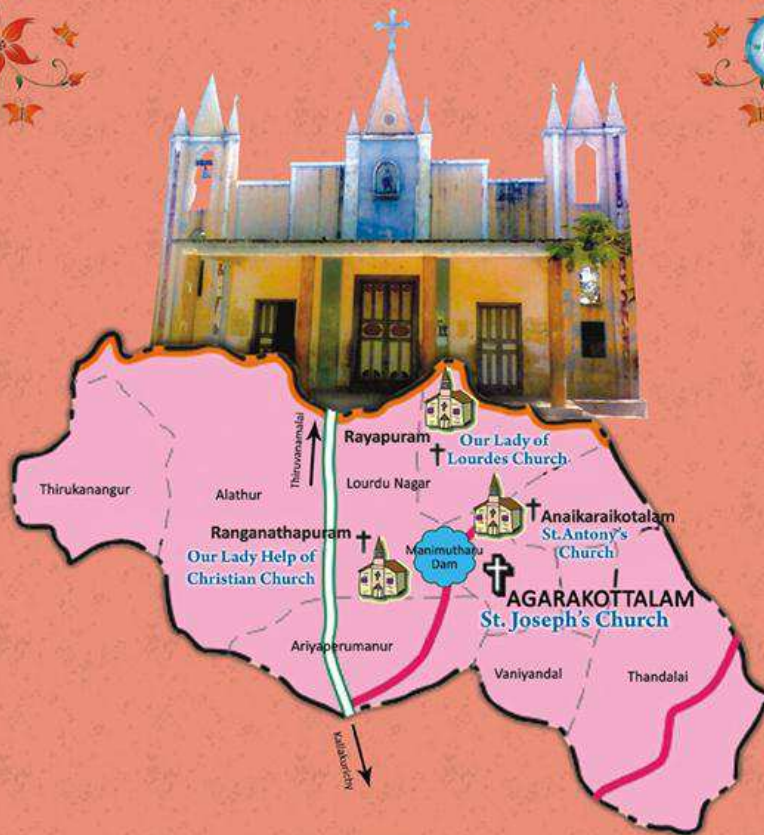


KALLAKURICHI VICARIATE



- * Agarakottalam
- * Akrapalayam
- * Chinnasalem
- * Fatimapalayam
- * Kallakurichi
- * Konankuppam
- * Kovilanur
- * Mel-Nariappanur
- * Melvazhi
- * Thiagadurugam
- * Ulundurpettai

ST. JOSEPH'S PARISH AGARAKOTTALAM



KALLAKURICHI VICARIATE

ST. JOSEPH'S CHURCH, AGARAKOTTALAM



Parish Church Built in: 1973

Erected as a Parish in: 1993

Brief History: In the first two or three decades of this century a good many Christians from Eraiyur, Viriyur and Maiyanur emigrated to Agarakottalam in search of cultivable lands. By the sixties, there was a sizeable community at Agarakottalam, looked after by the Kallakurichy parish. This became a separate parish in 1993, with Rayapuram, Ranganathapuram and Anaikaraiottalam as substations.

Address

St. Joseph's Church
Agarakottalam (Post)
Kallakurichy (TK)
Villupuram Dt. - 606 202

Catholic Population : 5000
Catholic Families : 625

Substations with Chapel

1. **St. Antony's Chapel** (1975), Anaikaraiottalam, Agarakottalam (Post), Kallakurichy (Via) - 606 202
2. **Our Lady of Lourdes Chapel** (1991), Rayapuram, Agarakottalam (Post), Kallakurichy (Via) - 606 202
3. **Our Lady Help of Christian's Chapel** (1965), Ranganathapuram, Agarakottalam (Post), Kallakurichy (Via) - 606 202

Religious Congregations

1. St. Louis Convent (FSAG), Tel: 04151 - 292860

Institutions - Educational

1. St. Joseph's R.C. Middle School

Technical & Social

1. St. Joseph's Dispensary (FSAG)

Pious Associations

1. Legion of Mary
2. Kolping



MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS CHURCH, AKKRAPALAYAM

Parish Church Built in: 1982

Erected as a Parish in: 1983

Brief History: Akkrapalayam, an old Christian settlement with an old chapel was in existence from the year 1946. This was made into a parish in 1983, with some substations taken out of Viriyur, Kallakurichy and Chinnasalem.

Address

Mary Help of Christians Church
Akkrapalayam
Vadakanandal (SO)
Kallakurichy (TK)
Villupuram Dt. - 606 207
Tel: 04151 - 234040

Catholic Population : 2000
Catholic Families : 337

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PARISH AKKRAPALAYAM



KALLAKURICHI VICARIATE



Substations with Chapel

1. **St. Antony's Church**, Sellampattu (Post), Kallakurichy (TK), Villupuram Dt.
2. **Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church** (1973), Karadisithur, Kachirapalayam (Via), Kallakurichy (TK), Villupuram Dt.

Substations without Chapel

1. Mathur
2. Parigam
3. Eduthavanatham
4. Palrampattu
5. Manmalai

Religious Congregations

1. SMMI Convent (SMMI), Tel: 04151 - 234415

Institutions – Educational

1. R.C. Primary School

Pious Associations

1. Legion of Mary
2. Kolping
3. Altar Boys
5. Catholic Youth
6. Darling of Jesus



ST.THERESA'S CHURCH, CHINNASALEM

Parish Church Built in: 1938

Erected as a Parish in: 1938

Brief History: The faithful at Chinnasalem were prepared by Fr.Huguet and Fr.Grandjenny since 1933. Chinnasalem became a parish in 1938 with Fr.Peyrouet as the first Parish Priest to look after the vast southwestern area of the Diocese with hardly any Christian presence. The new parish church was built by Fr.D.Savarimuthu.

Address

St. Theresa's Church
Chinnasalem (Post)
Kallakurichy (TK)
Villupuram Dt. – 606 201
Tel: 04151 - 236505

Catholic Population : 900
Catholic Families : 159

Substations with Chapel

1. **St. Joseph's Chapel** (1978), Kallanatham (Post), Chinnasalem (Via), Villupuram Dt. – 606 201

Substations without Chapel

1. Veera Bayangaram
2. Viduthalaipuram

Religious Congregations

1. IHM Convent (FIHM), Tel: 04151 – 236339



ST.THERESA'S PARISH CHINNASALEM



KALLAKURICHI VICARIATE



Institutions – Educational

1. Idhaya Engineering College (FIHM),
Tel: 04151 – 258325, 258326
2. Idhaya Engineering College Hostel (FIHM)
3. Little Flower Hr. Sec. School (FIHM),
Tel: 04151 – 236125
4. Little Flower Boarding (FIHM), Tel: 04151 – 236013
5. Little Flower Primary School (FIHM),
Tel: 04151 – 236977
6. Idhaya Primary & Nursery School

Technical & Social

1. St. Theresa's Orphanage, Tel: 04151 - 236505
2. Little Flower Home for Children (FIHM)
3. Little Flower Cottage (FIHM), Tel: 04151 – 236125

Pious Associations

1. Legion of Mary
2. Holy Childhood for Boys and Girls
3. Vincent De Paul Society

MASS TIMINGS

Sunday : 8.00 a.m

Weekdays : 6.00 a.m

Annual Feast
Last Sunday of August



OUR LADY OF FATIMA CHURCH, FATIMAPALAYAM

Parish Church Built in: 1977

Erected as a Parish in: 1989

Brief History: Sirupakkam was a small center under Fr.D'Elbreil in 1936 in Kallakurichi Taluk. This was under Chinnasalem till 1954 when Sirupakkam was made a parish with Fr.Pentecoste as the Parish Priest. This parish centre was later shifted to Fatimapalayam, a colony for dhoobis founded by Fr.Chauvet. Fatimapalayam was a parish from the year 1989.

Address

Our Lady of Fatima Church

Fatimapalayam
Nainarpalayam (PO)
Kallakurichy (TK)
Villupuram Dt. – 606 301
Tel: 04151 - 251352

Catholic Population : 931

Catholic Families : 183

Substations with Chapel

1. **Our Lady of Fatima Church** (1953), 2/26, Mathakoil Street, Sirupakkam (Post), Mangalur (Via), Tittakudi (TK)
2. **St. Sebastian's Chapel**, Vallimaduram (Post), Sirupakkam (Via), Tittakudi (TK)
3. **Our Lady of Good Health Chapel** (1983), Malayanur (Post), Tittakudi (TK) – 606 108
4. **Our Lady of Fatima Church**, Thensiruvalur

MASS TIMINGS

Sunday : 7.00 a.m

Weekdays : 6.30 a.m

Annual Feast
13th May



OUR LADY OF FATIMA PARISH FATIMAPALAYAM



KALLAKURICHI VICARIATE



Substations without Chapel

- 42 sub-stations with one or two Catholic families

Religious Congregations

- St. Louis Convent (FSAG), Thensiruvalur, Tel: 04151 - 200008

Institutions – Educational

- R.C. Primary School, Ja Endal
- St. Sebastian Primary School, Vallimaduram
- St. Ann's High School

Pious Associations

- Legion of Mary
- Altar Boys Association



OUR LADY OF ROSARY CHURCH, KALLAKURICHI

Parish Church Built in: 1985

Erected as a Parish in: 1913

Brief History: To look after the area between the west of Viriyur and the east of Attur (Salem Diocese) there was a centre at Nariappanur till 1912. This centre was transferred to Kallakurichy in 1913; but a church was built at Kallakurichy only in 1985.

Address

Our Lady of Rosary Church Catholic Population : 1800
Kallakurichy Catholic Families : 425
Villupuram Dt. – 606 202

Substations with Chapel

- St. Antony's Chapel (1964), Thatthur (Post), Kallakurichy Via – 606 202
- Our Lady of Good Health Church, Mogur
- Kulandai Yesu Church, Velakurichi

Substations without Chapel

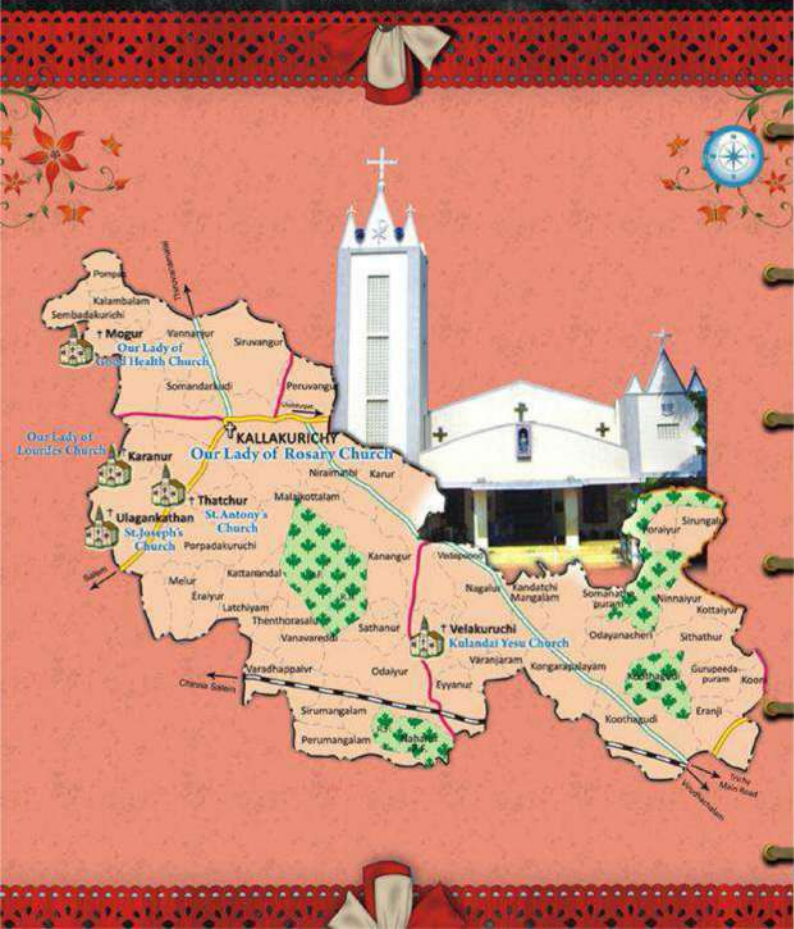
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- Karanur
- Siruvangur
- Alanbalam
- Kongarapalayam
- Mattiakurichi
- Peruvangur
- Niraimathu
- Porpadakurichi
- Veerasozhapuram
- Uchimedu
- Thenkeeranur
- Vilambavur

Religious Congregations

- St. Louis Convent (FSAG), Kallakurichy, Tel: 04151 – 225091
- St. Louis Convent (FSAG), Olagankathan, Tel: 04151 - 200798
- St. Louis Convent (FSAG), Karanur, Tel: 04151 – 226983



OUR LADY OF ROSARY PARISH KALLAKURICHI



KALLAKURICHI VICARIATE



Institutions – Educational

1. R.C. Middle School
2. St. Joseph's High School (FSAG), Olagankathan, Tel: 04151 – 220766
3. St. Mary's Middle School (FSAG), Karanur
4. St. Joseph's Primary School (FSAG), Olagankathan

Technical & Social

1. St. Louis Home for Children (FSAG), Karanur
2. St. Joseph's Orphanage (FSAG), Olagankathan

OUR LADY OF PERIYANAYAGI SHRINE, KONANKUPPAM

Parishi Church Built in: 1715

Erected as a Parish in: 1887

Brief History: The pilgrimage center is in existence from the 17th century, established by Fr. Beschi of the Madurai Mission, looking after the whole areas south of Pennar. Once the Jesuit order was suppressed (1772) Konankuppam was under the Padroado Goanese priests till 1887, when it came under the Pondicherry administration of MEP. Fr. S. Peter built an hall parallel to the Church to accommodate the Pilgrims. Fr. L. Vincent renovated the Church and built an adoration Chapel which was blessed and opened by Most. Rev. Dr. Antony Anandarayar on 06-11-2010.

Address

Our Lady of Periyanyagi Shrine

Konankuppam (Post)
Mangalampettai (Via)
Cuddalore Dt. – 606 104
Tel: 04143 – 290 123

Catholic Population : 2810

Catholic Families : 523

Substations with Chapel

1. St. Antony's Chapel (1980), M. Parur (Post), Mangalampettai (Via), Vrindhachalam (TK)
2. St. Michael's Chapel (1979), Kannankuppam (Post), Ulundurpettai (Via)
3. Lourdes Chapel (1979), Ko-Pavazhangudy (Post), Ulundurpettai (Via)
4. Sagaya Madha Chapel (1979), Trichy Road, Seppakkam (Post)

Substations without Chapel

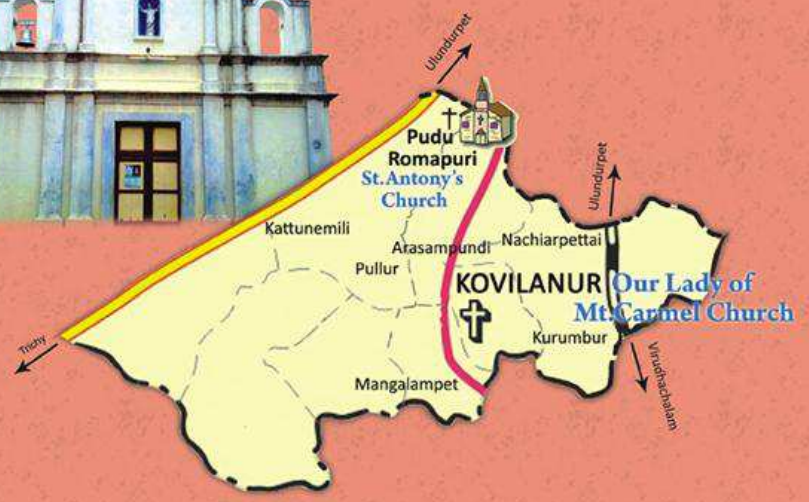
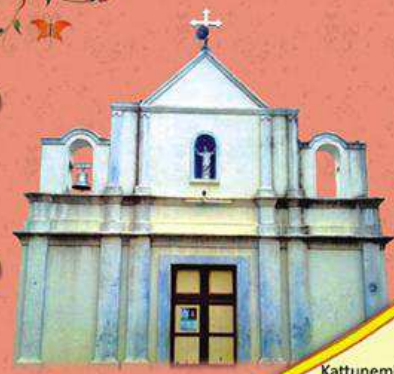
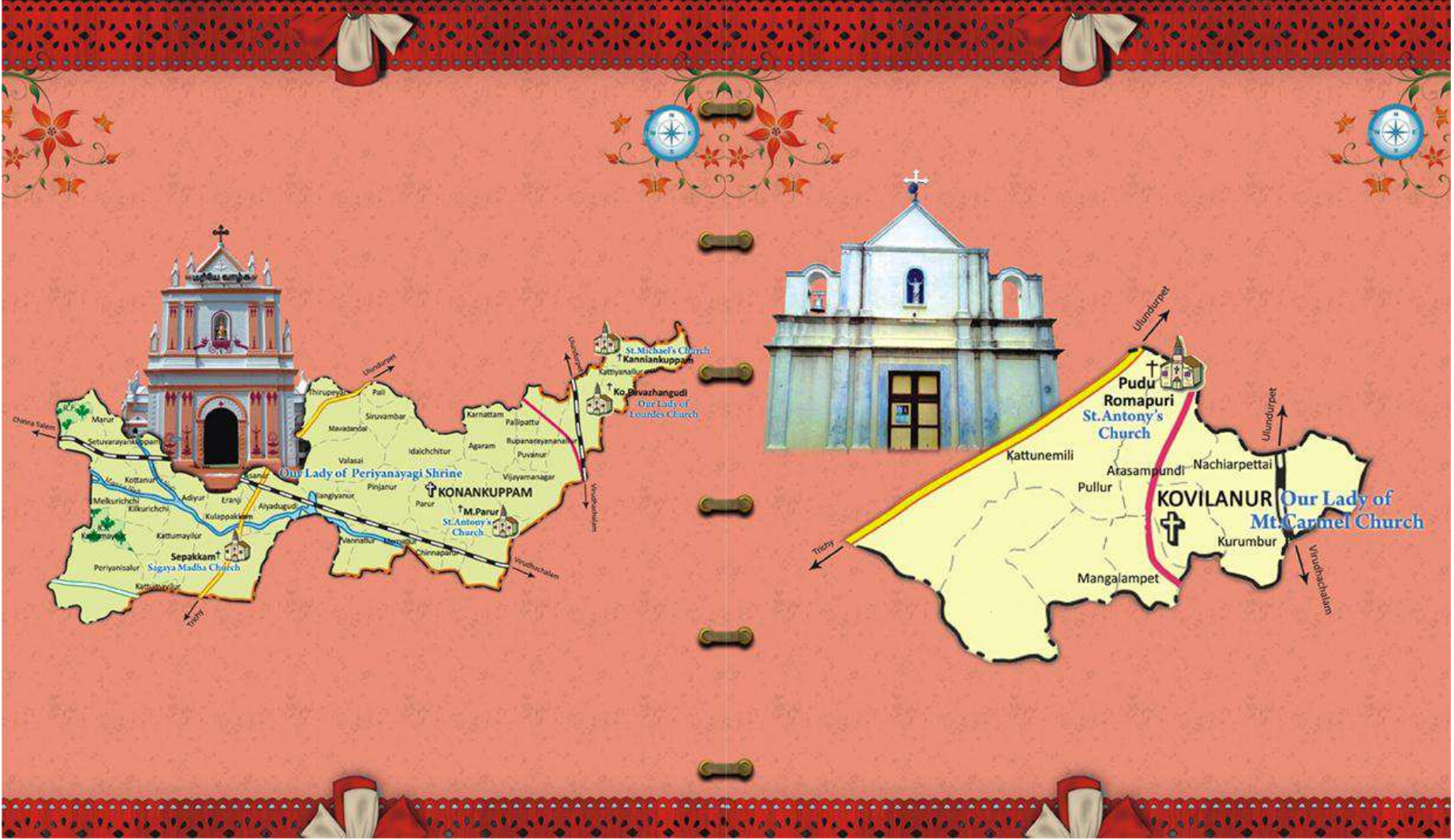
1. Koothakudy
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3. Athaiyur
4. Kurupeedapuram
5. A. Agaram
6. Siruvambar
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8. Eranji
9. Asanur
10. Thirupeyar
11. Karnatham
12. Mavidanthal
13. Pali
14. Vijayanagaram
15. Elangianur



KALLAKURICHI

**OUR LADY OF PERIYANAYAGI PARISH
KONANKUPPAM**

**OUR LADY OF MT.CARMEL PARISH
KOVILANUR**





KALLAKURICHI VICARIATE



Religious Congregations

1. Morning Star Convent (FIHM), Tel: 04143 - 245035

Institutions – Educational

1. R.C. Primary School
2. R.C. Primary School, Puliur Mettucherry
3. Morning Star School for Deaf & Dumb with Boarding (FIHM), Tel: 04143 – 244373

Pious Associations

1. Legion of Mary
2. St. Vincent de Paul Society

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL CHURCH, KOVILANUR

Parish Church Built in: 1843

Erected as a Parish in: 1967

Brief History: In 1843, Fr. Bardouil set at Kovilanur a centre of the Propaganda, a parish against the Padraoado Konankuppam and slowly brought back all the Christian communities south of Pennar under the MEP. Around 1870, Kovilanur lost its importance as many of its communities became independent parishes and was under Konankuppam till 1967.

Address

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church

Kovilanur (Post)
Mangalampettai (Via)
Vridhachalam (TK)
Cuddalore Dt. – 606 104

Catholic Population : 1400
Catholic Families : 350

Substations with Chapel

1. St. Antony's Church, Pudu Romapuri, Poovanur (Via)

Substations without Chapel

1. Karumbur, Mangalampet (Post) – 606 104
2. Nachiarpet, Ulundurpet (Post)

Religious Congregations

1. Bon Secours Convent (FBS), Tel: 04143 – 244644

Institutions – Educational

1. St. Mary's Middle School

Technical & Social

1. Adaikala Annai Health Centre (FBS), Tel: 04143 – 244644

Pious Associations

1. Legion of Mary
2. St. Cecily Choir
3. Mount Carmel Altar Boys

MASS TIMINGS

Sunday : 7.30 a.m

Weekdays : 6.30 a.m

Annual Feast
8th July

KOVILANUR

ST. ANTONY'S PARISH MEL – NARIAPPANUR





KALLAKURICHI VICARIATE

ST. ANTONY'S CHURCH, MEL-NARIAPPANUR

Parish Church Built in: 1894

Erected as a Parish in: 1985

Brief History: A center in the 19th century for the dhobis and saklis, first under Salem and then under Attur. Fr.Lazar started to build the church there in 1881. He completed it in 1894 and it became a pilgrim centre. In 1911, this was the centre for the western part of the Archdiocese of Pondicherry, but later Kallakurichy took its place. From 1938, Mel-Nariappanur was under Chinnasalem. In 1985 it became a separate parish. Now it is a famous shrine dedicated to St.Antony attracting huge number of devotees from all religions.

Address

St. Antony's Church Catholic Population : 567
Mel-Nariappanur (Post) Catholic Families : 112
Chinnasalem (Via)
Villupuram Dt. - 606 201
Tel: 04151 - 236512

Substations without Chapel

1. Thenponparapi, Ammayagaram (Post), Kallakurichy (TK) - 606 201
2. Rayappanur, Melnariappanur (Post), Kallakurichy (TK) - 606 201
3. Chellampalayam

Religious Congregations

1. St.Louis Convent (FSAG), Tel: 04151 - 236412

Institutions - Educational

1. St. Antony's Hr. Sec. School 2. St. Antony's Primary School

Technical & Social

1. St. Antony's Orphanage

Pious Associations

1. Legion of Mary

MASS TIMINGS

Sunday : 8.15 a.m.
12.00 noon

Weekdays : 6.30 p.m.

Annual Feast
12th June

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER'S CHURCH, MELVAZHI

Parish Church Built in: 2010

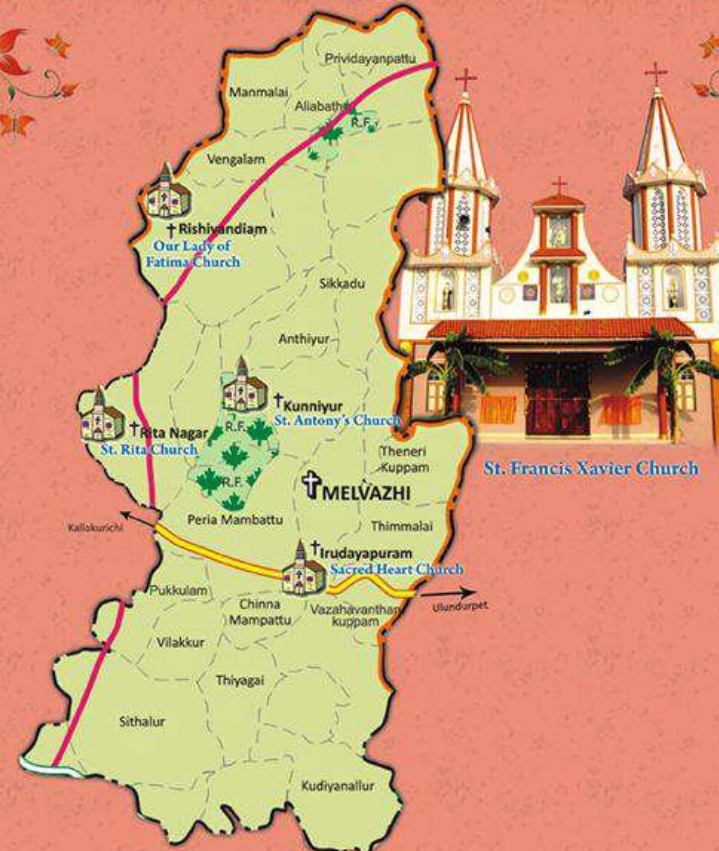
Erected as a Parish in: 1988

Brief History: Melvazhi, a substation under Eraiyur for long and Rita Nagar under Kallakurichy from 1959 were combined into a parish in 1988. A new church was built by Fr.D.Arockiadoss, the parish priest through the benefactors from U.S.A. organized through Fr.M.J. Bernard Dore, the first Parish Priest of Melvazhi in 2010. Our Lady of Loreto is venerated as the co-patron of the parish.

Address

St. Francis Xavier's Church Catholic Population : 4500
Melvazhi Catholic Families : 700
Timmalai (Post)
Thiagadurgam (Via)
Villupuram Dt. - 606 206

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH MELVAZHI



MEL-NARIAPPANUR



KALLAKURICHI VICARIATE



Substations with Chapel

1. **St. Antony's Church** (1980), Kunniyur, Sikkadu (Post), Thiagadurgam (Via), Sankarapuram (TK) – 606 206
2. **Our Lady of Fatima Church** (1991), Rishivandiam (Post), Sankarapuram (TK) – 606 205
3. **St. Rita Church** (2006), Rita Nagar, Vada Thorasalur (Post), Thiagadurgam (Via), Kallakurichy (TK) – 606 206
4. **Sacred Heart Church** (1997), Irudayapuram, Thimmalai (Post), Thiagadurgam (Via), Kallakurichy (TK) – 606 206

Substations without Chapel

1. Sikkadu (Post), Ulundurpet (TK) – 606 201
2. Chinnamampattu, Periamampattu (Post), Thiagadurgam (Via), Kallakurichy (TK) – 606 206

Religious Congregations

1. Franciscan Sisters of St. Thomas (FST), Cel: 97875 – 33036

Institutions – Educational

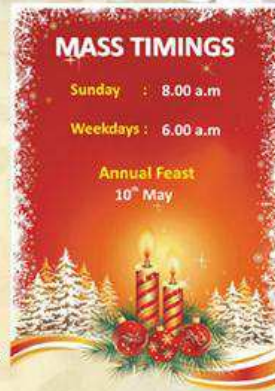
1. St. Francis Xavier R.C. Primary School, Melvazhi
2. St. Antony's R.C. Primary School, Kunniyur
3. St. Thomas Baby School, Melvazhi

Technical & Social

1. St. Xavier's Dispensary
2. St. Thomas Tailoring Institute

Pious Associations

1. Legion of Mary
2. Vincent de Paul Society
3. Altar Boys Association
4. St. Francis Xavier Youth Movement



MASS TIMINGS

Sunday : 8.00 a.m

Weekdays : 6.00 a.m

Annual Feast
10th May



MELVAZHI

ASSISI CAPUCHIN MISSION, THIAGADURUGAM

Parish Church Built on: 16-05-2010

Erected as a Mission on: 12-07-2009

Brief History: On 12-07-2009, Assisi Capuchin Mission was started at Thiagadurgam with Fr.S.Arockiam, OFM, as the Superior of the Mission. Velanandal, Pallahacherry, Peelamedu, Soolankurichi and Udayamambattu was attached to the mission as substations. The new church was blessed and opened on 16th May 2010 by His Grace Most Rev. Dr. A. Anandarayar.

Address

St. Francis Ashram
Pallahacherry Road
Assisi Nagar
Anna Nagar (Via)
Thiagadurgam
Villupuram Dt. – 606 206
Cel: 96297 – 55227

Catholic Population : 250

Catholic Families : 92

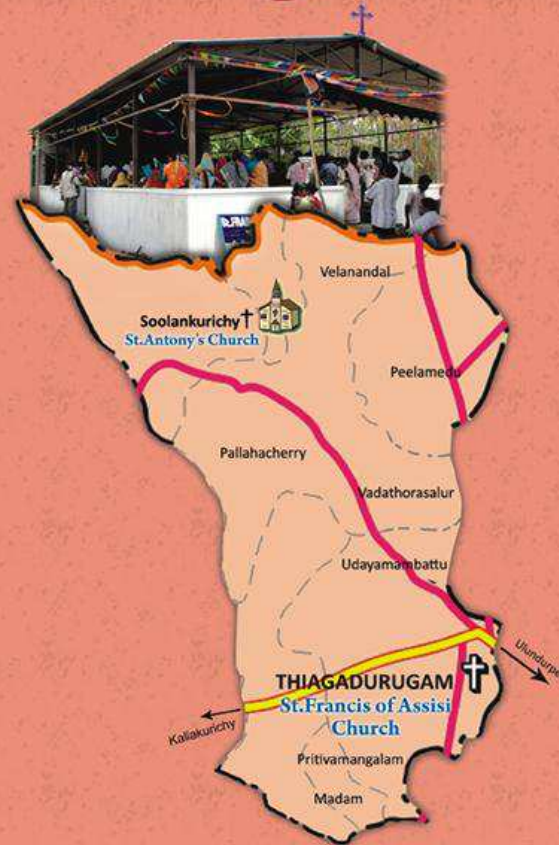


MASS TIMINGS

Sunday : 9.00 a.m

Annual Feast
4th October

ST. FRANCIS OF ASSISI MISSION THIAGADURUGAM



Soolankurichy
St. Antony's Church

Velanandal

Peelamedu

Pallahacherry

Vadathorasalur

Udayamambattu

THIAGADURUGAM
St. Francis of Assisi
Church

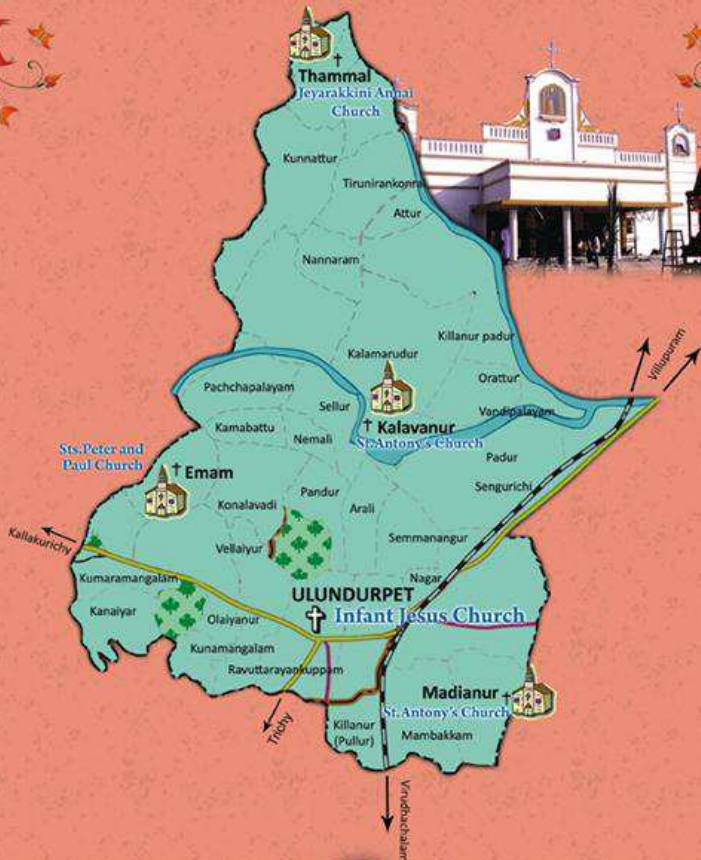
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Prittivamangalam

Madam

Ulundurpet

INFANT JESUS PARISH ULUNDURPET



KALLAKURICHI VICARIATE



Substations without Chapel

1. Velanandal
2. Pallahacherry
3. Peelamedu
4. Udayamambattu

Pious Associations

1. Legion of Mary



INFANT JESUS CHURCH, ULUNDURPET

Parish Church Built on: 25-03-2007

Erected as a Parish on: 19-08-2007

Brief History: It was a substation of Konankuppam parish even from the time of the famous Jesuit Missionary Fr. Beschi of the 16th Century. Later it became the substation of Kovilanur parish. A New Church was built and blessed by Archbishop Most Rev. Dr. A. Anandarayar on 25th March 2007. Ulundurpet was erected as a new parish and Rev. Fr. V. Messiah was appointed as the First Parish Priest on 19th August, 2007. Mathianur (From Kovilanur Parish), Eman, Kalavanur and Thamal (From Erailur parish) are made the substations of this new parish. The yearly parochial feast is celebrated on 13th January.

Address

Infant Jesus Church
Chennai Main Road
Ulundurpet
Villupuram Dt. - 606 107
Tel: 04149 - 220117

Catholic Population : 900
Catholic Families : 250

Substations with Chapel

1. St. Antony's Church, Madianur
2. Sts. Peter and Paul Church, Eman
3. St. Antony's Church, Kalavanur
4. Jeyarakkini Annai Church, Thammal

Substations without Chapel

1. Sengurichi
2. Pandur
3. Olaiyanur

Religious Congregations

1. Beschi Convent (FIHM), Tel: 04149 - 222333

Institutions - Educational

1. Beschi Hr. Sec. School (FIHM), Tel: 04149 - 222333

Pious Associations

1. Legion of Mary
2. Teachers Prayer Group
3. Youth Prayer Group
4. Altar Boys Group



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REV.FR. MAGIMAINADER GIVING A RIDE
TO REV.FR. CHETLAT MEP, PLACE ST.AGNES' SEMINARY