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For to be free is not merely to cast off one's chains, but to live in a way that respects and enhances the freedom of others.

- Nelson Mandela

Diocesan Events





Inauguration of new academic year at Morning Star Polytechnic college





Convocation day at Annai Velankanni college, Tholayavattam





Inauguration of a new ministry at Ponmalai





The Blessing of the new Church, Chittar



VOICE OF THE SHEPHERD

My dear Fathers, sisters and my dear people! Grace and peace of Christ be with you!

On August 4th, we celebrate the feast of St. John Mary Vianney, a humble priest whose holiness continues to inspire the Church. He spent himself entirely for his flock – with a deep life of prayer, tireless pastoral care, powerful yet simple preaching, and a heart full of sacrifice. He reminds us that the greatest treasure we can offer the world is a priestly heart burning with love for Jesus and His people.

When I think about St. John Mary Vianney, It makes me reflect on you and your priestly life, my dear brother priests of our Diocese. Each of you, in your own unique way, carries the same spirit of dedication – serving tirelessly, rooted deeply in faith, faithfully loving the Church and the people of God entrusted to you. You have accomplished so much together as one presbyteral family, and I am profoundly grateful to God for the witness you give to His flock.

St. John Mary Vianney, the Patron Saint of all Priests, continues to call us to live our priesthood with humility and zeal, placing Christ and His people above everything else. Let us draw from his example the strength to pray deeply, preach with simplicity and conviction, sacrifice joyfully, and love sincerely.

As a priestly family, we are called to grow closer to one another, accepting and supporting each other as brothers. Let us forgive easily, overcome misunderstandings, and foster a healthy, joyful atmosphere of fraternity. In this spirit, I warmly invite you to the Priests' Day Celebration on August 4th at 6:00 PM, at Child Jesus Matric Higher Secondary School, Unnamalaikadai. Let us come together, not just to celebrate an event, but to celebrate our shared vocation and brotherhood in Christ. I am eagerly looking forward to seeing you all there.

Later this month, on August 15th, we celebrate the Assumption of Our Blessed Mother and the 79th Anniversary of India's Independence. As Mary sang in her Magnificat, "He has brought

Voice of the Shepherd

down the mighty from their thrones and lifted up the lowly" (Lk 1:52). Her words remind us of God's dream for humanity – a world of justice, peace, love, and dignity for every person. Yet, we know that true freedom still remains incomplete where hatred, division, injustice, and modern slavery persist. Through our priestly service, we are called to join Mary in making her song a reality, lifting up the lowly and bringing God's mercy into our society.

This year, we also rejoice with our brother priests who are celebrating their priestly Silver jubilees: Rev. Fr. Leo Alex A., Rev. Fr. Sahayadhasan P., Rev. Fr. Christopher S., Rev. Fr. Isaac Raj R., Rev. Fr. Maria Vincent A., and Rev. Fr. Victor V. We thank God for their many years of faithful and dedicated ministry, which stand as a true witness to Christ and a source of inspiration for all of us. May the Lord continue to bless them abundantly in their ministry.

Dear Fathers, let us walk forward as one family, with hearts open to God and to one another, inspired by St. John Mary Vianney and strengthened by Our Blessed Mother's intercession. I hold each of you in my heart and in my daily prayers.

- Most Rev. Albert G.A. Anasthas D.D., S.T.D., Bishop of Kuzhithurai.



Engagements of the Bishop: August 2025

Date	Event	Place	Time
01	Feast Mass	Manavilai	06.30 pm
02	Installation of Madurai Archbishop	Madurai	04.00 pm
04	St. Mary Vianney Day Celebration	Unnamalaikadai	06.00 pm
05	Curia	Bishop's House	09.30 am
09	Contact Visit & Confirmation Mass	Themanoor	09.30 am
	Annual Day, Child Jesus Matriculation School	Unnamalaikadai	04.30 pm
10	Contact Visit & Confirmation Mass	Paramanvilai	09.00 am
11	Inauguration of Badminton Match, St. Xavier's Engineering College		09.00 am
	Contact Visit & Feast Mass	Melpalai	05.00 pm
12	Recollection	Annai Ada Centre	09.30 am
	Contact Visit & Feast Mass	Arockiapuram	05.30 pm
13	Curia	Bishop's House	09.30 am
	Feast Mass	Mela Alanvilai	06.30 pm
15	Feast Mass	Mathiravilai	09.00 am
16	Finance Committee Meeting	Bishop's House	03.00 pm
17	Confirmation Mass	Lourdhugiri	09.30 am
	Inauguration of New Building of the Old age Home	Sahayanagar	04.30 pm
19	Curia	Bishop's House	09.30 am
21	Church Blessing	Solapuram	05.00 pm
24	Feast Mass	Padarnilam	09.00 am
25	Curia	Bishop's House	09.30 am
26	Consult	Bishop's House	09.30 am
29	Mulagumoodu Vicariate Bank New Branch opening	Kurunthancode	09.30 am
	Feast Mass	Villukury	06.30 pm
30	Feast Mass	Kulasekharam	06.00 pm
31	Contact Visit & Holy Mass	Koottamavu	05.00 pm

Warmest Congratulations!



Most Rev. S. Antonysamy D.D., D.C.L.,

We are delighted to share in the joy of the appointment of Bishop Antonysamy Savarimuthu, Bishop of Palayamkottai and Chairman of the CCBI Commission for Canon Law, as the Metropolitan Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Madurai, announced on July 5, 2025.

We, the clergy and faithful of the Diocese of Kuzhithurai, extend our heartfelt congratulations to him. We pray that his ministry as Archbishop will be blessed with wisdom, strength, and compassion as he shepherds the Archdiocese of Madurai and its suffragan dioceses.

Dear Bishop, may God fill you with His choicest blessings and guide you in all your endeavors as you continue to serve His Church with dedication and faith.



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உலகத் தொடர்பு ஞாயிறு – 13.07.2025

அன்பான அருள்பணியாளர்களே, அருள்சகோதரிகளே, இறைமக்களே! நம் ஆண்டவராகிய இயேசு கிறிஸ்துவின் அருளும் கடவுளின் அன்பும் தூய ஆவியாரின் நட்புறவும் உங்களுக்கு உரித்தாகுக!

அருளின் காலமாகிய இயேசு கிறிஸ்துவின் பிறப்பின் 2025 – ஆம் ஆண்டு யூபிலியைக் கொண்டாடிக் கொண்டிருக்கிறோம். இந்நாள்களில் வியக்கத்தக்க தொழில்நுட்பச் சாதனங்கள் பல உருவாகி நம்மை விந்தையில் அதே நேரத்தில், ஆழ்த்துகின்றன. இதன் காரணமாக பலவிதமான பிரச்சனைகளும் தினம் தினம் நம் கண் முன் நிகழ்ந்தேறிக் கொண்டிருக்கின்றன. இவ்வேளையில், நற்செய்தியின் ஒளியில், எதிர்நோக்கின் தொடர்பாளர்களாக நம்மை செயல்பட நம் திருத்தந்தை லியோ நமக்கு அழைப்பு விடுக்கின்நார்.

இந்த ஆண்டு உலக தொடர்பு நாளுக்கான மையப் பொருளாக "உங்கள் உள்ளங்களில் உள்ள எதிர்நோக்கை பணிவோடும் மரியாதையோடும் பகிர்ந்து கொள்ளுங்கள்" (1பேதுரு 3:15-16) என்பதன் அடிப்படையில் சிந்திக்கவும் செயல்படவும் திருத்தந்தை நம்மை பணித்திருக்கின்றார். ஆகவே திருத்தந்தை அவர்களின் அழைப்பை ஏற்று நமது மறைமாவட்டத்தின் அனைத்துப் பங்குகளிலும் ஜுலை 13, 2025, உலகத் தொடர்பு ஞாயிறன்று சிறப்புத் திருப்பலி நிறைவேற்றி ஊடக வழி இறையாட்சிப் பணியை ஊக்கப்படுத்திட உங்களை கேட்டுக் கொள்கின்றேன். இந்த நாளுக்கான வழிபாட்டுக் குறிப்புகள் பின்னர் உங்களுக்கு அனுப்பி வைக்கப்படும். மேலும், அன்றைய தினம் சிறப்பு காணிக்கை எடுத்து அதனை மறைமாவட்டப் பொருளரிடம் ஒப்படைக்க கேட்டுக் கொள்கிறேன்.

இந்த நேரத்தில் நம் மறைமாவட்டத்தின் ஊடகப் பணிக்குழுவான தேனருவி மூலம் முன்னெடுத்து செயல்படுத்தப்பட்டு வரும் அனைத்துப் பணிகளையும் நெஞ்சார பாராட்டுகின்றேன். நம் பங்குத்தளங்களில் செய்யப்படும் நற்செய்திப் பணிகளில் மறைக்கல்வி வகுப்புகளில் இளையோர் பணிகளில் நவீன ஊடகத்தை ஆக்கப்பூர்வமாக பயன்படுத்துங்கள். நம் தேனருவி ஊடக

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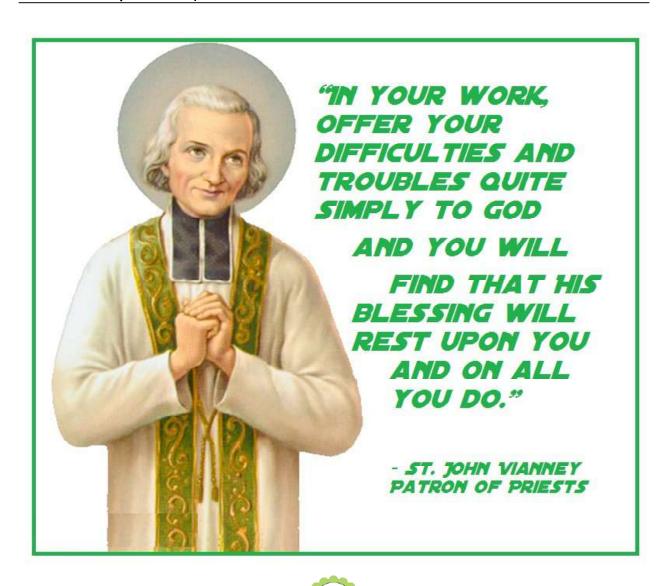
நிகழ்ச்சிகளைப் பார்த்து பயன்பெறுங்கள். பிறருக்கும் பகிர்ந்து தேனருவி ஊடகத்திற்கு ஊக்கமூட்டுங்கள்.

இறைமகன் இயேசு உங்களை நிறைவாய் ஆசீர்வதிப்பாராக! கிறிஸ்துவில் உங்கள் அன்புள்ள,

மேதகு ஆயர் ஆல்பர்ட் **G. A.** அனஸ்தாஸ், குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டம்.



குறிப்பு: இத்தகவலை குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டத்தின் அனைத்துப் பங்குகளிலும், கிளைப் பங்குகளிலும் ஜுலை 06, 2025 அன்று ஞாயிறு திருப்பலியில் அறிவிக்கவும்.



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Date: July 14, 2025

Dear Reverend Father,

I am happy to invite you for a Day of Recollection and Jubilee Celebration of our Priests on Tuesday, August 12, 2025 at Annai Ada Centre, Azhagiyamandapam.

The recollection will be animated by our priests who celebrate their Silver Jubilees.

Sacerdotal Silver Jubilee

- 1. Fr. A. Leo Alex (Ord: 27.12.2000)
- 2. Fr. P. Sahayadhasan (27.12.2000)
- 3. Fr. S. Christopher (22.04.2001)
- 4. Fr. R. Isaac Raj (22.04.2001)
- 5. Fr. A. Maria Vincent (22.04.2001)
- 6. Fr. V. Victor (22.04.2001)

The tentative time-table for the day will be as follows:

09.30 am Arrival – Refreshments

10.00 am Recollection Talk by the Jubilarians

11.30 am Break

11.45 am Eucharistic Celebration, Felicitation

01.00 pm Lunch

Let us join our brother priests in thanking the Lord for all the good things that he has done to the Diocese of Kuzhithurai through their dedicated service.

Sincerely yours in the Good Shepherd,

Most Rev. Albert G. A. Anasthas,

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Date: July 14, 2025

Dear Reverend Father,

As we celebrate the feast of St. John Mary Vianney, the patron of priests, on 4th August, I warmly invite all the priests serving in our diocese to a joyful and fun-filled gathering.

Venue : Child Jesus Matriculation School (within the Bishop's

House campus)

Time : 05:30 PM onwards

Tentative Schedule:

05:30 PM - Arrival and Refreshments

06:00 PM – Cultural Events

07:30 PM - Dinner

Let us come together without fail to celebrate our fraternity, enjoy the evening, and renew our spirit of ministry through fellowship and companionship.

Looking forward to seeing you all!

Sincerely yours in the Good Shepherd,

Most Rev. Albert G. A. Anasthas,

Bishop of Kuzhithurai.

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அன்பான அருள்பணியாளர்களே, அருள்சகோதரிகளே, இறைமக்களே! நம் ஆண்டவராகிய இயேசு கிறிஸ்துவின் அருளும் கடவுளின் அன்பும் தூய ஆவியாரின் நட்புறவும் உங்களுக்கு உரித்தாகுக!

நம் மறைமாவட்டத்தில் செயல்பட்டுவரும் கிட்ஸ் அமைப்பின் ஒரு அலகாகிய கைகள் மாதர் தன்னம்பிக்கை இயக்கம், ஆதரவற்ற இலக்கு பெண்கள் மாண்போடும், கண்ணியத்தோடும், சமஉரிமையோடும், தன்னிறைவும், தன்னம்பிக்கையும் கொண்டு அச்சமின்றி துணிச்சலோடு இச்சமூகத்தை எதிர்கொள்ள நல்வழிகாட்டியாக செயல்பட்டுவருகிறது.

ஆதரவற்ற பெண்களுக்கு எதிரான பழமைவாதச் சிந்தனைகளுக்கு எதிராக விழிப்புணர்வு ஏற்படுத்துதல், தன்னம்பிக்கையூட்டுதல், பொருளாதார சிக்கல்களுக்குத் தீர்வுகாண சிறுதொழில் பயிற்சியளித்து தொழில் முனைவோராக்குதல், சமூகத்தில் தலைமைப் பொறுப்புகளை ஏற்று திறமைகளை வெளிப்படுத்தத் தூண்டுதல் இவை போன்ற ஏராளமானப் பணிகளை இவ்வியக்கம் செய்துவருகிறது.

இப்படிப்பட்ட கைகள் மாதர் தன்னம்பிக்கை இயக்கம் இன்னும் ஒருசில பங்குகளில் தொடங்கப்படவில்லை என அறிகிறேன். எனவே மறைமாவட்டத்தில் இவ்வியக்கம் துவங்கப்படாத பங்குகளில் விரைவாக துவங்கி ஊக்கமளிக்க பங்குப்பணியாளர்களை அன்புடன் கேட்டுக்கொள்கிறேன்.

மேலும் இம்மாதம் 27ஆம் தியதி ஞாயிற்றுக்கிழமை பிற்பகல் 2.00 மணிக்கு கைகள் மாதர் தன்னம்பிக்கை இயக்க மாவட்ட மாநாடு புனித அந்தோணியார் திருத்தல அரங்கம், வெட்டுவெந்தியில் வைத்து நடைபெறவுள்ளது. அருள்பணியாளர்கள் இவ்வியக்க உறுப்பினர்களை அனுப்பிவைத்து பயன்பெற செய்ய வேண்டுமென்று கேட்டுக்கொள்கின்றேன்.

இறையாசீர் என்றும் உங்களோடு இருப்பதாக!

கிறிஸ்துவில் உங்கள் அன்புள்ள,

மேதகு ஆயர் ஆல்பர்ட் G. A. அனஸ்தாஸ்,

குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டம்

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August 9 2025

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Dear Rev. Fathers,

Greetings of peace and blessings in the name of our Lord!

It is with deep concern and pastoral care that I write to you. In recent times, we have been witnessing a steady increase in the number of cancer patients in our district and the surrounding regions. As a diocese, we are called to respond with compassion and commitment to the needs of the vulnerable, irrespective of caste, race, or religion.

At present, எழுவோம் இயக்கம், a dedicated unit of KIDSS, is rendering commendable service to those affected by cancer. Many volunteers are actively involved in this ministry, offering financial aid, providing guidance, assisting with medical care, offering counselling, supporting them through prayer, and making regular visits to patients.

To strengthen this mission further, we are taking an important step: the establishment of a Cancer Care Unit at St. Xavier's Multi-Speciality Hospital, Chunkankadai. Our first major step in this endeavour is the installation of a Mammography System, which is essential for the early detection of breast cancer. Though the cost is high, we have been blessed with generous support, especially from the Golden City Rotary Club, Nagercoil, and other kind-hearted benefactors in and out of our diocese. We sincerely thank them for their generous and timely support.

During the previous Senate Meeting, a valuable suggestion was made that the lay faithful are generously contributing to this noble cause out of compassion and concern for those who suffer. As priests, we are the frontline workers in this mission of mercy. Since we are leading this ministry, we have a responsibility to contribute to this noble cause.

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Hence, I kindly request each priest of our Diocese, as well as those serving in our Diocese under my appointment, to contribute a minimum of Rs. 5,000, which may be paid on or before 30th November 2025, either at your Vicariate Office or at the Bishop's House. Installments are permitted if needed.

Let us come together in the spirit of service and fraternity. May our collective effort bring healing, hope, and dignity to those suffering in silence.

With prayerful wishes and appreciation,

Yours devotedly in Christ,

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Most Rev. Albert G. A. Anasthas, Bishop of Kuzhithurai.

Reminder

Annual Retreat

Annual Retreat for the diocesan priests is to be held in two batches as per the schedule given below:

Batch I: October 19 to 24, 2025

Batch II: October 26 to 31, 2025

The first batch will be animated by Fr. R. Kulandai, Diocese of Tanjavur and the Second batch will be animated by the Rev. Fr. Matthew, OFM Cap, Provincial of the Order of Friars Minor Capuchin, Trichy Province.

The venue for all the batches is **SPARC** (Suvartha Pastoral Animation and Renewal Center) Vizhinjam Venganoor P O, Diocese of Parassala, Kerala.

Please remember to bring your Bible and the Breviary, as well as a cassock to participate in the Eucharistic celebration. It's important that you attend the retreat. Thank you!

Contributions to the Diocese June 16 to July 15, 2025

1. Annual Contribution from Churches

No	Parish	Amount
1	Ambalakkadai	28,000
2	Aramannam (Nagacode)	15,000
3	Chithenthope (Kandanvilai)	30,000
4	Chittar (Alancholai) (2023 - 2024)	10,000
5	Chittar (Alancholai) (2024 - 2025)	10,000
6	Eraniel (Kandanvilai)	12,000
7	Kadayal	1,00,000
8	Kakkavilai (Fathimapuram)	8,000
9	Kallupalam (Thickurichy)	14,000
10	Mathapuram (Vizhunthayambalam)	25,000
11	Mekkamandapam (Chemparuthivilai)	15,000
12	Mela Alanvilai (Alanvilai)	12,000
13	Melpuram (Balance)	50,000
14	Murasancode	65,000
15	Nullivilai	36,000
16	Oottukuzhy (Amsi)	4,600
17	Padarnilam	40,000
18	Paramanvilai	13,000
19	Thuckalay	40,200
20	Vavarai	42,000
21	Verkilambi (Chetticharvilai) (2020 - 2021)	7,000
	Total	5,76,800

2. Shrine (Special Mass)

No	Parish	Amount
1	Mulagumoodu	2,000
2	Vettuvenni	2,000
	Total	4,000

3. Holy Childhood

No	Parish	Amount
1	Ambalakkadai (2023)	1,557
2	Arulanandapuram (Mathiravilai)	2,000
3	Cheruvalloor	3,891
4	Lourdugiri	4,486
5	Mallanvilai (Kozhiporvilai)	2,220
6	Mela Alanvilai (Alanvilai)	1,573
7	Oottukuzhy (Amsi)	480
8	Paloor (Poottety)	5,997
	Total	22,204

4. Bible Sunday

No	Parish	Amount
1	Ambalakkadai (2023)	1,675
2	Cheruvalloor (2024)	4,661
3	Kakkavilai (Fathimapuram) (2024)	1,214
4	Kallankuzhy (Manalikarai) (2024)	3,004
5	Kallupalam (Thickurichy) (2024)	1,637
6	Mathapuram (Vizhunthayambalam) (2023)	2,250
7	Mela Alanvilai (Alanvilai) (2024)	1,776
8	Muhilankarai (Manalikarai) (2024)	2,170
9	Murasancode (2024)	6,045
10	Nullivilai (2024)	7,756
11	Paloor (Poottety) (2024)	2,000
12	Solapuram (Manalikarai) (2023)	1,321
13	Solapuram (Manalikarai) (2024)	2,292
14	Vavarai (2016)	5,500
15	Vavarai (2019)	7,800
16	Verkilambi (Chetticharvilai) (2024)	1,385
	Total	52,486

5. Cumulated Mass

No	Parish	Amount
1	Chemparuthivilai	3,100
2	Chetticharvilai	2,400
3	Chunkankadai (Shrine)	3,000
4	Fathimapuram	2,000
5	Ithayapuram (Viricode)	1,400
6	Kadayal (June)	12,500
7	Kadayal (July)	14,500
8	Kalkurichy	2,500
9	Kanjiracode	1,100
10	Kannanvilai (Thundathuvilai)	12,100
11	Kolvel	800
12	Konamkadu	1,200
13	Kuzhivilai	5,200
14	Mathiravilai (January - May)	9,000
15	Mulagumoodu	6,800
16	Mullanganavilai	6,000
17	Munchirai	2,500
18	Mylacode	5,800
19	Mylacode (Feast Mass)	6,500
20	Nattalam (Shrine) (June)	12,940
21	Nattalam (Shrine) (July)	11,100
22	Nellickavilai (Pacode) (Feast Mass)	3,000
23	Parakunnu	800
24	Thiruvithancode	35,300
25	Thittavilai (Pullani) (Feast Mass)	19,900
26	Thundathuvilai	9,300
27	Vattam	1,200
28	Vellayambalam	5,000
29	Vettuvenni (Shrine) (Feast Mass)	33,100
30	Vetuvenni (Shrine)	3,40,100
	Total	5,70,140

Contribution

6. New Bishop's House Building

No	Parish	Amount
1	Aramannam (Nagacode)	10,000
2	Chellamkonam (Panavilai)	8,900
3	Chithenthope (Kandanvilai)	3,000
4	Elampilavilai (Mulavilai) (Collection)	2,100
5	Kaliakkavilai	50,000
6	Kappiarai (Collection)	3,800
7	Kattuvilai (Cherukol Karumputhottam)	12,000
8	Koottamavu (Collection)	26,500
9	Mallanvilai (Kozhiporvilai)	7,500
10	Mela Alanvilai (Alanvilai)	1,895
11	Muhilankarai (Manalikarai) (Collection)	1,000
12	Mulavilai (Collection)	16,000
13	Nullivilai	5,000
14	Oottukuzhy (Amsi)	7,500
15	Paloor (Poottetty)	5,000
16	Solapuram (Manalikarai) (Collection)	7,500
17	Thattanvilai (Padarnilam) (Collection)	900
18	Thiruvithancode (Collection)	3,000
19	Valvachagostam (Collection)	9,900
20	Vavarai	39,075
21	Verkilambi (Chetticharvilai)	1,000
	Total	2,21,570

7. Youth Year

No	Parish	Amount
1	Ambalakkadai	3,025
2	Mathapuram (Vizhunthayambalam)	3,500
3	Oottukuzhy (Amsi)	360
4	Solapuram (Manalikarai)	1,751
	Total	8,636

8. Social Communication

No	Parish	Amount
1	Ambalakkadai (2023)	1,570
2	Appattuvilai (St. Joseph)	6,364
3	Cheruvalloor (2024)	5,003
4	Chetticharvilai	6,320
5	Chithenthope (Kandanvilai)	4,196
6	Chunkankadai (Shrine)	4,740
7	Fathimapuram	9,552
8	Ithayapuram (Viricode)	3,245
9	Kakkavilai (Fathimapuram) (2024)	1,214
10	Kappukadu	4,060
11	Manalikuzhivilai	2,712
12	Oottukuzhy (Amsi) (2023)	300
13	Oottukuzhy (Amsi) (2024)	340
14	Solapuram (Manalikarai) (2023)	1,594
15	Solapuram (Manalikarai) (2024)	2,327
16	Thuckalay (2024)	3,900
17	Vavarai (2023)	2,400
18	Vavarai (2024)	3,250
19	Verkilambi (Chetticharvilai) (2024)	1,605
20	Verkilambi (Chetticharvilai) (2025)	400
	Total	65,092

9. Cancer Patient Fund

No	Parish	Amount
1	Fr. M. Densingh	33,666
	Total	33,666

10. Holy Land

No	Parish	Amount
1	Ambalakkadai (2023)	6,472
2	Chellamkonam (Panavilai) (2019)	3,070
3	Chellamkonam (Panavilai) (2021)	2,675
4	Chellamkonam (Panavilai) (2022)	3,190
5	Chellamkonam (Panavilai) (2023)	3,600
6	Chellamkonam (Panavilai) (2024)	3,280
7	Cheruvalloor	6,297
8	Kadayal (2022)	12,631
9	Kadayal (2023)	13,468
10	Kadayal (2024)	30,160
11	Lourdugiri	10,678
12	Mallanvilai (Kozhiporvilai)	3,280
13	Muhilankarai (Manalikarai)	2,770
14	Munchirai	12,000
15	Nullivilai (2021)	800
16	Paloor (Poottety)	7,460
17	Solapuram (Manalikarai)	5,431
	Total	1,27,262

11. Mission Sunday

No	Parish	Amount
1	Ambalakkadai (2022)	1,367
2	Ambalakkadai (2023)	3,470
3	Kakkavilai (Fathimapuram)	560
4	Nullivilai	6,672
5	Oottukuzhy (Amsi)	650
6	Paloor (Poottety)	2,641
7	Verkilambi (Chetticharvilai)	293
	Total	15,653

12. Prison Ministry

No	Parish	Amount
1	Ambalakkadai (2023)	2,100
2	Cheruvalloor (2024)	4,995
3	Kallankuzhy (Manalikarai) (2024)	2,839
4	Mela Alanvilai (Alanvilai) (2024)	1,300
5	Nullivilai (2024)	3,220
6	Paramanvilai (2024)	1,733
7	Solapuram (Manalikarai) (2022)	2,437
8	Solapuram (Manalikarai) (2024)	2,434
9	Thuckalay (2023)	2,750
	Total	23,808

13. Bishop Consecration

No	Parish	Amount
1	Aramannam (Nagacode)	7,500
	Total	7,500

14. Seminary Fund

No	Parish	Amount
1	Ambalakkadai (Confirmation)	23,220
2	Auxilaries of the Lay Apostalate	7,000
3	Fr. Innocent	500
4	Mrs. Carmal Mary	3,000
5	Mulagumoodu	5,000
6	Palavilai (Confirmation)	21,520
7	Thiruvithancode (Confirmation)	5,740
8	Ved. Baby Kamala	1,000
	Total	66,980

Activities of the Pastoral Commissions in the Month of June 2025

The Commissions Coordination Meeting was held on 4th June 2025 at the Bishop's House. The meeting was presided over by Most Rev. Dr. Albert G.A. Anasthas, our Bishop, in the presence of Mgr. Xavier Benedict, the Vicar General.

During the meeting, we discussed plans for the Jubilee Year, focusing on both what has already been accomplished and what still needs to be done. Under the theme "Pilgrims of Hope," we emphasized the importance of providing support and shelter for the homeless, the physically challenged, and ensuring pastoral coordination and outreach for the transgender community.

A total of 23 members participated in the meeting.

Christian Life Commission

Commission for Catechism

* Puthenkadai Vicariate Annual Day Function was held on 03-05-2025 at St. Augustine's church community hall Kulasekharam. Every parish presented a cultural extravaganza entitled, "இறைவார்த்தை ஒளியில் மலரும் மறைக்கல்வி". The event came to a fitting close with felicitation speeches and prize distribution. As many as 627 people together with teachers and students participated in this event.

Curriculum training for the Catechism teachers at vicariate level:

- * Curriculum training for Vencode vicariate catechism teachers was held on 15-06-2025 at Our Lady of Good Health Matriculation Hr. Sec. School Munchirai. 268 teachers from 25 parishes participated. They were divided into 5 groups and were trained.
- * Curriculum training for Mulagumoodu vicariate catechism teachers was held on 15-06-2025 at St. Joseph's Matriculation Hr. Sec. School Mulagumoodu. 514 teachers took part in the Training. They were put into 8 sections and were trained.

- * Curriculum training for Puthenkadai vicariate catechism teachers was held on at Church of our Lady of Carmel on 29-06-2025 at Kolvel. 331 teachers were present from 28 parishes. They were divided into 8 groups and were trained.
- * Curriculum training for Mathiravilai vicariate catechism teachers was held on 29-06-2025 at Church of our Lady of Assumption, Mathiravilai. 263 teachers from 19 parishes benefitted from the training. They were brought under 4 divisions and were trained.

Training for the resource persons:

* Diocesan Level Training for Resource Persons was held on June 07, 2025. It was conducted by catechist Mr. Santiago on the appellation "பாடதிட்ட பயிற்சி" and 15 persons joined the training program.

Vicariate Executive Committee Meeting:

- * Mulagumoodu vicariate executive committee was organized on June 14, 2025 and 7 people attended.
- * Puthenkadai vicariate executive committee took place on June 28, 2025 and 7 persons participated.

Vicariate level general body meetings:

- * Mulagumoodu vicariate general body meeting was held on June 14, 2025 and 55 people joined in the meeting.
- * Karankadu vicariate general body meeting was conducted on June 21, 2025 and 60 people participated.
- * Puthenkadai vicariate general body meeting was held on June 28, 2025 and 35 people took part in the meeting.

Training for the catechism teachers at parishes:

* A Training program was conducted for the catechism teachers at Valanoor on June 08, 2025 and 22 teachers participated. It was guided by Catechist Mrs. Vijila on the topic of "The roles of Catechism Teachers".

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* A Training program was conducted for the catechism teachers at Thumpali on June 29, 2025 and 24 People participated. The theme was "The dedicated Catechism Teachers". It was dealt with well by Mrs. Dayana.

Lirurgy Commission

* Every week responsorial psalm is sent to all the parishes via WhatsApp in an audio format.

Training at Parish level

* A training program was conducted at Valanoor parish on June 08, 2025 and 29 people participated. The session was handled by Mrs. Vijila, a catechist in dilating "How to write Introductions" for the liturgical celebrations.

Vicariate level general body meeting of liturgy commission

* Vencode vicariate general body meeting was conducted on June 12, 2025, with attendance of 23 members. Fr. Shine was the resource person who gave a wonderful speech on the documents of the Second Vatican Council.

Commission for the Bible

* In the month of May all the parishes and substations have conducted 'Vocation Bible School' on the theme, "Let us Rejoice and Praise - VBS 2025".

Youth commission

Training Programmes

The First phase training program for youth was held on June 27-29, covering topics such as Personality development, Youth in Bible, Leadership, Challenges faced by youth, Movement and its importance. A total of 27 trainees and 10 executive members participated in the training program.

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Executive Meetings

The Diocesan Executive Committee met on June 22, with 14 members in attendance. Discussions centered on the Drug Awareness day program, and first phase training. The vicariate executive meetings took place throughout June 2025, with multiple vicariates holding meetings. Mathiravilai vicariate met on June 1, 2025 attended by 4 members. Karenkadu and Puthenkadai vicariates met on June 18, 2025, with 6 members attending each meeting. Vencode vicariate executive meeting held on June 8, 2025 with 10 members in attendance.

General Body Meetings

Six vicariates, namely Trithuvapuram, Vencode, Karenkadu, Puthenkadai, Mathiravilai and Mulagumoodu, held general body meetings in June 2025. The meetings covered a range of topics, including "Media day" by Difin Jeba in Trithuvapuram, "Healthy food habits" by Dr.Merush in Vencode, "New Education Policy" by Rev.Fr. Arul Vineesh in Karenkadu, "rug awareness" by Mr. Benadict Bensigar in Puthenkadai, "Drug Awareness" by Mr.Domanic in Mathiravilai Mrand "Donation" by Alice Angel in Mulagumoodu.

Youth Outreach and Training Initiatives

11 youth units were visited during the month of June. A team of 13 Youths who were completed three phase training and 10 executive members visited Refugees camp at Thaapathi village in Thoothukudi District as a field visit on June 6, 2025. At the end of field visit certificates were distributed to the participants.

YCS

Trainings

The First phase training program for YCS was held on June 20-22, covering topics such as Self-awareness, Young stage of Jesus, Aim and objective, Challenges faced by students, Movement and its importance. A total of 48 trainees participated in the training program. Participants gained valuable insights and enhanced their understanding of the movement's mission and goals.

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Drug awareness training was conducted on June 22, 2025 at Trinity hall, Trithuvapuram. 367 students Participated in the training program. Song training for field staff was conducted on June 24, 2025. Mr.Rose Robin gave a training which was attended by 6 members.

Meetings

A series of executive meetings took place, fostering collaboration and strategic planning among leaders. Notably, vicariate executive meetings were convened in multiple Vicariates, including Mulagumoodu, Mathiravilai, Trithuvapuram, Vencode, and Karenkadu. A series of general body meetings were held across various vicariates, focusing on topics pertinent to the members' interests and well-being. Notably, the theme of "Drug awareness" was explored in multiple vicariates, including Mathiravilai, Mr.Domanic 's presentation drew 22 members, in Trithuvapuram, Mr. Sam Vinodh spoke to 24 members. Additionally, Karenkadu vicariate hosted Mrs.Shyla's presentation on "Need of movement," which attracted 15 members in attendance. In Mulagumoodu vicariate Mr.Renjith gave talk on Movement and its importance which was attended by 22 members. In Vencode Vicariate's meeting, Rev.Fr. Amal Raj gave a talk on "Aim and obectives " and it was attended by 28 members.

Yugasakthi Editorial meeting was held on June 8, 2025 Which was attended by 8 members .Furthermore, three meetings were conducted for field staffs.

BCC (Anbiyam) Commission

- * 29.05.2025: Mulagumoodu Vicariate Executives' meeting led by Mr. Francis Kennedy (President), in presence of Rev. Fr. Benjamin (Director); 4 participants including Full-Timer.
- * 02.06.2025: Joint meeting of diocesan executives and Full-Timers; cultural event schedule prepared.
- * 07.06.2025: Mulagumoodu Vicariate Executive Committee meeting at Udhayathaaragai led by Mr. Francis Kennedy (Treasurer), with Rev. Fr. Benjamin. 15 attended (Full-Timers,

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- executives, BCC members). Mrs. A. Ancilin Mary (Secretary), Mr. P. Xavier Suresh Babu (Treasurer), Mrs. M. Chitra (Joint Secretary) were elected.
- * 07.06.2025: Mulagumoodu Vicariate General Body meeting at Udhayathaaragai led by Mr. Francis Kennedy (Treasurer), with Rev. Fr. Benjamin (Director); 45 attended (Field Worker, executives, BCC members). Reporting session.
- * 13.06.2025: Mulagumoodu Vicariate Executives' meeting at Udhayathaaragai; 6 participants; anti-drug awareness training planned.
- * 14.06.2025: Diocesan Executive Committee meeting at BCC Office; 26 participants; cultural event planning.
- * 18.06.2025: Diocesan BCC Commission's Cultural event planning at Mulagumoodu with Director, Coordinator, Full-Timers, executives.
- * 18.06.2025: Mathiravilai Vicariate Executive Committee meeting at Thundathuvilai led by Mrs. Maria Retthinabai (President), with Rev. Fr. Calistus (Director). 16 attended (4 executives, 10 committee members, Full-Timers). Plans for elderly home visits, special fieldwork, cultural event.
- * 21.06.2025: Karancadu Vicariate General Body meeting led by Mr. Jude Bensigar (President), with Rev. Fr. Bright Singh (Director); 65 attended. Road safety awareness by SI Mr. Jayakumar.
- * 21.06.2025: Mathiravilai Vicariate General Body meeting at Sahaya Nagar Ozanam Home for Aged led by Mrs. Maria Retthinabai (President), with Rev. Fr. Calistus (Director); 64 from 20 Coordination of BCCs. Games and prizes for elderly, songs by Thikkanangodu and Mathiravilai, stories by Panavilai, dances by Maanaanvilai and Thundathuvilai children.

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- * 22.06.2025: Thirithuvapuram Vicariate Executive Committee meeting at Thirithuvapuram led by Mr. Jegan Babu (President), with Rev. Fr. Wiselin Xavier (Director), Mrs. Sheela (Field Worker). 20 attended; discussed major marriage plan and donation receipts distributed.
- * 22.06.2025: Vencode Vicariate Executive Committee meeting at Munchirai led by Mr. Gerald Xavier (President), with Rev. Fr. Manohiam Xavier (Vicar Forane), Rev. Fr. Ferdin Anas (Director), Mrs. Janet (Field Worker). 13 attended; discussed July "Adithalam" magazine contributions.
- * 22.06.2025: Puthenkadai Vicariate General Body meeting at Kulasekaram led by Mr. Amalraj (President), with Rev. Fr. Maria Martin (Director), Mr. Aljin Jose (Field Worker); 35 from 16 BCCs. Discussed anti-drug rally and public meeting.
- * 22.06.2025: Thirithuvapuram General Body meeting at Thirithuvapuram led by Mr. Jegan Babu (President), with Rev. Fr. Wiselin Xavier (Director), Mrs. Sheela (Field Worker); 74 from 29 BCCs. Major marriage programme discussed.
- * 22.06.2025: Vencode Vicariate General Body meeting at Munchirai led by Mr. Gerald Xavier (President), with Rev. Fr. Manohiam Xavier (Vicariate Head), Rev. Fr. Ferdin Anas (Director), Mrs. Janet (Field Worker); 62 from 22 zones. Led by Vencode BCC Coordination.
- * 29.06.2025: Deepaning Mission Conducted at Yettacode Parish; meetings in 8 of 9 Anbiyams; 132 households covered.

Cultural Fest

* 28.06.2025: Held at Our Lady of Lourdes Basilica, Mulagumoodu under His Lordship Bishop Albert Anastas, with Rev. Fr. Alvin Vijay (Diocesan Director), Rev. Fr. Calistus (Mathiravilai Director), Rev. Fr. Lingson (Parish Priest), diocesan executives. Mr. ABS Anto (Arulanand Granites owner) gave keynote. Prize coupons distributed; group dance competitions with Kandanvilai, Vattam, Pilavilai,

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Vasanthapuram, Mulagumoodu, Mugamatur, Tholayavattam, Melpuram. Bishop released Iraiyatchi Malar. Prizes awarded for Jubilee 2025 essay, Way of Cross, poetry, song, dance competitions. 425 participated. Coordinated by Ms. Babykamala.

Full-Timers' Works

House Visits : 147

Anbiyam (BCC) Visits : 73

BCC Coordination Visits : 35

Visits to Sick : 9

Visits to Executives : 66

Full-Timers' Meetings : 5

Financial Aid

Parish BCC Coordinations provided Rs. 3,28,925/- for education help, marriage support, medical aid, and elders' care.

Labour Commission

Executive meetings

- The election committee meeting was held on 01.06.2025 with the executive members and election committee members and discussed the election process. 7 of them attended the meeting.
- Executive meeting held on 08.06.2025 at Thuckalai office. The executive body members 10 of them attended the meeting.
- * Executive meeting held on 15.06.2025 with 16 members at Thuckalai office. Attendees include Fr. A. Michael Raj and the executive members.

Vicariate meetings

- * Mulagumoodu Vicariate meeting was held on 01.06.2025. They discussed the Vicariate election and 12 members attended the meeting.
- * Karankadu vicariate meeting held on 22.06.2025 with 35 attendees.

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Trainings

- * 01.06.2025: A training session was organized at Mulagannavilai. The topic is how to apply for welfare card overseas workers in which 22 attended.
- * 15.06.2025: A training was organized at Muttaikadu. The topic is welfare board. 15 participated.
- * 01.06.2025: A training session was organized at Nalayanpuram. The topic is Workers Movements in which 15 attended.
- * 22.06.2025: A training was organized at Kamblar. The topics are Workers movement and welfare board in which 17 attended.

Service provided

- * Application was sent to a Natural death Assistance for a person.
- * Application for Pension was assisted for 6 persons
- * Application for NSP Pension Scheme was sent to Delhi office for three persons
- * Application for Educational assistance send to Welfare board for 2 persons

Established new wings

- Established a new wing at Nalayanpuram parish, Thirthuvapuram Vicariate on 15.06.2025
- Established a new wing at Kamblar parish, Vencode vicariate on 15.06.2025

Social Communication

The Holy Mass was recorded and telecasted on Madha T.V. 21st June from Mulagmoodu St. Mary's Basilica and 22nd June from Thundathuvilai St. Antony's Church. A Special Eucharistic Adoration was filmed and telecasted on Madha T.V. on 27th June from Our Lady of Periyanayaki church.

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The feast mass was telecasted in Thenaruvi youtube channel we on 6th and 1th June from Vadivilai St. Antony's Church. 6th and 14th June from Vadivilai St. Antony's Church and 20th June to 29th Sacred Heart of Jesus Kadaiel,

Throughout June, "அறம் செய விரும்பு" was shared by Fr. Sahaya Dhas, The word of God was shared by Fr. Pencer, Daily saintly life Histories were provided by Fr. K. Bright Singh via whatsapp status, Sunday's Homilies were blogged by Fr. Anish, Information and events about Pope Leo 14th video's by Fr. Titus Mohan.

A tribute Video was prepared and recorded on our Thenaruvi youtube channel for the Air India Flight Crash from Ahmedabad, Gujarat to London. 22.06.2025 to 26.06.2025 Drug Awareness Poster prepared and shared in the Thenaruvi Whatsapp group.

Prison Ministry

Our Diocesan prison ministry general body meeting was held on 27.06.2025 at V.S.C.S meeting hall, Marthandam presided over by Fr. Berdin Anas, the secretary with the participation of sixteen members. In the beginning, as scheduled, a training program on the theme "Being and Becoming A Good Volunteer of the Prison Ministry" was conducted by Fr. Suresh OCD. Then the Meeting was started with a prayer song followed by a welcome address. The Secretary, Mr. Vincent presented the report and Mrs. Reena, the treasurer submitted the monthly account report. Experience of visiting inmates and the families of the inmates were shared.

Following decisions were taken

- 1) Four teams were allotted to conduct the "Crimeless Kumari" a training program on 20/07/2025 at Elavuvilai to the Catechism students and teachers.
- 2) Decided to provide an antana dish for the use of inmates in Thuckalay subjail since the existing one is under repair.

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3) Decided to seek a job to the MCA qualified wife of a lifetime prisoner in any way possible.

Then the meeting came to an end at 05.30 with thanksgiving prayer.

Health commission

St. Xavier's Catholic Multispeciality Hospital is committed to provide excellence in the art of caring the sick. various health care activities are being conducted every month. I am glad to present the activities of Jun 2025

1. First Friday Camp:

The first Friday camp has been conducted On 6 Jun 2025 at the hospital premises from 09:00AM to 04:00 PM. The following Doctors like general medicine, ENT, Eye, Gynecology, Dermatology doctors were given their expert consultation to the needy people in free of cost. Totally 71 patients were benefited with this camp.

2. Camp in parishes:

On 15 Jun 2025, the camp was conducted at Our lady of Mount Carmel Church, Nullivillai. Three general medicine doctors were arranged for consultation. Totally 94 people were benefited with this camp.

On 22 Jun 2025, the camp was conducted at Our lady of Lourdes Church, Allanvillai. Two General medicine, ENT specialist, Eye specialist were arranged for consultation according to the need of the community. Totally 70 people were benefited with this camp. Medicines and basic investigations offered at free of cost.

3. Special Camp

On 30 Jun 2026, the Surgery specialist camp was conducted in our hospital premise from 09:00Am to 04:00PM. Total 10 Specialist and super specialist doctors were arranged for the expert opinion

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(General medicine, General surgery, ENT, Oncology Surgery, Obstetric & Gynecology, Pediatric surgery, Ortho, Neuro Surgery, Urology, Anesthesia). Totally 43 patients were benefited. The camp was provided the following benefits are up to 30% concession in all surgeries, surgical package blood investigation was Rs. 2499/instead of 4000. Few basic investigation was offered free.

SC/ST Commission

Vicariate Meetings

Putthankadai, Mulagumoodu and Mathiravilai Vicariates conducted meeting at vicariate level, which were attended by 35 people. The topic of this meeting was Action plan, aim and objectives of the commission.

Executive Meeting

- * The executive meeting was held on 20.06.2025 at 2.30 pm at Unnamalaikadai. Report was presented and the account was to be settled after auditing.
- * Savings is the cause of problems, some said, but others said received that only through savings a society can grow. Six month plan was presented to the executive.
- * Signature campaign effort taken by the state level commission was rejected by the executive members.
- * Evaluation of monitoring committee was conducted. It was pointed that the members of the executive did not present the needs effectively.
- * Discussion was done to present the candidates for free seat in the nursing collage.

TNBC educational help was distributed on 14.06.2025 at Bishops house.

Mr. Surendran felicitated the gatherings .The total amount distributed for 24 students was Rs. 63300/-.

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New Groups organized

Two new groups of the commission were formed at Kappukadu and Kooturkonam.

Vicariate co-ordinators meeting

Six vicariate coordinators team is formed to facilitate the coordination of commission activities

Fr. Ajin - Mulagumoodu Vicariate

Fr. Ebin - Karankadu Vicariate

Fr. Antony Xavier - Thiruthuvapuram Vicariate

Mr. Manoj - Putthankadai Vicariate Mr. Olacode John - Mathiravilai Vicariate

These Vicariate Co-ordinators / Directors will enhance the organizing and execution of the annual planning of the commission.

Commission for Psychological Wellbeing (CPW)

Counselling Training: In accordance with the announcement last month, a 100 hours "Counsellor Personality Development Training" has started rolling on Saturdays from 21st. June, at Nanjil Catholic College of Arts and Science. 115 participants in average are participating with enthusiasm.

Puthuvasantham: The 122th camp for the Alcoholics' Treatment (2nd June to 22nd June) went on well attended by 17 patients. An awareness training was given to the youth of the Vicariate of Mathiravilai at their vicariate office and about 40 youngsters participated.

International Day against Drugs and Alcohol: Public Meeting was organized at the premises St. Augustin's Church, Kulasekaram with the inaugural address of our Bishop Albert Anasthas.

A planning meetings took place on 2nd, 12th and 19th of June, participated by the members of the commission, representatives of Syro-Malabar and Syro Malankara churches, and the collaborating commissions (Anbiams, Youth and Women's) of our diocese.

- Fr. N. Martin, Coordinator of the Pastoral Commissions.

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Kuzhithurai Integral Development Social Services (KIDSS)

Report for the Month of July 2025

Activities of KIDSS Units

KIDSS CHDP

- 1. Union meetings were conducted in all four unions during the month in which 35 people participated.
- 2. 36 people consulted Drs. Angelin Asha and Anusha through the facilities provided by Fr. James Tombeur Naturopathy Clinic at Chunkankadai and the Vettuvenni shrine for devotees.
- 3. International Yoga Day was observed at CHDP office on 27th June 2025 in which 26 members participated. Dr. Anusha gave talk about yoga with demo. On this day volunteers meeting was also conducted with 8 members.
- 4. Naturopathy health camp was conducted at Konnakuzhivilai parish on 27th June 2025. Dr. Rekha spoke about the merits of naturopathy treatment and importance of yoga. 56 participants consulted the doctor and took treatment for various diseases.
- 5. Field staff visited 40 groups and created awareness about the importance of Kitchen Garden.
- 6. One new group is formed at Kottoorkonam in this month.
- 7. In June 2025, a total of 73 patients received treatment at Fr. James Tombeur Naturopathy Clinic, including 2 inpatients.

KIDSS IFO

- 1. Project Director, staff and executive representatives attended the CPD meeting at Nagercoil CPD office on 25th June 2025.
- 2. During the Sangam visit, the staff team conducted an orientation session highlighting the importance of record maintenance, Sangam activities, and the rules and regulations necessary for systematic functioning. A total of 151 members from 10 Sangams benefited from this session.

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3. One more New Sangam is formed at Marthandam with 18 members on 8th June 2025.

KIDSS SHG

- 1. Staff team visited 38 SHG groups during this month and sensitized the members about the importance of education.
- 2. One new group is formed at Kollayi with 20 members in this month
- 3. Maruthancode SHG group helped a family with Rs.2000/- as marriage help and Kumpilantheri group with Rs. 1000/- for a deceased family.

KIDSS WSCP

- 1. Executive meeting was conducted on 14th June 2025 at Vettuvenni and planned for their District Manadu.
- 2. A Seminar was conducted on 15th June 2025 for the Sangam members and their children about Child Psychology by Mr. Manoj in which 37 Children and 32 mothers participated.
- 3. Vicariate executive meetings were conducted across all six vicariates during this month and gave an input session about Child psychology by PD.
- 4. Staff visited 32 Sangam and created awareness about child psychology.
- 5. Thiruthuvapuram Sangam supported three persons with Notebook and writing materials, Vettuvenni Sangam supported 8 children with notebook and Nullivilai Sangam to 7 children.

KIDSS RMP

1. Self-functioning Sangam Coordination meeting was held on 28th June 2025 at RMP building and they had an input session about aims and objectives. Around 40 members participated in the meeting.

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- 2. Karungal Zone secretaries and vice Secretaries had training on their roles and responsibilities at Thundathuvilai on 7th June 2025 and 41 members participated. Auditing team had training 18th June 2025 with 29 members and loan team had their training on 18th June 2025 at Thundathuvilai for Karungal Zone in which 26 members participated.
- 3. Mulavilai zone conducted training for Secretaries and vice secretaries about their roles and responsibilities on 28th June 2025 in which 39 members participated.
- 4. Staff team visited 47 Sangams during this month and created awareness about various topics such as activities of Sangam, role of parents-teachers in the life of students, water conservation and importance of workers day.
- 5. Zone level meetings were conducted as stated below.

Zone	Date	Topic	Participants
Thuckalay	07.06.2025	How to write Sangam accounts for Treasurers	83
Thirithuvapuram	07.06.2025	Role of president and vice presidents	76
Karungal	14.06.2025	How to write Sangam accounts for Treasurers	62
Mulavilai	14.06.2025	Role of president and vice presidents	78

KIDSS Kolping

- 1. District Executive meeting was held on 25th June 2025 at Kolping building Thiruthuvapuram with 20 members.
- 2. Vicariate meetings were conducted in all six vicariates on 2nd, 3rd and 4th June 2025 in which 220 members participated. An input sessionwas given on different topics such as depression, leadership, welfare schemes and importance of consuming vegetables.

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- 3. Capacity building training was conducted for the TOT team on 30th June 2025 at Thiruthuvapuram. Sr. Sarojam took session on role of parents in child rearing. 32 members attended the training.
- 4. Staff team visited 85 Kolping families during this month and provided support and guidance.
- 5. Nine deceased family members received Rs.7000/- each from Kolping death claim scheme.
- 6. Three Kolping families supported three persons for medicines Rs. 4200/-, Five Kolping families helped 4 persons for their livelihood with Rs. 12000/- and Four Kolping families gave Rs. 12000/- as educational support to 3 students.

KIDSS DDP

- 1. District executive meeting was conducted on 20th June 2025 with 12 members at Unnamalaikadai.
- 2. Puthenkadai, Mulagumoodu and Mathiravilai vicariate meetings were conducted In June 2025 in which 25 members attended the meeting. An input session was given about aims, objectives and activities of executive members.
- 3. Educational support was provided to 24 children with Rs. 63300/- by TNBC
- 4. Two new groups were formed at Kappukadu and Kottoorkonam with youth members.
- 5. Three Sangams were visited in this month and spoke about importance of strengthening the Sangams.

KIDSS BFDP

1. Zonal level meetings during this month are stated below:

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Date	Zone	Topic	Participants
01.06.2025	Karungal	Vegetable grafting	34
12.06.2025	Kulasekharam	Vegetable grafting	16
08.06.2025	Melpuram	Vegetable grafting	35
21.06.2025	Manali	Merits and demerits mobile phone	39
21.6.2025	Vattam	Vegetable grafting	10
26.06,2025	Manalikarai	Vegetable grafting	19

2. Staff created awareness about alternative agriculture pattern to 47 groups.

Activity of VIDSes

Karankadu (KVIDS)

KVIDS's general body meeting was held on 15th June 2025 at Thatchanparambu with 45 members. Mr. Kumari Aathavan gave an awareness seminar about Environment protection.

Welfare assistance by 20 BIDSes are summarised here below:

S. No	Welfare assistance	Amount	No of Beneficiary
1	Medical help	31000	11
2	Education help	13500	06
3	House Maintenance	107500	03
4	Monthly support for senior citizens	109700	54
5	Help to the poor	16666	12
6	Marriage help	5000	01
	Total	2,83,366	87

Mulagumoodu (MuVIDS)

MuVIDS general body meeting was conducted on 14th June 2025 at Manali, Thuckalay in which 70 members participated. Mr. David gave an input session about how to create Kitchen Garden and preparation of pest repellence.

Welfare assistance of 30 BIDSes are summarised here below:

S. No	Welfare assistance	Amount	No of Beneficiary
1	Medical help	151000	23
2	Marriage help	40000	02
3	Education help	89500	17
4	House Maintenance	15000	01
5	Monthly support for senior citizens	91100	63
6	Help to the poor	28200	09
7	Help to the deceased Family	15000	03
8	Support to disabled	3000	02
9	Old age home	10000	01
	Total	4,42,800	121

Mathiravilai (MaVIDS)

- 1. MaVIDS organised awareness seminar on child protection for the children on 8th June 2025 at Pottety under the leadership of the PD. Sr. Sarojam gave the session in which 145 children participated from 3 BIDSes.
- 2. MaVIDS conducted their general body meeting on 28th June 2025 at Karungal in which 30 members attended. Mr. David gave a session about Kitchen Garden and preparation of pest repellence.

Welfare assistance by 14 BIDSes are summarised here below:

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S. No	Welfare assistance	Amount	No of Beneficiary
1	Medical help	44500	11
2	Education help	55000	05
3	Monthly support for senior citizens	1000	01
4	Help to the poor	46800	52
5	Support for burial expenses	15000	01
	Total	1,62,300	70

Thirithuvapuram (TVIDS)

1. TVIDS conducted their general body meeting on 1st June 2025 at Thiruthuvapuram St. Joseph's school building in which 90 members participated. An awareness session was given about Environment protection by Mr. John Britto.

Welfare assistance of 27 BIDSes summarised here below:

S. No	Welfare assistance	Amount	No of Beneficiary
1	Medical help	253300	62
2	Marriage help	245000	07
3	Education help	60300	18
4	House Maintenance	1220000	03
5	Monthly support	91000	60
6	Help to the poor	36500	29
	Total	19,06,100	179

Initiatives by BIDSes:

- * Melpalai BIDS motivated five families for organic farming.
- * Pacode BIDS organized seminar on Crimes against female children and protection methods by Government with the support of Women Police Department

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- * Kaliyakkavilai BIDS organized awareness seminar on drug and Media addiction for Catechism Children.
- TVIDS observed World Environment Day on 27th June 2025 2. at Melpuram, in collaboration with various educational institutions. The event began with an inaugural address by VF Rev. Fr. Wiselin Xavier, setting the tone for the day's environmental awareness activities. The rally was flagged off by Mrs. Velankanni Udhya Meena, Sub-Inspector of Marthandam Police Station. The rally commenced at the Assembly of God Church, Melpuram, and concluded at Holy Angels Higher Secondary School, Melpuram. Following the rally, a public program was conducted at Holy Angels School. The invited prominent guests and dignitaries were Mrs. Tharakai Cuthbert, MLA, Vilavancode Constituency, Fr. Martin M., Executive Director, Fr. Vinos Antony, Parish Priest, Fr. Sarjin Rupus, Correspondent, Nanjil CBSE School, Headmistresses of participating schools. Special guests delivered felicitation addresses, emphasizing the importance of environmental conservation and student participation in building a sustainable future. Around 400 students, teachers, and BIDS members participated.

Puthenkadai (PVIDS):

PVIDS 's general body meeting was conducted on 22nd June 2025 at Kulasekharam in which 55 members participated. VF gave inaugural address. An input session was given about drug and media addiction by Fr. Martin.N.

Welfare assistance of 18 BIDSes summarised here below:

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S. No	Welfare assistance	Amount	No of Beneficiary
1	Medical help	89000	20
2	Marriage help	194300	05
3	Education help	55000	12
4	House Maintenance	60000	01
5	Monthly support	38100	71
6	Help to the poor	45900	49
7	Help to disabled	11400	08
	Total	4,93,700	166

Vencode (VVIDS)

- 1. VVIDS executive meeting was conducted on 7^{th} June 2025 at VF office, Puthukadai.
- 2. General body meeting was held on 8th June 2025 at Puthukadai in which 53 members participated. Mr. Joyalin gave a session about finance management. VF motivated the BIDs to avail government welfare schemes and Jubilee housing scheme.
- 3. Welfare assistance of 14 BIDSes summarised here below:

S. No	Welfare assistance	Amount	No of Beneficiary
10	Medical help	91000	14
2	Marriage help	228000	07
3	Education help	18500	04
4	House Maintenance	30000	01
5	Monthly support	24900	24
6	Help to the poor	46600	37
7	RD	7500	01
	Total	4,46,500	88

KIDSS Special projects

I. Community Disability Management and Rehabilitation Project

- 1. 36 new disabled persons were identified and done the need assessment.
- 2. Two groups were formed in this month. One at Palliyady parish with 20 disabled persons on 14th June 2025 and another at Vencode parish with 17 members on 21st June 2025.

Successful referral and linkages for welfare schemes:

- * One person received free travel pass for bus and train.
- * One person got privilege card and two more persons applied for it.
- * One person received UDID card and one more person applied for it
- * One person received three wheeled bike and one more received motorized wheel chair.
- * One person received CM health insurance card.
- * Three persons received monthly disabled pension
- * One person's Ration card is upgraded from NPHH to PHH
- * Four persons received 35 kg rice monthly under PDS and six more applications are submitted
- * KIDSS support two persons for physiotherapy treatment and one child for speech therapy.

II. Counselling Services

Eleven individuals received counselling support through our counselling centres during this month.

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III. Psychosocial Wellbeing of Adolescents

A School Health Program was conducted at St. Mary's Higher Secondary School, Melpalai on 25th June 2025. A total of 182 students actively participated in the session. The program focused on creating awareness among adolescents about the impacts of social media and the dangers of drug abuse. The sessions were conducted separately for boys and girls to ensure a comfortable and open learning environment. The resource persons were Fr. N. Martin, Sr. Sarojam and Sr. Margaret.

IV. Changing The Way We Care (CTWWC) - Family and Faith

Activities conducted during this month are given below:

S. No	Type of program	Place	Participants
1	CTWWC concept sharing and importance of gatekeeping for the parish council	Kattuvilai, Chemmankalai Cheruthikonam	35
2	CTWWC concept sharing and importance of gatekeeping for BIDS	Kattuvilai, Chemankalai	19
3	Review and follow up with BIDS on Gatekeeping roles. Velliyavilai, Pechiparai Chentharai, Poottety Pullani		79
4	Orientation on Family strengthening and Govt. welfare Scheme	Approximately and the second s	
5	anning meeting with BIDS office bearers d vulnerable families and children Pilavilai, Chentharai		28
6	Handing over the children for further follow up of vulnerable children and taking resolution towards gatekeeping mechanisms with BIDS	Kulapuram	17
7	18.6.2025 - Transition consultation meeting with CCI by CRS and KIDSS	Velliyavilai	8
8	In June - Champion meetings	8 parishes	28

Referral and linkages to strengthen the family-basedcare:

- 1. One person received free tailoring machine under Sathiyavanimuthu Ammaiyar Ninaivu.
- 2. Social welfare IDs received by 9 persons.
- 3. 33 Children were supported with educational materials with the support of local donors' worth of Rs. 18982/-
- 4. One child was supported with School Uniform.
- 5. 15 individuals received psychosocial support

I. KIDSS Ezhuvom Iyakkam (Cancer Care Campaign)

- 1. Vicariate level monthly volunteer's meetings were conducted at Mathiravilai, Karankadu and Vencode and 21 volunteers and VFs participated. Mathiravilai vicariate took their office bearers. In all six vicariates office bearers are selected and started functioning systematically. The volunteers identified 13 new patients and visited their families.
- 2. In June Vencode, Karankadu and Mulagumoodu vicariate volunteers visited 45patients through KIDSS palliative care and provided spiritual and emotional support and also nutritious food kit.
- 3. Diocesan level volunteers meeting was conducted on 21st June 2025 at Annai Ada in which 40 volunteers participated. Capacity building training was given about cancer by Professor Amutha from Sree Mokambika Medical college, Kulasekharam.
- 4. Cancer awareness training was conducted at Viricode parish on 22nd June 2025. Professors Mrs. Jenila and Mrs. Jeni Rosline took session about cancer disease and 35 parishioners benefited.
- 5. In June 5 cancer patients were supported financially with Rs. 60000/-

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II. Children Parliament (CP)

- 1. Thumpaly Children Parliament conducted their local Manadu on 29th June 2025 at 2.30 pm with 31 members. Mrs. Vimala gave an input sessionwith a themeon 'Healthy Food and Safety' the Special guests were Fr; Jones Cletus, the parish Priest and ward councillor Mrs. Agnes.
- 2. Cheruthikonam CP meeting was conducted on 8th June 2025 with 15 members. An input session was given about water pollution.
- 3. Kappiyarai CP meeting was conducted on 22nd June 2025 with 15 children. They had awareness about alcohol and drug addiction.

KIDSS Activities:

- 1. KIDSS All staff meeting was conducted on 26th June 2025 at Unnamalaikadai. In the beginning Executive Director gave session about social work and Role of staff in an NGO and in community Development.
- 2. Panchayth training was conducted at Kulasekharam and Mulavilai on 24th J& 28th June 2025 respectively with a topic on the importance of Kitchen Garden and how to make it. Around 139 members learned how to make the kitchen garden

- Fr. M. Martin, Secretary cum Executive Director, KIDSS.

Attention Please!

Offices of the Bishop's House, Vicariates and the Commissions will remain closed on the following day:

Independence Day - August 15, 2025

- Fr. G. Jayakumar, Financial Administrator.

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DIOCESAN CHRONICLES: JUNE 2025

- June 01: Bishop attended the Conference of Catholic Seva Sangam at Choozhal Parish at 2:00 PM.
- June 02: Bishop celebrated the Funeral Mass of Rev. Fr. Paul K. Chellaiyan at the Cathedral at 10:30 AM. On the same day, at 3:00 PM, Bishop presided over the Commissions Coordination Meeting.
- June o3: Bishop presided over the Curia Meeting at 9:30 AM.
- **June 05**: Bishop celebrated the Memorial Mass of Rev. Fr. Paul K. Chellaiyan at Nallayanpuram Parish at 6:30 PM.
- **June 06**: Bishop hoisted the flag and celebrated the Feast Mass at Mullanginavilai at 6:30 PM.
- June 07: Bishop blessed the Chapel and Convent at Kollanchi at 7:00 AM. On the same day, at 4:00 PM, Bishop celebrated the Memorial Mass for the mother of Rev. Fr. Edison at Thenthamaraikulam.
- **June 08**: Bishop celebrated the Feast Mass at Paicadu at 9:00 AM.
- **June 09**: Bishop presided over the Meeting of Nanjil Catholic CBSC School, Vazhuthalampallam, at 3:00 PM. Later, he celebrated the Feast Mass at St. Mary's Basilica, Mulagumoodu, at 6:00 PM.
- **June 10**: Recollection for the priests was held at Annai Ada Centre, Azhagiyamandapam.
- June 13: Bishop celebrated the Feast Mass at St. Antony's Shrine, Vetuvenni, at 11:00 AM. On the same day, at 6:00 PM, Bishop celebrated the Confirmation Mass at Manali.
- **June 14**: Bishop celebrated the Confirmation Mass at Palavilai at 9:30 AM.
- June 16:30 PM.

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- **June 17**: Bishop presided over the Curia Meeting at 9:30 AM.
- **June 18:** Bishop attended the TNBCLC Meeting at Thindivanam.
- **June 20**: Bishop made a contact visit, blessed the Kurusadi, and celebrated the Feast Mass at Karankadu at 6:30 PM.
- **June 21**: Bishop presided over the Finance Committee Meeting at 3:00 PM.
- **June 22**: Bishop celebrated Mass at St. Xavier's Cathedral, Kottar, at 8:00 AM.
- **June 23**: Bishop presided over the Board Meeting of KIDSS at 3:00 PM.
- June 24: Bishop presided over the Senate Meeting at 9:30 AM. On the same day, at 6:00 PM, Bishop hoisted the flag and celebrated the Feast Mass at Thoothur.
- June 25: Bishop laid the foundation stone for a new building of VSCS Branch at Nagacode at 9:00 AM. On the same day, at 5:30 PM, Bishop made a contact visit, hoisted the flag, and celebrated the Confirmation Mass at Ambalakadai.
- **June 26**: Bishop attended the meeting on the Day Against Drug Addiction at Kulasekharam at 3:00 PM.
- **June 27**: Bishop celebrated the Feast Mass at Jeevan Jothy Old Age Home, Tholayavattam, at 11:30 AM.
- June 28: Bishop celebrated the Memorial Mass for a Sister at Sacred Heart Convent, Kurusadi, at 11:00 AM. On the same day, at 4:00 PM, Bishop attended the Anbiya Kalaivila at Mulagumoodu.
- June 29: Bishop made a contact visit and celebrated the Confirmation Mass at Thiruvithancode at 9:00 AM. Later, Bishop presided over the DPC Meeting at 3:00 PM.

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Condolences!



Fr. M. Densingh

Date of Birth : 23.05.1962
Date of Ordination : 07.04.2002
Date of Death : 04.07.2025

The demise of Rev. Fr. M. Densingh is a great loss to the Diocese of Kuzhithurai. With heavy hearts, the presbyterium and the faithful of our diocese bid farewell as he begins his journey to eternal life. He lived a simple life, rooted in deep spiritual values, and served the people with unwavering commitment and love. May he be granted a glorious life in the presence of God.

Ministries:

1.	15.06.2002	Parochial Administrator	Kottilpadu
2.	14.05.2003	Parish Priest	Cheruvalloor
3.	25.05.2004	Parish Priest	Kanjampuram
4.	21.01.2006	Parochial Administrator	Nagacode
5.	08.10.2007	Co-pastor	Mela Peruvilai
6.	23.05.2008	Parish Priest	Ramapuram
7.	31.05. 2013	Parish Priest	Poottetty
8.	22.05.2016	Co-pastor	Vavarai
9.	30.05.2017	Parish Priest	Vazhvachagostam
10.	08.05.2018	Parish Priest	Soosaipuram
11.	22.05.2019	Spiritual Father	Vettuvenni
12.	02.06.2024	Confessor	Puliyoorkurichy

DAYS TO REMEMBER IN AUGUST 2025

BIRTH DAYS

01 : Fr. Leo Alex A. (1970)

07: Fr. Abrahm OCD (1982)

11 : Fr. Vincent S. (1957)

11 : Fr. Antony Jeya S. (1970)

12: Fr. Christudhass OCD (1964)

23 : Fr. Mifflin M.S. (1988)

25 : Fr. Antony M. Muthu (1958)

30 : Fr. Charlas Viju A. (1984)

30 : Fr. A. Daniel CMF (1996)

31 : Fr. Robert John Kennedy G. (1974)

ORDINATION DAYS

13 : Fr. Kulandai Raj OMD (2011)

21: Fr. Wellington SdC (2015)

PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST 2025

For mutual coexistence

Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

Diocesan Events









Funeral Mass of Rev. Fr. M. Densingh



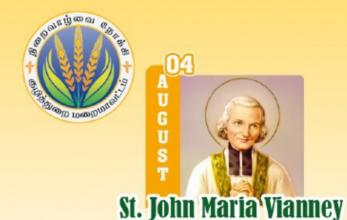


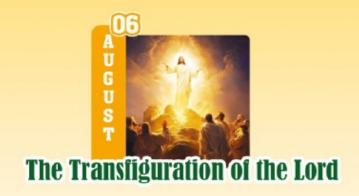
Diocesan Pastoral Council





Bishop laid stone for the campus redesign work at the Cathedral



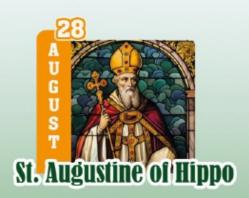














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