



VOICE OF THE SHEPHERD

Dear Rev Fathers, Brothers and Sisters,

Grace filled greetings to you all.

On 4th August we celebrate the feast day of John Maria Vianney, the patron saint of priests. I extend my heartfelt wishes and prayers to each of you. May the Cure of Ars inspire us in our priestly ministry and fill us with renewed zeal for the sacred vocation that we cherish.

St. John Vianney's life reminds us of the transformative power of a priest dedicated to prayer, sacrifice and service. His unwavering commitment to the sacrament of reconciliation and his tireless devotion to his parishioners serve as a beacon for all of us. As we are striving hard to navigate the complexities of modern life, let us draw strength from his example, remembering the profound impact a single priest can have on countless souls.

A practical lesson we learn from the life of Vianney is that spiritual perfection should not be interpreted as a life without problems, difficulties and struggles. Vianney's life affirms that life is full of ups and downs. He faced his torments by constantly placing himself in the hands of God. He was aware that it was not his weakness but God's grace and mercy that finally mattered. He teaches a lesson that a priest cannot expect a life free from all problems. When faced with difficulties, Vianney whispers into our ears to have a heart anchored in faith and to have knees ready to kneel before the almighty.

Looking ahead, the month of August calls us for celebrating two significant events on the 15th : the feast of the Assumption of Our Lady and our nations' Independence Day. Both of them evoke total happiness in us. Mary's assumption shows us a destiny of total happiness in divine glory freed from all kinds of worldly constraints. Independence Day takes us back to 1947 when our country began

to taste the happiness of freedom from the foreign domination. Let us pray that the same spirit of happiness may be restored and replenished in our society today. May our nation enjoy happiness in its true sense being freed from all kinds of coercions such as domestic violence, drug addiction, corruption, poverty, casteism, hoarding, gender inequality, human trafficking, etc. May the Blessed Virgin Mary be our source of comfort and guidance. We shall take an oath to recommit ourselves to make our country a nation endowed with love, justice, peace and harmony.

**- Most Rev. Albert G.A. Anasthas D.D., S.T.D.,
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Engagements of the Bishop: August 2024

Date	Time	Place	Event
01	09.30 am	SXCCE,Chunkankadaï	Inaguration of Inter Diocesan Priests' Badminton Tournament
02	06.30 pm	Maravankudiyuruppu	Flag Hoisting & Feast Mass
04	09.00 am	Cheruvallloor	Feast Mass & Foundation Laying Ceremony of the Church
06	06.00 pm	Puthukadaï	Contact Visit & Feast Mass
08	05.30 pm	Cheriyathurai	Feast Mass
09	05.30 pm	Konnakuzhivilai	Contact Visit & Flag Hosting
10	04.00 pm	Unnamalaikadaï	Annual Day, Child Jesus Matriculation Higher Sec. School
11	08.00 am	Manavilai	Feast Mass
12	09.30 am	Bishop's House	Senate Meeting
	11.00 am	Bishop's House	Consult Meeting
14	06.00 pm	Padmanabapuram	Feast Mass
15	09.00 am	Mathiravilai	Feast Mass
17	07.00 am	Vadakkukonam	Feast Mass
	06.30 pm	Chithenthoppu	Feast Mass
18	04.00 pm	Thanjavur	Episcopal Ordination
23	06.30 pm	Villukuri	Flag Hoisting & Feast Mass
24	09.00 am	SXCCE,Chunkankadaï	Graduation Day
25	10.00 am	Fathimapuram	Contact Visit & Confirmation Mass
27	09.30 am	Annai Ada Centre, Azhagiamandapam	Monthly Recollection
30	06.30 pm	Munchirai	Flag Hoisting & Feast Mass



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உலகத் தொடர்பு ஞாயிறு - 14.07.2024

அன்பான அருட்பணியாளர்களே! அருட்சகோதரிகளே! இறைமக்களே!

நம் ஆண்டவராகிய இயேசு கிறிஸ்துவின் அருளும், கடவுளின் அன்பும், தூய ஆவியின் நட்புறவும் உங்களுக்கு உரித்தாகுக!

இறைவனின் படைப்பில் மனித உயிர் உன்னதமானது. அந்த அரிய கொடையினைப் பெற்றுக் கொண்ட மனிதன், கடவுளின் ஆசீரோடு இந்த உலகை ஆண்டு அனுபவித்துக் கொண்டிருக்கின்றான். ஒவ்வொரு துறையிலும் அரிய புதிய கண்டுபிடிப்புகளால் நம்மை வியப்புக்கு உள்ளாக்குவதோடு அவன் இந்த உலகையும் வளர்ச்சியின் பாதையில் நகர்த்துகின்றான். இன்றைய உலகின் வேகமான வளர்ச்சியில் ஊடகத் துறையும் செயற்கை நுண்ணறிவும் பெரும் பங்கு வகிக்கின்றன.

திருத்தந்தை பிரான்சிஸ் தனது உலகத் தொடர்பு நாள் செய்தியில் “செயற்கை நுண்ணறிவு நம் இதயத்தின் ஞானத்திற்கு மாற்று அல்ல” என்று அறிவுறுத்துகின்றார். நவீன தொழில்நுட்பத்தின் வளர்ச்சி மனிதநேயத்தை வளர்ப்பதற்குப் பதிலாக வீழ்ச்சி அடையசெய்துள்ளது. இந்த ஊடகங்கள் நற்செயல்களுக்கு பயன்படுத்தப்படுகின்ற பொழுது மகிழ்ச்சி அடைகின்ற மனங்கள் அதனால் வரும் தீமைகளைக் கண்டு செய்வதறியாது திகைத்து நிற்கின்றன. முகத்திற்கு முகம் பார்த்து பழகக்கூடிய நெருக்கமான உறவுகளை இன்றைய தலைமுறையினர் புறந்தள்ளிவிட்டு இணையவழி உறவுகளை கொண்டாட முனைந்திருப்பது பெரும் ஆபத்தை விரும்பி அழைப்பதாக உள்ளது.

மனித சமூகத்தின் இந்த நெறிபிறழ்ந்த ஊடகப் பயன்பாட்டை நெறிப்படுத்தி வாழ்க்கைக்கு, மனித வளர்ச்சிக்கு பயன்படும் வகையில் ஊடகங்களை பயன்படுத்த மக்களை பயிற்றுவிக்க வேண்டிய கட்டாயத்தில் இன்று திருஅவை தள்ளப்பட்டுள்ளது. நாம் கொண்டாடுகின்ற இந்த உலகத் தொடர்பு ஞாயிறு அதற்கு உறுதுணையாக இருக்கும் என்பதில் எள்ளளவும் ஐயமில்லை.

இந்த ஆண்டு உலக தொடர்பு நாளுக்கான மையப்பொருளாக “செயற்கை நுண்ணறிவும் இதயத்தின் ஞானமும் முழுமையான மானிட தொடர்பாடலை நோக்கி” என்பதன் அடிப்படையில் சிந்திக்கவும், செயல்படவும் திருத்தந்தை நம்மை பணித்திருக்கின்றார். நம் திருத்தந்தை அவர்களின் அழைப்பை ஏற்று நமது மறைமாவட்டத்தின் அனைத்துப் பங்குகளிலும் உலக தொடர்பு நாளை வருகின்ற ஜூலை மாதம் 14-ஆம் நாள் ஞாயிற்றுக் கிழமையன்று கொண்டாட அழைக்கின்றேன்.

மனிதனுடைய அறிவு ஆழத்தின் வெளிப்பாடான இந்த ஊடக உலகைவிட்டு மனிதன் உடனே வெளியேற வேண்டும் என்பதோ, ஊடக பயன்பாட்டைத் தவிர்த்து விட வேண்டும் என்பதோ, நமது திருத்தந்தையின் நோக்கம் அல்ல, மாறாக, இந்த ஊடகங்களின் துணையைக் கொண்டே ஆழ்ந்த ஆன்மீகமும், புதிய தன்னுரிமையும், ஆழ்ந்த உள்நோக்கும் கொண்ட புதிய மானுடத்தை நாம் உருவாக்க வேண்டும் என்பதே அவரது நோக்கம்.

ஆகவே, செயற்கை நுண்ணறிவின் மூலம் செயலிழந்து கொண்டிருக்கும் நம் இதயங்களை செயல்பாட்டுக்கு கொண்டு வந்து, அதில் மானிடரின் வளமான வாழ்வினையே நமது ஒரே நோக்கமாகக் கொண்டு மனித மாண்பில் வளரவும், இணைந்த மானுடமாக வாழவும் முயற்சிகள் மேற்கொள்வோம்.

உலகத் தொடர்பு ஞாயிறன்று பங்குகளில் சிறப்புத் திருப்பலி நிறைவேற்றி ஊடக வழி இறையாட்சிப் பணியை ஊக்கப்படுத்திட உங்களை வேண்டுகின்றேன். நமது மறைமாவட்ட ஊடகமாகிய தேனருவி சமூகத்தொடர்பு பணிக்குழுவின் பணிகளுக்கு கரம் கொடுப்போம். எனவே வருகின்ற ஞாயிறு ஜூலை 14, 2024 அன்று சிறப்பு காணிக்கை எடுத்து அதனை மறைமாவட்டப் பொருளரிடம் ஒப்படைக்க கேட்டுக் கொள்கிறேன்.

இறைமகன் இயேசு உங்களை நிறைவாய் ஆசீர்வதிப்பாராக!

கிறிஸ்துவில் உங்கள் அன்புள்ள,

+ *Albert Anstas*

மேதகு ஆயர் ஆல்பர்ட் அனஸ்தாஸ்,
குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டம்.



குறிப்பு: இச்சுற்றுமடல் குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டத்தின் அனைத்துப் பங்குகளிலும், கிளைப் பங்குகளிலும் ஜூலை 07, 2024 ஞாயிறுத் திருப்பலியில் அறிவிக்குமாறுக் கேட்டுக்கொள்கிறேன்.



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முதியோர் ஞாயிறு - 28.07.2024

அன்பான அருட்பணியாளர்களே! அருட்சகோதரிகளே! இறைமக்களே!

நம் ஆண்டவராகிய இயேசு கிறிஸ்துவின் அருளும், கடவுளின் அன்பும், தூய ஆவியின் நட்புறவும் உங்களுக்கு உரித்தாகுக!

“முதிர் வயதில் என்னைத் தள்ளிவிடாதேயும்” என்ற திருப்பாடல் 71-ன் வார்த்தைகளைத் தலைப்பாகக் கொண்டு இவ்வாண்டு ஜூலை மாதம் 28 ஆம் நாள் திருஅவையில் சிறப்பிக்கப்படும் தாத்தா பாட்டிகள் மற்றும் முதியோர் நாளைக் கொண்டாட நம் திருத்தந்தை பிரான்சிஸ் அவர்கள் அழைப்பு விடுத்துள்ளார்.

இன்றைய உலக வளர்ச்சிக்கு வித்திட்டு, உரமிட்டு, நீர்பாய்ச்சி உருவாக்கியவர்கள் வயதான நாட்களில் ஓரங்கட்டப்பட்டு, முதியோர் இல்லங்களில் தஞ்சமடைவதைக் காண்கிறோம். உடலில் வலுஇருக்கும்வரை ஏதேனும் வேலை செய்து கொண்டும், பொருள் ஈட்டிக் கொண்டும் வாழும் முதியோர், வலுகுறைந்து வீட்டில் முடங்கி மகனின் கையை எதிர்பார்த்து நிற்கும் நிலையில், அவர்களுடைய தேவைகள் உதாசீனப்படுத்தப்படும்போது அடைகின்ற வலிகளையும், அவமானங்களையும் வார்த்தைகளால் விவரிக்க இயலாது.

‘மற்ற குழந்தைகளைவிட என் குழந்தை எப்போதும் சிறந்து விளங்க வேண்டும், அதற்காக எந்த தியாகத்தையும் செய்ய தயார்’, என்பதே பெரும்பாலான பெற்றோரின் மனநிலை. வயதான காலத்தில் நம் பிள்ளைகள் நம்மைக் கவனித்துக் கொள்வார்கள் என்ற நம்பிக்கையும் எதிர்பார்ப்பும் அவர்களிடம் உண்டு என்பதை மறுப்பதற்கில்லை. ஆனால், பிள்ளைகள் வளர்ந்து வரும்போது, பெற்றோரின் தியாகத்தை மறந்து, அவர்களை ‘வேண்டாத சுமையாக’ பாவிக்கின்ற மனநிலை வளர்ந்து வருகிறது. பிள்ளைகள் உயிரோடு இருக்கும்போதே, பெற்றோர், முதியோர் இல்லங்களில் வாழ வேண்டிய அவலநிலை கவலையளிக்கிறது.

முதியோர் சந்திக்கும் சவால்கள்

நுகர்வு கலாச்சாரத்தின் தாக்கமானது முதியோரைச் சுமைகளாகப் பார்க்கும் மனநிலைக்கு இட்டுச்செல்கிறது. “பயன்படுத்திவிட்டு தூக்கி எறி” (Use and throw) என்ற வியாபாரக் கொள்கையானது மனித வாழ்க்கைக்குள்ளும் நுழைந்து, இளமையின் நாட்களில் அவர்களின் ஆற்றலை முழுமையாக பயன்படுத்தி, வலுகுறைந்து தேகம் சுருங்குகின்றபோது, அவர்களை வேண்டாத சுமையாக பாவிக்கின்ற மனநிலை வளர்ந்து வருகிறது. முதுமையில் பெற்றோருக்குப் பொருளுதவி செய்ய வேண்டுமென்ற பொதுவான மனநிலை இருந்தாலும்கூட, பெரும்பாலான வீடுகளில் அவர்களின் இருப்பு சுமையாகதான் பார்க்கப்படுகிறது.

உழைத்து சோர்வடைந்த கரங்களும், கால்களும் வலிமை இழந்து தவிக்கின்றபோது, பெற்ற பிள்ளைகளின் அரவணைப்பும், ஆதரவும் பெரிதளவில் முதியோருக்குத் தேவைப்படுகிறது. ஆனால், இன்று நடைபிணமாக வீட்டின் ஒருபுறத்தில் ஒதுக்கப்பட்டு “கண்டுகொள்ளாமல்” புறக்கணிக்கப்படும் சூழ்நிலைகள் உருவெடுத்துள்ளன. குடும்பத்தின் மையமாக இருந்தவர்கள் ஓரத்திற்கு தள்ளப்பட்டு தேவைகள் நிறைவேற்றப்படாமல் வேதனையுறும் அவலநிலைகளும் அரங்கேறிக் கொண்டிருக்கின்றன.

விவிலியம் காட்டும் முதியோர் கரிசனை

நரைதிரண்டவருக்கு முன் எழுந்து நில்; முதிர்ந்தவர் முகத்தை மதித்து நட. (லேவி 19: 32). உன் கடவுளாகிய ஆண்டவர் உனக்கு அளிக்கும் நாட்டில் உன் வாழ்நாள்கள் நீடிக்கும்படி, உன் தந்தையையும் தாயையும் மதித்து நட (வி.ப. 20: 12) ஆகிய இறைவார்த்தைகள் முதியோரை மதிக்க வேண்டியதன் அவசியத்தை எடுத்துக் கூறுகின்றன. நம் திருத்தந்தை முதியோருக்கான விளக்கவுரையில், விவிலியத்தில் நவோமி, இறந்துபோன தன் மகன்களின் மனைவிகளை அவர்களின் சொந்த நாட்டிலேயே இருக்கும்படி பணித்ததையும், மருமகள் ரூத் தன் மாமியாருக்கு கடைசிவரை பணிவிடை புரிந்ததையும் எடுத்தியம்பி, ரூத்தின் பாதையை நமதாக்கிட கேட்டுக்கொண்டுள்ளார்.

முத்தோர் கரிசனையில் நாம் செய்ய வேண்டியன

1. பங்களவில் அடித்தள முழுவளர்ச்சி சங்கம் வழியாக, முதியோர் நல்வாழ்வு நிதி வங்கியில் வைப்புநிதியாக பேணப்பட்டு, நலிவுற்ற நிலையில் இருக்கும் முதியோருக்கு கரிசனை நிதி கிடைக்க ஏற்பாடு செய்வோம்.
2. குடும்பங்களில் நடைபெறும் பிறந்தநாள் போன்ற நிகழ்வுகளை அருகாமையில் இருக்கும் முதியோர் இல்லங்களில் கொண்டாடுவோம்.
3. முதியவர்களை ஆலயத்திற்கு அல்லது மருத்துவமனைக்கு தயங்காமல் அழைத்துச் செல்வோம்.

4. கண் துஞ்சாது, பசி நோக்காது ஓடி உழைத்து நம்மை ஆளாக்கிய அந்த தியாகங்களைக் கௌரவித்து, அவர்களோடு நேரத்தைச் செலவிடுவோம். அவர்களின் அனுபவங்களுக்கு காது கொடுப்போம்.
5. வட்டார அளவில், பங்களவில் மூத்தோர் தினம் கொண்டாடி, மூத்தோரை கௌரவித்து, அவர்கள் நமக்கு 'மதிப்புமிக்கவர்கள்' என்பதை வெளிப்படுத்துவோம்.
6. ஆலயத்திற்கு வர இயலாத நிலையிலிருக்கும் முதியோருக்கு மாதத்தில் ஒரு நாளாவது நற்கருணை கிடைக்க ஏற்பாடு செய்வோம்.
7. பணி நிமித்தமாக பிள்ளைகள் வெளியூர் செல்ல நேரிடின், வயதான பெற்றோரைப் பராமரிக்க பாதுகாவலரை நியமிப்பது கட்டாயம் என்பதை உணர்வோம்.

முதுமை வாழ்வின் தவிர்க்க முடியாத ஒரு பகுதி. நீர் உம் பிள்ளைகளின் பிள்ளைகளைக் காண்பீராக (தி.பா. 128: 6) என்ற வாக்குறுதி நிறைவேறும் காலம். இக்காலத்தில், கண்ணியத்தோடு நடத்தப்பட்டாலே போதும் என்பதே பெரும்பாலான முதியோரின் ஏக்கமும் எதிர்பார்ப்பும் ஆகும். கொடிய வார்த்தைகளால் தாக்கப்படுவது தாளமாட்டாத வேதனை அவர்களுக்குத் தரும். ஒரு குடும்பத்தில் தாத்தா, பாட்டிகள் இருப்பது அந்த இல்லத்துக்கு மிகப்பெரும் ஆசீர்வாதம் ஆகும். மூத்தோரைப் பேணுவோம். அரவணைப்போம். இறையருள் நம்மில் பெருகுவதாக!

கிறிஸ்துவில் உங்கள் அன்புள்ள,

+ *A. Pius*

மேதகு ஆயர் ஆல்பர்ட் அனஸ்தாஸ்,
குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டம்.



குறிப்பு: இச்சுற்றுமடல் குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டத்தின் அனைத்துப் பங்குகளிலும், கிளைப் பங்குகளிலும் ஜூலை 21, 2024 ஞாயிறுத் திருப்பலியில் அறிவிக்குமாறுக் கேட்டுக்கொள்கிறேன்.

Announcement

The Bishop of Dharmapuri communicates that the suspension and restriction imposed on Rev. Fr. Cruz Arulraj of his diocese on 02.01.2023 have been revoked by him from 16.4.2024 (CIC/'83 can.1722).

- Most Rev. Dr. Lawrence Pius D.D.,
Bishop of Dharmapuri.

Contributions to the Diocese

June 16, 2024 to July 15, 2024

1. Annual Contribution from Churches

No	Parish	Amount
1	Ambalakkadai (2022-2023)	28,000
2	Ambalakkadai (2023-2024)	28,000
3	Aramannam (Nagacode)	15,000
4	Chellamkonam (Panavilai) (2022-2023)	15,000
5	Chellamkonam (Panavilai) (2023-2024)	15,000
6	Chentharai (2022-2023)	30,000
7	Cherikkadai (Palliyady) (2022-2023)	18,000
8	Cherikkadai (Palliyady) (2023-2024)	18,000
9	Eraniel (Kandanvilai)	12,000
10	Mekkamandapam (Chemparuthivilai)	15,000
11	Moolachel (Manali)	23,700
12	Murasancode	65,000
13	Nullivilai	36,000
14	Oottukuzhy (Amsi)	4,600
15	Thuckalay	40,200
	Total	3,63,500

2. Holy Childhood

No	Parish	Amount
1	Chentharai (2021)	1,356
2	Chentharai (2022)	1803
3	Chentharai (2023)	1,615
4	Chentharai (2024)	1,736
5	Chithenthope (Kandanvilai)	1,200
	Total	7,710

3. St. Devasahayam Thanksgiving Mass

No	Parish	Amount
1	Padarnilam	2,000
	Total	2,000

4. Social Communication

No	Parish	Amount
1	Chemparuthivilai	4,470
2	Chentharai (2023)	1,432
3	Chithenthope (Kandanvilai) (2023)	800
4	Kandanvilai (2023)	2,000
5	Manalikuzhivilai	2,810
6	Padarnilam (2023)	500
7	Paramanvilai	2,660
8	Puthukkadai	2,750
	Total	17,422

5. Prison Ministry

No	Parish	Amount
1	Chentharai (2017)	1,436
2	Chentharai (2023)	1,724
3	Chithenthope (Kandanvilai)	1,000
4	Kandanvilai (2023)	2,000
5	Padarnilam (2018)	500
6	Padarnilam (2019)	500
7	Padarnilam (2022)	500
8	Padarnilam (2023)	500
	Total	8,160

6. Youth Year

No	Parish	Amount
1	Chithenthope (Kandanvilai)	1,000
2	Kandanvilai	2,000
3	Padarnilam	500
4	Chentharai	1,372
	Total	4,872

7. Cumulated Mass

No	Parish	Amount
1	Choozhal	4,800
2	Fathimapuram	4,000
3	Irudhayapuram (T)	300
4	Kandanvilai	1,500
5	Kanjiracode	2,200
6	Madathattuvilai	5,100
7	Manali, Moolachel, Palapally	6,000
8	Manchakonam	500
9	Marthandam	1,400
10	Mulagumoodu	8,800
11	Mylacode	11,100
12	Palayam (Murasancode)	9,100
13	Pallavilai (Pattarivilai)	6,300
14	Palliyady	3,100
15	Paramanvilai	1,000
16	Puliyoorukurichy	3,000
17	Puthukkadai	400
18	Thiruvithancode	20,000
19	Varthanvilai	1,200
20	Vattam	3,200
21	Vettuvenni (Shrine)	3,27,500
22	Vettuvenni (Shrine) (Feast Mass)	13,000
	Total	4,33,500

8. Seminary Fund

No	Parish	Amount
1	Attoor (Confirmation Mass)	5,345
2	Auxiliaries of the Apostolate	5,000
3	Fr. Innocent J.	500
4	Fr. Maria Vincent A.	500
5	Fr. Maria Vincent A.	500
6	Mr. Mariadhas & Mrs. Cisily Family, Munchirai	2,000
7	Mulagumoodu	5,000
8	Palliyady	2,000
9	Vavarai (Confirmation Mass)	50,000
10	Ved. Baby Kamala	1,000
	Total	71,845

Contribution

9. Holy Land

No	Parish	Amount
1	Chentharai (2021)	1,835
2	Chentharai (2023)	2,024
3	Chentharai (2024)	1,936
4	Padarnilam (2016)	2,000
5	Padarnilam (2018)	2,000
6	Padarnilam (2021)	2,000
7	Padarnilam (2022)	2,000
8	Padarnilam (2023)	3,000
9	Padarnilam (2024)	3,000
Total		19,795

10. Bishop Consecration

No	Parish	Amount
1	Chithenthope (Kandanvilai)	15,000
2	Kandanvilai	25,000
Total		40,000

11. Bible Sunday

No	Parish	Amount
1	Chentharai (2018)	1,736
2	Chentharai (2019)	1,532
3	Chentharai (2023)	1,628
4	Padarnilam (2016)	700
5	Padarnilam (2018)	700
6	Padarnilam (2019)	700
7	Padarnilam (2022)	700
8	Padarnilam (2023)	700
Total		8,396

12. New Bishop's House Building

No	Parish	Amount
1	Chentharai	24,000
Total		24,000

13. Mission Sunday

No	Parish	Amount
1	Padarnilam (2019)	2,000
2	Padarnilam (2020)	2,000
3	Padarnilam (2022)	2,000
4	Chentharai	1,785
	Total	7,785

14. Cancer Patient Fund

No	Parish	Amount
1	Catechyst Family	4,000
	Total	4,000

15. Shrine (Special Mass)

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

Attention Please!

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

Independence Day - August 15, 2024

- Fr. G. Jayakumar, Financial Administrator.

Activities of the Pastoral Commissions in the Month of June 2024

Catechism

On 3rd June 2024 at 11 a.m., Rev. Fr. V. Benitto took charge as the Christian Life Commission at Unnamalaikadai Pastoral Centre. The event was attended by Rev. Fr. N. Martin (Commissions Coordinator), Rev. Fr. Sahaya Justus (Vicar Forane of Karenkadu), and Vicariate Directors Rev. Fr. Xavier Raj, Rev. Fr. Aloysius, along with 15 members.

Six Vicariates held executive meetings. On 8th June, Mulagumoodu and Karenkadu held their meetings, followed by Mathiravilai Vicariates on 15th June. The general body meetings included the presence of Vicar Foranes from three Vicariates, the Commissions Coordinator, and the Diocesan Commission Secretary. The total attendance was 51, 59, and 22 members, respectively. Rev. Fr. V. Benitto and Mrs. Vijila gave talks on “மறையாசிரியர்கள் அர்ப்பணமிக்கவர்கள், மறையாசிரியரிடம் இருக்க வேண்டிய முதன்மைகள், ஆசிரியர் யார்?”.

On 9th June, Karenkadu, and on 23rd June, Thirithuvapuram and Mathiravilai, followed by Vencode and Puthenkadai on 30th June, had classes on the “New Syllabus Training Programme”. The resource persons included Rev. Fr. Calistus, Mrs. Preetha, Mrs. Jackulin, Mr. Aloysius, Mr. Nelson, Mr. Jeeva Kumar, Mr. Simon, Mr. Jeya Prakash, Mr. Jeya Seelan, and VEDIYAR Edwin and Vijila. The number of teachers who participated was 305, 580, 520, 311, 316, and 336, respectively.

On 25th June, a training session for School Conduct Persons on Catechism and Moral Classes was held at the Pastoral Centre. Rev. Fr. V. Benitto gave the introduction, and Rev. Fr. Dr. C. Stephen was the resource person, discussing “Students’ Psychology.” More than 84 teachers participated in this session.

On 9th June, the Christian Life Commission Secretary, Rev. Fr. V. Benitto, attended the TNBCLC meeting. Additionally, on 9th June in Mathiravilai and 30th June in Pullani Parishes, special training programs were held on the topics of “Importance of

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Catechism, Leadership Qualities, and Catechism Teachers' Responsibility." The resource persons for these programs were Mrs. Preetha, Jeni,

Mr. Nelson, Mr. Jeya Prakash, and VEDIYAR VIJILA, with a total participation of 468 persons.

Liturgy

Every week, we send the Responsorial Psalm with music via WhatsApp.

On June 17th, the Sacristan had an executive meeting at Rosary Church, Kangiracode. Fr. V. Benitto presided over the meeting, and 12 persons participated. The "Daily Word of God" is sent to the Liturgy group for the parishes.

Bible

On June 20th, the Mathiravilai Vicariates held an executive meeting, attended by Rev. Fr. Florance, Vicar Forane of Mathiravilai. They discussed the Bible Year 2024, and 20 persons participated.

Children

On 8th June, Mulagumoodu; 22nd June, Karenkadu; and 30th June, Mathiravilai Vicariates held animators' meetings. Vicar Foranes of the Vicariates, Vicariate Directors, Animators, and Field Staff were present. The meetings were attended by 49, 29, and 23 participants respectively.

On 15th June, Vencode; 22nd June, Mulagumoodu; and Mathiravilai Vicariates held their executive meetings. Vicar Foranes, Vicariate Directors, Animators, and Field Staff were also present at these meetings, with 15, 18, and 10 participants respectively.

They visited 30 groups of Holy Children, interacted with 87 animators, and met 23 parish priests.

Youth

On 23rd June, the Diocesan executive meeting was held at the Thirithuvapuram Office, discussing the 30th June program "உறவுகளின் சங்கமம்". Fifteen members participated.

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On 2nd and 9th June, Mulagumoodu; 9th and 16th June, Puthenkadai and Thirithuvapuram; 12th and 19th June, Mathiravilai; and 16th June, Karenkadu Vicariates held their executive meetings. The total number of participants were 4, 5, 6, 7, and 15 respectively.

On 16th June, Puthenkadai and Mulagumoodu Vicariates held their general body meetings, with 16 and 19 participants respectively. They conducted a training program on “சுற்றுகூழல் பாதுகாப்பதில் இளைஞர்களின் பங்கு.” The resource persons were Mrs. Jenisha and Mr. Anish. In the Vicariate of Mathiravilai, a book named “போதையில்லா உலகம்” was released.

On 16th June, Thirithuvapuram, Mulagumoodu, and Vencode Vicariates held a representative congress, with 76, 41, and 107 participants respectively. They also had a training program on the topic “இயக்க நோக்கத்தின் அடிப்படையில் பணியும் கடமையும்.” The resource persons were Mr. Ilango, Mr. Joseph Raj, and Mr. Renjith. Twenty-three parishes held their sub-congress on the topic “இயக்கம், இயக்க நோக்கம்.”

Y.C.S./Y.S.M.

On 23rd June, a Diocesan executive meeting was held in the office to discuss an animators’ training program. Nine persons participated.

On 9th June, Mulagumoodu; and 16th June, Karenkadu and Mathiravilai Vicariates held their executive meetings, with 6 and 5 participants respectively.

On 16th June, Karenkadu, Mulagumoodu, Puthenkadai, Mathiravilai; and on 23rd June, Thirithuvapuram Vicariates held their general body meetings, with 21, 25, 30, 26, and 43 participants respectively. The chosen topic was “இயக்கம், இயக்கமாதலின் தேவை, இலட்சியத்தை நிர்ணயிப்பதும் அதை அடைவதும், போதை, சுயவிழிப்புணர்வு, இன்றைய கல்வி சூழல்.” The resource persons were Mr. Robert Jini, Mr. Marsalin Beno, and Mrs. Lizy.

The Vicariate of Mathiravilai published a written book at Velliavilai Church named “கைவண்ணம்.” The Poottety Sub-Congress published a written book titled “Fast ஆன உலகில் Best ஆன இளைஞர்கள்.”

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Nine Parishes had Sub - Congress topic was “இயக்கம், இயக்க நோக்கம்”. and they met 22 groups.

Activities with Youth and Y.C.S./Y.S.M.

June 30th: Hosted a former Youth Alumni Function with 153 participants. The event featured our Bishop, former youth members, and the Commissions Coordinator, who all felicitated the alumni groups.

June 25th: Held the Directors' meeting at the Thirithuvapuram Office to evaluate the Commission. Eight Directors were present.

June 22nd-23rd: Conducted a two-day “Media Awareness Programme” in Chennai with three participants. Additionally, the Tamil Nadu Youth Commission meeting was held in Tirichy, attended by the Youth Commission Secretary.

Women

June 5th: General body meeting held at Puthenkadai with 22 members.

June 12th: General body meeting at Thirithuvapuram with 25 members.

June 19th: General body meeting at Vencode with 17 members.

June 25th: General body meeting at Mathiravilai with 13 members.

June 8th: Executive meeting at Karencadu Vicariate with 10 members.

June 26th: “Against Drug Struggle” event in Kannyakumari at the Diocesan level with 85 members.

June 3rd: Sub-Congress at Chemparuthivilai Parish with 52 members. Mrs. Suja Jasmine gave a talk on “பெண்ணே உன் வலிமையை உணர்வாய்”.

June 15th: Vicariate Congress at Udhayatharagai Thuckalay with 68 members. Rev. Fr. David Michael (Vicar Forane) and Rev. Fr. N. Martin (Commissions Coordinator) were present. Diocesan Secretary Mrs. Suja Jasmine gave a talk on “பெண்ணே உன் வலிமையை உணர்வாய்”.

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June 22nd: Demonstration in front of the Taluk Office at Thuckalay against “போலி நகர்மயமாதல்” with 16 women in attendance.

B.C.C.

June 5th: Rev. Fr. Alwin Vijay took charge as the new Commission Secretary in a function attended by 24 persons. Rev. Fr. Florance, the former Secretary, handed over the charge.

June 22nd: Executive meeting at Thirithuvapuram Vicariate, presided over by Rev. Fr. Dr. Wiselin Xavier, with discussions on the year plan. 8 and 21 members participated respectively.

June 23rd: Executive meetings at Thirithuvapuram and Vencode Vicariates. Thirithuvapuram Vicariate shared responsibilities among all coordinators with 23 members present. Vencode Vicariate had 13 members in attendance.

June 1st: General body meeting at Mulagumoodu.

June 8th: General body meeting at Puthenkadai.

June 15th: General body meeting at Karenkadu.

June 22nd: General body meeting at Mathiravilai with Vicar Foranes, Commissions Coordinator Fr. N. Martin, Vedyar Baby Kamala, and Vicariate Directors present. Numbers of members: 52, 30, 55, 80, 72, and 86, respectively. They shared experiences and had a felicitation.

Training: Rev. Fr. Alvin Vijay provided training to the B.C.C. at Karencadu and Thirithuvapuram Vicariates on “ஊடகத் தைகையாளும் முறைகள்”. Rev. Fr. Sunil gave a talk on “ஊடக விழிப்புணர்வு” at Mathiravilai Vicariate, and Rev. Fr. Amala Raj spoke on “போதை விழிப்புணர்வு” at Vencode Vicariate.

Field Staff Activities: Visited 348 houses, Anbium - 38, Anbia Coordination - 154, Sick Persons - 42.

Assistance Provided: B.C.C. supported education, old-age, marriage, and medical needs, with a total amount of Rs. 4,09,930.00.

Evangelization

Charismatic Prayer Meetings: 1st Friday of the Month: Parathapally, Vettuvanni, Vasanthapuram, and Melpalai. Fourth Friday: Iruthayapuram. Every Sunday: Thickenamcode, St. Lourdhu Thiyana Centre.

June 19th: Diocesan executive meeting with 8 members attending.

June 4th-5th: Special Charismatic Prayer at the Parish of Parakuntu.

House Visits: 120; Hospital Visits: 20

Labour

June 2nd: Regular meeting at Mulagumoodu Vicariate with 25 members present.

June 23rd: Regular meetings at Puthenkadai and Karencadu Vicariates with 10 and 25 members present, respectively. Mr. Rajamony and Mr. John Jeyakumar were selected as executive members for the Puthenkadai Vicariate. Field Staff Mrs. Jainy gave a talk on “நலவாரியம்”.

June 30th: Diocesan executive meeting with Rev. Fr. D. Sujin (Commission Director) present. Farewell was given to former Director Rev. Fr. Godwin Selva Justus, with Vicariate and Diocesan executive members in attendance.

Social Communication

June 7th: Madha TV telecasted English Mass from Chunkankadai, Vimala Irudaya Convent.

June 15th: Mulagumoodu St. Mary's Basilica Mass was telecasted on Madha TV.

June 30th: Our Lady of Fathima Church, Kallukoottam Mass was also telecasted.

June 22nd: Rev. Fr. Sunil gave a talk on “ஊடக போதை” to the Mathiravilai Vicariate (B.C.C.).

June 18th: Diocesan priest Silver and Golden Jubilee Mass, with a 5-minute song prepared and sent through the YouTube channel.

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Throughout June: Rev. Fr. Sahaya Dhas's Daily Word of God and Rev. Fr. Jerald Justin's Sunday Sermon were sent via Thenaruvi WhatsApp Media.

June 24th-25th: Meeting of all Diocesan Secretaries at Madha TV (Chennai), attended by Rev. Fr. Sunil (Commission Secretary).

Dalit

June 8th: General body meetings at Puthenkadai and Thirithuvapuram Vicariates with 9 and 15 members participating, respectively.

June 22nd: General body meeting at Mulagumoodu Vicariate with 21 members.

June 25th: General body meeting at Mathiravilai Vicariate with 11 members.

June 21st: Diocesan Office bearers meeting presided over by Rev. Fr. Maria Susai.

June 28th: Diocesan executive meeting with 11 members participating.

Prison Ministry

June 7th: General body meeting at VSCS Building with 25 members. Rev. Fr. Shine was thanked, and Rev. Fr. Berdin Anas was welcomed as the new Director.

Laity

June 4th: Diocesan Election Committee meeting.

June 7th, 21st, 25th, 28th: Executive meetings held.

June 11th: Parish Council Planning meeting.

June 29th: Welcome and farewell event for the new Secretary Mr. Merlin Jose and outgoing Secretary Mr. John Benedict. Rev. Fr. Xavier Benedict (Vicar General) handed over the charge to Mr. Merlin Jose.

Election Committee meetings and training programs conducted in six places.

- **Fr. N. Martin,**

Coordinator of the Pastoral Commissions.

Kuzhithurai Integral Development Social Services (KIDSS) Report for the Month of June 2024

Activity of VIDSeS

Mulagumoodu (MuVIDS)

MuVIDS' executive committee meeting was conducted on June 08, 2024 at VF office Thuckalay. The outgoing executive office bearers handed over the responsibilities to the new executive office bearers. The executive decided to prepare annual action plan with the new executive Director. Mr. Alocious, the president was nominated to KIDSS executive.

Karankadu (KVIDS)

KVIDS's executive committee meeting was conducted on June 16, 2024 at VF office, Thingalnager. Yearly annual action plan preparation meeting will be held on July 17, 2024 at Melpuram Vidi Velli social service centre. Kudil Thittam house construction was completed at Karankadu and third instalment amount Rs. 25000/- was given to the beneficiary.

Puthenkadai (PVIDS)

PVIDS executive committee meeting was conducted on June 15, 2024 in which VF and ED participated. They decided to conduct general body meeting and trainings for the treasurers and zonal level trainings.

Thirithuvapuram (TVIDS)

1. TVIDS executive meeting was conducted on June 01, 2024 at Thirithuvapuram. Dates were fixed for the zonal level trainings in 5 zones. TVIDS president is nominated to KIDSS executive and the secretary is nominated to attend VSCS bank planning team.
2. World Environment Day was observed on June 28, 2024 with the collaboration of educational institutions from Kallupalam Aided Higher secondary school to St. Mary's Higher Secondary School Melpalai. VF Fr. Wiselin Xavier gave inaugural address. Mrs. Rathi Devi Headmistress of Kallupalam school, spoke about the role of younger generation in protecting the nature. Then awareness rally was flagged off by Mr. Muralitharan, Inspector of Palukal police station and he also gave felicitation address. Public meeting was held at St. Mary's community hall

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at the end of the rally and the Parish priest Fr. Gelestin Gerald presided over the meeting. Mrs. Suthamathi, the Ecologist gave key note address. Executive Director Fr. Martin.M, and Mr. Jose Benshikar, the Headmaster of St. Mary's H. Sec School Melpalai, gave felicitation. Around 600 students, teachers and BIDS members participated in the program.

3. General body meeting was conducted on June 30, 2024 at Trithuvapuram 32 BIDSes presented their three months activity report.

Vencode (VVIDS)

- * VVIDS's executive committee meeting was held on June 22, 2024.. Dates were fixed for the zonal level trainings and for the general body meeting.
- * VVIDS general body meeting was organised on June 23, 2024 at St. Mary's Matric Higher Secondary school, Puthukadai. 24 BIDSes read their activity reports. PD Mr. Sathiyadhas explained about the yearly action plan.

Activities of KIDSS Units

KIDSS WSCP

1. District executive committee meeting was conducted on June 08, 2024 at Vettuvenni. Decided to prepare yearly annual plan on July 13, 2024. PD Miss Retnam appreciated the outgoing 18 executive members and gave them a gift as a sign of gratitude.
2. New Project Director Mrs. Caramel Mary took charge on June 26, 2024.
3. The Vicariate Executive meetings conducted in this month are as below

Vicariate	Date	Topic	Participants
Mathiravilai	June 18	Environment Protection	18
Thirithuvapuram	June 29		24
Karancadu	June 24		16
Vencode	June 24	Family Strengthening	14
Mulagumoodu	June 26		22
Puthenkadai	June 28		19

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KIDSS Kolping

1. KIDSS Kolping district executive committee meeting was conducted on June 19, 2024 at Kolping building Thirithuvapuram. Training on organic farming will be conducted for the resource team on July 5th 2024 and then to the Kolping family at village level. We need to motivate education of the tribal children and guide them to apply for educational scholarship.
2. Trainings for the secretary and vice secretary was conducted on 6th and 7th of June 2024 about their roles and responsibilities and 89 members benefited. On 30th June 2024 treasurers had training on how to write the accounts systematically and file documentation.
3. Vicariate Executive Meetings were conducted during this month as stated below.

Vicariate	Date	Topic	Participants
Karancadu	June 03	Demerits of drug addiction	32
Mathiravilai	June 03	Uses of coriander leaves	27
Vencode	June 04	Tips for skill Development	22
Thirithuvapuram	June 04	Tips for skill Development	26
Mulagumoodu	June 05	Preventive methods of Jaundice	36
Puthenkadai	June 05	Disadvantages of ethanol	26

Charity by the Kolping Families:

1. Kandανvilai Kolping family helped 10 poor students with study materials such school bags, notebooks, stationary items worth of Rs. 3000/-
2. Kanjampuram Kolping Family bought an iron box for the fully orphan child worth of Rs.1500/-
3. Kulasekharam Kolping family helped two children for their higher studies with Rs.11500/-.

KIDSS CHDP

1. In this month union level meetings were conducted in four unions (Killiyur, Kurunthencode, Thuckalay and Munchirai)

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and created awareness about asthma and its symptoms, treatment and preventive methods.

2. Naturopathy health camps were conducted at Pattarivilai, Chekkadivilai on June 23, 2024 in Viricode on June 30, 2024. Dr. Angelin Asha gave session on importance and merits of naturopathy treatment. 110 people consulted and took medicines for different diseases.
3. In June 2024, 85 patients received treatment from Fr. James Tombeur Naturopathy Clinic including 53 new patients and 4 IP patients. Some patients are in follow up treatment.
4. Field staff created awareness about Naturopathy medicines and treatment methods to 40 health groups during this month.
5. New Project Director Fr. Dominic Savio took charge on June 26, 2024 and farewell was given to Fr. Jeya Prakash.

KIDSS BFDP

Zonal level meetings conducted during this month are stated below:

Zone	Date	Topic	Participants
Karungal	June 02	Environment Protection	26
Melpuram	June 09	Waste water management	63
Manali	June 09	Environment Protection	18
Vattam	June 15	Environment Protection	10
Kulasekharam	June 20	Waste water management	18
Vavarai	June 23	Environment Protection	15
Manalikai	June 24	Environment Protection	21

KIDSS SHG

1. Aramannam SHG groups was guided and got bank loan from IOB, Kulasekhara Rs. 15,00,000/-
2. One new group is formed at Nagacode with 20 members.
3. Veppamoottuvilai SHG group members helped with Rs. 1000/- one of their group members who met with an accident. Kumpilanthari and Annai Thresa SHG members and helped two women with Rs. 3000/- each for the treatment. Kokudi SHG group gave Rs. 2000/- to the poor for her daughter's marriage.

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4. Field Staff visited 18 groups and created awareness on merits and demerits of mobile phone use and five groups about environment protection.

KIDSS RMP

1. District executive committee meeting was conducted on June 15, 2024 at RMP building. An input session was given about 'Education for All'. Information was given to participate in the drug day observation.
2. Self -functioning Sangam coordination meeting was conducted on June 22, 2024. Mr. Francis gave session on 'Assessment of Self-functioning Sangam'. Explained about the preparation of annual action plan.
3. Field staff visited 54 Sangams during this month and created awareness on various topics such as Impact of addiction on today's younger generation, education for all, protection of nature and activities of RMP Sangam.
4. Zone level meetings were conducted as stated below.

Zone	Date	Topic	Participants
Thirithuvapuram	June 01	Impact of addiction on today's youth	57
Thuckalay	June 01	Impact of addiction on	48
Karungal	June 08	today's younger generation	61
Mulavilai	June 08		46

Kaviyalur, Peelicode, Kallaravilai and, Madhapuram Sangams hosted the zonal level meetings. They presented the history of their Sangam, process of development through drama and skit.

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- * Field staff visited 6 Sangam during this month and created awareness about government welfare schemes and health and hygiene.
- * Kulasekharam Sangam supported Arumanai old age home with Rs. 5000/-

Children Parliament (CP)

1. **Kozhiporvilai CP** meeting was conducted on June 30, 2024 with 21 children. An input was given about the importance of environment protection.
2. **Kappukadu CP** meeting was conducted on June 16, 2024 and they prepared agenda for the village level CP Manadu.
3. Kandανvilai CP meeting was held on June 23, 2024 with 17 children. They discussed about preparation of yearly annual plan with the support of Parish priest.
4. Siluvaipuram CP meeting was conducted on June 30, 2024 with 19 children. Ministers were elected and prepared yearly action plan.
5. Village level **CP Manadu** was conducted in three villages (Methukummal, Sahayanager, Kappukadu) during this month.

Community Disability Management and Rehabilitation Project

1. 27 new disabled persons were identified by the staff during this month and among them 14 locomotors disabilities, 4 mentally challenged, 4 disabilities due to strokes, 2 mentally ill, 2 CP, and 1 visually impaired.
2. Mr. Kannan, who is with 75% locomotive disability was supported to undergo Mobile Service training in Nagercoil at Alpha Institute and after his training He open a **Mobile Service Centre at Mankattukadai** junction on June 14, 2024.
3. One new group formation meeting was at Chetticharvilai parish on June 30, 2024. Mrs.Christlda, the PO gave key note address about the importance of 'disabled people Organisation and its merits. She also focused about taking an office bearers for the group and their roles and responsibilities for a systematic functioning.

The target people were supported and availed various welfare schemes from Government departments and the details are given below:

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1. Six individuals received new privilege card One person got free train pass and bus pass
2. Three persons received the Chief Ministers Comprehensive Health Insurance card (CMCHIC) and 1 application is submitted for the same.
3. One person received finance assistance Rs. 17000/- from District Differently Abled Welfare Office for the funeral expenses of his deceased mentally retarded daughter.
4. Two applications were submitted for the UDID card and five applications for new privilege card
5. Three applications were submitted for IGP Loan to District Industries centre, Konam, Nagercoil
6. One application was submitted for Disabled Monthly Pension Scheme.
7. Three children are continuing physiotherapy treatment and one child is getting speech therapy with the support of KIDSS disability project

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

1. Training was conducted for the selected children and parents / caregivers about 'how to make the children responsible' on June 4th at Pottetty, on 6th at Pilavilai and on 16th at Melpuram. 63 caregivers and children learnt about how to become responsible parent and children.
2. Training on Gate keeping and Prevention was organised for the village committee members at Pilavilai, BIDS members at Manguzhi and Thundathuvilai during this month
3. CTWWC concept orientation training was conducted for SSVDP members of Sebasthiyarpuram on June 09, 2024 and at Yettacode on June 23, 2024 for the BCC members. On June 03, 2024 training was conducted for the selected leaders of the village about roles and responsibilities in CTWWC campaign.
4. Review meeting was conducted at Pechiparai on June 22, 2024 with the office bearers of village committee, BIDS and SSVDP and did the assessment of monitoring process with a questionnaire to know the children are ensured nurturing family care.

5. Pottetty Parish with support of KIDSS constructed a house for the young poor widow with three children with generous contribution of the parishioners. They mobilized Rs, 1, 10,000/- in Cash and Kind for the completion of the work and KIDSS contributed Rs. 500000/-
6. The Field Case Mangers (FCMs) monitored 202 children from 128 families during this month. 34 members' needs were identified and constant initiative taken to respond to various needs through referral and linkages in collaboration with Government and private services providers. the details are given below:

Referral and linkage for welfare assistance for the identified Vulnerable families/ children:

1. Psychosocial support was provided to 10 persons with the support of counsellors.
2. Two male children received school bag worth of Rs. 970/-, two female children were supported with Rs. 9000/- for the educational support with the goodwill of the local donors.
3. Six persons applied and got legal entities such as income certificate, UDID and Social Welfare ID cards. and 3 persons applied and got PM-JAY ID (CMCHIS)
4. One child applied for education scholarship under private NGOs, one student for the higher education and one care giver for the livelihood.
5. Two young widows were guided to attend the direct interview at collectorate, Nagercoil for free sewing machine. Two widows applied for the same.
6. One family was supported and applied at collectorate for free drinking water connection and received approval letter from Collector office, Nagercoil.
7. Free legal aid service was provided to one woman with the support of private NGO and petition was given to SP office, requesting protection from her drunkard husband.
8. One child was re-integrated back home to the mother from the Child Care Institution (CCI)

Special Thanks to Pottetty parish:

The Parish Priest Fr. Shijin, St. Antony's Church Poottety, for his tireless efforts, Parish council, BIDS members, parishioners and local donors for constructing a house for the very poor young widow with three children.

KIDSS Ezhuvom Iyakkam (Cancer Care Campaign)

1. Vicariate level volunteers meeting was conducted at Thingalnager VF office under the leadership of VF. Fr. Sahaya Justus on June 11, 2024. at Mulagumoodu VF office on June 22, 2024. The volunteers visited 24 patients during this month and identified 3 new patients.
2. District level volunteers meeting was conducted on June 29, 2024 at Udhayatharai, Thuckalay. They decided to visit the patients in July with the support of KIDSS vehicle.
3. Mrs. Latha Mary, Ezhuvom Iyakkam president spoke about the importance of vicariate level volunteers to care the cancer patients in the vicariate level priest meeting on June 30, 2024
4. Cancer awareness cum Medical health camp was conducted on June 30, 2024 at Cherukole parish with the support of St. Xavier's Multispeciality hospital, Chunkankadai. 104 people registered for the consultation and 8 people are referred for further follow up and treatment.

KIDSS Activities:

1. International day against drug abuse was observed on June 26, 2024 at Kanyakumari in which 60 people participated. (CHDP - 9, RMP - 22, Kolping - 23, IFO-2 and Staff - 4)
2. Panchayath level training was conducted about importance of environment protection for the Mulagumoodu Panchayth on June 11, 2024 at Azhagiyamandapam. and for the Melpuram Panchayth on June 09, 2024.

- Fr. M. Martin,

Secretary cum Executive Director, KIDSS.

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June 01 : Bishop attended achiever's day celebration at Annai Ada center Azhagiyamandapam at 02.30 pm and honored the achievers.

June 02 : Bishop celebrated confirmation mass at kappiyarai at 08.00 am. The same day he celebrated another confirmation mass at kanchampuram in the evening at 04.30 pm.

June 03 : Bishop made a contact visit at puliyoorkurichi at 05.30 pm, where he blessed the stations dedicated to Saint Devasahayam. This was followed by a solemn Mass.

June 08 : Bishop celebrated the memorial mass of Fr. Varghese at Thickurichi at 04.30 pm and blessed the cemetery.

June 09 : Bishop celebrated Basilica day mass at St. Mary's Basilica, Mulagumoodu, at 06.15 am, and the same day evening he made a contact visit at Mullanginavilai at 04.30 pm and celebrated a confirmation mass.

June 12 : Bishop celebrated holy mass and conferred ministries to the brothers at St. Paul's Seminary, Trichy, at 06.30 am.

June 13 : Bishop celebrated feast mass at St. Antony's shrine, Vettuvenni, at 11.00 am. The same day he made a contact visit and celebrated confirmation mass at Cherukol Karumbuthottam in the evening at 05.30 pm.

June 18 : A monthly recollection was organized for priests at the Annai Ada Center in Azhagiyamandapam, where celebrations were held for both silver and golden jubilarians. The program ended with an honouring of the jubilarians.

June 20 : Bishop raised the flag and celebrated the feast mass at Kadiyapattanam at 06.30 pm.

June 23 : Bishop celebrated feast mass at Karankadu at 08.00 am.

June 24 : The inauguration of the new academic year was held at Nanjil Arts and Science College, Kaliyakkavilai, at 09:00 am. The Bishop presided over the inauguration ceremony.

June 26 : A new school building in St. Anne's Matric Higher Secondary School, Elavuvilai, was opened and blessed by our Bishop at 10:30 AM. This was followed by a solemn mass.

June 30 : Bishop celebrated feast mass at Saral at 08.00 am.

TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS 2024

No	Name and New Assignment	
1	Mrs. Mary Angel Reeth	- Secretary, Women Commission
2	Mr. Merlin Jose M.	- Secretary, Laity Commission
3	Fr. Antony Baskar HF	- Priest-in-charge, Chetticharvilai
4	Fr. Joseph Theres Raj MMI	- Co-Pastor, Thundathuvilai
5	Fr. John Xavier I.Sch.	- Parish Priest, Kolvel
6	Fr. Wiselin Xavier E.	- Administrator, St. Antony's Shrine, Medavilagam
7	Fr. Bright Singh K.	- Secretary, Ecumenism

- **Fr. Antony M. Muthu,**
Chancellor.

DAYS TO REMEMBER IN AUGUST 2024

BIRTH DAYS

- 01 : Fr. Leo Alex A. (1970)
- 11 : Fr. Vincent S. (1957)
- 11 : Fr. Antony Jeya S. (1970)
- 12 : Fr. Christudhass OCD (1964)
- 14 : Fr. Rajesh I.Sch. (1991)
- 22 : Fr. Eugene Gomes Pocr (1977)
- 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)
- 14 : Fr. Rajesh I.Sch. (2020)
- 21 : Fr. Wellington SdC (2015)

PRAYER INTENTION FOR AUGUST 2024

For Political Leaders

Let us pray that political leaders be at the service of their own people, working for integral human development and the common good, taking care of those who have lost their jobs and giving priority to the poor