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Provincial's Programme

FEBRUARY 2020

- 01 NARANAMMALPURAM Retirement function
- 02 COIMBATORE

 Marriage Reception

03-07 PROVINCIALATE

08 SUHALAYAM

Consult meeting

09-14 PROVINCIALATE

- 15 VIKRAMASINGAPURAM Retirement function
- 16 TIRUVANDRAM Canonical visitation

17-21 PROVINCIALATE

22-23 PALAYAMKOTTAI

Province Extended Council

Meeting

24-29 PROVINCIALATE



IMPORTANT DAYS / EVENTS

FEBRUARY

11 OUR INSTITUTE FOUNDATION DAY

22-23 PROVINCE EXTENDED COUNCIL MEET

Dear Brothers.

Prayerful greetings to you all in the sweet name of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

We, the Brothers of the Sacred Heart of Jesus take pride in celebrating the foundation day of our institute on February 11, while the mother church celebrates the feast of Our Lady

of Lourdes. I personally believe that our holy founder, servant of God Fr. Adrian Caussanel might have had a special purpose to found our institute on the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes.

"For he has looked with favor on the lowliness of his Servant.

Surely from now on all generations will call me blessed."

Our Lady of Lourdes appeared to a very young poor girl Bernadette in a very remote village and blessed to bring glory to her son Jesus Christ. The very intension of our founder and the foundation history of our institute which is rich in Charism exhorts us to look back the past with gratitude in order to live out our religious brotherhood life with passion.

He wanted our brothers to totally depend on God's providence and in all his writings to our brothers, he always insisted our brothers to be available and to surrender oneself to the will of God.

Mary is the woman from this earth who gave herself totally to the will of God, and who received the privilege of giving human nature to his eternal son. "Behold the handmaid of the Lord; let what you have said be done to me" Lk 1:38. She is beautifully transfigured, the image of the new humanity. By surrendering herself totally and placing her trust on the providence of God, Mary expresses in reality an attitude of total freedom. This is the path which Mary opens up for us. To give oneself fully to God is to find the path of true freedom.

Mary comes to us as a mother, always open to the needs of her children. Let us allow ourselves to be touched by her gaze, which tells us that we are all loved by God and never abandoned by him! Mary comes to remind us that Prayer which is humble and intense, trusting and preserving must have a central place in our Religious lives. Prayer is indispensable to receive the power of Christ and to continue His mission.

Following mother Mary as a role model in our religious life, Let us surrender ourselves totally to His will and always be available to the needs of the people as our founder wished.

Let us wish and appreciate all the Brothers who are celebrating their Birthdays and Feast days in this month.

May I also request you to remember all the brothers who had rested in the Lord in this month in your daily prayers.

Bro. J. Casmir, SHJ Provincial Superior



To be able to impact the society and to be an agent of change, you have to make yourself available to serve.





We celebrated interfaith Pongal with Cultural January 10; Programme at St. Michael's Institutions. Students from St. Xavier's College, Palayamkottai, St. Joseph's School, Alangulam, St. Michael's High school and Nursery & Primary school performed cultural events. Mr. Manivarnan, Deputy Commandant of Police, Miss. Subashini, DSP of Ambai, Br. Casmir, Our Provincial, Fathers from St. Xavier's college, leaders and well wishers from different religions, our old students and parents took part and doubled the joy with their august presence





St. Michael's Primary School celebrated Pongal festival with joy and enthusiasm. Children added colour to the the event with their cultural performance. Rev. Pastor Arul Selvan of AG church presided over the function.

January 14; Holy Family Home for the Children celebrated the Tamil harvest festival 'Pongal' in a grand manner. Mr. Ganesh BL and Mr. Joseph were the guests of honour. The students of the home performed an eyecatching cultural events and added beauty to the celebration.





Irudayakulam

Suhalayam



January 14; Caussanel Trg, Centre Candidates along with the Suhalyam Community brothers celebrated the PONGAL Festival as a day of thanks giving and sharing of joy in a special manner. The brothers and candidates offered a special thanksgiving mass and especially offered special prayers for the well being and bright future of the formers.

January 20; Training program was conducted at CAFED for the Children's parliament students on Child rights and importance of education. Around 89 children participated in this program.



January 14; RBC old students gathering was held at CAFED in which 56 old students participated. The students shared their present life, what they are doing at present and they also explained how CAFED helped them to get dignified status in their life. All the staff members were honoured by the students with shawls.



January 11; Little Flower English Medium School Celebrated Pongal Festival. In the Celebration all the students, staff and Brothers Participated.

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January 08; Training program on Government schemes was held in CAFED to tribal communities. In this program 65 members participated and benefited.



January 15; Pongal was celebrated in our Agricultural Farm with the co- workers.



January 12; St. Joseph's Primary & High School jointly celebrated the Pongal festival in a splendid way.





January 13; The Pongal was celebrated in Sacred Heart Hr. Sec. School. Mr. S.S.S. Srithar was the chief quest for this wonderful celebration.



January 20; Our Christhuraja Hr.Sec. School got first prize for the Drama on the theme "Small Savings" in the District level inter school competition held at Tirunelyeli.



January 15; Pongal Festival was celebrated at Rex Bhavan Community to share their fraternal love among themselves and to show their affectionate love for the formers.



January 14; Pongal Festival was celebrated at Christhu Raja Hr.Sec. school. Students and teachers participated in the traditional games and enjoyed the festival.

















The Province Day Celebration

The Province Day was solemnly celebrated on 25 & 26 January 2020 at the House of the Sacred Heart in Palayamkottai. The celebrations started with a procession from Caussanel Manimandapam to the Church followed by Flag Hoisting. On the first day of the celebration, Bro. Superior General felicitated the brothers with his thought provoking message followed by Bro. Provincial Superior delivered his keynote address. Mr. Peter Alphonse, Ex Member of Parliament delivered an inspiring and electrifying speech and brothers were spellbound with his updated knowledge and he invited the brothers to think out of the box. He highlighted the importance of re-calibrating our views on religious vocation and instilled in us the wisdom of reviving our ways and means to witness the Gospel Values. The day one was further adorned with the presence of Fr. Jerry, SJ, who deeply shared his Spiritual expertise on Religious commitment and











Religious Leadership. His sessions were so heart-rendering and touching. Second day was scheduled for Paper Presentation, in which our brothers shared their views on different themes. The session was moderated by Bro. Sengole, with the presenters, Bro. David Francis, Bro. Arockiaraj, Bro. Mariadas, Bro. Rajan and Bro. Chaini Chakravarthy. Their opinions were diverse yet stressing the prevalence of Religiosity in the present time. Eventually, Bro. Casmir submitted his well prepared report on the theme "Scanning and Scaling of our life and mission of the Province". The session was moderated by former Superior General Bro. Victordass. The Provincial Superior fondly remembered and acknowledged the painstaking efforts of administrative team members, steering committee members and all the brothers who have rendered their support in one way or other to make this event so successful and memorable.































January 28; St. Mary's Hr. Sec. School celebrated fellowship day and sales day along with St. Mary's Matriculation School and St. Joseph's Primary School to show our respect to our formers and petty shop small scale business people. The programme began by the blessing of Bro. Sengole, the Correspondent in the presence of Headmaster Bro. Joe Antony, Principal of Matriculation School and Headmaster of St. Joseph's Primary School. Students and teachers exposed variety of food items and eatables. The school children were fascinated by the atmosphere of the school campus. Afternoon, the lucky prize contest was conducted in which children were given chance to partake in the event and more than 28 Traders in and around V.K. Puram sponsored the prizes which cost approximately Rs. 65.000/-



January 13; St. Joseph's Primary School celebrated the PONGAL FESTIVAL in a unique way at its school premises.



January 13; St. Mary's Matriculation School rejoiced in celebrating the Pongal Festival.





January 14; St. Thomas High School students won the first prize under the category of Junior and Sub Junior in Kho kho competitions held at the district level.





January 14; Home for the Children and Home for the Aged celebrated the festival of 'Pongal' in a glorious form. Bro. Superior and Director along with the community members participated in the celebration.

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IS GOOD NEWS ONLY FOR THE POOR? RECALIBRATING THE GOSPEL MINISTRY PRESENT DAY

2020 would he more challenging than the previous year. It is in our hands to equip ourselves and enable Jesus in our lives. Over years, many researchers are convinced that Jesus is the greatest storyteller of the universe. Jesus, living during the heavily packed Jewish community, was able to convey the message which was appealing, thought-provoking and life-changing. Jesus knew he would be persecuted. He knew the life ahead would not be easy. He was aware that He would glorify His father, dying for each and every one of us. It is in envisioning the challenges ahead that our lives are made perfect. No, not perfect, but excellent, because perfection is a destiny but excellence is the journey itself. As Jesus, envisioning the challenges ahead, also seeks us to imitate same power and prowess that we may become like Him as well. So, this write-up would try to balance the challenges and redemptive measures to be taken which may result in heralding the Good News in the year to come.

GOSPEL TO THE LONELY

India, being the youngest country, stands the first in suicidal rate in the 2019. It struck me so hard personally. We come across so many young children who the young nation relies on, but, as when this article is being read. There are seven young Indian students give up living. Shouldn't the Good News of Jesus Christ reach them? It must reach them. We must take measures to reach the lonely sharing the message of Jesus Christ who died for us so we may "have life, life in abundance." But, the question is how. Some way or the other, we must make room for students to share what is not fine. Nowadays, it is what is not fine that makes people so vulnerable.

GOSPEL TO THE ABUSERS

Jesus made sure every now and then that He has come to redeem the lowly, lonely and sinners. He further affirmed that it is not who he is fine needs a medic but

not fine. It pricks us to ponder who is not fine. The answer is NOBODY. Nobody is fine. Nobody gets the complete attention they need. Nobody gets encouraged to the fullest. Nobody here is everybody. After fighting for the death of a brutally molested nurse in Bombay, Pinky Virani wrote a systematic study of abusers in her book, Bitter Chocolate. She herself acknowledges that she was child-abused and goes on elucidating how many children become victims of such rascality. Good News for such abusers must also get reached.

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GOSPEL TO THE BUSY PARENTS

Parents do not involve in co-parenting the present time. They both work and the children themselves grow. Time which is not spent on time other than anything is the time not earned. We live in an age where family discipline has become a question. For children, parents are the greatest resource of wisdom. When wisdom fails, life is in dangle.

GOSPEL TO OURSELVES

We may be busy with day-to-day affairs. It compels us to question if we spend time with God. God always opens his hands to embrace us. He always loves irrespective of whoever we are but these unlimited access to love shouldn't be taken for granted. Gospel to ourselves will change the way we live and allow Jesus to radiate in us.

All these propositions at times challenge our religious call and allow us to recalibrate our ways in which we follow Jesus Christ. Religious life is challenging and it becomes more challenging when we decide to herald the Good News of Jesus Christ but accepting that challenge is when our life becomes fulfilled. Gospel is not the message, we need to convey but Gospel is the way of life we must practise when we heard it.

Bro. Chaini

FEBRUARY 2020

Birthday



- 02 Bro. L. Joseph Lazar
- 03 Bro. R. Abraham
- 08 Bro. A. Adaikalam
- 14 Bro. A. Alexis Antony
- 26 Bro. K. Chinna Moses
- 28 Bro. C. Gnana Sekar

Feast Day



- 02 Bro. A. Adaikalam
- 04 Bro. A. Arulsamy
- 04 Bro. M. J. Jesu Arulanandam
- 04 Bro. A. Britto
- 04 Bro. T. Arulraj
- 11 Bro. S. Lourduraj
- 11 Bro. Lourduraju. D. Joy
- 11 Bro. A. Sahaya Lourduraj
- 11 Bro. I. Lourdu Kulandai
- 11 Bro. K. Lourduraju

Departed



- 04 Bro. V.A. Soosai Muthu
- 04 Bro. M.A. Emmanuvel
- 11 Bro. I. Chinnappan
- 11 Bro. V. Swaminathan
- 13 Bro. C.T. John Cheruvankalayil
- 13 Bro. L. John Antony
- 26 Bro. F. Andrew
- 28 Bro. N.F. Soosai Marian
- 28 Bro. R. Antony Xavier

Our Lady of Lourdes Prayer for healing

O ever-Immaculate Virgin, Mother of Mercy, health of the sick, refuge of sinners, comforter of the afflicted, you know my wants, my troubles, my sufferings; look with mercy on me.

By appearing in the Grotto of Lourdes, you were pleased to make it a privileged sanctuary, whence you dispense your favours; and already many sufferers have obtained the cure of their infirmities, both spiritual and corporal.

I come, therefore, with complete confidence to implore your maternal intercession.

Obtain, O loving Mother, the grant of my requests. (mention your petition)

Through gratitude for your favours, I will endeavour to imitate your virtues, that I may one day share your glory.

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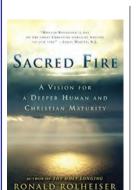


Mr. P. Irudayam aged 80, the Father of Bro. I. Arockiam rested in the Lord on January 28, 2020. May God in His eternal mercy grant his soul peace and rest.





A Deeper Human and Christian Maturity



You will not be able to finish, Sacred Fire without finding yourself in it's wisdom. Unlike the standard rave that 'you will not be able to put this book down,' my guess is that you will have to put this book down often. The reasons are simple.

First, it will open up areas of your life and invite you to prize them in new ways.

Second, it will suggest practices that seem intuitively right for your human and Christian maturity.

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THE POPE'S

Monthly Prayer
Intention

Listen to the Migrants' Cries

We pray that the Cries of our migrant brothers and sisters, victims of criminal trafficking, may be heard and considered.



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