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The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for October 2016

General: That journalists, in carrying out their work, may always be motivated by respect for truth and a strong sense of ethics.

Mission: That World Mission Day may renew within all Christian communities the joy of the Gospel and the responsibility to announce it.



ARCHBISHOP'S MESSAGE



MISSION TO THE POOR

Reverend and dear Fathers, Brothers and Sisters, prayerful greetings to you in the Holy Name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

1. Lesson from St. Teresa of Calcutta

God loved the world and sent his Son into the world that the world might be saved through Him (cf. Jn 3: 16-17). St. Paul expresses the universal salvific will of God thus: "Goddesires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. For there is one God, and there is one mediator between God and men, the man Christ Jesus" (1 Tim 2:4). Jesus, by his passion, death and resurrection, has brought salvation to the world.

Jesus has commissioned the Apostles to proclaim the Gospel to all: "Go into all the world and preach the Gospel to the whole creation" (Mk 16:15). The Pilgrim Church is missionary by her

very nature (A.G. 2). The Church exists in order to evangelize. Evangelization is the vocation proper to the Church (cf. E.N. 14). The Church continues the saving mission of Christ through the proclamation of the Gospel, through the celebration of the sacraments and through various services.

Jesus associated himself in a special way with the poor, the marginalized, the sick and the sinners. He healed every disease and infirmity (Mt 9:35). Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand and touched a leper and cured him (Mk 1:40-42). He forgave the sins of sinners (cf. Lk 7: 47-50). He loved the un-loved; he valued the un-wanted; he cared for the un-cared. He welcomed the un-welcomed; he gave importance to the little ones; he searched for the lost ones.

Following the example of Christ, the Church, in her mission, ministries and services should pay special attention to the poor, the neglected, the marginalized, the un-wanted, the un-loved and the un-cared for. The Church should always "remember the poor" (Gal 2:10).

Love for Jesus, love for the souls and love for the mission brought Sr. Teresa to India. Mother Teresa, as a Loretto nun, was quite exemplary in her life of prayer and commitment to duties. 10th September 1946 will always remain **the Day of days** in the life of Mother Teresa. On that day she had a great inspiration. The words of Jesus, hanging on the Cross, "**I thirst**" touched her heart deeply. She felt that these words were addressed to her personally. She felt that Jesus was calling her for a **new way of being** and a **new way of doing**. She clearly understood that **Jesus is thirsting for Love, for souls, for human persons**. In the light of faith and with the strength of prayer, she decided to devote herself entirely **to quench the thirst of Jesus by loving and serving the poorest of the poor**. Love for Jesus, love for the souls and love for the poor brought

Mother Teresa into the streets, into the slums of Calcutta on 21st December 1948.

Mother Teresa visited the poor families, washed the sores of the Children, cared for the old men lying sick on the road and nursed women dying of hunger and disease. She was fully convinced that the biggest disease was not leprosy or tuberculosis but rather **the feeling of being unwanted, unloved, uncared for, deserted by everybody.** With the eyes of Christ she looked at the poor; with heart of Christ she loved the unloved; with the hands of Christ she embraced the unwanted. Clad in a simple white sari with a blue border, with a rosary in her hand, Mother Teresa, loving and serving the poorest of the poor in the slums of Calcutta, became the **living Gospel.** She became the living image of the Loving Christ.

It is the love of Christ that pushed (2 Cor 5:14) Mother Teresa into the slums of Calcutta, into the homes of the poor. The Eucharist remained the Centre of her life and service. Daily Mass, Holy Communion and prolonged prayer at the feet of the Eucharistic Lord gave her the necessary inspiration and energy, courage and perseverance for her daily life and services. The life of Mother Teresa was a constant moving from the Lord to the poor and from the poor to the Lord. She carried the Lord Jesus to the hearts of the poor and she brought the poor to the feet of Christ. This is the mission of the Church.

Mother Teresa and her Missionaries of Charity devote themselves to the **works of mercy** (cf. Mt 25: 31-40). The Holy Father's intention to have the canonization of Mother Teresa during the **Jubilee Year of Mercy** is very fitting. St. Teresa of Calcutta, with her shining example and powerful message, remains the **"Carrier of God's Tender and Merciful Love"**.

The Church in India should pay special attention to the poor and the marginalized. Christ came into to the world "to preach the Good News to the poor" (Lk 4: 18). The poor are blessed:

"Blessed are you poor, for yours is the kingdom of God" (Lk 6:20). The mission of the Church towards the poor is fulfilled by the proclamation of the Gospel. The Gospel is to be proclaimed both by word and deed, by solidarity with the poor and services to the poor.

Poverty in India is one of the most serious challenges which the Church in India has to face. Poverty as a social misery is to be eradicated or at least to be notably reduced. In India there is enough for the need of everyone but not for the greed of any one. It is a fact that the poor in India are neglected and are exploited. The poor remain poor and they become even poorer.

The spiritual needs and the material needs of the poor should be taken care of by us. We should be generous to share with the poor and the needy our material resources. It is high time that we seriously look into our costly constructions and expensive celebrations. By our simple life-style and by introducing moderations in our constructions and celebrations, we should be able to spare enough of money for the education of the poor children, for the marriages of poor women, for building houses for the poor etc. Let us keep in mind that taking care of the needs of the poor is one of the proper objectives of the temporal goods of the Church (cf. Can. 1254.2).

Charities to the poor are not enough; development works for the poor are not enough; the poor need **to be empowered.** Education and employment are sure means of empowering the poor and the marginalized. **What** we do for the poor is important. But **the way** we do for the poor is more important. And **who we are to the poor** is the most important thing.

Following the example of Christ and taking inspiration from the life of St. Teresa of Calcutta, let us love and serve the poor with joy and dedication. May Mary our Mother, help us to be sensitive to the 'needs of the poor and the marginalized'.

2. Rev. Fr. T. S. Rajarathinam (1933-2016)

Rev. Fr. T.S. Rajarathinam was God's precious gift to our Archdiocese. "Come follow me" (Mt 9:9). He followed the Lord 83 years as a Christian and 56 years as a priest. He was a man of great faith and fervent prayer; he had great devotion to our Lord and to our Lady. He is known for great zeal for souls and hard work. He built churches in many substations. He promoted vocation to the priesthood and religious life. He was available for pastoral ministry in any parish. He was always approachable. He was a great pastor of souls. Let us thank God for the precious gift of Fr. T.S. Rajarathinam and pray in a special way for the repose of his soul.

3. Ordinations – 2017

The Ordination to the Presbyterate and Diaconate for the year 2017 will take place on **Wednesday, 3rd May** at 5.30 p.m. at the Cathedral.

ARCHBISHOP'S ENGAGEMENTS FOR OCTOBER - 2016

02	SUN	7.30 a.m.	Feast Mass, Muthialpet
04	TUE	07.00 a.m.	Feast Mass, Kurusukuppam.
		06.30 p.m.	Feast Mass, Sacred Heart Convent, Chinnakalpet
08	SAT	09.00 a.m.	Mass, Blessing of the new school building, St. Antony's High School, Neyveli -1
09	SUN	06.00 p.m.	Feast Mass, Thiyagadurugam Mission.

13	THU	07.30 a.m.	Feast Mass, Thattanchavady
15	SAT	06.30 a.m.	Solemn Professoion, Carmel Convent, Muthialpet
16	SUN	11.00 a.m.	Mass, FIHM Generalate, Pondicherry.
27	THU	10.30 a.m.	Meeting of the Priests HM's and Correspondents of High School, Higher Secondary Schools, Archbishop's House.
29	SAT	11.30 a.m.	Mass, SDDM Convent, Pondicherry.
30	SUN	05.30 p.m.	Mass, Blessing of the New Hospital, Pagandai X Road.

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

ARCHBISHOP'S EDUCATION FUND

No.	Date	Name	Amount
1	01.09.16	PMSSS, Pondicherry	20000
2	"	Kolping Mat Hr.Scec. school, Periakalpet	20000
3	07.09.16	Sacred Heart Basilica, Pondicherry	20000
4	"	Fr.J.Paul, Pondicherry	20000
5	10.09.16	BIMother Teresa Model HSS, Nainarmandappam	25000
6	"	Bahour Parish	10000
7	"	Confirmation children, Kirumampakkam	2000
8	"	Richard Isidore, Pandy	500
9	21.09.16	Ariyankuppam Parish	20000

10	"	Well wisher, Ariyankuppam	1000
11	"	Fr.J.Paul, Pondicherry	20000
12	"	Tindivanam Parish	5000
13	23.09.16	Panickankuppam Parish	10000
14	"	Andrews, Kottucherry	500
15	"	Fr.L.John Edison	20000
16	29.09.16	Shrine of Our Lady of Good Health, Kirumampakkam	20000
17	"	DOS, Cuddalore	10000

Total as on 30.09.2016 **224000**
Received up to 31.08.2016 **22082561**
Grand Total **22306561**

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

NECROLOGY

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Rev. Frs.:

01-10-1974	Ambrose Samy
05-10-1968	Auffret F., MEP
05-10-2009	Olivier Y, MEP
06-10-1964	Geyres P., MEP
07-10-1958	Anandu R.M.
09-10-1963	Gaston J.B., MEP
10-10-1952	Gayet P., MEP
10-10-1974	Chinnappan A.
11-10-1971	Albert Lazare
14-10-1993	Mgr. Selvanather, V. S.
18-10-1986	Joseph Ethakuzhy
21-10-1959	Mezin J., MEP
24-10-1968	Mgr. Colas A.S., MEP
24-10-1985	Philip Tremaud MEP
25-10-1955	Leblanc A., MEP
27-10-1991	Vallabhanather

FROM THE DESK OF VICARS

01. Family Rosary

God provides a golden opportunity to receive and restore the family rosary during this month of October by the Pastors, Basic Christian Communities, Legion of Mary etc. to awaken our people towards the genuine devotion of our Blessed Mother in the evenings at homes.

02. Marching Towards Synod

As many heads so many opinions about the forthcoming Archdiocesan Synod in the near future. The more we prepare the more we will profit by the celebration of the Synod. Preparations before the Synod, Participations during the Synod and implementation after the Synod will be over common concern of the Local Church.

Preparations before the Synod: Remote preparation, proximate preparation and immediate preparation will keep all of us to get involved in the Synod.

We have nothing to achieve but to become aware at three levels, human awareness of God's presence, Christ awareness of Christ's presence and consecrated awareness of the Holy Spirit in all of us, which we call awakening, enlightenment and growth of integral consciousness of the Triune God in all.

The awareness of the autonomous Local Church will emerge among us to be of one mind and heart in the mystical body of Christ to be united with the universal church and the Risen God.

We could go through the Canon Law in the code, share the experiences of Synods that have taken place in different dioceses of Tamil Nadu region, study the present situation of the Local Church of Pondicherry - Cuddalore, which will be the basis for future reflection, dialogue and discernment for growing deep in faith and commitment.

person. Character building makes a person spiritual and sensitive to the needs of the neighbors.

The present education is not preparing the students to face difficulties and withstand cries. When the children notice how their parents face cries with courage and determination, they also will be inspired to face such situations with equanimity. Motivating children to read inspiring books, especially the biographies of persons who have come up in life through struggles like Abraham Lincoln, Dr.APJ Abdul Kalam, Mary Kom, Milkha Singh, life of saints, Holy Bible, etc. is an effective means to enhance the strength of mind and heart. Parents may adopt the practice of gifting books to their children on birthdays and other occasions and encourage them to read as many books as possible.

Scoring 90 to 99 per cent mark in the examinations need not be the expression of outstanding intellect. An intelligent person is one who is able to differentiate between right and wrong and make right choices in life. He neither goes after the crowd nor cowed down by the crowd. He/she stands firm on the ground of his/her deep convictions. When children see that their parents make the right choices based on ethical and moral principles they also learn how to make the right choices.

Today parents are worried about making the future of their children safe and comfortable and they slog day and night to generate the needed resources. In their struggle for amassing resources they forget to provide children what they need most: care, love and quality time. Educational institutions have a great responsibility to make the parents aware of their role in the holistic education of their children which nobody else can perform, as their role can neither be delegated nor outsourced. (Extracts from an article – “Parents don’t delegate your job to School”, By Dr. Jacob Peenikaparambil, *Indian Currents*, Vol.XXVIII, Issue No.34, 22-28, August 2016, pp. 37-39).

For your kind Information: Concerning the mixed marriages care is to be taken. Nowadays love affairs are the pressure on the

parents or parishes coming up as a big issue for the parish priests. Church Law can permit for the mixed marriages in general with dispensation but in custom, culture, language, society, etc. where we live in, need to be studied in applying the laws. Most of the marriages of this type are failure after certain years by experience. Neither of them lives in their own religion and become Godless people. Their fate is dangerous and loss of the children cannot be remedied. Kindly instruct, educate and strengthen their faith on sacraments in your homilies and catechetical formation. (Cf. **Pastoral Note on Marrying Those of Other Faith - Mixed Marriages, S. No. 58**, Archdiocesan New Letter, Pondicherry & Cuddalore, vol.32, no.8, August 2015, pp.227-229). Thanking you.

Fr. S. Pascal Raj
Judicial Vicar

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ST. XAVIER’S PASTORAL CENTRE

Visits

I thank the Vicar Forane and the Parish Priests of Karaikal Vicariate who received me well and dedicated some time to discuss about their Pastoral Ministry and the problems they encounter in their Parish work. A parish is a community of believers who should be formed into a community of disciples of our Lord. And it comprises of Small/Basic Ecclesial Communities (SCC/BCC/BEC). And with this as vision we may have to conceive our parish pastoral plan for a year or for certain period of time.

On behalf of the Catechetical Commission of our diocese, I attended the three days meeting of the National Catechetical Conference held in Bhopal from 13th to 15th of September. On the theme “**Formation of Catechists in India**”. This was organized by the CCBI Commission for Catechetics. Eminent speakers in this field have

dealt the various aspects of the Catechists and Catechetics in India. After all the presentations on Vocation and the Role of Catechists, qualities and spirituality of Catechists, habits, formation and problems of the Catechists, the conference addressed the Church of India that all the baptized Christians by the very nature of their calling should be basically Catechists wherever they are and in whatever they do. All the more for us, the Parish Priests, we are called to be the model catechists in our parishes.

Madha T.V.

Dear Rev. Fathers, the Madha T.V., the television of the church of Tamil Nadu and Pondicherry has a regular programme called “ஆலயம் அறிவோம்”. This programme is to make known to the whole world our ancient churches, their history, their growth, their impact on the people right through the centuries, the most important Articles / things such as statues or relics that attracted the people to develop the devotion to that church / shrines / basilicas, their architectural importance, pious Pastors who built and developed these spiritual centres. These kind of informations can be given to me and I will forward them to Madha T.V. who will make scripts in consultation with you and their team will come and film your church / shrine / basilica and telecast in this programme. You may have to bear the shooting cost (Rs.10,000/-) but Madha T.V. doesn't charge editing, quality control and broadcasting charges.

Monthly Prayer Recollection

On behalf of the Commission for Evangelization, the Pastoral Centre is organizing every 3rd or 4th Saturday (according to the availability of the Charismatic Preachers in Tamil Nadu / Kerala) from 09.30 A.M. to 04.30 p.m., one full day prayer service on various relevant topics of our Church, faith, values and doctrines. In the month of October, on 22nd, the commission for Charismatic Renewal of the TNBC will be conducting this prayer on the “Mercy of God” in view of the preparation for the closure of the extraordinary Jubilee Year of Mercy. This is regularly announced in our “Sarva Viyabi”. Kindly

announce to the people, that they may make use of this opportunity for their personal spiritual renewal.

Mission Sunday and Holy Childhood

Since the pastoral materials for these occasions came late, I will be depositing these materials for your parish in your vicariate centres in the first week of October. From 5th October onwards you can collect your materials from your vicariate centres and the Pondicherry vicariate Fathers from the Archbishop's Secretariat.

Anbiyam

I request the Vicars Forane to organize a vicariate training seminar in your vicariate for the Anbiyam animators of the parishes of your vicariate. I shall come and conduct the seminar.

Fr. A. J. Philomindoss

Director

பொதுநிலையினர் பணிக்குழு

❖ அரசியல் விழிப்புணர்வு மறைவட்ட கருத்தரங்கு – வடலூர்

அரசியல் விழிப்புணர்வை ஏற்படுத்தும் வண்ணம் மறைமாவட்ட அளவிலும், மறைவட்ட அளவிலும் கருத்தரங்குகளை நடத்தி பொதுநிலையினரை அரசியலாக்கம் செய்துவருகின்றது பொதுநிலையினர் பணிக்குழு.

இதன் மூன்றாவது கட்டமாக கடலூர் மற்றும் நெய்வேலி மறைவட்டங்களில் உள்ள பங்குகளின் பிரதிநிதிகளுக்கு 11.09.2016 (ஞாயிற்றுக்கிழமை) அன்று வடலூர் தாய இதய ஆண்டவர் ஆலய வளாகத்தில் அமைந்துள்ள மன்றத்தில் காலை 10.00 மணிமுதல் மதியம் 2.00 மணிவரை கருத்தரங்கிற்கு ஏற்பாடு செய்யப்பட்டது.

புதுவை – கடலூர் உயர்மறை மாவட்ட பொதுநிலையினர் பணிக்குழு செயலர் அருட்பணி.D.ஆரோக்கியதாஸ் அவர்கள் அனைவரையும் வரவேற்றார். வடலூர் பங்கு தந்தை அருட்பணி. லூர்து ஜெயசீலன் அவர்கள், அரசியலில் பொதுநிலையினர் ஈடுபட வேண்டிய அவசியத்தை

வலியுறுத்தி முன்னுரை வழங்கினார். நெய்வேலி மறைவட்ட முதன்மை குரு அருட்பணி R.இரட்சகர் அவர்கள், எதிர்வரும் உள்ளாட்சி தேர்தலில் கிறிஸ்துவர்கள் பொறுப்புகளுக்கு வந்து, சேவையாற்ற வேண்டுமென்று கூறினார். மேலும் கிறிஸ்துவர்களுக்கு கிடைக்கவேண்டிய சலுகைகளைப் பெற பொதுநிலையினர் போராட முன்வரவேண்டும் என்று வேண்டுகோளை வைத்தார். அழகப்பசமுத்திரம் பங்கு தந்தை அருட்பணி. Y.பவுல்ராஜ் அவர்கள் கிறிஸ்துவர்களின் உரிமைகள் மத்திய, மாநில அரசுகளால் வழங்கப்படாததை சுட்டிக்காட்டி புதுடெல்லி வரை சென்று போராடியும், இன்னமும் அதற்கான முயற்சிகள் வெற்ற்பெறாததால் இன்னும், அழுத்தம்தர வேண்டும் என்று கூறி, எதிர்காலத்தில் கிறிஸ்துவர்கள் இணைந்து, நமது உரிமைகளுக்காக ஒன்று கூடி போராடவேண்டும் என்றும் கூறினார்.

கடலூர், மற்றும் நெய்வேலி மறைவட்டங்களிலிருந்து வருகை தந்த பங்கேற்பாளர்கள், பொதுநிலையினர் பணிக்குழு மற்றும் பொதுநிலையினர் பேரவைக்கு பிரதிநிதிகளை தேர்வுசெய்து தந்தனர். பொதுநிலையினர் பணிக்குழு இணைச்செயலர் திரு. S.லூர்துசாமி அவர்கள் நன்றிகூற, அன்றைய கருத்தரங்கு நிறைவடைந்தது. பல்வேறு பங்குகளிலிருந்து சுமார் 70 பொதுநிலையினர் பங்கேற்று பயனடைந்தனர். இருப்புக்குறிச்சி பங்குதந்தை அருட்பணி P.சூசைராஜ், உதவிபங்குதந்தை அருட்பணி. A.மரிய சூசை, அழகப்ப சமுத்திரம் பங்கு தந்தை அருட்பணி. Y.பவுல்ராஜ், இந்திராநகர் பங்கு தந்தை A.S.P.அகஸ்டின் மற்றும் வடலூர் உதவி பங்கு தந்தை அருட்பணி.வில்லியம் ஆகியோர் கலந்துகொண்டு பொதுநிலையினரை ஊக்கப்படுத்தினர். கருத்தரங்கிற்கு பொதுநிலையினரை அனுப்பிவைத்த இரண்டு மறைவட்டத்தை சார்ந்த முதன்மை குருக்கள் மற்றும் பங்கு தந்தையர்களுக்கு பொதுநிலையினர் பணிக்குழு நன்றி கூறுகின்றது. கருத்தரங்கு இனிதே நடைபெற ஏற்பாடு செய்தும், தேனீர், மதிய உணவு வழங்கியும் சிறப்பித்த வடலூர் பங்குதந்தை அருட்பணி லூர்துஜெயசீலன் அவர்களுக்கும், உதவி பங்குதந்தைக்கும் அக்கறைகொண்டு ஆர்வத்தோடு பங்கேற்ற பங்கேற்காளர்களையும், பொதுநிலையினர் பணிக்குழு பாரட்டுகளையும், நன்றியையும் கனிவுடன் தெரிவித்துக்கொள்கின்றது.

அருட்பணி D. ஆரோக்கியதாஸ்

செயலர், பொதுநிலையினர் பணிக்குழு

SC/ST COMMISSION REPORT

1. Regional Secretary visit

Rev. Fr. Albert Nelson the Regional Secretary visited Our Archdiocesan Sc/St Commission Office at Anaikeri on 17th September. He discussed about commission activities in our Diocese.

2. DCPC – Dalit Christians People Cell

There were 25 DCPC groups created in Gingee and Villupuram Vicariates from 12 different Parishes under the guidance of TNBC SC/ST Commission. The aim of DCPC is to empower the Dalit Christians in Socio-Political and economic development. We had First DCPC meeting in SAMSSS, Vikravandi on 17th & 18th September 2016. Fr. Albert Nelson, Fr. Arputharaj were addressed the gathering. There were 120 persons participated in the meeting. Mr Babu was organised the meeting.



Reminder

I request the Parish Priests to remind the students to collect the Sc/ St scholarship forms as well as to send it to our Commission Office at Anaikeri on or before 10th October 2016.

Fr. A. Arputharaj
Secretary, SC/ST Commission.

Years and Places of Seminary Formation:

1952 - 1954 St. Agnes' Seminary, Cuddalore

1954 - 1961 St. Peter's Seminary, Bangalore

Date of Ordination : 15th April 1961

Place of Ordination : Immaculate Conception Cathedral,
Pondicherry

Minister of Ordination: Most Rev. Dr. R. Ambrose

Ministry Places:

Apr. 1961 - Jun. 1962 Asst. Parish Priest St. Mary's Church,
Cuddalore

Jun. 1962 - 12-12-1962 Asst. St. Joseph's Cuddalore

13-12-1962 - Jan. 1968 Asst. Parish Priest at St. Mary's
Church, Cuddalore

Jan. 1968 - Sep. 1973 Parish Priest of Vadalur

Sep. 1973 - May 1976 Manager of Balmadies, Yercaud

May 1976 - Jun. 1988 Parish Priest of Irudayampattu

Jun. 1988 - Dec 1994 Parish Priest of Mugaiyur

15-12-1994 - 31-07-2002 Parish Priest of Karaikal & VF

03-08-2002 - 10-07-2006 Parish Priest of Neyveli Township
& VF Neyveli Vicariate

11-07-2006 - 04-06-2011 Parish Priest of Keezputhupattu

05-06-2011 - 05-06-2012 Retired and stayed at Sacred
Heart Basilica, Pondicherry

06-06-2012 - 11-12-2012 Stayed at Ariyankuppam helping
the P.P. of Ariyankuppam

12-12-2012 - He moved to Emmaus House, Colas Nagar,
Pondicherry

29-10-2013 - 19-06-2014 Parochial Administrator, Periapet

20-06-2014 - Emmaus Priests' Home, Colas Nagar,
Pondicherry

Fr. Rajarathinam who was admitted at the St. Joseph's Cluny Hospital had a massive Heart attack. So, he was shifted to the Indira Gandhi Government Hospital, Pondicherry. There at 12.40 a.m. on the 18-09-2016 he went for his eternal rewards. Then his body was brought to the Bishop's House. 18th September 2016 being a Sunday, his funeral was fixed for the 19th September 2016 at 11.00 a.m. A lot of people from his former parishes came and prayed around his body. At 10.50 a.m. His Grace the Archbishop A. Anandarayar blessed the body of Fr. Rajarathinam and then his body was taken along the Mission Street and then into the Cathedral. About 200 priests concelebrated the funeral mass at 11.00 a.m. with His Grace Most Rev. Dr. A. Anandarayar. The Cathedral was full of the faithful. Fr. John Duraisamy preached the homily. After the funeral mass, the Archbishop Emeritus Most Rev. Dr. S. Michael Augustine blessed the body at the Cathedral. Then at 12.40 noon Most Rev. Dr. A. Anandarayar did the final prayer of commendation at the Priests' graveyard. Then the body of Fr. T. S. Rajarathinam was laid to rest.

May his Soul Rest in Peace



Preacher, Rev. Fr. S. J. Antony V.G. - Madras, and the Retreatants



Felicitation to the Silver Jubilarians Rev. Fr. M. Arokiasamy, Rev. Fr. V. Agnel, Rev. Fr. A. Pushparaj



RIP Rev. Fr. T.S. Rajarathinam

“If you want peace in your heart, in your home, in your country, assemble together every night and say the Rosary” - Pope St. Pius X



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