pastoral care of young at risk; specific problems: drugs, addictive behaviours, abuses, deviant behavior, child labour, Human trafficking, Human Rights & Youth. Module 6: Youth and Life Skills Self-awareness; Empathy; Critical thinking; Creative thinking; Decision making; Problem Solving; Effective communication; Interpersonal relationship; Coping with stress; Coping with emotion. Module 7: Youth and Vocational Guidance The Synod on youth; faith and Vocational Discernment; career guidance; knowledge on job opportunities etc. Module 8: Youth Ministry and Social Consciousness Challenging youth for social activism; Civic responsibility; instilling political consciousness. During the training, participants were divided into six groups. All the groups were involved in various activities like conducting prayer meetings, visiting parishes, group dynamics, recreation and animation etc. Every day began with the Eucharistic celebration and concluded with night prayer. Participants evaluated the day's programme every evening and on the last day there was a general evaluation. Every participant was asked to pray for a secret friend and on the last day during the short concluding programme, each participant revealed their friend and gave him/her a gift in a creative manner. All the participants were awarded a participation certificate. Fr. Chetan thanked all and asked the participants for their continued and enriched support to the youth and youth ministry. The programme saw participation of 38 participants. Fr. A. Arputharaj, DYD, Pondicherry and Sr. Sofia FIHM were the participants from Archdiocese of Pondicherry. On 26th May 2018, Fr. Chetan

Machado, the National Executive Secretary offered the Thanksgiving Eucharist. Training programme concluded with the benediction.

Upcoming Events

Diocesan Programmes:

1. General Body Meeting

Youth Commission General Body meeting and Election of Diocesan Executive Committee (DEXCO) will be held on 24th June 2018 Sunday at 10 am in St. Xavier's Pastoral Centre, Uppalam Pondicherry. I request the parish priests to send 2 boys and 2 girls from each parish for the Election.

2. Commission's monthly visit:

Parish Youth Associations and YCS& YSM visit for this month will be in Thirukovilur Vikariate.

Regional Programmes:

1. Youth Synod-2018 Regional level preparatory meeting will be held on 15th June 2018, in Trichy
2. Regional Level Planning meeting for Diocesan Youth Directors will be held 16th June 2018 in Trichy.

National Programmes:

3. YCS Live in will be held on 14-16 June 2018 in Bangalore.
4. NT/EXCO meet will be held on 17-18 June 2018 in Chennai

International Programmes:

5. The World Youth Day Panama 2019

The 34th World Youth Day pilgrimage will be held in Panama city from 22 to 27 January with the theme "I am the servant of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word" (Lk. 1:38). Registration has begun. The approximate estimated cost for this pilgrimage per person Rs. 1,80,000/- The Council for Youth (CBCI) will facilitate the Indian delegation for the WYD 2019. The Council will help the delegates for registration and visa processing. Travel ticket and insurance should be booked by the delegate. So if anyone is interested kindly contact Diocesan Youth Director as early possible.

Rev. Fr. A. Arputharaj, Secretary.

SC/ST Commission report for June -2018

Activities:

1. Three days summer camp for Dalit Christians Students:

The summer camp for Dalit Christian students began on 13th may 2018 at St. Xavier's Pastoral Centre, Uppalam, Pondicherry. Eighty students participated in this training. After Tea at 4.p.m. registration began and participants were welcomed. We conducted some ice breaking sessions to get everyone together. At 6 p.m. inaugural ceremony began Fr. A. Arputharaj secretary, SC/ST Commission addressed the students the spoke about the aim and objectives of this summer camp. After supper Mr.Babu, co-ordinator conducted some group building activities.

On Second day at 9 a.m. Fr. A. Pitchaimuthu, Director, Muthu Sithar Amaithiyagam celebrated the children's Mass, he spoke about

building God's Kingdom by doing simple and small deeds of charity. At 10.30 a.m. Mr. Adonish, professor, villianur conducted the session on the importance of Spoken English followed by this session Mr. Chinnaparaj, social activities and action songs. At 2 p.m. Mrs. Vijaya with her team conducted 'ABACUS' Training to the students. At 4 p.m. the students were visited Light house, Pondicherry beach, Dr. Ambedkar memorial, Mr. Chinnaparaj entertained the students with their Singing and Dances in the beach. At 7 p.m. Mrs. Josephin, students counsellor, Mahatma Gandhi Medical College, Pondicherry was the resource person for the session she made the students understand the meaning of life, respect and dignity towards life and the values of life. After supper all gathered for some animation.

The third day of the training began at 6 a.m. with prayer soon after the prayer Traditional cultural training were conducted by Mrs. Regina, former Youth Animator. After the breakfast Fr. A. J. Philomindoss, Director, Pastoral Centre addressed the students he explained about the importance of discipline in student's life. At 9 a.m. Mrs. Jerlin, took a session on 'Mind Power'. After tea break a team of MSW training students from PMSSS, conducted group activities, actions songs, games on the themes Leadership, Personality development, Team spirit, Self appreciation. The closing ceremony of summer camp began at 11.30 a.m. Fr. Lourdu Jayaraj, Vice Principal, Petit Seminaire Hr. Sec. School, was the chief guest. He gave a message with action song. All the participants were given Lunch bag and Note Books as a memento. Fr. A. Arputharaj Secretary thanked everyone the programme concluded with the prayer.

I thank our Archbishop most Rev. Antony Anandarayar for all the support, special thanks to Fr. Paskalraj, Principal for sponsoring Lunch bag & Study materials to the participants thanks to all parish priest for sending the students for this summer camp.

2. The First National Workshop of Dalit Christian Artists

A Three days workshop of Dalit Christian Artists was organised by Catholic Bishops Conference of India (CBCI) Office for SC/BC at Indian Social Institute, Bangalore from 19th – 21st May 2018. The workshop was inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Selva SJ, Director of Indian Social Institute, Bangalore. Rev. Fr. Devasahayaraj, National Secretary for CBCI Office for SC/BC explained the purpose and dynamics of this Workshop. Senior Artist Mr. Jyoti Sahi from Bangalore was the resource person. He motivated the artists to come out with Dalit Art through Biblical concepts. It was the first ever Workshop organised for the Dalit Christian Artists. The workshop was to create and promote the Dalit Art which is so rich and forgotten along the history. There were 20 participants from across the country mostly represented from Andhra Pradesh, Pune, Karnataka, Pondicherry and Tamil Nadu states. The participants are of Art College Students, Professional Artists and Experienced Artists of different age group.

On the very first day, Mr Jyoti Sahi spoke elaborately on Religious Art particularly Biblical Art to the participants. On the Last Day of the Workshop, the Paintings drawn by the participants were exhibited to the visitors and art lovers. The exhibition was inaugurated by Mr. Inba Jeyakumar, General Secretary of Students Christian Movement. He insisted that we should make use of Dalit Art as a weapon for Dalit Liberation. Fr. Arputharaj, Secretary SC/ST Commission, Pondicherry also appreciated the effort of Artists in the Social issues. The viewers were amazed on looking at the paintings of the participants drawn within a short period of time of this workshop. Sr Robancy, the program Co-coordinator for CBCI Office for SC/BC, thanked the artists and the guests.

Information:

1. Minority Scholarships

Scholarships schemes for minority Community has been announced for this year. Let us grab this constitutional right and empower our students. Let us encourage all our eligible students to apply for this Scholarship online within the stipulated time. Considering the financial backwardness and vulnerability, the Dalit Christian students in our diocese have better chance to get these scholarships. The details about the scholarships and the links of the related websites are

<http://www.momascholarship.gov.in>

<http://www.scholarship.gov.in>

<http://www.registrations.scholarships.gov.in>

For filling of online application the SC/ST commission collaborate with the SKILL MILL INDIA E-service and Training centre, Villupuram. For any help please contact Ph. 04145-242208

2. Post -matric Scholarship

Our Archdiocesan SC/ST commission is continuously helping the poor dalit Christian students every year to go for higher studies by the scheme of post- matric scholarship by government (G.O.6,16,92). The students are given full tuition fees and special fees for BE,ME MBA,MCA,B.ED,M.ED,B.SC Nursing and diploma in polytechnic. The eligibility for this scholarship is the annual income of the parents (Dalit Christian) must be Rs.2 lacks and below. The detailed and printed matter regarding this post- matric scholarship has been sent to all the parishes. I kindly request to all the parish priests and principantss to inform these details to our students and motivate them to have good higher education. For further clarification please approach our commission co-ordinator Mr. Babu. Cell. 9486221021

Rev. Fr. A. Arputharaj, Secretary

ANNOUNCEMENT FROM THE EDUCATION BOARD

Dear and Rev. Fathers,

Cordial greetings from the archdiocesan education board!

I am happy to inform you that the registration details of all those who had appeared for verification of data at St. Joseph's College, Cuddalore N.T. on 26, 27 & 28 April and subsequent dates till May 23rd have been compiled and the data are uploaded in the archdiocesan website.

Registered candidates can have access to their registration details from the archdiocesan website by following the steps given below:

Step 1: The candidate must have Chrome or Firefox web browser in his/her system or mobile.

Step 2: Type the URL (www.pondicherryarchdiocese.org) on the web browser and the archdiocesan webpage will open.

Step 3: In that page, a link with the name "Archdiocesan Board of Education" will scroll in the "Featured News" Box with the Board Secretary's image.

Step 4: Click on top of the image to go to the next page. In it a link will appear at the bottom of the image. Click on the link titled "click here to download/print archdiocesan employment registration details." When it is done a login form will appear.

Step 5: To LOGIN one must fill up the following fields: date of birth and mobile number registered in the Board. Then click on "Send OTP". The candidate will get an OTP in his/her mobile number within a few minutes

Step 6: Type the OTP and then click on LOGIN (Please note that OTP is case sensitive).

Step 7: Once the process is completed the candidate will get his/her registration details. For future use the candidate can download and print his/her details by clicking on the print button given at the bottom of the page.

Note:

1. Those who have newly applied for registration after 25 April 2018 will have to wait for some more time to see their registration details in the website. Their data are yet to be uploaded.
2. I kindly request all the Rev. Fathers to make announcement in your parishes and institutions about the information given above and ask your people to look for themselves their registration details.
3. The Candidate can access his / her details from 9.00 a.m to 9.00 p.m.

Thanking you,

Rev. Fr. R. Josephraj
Secretary, Archdiocesan Board of Education

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