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Sr. Rani Maria

Her Selfless suffering brought Solace to the poor.

Congratulations, Your Excellency, on your First Episcopal Ordination Day!



We, the faithful of the Diocese of Kuzhithurai, feel immensely blessed to have you as our bishop. Your inspiring leadership and unwavering dedication as a true shepherd to your flock fill us with pride and gratitude.

With heartfelt thanks, we celebrate this joyous occasion with you on February 22. May God continue to grant you strength, courage, and the transformative power of His love as you faithfully carry out the responsibilities of your ordained role.

Wishing you abundant blessings today and in the years to come!



VOICE OF THE SHEPHERD

Dear Fathers,

As we begin this new month, my heart is filled with gratitude to the Lord, who called and consecrated me as the shepherd of our beloved diocese of Kuzhithurai on February 22 of last year, the Feast of the Chair of Peter. Completing one year of episcopal ministry is a moment of profound reflection and thanksgiving. I am immensely grateful to the Lord for His constant guidance, support, and strength throughout this year.

To my dear clergy, I extend my heartfelt thanks for your unwavering support, cooperation, and dedication. Your commitment to the spiritual growth of our diocese and your pastoral care for the people entrusted to us have been a great source of encouragement. Together, we continue to strive to fulfill God's mission and to be true instruments of His love and mercy. Your prayers, efforts, and sacrifices are deeply appreciated.

To the laity, I express my heartfelt thanks for your unwavering generosity and constant care for our diocese. Your contributions, both financial and personal, have greatly supported the mission of the Church. Your active participation, cooperation, and dedication to the well-being of our community are a true reflection of your love for God and His Church. I am truly blessed by your faith and commitment, which continue to inspire us all.

On February 2, we celebrate the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord. This feast invites us to offer ourselves anew to the Lord and to our diocese. Like Simeon and Anna, who recognized the light of Christ in the temple, let us be instruments of that light for our faithful. As priests, we are called to be a living offering to God, dedicating our lives to the betterment of our diocese and the people

Voice of the Shepherd

entrusted to our care. May this celebration renew our commitment to serve with humility and zeal, always seeking the glory of God and the well-being of His people.

As we journey toward the Jubilee Year 2025, let us make this celebration meaningful and transformative for our diocese. This year, our focus will be on two key areas:

Giving Hope to the Hopeless

We are reminded of our call to bring hope to those who are suffering. February 4, World Cancer Day, encourages us to reach out to individuals battling cancer and other deadly diseases. In this regard, I would like to express my deep gratitude to **Ezhuvom Iyakkam**, which is doing a wonderful job in our diocese to care for cancer patients. Their tireless efforts and commitment to supporting both the patients and their families are truly commendable. I also extend my heartfelt thanks to the dedicated volunteers who selflessly give their time and energy to guide and support these families, offering comfort and care whenever needed. Their compassion and dedication are a true reflection of God's love and mercy in action. Let us also strive to:

- * Build homes for the homeless in our parishes.
- * Provide special care for the elderly and sick.
- * Extending educational support to the underprivileged, especially the poor.
- * Offering concrete support to widows, orphans, refugees, laborers, prisoners, those struggling with addictions, separated couples, and the differently abled.

Our words, actions, plans, and even our thought processes should radiate hope. Together, let us be a sign of God's mercy and compassion to those in need.

Reconciliation

The Jubilee Year is also an invitation to foster reconciliation. We must work to heal divisions, especially among families, BCCs (Anbiyams), within parishes, and between kith and kin. The increasing number of divorce cases and family disputes calls for our pastoral intervention. Let us encourage forgiveness and new beginnings. By withdrawing disputes and embracing one another with love and compassion, we can inspire our faithful to live in harmony and peace. May reconciliation become the hallmark of our Jubilee celebrations.

May the Lord guide us in these endeavors, filling us with His wisdom and strength. Let us entrust ourselves to the intercession of our Blessed Mother and all the saints as we work together to celebrate a meaningful and fruitful Jubilee Year.

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



Engagements of the Bishop: February 2025

Date	Event	Place	Time
01 - 05	CCBI meeting	Bhuwaneswar	
07	Feast Mass	Alanthalai	11.30 am
08	Meeting with Auxiliaries of the Apostolate	Puliyoorurichy	10.00 am
	Meeting Regarding Parish Trust	Bishop's House	02.00 pm
09	Confirmation Mass	Thumbali	09.00 am
	Celebration at Annai Ada	Azhagamandapam	02.00 pm
10	Priest Personal Board	Bishop's House	03.00 pm
11	Monthly Recollection	Annai Ada	09.30 am
	Feast Mass	Periyakadu	06.30 pm
12	Mass at Sister's Convent	Chunkankadai	11.00 am
15	Finance Committee Meeting	Bishop's House	03.00 pm
16	Feast Mass	Lourdugiri	09.00 am
18 - 20	Year end Board Meeting at St. Paul's Seminary	Trichy	
23	Confirmation Mass	Mathiravilai	09.00 am
	DPC Meeting	Unnamalaikadai	03.00 pm
25	Consult	Bishop's House	09.30 am
28	Presbytery Blessing and Confirmation Mass	Kuttaicadu	05.00 pm

PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY 2025

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.



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டிசம்பர் 06, 2024

உருவாக இருக்கும் Fr. ஜேம்ஸ் தொம்பர் கத்தோலிக்க பார்மஸி கல்லூரி (2025 – 2026)

அன்பான அருட்பணியாளர்களே, அருட்சகோதரிகளே, இறைமக்களே!

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

நமது குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டத்தின் வாழ்விலும் வளர்ச்சியிலும் உங்கள் அனைவரின் ஒத்துழைப்பும் உடனிருப்பும் உதவியும் இருப்பதை நினைத்து இறைவனுக்கும் உங்களுக்கும் நன்றி கூறுகிறேன். நமது பங்குகளிலும் மறைமாவட்டத்திலும் உள்ள பல நிறுவனங்கள், இறைமக்கள் மற்றும் அருட்பணியாளர்களுடைய இணைந்த திட்டமிடல், ஈடுபாடு மற்றும் உழைப்பால் உருவாக்கப்பட்டவை. சிறப்பாக, **புனித சவேரியார் கத்தோலிக்க நர்சிங் கல்லூரியும்** அவ்வாறு உருவாக்கப்பட்டதுதான். இக்கல்லூரியின் பங்களிப்பாலும் நமது மறைமாவட்டத்தின் முயற்சியாலும் உருவாக்கப்பட்ட **புனித சவேரியார் பல்நோக்கு மருத்துவமனை** சிறப்பாக செயல்பட்டு மறைமாவட்ட இறைமக்களுக்கும், குமரி மாவட்ட அனைத்து தரப்பு மக்களுக்கும் தரமான மருத்துவ சேவை வழங்கி வருகிறது.

புனித சவேரியார் கத்தோலிக்க நர்சிங் கல்லூரியின் தொடர் முயற்சியாலும், பங்களிப்பாலும் மருத்துவத்துறை சார்ந்த உயர்கல்வி நிறுவனமாக, சுங் கான் கடை பொன் மலை பகுதியில் புதிதாக நமது மறைமாவட்டத்திற்கென்று “**Fr. ஜேம்ஸ் தொம்பர் கத்தோலிக்க பார்மஸி கல்லூரி**” என்ற பெயரில் கல்வி நிறுவனம் துவங்க திட்டமிட்டு அதற்கான கல்லூரி கட்டிடங்கள் கட்டும் கட்டுமானப்பணிகள் நிறைவு பெறவுள்ளது. இக்கல்லூரி **2025-2026** ஆம் கல்வியாண்டு முதல் அரசு அனுமதியுடன் செயல்பாட்டுக்கு வரும் என்பதையும் மகிழ்வுடன் இறைமக்களாகிய உங்களுக்கு தெரிவித்துக்கொள்கிறேன்.

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இக்கல்லூரிக்கு தேவையான முதல்வர், பேராசிரியர்கள், ஆய்வக உதவியாளர்கள், அலுவலகப்பணியாளர்கள் தேர்வு செய்யப்பட இருப்பதால் தகுதி உடையவர்களின் விண்ணப்பங்கள் வரவேற்கப்படுகின்றன.

எண்	பணியின் பெயர்	கல்வித் தகுதி	பணியிடம்
1.	Principal	M. Pharm, Ph.D (15 years experience in teaching or research out of which 5 years must be as Professor/HOD in a approved/recognised pharmacy college)	1
2.	Assistant Professor (Different Subjects)	M. Pharm (3 years experience)	4
3.	Lecturer	B. Pharm / M. Pharm	2
4.	Administrative Officer	Any Master Degree with Computer knowledge	1
5.	Librarian	M. L. I. Sc. with Computer knowledge	1
6.	Junior Assistant	Any degree with Computer knowledge (Tamil & English Typing)	1
7.	Accountant	B.Com / M.Com with Tally	1
8.	Store Keeper	Any Degree (Regular)	1
9.	Lab Attendant	D. Pharm, B.Sc Chemistry (Regular)	8

விண்ணப்பப் படிவம் வழங்கப்படும் நாட்கள்: **09.12.2024- 17.12.2024**

பூர்த்திச் செய்யப்பட்ட விண்ணப்பங்கள்

சமர்ப்பிக்க வேண்டிய இறுதி நாள் : **17.12.2024** (மாலை 500 மணி)

நேர்முகத் தேர்வு நடைபெறும் நாள் : **20.12.2024** (காலை 09.00 மணி)

கிறிஸ்துவில் உங்கள் அன்புள்ள,

+ J. P. P. P.

மேதகு ஆயர் ஆல்பர்ட் G. A. அனஸ்தாஸ்,

குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டம்.



குறிப்பு: இத்தகவலை குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டத்தின் அனைத்துப் பங்குகளிலும், கிளைப் பங்குகளிலும் 08.12.2024 & 15.12.2024 ஞாயிறுத் திருப்பலியில் அறிவிக்குமாறு கேட்டுக்கொள்கிறேன்.



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டிசம்பர் 31, 2024

நட்டாலம் புனித தேவசகாயம் திருத்தலப் பெருவிழா

அன்பான அருள்பணியாளர்களே, அருள்சகோதரிகளே, இறைமக்களே!

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நமது மறைமாவட்ட முதன்மைத் திருத்தலமான நட்டாலம், புனித தேவசகாயம் திருத்தலத்திற்கு பல்வேறு இடங்களிலிருந்து திருப்பயணிகள் இத்திருத்தலத்திற்கு வருகை தந்து புனித தேவசகாயம் வழியாக நன்மைகள் பல பெற்றுச் செல்கின்றனர். இத்திருத்தலத்தின் பெருமையை உலகெங்கும் பறைசாற்றுவது நமது கடமையாகும்.

நட்டாலம், புனித தேவசகாயம் திருத்தலப் பெருவிழா வரும் ஜனவரி 08, 2025 புதன்கிழமை திருக்கொடியேற்றத்துடன் ஆரம்பமாகி, ஜனவரி 14, 2025 செவ்வாய்கிழமை புனிதரின் பெருவிழா சிறப்புத் திருப்பலியுடன் நிறைவுபெறுகிறது.

எனவே, நமது குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டத்திலுள்ள அனைத்துப் பங்குகள், கிளைப்பங்குகள் மற்றும் வட்டாரங்கள் வழியாக அனைத்து இறைமக்களையும் ஊக்குவித்து, எல்லா நாள்களிலும் திருப்பலி, காணிக்கைப் பவனி, கலை நிகழ்ச்சிகள் மற்றும் அன்பு விருந்திலும் பங்கெடுக்கச் செய்ய மக்களுக்கு உரிய வழிகாட்டுதல் வழங்குமாறு கேட்டுக் கொள்கிறேன்.

புனித தேவசகாயத்தின் வேண்டுகளும், உடனிருப்பும் நம்மை வளம்பெறச் செய்யட்டும்.

கிறிஸ்துவில் உங்கள் அன்புள்ள,

+ G. A. Anasthas

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Contributions to the Diocese

December 16, 2024 to January 15, 2025

1. Annual Contribution from Churches

No	Parish	Amount
1	Arulanandapuram (Mathiravilai)	8,500
2	Chentharai	30,000
3	Elavuvilai	45,000
4	Fathimanagar (Amsi)	20,400
5	Kaliakkavilai	55,000
6	Karumpilavilai (Thumpali)	8,300
7	Koottamavu	35,000
8	Kuttaikadu	17,000
9	Madathattuvilai	1,65,000
10	Mankarai (Mullanganavilai)	13,500
11	Paruthiaraitthottam (Kalkurichy)	15,000
12	Perunchilampu (Manalikaiarai)	10,600
13	Siluvaipuram	61,000
14	Swamiyarmadam (Manalikaiarai)	10,000
15	Thickanamcode (Mathiravilai)	14,000
16	Valvachagostam	25,000
17	Vasanthapuram (Pilavilai)	12,000
18	Vattavilai (Melpuram)	25,000
19	Yettacode (2021-2022)	17,000
Total		5,87,300

2. Holy Childhood

No	Parish	Amount
1	Kaliakkavilai (2024)	3,204
2	Siluvaipuram (2024)	2,000
3	Swamiyarmadam (Manalikaiarai) (2023)	1,000
4	Vasanthapuram (Pilavilai) (2022)	620
5	Vasanthapuram (Pilavilai) (2023)	800
6	Vasanthapuram (Pilavilai) (2024)	1,060
7	Vattavilai (Melpuram) (2022)	300
8	Vattavilai (Melpuram) (2023)	300
9	Vattavilai (Melpuram) (2024)	500
Total		9,784

Contribution

3. Mission Sunday

No	Parish	Amount
1	Elavuvilai	16,170
2	Iruthayapuram (M)	3,100
3	Karumpilavilai (Thumpali)	2,000
4	Koottamavu	2,300
5	Marthandam (2021)	2,000
6	Pacode	5,600
7	Padarnilam	3,340
8	Padmanabhapuram (Thuckalay)	15,048
9	Paruthiaraitthottam (Kalkurichy)	1,640
10	Pattarivilai	9,180
11	Siluvaipuram	2,500
12	Swamiyarmadam (Manalikai) (2022)	1,200
13	Valvachagostam	2,390
14	Vasanthapuram (Pilavilai)	1,235
15	Vattavilai (Melpuram) (2022)	400
16	Vattavilai (Melpuram) (2023)	400
17	Vattavilai (Melpuram) (2024)	800
Total		69,303

4. Youth Year

No	Parish	Amount
1	Kaliakkavilai	2,703
2	Karumpilavilai (Thumpali)	1,000
3	Koottamavu	1,000
4	Kuttaikadu	1,500
5	Mankarai (Mullanganavilai)	500
6	Marthandam	2,000
7	Vasanthapuram (Pilavilai)	1,100
8	Vattavilai (Melpuram)	300
Total		10,103

5. Bishop Consecration

No	Parish	Amount
1	Paruthiaraitthottam (Kalkurichy)	7,500
Total		7,500

6. Social Communication

No	Parish	Amount
1	Iruthayapuram (M)	1,500
2	Kaliakkavilai	2,707
3	Karumpilavilai (Thumpali)	1,120
4	Mankarai (Mullanganavilai)	500
5	Marthandam (2023)	2,000
6	Marthandam (2024)	2,000
7	Paruthiaraihattam (Kalkurichy)	1,210
8	Siluvaipuram	2,000
9	Vasanthapuram (Pilavilai) (2023)	710
10	Vasanthapuram (Pilavilai) (2024)	810
11	Vattavilai (Melpuram) (2023)	300
12	Vattavilai (Melpuram) (2024)	500
Total		15,357

7. Prison Ministry

No	Parish	Amount
1	Iruthayapuram (M)	1,700
2	Kaliakkavilai	2,909
3	Karumpilavilai (Thumpali)	1,028
4	Mankarai (Mullanganavilai) (2023)	750
5	Mankarai (Mullanganavilai) (2024)	750
6	Marthandam (2023)	2,000
7	Marthandam (2024)	2,000
8	Paruthiaraihattam (Kalkurichy)	1,670
9	Siluvaipuram	2,000
10	Swamiyarmadam (Manalikai) (2022)	800
11	Vasanthapuram (Pilavilai) (2022)	820
12	Vasanthapuram (Pilavilai) (2023)	1,590
13	Vasanthapuram (Pilavilai) (2024)	1,265
14	Vattavilai (Melpuram) (2022)	300
15	Vattavilai (Melpuram) (2023)	300
16	Vattavilai (Melpuram) (2024)	500
Total		20,382

Contribution

8. New Bishop's House Building

No	Parish	Amount
1	Chemmankalai (Parakunnu)	10,550
2	Cheruvallloor	25,100
3	Christurajapuram (Nallayanpuram)	10,200
4	Ithayapuram (Viricode)	40,230
5	Kallupalam (Thickurichy)	30,200
6	Karumpilavilai (Thumpali)	7,050
7	Kottarakonam (Cheruvallloor)	2,600
8	Kuzhithurai	22,000
9	Lourdugiri	48,011
10	Lourdugiri (2 nd Payment)	1,400
11	Malamari (Lourdugiri)	12,900
12	Manjalumoodu (Lourdugiri)	8,550
13	Mankarai (Mullanganavilai)	10,000
14	Marthandam	18,465
15	Melpuram	44,880
16	Melpuram (2 nd Payment)	2,600
17	Nalloor (Marthandam)	12,400
18	Nallyanpuram	49,864
19	Nellickavilai (Pacode)	6,500
20	Pacode	49,160
21	Palavilai	71,860
22	Parakonam (Melpuram)	18,000
23	Parakunnu	68,505
24	Perunchilampu (Manalikarai)	15,305
25	Pilavilai (Lourdugiri)	9,200
26	Puliyoorkurichy	30,000
27	Pullani	75,000
28	Pullankuzhy (Pullani)	4,450
29	Puthukkada	16,830
30	Sadayankuzhy (Elavuvilai)	32,850
31	Siluvaipuram	10,000
32	Thickurichy	72,500
33	Thittavilai (Pullani)	6,300
34	Thomayarapuram (Cheruvallloor)	12,660

Contribution

8. New Bishop's House Building

No	Parish	Amount
35	Thuckalay	10,590
36	Thumpali	26,200
37	Udavilai (Thumpali)	18,700
38	Unnamalaikadai (Marthandam)	6,301
39	Vasanthapuram (Pilavilai)	2,000
40	Vattavilai (Melpuram)	21,320
41	Vettuvenni (Shrine)	2,00,000
42	Vizhunthayambalam (2 nd Payment)	1,500
Total		11,42,731

9. Bible Sunday

No	Parish	Amount
1	Elavuvilai	4,994
2	Iruthayapuram (M)	1,300
3	Kaliakkavilai	4,006
4	Karumpilavilai (Thumpali) (2022)	1,101
5	Karumpilavilai (Thumpali) (2024)	1,000
6	Koottamavu (2023)	1,000
7	Koottamavu (2024)	4,200
8	Mankarai (Mullanganavilai)	1,000
9	Marthandam	2,000
10	Pacode	3,500
11	Paruthiaraitthottam (Kalkurichy)	1,250
12	Perunchilampu (Manalikarai)	600
13	Siluvaipuram (2020)	1,500
14	Siluvaipuram (2024)	2,000
15	Vasanthapuram (Pilavilai) (2022)	1,250
16	Vasanthapuram (Pilavilai) (2023)	795
17	Vasanthapuram (Pilavilai) (2024)	620
18	Vattavilai (Melpuram) (2022)	300
19	Vattavilai (Melpuram) (2023)	300
20	Vattavilai (Melpuram) (2024)	500
21	Veppuvilai (Vellayambalam)	2,000
Total		35,216

Contribution

10. Cumulated Mass

No	Parish	Amount
1	Irudayapuram (T)	700
2	Ithayapuram (Viricode)	4,500
3	Kanjiracode	3,500
4	Kappiarai	500
5	Karungal (Thundathuvilai)	11,800
6	Kolvei	3,500
7	Konamkadu	1,000
8	Konamkadu	2,400
9	Madathattuvilai	14,100
10	Madathattuvilai	9,500
11	Manali	7,600
12	Marthandam	1,400
13	Mathiravilai (November, December)	6,000
14	Mulagumoodu	12,700
15	Mullanganavilai	3,300
16	Nattalam (Shrine)	27,600
17	Palliyady	3,400
18	Parakunnu	2,600
19	Parakunnu	1,100
20	Perumankuzhy (Thundathuvilai)	5,600
21	Puthukkadai	500
22	Thickurichy	2,300
23	Thirithuvapuram	2,100
24	Varthanvilai	5,000
25	Vattam	10,300
26	Vencode	9,000
27	Vencode	6,500
28	Veppuvilai (Vellayambalam) (Feast Mass)	8,000
29	Vettuvenni (Shrine)	3,33,300
30	Vettuvilai (Vencode) (December)	900
31	Vettuvilai (Vencode) (November)	2,400
	Total	5,03,100

Contribution

11. Holy Land

No	Parish	Amount
1	Paruthiaraitthottam (Kalkurichy) (2024)	1,343
2	Siluvaipuram (2024)	2,000
3	Vasanthapuram (Pilavilai) (2023)	2,060
	Total	5,403

12. St. Devasahayam Thanksgiving Mass

No	Parish	Amount
1	Vasanthapuram (Pilavilai)	740
	Total	740

13. Shrine (Special Mass)

No	Parish	Amount
1	Chunkankadai	18,000
	Total	18,000

14. Seminary Fund

No	Parish	Amount
1	Auxiliaries of the Lay Apostolate	5,000
2	Fr. Innocent J.	500
3	Kandanvilai (Confirmation)	23,250
4	Kuzhithurai (Confirmation)	11,660
5	Marriage Mass	25,500
6	Mr. Mariadhas & Mrs. Cisily Family, Munchirai	2,000
7	Mr. Vargheese, Fathimapuram	25,000
8	Mulagumoodu	10,000
9	Palliyady	3,000
10	Siluvaipuram (Confirmation)	1,18,483
11	Thundathuvilai (Confirmation)	1,23,790
12	Ved. Baby Kamala	1,000
	Total	3,49,183

15. Cancer Patient Fund

No	Parish	Amount
1	Mulavilai	19,488
2	FSJ Sisters, Amsi	2,500
3	SDS Sisters, Kandanvilai	1,000
4	SSHJ Sisters, Azhagappapuram	5,000
5	Sacred Heart Convent, Pattarivilai	1,000
6	CTC, Amala Province, Thuckalay	15,000
7	Sacred Heart Convent, Mukkalampadu	1,000
8	Sisters of St. Joseph Vaz, Chetticharvilai & Konnakuzhivilai	5,000
9	Sisters of Charity of Anne's, Mandaikadu	3,000
10	Infant Jesus Convent, Mulagumoodu	2,000
11	SHS Convent, Kamplar	500
12	St. Anne's Convent, Trichy	11,000
13	St. Nibert's Convent, Mathiravilai	2,500
14	CRI Sisters	5,000
15	Sisters & Postulants, Chunkankadai	2,500
16	Sacred Heart Sisters, Kolvel	1,000
17	St. Anne's Convent, Kuttaikadu	2,000
18	I.C.M. Sisters, Kulasekharam	1,500
19	Luke Hospital, Thengapattanam	5,000
20	Sisters of St. Anne's, Madathattuvilai & Velliavilai	5,000
21	St. Antony Convent, Mullanganavilai	2,000
22	SDS Sisters, Marthandam	1,000
23	Sacred Heart Jesus, Kappiarai	1,000
24	Nirmala Convent, Karungal	5,000
25	St. Louise Convent, Thundathuvilai	2,000
26	Servants of Mary Convent, Kuzhivilai	5,000
27	Cluny Convent, Unnamalaikadai	5,000
28	Auxillaries of the Lay Apostolate	5,000
29	Vicariate Pastoral Council, Karankadu	5,000
30	Iruthayapuram (T)	5,000
31	Nanjil Catholic College of Arts & Science, Kaliakkavilai	10,000
32	Pallotine Fathers, Pechipparai	15,000
	Total	1,51,988

Activities of the Pastoral Commissions in the Month of December 2024

Catechism

On December 7th, Puthenkadai, December 14th, Mulagumoodu, Thirithuvapuram, and Karenkadu, December 15th, Vencode, and December 23rd, Mathiravilai Vicariates had their Christmas celebrations. These celebrations included entertainment programs for children, felicitation, staged arts, and Christmas events. A total of 123, 177, 177, 230, 106, and 123 members participated, respectively. Puthenkadai Vicariate contributed Rs. 10,000 to a cancer patient, while Karenkadu Vicariate donated Rs. 5,100. On December 14th, Mulagumoodu Vicariate celebrated Christmas at Udhayatharagai, Thuckalay. On December 21st, the Diocesan Christmas celebration was held at Mr. Justin Raj's house in Elanthavilai, where Rs. 12,000 was given to his family. On December 29th, Manali Parish catechism teachers attended a training program on “படைப்பாற்றலுடன் மறைக்கல்வி நடத்தும் முறை” conducted by Mr. Nelson, with 32 teachers participating.

Liturgy

Responsorial Psalms with music were sent to all Liturgy Commission members via WhatsApp. On December 15th, Puthenkadai Vicariate held a Christmas function, presided over by Vicariate Director Rev. Fr. Godwin Soundar Raj, with 220 members participating. On December 9th, the Diocesan Sacristans held a function where the Vicar General, Financial Administrator, Commission Coordinator, and Christian Life Commission Secretary felicitated them. The sacristans contributed Rs. 7,000 to support a poor sacristan's family.

Bible

On December 7th, Mathiravilai Vicariate held a Christmas function, presided over by Vicar Forane Rev. Fr. Florence, with Fr. Andrews delivering the Christmas message to 71 members.

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Children

On December 3rd, Mathiravilai Vicariate organized a seminar on “குழந்தைகளைக் கொண்டாடுவோம்” with Rev. Fr. Brithive Thomas as the resource person. A total of 239 members, including priests, field staff, animators, parents, and children, attended. On December 14th, Mathiravilai Vicariate Director, along with field staff and animators, visited Kuzhicode Annai Ashramam and donated Rs. 28,900 to support disabled individuals.

Youth

On December 1st, Thirithuvapuram Vicariate held an executive meeting. On December 8th, Vencode, Mulagumoodu, and Mathiravilai Vicariates had their meetings, followed by Puthenkadai Vicariate on December 15th. On December 8th and 15th, six vicariates held Christmas celebrations and felicitations, with 88, 35, 30, 25, 68, and 40 members attending, respectively. Thirithuvapuram Vicariate conducted training on "How to Prepare Greetings and Poetry Competition." Mathiravilai Vicariate held a session on “உறக்கத்தை கலைக்க வந்த இயேசு” with Fr. Halvin as the resource person. Fr. Vanish Michael delivered a talk on ‘கிறிஸ்து பிறப்பு இளைஞர்களுக்கு தரும் செய்தி’ at Puthenkadai Vicariate. On December 29th, Thirithuvapuram Vicariate executive members visited 20 families at Mulloorthurai Parish to inquire about their living conditions, with eight executive members participating.

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

On December 28th, a Higher Education training program was held at Pope John Paul II B.Ed College, Mulagumoodu, conducted by resource person Mr. Leo Bright, with 71 members participating. On December 15th, Thirithuvapuram, Mulagumoodu, Karenkadu, and Puthenkadai Vicariates held their Christmas functions along with a general body meeting, with 56, 40, 20, and 45 members attending, respectively. On December 26th, Valanoor, Choozhal, and Manali parishes conducted a joint training program at Valanoor, led by resource persons Mr. Elango and Mr. Renjith, with 77 members attending. They visited 21 groups.

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Joint Activities of Youth & Y.C.S./Y.S.M.

On December 22nd, Youth and Y.C.S. joined the General Body meeting, where Mr. Rose Robin delivered the Christmas message to 27 members. On December 24th, the commission held a meeting, and on December 13th and 28th, teachers' groups and co-directors had their meetings.

Women

On December 14th, Mathiravilai Vicariate held an executive meeting. On December 10th, Puthenkadai, December 14th, Karenkadu, and December 20th, Mulagumoodu Vicariates held their Christmas functions, attended by the Commission Coordinator, Commission Secretary, and Vicariate executive members, with 63, 96, 53, 83, 42, and 48 members participating, respectively.

B.C.C.

On November 28th, Mulagumoodu Vicariate held an executive planning meeting with seven members attending. Plans were made for three years, and on December 5th, an executive members' meeting was held. On December 7th, Mulagumoodu, December 21st, Mathiravilai, December 22nd, Puthenkadai, and Karenkadu Vicariates held general body meetings and Christmas functions, attended by Vicar Foranes, Vicariate Directors, the Diocesan Director, Commission Coordinator, and field staff. A total of 123, 52, 88, and 58 members participated. Mulagumoodu Vicariate cut a Christmas cake and distributed prizes. Mathiravilai Vicariate donated Rs. 30,333 to six members, each receiving Rs. 5,000. Puthenkadai Vicariate contributed Rs. 10,000 towards Ezhvom Iyakkam. Karenkadu Vicariate provided Rs. 1,000 each to 20 poor individuals, totaling Rs. 20,000. Field staff visited 183 families, B.C.C. 65, coordinations 27, and executive members 199, and also visited 15 sick individuals. A total of Rs. 5,64,190 was spent on education, elderly care, marriage assistance, and medical help.

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Dalit

On December 13th, the Diocesan executive meeting and Christmas function were held with 15 members participating. On December 10th, Puthenkadai and Mathiravilai, December 14th, Mulagumoodu, December 15th, Karenkadu, December 20th, Vencode, and December 21st, Thirithuvapuram Vicariates held their general body meetings and Christmas functions, with 7, 15, 28, 18, 15, and 22 members participating, respectively.

Evangelization

On December 18th and 19th, a Charismatic Prayer session was held at Mallenvilai, St. Xavier's Church. Prayer meetings were held at various parishes on different Fridays, and St. Jude's Church, Swamiarmadam, conducted an intercession prayer session on the fourth Saturday. A total of 148 houses and 20 hospitals were visited.

Labour

On December 1st, Karenkadu Vicariate and on December 8th, the diocesan level, Christmas functions were held. Karenkadu Vicariate organized a sports competition and awarded Rs. 500 each to 15 groups, totaling Rs. 7,500. The diocesan level provided Rs. 500 worth of groceries to 12 poor workers.

Social Communication

Various Christmas Masses and events were recorded and telecasted on Madha TV. Special programs, homilies, and daily prayers were sent via WhatsApp and Thenaruvi Media.

Laity

On December 6th, 13th, 20th, and 27th, executive meetings were held. Elections were conducted in four parishes for the B.C.C. and Pious Association, and three places held parish council elections. On December 7th, Christmas celebrations were presided over by Most Rev. Albert G. A. Anastas, with the Vicar General and Commission Coordinator also attending.

- Fr. N. Martin,

Coordinator of the Pastoral Commissions.

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

Activities of KIDSS Units

KIDSS CHDP

1. Union level meetings were conducted in all 4 unions at Killiyur, Kurunthencode, Thuckalay and Melpuram during this month and spoke about natural medicines.
2. Executive meeting was conducted on 2nd December at Chunkankadai.
3. Staff capacity building training was conducted on 05th December. Dr. Angelin Asha took class on Constipation.
4. Naturopathy health camp was conducted at Kunnichanvilai on 21st December. De. Angelin Asha gave session on organic food.
5. General body meeting cum Christmas celebration was held on 18th December. Dr. Fr. M.C. Rajamony gave orientation about 'Our duty to protect the natural resources of Kumari'.
6. CHDP staff had their Christmas celebration on 23rd December at Chunkankadai.
7. Fr. James Tombeur Naturopathy Clinic provided consultation facilities at Chunkankadai and Vettuvanni shrine for the devotees during this month and 62 people consulted the doctors and took medicines.
8. In December 2024, 77 patients received treatment from Fr. James Tombeur Naturopathy Clinic.

KIDSS SHG

1. Field staff created awareness to 20 groups about sharing of resources with poor as sign of celebrating Christmas.
2. Christmas was celebrated at block level in all 6 blocks with their group members and Project Director gave the Christmas message.

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Charity by SHG groups during Christmas season

1. Naloorkonam group helped 15 poor people with 10 kg rice, a cake, grocery items and vegetables.
2. Arumanai group helped 3 poor people with 5 kg rice and vegetables.
3. Karumpilavilai group helped 20 persons with 10kg rice, a cake and vegetables.
4. Puthenchanthai group gave Rs. 2000/- to a poor person and Pechiparai group Rs. 1000/-

KIDSS WSCP

1. District executive meeting was conducted on 14th December and had their Christmas celebration. Project Director gave Christmas message.
2. Vicariate meetings were conducted in all 6 vicariates in this month and had Christmas celebration and Project Director gave Christmas message.
3. Mulagumoodu executive distributed neem saplings to 8 members and Puthenkadai executive to 15 members in view of preserving the environment.
4. Vencode executive mobilized Rs. 5550/- for the higher education scheme.
5. 45 widows registered for widows and destitute welfare board with the initiative of the staff.

Charity

1. Thuckalay Sangam member Mrs. Amala supported 5 widows with 5 kg rice.
2. Chemparuthivilai Sangam members Mrs. Kala helped two widows with 4 chickens each and she also gave 5 Sarees to five widows.
3. Trithuvapuram executive treasurer Mrs. Jeya Bai helped 5 children with Rs 2000/- each for their education and she also gave 26 bedsheets and 26 cakes to 26 widows.

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4. Karankadu executive member Miss. Lilly Bai supported one widow's family with 10 kg rice, vegetables, saree and Rs. 2000/- to celebrate Christmas.

KIDSS RMP

1. District executive committee had their Christmas celebration on 21st December at RMP Building. PD gave Christmas message and KIDSS treasurer gave felicitation address.
2. Six Sangam completed their Manadu during this month and they had an input session on Climate change and its Response'
3. Staff created awareness to 12 Sangams on tree plantation, climate change and protection of nature.
4. Zone level meetings were conducted with Christmas celebration as stated below.

Zone	Date	Topic	Participants
Karungal	Dec 14	Agriculture land in the hands	92
Mulavilai	Dec 14	of corporate companies	65
Thirithuvapuram	Dec 07	Caring the Elderly people	107
Thuckalay	Dec 07	Caring the Elderly people	86

KIDSS Kolping

1. Kolping district executive committee conducted their Christmas celebration on 19th December at Kolping building. Msgr. Xavier Benedict gave Christmas message. Executive Director and Treasurer gave felicitation address.
2. Coordination of tribal Kolping families were organised on 22nd December at Vekkalimoodu.

Charity:

- * Two Kolping families helped 2 patients with Rs. 2000/-, and 1 patient was supported with materials worth of Rs. 2000/-
- * Three Kolping families supported 3 cancer patients with Rs. 4600/-

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- * Four Kolping families helped 45 poor people with materials worth of Rs. 23,500/-
- * One Kolping Family helped two students with Rs. 5000/-
- * Two Kolping families helped 4 widows with material support value of Rs.3,500/- and one Kolping family gave Rs. 1500 to 1 person and another Kolping to 2 widows Rs. 3,500/- each.
- * One Kolping family helped 2 disabled children with material support worth of Rs. 8000/- and another Kolping family helped two aged people with Rs. 2000/-

KIDSS BFDP

1. District executive meeting cum Christmas celebration was held on Dec 23rd 2024.
2. Manalikai Zonal meeting was conducted on Dec 17th 2024 at Manalikai RC school campus.
3. Kulasekharam Zonal meeting was held on Dec 19th 2024 at Kallaravilai. Mr. Devadhas gave an input about 'Unity' for the development of the group.
4. Vattam zonal meeting was conducted at Keelakalkuruchy. They discussed about planting of tissue banana cultivation for high yielding.
5. Karungal Zone conducted their Manadu on Dec 1st 2024 at Thumpali. They supported 16 children with Rs.8000/- for their education.
6. Melpuram Zone conducted their Manadu on Dec 8th 2024 at Chemankalai. Prof. Felix gave special note address about roles and responsibilities of children and parents. 8 patients were supported with Rs. 12000/- for their treatment. Nine children were helped with Rs. 4500/-

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Charity:

1. Puthuvilai group visited disabled children's residential home near Maruthancode and they provide food items value of 18500/-

Activity of VIDSeS

Mulagumoodu (MuVIDS)

MuVIDS conducted their general body meeting cum Christmas celebration on 14th December at Manali, Thuckalay. Sr. Margaret shared about special 4 projects of KIDSS. Diocesan Chancellor Rev.Fr. Anthoymuthu gave Christmas message. VF Fr. David Michael, ED Fr. Martin M, PD Mr. Eliyasu and Fr. Robert gave felicitation Address.

Welfare assistance by 30 BIDSeS summarised here below:

S. No	Welfare assistance	Amount	No of Beneficiary
1	Medical help	182000	25
2	Marriage help	30000	03
3	Education help	226000	23
4	House Maintenance	50000	05
5	Assistance to Senior citizens	115500	73
6	Help to the poor	37500	39
Total		641000	168

Karankadu (KVIDS)

KVIDS organized their general body meeting cum Christmas function on 15th December at Arockiapuram. Sr. Michealammal SDS, KIDSS PO shared about 4 special projects of KIDSS. Diocesan Financial Administrator Rev. Fr. Jeyakumar delivered Christmas message. Executive Director Fr. Marin M, Project Director Fr. Maria Soosai and Parish Priest Fr. Benny gave felicitation address.

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Welfare assistance of 29 BIDSes summarised here below:

S.No	Welfare assistance	Amount	No of Beneficiary
1	Medical help	196500	24
2	Marriage help	10000	01
3	Education help	145500	18
4	House Maintenance	30500	04
5	Assistance to Senior citizens	109400	64
6	Help to the poor	38000	14
7	Burial support	10000	01
8	Toilet maintenance	30000	04
Total		569900	130

Mathiravilai (MaVIDS):

MaVIDS's general body cum Christmas programme was conducted on 21st December at Karungal. Sr. Margaret spoke about KIDSS 4 special projects. Commission Coordinator Rev.Fr. Martin N gave Christmas message. VF. Rev.Fr. Flarence and Project Director Fr. Shijin gave felicitation.

Welfare assistance by 15 BIDSes summarised here below:

S.No	Welfare assistance	Amount	No of Beneficiary
1	Medical help	113500	16
2	Marriage help	7500	01
3	Education help	135560	29
4	House Maintenance	42500	05
5	Assistance to Senior citizens	7500	01
6	Help to the poor	124145	85
Total		430705	137

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Puthenkadai (PVIDS)

PVIDS conducted their general body meeting cum Christmas celebration on 15th December at Kulasekharam. Sr. Margaret spoke about KIDSS 4 special projects. VF Rev. Maria Martin gave inaugural speech. VG. Msgr. Xavier Benedict gave Christmas message. ED Fr. Martin M, VSCS MD Fr. Sahayadhas and Mr. Luis gave felicitation address.

Welfare assistance by 21 BIDSes summarised here below:

S.No	Welfare assistance	Amount	No of Beneficiary
1	Medical help	265500	27
2	IGP support (Goat)	5000	01
3	Education help	67000	20
4	House Maintenance	469818	02
5	Assistance to Senior citizens	85500	89
6	Help to the poor	13500	08
Total		906318	147

Thirithuvapuram (TVIDS)

TVIDS organised their general body meeting cum Christmas celebration on 8th December at St. Joseph's School Trithuvapuram. VG Msgr Xavier Benedict gave Christmas message. VSCS MD Fr. Sahayadhas, Mr. Ezhil Xavier and Mr. Varghese and PD Fr. Ajin gave felicitation address. Sr. Michealammal SDS, KIDSS PO spoke about KIDSS special projects.

Welfare assistance by 20 BIDSes summarised here below:

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S.No	Welfare assistance	Amount	No of Beneficiary
1	Medical help	119500	28
2	Marriage assistance	90000	12
3	Education help	116200	17
4	House Maintenance	55000	03
5	Assistance to Senior citizens	23500	28
6	Help to the poor	5000	01
7	Old age home	5000	01
Total		414200	90

Vencode (VVIDS)

1. VVIDS executive meeting was conducted on 7th December at VF office, Puthukadai
2. Christmas celebration cum general body meeting was held on 8th December at Puthukadai. VF. Rev Fr. Manokiam Xavier, VSCS MD Fr. Sahayadhas and Mr.Ezhil Xavier gave felicitation address. Rev.Fr. Martin N, Commission Coordinator gave Christmas message.
3. Welfare assistance by 23 BIDSes :

S.No	Welfare assistance	Amount	No of Beneficiary
1	Medical help	162000	25
2	Marriage assistance	116600	05
3	Education help	227500	44
4	House Maintenance	108000	01
5	Assistance to Senior citizens	27000	42
6	Help to the poor	28500	18
7	IGP (Goat)	10000	02
Total		679600	137

KIDSS Special projects

I. Community Disability Management and Rehabilitation Project

1. Twenty-eight new disabled persons were identified during this month.
2. Four children are continuing their physiotherapy treatment with the support of the project.
3. Chetticharvilai disabled person's group celebrated their Christmas on 22nd December with 30 members. Fr. Antony Baskar, the parish priest gifted them 20 bedsheets for male and 10 sarees for female persons.

Successful referral for welfare schemes:

- * 3 persons received Unique Disability Identity Card (UDID)
- * 6 persons got free bus & train pass
- * 5 persons received wheel chair and one person walking stick
- * 3 persons got business certificate for applying for IGP loan
- * 2 Families upgraded their NPHH card to PHH

Submitted Application:

- * 4 persons applied for new privilege card and 2 persons for monthly disabled pension
- * 4 Persons applied for wheel bike and One person for caliper

II. Counselling Services

Eight clients received Psychosocial support during this month through counselling centres.

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

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1. Activities conducted during this month are given below :

S. No	Date	Type of program	Place	Participants
1	01.12.2024	Gate keeping Mechanism for Parish Council	Yettacode	13
2			<u>Chentharai</u>	21
3	05.12.2024	Follow up meeting with BIDS	Pattarivilai	13
4	08.12.2024	Gate keeping Mechanism to BCC coordination	Pottety	28
5	15.12.2024	Gate keeping Mechanism for BIDS	Sebasthiyarpuram	17
6			Alenvilai	13
7	22.12.2024	Follow up meeting with BIDS	Kappiyarai	11
8	27.12.2024	Value Education for girl children	<u>Thundathuvilai</u>	21
9	30.12.2024		<u>Kuzhithurai</u>	31

1. Kanjiracode youth group redirected their fund to family-based care in December rather than child Care Institutions (CCIs). They helped 40 children with educational materials with value of Rs. 49100/- and celebrated Christmas on 22nd December at Karungal with children and their care givers.

Referral and linkagesfor the vulnerable children and families:

- ü Twofamilies applied and got health ID card under AB PM-JAY ID
- ü Two persons applied and got legal entity (death and heir certificates)
- ü Two children applied under Mission Vatsalya Scheme
- ü Two women applied for IGP loan and one person applied for destitute widow certificate

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- ü 13 children were supported with new dress materials with the support of local donors' value of Rs. 12100/-
- ü 11 single headed families applied and received financial support from Hope trust Rs. 8000/- each.
- ü Two families were supported financially with Rs. 1700/-
- ü Seventeen individual's received psychological support through the help of counsellors and staff team.

I. KIDSS Ezhuvom Iyakkam (Cancer Care Campaign)

1. Trithuvapuram Vicariate volunteers conducted their monthly meeting on 1st December at Vettuvenni.
2. Ezhuvom Iyakkam (Cancer Care Campaign) celebrated Christmas with Cancer patients on 14th December at Annai Ada with 155 cancer patients / care givers and 45 volunteers. Executive Director Fr. Martin M gave key note address. Dr. Jeena, Oncologist gave talk on cancer and how to care the cancer patients. Most Rev. Bishop Albert G.A. Anasthas felicitated and gave them nutritious food kit. Mrs. Florence, retired teacher - (PWLE) inspired the other patients to get self-confidence.
3. Cancer awareness and health camp was conducted at Kadaiyalumoodu parish on 15th December with the support of St. Xavier's Multispeciality hospital medical team. Visited 5 cancer patient's house by the volunteers on this day.
4. Most Rev. Bishop Albert G.A Anasthas helped 44 cancer patients with financial assistance Rs. 5, 95,000/- referred by Ezhuvom Iyakkam on 24th December at Bishop's House, Unnamalaikadai.

II. Children Parliament (CP)

1. Nallayanpuram, Kandamvilai and Kappucadu Children Parliaments were visited during this month and KIDSS point person created awareness on time management.
2. Konamcadu CP visited Pilankalai disabled home and supported the inmate with materials worth of Rs. 5000/- on 15th December.

KIDSS Activities:

KIDSS celebrated Christmas on 16th December at youth commission office, Trithuvapuram. In the morning staff had their get together with different games. In the afternoon Christmas was celebrated with Executive members and different contributors to the better functioning of KIDSS. VG Msgr. Xavier Benedict presided over the meeting. Most Rev. Bishop Albert G. A. Anasthas gave Christmas message. Fr. Martin. M, Executive Director welcomed every one. There was a short video presentation of one-year major activities of KIDSS. We cut cake and shared with happiness. Fr. Ajin, Treasurer expressed vote of thanks.

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

Condolences!

VOK condoles the death of Fr. A. Wilfred Felix, who passed away on January 07, 2025! .

May the soul of Fr. A. Wilfred Felix rest in peace!

DIOCESAN CHRONICLES: DECEMBER 2024

- December 01 :** The Bishop made a contact visit to Kalkurichi parish, blessed a grotto and celebrated a Confirmation Mass at 9 AM. On the same day, he also attended the diocesan-level Christmas Day celebration organized by the Catholic Seva Sangam at 03.30 PM.
- December 02 :** The Bishop visited the old age home at Pilankalai and celebrated Christmas with the residents at 4 PM.
- December 04 :** The Bishop attended the Christmas Day celebration of Nanjil Milk Plant Agents at Kalluvillai at 10 AM. On the same day, he hoisted the flag and celebrated the Feast Mass at Lucia Church, Puthur.
- December 05 :** The Bishop celebrated a Marriage Mass at Saral.
- December 06 :** The Bishop blessed a Kurusady and celebrated Mass at Chetticharvilai at 6 PM.
- December 07 :** The Bishop celebrated the Feast Mass at Nirmala Sisters' Convent, Karangal, at 11 AM. On the same day, he attended the board meeting of B.Ed College at 3 PM, later he attended the Christmas Day celebration of the Laity Commission at Annai Ada Centre at 4 PM.
- December 08 :** The Bishop celebrated Mass for the Catholic doctors at St. Xavier's Nursing College, Chunkankadai 4 PM.
- December 09 :** The Bishop attended the Episcopal Ordination of Most Rev. Ambrose Pitchaimuthu for the Diocese of Vellore at 4 PM.
- December 11 :** The Bishop attended the Nightingale Function at St. Xavier's Nursing College, Chunkankadai, at 11 AM. On the same day, he also attended the Christmas Day celebration of the Nanjil Milk Plant staff at 05:30 PM.

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- December 12 :** The Bishop celebrated a Marriage Mass at Elavuvilai at 10:30 AM. Later that day, he celebrated the Memorial Mass for the mother of Fr. Antony William at Mallanvilai at 4:30 PM.
- December 13 :** The Bishop celebrated the Feast Mass at Irayumanthurai at 10 AM. On the same day, he attended the board meeting of St. Xavier's Nursing College at 3:30 PM. Later, he attended the Christmas Day celebration of Morning Star Polytechnic College at 5.30 PM.
- December 14 :** The Bishop attended the Christmas celebration of the United Christian Council, Neyyoor Zonal at Cancer center Neyyoor, at 7:30 AM with cancer patients. Later that day, he attended the Christmas celebration of VSCS Bank. On the same day, he attended the Christmas celebration of Yezhuvom Iyakkam with cancer patients at 3 PM.
- December 15 :** The Bishop made a contact visit to Kandavillai Parish and celebrated the Confirmation Mass at 8:30 AM. On the same day, Bishop visited Children's home at Pattarivilai and celebrated Christmas function with the children. Later that day, he attended the Christmas celebration of the Vencode Vicariate Pastoral Council at Muncharai at 4 PM.
- December 16 :** The Bishop attended the Christmas celebration of KIDSS at Thirithuvapuram at 3 PM.
- December 17 :** Monthly recollection and general body meeting were held at Annai Ada Centre. On the same day, in the evening at 4 PM, the Bishop attended the board meeting of St. Xavier's Engineering College, Chunkankadai, followed by the Christmas celebration.

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December 18 : The Bishop attended the board meeting of the Mulagumoodu Vicariate Bank at 3 PM.

December 20 : The Bishop attended the Christmas celebration of Kids Bank at Pudhukadai at 11 AM. In the evening, at 6 PM, he hoisted the flag, made a pastoral visit, and celebrated the Feast Mass at Elandavizhai.

December 21 : The Bishop celebrated Mass and Christmas with the retired priests at Natalam, at 7 AM. Later that day, he also celebrated the Christmas function with the prisoners at Kuzhhithurai Prison. On the same day, the Bishop attended the Finance Committee meeting at 3 PM, and later, at 5 PM, he attended the Board meeting and the Christmas function of Corporate Management.

December 22 : The Bishop attended the Golden Jubilee Mass of Rev. Fr. Peter at 5 PM.

December 23 : The Bishop made a contact visit and celebrated Feast Mass at Mulavilai at 6 PM.

December 24 : The Bishop celebrated Christmas with 50 cancer patients, their family members, volunteers and the members of Ezhuvom Iyakkam, one of the wings of KIDSS at Bishop's House premises at 9.30 AM. Later that day, he celebrated Christmas with the staff of the Bishop's House and their families at the same venue at 11.30 AM. That night, at 11 PM, the Bishop celebrated the Christmas Mass at the cathedral.

December 26 : The Bishop made contact visit and celebrated confirmation Mass at Thundathuvilai at 4.30 PM.

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December 27 : The Bishop made contact visit, hoisted the flag and celebrated confirmation Mass at Siluvaipuram at 5.30 PM.

December 28 : The Bishop met with religious communities serving in the diocese from 9 AM to 1 PM. On the same day evening, at 6.30 PM, he celebrated Feast Mass at Xavierpuram, the substation of Mylancode.

December 29 : The Bishop inaugurated the Jubilee Year 2025 with a Mass at the cathedral at 4 PM.

December 30 : The Bishop celebrated a marriage Mass at Puliyoorkurichi at 10 AM. Later that day, at 4 PM, he met the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu, Thiru. M.K. Stalin, in Kanyakumari to discuss school-related issues. Following this, at 6 PM, the Bishop blessed the newly built church at Puthukodu, a substation of Vavarai.

December 31 : The Bishop celebrated the Midnight New Year Mass at the cathedral at 11 PM.

DAYS TO REMEMBER IN FEBRUARY 2025

DEATH DAYS

- 01 : Fr. Rayappan I. (1976)
- 01 : Fr. Norbert E. Alexander (2012)
- 08 : Fr. Gnanapragasam M. (2009)
- 13 : Fr. Lawrence Fernandez (1937)
- 21 : Fr. Rosario Narchison J. (2012)
- 27 : Fr. Josephat Maria P. (2001)

DAYS TO REMEMBER IN FEBRUARY 2025

BIRTHDAYS

- 02 : Fr. Benjamin D. (1968)
- 06 : Fr. Rayappan OCD (1979)
- 07 : Fr. Sunil K. (1989)
- 08 : Fr. Antony William F. (1966)
- 10 : Fr. Robert V. (1945)
- 10 : Fr. Aloysius L. (1990)
- 11 : Fr. Antony Xavier I. (1960)
- 15 : Fr. Jokens A. (1979)
- 16 : Fr. Suresh Kumar P. (1977)
- 16 : Fr. Joseph Stalin R. (1990)
- 17 : Fr. Justin Christuraj OMD (1983)
- 18 : Fr. Geo Giltus G. (1974)
- 20 : Fr. Jeya Prakash S. (1969)
- 21 : Fr. Xavier Bruce R. (1957)
- 21 : Fr. Siluvai Edwin SAC (1974)
- 22 : Fr. Raphael V. (1952)
- 27 : Fr. Sujin D. (1986)

PRIESTLY ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY

- 04 : Fr. Jesu Marian A. (1975)

EPISCOPAL ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY

- 22 : Most Rev. Albert G. A. Anasthas (2024)
- 24 : Most Rev. V. Jeromedhas (2015)

Diocesan Events



Diocesan level BCC Conference



Mulagumoodu

Karenkadu

Vicariates Catechism Conference



Bro. Christudhas ceremoniously transfers ownership of the “இயேசுவை காண்போம்” property to our esteemed Bishop.



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