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Heartfelt Condolences for Our Beloved Pope Francis



No words can truly express the depth of our sorrow at the passing of our Holy Father, Pope Francis. Lord, we thank you for blessing our generation with such a compassionate and courageous shepherd of Your Church.

Pope Francis dedicated his life to serving the poor, the marginalized, migrants, and the imprisoned. Through his humility and boundless mercy, he reflected the face of Jesus, the Good Shepherd.

We are committed to continuing his legacy of love, mercy, humanity, and unwavering support for those on the fringes of society through our ministry.

May his gentle soul rest in eternal peace in the paradise of the Lord.

Diocesan Events



College Day, Annai Veilankanni College, Tholayavattam



Graduation Day, Nanjil Catholic College of Arts and Science, Kaliakkavilai



Bishop celebrated Mass for the Auxiliaries of the Apostolate



The Bishop gave a Lenten Retreat talk to the Laity Commission



Palm Sunday Mass, The Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity, Thirithuvapuram





VOICE OF THE SHEPHERD

Pope Francis: A Reflection of God's Mercy

Dear Fathers, Sisters, and All My Beloved People,

It is with a heart both sorrowful and grateful that I write to you in this month's diocesan newsletter. On Easter Monday, April 21, 2025, our beloved Holy Father, Pope Francis, entered his eternal rest. His passing is a moment of great sadness for the Universal Church, but it is also a time of deep thanksgiving for the life and mission of this extraordinary shepherd who led the Church with humility, compassion, and courage.

From the very beginning of his pontificate in 2013, Pope Francis showed us what it means to be a Church that walks with the poor and the suffering. He often reminded us that the Church must be like a "field hospital" for the wounded, offering healing and hope. His own life was a reflection of that message. He ate meals with the homeless, embraced the sick, visited war-torn regions, and stood in solidarity with the forgotten and the abandoned. Notably, he chose to celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper in prisons, washing the feet of inmates, including women and individuals of various faiths, embodying Christ's message of love and service. His compassion was never superficial; it deeply shaped the priorities of the Vatican and the global Church. He visited the island of Lampedusa in 2013 to mourn the migrants who had drowned at sea and used the occasion to call for a more humane and just response to the global migration crisis. He did not merely speak about the poor. He lived in a way that consistently put them at the center of the Church's mission.

But Pope Francis was more than a pastor to the poor. He was also a revolutionary leader who courageously led the Church through times of transformation. He spoke strongly against clericalism and brought a renewed focus on the dignity and role of the laity, especially women, in the life of the Church. He opened up Vatican structures to greater transparency and gave leadership roles to religious sisters and laypeople in ways never seen before. He encouraged a synodal Church, one that listens, walks together, and discerns God's will as a community. With great pride, I say that Pope Francis was a revolutionary Pope who challenged and reshaped many long-standing systems within the Church. He dismantled internal power centers and emphasized that true authority in the Church must be rooted in service, not in status. His simplicity and humility, even while holding one of the most powerful offices in the world, were remarkable.

Pope Francis was also a voice of peace for our troubled world. He tirelessly worked to promote dialogue and reconciliation between nations and peoples. He played a pivotal role in the re-establishment of diplomatic ties between the United States and Cuba and continually urged for peace in conflict zones like the Middle East and Ukraine. In 2019, he made a poignant plea for peace in South Sudan, kneeling and kissing the feet of the nation's leaders, urging them to preserve their fragile peace. It was a stunning act of humility and conviction that revealed the depth of his commitment to peace-building.

He was deeply passionate about care for God's creation. His groundbreaking encyclical *Laudato Si'* became a global call to

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ecological responsibility, reminding us that the earth is our common home, a sacred gift from God, and that caring for it is a moral and spiritual duty. His message resonated not only within the Church but also among global environmental leaders, scientists, and activists, including those outside the Christian faith.

As we reflect on his life and mission, we thank God for the tremendous gift of Pope Francis in our time. His leadership, rooted in mercy, simplicity, and courage, has left a profound impact on the Church and the world. May we be inspired by his legacy to live our faith with authenticity, to serve the poor with compassion, and to work tirelessly for peace and justice in our communities.

With great joy, I also take this opportunity to announce the priestly ordination of two of our deacons. The ordination will take place on **Sunday, May 4, 2025, at 4:30 p.m.** at the **Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity, Thirithuvapuram**. I warmly invite all our priests, religious, and lay faithful to attend this grace-filled celebration. Let us support our new priests with our prayers and continue to pray earnestly for more vocations in our diocese.

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

PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY 2025

For working conditions

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanized.

Engagements of the Bishop: May 2025

Date	Event	Place	Time
01	Marriage Mass	Konam	10.00 am
	Board meeting at Annai Ada	Azhagamandapam	03.00 pm
02	Blessing of Pastoral Centre	Unnamalaikadai	09.00 am
	Marriage Mass	Koottamavu	10.00 am
	Contact Visit & Feast Mass	Mankuzhy	05.30 pm
03	Meeting the Deacons	Bishop's House	04.00 pm
04	Priestly Ordination	Thirithuvapuram	04.30 pm
06	Curia	Bishop's House	09.30 am
07	Feast Mass	Thickurichy	06.30 pm
09	Feast Mass	Kattuvilai	06.30 pm
10	Confirmation Mass	Kappukadu	09.30 am
	Inauguration of the new Commission for Psychological well being	Unnamalaikadai	04.30 pm
11	Confirmation Mass	Pacode	09.00 am
	Feast Mass	Alankulam	06.30 pm
12	Meeting Seminarians with their Parents	Chunkankadai	10.00 am
13	Curia	Bishop's House	09.30 am
	Contact Visit & Confirmation Mass	Kallukootam	05.00 pm
14	Selection of Seminarians	Chunkankadai	09.00 am
15	Feast Mass	Nattalam	06.00 pm
16	Meeting the Major Seminarians	Bishop's House	09.00 am
	Contact Visit & Feast Mass	Pilavilai	05.30 pm
17	Meeting the Major Seminarians	Bishop's House	09.00 am
	RMP District Level conference	Kalluvilai	11.00 am
	Finance Committee meeting	Bishop's House	03.00 pm
18	Contact Visit & Confirmation Mass	Maruthancode	09.00 am

Engagements of the Bishop: May 2025

Date	Event	Place	Time
18	Labor Day Program	Mulagumoodu	04.00 pm
19	Marriage Mass	Kallupallam	10.00 am
	Confirmation Mass	Kallaravilai	06.00 pm
20	Curia	Bishop's House	09.30 am
	Confirmation mass	Chetticharvilai	05.30 pm
21	Graduation day at Pope John Paul II College of Education	Mulagumoodu	10.00 am
	Confirmation mass	Pullani	05.00 pm
22	Confirmation Mass	Eanchacode	05.30 pm
23	Church Blessing	Palavilai	05.00 pm
24	Dalit Monitoring Committee Meeting	Unnamalaikadai	05.00 pm
25	Contact Visit & Confirmation Mass	Kolvel	09.00 am
26	Confirmation Mass	Kulasekharam	05.00 pm
27	Consult	Bishop's House	09.30 am
	Feast Mass – St. Antony's	Appattuvilai	06.30pm
28	Marriage Mass	Sahayanagar	09.00 am
29	TNBCLC	Tindivanam	
31	Achiever's Day at Annai Ada	Azhagamandapam	02.00 pm
	Contact Visit & Feast mass	Kozhiporvilai	06.00 pm

ATTENTION PLEASE!

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

1. Labour Day - May 01, 2025

- Fr. G. Jayakumar, Financial Administrator.



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பசி, பிணி ஒழிப்பு ஞாயிறு

அன்பான அருள்பணியாளர்களே, அருள்சகோதரிகளே, இறைமக்களே!

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

யூபிலி ஆண்டின் தவக்கால தயாரிப்புகளிலும் அருள்வாழ்வு புதுப்பித்தலிலும் ஈடுபடும் உங்களை பசி-பிணி ஞாயிறை சிறப்பிக்க அன்புடன் அழைக்கிறேன். இவ்வாண்டு பசி பிணி ஞாயிறை “எதிர்நோக்கின் திருப்பயணம் : பகிர்ந்து பணிபுரிய” என்ற மையசிந்தனையில் சிந்திக்க திருஅவை நமக்கு அழைப்பு விடுக்கிறது. “பசித்தோர்க்கு உங்கள் உணவை பகிர்ந்து கொடுப்பதும் தங்க இடமில்லா வறியோரை உங்கள் இல்லத்திற்கு அழைத்து வருவதும், உடையற்றோரைக் காணும்போது அவர்களுக்கு உடுக்கக் கொடுப்பதும் அன்றோ நான் விரும்பும் நோன்பு (எசாயா: 58:7) என்கிறார் ஆண்டவர். எனவே நமது தவமுயற்சிகள் பிறரன்பு செயல்களிலும் பகிர்ந்து வாழ்வதிலும் தான் முழுபலனை காண முடியும்.

ஆனால் இன்றைய அதிநவீன உலகின் முதலாளித்துவ மற்றும் ஆதிக்கச் சிந்தனைகளால், மாற்றுத்திறனாளிகள், வறுமைப்பட்டோர், போட்டியிட முடியாதவர், நோயுற்றோர், புலம்பெயர்ந்தோர், இன, பாலின அடையாளம் மற்றும் அறிவு சார்ந்த குறைபாடுள்ளவர்கள் போதைக்கு அடிமையானவர்கள் முதியோர் மற்றும் தனிமையில் இருப்போர் என ஒரு தரப்பினர் இவ்வுலகில் வாழவே தகுதியில்லாதவர்களாக கருதப்படுகின்றனர். துன்பங்கள், ஏமாற்றங்கள், இடம்பெயருதல் இன்று அதிகரித்து வருகிறது. சில மனிதாபிமானமற்ற மனிதர்களால் வளர்க்கப்படும் வெறுப்புணர்வுகளாலும் கலவரங்களாலும் போர்களாலும் பெரும்பாலான எளிய மக்கள் மனிதநேயமற்றச் சூழலுக்குத் தள்ளப்படுகின்றனர். வறுமை, பசி, சாதிய மற்றும் பொருளாதார ஏற்றத்தாழ்வுகள், உடல் மற்றும் மன ஊனங்கள்,

போதைகளுக்கு அடிமையாதல் போன்ற சமூக பாகுபாடுகள் மனிதனுக்கு வாழ்க்கை மற்றும் எதிர்காலம் பற்றிய நம்பிக்கை அற்ற சூழலை உருவாக்குகிறது. நிறைந்த செல்வம் உடையோர் குறைந்த வரி செலுத்துவதும் குறைந்த செல்வம் ஈட்டுவோர் அதிக வரி செலுத்தக் கட்டாயப்படுத்தப்படுவதும் இன்று தலைதூக்கி உள்ள பொருளாதார வன்முறையாகும். யார் ஏழை என்ற கேள்வி எழுப்பி ஏழைகளுக்கான நிலைபாட்டையும் முன்னுரிமைகளையும் முன்னெடுப்புகளையும் புறந்தள்ளும் நிலையும் இன்று வளர்ந்து வருகிறது.

இச்சூழலில் “எதிர்நோக்கின் திருப்பயணம் : பகிர்ந்து பணிபுரிய” என்ற அழைப்பு, பிறரன்பு செயல்புரிய நம்மை தூண்டுகிறது. “நமக்கு கொடுக்கப்பட்டுள்ள நம்பிக்கையின் கூரை ஏற்றி, திறந்த உள்ளத்துடன், நம்பிக்கைக்கான இதயம் மற்றும் தொலைநோக்கு சிந்தனையுடன் எதிர்காலத்தைக் கண்முன் கொண்டு, புதிய வலிமையையும் உறுதியினையும் பெற அனைவரும் உதவ வேண்டும்” என்கிறார் திருத்தந்தை பிரான்சிஸ். எனவே புதிய வலிமையும் உறுதியும் பெற நாம் பகிர்ந்து பணிபுரிய வேண்டும். பகிர்வு என்பது கடவுளின் உண்மை அன்பை பிரதிபலிப்பதாகும். நமது சுயஇலாபத்தையோ புகழையோ முன்னிறுத்தாமல் உண்மையான அக்கறையால் பிறரன்பு செயல்களால் கடவுளின் அன்பை அறிய செய்வது ஆகும். அன்பர் இயேசு சிலுவையிலே தன்னையே பலியாக தந்து தன்னை பகிர்ந்து அளித்து கடவுளின் அன்பை நமக்கு கற்றுக் கொடுத்தது போல் பகிர்வின் வழி இறையன்பைப் பரப்ப அழைப்பு பெறுகிறோம். மேலும் ஆயனில்லா ஆடுகளாய் இருந்த எண்ணற்ற மக்களுக்கு பரிவினால் பணிசெய்த இயேசுவின் இரக்கமுள்ள இதயத்தை பிரதிபலிக்கும் மனிதர்களாக உருவாக திருஅவை நமக்குத் தருகின்ற வாய்ப்புதான் இப்பகிர்வின் அழைப்பு ஆகும். இவ்வாறு நாம் பகிர்ந்து பணிபுரிய ஆறு முன்னெடுப்புகளை பரிந்துரைக்கிறேன்.

1. **அடுத்திருப்பவரை அறிந்து கொள்ளுதல்:** நம் பங்கில் இருக்கின்ற நோயாளிகள், மாற்றுத் திறனாளிகள், கைவிடப்பட்டோர், விளிம்புநிலையிலுள்ளோர், ஓரங்கட்டப்பட்டோர், வறுமையில் வாடுவோர், முதியோர் மற்றும் தனிமையில் இருப்பவர்களை சந்தித்து அவர்களுடைய வலிகளை வேதனைகளை புரிந்து கொள்ள முயல்வதும் அவர்களுடைய துன்ப நேரத்தில் நாம் உடனிருக்கின்றோம் என்ற நம்பிக்கையை

கொடுத்தலும் அவர்களுக்காக இறைவேண்டல் செய்யவும் வேண்டும். இந்த யூபிலி ஆண்டின் சிறப்பு கரிசனையாக கைவிடப்பட்டோர் மற்றும் ஆதரவற்றோர் இல்லங்களை சந்தித்து உதவிட கேட்டுக்கொள்கிறேன்.

2. **உணவளியுங்கள் ஊட்டமளியுங்கள் :** ஊட்டச் சத்து குறைபாடுள்ளோர்க்கு உதவுங்கள். சமூக உணவு கூடங்களை அமைத்து கொடுங்கள். தெருவில் வாழ்வோருக்கு தினமும் ஒருவேளை உணவு கொடுங்கள். உங்கள் இல்ல சிறப்பு நிகழ்வுகளான பிறந்தநாள் திருமணநாள் நினைவுநாள் மற்றும் முதல் திருவிருந்து கொண்டாட்டங்களின்போதும் கைவிடப்பட்டோர் மற்றும் ஆதரவற்றோர் இல்லங்களில் வாழ்வோருக்கு உணவுதானம் செய்யுங்கள்.
3. **திறன்களை மேம்படுத்துங்கள்:** மீனை கொடுப்பதை விட மீன் பிடிக்க கற்று கொடு என்பார்கள். ஏழைகள் நீடித்த நிலைத்த வளர்ச்சி பெற அவர்களை ஆற்றல்படுத்த வேண்டும். எனவே தொழில் பயிற்சிக்கான வாய்ப்புகளை உருவாக்கவும் புதிய திறன்களை பயிற்றுவிக்கவும் முயற்சிகள் மேற்கொள்ள வேண்டும்.
4. **சமூக பொதுமன்றங்கள் அமைத்தல்:** தனித்து உதவுவதை விட இணைந்து பணி செய்கிற போது அதிக பணிகளை ஆற்றலோடும் ஊக்கத்தோடும் செய்ய முடியும். நல்லுள்ளம் கொண்ட அனைத்து தர்ப்பு மக்களோடும் இணைந்து பணி செய்ய முன்வர வேண்டும். நமது பங்குகளில் உள்ள அருள்பணி பேரவைகள், அ.மு.சக்கள், திருத்தூது கழகங்கள் மற்றும் இயக்கங்கள் இணைந்து யூபிலி ஆண்டின் சிறப்பு திட்டமாகிய “ஏழைக்கு ஒரு வீடு” திட்டத்தை செயல்படுத்த ஊக்கப்படுத்துகிறேன்.
5. **தன்னார்வ பணி செய்தல்:** பணம் மற்றும் பொருள் உதவி செய்வது மட்டுமல்ல எளியோருக்கான பணிகளில் நம்மை இணைத்து கொள்வது மிக அவசியம். வளங்களில் பெரியது மனிதவளம். எனவே ஏழைகள் மற்றும் நோயாளிகளுக்கான நமது பணிகளில் தன்னார்வலர்களாக

நமது நேரத்தை, உழைப்பை பகிர்வது போற்றுதலுக்குரியது. எனவே நமது மறைமாவட்ட கிட்ஸ்-எழுவோம் இயக்கத்தின் புற்றுநோய்க்கான சிறப்பு பணியில் தன்னார்வலர்களாக உங்களில் பலரும் இணைந்து பணியாற்ற வேண்டும் என்று விரும்புகிறேன். அன்பிய பணிக்குழுவால் ஒருங்கிணைக்கப்படும் நோயாளிகள் சந்திப்பு குழுவில் ஆர்வத்தோடு பங்கேற்று நம் பங்கில் துன்பப்படும் நோயாளிகள் முதியவர்கள் உரிய நேரத்தில் சரியான மருத்துவத்தைப் பெற வழிகாட்டுமாறு உங்களை கேட்டுக்கொள்கின்றேன். அதே நேரத்தில் எளிய முறையில் தரமான மருத்துவத்தை குறைந்த செலவில் தந்து இயேசுவின் நலமளிக்கும் பணியை கரிசனையோடு செய்து வரும் நமது புனித சவேரியார் பல்நோக்கு மருத்துவனையை இப்பணியில் அதிகமாக பயன்படுத்தவும் இம்மருத்துவமனை பற்றிய விழிப்புணர்வை அனைத்து தரப்பு மக்களிடத்திலும் ஏற்படுத்தவும் உங்களை அழைக்கின்றேன்.

6. நன்கொடை அளித்தல்: நமது நன்கொடைகள் இல்லாமையில் வாடுவோருக்கு வாழ்வின் மீதான நம்பிக்கையை உருவாக்கும். வறுமைப்பட்டோருக்கு புதிய வலிமையை தரும் எனவே இவ்வாண்டில் பசிபிணிக்கான காணிக்கையை தாராளமாய் தந்துதவிட வேண்டுகிறேன். 6-4-2025 பசிபிணி ஞாயிறு அன்று உங்கள் நன்கொடைகளை திருப்பலியில் காணிக்கையாய் தந்து நமது நம்பிக்கை பயணத்தில் பகிர்ந்து பணிபுரிய கேட்டுக் கொள்கிறேன்.

கிறிஸ்துவில் உங்கள் அன்புள்ள,

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

குறிப்பு: இச்சுற்றுமடலை குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டத்தின் அனைத்துப் பங்குகளிலும், கிளைப் பங்குகளிலும் மார்ச் 30, 2025 அன்று ஞாயிறு திருப்பலியில் மறையுரைக்குப் பதிலாக வாசிக்கவும்.

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அன்பான அருள்பணியாளர்களே, அருள்சகோதரிகளே, இறைமக்களே!

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

கல்வி சேவையை கடந்த 38 ஆண்டுகளாக தொலையாவட்டத்தில் சிறப்பாக ஆற்றிவரும் நமது அன்னை வேளாங்கண்ணி கலை மற்றும் அறிவியல் கல்லூரியில் 2025-2026 ஆம் கல்வியாண்டிற்கான மாணவர் சேர்க்கை நடைபெற உள்ளது.

எனவே இக்கடிதத்தோடு இணைக்கப்பட்டுள்ள தகவல்களை ஆலயத்தில் அறிவித்து பன்னிரண்டாம் வகுப்பு முடித்த மாணவர்களை இளங்கலை பாடப்பிரிவுகளுக்கும் இளங்கலை முடித்தவர்களை முதுகலை பாடப்பிரிவுகளுக்கும் அனுப்பி வைக்கும்படி உங்களை அன்புடன் கேட்டுக்கொள்கின்றேன்.

கிறிஸ்துவில் உங்கள் அன்புள்ள,

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மேதகு ஆயர் ஆல்பர்ட் G. A. அனஸ்தாஸ்,
தலைவர்,

ஃபிரண்ட்ஸ் ஆஃப் கோட்டார் சங்கம்.



குறிப்பு: இத்தகவலை குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டத்தின் அனைத்துப் பங்குகளிலும், கிளைப் பங்குகளிலும் ஞாயிறு திருப்பலியில் அறிவிக்கவும்.



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அன்பான அருள்பணியாளர்களே, இருபால் துறவியரே, இறைமக்களே!

உயிர்த்த ஆண்டவர் இயேசு கிறிஸ்துவின் அருளும் கடவுளின் அன்பும் தூய ஆவியாரின் நட்புறவும் உங்களுக்கு உரித்தாகுக!

குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்ட தொழிலாளர் பணிக்குழு சார்பில் அகில உலக தொழிலாளர் தின நல்வாழ்த்துக்களை கூறுவதில் உளம் மகிழ்கிறேன்.

இறைமகன் இயேசுவின் வளர்ப்புத் தந்தையும், அன்னை மரியின் கணவரும் தொழிலாளருமான தூய வளனாரின் திருநாளை, தொழிலாளர் தினமாகிய இன்று நம் தாய் திருஅவை சிறப்பிக்கின்றது. மே 01 ஆம் நாளை அகில உலக தொழிலாளர் தினமாகக் கொண்டாடும் இந்நன்னாளில் புனித சூசையப்பர் காட்டும் வழியில் “உழைப்பில் உடன் பயணிப்போம்” என்ற மையக்கருத்தில் சிந்திக்க அழைக்கப்படுகின்றோம்.

இறைவன் படைத்த இந்த அழகிய உலகை உழைப்பால் தொடர்ந்து புதுப்படைப்பாக்குகின்றவர்கள் தொழிலாளர்கள். இந்த உழைப்பின் மூலமாக, தங்கள் வாழ்வாதாரத்தை தேடிக் கொள்கின்றார்கள்; குடும்பத்தை பராமரிக்கின்றார்கள்; சமூக மேம்பாட்டிற்கு பங்களிப்பு செய்கின்றார்கள்; திருஅவையின் பொருளாதார தேவைகளையும் நிறைவு செய்கின்றார்கள். தங்கள் கடின உழைப்பால் இந்த உலகை அனைவரும் இன்புற்று வாழும் இடமாக மாற்றும் தொழிலாளர்களின் மனித மாண்பு பேணப்பட வேண்டும் என்று திருஅவை வலியுறுத்துகின்றது.

திருஅவையின் சமூகப்போதனைகள் தொழிலாளர்களின் உரிமைகளுக்கு அரசும் திருஅவையும் முன்னுரிமை கொடுக்க வேண்டும் என்று பணிக்கின்றது. குழந்தைகளை தொழில் செய்ய கட்டாயப்படுத்துவது முற்றிலுமாக ஒழிக்கப்பட வேண்டும். பெருமுதலாளிகள் தொழிலாளர்களை அடிமைகளாக நடத்துவது தவிர்க்கப்பட வேண்டும்; தொழிலாளர்கள் வெறும் இலாபமீட்டும் இயந்திரங்களாக நடத்தப்படுவது மாற்றம் பெற வேண்டும்.

உழைப்பவர்களுக்கு எதிராக இழைக்கப்படும் அநீதிகள், வன்முறைகள் அகற்றப்பட வேண்டும். தொழிலாளர்கள் நோயினால், விபத்தினால், முதுமையினால் பாதிப்பிற்குள்ளாகும்போது தகுந்த பாதுகாப்புப் பெற வழிவகை செய்ய வேண்டும். ஆண்களும், பெண்களும், சமமாக மதிக்கப்பட்டு உழைப்புக்கேற்ற ஊதியம் பெற வழி செய்ய வேண்டும் என்று தொழிலாளர் நலன் பற்றி திருஅவை அறிவுறுத்துகின்றது.

நமது மறைமாவட்டத்தில் தொழிலாளர் நலன் காக்க சில செயல்களை முன்னெடுக்க வேண்டியுள்ளது.

நமது மறைமாவட்டத்தில் மே தினத்தை முன்னிட்டு வெளிநாடுவாழ் தொழிலாளர்களுக்கான அமைப்பை உருவாக்குவது மற்றும் அதற்கான ஆய்வில் நாம் ஒத்துழைப்பது, நலவாரியத்தில் இணைந்து பயன் பெறச்செய்வது, நமது மறைமாவட்டப் பகுதியை சார்ந்த இயற்கை வளங்கள் குறிப்பாக, மலைவளம் சுரண்டப்படுவதை எதிர்த்து போராடுவது, அதற்கான முயற்சிகளை முன்னெடுப்பவர்களுக்கு நம் ஆதரவைத் தருவது போன்ற செயல் திட்டங்களைத் தீட்ட இன்றைய நாளில் குளுரைப்போம். நமது பங்குகளில் கிறிஸ்தவ தொழிலாளர் இயக்கம் மற்றும் 18 முதல் 30 வயதுடையோருக்கு இளம் கிறிஸ்தவ தொழிலாளர் இயக்கம் தொடங்க ஆவன செய்வோம்.

தொழிலாளர் தினத்தை முன்னிட்டு விழிப்புணர்வு பேரணியானது 18.05.2025 அன்று மதியம் 01.00 மணிக்கு கோடியூர், CSI ஆலய வளாகத்திலிருந்து

துவங்கி முளகுமுடு, புனித மரியன்னை பசிலிக்காவில் பொதுக்கூட்டத்துடன் நிறைவுபெறும். விழிப்புணர்வு பேரணி மற்றும் பொதுக்கூட்டத்தில் தங்கள் பங்கிலுள்ள அனைத்து தொழிலாளர்களும் கலந்துகொண்டு நிகழ்வை சிறப்பற செய்ய பங்குப்பணியாளர் ஆவன செய்யுமாறு கேட்டுக்கொள்கிறேன்.

உழைக்கும் மக்கள் ஒவ்வொருவரையும் இறைவன் ஆசீர்வதிப்பாராக!

கிறிஸ்துவில் உங்கள் அன்புள்ள,

+ J. P. P. P.

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குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டம்.



குறிப்பு: இத்தகவலை குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டத்தின் அனைத்துப் பங்குகளிலும், கிளைப் பங்குகளிலும் ஏப்ரல் 27, 2025 அன்று ஞாயிறு திருப்பலியில் அறிவிக்கவும்.



St. Joseph

was "a just man",
a tireless worker,
the upright guardian
of those entrusted
to his care.

- Pope John Paul II

Memorial of

**SAINT JOSEPH
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அன்பான அருள்பணியாளர்களே, அருள்சகோதரிகளே! இறைமக்களே!

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

மறைமாவட்ட பணிக்குழுக்களின் செயல்கள் மற்றும் மறைவட்ட முதன்மை அருள்பணியாளர்கள் இணைந்து ஒவ்வொரு பணிக்குழுவிலும் தத்தம் பணிக்குழுக்களின் தன்மைக்கேற்ப, மறைமாவட்ட நீரோட்டத்தில் இணைந்து சிறப்பாக பணிபுரிவதை எண்ணி மகிழ்கின்றேன்; பாராட்டுகளும் தெரிவிக்கிறேன்.

உண்ணாமலைக்கடை ஆயர் இல்ல வளாகத்தில் அமைந்துள்ள குழந்தை இயேசு மெட்ரிக் மேல்நிலைப் பள்ளியின் பழைய கட்டிடத்தை சீரமைத்து நமது மறைமாவட்டத்திற்கான மேய்ப்புப்பணி மையமாக மாற்றியுள்ளோம். புதுப்பிக்கப்பட்ட இந்த மேய்ப்புப்பணி மையத்தை 02-05-2025 (வெள்ளிக்கிழமை) அன்று காலை 09.00 மணிக்கு மந்திரித்து பயன்பாட்டிற்கு திறந்து வைக்கின்றேன். எனவே, அன்று முதல் மறைமாவட்டத்தின் எல்லா பணிக்குழுக்களும் ஆயர் இல்ல வளாகத்தில் அமைந்துள்ள இந்த மையத்தில் செயல்படும். இதுவரையிலும் இடம் பற்றாக்குறையினால் வெளியிடங்களில் செயல்பட்டுக் கொண்டிருந்த சிறார் பணிக்குழு, இளையோர் பணிக்குழு, குடும்பநலப் பணிக்குழு, பொதுநிலையினர் பணிக்குழு மற்றும் கிறிஸ்தவ தொழிலாளர் பணிக்குழு என அனைத்து அலுவலகங்களும் மே மாதம் 2 ஆம் நாள் முதல் ஆயர் இல்ல வளாகத்தில் செயல்படும். மேலும் பள்ளிகளின் கூட்டாண்மை நிர்வாக அலுவலகமும் குழித்துறை முழுவளர்ச்சி சமூக சேவைகள் மையமும் (KIDSS) ஏற்கனவே ஆயர் இல்ல வளாகத்தில் செயல்பட்டுக் கொண்டிருக்கின்றது என்பதையும் தெரிவித்துக் கொள்கின்றேன்.

கிறிஸ்துவில் உங்கள் அன்புள்ள,

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அன்பான அருள்பணியாளர்களே!

நம் அன்புக்குரிய திருத்தந்தை பிரான்சிஸ் அவர்கள் இன்று காலை (21-04-2025) காலமானார். எனவே ஆலயமணி அடித்து இந்த துக்க செய்தியை பங்கு மக்களுக்கு அறிவிக்கவும் ஆலய வளாகத்தில் திருத்தந்தையின் புகைப்படத்தை வைத்து மாலை அணிவித்து அஞ்சலி செலுத்தவும் அவரது ஆன்ம இளைப்பாற்றிக்காக பங்கு ஆலயத்தில் ஏதாவது ஒருநாள் ஒரு திருப்பலி நிறைவேற்றவும் அருள்பணியாளர்கள் உங்களை அன்போடு கேட்டுக்கொள்கின்றேன்.

கிறிஸ்துவில் உங்கள் அன்புள்ள,

+ J. J. J. J.



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



"To be a mother is a great treasure. Mothers, in their unconditional and sacrificial love for their children, are the antidote to individualism; they are the greatest enemies against war."

Contributions to the Diocese

March 16 to April 15, 2025

1. Annual Contribution from Churches

No	Parish	Amount
1	Soosaipuram (Vellicode)	17,000
2	Thomayarpuram (Cheruvallloor) (2013-2014)	7,952
3	Thomayarpuram (Cheruvallloor) (2014-2015)	7,034
4	Thomayarpuram (Cheruvallloor) (2015-2016)	6,149
	Total	38,135

2. Mission Sunday

No	Parish	Amount
1	Kozhiporvilai	4,190
2	Mathoor	1,860
3	Muthalar (Kallaravilai)	5,00
	Total	6,050

3. Cancer Patient Fund

No	Parish	Amount
1	Murasancode	25,460
2	SDS Sisters (Mylacode)	2,000
	Total	27,460

4. Seminary Fund

No	Parish	Amount
1	Fr. Innocent J.	500
2	Manchady (Confirmation)	10,650
3	Mr. Augustine (Vettuvenni)	1,000
4	Mr. Joseph, Palliyady	2,000
5	Mulagumoodu	5,000
6	Palliyady	3,000
7	Ved. Baby Kamala	1,000
	Total	23,150

5. Holy Childhood

No	Parish	Amount
1	Attoor	310
2	Chentharai	2,387
3	Kandanvilai	2,210
4	Kozhiporvilai	1,150
5	Kuzhivilai	2,100
6	Malamari (Lourdugiri)	1,000
7	Mathoor	1,690
8	Munchirai	6,000
9	Muthalar (Kallaravilai)	500
10	Vadivilai (Mankuzhy)	730
11	Vellayambalam	1,304
12	Vettuvenni (Shrine)	10,860
	Total	30,241

6. Social Communication

No	Parish	Amount
1	Kuzhivilai (2023)	1,280
2	Kuzhivilai (2024)	2,360
3	Malamari (Lourdugiri)	1,000
4	Mathoor	1,660
	Total	6,300

7. Prison Ministry

1	Malamari (Lourdugiri)	1,200
2	Mathoor	1,880
	Total	3,080

8. Cumulated Mass

No	Parish	Amount
1	Chemparuthivilai	5,800
2	Chemparuthivilai (Feast Mass)	40,000
3	Chentharai (Feast Mass)	8,900
4	Choozhal	4,500
5	Chunkankadai (Shrine)	6,800
6	Fathimapuram	5,300
7	Konamkadu	800
8	Konamkadu	1,000
9	Manchakonam	3,300
10	Mankarai (Mullanganavilai) (Feast Mass)	6,000
11	Marthandam	1,400
12	Mulagumoodu	5,200
13	Mylacode	5,200
14	Palliady	4,100
15	Parakunnu	1,000
16	Puliyoorukurichy	3,000
17	Thirithuvapuram	2,600
18	Thiruvithancode	40,000
19	Vattam	3,400
20	Vencode	4,000
21	Vettuvenni (Shrine)	3,62,500
22	Vettuvilai (Vencode)	900
Total		5,15,700

9. Bible Sunday

No	Parish	Amount
1	Chithenthope (Kandanvilai)	2,000
2	Kuzhivilai	2,180
3	Malamari (Lourdugiri)	1,200
4	Mathoor	1,550
5	Muthalar (Kallaravilai)	500
Total		7,430

Contribution

10. New Bishop's House Building

No	Parish	Amount
1	Alancholai	21,700
2	Appattuvilai (St. Antony)	10,000
3	Chanelkarai (Alancholai)	1,000
4	Eathavilai (Chemparuthivilai)	11,200
5	Kannanvilai (Thundathuvilai)	9,100
6	Konamkadu	20,092
7	Manali	16,161
8	Manali (2 nd Payment)	5,100
9	Mathiravilai (3 rd Payment)	28,750
10	Murasancode	19,550
11	Nullivilai	7,950
12	Palayam Annainagar (Murasancode)	2,400
13	Parakunnu	5,000
14	Perumankuzhi (Thundathuvilai)	19,450
15	Pilavilai	14,925
16	Thachanparambu (Arockiapuram)	5,900
17	Varthanvilai	28,850
18	Vasanthapuram (Pilavilai)	6,775
19	Vattam	7,000
	Total	2,40,903

11. Youth Year

No	Parish	Amount
1	Kappiarai	500
2	Kuzhivilai	2,160
	Total	2,660

Activities of the Pastoral Commissions in the Month of March 2025

Vicariate General Body Meetings

1. On 01.03.2025 the General Body meeting of the Thirithuvapuram Vicariate was held at the Cathedral of Holy Trinity. 53 members participated. A review of the Annual Day Celebrations was held.
2. On 08.03.2025 The Mulagumoodu Vicariate General Body meeting was held at Udhayatharagai, Thuckalay. 55 people participated in the meeting. A talk was given by Ms. M. Vijila, the Catechist on the theme “The Merits of Being Women”. 55 catechism teachers participated.
3. On 08.03.2025, the Karancadu Vicariate General body was held at St. Roach’s Church, Thachanparambu, under the leadership of Rev. Fr. W. Sahaya Justus, the Vicar Forane. The Vicariate Director, Rev. Fr. K. Sunil, delivered the congratulatory address. 65 catechism teachers participated.
4. On 15.03.2025, the Mathiravilai Vicariate General Body was held under the leadership of the Vicariate Director, Rev. Fr. V. Andrews. An evaluation of the annual day celebration and planning for new initiatives took place. 33 catechism teachers participated.

Special Training

On 23.03.2025, a special training for Young Christian Students (YCS) at the Karancadu vicariate level was held at St. Francis Xavier Church, Mankuzhi. Rev. Fr. Sahaya Ebin conducted the training on the theme “Students’ Formation”. 25 young students participated.

Trainings at Parish Level:

Places: Kalluppalam, Melpuram (for teachers)

Topics : 1. Creative methods of teaching lessons

2. Duties of catechism Teachers

Trainers: Ms. Vijila, the Catechist and Mr. Nelson

BTCT – Programme:

The Basic Theological Training (*BTCT-Basic Training for Catechism Teachers*) for the 24th group was held at the Christian Life Commission Training Hall, Unnamalaikadai for 4 weeks in February. The training was inaugurated by. Rev. Fr. Edwin Raj C, Rev. Fr. Godwin Selva Justus, Ms. V. Preetha, Rev. Dn. Naveen, Rev. Fr. C. Stephen, Rev. Fr. Sunil and Ms. Vijila- the Catechist were the resource persons given training under different subjects like *Introduction to Bible, Basic Prayers, Christology, Students Psychology, Discipleship, Liturgy, Sacraments, Good Habits, Effective use of Media and Model Class*. 81 Catechism teachers participated in this training. Rev. Fr. V. Benito, the Secretary of the Christian Life Commission felicitated the participants. Rev. Fr. Antony M. Muthu, the Diocesan Chancellor, delivered the presidential address and presented certificates to the trainees.

Commission for Liturgy

1. Every week Responsorial Psalm is composed and sent to the parishes via Whats App.
2. Hymn Book for the Lenten session is being released.

Vicariate General Body

On 09.03.2025, the Karancadu Vicariate General Body meeting was held at St. Roach Church, Thachanparambu, Thingal-Chanthai, under the leadership of the Vicariate Director, Rev. Fr. K. Sunil. A training session was conducted by Rev. Fr. Starwin on the topic “Worship and Life.” 25 participants took part.

Retreat for the Sacristans:

On 10.03.2025, a retreat was held at the Our Lady of the Rosary Hall, Kanjiracode. Rev. Fr. N. Martin, Coordinator of the Kuzhithurai Diocesan Pastoral Commissions, gave a spiritual reflection on the Humble life of Sacristans. The prayer of reconciliation was conducted and Holy Mass was celebrated by the Liturgical Commission Secretary, Rev. Fr. Benito. V. A total of 95 Sacristans participated.

Altar Servers Renewal Training

On 11.03.2025, a special Renewal Training for all young girls and boys serving as altar servers in parishes and sub-stations of the Kuzhithurai Diocese was held at St. Devasahayam Shrine, Nattalam. Rev. Fr. Xavier Benedict, the Vicar General presided over the event and delivered the keynote address. The Commission Secretary, Rev. Fr. A. Benito, gave training on The Duties of Altar Servers and The Significance of Sacred Vessels and Liturgical Objects. Rev. Fr. Arockiasamy conducted a session on The Greatness of the Divine Calling.

Rev. Fr. M. Eckermens Michael, Secretary of the Vocation Commission, conducted a training session on action songs. In addition, Rev. Fr. N. Martin, Coordinator of the Pastoral Commissions, Rev. Fr. A. Florence, Mathiravilai Vicar Forane, and Rev. Fr. R. Paul Richard Joseph, Shrine Rector, also participated. A total of 1,223 altar servers took part in the event.

Lenten Hymn Training

On 23.04.2025, Lenten Hymn Training for choir members was held at St. Devasahayam Shrine, Nattalam. The Diocesan Procurator, Rev. Fr. G. Jayakumar, presided over the event and delivered the keynote address. The Liturgical Commission Secretary, Rev. Fr. V. Benito, gave the introductory speech. Rev. Fr. S. Shine conducted the Hymn Training. A total of 652 choir members participated in this special training.

Commission for Bible

A Bible Quiz competition was conducted in the Vencode and Mathiravilai vicariates.

Vicariate General Body

On 09.03.2025, the Karancadu Vicariate General Body meeting was held at St. Roach's Church, Thachanparambu, under the leadership of the Vicariate Director, Rev. Fr. K. Sunil. A training

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session was conducted by Rev. Fr. Daniel on the topic “How to Read the Bible.” 17 participants took part in the meeting.

VBS (Vacation Bible School) Animators Training

1. On 30.03.2025, the VBS Animators Training for the Thirithuvapuram Vicariate was held at St. Joseph’s Higher Secondary School, Thirithuvapuram. The Vicar Forane, Rev. Fr. Waislin Xavier, oversaw the training. A total of 398 Catechism Teachers participated in the training.
2. On 30.03.2025, the VBS Animators Training for the Puthenkadai Vicariate was held at St. Eustachius Church, Packiyapuram. Rev. Fr. V. Benito the secretary of Bible Commission inaugurated the programme. A total of 360 Catechism Teachers participated in the training.

Singing Practice, Action Songs, Model Lessons, Group Games, and the Life Story of Blessed Carlo were included in the training.

BCC (Anbiyam) Commission

General Body Meetings

On 01.03.2025 Mulagumoodu Vicariate Meeting was Held at Udhayatharagai under the leadership of Vicariate President Mr. Vincent, in the presence of Rev. Fr. David Michael, the Vicar Forane and Rev. Fr. Benjamin, the Vicariate Director. A total of 58 participants including full-timers, executives, and BCC members from 21 parish BCCs coordination attended. Rev. Fr. Charles Viju, Director of St. Xavier Multi-Specialty Hospital, gave training on forming medical teams in parishes.

On 01.03.2025 Mathiravilai Vicariate Meeting was held at Thundathuvilai which was presided over by the Vicariate Director Rev. Fr. Callistus in the presence of Rev. Fr. Florence, the Vicar Forane. A total of 51 participants from 14 parish BCCs coordination attended. In the presence of KIDSS Director Rev. Fr. M. Martin, a “Cancer Awareness” training session was conducted by the Vicariate BCC Commission and Ezhuvom Movement.

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On 14.03.2025 Karancadu Vicariate Meeting was conducted under the leadership of Karancadu Vicariate Director Rev. Fr. Bright Singh. A total of 85 participants including full-timers, executives, and BCC members from 27 BCCs Coordination attended. “Cancer Awareness” training was once again conducted by Ezhuvom movement and the vicariate BCC Commission in the presence of Rev. Fr. M. Martin, the KIDSS Director.

On 23.03.2025 Thirithuvapuram Vicariate Meeting was held at Thirithuvapuram. under the leadership of the Vicariate President and in the presence of the Vicariate Director. New executives were elected and introduced. 68 members 28 parish BCCs coordination participated.

On 23.03.2025 Puthenkadai Vicariate Meeting was conducted at Kulasekaram under the leadership of the Vicariate President in the presence of Vicariate Director and Diocesan Coordinator. 65 members participated. New executives were introduced and shared insights about the preparatory works for Ponmalai Retreat.

On 23.03.2025 Vencode Vicariate Meeting was held at Munchirai under the leadership of the Vicariate Director and in the presence of Vicar Forane. 51 members from 22 parish BCCs coordination participated. New executives were elected and introduced

Executive Committee Meetings & Elections

On 19.03.2025 Mathiravilai Executive Committee Meeting was conducted at Kulasekaram under the leadership of the Vicariate Director and in the presence of the Diocesan Coordinator. Updates on Ponmalai Retreat, Annual Planning, and Report Format Changes were shared. 25 participants from 15 parish BCCs coordination participated. New executives were elected: President: Mrs. M. Maria Rethinabai (Mullankanavilai), Vice President: Mr. A. Antony Xavier (Arulanandhapuram), Secretary: Mrs. A. Jayanthi (Thundathuvilai), Asst. Secretary: Mrs. L. Jeevarani (Karungal), Treasurer: Mr. L. Chellam (Mathiravilai).

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On 22.03.2025 Thirithuvapuram Executives Meeting was conducted at Thirithuvapuram under the leadership of the Vicariate President. 4 members participated.

On 23.03.2025 Thirithuvapuram Executive Committee Meeting was held under the leadership of the Vicariate President and in the presence of the Vicariate Director. New executives were elected: President: Mr. Jagan Babu (Thirithuvapuram), Vice President: Mr. Panneerselvam (Nallur), Secretary: Mrs. Proma Kumari (Nallayanpuram), Asst. Secretary: Mrs. Pushpaleela (Malamaari), Treasurer: Mr. Subinraj (Fathimapuram), 17 members attended including vicariate executives.

On 22.03.2025 Puthenkadai Executives Meeting was conducted at Thirithuvapuram under the leadership of the Vicariate President in the presence of Vicariate Director and Diocesan Coordinator. 6 members participated.

On 23.03.2025 Puthenkadai Executive Committee Meeting was held at Kulasekaram under the leadership of the Vicariate President, Director, and Diocesan Coordinator. 22 members attended including vicariate executives. New executives were elected: President: Mr. Amalraj (Nagacode), Vice President: Mr. Stephen (Pechiparai), Secretary: Mrs. Sherlin (Backiyapuram), Asst. Secretary: Mr. Satheesh (Kulasekaram), Treasurer: Mrs. Florida Mary (Eenchakodu).

On 23.03.2025 Vencode Executive Committee Meeting was held at Munchirai under the leadership of the Vicariate Director and in the presence of Vicar Forane. 14 members participated. New executives were elected. 16 members participated. New executives were elected: President: Mr. U. Gerald Xavier (Munchirai), Vice President: Mrs. Rosemary (Pullani), Secretary: Mrs. V. Anitha (Kappucadu), Asst. Secretary: Mrs. S. Jayanthi (Kanjampuram), Treasurer: Mr. A. Jenish (Kampilar).

On 29.03.2025 Puthenkadai Executives Meeting was conducted at Kulasekaram under the leadership of the Vicariate President and

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in the presence of Rev. Fr. Jeas Raymond, the Vicariate Director. 5 participants attended. Ponmalai Retreat planning was discussed.

Ponmalai Retreat Activities

07.03.2025-Mulagumoodu Vicariate: Stations of the Cross, Retreat, and Holy Mass were presided over by the Vicar Forane. 80 members participated.

08.03.2025-Mulagumoodu Vicariate: Lenten Pilgrimage was held with 21 members.

14.03.2025-Thirithuvapuram Vicariate: Stations of the Cross, Retreat, and Holy Mass were presided over by Rev. Fr. Wiselin Xavier, the Vicar Forane. Rev. Fr. Abinash co-pastor, Vellaiambalam, guided the retreat. 63 members participated.

21.03.2025-Karancadu Vicariate: Retreat and Holy Mass were presided over by Rev. Fr. Bright Singh, Retreat talk was given by Rev. Fr. Bright, the parish priest of Punnainagar, Diocese of Kottar. 200 members participated.

28.03.2025-Mathiravilai Vicariate: Retreat and Holy Mass were presided over by Rev. Fr. Florence, the Vicar Forane Rev. Fr. George delivered a reflection on “Blessed are the Merciful.” 418 members from 19 Parish BCCs Coordination participated.

Works of Full-Timers:

House Visit	- 29
Anbiyam (BCC) Visit	- 124
BCCS Coordination Visit	- 51
Visiting the Sick	- 14
Full-Timers Meetings	- 5

On behalf of parish BCCS Coordination Rs. 4,87,201/- had been given for different needs of the people like Education Help, Marriage Support, Medical Aid, and Elders Care.

Social Communication

The Holy Mass was recorded and telecast on Madha T.V. from the following locations:

- On 9th March, from Our Lady of Fatima Church, Kallukootam.
- On 23rd March, from Our Lady of Assumption Church, Kallankuzhi.

Additionally, a special program on the precepts of the Catholic Church was filmed and aired on Madha T.V. on 31st March.

Throughout March, “mwk; nra tpUk;G” was shared by Fr. Sahaya Dhas, the word of God was shared by Fr. Bencer, Daily saintly life Histories were provided by Fr. K. Bright Singh via whatsapp status, Sunday’s Homilies were blogged by Fr. Florence and posters on “இன்றைய செயல்” were posted by Fr. Benitto.

Additionally, Posters and Christian songs were shared through Media throughout this month, homilies were given by Rev. Fr. John Benhar, Fr. Maria Soosai.

Prison Ministry

Our Diocesan prison ministry general body meeting was held on 15.03.2025 at Spiritual center, Kanyakumari after the recollection as per the annual for Lenten season, in the presence of Sr. Margaret Mary with the participation of nineteen members. The Meeting was started with a prayer song followed by a welcome address. The Secretary, Mr. Vincent presented the report. Then the experience of visiting inmates and the families of the inmates were shared.

A team of five members were selected to attend the annual gathering of prison ministry in the state level on 28 & 29 April. The “Crimeless Kumari” a campaign planned to have in the month of June 2025 in a parish of our diocese. In the month of May a picnic is planned for the members of our ministry. Next will be held on 26th April.

Labour Commission

On 23rd, March Labour Commission group visited six Vicariates and Selected each Vicariates 2 Sick Persons. The group went and prayed over and given some gifts to the Sick people as a Jubilee Year pilgrimage.

Youth Commission

Training Programs

Training session for new resource persons was held on the topic “Need of Movement” with Mr. John Ilango as the resource person, attended by 16 members. Women’s Day Training program was organized, focusing on “Challenges Faced by Women and How to Solve It” with Mrs. Usha Paasi as the resource person, drawing 93 members from 30 units.

Additionally, the Mulagumoodu Vicariate celebrated Women’s Day with a rally from Mulagumoodu to Vellicode, followed by a seminar attended by 450 members, featuring Adv. Sneha as the chief guest, who emphasized that “Women’s voice is the beginning of change”.

Executive Meetings

Diocesan executive meeting held an executive meeting on March 23, 2025, with 13 members attending, while its five vicariates also conducted their own executive meetings. General body meetings were held across the vicariates: Mulagumoodu vicariate met on March 16 with 20 members, featuring a talk by Mrs. Angel; Vencode vicariate met on March 9 with 52 members, discussing women’s rights with Mrs. Diana; Trithuvapuram vicariate met on March 9 with 25 members, focusing on leadership; Puthenkadai vicariate met on March 16 with 14 members, celebrating Women’s Day with Mr. Vinish; and Karenkadu vicariate met on March 16 with 18 members, exploring laws related to women with Miss. John Mettilda.

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Retreat was organized by Mathiravilai Vicariate Youth and YCS on March 16 at Mullanginavilai, featuring Rev. Fr. Ranjith as the speaker and attended by 95 members. On the same day, the Choozhal Youth Movement conducted a blood donation camp, collecting donations from 30 members. Additionally, outreach efforts involved visiting 25 youth units throughout March.

YCS

Executive and General Body Meetings

The YCS Diocesan executive meeting was held on March 23, 2025, with 13 members attended the meeting. General body meetings were conducted across vicariates: Trithuvapuram vicariate discussed “One Nation One Election” on March 9; Vencode vicariate had general body meeting on March 9, Rev. Fr. Manohiam Xavier speak on “Life of Jesus” with 15 members; Puthenkadai vicariate explored “Rights of Women” with Mrs. Diana on March 16, attended by 11 members; Mulagumoodu vicariate celebrated Women’s Day with Adv. Suja Jasmine, drawing 40 members; Karenkadu vicariate had Mr. Rose Robin as resource person with 20 members on March 16; and Trithuvapuram vicariate also had a career guidance session by Mr. Monish on March 16 with 17 members. Furthermore, vicariate executive meetings were convened in multiple Vicariates, including Karenkadu, Trithuvapuram.

In addition, a meeting for Directors and Joint Directors took place on March 9, 2025, with 10 members participating in the discussion. 25 YCS units were visited during the month of March. Furthermore, two field staff meetings were held throughout the month of March.

CRI

On 29th March Saturday conducted a monthly recollection from Kuzhithurai Diocese- CRI level at Infant Jesus college, mulagumoodu prior to the Lenten season. The entire Religious participated in it. The Bishop Most Rev. Albert G.A. Anasthas was the chief guest. He was given a warm welcome by the CRI executive member. The main theme was “this is a suitable time” soon after the talk confession went on followed by the Holy mass. After that there was cultural event took place to felicitate the golden and silver jubilarians who are working in the Diocese. Towards the end Rev. Bro. Paul CRI President, gave the vote of thanks to everyone who presented there. The gathering concluded with a meal.

Commission for Psychological Wellbeing (CPW)

On 11th, March, 2025 members of CPW met to set their vision, mission and goals and the structure of their ministry. As envisaged earlier, members affiliated themselves into four units of ministry as given below. Secretaries and Co-secretaries were selected for each unit and a General Co-secretary and an Organizing Co-secretary were also selected for the central team. As special plans for the Jubilee, Marriage Enrichment Program and a Gathering for the mentally retarded children and their parents were planned.

Each unit of the CPW have come together separately on different dates, ably organized by respective secretaries and co-secretaries, to plan their ministry for this year. The central team helped facilitating the meetings.

Puthuvasantham Alcoholic Addiction Treatment Ministry: Camps 118 and 119 were successfully organized with 24 and 16 candidates each, from 3-3-25 to 23-3-25 and 31-3-25 to 16-4-25 respectively. On April 23rd this unit met with all the members and representatives

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from Commissions for Anbiam, Youth, Women, and also from Syro-Malabar and Syro-Malankara churches etc. to plan for the celebration of International Day Against Alcohol and Drug Abuse with a procession and other awareness activities. Different task teams have been set for activities connected to the celebration of the day.

Counseling and Counseling training: This unit met on 10-4-2024 and decided to have a weekly training for interested volunteers of CPW in Developing Skills of Counselling. They had also decided a 100 hrs. Counseling Diploma Training for interested volunteers of our district. A group of Psychologists came together again on 15th April, 2025 and decided upon the training topic as Developing Counsellor Personality and finalized the syllabus. The DCP training is to be started in June.

Personality Development Training: The unit met on 14-4-2025 and decided to conduct different trainings for Adolescents and Youth on Personality development this year and finalized a set of syllabus for such trainings. The unit decided to collaborate with the Diocesan Youth Commission, Commission for Anbiam, and Family Commission besides the schools and colleges in promoting healthy personality among the youngsters.

Official Inauguration of the Commission for Psychological Wellbeing: It has been arranged that the official inauguration of CPW will be held on 10th, May, 2025, at 4.30 p.m. at the Bishop's House. Our beloved Bishop Most Rev. Albert Anasthas has kindly accepted to grace the occasion by inaugurating the commission. There we will be presenting our reports and plans. All are welcome.

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

Kuzhithurai Integral Development Social Services (KIDSS) Report for the Month of March 2025

Activities of KIDSS Units

KIDSS RMP

1. **D**istrict executive committee meeting was conducted on March 27, 2025 at RMP building. Mrs. Rani gave talk about Politics and religion.
2. Training on auditing was conducted on March 25, 2025 at RMP building in which 30 members attended.
3. Four Sangams had their Manadu during this month.
4. Karungal Zone Manadu was conducted on March 15, 2025 at Thundathuvilai in which 276 people participated. Mr. Kumari Aathavan gave session on loss of natural resource and impact in Kumari. Fr. Eckermens, the parish Priest, Fr. Martin. M Executive Director gave felicitation address.
5. Thuckalay zone organised their Manadu on March 01, 2025 at Mulagumoodu in which 256 people attended the program. Mr. Bright Leo Singh gave input session on loss of natural resource and impact in Kumari. The Director Fr. Bright Sima Raj appreciated the active Sangams and distributed prizes. Executive Director and Mulagumoodu parish priest felicitated for the active involvement of the Sangams.
6. Thirithuvapuram and Mulavilai zones conducted their general body meeting on 1st and 15th March respectively. An input session was given on violence against women.
7. Staff visited 23 Sangams during this month and created awareness about the impact of junk food, self defence mechanism, importance of women's day and climate change.

KIDSS Kolping

1. Vicariate level executive meetings were conducted in all six vicariates during this month on March 3rd, 4th and 5th 2025. There was an input session about women's day in four

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vicariates, about child rearing at Mulagumoodu and cancer disease at Mathiravilai vicariate.

2. District executive meeting was conducted on March 27, 2025 at Kolping building, Thirithuvapuram under the guidance of the Executive Director.
3. 26 members attended the grama Sabha meeting on March 29, 2025.
4. Four Kolping families such as Madathattuvilai, Mulagumoodu, Alencholai and Manchakonam helped four patients with Rs. 1000/- each.

KIDSS BFDP

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

Zone	Date	Topic	Participants
Karungal	Mar 02	Importance of Agriculture	42
Melpuram	Mar 09	Importance of language	46
Kulasekharan	Mar 13	New Education Policy	16
Manali	Mar 16	Humanitarian attitude	24
Manalikai	Mar 22	New Education Policy	13
Thingal Nagar	Mar 29	New Education Policy	12

2. Staff visited 64 groups during this month and spoke about the importance of International Women's Day.
3. Christurajapuram group helped a patient with Rs. 1000 and Kulapuram group gave Rs. 10000/- for treatment.

KIDSS CHDP

1. Union level meetings were organised in all 4 unions at Killiyur, Kurunthencode, Thuckalay and Melpuram during this month and created awareness about eye care.
2. Naturopathy health camps were conducted at Pattarivilai, Mulachael, Kuzhivilai and Vadivilai. Dr. Angelin Asha and Dr. Rekha spoke about Naturopathy treatment. 295 members participated and consulted the doctors for various diseases.

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3. One new sales sub centre is opened at Pattarivilai in this month.
4. Staff spoke about women liberation to 46 groups during this month.
5. Fr. James Tombeur Naturopathy Clinic provided consultation facilities at Chunkankadai and Vettuvanni shrine for the devotees during this month and 96 people consulted the doctors and took medicines.
6. In March 2025, 91 patients received treatment from Fr. James Tombeur Naturopathy Clinic including 3IP.

KIDSS IFO

Staff visited seven Sangams during this month and gave an input session about the importance of International Women's Day.

KIDSS SHG

1. Field staff visited 25 groups during this month and created awareness about the importance of International Women's Day
2. Pechiparai group helped two poor people with Rs. 1000/- each.
3. 34 SHG groups observed cancer day and mobilized Rs. 30,770/- for this noble cause and gave to KIDSS
4. 15 members participated in the Grama Sabha meeting

KIDSS WSCP

1. District executive meeting was held on March 12, 2025 at Vettuvanni. Director Mrs. Carmel Mary spoke about identifying the young beneficiaries to the Sangam.
2. Vicariate executive meetings were conducted in all six places in which project Director gave an input session on 'Today's Savings, Tomorrow's future'.
3. Field staffs visited 22 Sangams during this month and in 10 Sangams they motivated to find out new members.
4. 8 Sangams mobilized fund Rs. 8225/- as cancer day donation and submitted to KIDSS.

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5. Vettuvenni Sangam member supported a poor young widow with Rs.5000/- to buy a sewing machine and she also helped a poor widow with Rs. 2000/- and grocery items.

Activity of VIDSeS

Karankadu (KVIDS)

1. KVIDS general body meeting was conducted on March 16, 2025 at Thatchanparambu. Executive Director Fr. Martin M Congratulated Fr. Maria Soosai the outgoing Director and welcomed the new Director Fr. Suresh Raj with a shawl. Miss. Karishma, a transgender spoke about their challenges and their needs and 7 Transgender's also participated.

Welfare assistance of 17 BIDSeS summarised here below:

Sl. No	Welfare assistance	Amount	No of Beneficiary
1	Medical help	149000	19
2	Marriage help	115000	3
3	Education help	67500	8
4	House Maintenance	68948	4
5	Assistance to Senior citizens	63400	29
6	Help to the poor	137500	107
7	Help to the widows	3000	1
Total		604348	171

2. Pilavilai BIDS organized health camp with the support of KMCC hospital Muttam.

Mathiravilai (MaVIDS):

MaVIDS conducted their general body meeting on March 29, 2025 at Karungal. Mr. Aloysius gave a session on 'Environment Protection'.

Welfare assistance of 6 BIDSeS summarised here below:

Sl. No	Welfare assistance	Amount	No of Beneficiary
1	Medical help	93000	10
2	Education help	20000	2
3	House Maintenance	10000	1
4	Help to the poor	69400	60
Total		192400	73

Mulagumoodu (MuVIDS)

MuVIDS organised their general body meeting on March 15,2025 at Manali. Fr. Martin. M the Executive Director expressed his gratitude to Mr. Eliyas the outgoing director and welcomed the new Director Fr. Aloysius and introduced to the participants. Mr. Aloysius gave an input session on environment protection.

Welfare assistance of 21 BIDSes summarised here below:

Sl. No	Welfare assistance	Amount	No of Beneficiary
1	Medical help	333360	56
2	Marriage help	58500	4
3	Education help	99500	12
4	House Maintenance	307375	5
5	Assistance to Senior citizens	227500	87
6	Help to the poor	198750	132
7	Help to the disabled	3000	2
8	Assistance to widows	7500	5
9	Death	5000	1
Total		1240485	305

Puthenkadai (PVIDS)

Puthenkadai general body meeting was conducted on March 16, 2025 at Kulasekharam. Mr. John Britto gave an input session about the importance of Grama Sabha.

Welfare assistance of 21 BIDSes summarised here below:

Sl. No	Welfare assistance	Amount	No of Beneficiary
1	Medical help	229500	21
2	Marriage help	30000	2
3	Education help	150000	25
4	House Maintenance	220000	8
5	Monthly support	70700	73
6	Help to the poor	131071	289
7	Support CCI	10000	1
Total		8,41,271	419

Thirithuvapuram (TVIDS)

TVIDS's general body meeting was held on March 09, 2025 at Thiruthuvapuram. Fr. Martin M Executive Director appreciated Fr. Ajin, the outgoing director and welcomed the new Director Mr. Prasath and wished him every success. Mrs. Mary Magdaline gave a session about organic farming and Kitchen Garden.

Welfare assistance of 25 BIDSes summarised here below:

Sl No	Welfare assistance	Amount	No of Beneficiary
1	Medical help	288000	56
2	Marriage help	180000	14
3	Education help	245400	44
4	House Maintenance	1920000	8
5	Monthly support	53000	42
6	Help to the poor	219905	429
Total		2906305	593

Vencode (VVIDS)

1. VVIDS's executive meeting was conducted on March 1,2025 at VF office, Puthukadai.
2. VVIDS conducted their general body meeting March 02, 2025 at Arockia Annai Matric school, Puthukadai. An input session was given about cancer disease by Mrs. Selin Sheeba.

Welfare assistance of 17 BIDSes summarised here below:

Sl No	Welfare assistance	Amount	No of Beneficiary
1	Medical help	58000	17
2	Marriage help	65000	4
3	Education help	101500	20
4	House Maintenance	120000	2
5	Monthly support	11900	24
6	Help to the poor	50600	48
7	RD	9900	3
Total		416900	118

KIDSS Special projects

I. Community Disability Management and Rehabilitation Project

1. Thirty-six new disabled persons were identified by the field staff during this month.
2. On March 22, 2025 one new group was formed with 10 disabled people at Vadivilai. On March 23, 2025 another group was formed with 20 disabled persons at Valanoor with the support of the Parish Priest Fr. Albin Jose.

Successful referral and linkages for welfare schemes:

1. Seven persons received their monthly pension and 12 new applications submitted.
2. Five persons received bus and train passes.
3. Four persons received privilege cards and 2 more applications submitted.
4. One person received UDID card and two persons applied for the same.
5. Three persons received three-wheel bikes and six more people applied for it.
6. Two individuals received the pension orders.
7. Two persons applied for free housing scheme under PMAY
8. One visually impaired person applied for smart phone and another person for motor wheel chair.
9. Three persons applied for IGP loan, one person for tailoring machine and one person for Government job.

II. Counselling Services

Counselling services were provided to 12 clients through the counselling centres in all six vicariates.

Psychosocial Wellbeing of Adolescents

1. Training on the impacts of drugs and social media in the life of adolescents was conducted for the students of Christ the King High School at Piracode on March 14, 2025 in which 101 students participated. Fr.N.Martin and Sr. Margaret conducted the sessions for boys and girls separately. On March 26, 2025 St. Joseph's High School, Mulavilai in which 67 students participated and Fr. N. Martin and Sr. Sarojam gave the input session.

III. Fr. James Tombeur Assistance to Poor Children (Care A Child)

On March 11, 2025 KIDSS organized 'Care A Child' beneficiary children on March 11, 2025 at Unnamalaikadai. A motivational talk on the importance of planning was given by Mr. Leo Bright Singh, a professor of Mar Eprome Engineering college. Fr. Ajin, KIDSS treasurer gave an introductory talk. Fr. Martin M, KIDSS Executive Director gave the FD bond to all the beneficiary children.

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

1. Activities conducted during this month are given below:

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Sl. No	Date	Type of program	Place	Participants
1	02.03.2025	Follow up meeting with BIDSS	Nullivilai	14
2	09.03.2025		Kamplar	17
3	02.03.2025	CTWWC concept dissemination by Champion to BCC members	Yettacode	29
4	08.03.2025	Capacity building training Government welfare schemes and Family Strengthening to Legion of Mary	Pilavilai	22
5	15.03.2025		Kuttaikadu	10
6	23.03.2025		Pechiparai	18
7	09.03.2025	Handing over the children and Resolution for gate keeping role	Yettacode	14
8	16.03.2025		Pullani	15
9	12.03.2025	Awareness session on positive parenting to RMP	Thundathuvilai	20
10	15.03.2025		Pottety	15
11	09.03.2025	CTWWC concept sharing to YCS	Yettacode	10
12	15.03.2025	Capacity building on government welfare schemes and help line numbers to Kolping members, Liturgy commission	Kuttaikadu	32
13	23.03.2025	Capacity building training on role of parents to widows	Pechiparai	16
14	In March	Champion meetings	5 parishes	19

Referral and linkages to strengthen the family-based care:

1. One family applied and received the health insurance ID card and two persons received welfare ID card.
2. One young widow applied for employment at Collectorate and received the reply
3. Five individuals received Psychosocial support
4. KIDSS helped a cancer patient with Rs. 5000/-

I. KIDSS Ezhuvom Iyakkam (Cancer Care Campaign)

1. Ezhuvom Iyakkam Mathiravilai vicariate volunteers organized cancer awareness seminar in collaboration with BCC coordination Director Fr. Calistus on March 01, 2025 at VF office Thundathuvilai. VF Fr. Florence gave inaugural address Dr. Jeena gave an input session cancer disease. And also Karankadu vicariate Ezhuvom Iyakkam volunteers conducted cancer awareness seminar in collaboration with BCC Coordination Director Fr. Bright Sigh on March 15, 2025 at Thatchanparambu. Dr. Prarthana Roslil gave session on Cancer disease. In both vicariates Executive Director Fr. Martin.M. spoke about the importance of strengthening the volunteers group in the introductory talk.
2. Cancer awareness seminar was conducted at Karumpilavilai parish with the support of Parish priest. Four persons were referred to hospitals.
3. Mulagumoodu and Karankadu Vicariate volunteers visited 29 cancer patients with the support Nurses from St. Xavier's Multispeciality hospital Chunkankadai in March 2025. Nutritious food kit was provided to all patients.

II. Children Parliament (CP)

1. District level CP executive cum volunteers meeting was

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conducted on March 11, 2025 at KIDSS office, Unnamalaikadai under the leadership of Executive Director Fr. Martin. M. Prepared annual action plan.

2. Sahayanager CP meeting was conducted on March 16, 2025 with 24 children. Staff Mrs. Sumitha gave awareness session about junk food.
3. Cheruthikonam CP meeting was held on March 11, 2025.
4. Chemparuthivilai CP meeting was conducted on March 15, 2025 with 36 children. Staff gave session on roles and responsibilities of ministers.
5. Kandavilai Nallayanpuram CP meeting was conducted on March 2nd and 9th. They discussed about importance of personal health and hygiene.

KIDSS Activities:

1. International Women's Day was observed on March 08. 2025 with rally cum public program at Nagercoil. KIDSS staff and target people around 462 participated.
2. KIDSS staff had tour programme to Andaman from 18th to 23rd March 2025.

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

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March 1

- Celebrated feast Mass at Chemparuthivilai at 6:30 p.m.

March 2

- Made a contact visit and celebrated Confirmation Mass at Vettuvenni at 4:00 p.m.

March 3

- Presided over the Commission Coordination Meeting at 3:00 p.m.

March 4

- Celebrated feast Mass at Vettuvenni at 11:00 a.m.

March 5

- Celebrated Ash Wednesday Mass at St. Mary's Basilica, Mulagumoodu at 6:15 a.m.

March 7–13

- Gave retreat talks to Sisters in Kerala.

March 15

- Met with the Apostolic Nuncio at Muttom Medical College at 9:30 a.m.
- Celebrated Vespers at Aralvaimozhi at 6:00 p.m.

March 17

- Presided over the Board Meeting of Nanjil Catholic Arts and Science College, Kaliyakkavilai at 3:00 p.m.

March 18

- Presided over the Senate Meeting at the Bishop's House at 9:30 a.m.

March 19

- Celebrated feast Mass at Cluny Convent, Unnamalaikadai at 7:00 a.m.
- Made a contact visit and celebrated Confirmation Mass at Manchadi Parish at 5:00 p.m.

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March 20

- Attended the College Day function of Nanjil Catholic Arts and Science College, Kaliyakkavilai at 10:00 a.m.

March 21

- Celebrated Memorial Mass at Thuckalay at 4:00 p.m.

March 22

- Attended the College Day function of Morning Star Polytechnic College at 10:00 a.m.

March 23

- Made a contact visit and celebrated Holy Mass at Murasancode at 9:00 a.m.
- Attended the Elanthavilai Zonal Vincent de Paul Jubilee Celebration at 3:00 p.m.

March 24

- Blessed the Maternal Ward at St. Xavier's Catholic Multispeciality Hospital, Chunkankadai at 9:00 a.m.

March 25

- Celebrated the CLC Commission Feast Mass at Nattalam at 10:30 a.m.
- Attended the Episcopal Ordination of the Coadjutor Bishop of Neyyattinkara at 3:30 p.m.

March 26

- Presided over the Curia Meeting at 9:30 a.m.
- Attended the Corporate Management Meeting at 6:00 p.m.

March 28

- Attended the College Day of St. Xavier's Catholic Engineering College, Chunkankadai at 9:30 a.m.
- Visited Rev. Fr. Jesudason Thomas, the Diocese's most senior priest, at Happy Home, Nattalam on his birthday at 5:00 p.m.

March 29

- Celebrated Mass for CRI at Infant Jesus Women's College, Mulagumoodu at 11:00 a.m.

March 31

- Attended a meeting at TNBCLC Centre, Tindivanam.

Incardination of Rev. Fr. Sahaya Stalin



Fr. Sahaya Stalin

Rev. Fr. Sahaya Stalin, originally from the Diocese of Patna, has been faithfully serving in various parishes of our diocese since May 21, 2019. Having formally requested incardination into the Diocese of Kuzhithurai, and following due consultation and fulfillment of the canonical requirements, he has been officially incardinated in accordance with Canon 267, effective Wednesday, April 23, 2025.

In this jubilee year, with great joy and enthusiasm, we, the clergy and faithful of the Diocese of Kuzhithurai, warmly welcome him into our presbyterium. We pray for God's abundant blessings upon him as he continues his ministry among us with renewed spirit and dedication.

Congratulations to the New Coadjutor Bishop of Neyyattinkara



On February 8, 2025, the Holy Father Pope Francis appointed Rev. Dr. Selvarajan (62) as the Coadjutor Bishop of Neyyattinkara, Kerala.

Rev. Dr. Selvarajan was born on January 27, 1962, in Valiyavila. He completed his studies in Philosophy and Theology at St. Joseph's Pontifical Seminary in Alwaye and later earned both a Licentiate and Doctorate in Canon Law from the Catholic University of Louvain. He was ordained a priest on December 23, 1987, for the Archdiocese of Trivandrum of the Latin Rite.

Following his ordination, he served the Church in various capacities including as parish priest in several parishes, Director of Catechesis, Defender of the Bond at the Tribunal, Chancellor of the Diocese, Director of the Pastoral Centre, Director of Corporate Management of Schools, and Judicial Vicar.

We, the clergy and faithful of the Diocese of Kuzhithurai, extend our heartfelt congratulations to Rev. Dr. Selvarajan. May God fill you with His choicest blessings as you lead the faithful with joy, hope, and spiritual wisdom. We pray that your ministry bears abundant fruit in the service of Christ and His Church.

Profile of the New Priests 2025



Dn. ASWIN PAUL C.

Date of Birth : 15.10.1993

Parish : St. Antony's Church, Vattom

Native Address : 1-65, Ebanezar Illam, Vattom,
Thiruvithancode Post - 629 174

Father's Name : Mr. P. Chella Durai

Mother's Name : Mrs. M. Glory Stella

Seminary : Sacred Heart Seminary, Poonamallee

Moto (English) : To Serve as called upon

Moto (Tamil) : அழைப்பிற்கேற்ற பணியாற்றிட

Diaconate Ministry : St. Antony's Shrine Parish, Vettuvanni

First Mass Place : **St. Antony's Church, Vattom**

Date and Time : **07.05.2025 & 05.00 pm**

Mobile : 9442542339

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Dn. NAVEEN L.G.

Date of Birth : 17.10.1990
Parish : Kappiyarai
Native Address : Anukandivilai,
KappiyaraiPost - 629 156
Father's Name : Mr. V. Lawrence
Mother's Name : Mrs. M. Grace
Seminary : St. Paul's Seminary, Trichy
Moto (English) : Involving in His Mission
Moto (Tamil) : தந்தையின் அலுவலில் ஈடுபட்டிருக்க
Diaconate Ministry : Church of St. Augustine, Kulasekharam
First Mass Place : **Church of St. Catherine, Kappiyarai**
Date and Time : **05.05.2025 & 05.30 pm**
Mobile : 9385517904
E-Mail : lgnaveen17@gmail.com

DAYS TO REMEMBER IN MAY 2025

ORDINATION DAYS

- 01 : Fr. Michael Alocious M.A. (2016)
- 01 : Fr. Cyril Mesmin V. (2016)
- 01 : Fr. Domi Lilil Raja A. (2016)
- 01 : Fr. Francis Xavier M. (2016)
- 01 : Fr. Maria Anto Halvin J. (2016)
- 01 : Fr. Sargin Rubas B. (2016)
- 01 : Fr. Altas Blintan Pajiv P. (2022)
- 01 : Fr. Berdin Anas A. (2022)
- 01 : Fr. Bright Singh K. (2022)
- 01 : Fr. Jose Prasanth F. (2022)
- 02 : Fr. John Britto Gnanaprakasam SAC (2006)
- 03 : Fr. Antony Muthu OCD (2019)
- 05 : Fr. Ajith J. (2019)
- 05 : Fr. Aloysius L. (2019)
- 05 : Fr. Jegan Silvester L. (2019)
- 05 : Fr. Joseph Stalin R. (2019)
- 05 : Fr. Shijin K. (2019)
- 05 : Fr. Sunil K. (2019)
- 05 : Fr. Vanish Michael Raj V. (2019)
- 06 : Fr. C. Maria David Antony CMF (1992)
- 06 : Fr. Rayappan OCD (2009)
- 07 : Fr. Sahaya Jerald Abin MSFS (2010)
- 07 : Fr. Justin Prabhu (2015)
- 07 : Fr. Edwin Raj C. (2017)
- 07 : Fr. Albin Jose E. (2017)
- 07 : Fr. Alwin Vijay M. (2017)
- 07 : Fr. Jeas Raymond (2017)
- 07 : Fr. Vinso Antony V. (2017)

DAYS TO REMEMBER IN MAY 2025

ORDINATION DAYS

- 09 : Fr. Brightlin Palayan SAC (2019)
- 10 : Fr. Christuraj (1996)
- 10 : Fr. Benitto V. (2015)
- 10 : Fr. Charles Viju A. (2015)
- 10 : Fr. Martin M. (2015)
- 10 : Fr. Pencer Xavier R. (2015)
- 10 : Fr. Sujin D. (2015)
- 10 : Fr. Xavier Raj R. (2015)
- 10 : Fr. Philip Raj SAC (2018)
- 11 : Fr. C. Melki Packia Raj OCD (2011)
- 12 : Fr. Antony R. (1975)
- 12 : Fr. Alex I.Sch. (2017)
- 13 : Fr. Thanislaus OCD (1996)
- 15 : Fr. Antony Xavier (1990)
- 18 : Fr. M. Andrews CMF (2011)
- 21 : Fr. Amaladhas F. A. (1993)
- 21 : Fr. Dennison Casimir Raja OCD (2010)
- 27 : Fr. Maria Alphonse V. (1980)
- 29 : Fr. Maria William M. (1988)
- 31 : Fr. Sugin Raj OCD (2016)

REMEMBER THE DEAD

- 07 : Fr. Stanilaus Maria (1985)
- 13 : Fr. Amalraj Nevis (2002)
- 16 : Fr. Albert Raj M. (19.92)
- 29 : Fr. Dharmanathar S. (1963)
- 31 : Fr. Varghese S. (2024)

DAYS TO REMEMBER IN MAY 2025

BIRTH DAYS

- 02 : Fr. Innocent J. (1946)
- 05 : Fr. Issac Raj R. (1971)
- 06 : Fr. Mariadas A. (1937)
- 06 : Fr. Arul Devadhasan M. (1948)
- 06 : Fr. Robert Benni M. (1971)
- 06 : Fr. Xavier Raj R. (1984)
- 06 : Fr. Ajin Jose A. (1989)
- 10 : Fr. Bright Singh K. (1993)
- 12 : Fr. Dominic Savio V. (1975)
- 13 : Fr. Maria Selvaraj S. (1959)
- 14 : Fr. Maria Rajendran S. (1969)
- 15 : Fr. Sebastian F. (1966)
- 18 : Fr. Maria Susai P. (1961)
- 22 : Fr. Chellaiyan P. K. (1942)
- 22 : Fr. Gnanamuthu V. (1968)
- 22 : Fr. Martin N. (1967)
- 23 : Fr. Densingh M. (1962)
- 24 : Fr. Christopher S. (1973)
- 25 : Fr. Francis S. (1956)
- 27 : Fr. Jones Cletus IVD (1974)
- 27 : Fr. Vanathaiyan MSFS (1978)
- 28 : Fr. Jesu Marian A. (1946)
- 28 : Fr. Joseph Theres Raj MMI (1981)
- 28 : Fr. Sahaya Stalin (1985)
- 30 : Bro. John Peter (1982)
- 30 : Fr. Arul Vineesh R.V. (1995)

Diocesan Events



Chrism Mass, The Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity, Thirithuvapuram



Maundy Thursday Mass, The Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity, Thirithuvapuram



Holy Friday service, The Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity, Thirithuvapuram



Easter Vigil Mass, The Cathedral of the Most Holy Trinity, Thirithuvapuram



Priestly **ORDINATION**

With great joy and gratitude, the Diocese of Kuzhithurai announces the Priestly Ordination of two of our Deacons, whom God has called to proclaim the Gospel.

I cordially invite you to join this solemn celebration of their Ordination to the Priesthood.



**SUNDAY, 04TH MAY 2025
AT 4.30 P.M.**



**CATHEDRAL OF THE MOST HOLY
TRINITY, THIRITHUVAPURAM**

You are kindly requested to inform your parishioners and encourage them to participate in this sacred occasion, giving thanks to the Lord for the gift of these new priests and praying for more vocations in our Diocese.

Looking forward to your presence and prayers.

YOURS IN CHRIST,
MOST REV. DR. ALBERT G. A. ANASTHAS
Bishop of Kuzhithurai



Dn. C. Aswin Paul

To serve as called upon

First Thanksgiving Mass:



07-05-2025



5:00 Pm



St. Antony's Church, Vattam



Dn. L. Naveen

Involving in His Mission

First Thanksgiving Mass:



05-05-2025



5:30 Pm



St. Sienna Catherine's Church, Kappiyarai



Patron of Laborers

May 01



Mother's Day

May 11



Our Lady of Fathima

May 13



International Day of Families

May 15



Our Lady Help of Christians

May 24



The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

May 31



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