

ADHIRIVALAI <u> புசானல் மாநில மாதச் செய்தி மடல்</u>



"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths". (Prov 3:5-6)

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Dear Brothers,

Prayerful Greetings to you all in the sweet and most precious name of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesust

The journey of our society (SHJ) has been long and arduous for many Brothers. Often the path is strewn with almost insurmountable obstacles, and many doubts, including self-doubt, seem to lie on the way. Even after entering the society by profession, which is an occasion of great joy, some Brothers find their new environment full of unexpected challenges. Yet, one thing characterizes all who find their way to the fullness of the faith in the society: TRUST. Without trust they would not have begun their journey nor brought it to completion in being united finally with the society.

There is a Catholic saying with several variations which expresses the essence of trust in God's goodness. Commit the past to God's mercy, the present to His love, and the future to His providence. In my 27 years as a Brother I have come to understand these words with an increasing appreciation of their wisdom and truth. Often wise Brothers console their penitents in the confessional to commit the past to God's mercy, knowing that we cannot change what has already taken place. When we muse over our past sins or failures, such wise confessors encourage us to let go of our past and place it into the merciful hands of God.

In fact, how most of our Brothers form their personal identities in our society, basing their identity on their accomplishments. This is not the way of

Christ. If it were, Paul would not have said, "Whatever was gain to me I now consider loss for the sake of Christ" (Phil 3:7). Christ's way is for His disciples to form an identity through relationship rather than through accomplishment. Becoming Religious and becoming comfortable with being Brother is a long process of reshaping our identity based on a relationship with Christ by participation in His Mission. Committing the past to God's mercy involves thanking Him for His blessings and giving those successes back to Him. As we relinquish our successes, we come to love God more in the present.

Committing the present to God's love means that we are willing for God to show us how wide and how deep is His love for us. This four letter word, of course, suffers from overuse in contemporary world, but that fact does not lessen its true meaning or the Divine Reality behind it. The Scriptures speak over and over again of God's love as covenant faithfulness or chesed . In the Psalms and through Prophets God constantly reminds His people that His loving goodness in contrast to their apostasy. Like Israel, our past can cause us to doubt God's love in the present both in our failures and in our successes. But if we know that God's loving faithfulness never changes, we can commit our present circumstances to Him with the expectation that we will find the traces of His love marking our path as we move forward. God's love for us is like an ever flowing stream coming down from above. The increasing perception of God's love in the present causes us to place

Provincial's Programme October 2024

03-04 PROVINCIALATE

- **PROVINCIALATE** 06 Brotherhood Day
- **COURTALLAM** 11 RFYN Meeting
- 19 **RAMESWARAM** Marraige Function
- 21-27 PALAYAMKOTTAI 15th General Chapter

29-31 PROVINCIALATE

Important Days / Events

- **04** FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS **ASSISI BROTHERHOOD DAY**
- **07** FEAST OF OUR LADY OF THE **ROSARY**



THE POPE'S Monthly Prayer Intention

FOR A SHARED MISSION

Let us pray that the Church continue to sustain a synodal lifestyle in every way, as a sign of coresponsibility, promoting the participation, communion and mission shared by priests, religious and laity

Thousands of candles can be lighted from a single candle, and the life of the candle will not be shortened. Happiness never decreases by being shared - Buddha

greater trust in God's providence for our future. We come to know that whatever our future brings, God foresaw it and is showing us His love through it. The word providence derives from a Latin verb providere "to see beforehand." When we are beseeching God in the present, He already sees our future because it is present to Him for whom all things are like the present. To Him there is no past, present, or future. It is all one Now!

While we are blinded by our present circumstances, God is already minding the store, as it were, of our future. Like a good shopkeeper, He is arranging the furniture and goods inside the store to make us more and more to be saints. Consider the life of Mary, Jesus's mother. While humbly accepting God's plan for her to bear the Eternal Word (Logos), she still could not see all that her vocation as the Mother of God entailed. She could not see herself standing by the cross of Jesus (cf. Jn 19:25-27). Yet God was preparing her all along to face the ignominious death of her Son. God also prepares us to bear future trials by strengthening our faith through lesser trials of the present so that we may become triumphant when the great trials arise.

He was guiding our every step in both success and failure to bring us to the point where we are now. Even if we were unaware of or inattentive to God's providence, it was there all the same. God was minding the store of our lives to reveal our future step by step. Even now, within the walls of our Mother society, we still often do not know where our future is leading in practical service but we can be sure that He is preparing our steps. And our way of stepping into that future is really the same as when we were in our mission: TRUST. We trust best when we commit ourselves daily to His love, that is, being loved by Him and to returning His love for us.

Another celebration reminds us our vocation and mission. St. Francis of Assisi the patron saint of Brotherhood invites us to renew our spirit of Brotherhood by remaining in His love and expressing His love to the world by our actions, which we call Fraternity.

God has blessed us in the past and protected in the present and have a providence that He will journey with us until the end of days.

Let us wish and appreciate all the Brothers who are celebrating their Birthdays and Feast days in this month. I also request you to remember in your daily prayers all the Brothers who had rested in the Lord in this month.

Bro. A. Stephen Arockiasamy, sнл Provincial Superior

Provincialate











The Monthly Recollection on September 7th at the zonal level held at Chrithujoythi and Singampatti provided a valuable opportunity for reflection and spiritual growth. It was a meaningful gathering for all involved.

SMILE

Thoolhukudi





SMILE Organizad interfaith leaders meet at SMILE Center.



The St. Mary's Home for Destitute Children celebrated Annual day cum parents meet on 1st September 2024. Hon'ble Minister P. Geetha Jeevan was the chief guest and Rev. Bro. Stephen Arockiamsamy the Provincial Superior and Mr. Devaneyan from Chennai were also the guest of the celebrations.









On 05th September; St.Thomas Primary School celebrated Teachers day

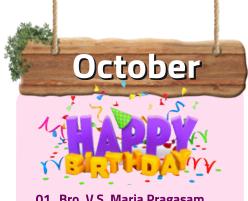








On 05th September; St. Michael's Primary School celebrated Parents meeting and Teachers day



- 01 Bro. V.S. Maria Pragasam
- 03 Bro. R. Chaini Chakravarthy
- 04 Bro. A. Michael
- 08 Bro. V. Soosai Raj
- 10 Bro. D. Irudaya Raj
- 10 Bro. S. Lourdhu Raj
- 16 Bro. A. Arulsamy
- 17 Bro. S. Jesuraj (Sengudi)
- 18 Bro. M. Sengole
- 18 Bro. T. Arul Raj
- 19 Bro. D. Hari Babu
- 25 Bro. A. Stephen Arockiasamy
- 30 Bro. C. Sunil Benjamine
- 31 Bro. S. Innaci Muthu
- 31 Bro. K. Jeya Prakash



04 Bro. A. David Francis



- 03 Bro. M. Rajendran
- 07 Bro. N. Irudaya Sathiyaraj
- Bro. D. Belevendran
- 09 Bro. R.M. Stanislaus
- 09 Bro. M. James
- 13 Bro. I. Raphael
- 18 Bro. E.M.J. Angelo
- 18 Bro. D. Perianayagam
- 19 Bro. A. Arul Pragasam
- 23 Bro. P. Maria Joseph
- 24 Bro. D. Singarayan
- 25 Bro. K. Siluvai Arulappan
- 26 Bro. G. Francis Xavier
- 27 Bro. J.R. Jebamalai
- 29 Bro. A.M. Stanislaus

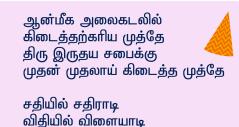
Peace Praver of Saint Francis



Lord, make me an instrument of your peace: where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console,

to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive, it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life.



நீதியில் நிலைபெற்ற சகோதரமே தகுந்த காலத்தில் உகந்த நேரத்தில்

பணிவாழ்வு இனிமேலும் இனிதாக அமையட்டும் உம் சேவையால் இருதய சபை மகிழட்டும்

மிகுந்த கனிதந்த மரமே

வாழ்க்கை என்ற கடலில் மகிழ்ச்சி என்ற படகில் வாழ்நாளெல்லாம் பவனி வந்து வளம் பல பெற்று வாழ்க நீடுழி வளர்க வையகத்தில் நின்புகழ்

வெற்றிகள் தழுவிட தோல்விகள் விலகிட இன்பங்கள் பெருகிட இனிய பிறந்தநாள் நல்வாழ்த்துகள்

Brotherhood Day Celebration Note

> All brothers are invited to the Brotherhood Celebration on Sunday 6th October 2024 at Caussanel Provincialate.

Pour presence is greatly appreciated.

to Caussanel Province e-mail ID on or before 25 of every month.

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Amen.