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Faith and Justice

Peace and Non-violence

"His Holiness Pope Leo XIV has designated Saint Lazarus Devasahayam as the patron saint of the Indian laity, with the formal declaration scheduled for October 15, 2025, at St. Mary's Cathedral, Varanasi."



**Saint Theresese
of the Child Jesus**



Pope John XXIII



**The Holy
Guardian Angels**



Saint Teresa of Avila



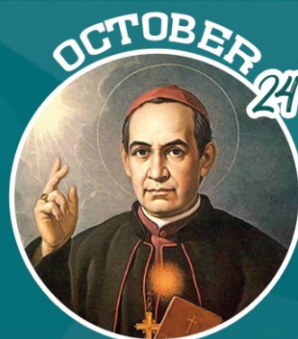
**Saint Francis
of Assisi**



Saint Luke



**Our Lady
of the Rosary**



Saint Antony Mary Claret



VOICE OF THE SHEPHERD

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we enter the month of October, we remember with gratitude and reverence the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi on 2nd October, the Father of our Nation and a true teacher of *Ahimsa*, non-violence. His life was a living testimony to the power of peace and justice. Before his time, no one could imagine that non-violence alone could bring freedom to a nation. Yet, through his steadfast faith in *Ahimsa*, the whole country was inspired to resist injustice in a new way. We succeeded—not with weapons, but with courage, patience, and love.

Sadly, our world today is still plagued with violence. Wars rage across continents, and the suffering of innocent people continues. In Gaza, the situation is heart-wrenching: children, women, and the elderly are being ruthlessly killed in airstrikes, homes destroyed, and lives shattered. The pain is unimaginable, yet the world watches, often powerless or unwilling to act. This moment calls for us to reflect deeply on the teachings of *Ahimsa*. We must embrace non-violence in thought, word, and action and pray for justice, peace, and the protection of the innocent across the world.

The Dicastery for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, having examined the petition of the CCBI, has confirmed St. Devasahayam as the Patron saint of the Laity in India through Decree Prot. N. 215/25, dated 16 July 2025. This is a moment of great joy and blessing for the Church of Kuzhithurai where the St. Devasahayam was born in Nattalam.

CCBI will solemnly announce this on 15th October 2025, during the Eucharistic Celebration at St. Mary's Cathedral, Varanasi, where the CCBI Commission for Laity will hold its Annual National Meeting. To mark this grace-filled occasion locally, we will celebrate a thanksgiving Mass at Nattalam, the birthplace of St. Devasahayam, at 5 pm on 15th October 2025.

Voice of the Shepherd

St. Devasahayam's life reminds us of the power of unwavering faith. Though he faced severe challenges, he never wavered in his commitment to Christ. His courage, faith, and love for justice elevated him to the heights of sainthood. I warmly invite you all to join this celebration, to honor him, uphold his values, and receive abundant blessings through his intercessions.

As part of this jubilee year, we continue our pilgrimages to shrines and homes for the abandoned, destitute, disabled, and mentally challenged. At the diocesan level, we will have a one-day pilgrimage to St. Antony's Shrine, Chunkankadai on 14th October 2025, concluding with a special Mass at 5 pm celebrated by me. I encourage each of you to come, participate, and be inspired by this pilgrimage.

Finally, our annual diocesan retreat will take place in two batches: 19–24 October (first batch) and 26–31 October (second batch). This is a sacred time to rest your body, mind, and soul, to reflect deeply, and to renew your union with God. It is also a time to renew our commitment—not only to God and the Church, but to our diocese and to ourselves. Come with an open heart, and let this retreat bear abundant spiritual fruit.

May this month of October be one of reflection, pilgrimage, and renewal for each of us. Let us walk in the footsteps of the saints, embrace the power of non-violence, and allow God's grace to transform our lives.

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

PRAYER INTENTION FOR OCTOBER 2025

For collaboration between different religious traditions

Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.

Engagements of the Bishop: October 2025

Date	Event	Place	Time
01	Contact Visit & Feast Mass	Melpuram	05.30 pm
02	Conference for Teachers		10.00 am
	Confirmation Mass	Vellayambalam	06.00 pm
03	Graduation Day at Morning Star Polytechnic College	Chunkankadai	10.00 am
	Contact Visit & Confirmation Mass	Packiapuram	05.00 pm
04	Contact Visit & Confirmation Mass	Manalikuzhivilai	09.30 am
05	Contact Visit & Confirmation Mass	Panavilai	09.00 am
08	Memorial Mass	Dindugal	10.00 am
07	Curia	Bishop's House	09.30 am
10	James Tombeur Memorial Mass	Chunkankadai	07.00 am
	Confirmation Mass	Kanjiracode	06.00 pm
11	Seminar for Bank Staff		09.30 am
	School Building Opening and Mass	Mukkalampadu	11.00 am
12	Contact Visit & Feast Mass	Konamkadu	08.30 pm
	Legion of Mary Mass	Thirithuvapuram	04.30 pm
14	Curia	Bishop's House	09.30 am
	Installation of Mammography at St. Xavier's hospital	Chunkankadai	03.00 pm
	Holy Mass and Inauguration of Special Finance Committee	Chunkankadai	05.00 pm
18	Finance Committee	Bishop's House	03.00 pm
19	Contact Visit & Confirmation Mass	Yettacode	09.00 am
19	Retreat for Priest begins (1 st Batch)		07.00 pm
25	Mass for Elderly People - Thirithuvapuram Vicariate		11.30 am
26	Retreat for Priest begins (2 nd Batch)		07.00 pm



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இயேசுவைக் காண்போம் ஆன்மிக மையம்

அன்பிற்குரிய குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்ட அருள்பணியாளர்களே, இருபால் துறவியரே, இறைமக்களே!

கிறிஸ்து இயேசுவின் அருள் உங்கள் அனைவரிலும் பெருகுவதாக!

நமது மறைமாவட்டத்தின் இயேசுவைக் காண்போம் ஆன்மிக மையம் சிறப்பாக செயல்படத் தொடங்கியிருக்கிறது. இந்த மையத்தில் அருள்பணி. முனைவர் வ. இரபேல் (மைய இயக்குநர்) பொறுப்பில், இறையியல் மற்றும் விவிலிய வகுப்புகளும், நம் மண்ணின் மறைசாட்சி புனிதர் தேவசகாயம் ஆன்மிகம் தொடர்பான வகுப்புகளும், ஆன்மிகப் பயிற்சித் தியானங்களும், அஞ்சல்வழிக் கல்வியும் நடைபெற இருக்கின்றன.

ஒவ்வொரு சனிக்கிழமையும் இந்த மையத்தில் சகோதரர் கிறிஸ்துதாஸ் பொறுப்பில் ஆன்மிக அருங்கொடைத் தியானம் நடைபெற்று வருகிறது. அதனிடையே, குணமளிக்கும் திருப்பலியும் குருக்கள் தலைமையில் நிறைவேற்றப்படுகிறது.

பங்கு அளவிலும், வட்டார அளவிலும், மறைமாவட்ட அளவிலும், சமூக ஊடகங்கள் வழியாக உலக அளவிலும் இவற்றில் பங்கெடுத்துப் பயன்பெறுமாறு உங்களை அன்புடன் கேட்டுக் கொள்கின்றேன்.

நம் மறைமாவட்ட ஆலயங்களில் நற்செய்தி கூட்டங்கள் நடத்தவும், தியான உரைகள் வழங்கிடவும், பயிற்சி வகுப்புகள் நடத்திடவும் 'இயேசுவைக் காண்போம்' ஆன்மிக மையத்தைத் தொடர்பு கொண்டு, பயன் பெறுமாறு உங்களைக் கேட்டுக்கொள்கின்றேன்.

இறையாசி என்றும் உங்களோடு இருப்பதாக!

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கிறிஸ்துவில் உங்கள் அன்புள்ள,

+ *Albert*

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



குறிப்பு: இத்தகவலை குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டத்தின் அனைத்துப் பங்குகளிலும், கிளைப் பங்குகளிலும் ஆகஸ்ட் 31, 2025 அன்று ஞாயிறு திருப்பலியில் அறிவிக்கவும்.



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பெண் குழந்தைகள் தினம்

அன்பான அருள்பணியாளர்களே, அருள்சகோதரிகளே, இறைமக்களே!

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

ஒவ்வொரு ஆண்டும் அன்னை மரியாவின் பிறப்பு தினமான செப்டம்பர் 8 ஆம் நாளை பெண் குழந்தைகள் தினமாக திருஅவையானது சிறப்பித்து வருகின்றது.

பெண் குழந்தைகள் நம் சமூகத்தின் விடிவெள்ளிகள். பெண்கள் அறிவுக்கூர்மை மிக்கவர்களாக, சீரிய சிந்தனை உள்ளவர்களாக, சிறந்த ஆளுமை மிக்கவர்களாக, நல்ல தலைமை பண்புள்ளவர்களாக, இரக்க குணம் உள்ளவர்களாக, இக்கட்டான சூழ்நிலைகளில் சரியான முடிவெடுப்பவர்களாக, குடும்பம் வேலை சமூகம் என பல்வேறு பணிகளை ஒரே நேரத்தில் செய்யும் பன்முக திறமை கொண்டவர்களாக, நம் குடும்பங்களில் தாய்மார்களாக மகள்களாக சகோதரிகளாக மிகச் சாதாரணமாக வாழ்ந்து கொண்டிருக்கின்றார்கள்.

இத்தகைய திறமைகளையெல்லாம் தன்னகத்தே கொண்டிருந்தாலும், இன்று பெண் குழந்தைகள், சமூகத்தில் அதிகமான பாதிப்புக்களை சந்திக்கிறார்கள். பச்சிளம் குழந்தைகள் என்றும் பாராமல் பாலியல் வன்முறைக்கு உள்ளாக்கப்படுகிறார்கள். பாலின பாகுபாடுகளை சந்திக்கிறார்கள். பல்வேறு வாய்ப்புக்களை இழக்கிறார்கள். சமூகத்திலிருந்து பலவிதமான அழுத்தங்களை எதிர்கொள்கிறார்கள். இந்த அபாயகரமான சூழலில் இருந்து நமது பெண் குழந்தைகளை பாதுகாக்க நாம் அழைக்கப்பட்டுள்ளோம்.

அதிகப்படியான சுமைகளை பெண் குழந்தைகள் மீது ஏற்றாமல் இருப்போம். போதை குறித்த தெளிவுகளைக் கொடுப்போம், தற்கொலை குறித்த எண்ணங்களிலிருந்து மீட்டெடுப்போம். பாலியல் வன்முறைகளுக்கெதிரான விழிப்புணர்வையும் எதிர்காலம் பற்றிய நம்பிக்கையையும் குழந்தைகள் மனதில் விதைப்போம். இவர்களை சீரும் சிறப்போடும் ஆற்றலோடும் வளர்த்தெடுப்போம். இவர்களின் வாழ்வில் வரும் தடைகளைத் தகர்ப்போம். இவர்களுக்கான உரிமைகளை, பாதுகாப்பை, வருங்காலத்தை உறுதி செய்வோம். பெண் குழந்தைகளைக் கொண்டாடுவோம்.

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இந்த ஆண்டு வருகின்ற செப்டம்பர் 7ஆம் நாள் ஞாயிறு வழிபாட்டை பெண் குழந்தைகள் தினமாக “எதிர்நோக்கின் திருப்பயணத்தில் வரலாறு படைக்கும் மகளிர்” என்ற மையச் சிந்தனையில் சிறப்பிக்க உங்களை அழைக்கின்றேன். நம்பிக்கையை விதைப்போம்! நல்லுலகு படைப்போம்!

கிறிஸ்துவில் உங்கள் அன்புள்ள,

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Reminder

Annual Retreat

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

Batch I : October 19 to 24, 2025

Batch II : October 26 to 31, 2025

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

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

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



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செப்டம்பர் 13, 2025

விவிலிய ஞாயிறு 28 செப்டம்பர் 2025

அன்பான அருள்பணியாளர்களே! அருள்சகோதரிகளே! இறைமக்களே!

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

செப்டம்பர் 28, 2025 ஆம் ஆண்டு இறைவார்த்தை ஞாயிறுக்காகத் திருத்தந்தை நமக்குக் கொடுத்திருக்கும் “நான் உமது வார்த்தையில் நம்பிக்கை கொள்கிறேன்” (காண். திபா 119:74) எனும் மையப்பொருளை முன்னிறுத்தி இந்த ஆண்டு தமிழகத் திருஅவையில் விவிலிய மாதம் கொண்டாடப்படுகிறது. இந்தாண்டு நமது மறைமாவட்டத்தில் விவிலிய மாதத்தையும் அதன் கொண்டாட்டங்களையும் அர்த்தமுள்ள விதத்தில் திட்டமிட்டுச் சிறப்பிக்கக் கேட்டுக்கொள்கின்றேன்.

விவிலிய மாதத்திற்கான சில வழிகாட்டல்கள்

1. விவிலிய மாதம் நிறைவுபெறும் முன்பே, விவிலியக் குழுவை இதுவரை உருவாக்காத பங்குகள் விரைந்து செயல்பட்டு பங்கில் உடனடியாக விவிலியக் குழுவை உருவாக்கி மறைமாவட்ட விவிலியப் பணிக்குழுவில் பதிவு செய்யவும்.
2. பங்களவில் விவிலிய வாங்கி அமைத்து இயலாதவர்களுக்கு விவிலியம் வாங்கிக் கொடுத்து மகிழவும்.
3. சிறப்பு விழாக்களில் விவிலியம் மற்றும் விவிலியம் சார்ந்த நூல்களைப் பரிசாகக் கொடுத்து மகிழவும்.
4. விவிலியம் தொடர்பான மாத இதழ்களை (தோழன், விவிலிய விருந்து, மறையருவி, விவிலிய விளக்கவுரைகள்) வாங்கி வாசித்துப் பயனடையவும்.

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5. செப்டம்பர் 22 முதல் 28 வரையிலான நாட்களை விவிலிய வாரமாக்கி, பங்கின் ஒவ்வொரு பங்கேற்புக் குழுவும் திட்டமிட்டுத் திருவழிபாடுதனைச் சிறப்பிக்கவும்.
6. விவிலிய வாரத்தில் ஒரு நாள் “முதல் விவிலிய விழாவாகக்” கொண்டாடி, மறைக்கல்வி மூன்றாம் வகுப்பு மாணவ மாணவியருக்கு “முதல் விவிலியம்” பரிசாக வழங்கி, “என் விவிலியம் என் நம்பிக்கைப் பெட்டகம்” என்ற உணர்வினை வழங்கலாம், ஒவ்வொரு வருடமும் இதைக் கடைபிடிக்க முயற்சி எடுக்கலாம்.
7. பங்குமக்கள் அனைவரும் முழு விவிலியத்தையும் 2030 க்குள் ஒருமுறை வாசித்து முடிக்க ஆவன செய்தல்.

செப்டம்பர் 28 அன்று, விவிலியப் பணிகளுக்காகச் சிறப்புக் காணிக்கை பெற்று மறைமாவட்டப் பொருளரிடம் வழங்க அன்போடு கேட்டுக்கொள்கின்றேன்.

இறைவார்த்தையில் ஒன்றிக்க, பயணிக்க, இறை ஆசி என்றும் உங்களோடு தங்கிட, நெஞ்சார வாழ்த்துகின்றேன், இறைவேண்டல் செய்கின்றேன்.

கிறிஸ்துவில் உங்கள் அன்புள்ள,

+ *G. A. Ananthas*

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



குறிப்பு: இத்தகவலை குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டத்தின் அனைத்துப் பங்குகளிலும், கிளைப் பங்குகளிலும் செப்டம்பர் 21, 2025 அன்று ஞாயிறு திருப்பலியில் வாசிக்கவும்.

Attention Please!

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

1. 01.10.2025 - Ayutha Pooja
2. 02.10.2025 - Gandhi Jayanthi
3. 20.10.2025 - Deepavali

- Fr. G. Jayakumar, Financial Administrator.

Contributions to the Diocese

August 16 to September 15, 2025

1. Annual Contribution from Churches

No	Parish	Amount
1	Chirayankuzhy (Kanjiracode)	15,000
2	Kandanvilai	1,51,000
3	Kannode (Murasancode)	7,000
4	Kulasekharam	1,00,000
5	Kuzhivilai (Karenkadu)	10,000
6	Manalikuzhivilai	17,000
7	Mancode (Cheruvallloor)	4,200
8	Mannanvilai (Iruthayapuram)	7,000
9	Monday Market (Arockiapuram)	10,000
10	Muhilankarai (Manalिकarai)	13,000
11	Mukkalampadu (2019-2020)	28,305
12	Mulagumoodu	1,50,000
13	Munchirai	50,000
14	Muthalar (Kallaravilai)	6,000
15	Pallavilai (Pattarivilai)	13,000
16	Paloor (Poottety)	15,600
17	Pillavilai (Kallukoottam)	10,000
18	Thittavilai (Pullani)	7,600
19	Vellicode	50,000
20	Vettuvilai (Vencode)	12,000
21	Villukury (Madathattuvilai)	13,000
Total		6,89,705

2. Youth Year

No	Parish	Amount
1	Monday Market (Arockiapuram)	460
2	Thattanvilai (Padarnilam)	400
3	Vettuvilai (Vencode)	700
Total		1,560

Contribution

3. Holy Childhood

No	Parish	Amount
1	Alanvilai	3,984
2	Chitharal (Themanoor)	725
3	Kumarapuram (Manalikarai)	1,353
4	Mancode (Cheruvallloor)	1,928
5	Mannanvilai (Iruthayapuram)	2,650
6	Mathiravilai (2024)	8,755
7	Mathiravilai (2025)	7,680
8	Muthalar (Kallaravilai)	850
9	Pallavilai (Pattarivilai)	3,107
10	Palliady	16,000
11	Pillavilai (Kallukoottam)	3,227
12	Swamiyarmadam (Manalikarai)	1,800
13	Thattanvilai (Padarnilam) (2024)	1,175
14	Thattanvilai (Padarnilam) (2025)	847
15	Thittavilai (Pullani)	300
16	Vettuvilai (Vencode) (2023)	700
17	Vettuvilai (Vencode) (2024)	1,100
18	Vettuvilai (Vencode) (2025)	1,600
Total		57,781

4. Mission Sunday

No	Parish	Amount
1	Chitharal (Themanoor)	665
2	Kumarapuram (Manalikarai)	1,550
3	Mannanvilai (Iruthayapuram)	1,065
4	Melpuram	3,428
5	Muhilankarai (Manalikarai)	2,234
6	Thattanvilai (Padarnilam)	757
7	Thattanvilai (Padarnilam) (2023)	187
8	Thittavilai (Pullani)	725
9	Vettuvilai (Vencode) (2022)	1,200
10	Vettuvilai (Vencode) (2023)	1,800
11	Vettuvilai (Vencode) (2024)	2,500
Total		16,111

5. Cumulated Mass

No	Parish	Amount
1	Chemparuthivilai	4,100
2	Chemparuthivilai	5,300
3	Chetticharvilai	1,100
4	Chunkankadai (St. Antony)	3,500
5	Fathimapuram	1,500
6	Irudayapuram (T)	1,000
7	Ithayapuram (Viricode) (July, August)	1,600
8	Kaliakkavilai (May, August)	12,000
9	Kanjiracode	1,600
10	Kolvel (July, August)	3,200
11	Koottamavu	1,000
12	Madathattuvilai	8,300
13	Mathapuram (Vizhunthayambalam) (Feast Mass)	20,000
14	Mathiravilai (Feast Mass)	1,00,000
15	Mulagumoodu	9,300
16	Mylacode	3,600
17	Nattalam (Shrine)	10,700
18	Palliyady	3,100
19	Parakunnu	3,000
20	Puliyoorkurichy	1,500
21	Thickurichy	2,100
22	Thiruvithancode	44,500
23	Varthanvilai	2,000
24	Varthanvilai	1,500
25	Vencode (July)	5,000
26	Vencode (June)	3,200
27	Vettuvenni (Shrine)	3,82,100
28	Vettuvilai (Vencode) (July)	1,300
29	Vettuvilai (Vencode) (June)	1,500
Total		6,38,600

6. Prison Ministry

No	Parish	Amount
1	Alanvilai	1,611
2	Ambankalai (Kolvel)	2,040
3	Annainagar	4,455
4	Appattuvilai (St. Antony)	1,842
5	Appattuvilai (St. Joseph)	5,654
6	Attoor (2025)	712
7	Chellamkonam (Panavilai)	1,100
8	Chemparuthivilai	7,010
9	Cherikadai (Palliyady)	3,000
10	Chirayankuzhy (Kanjiracode)	3,650
11	Chitharal (Themanoor) (2024)	615
12	Chitharal (Themanoor) (2025)	610
13	Christurajapuram (Nallayanpuram)	1,500
14	Eathavilai (Chemparuthivilai)	1,835
15	Elanthavilai	1,048
16	Eraviputhoorkadai (Manjady)	2,060
17	Fathimapuram	8,575
18	Ithayapuram (Viricode)	5,436
19	Kakkavilai (Fathimapuram)	1,000
20	Kandanvilai	3,000
21	Kanjiracode	8,994
22	Kannode (Murasancode)	1,674
23	Kappiarai	2,776
24	Kattuvilai (Cherukol Karumputhottam)	1,415
25	Kesavapuram (Puthenkadai)	5,810
26	Kolvel	7,000
27	Komanvilai (Murasancode)	420
28	Kottoorkonam	2,000
29	Kuttaikadu	1,665
30	Kuzhichal (Packiapuram)	1,350
31	Kuzhivilai	4,537
32	Kuzhivilai (Karenkadu)	1,137
33	Kuzhivilai (Vavarai)	1,400
34	Madathattuvilai	9,240

Contribution

6. Prison Ministry

No	Parish	Amount
35	Manali	1,060
36	Manalikai	6,903
37	Mancode (Cheruvallor) (2024)	1,842
38	Mancode (Cheruvallor) (2025)	540
39	Manjady	1,000
40	Mannanvilai (Iruthayapuram) (2024)	1,056
41	Mannanvilai (Iruthayapuram) (2025)	2,095
42	Marthandam	7,505
43	Maruthancode (Panavilai)	400
44	Mathiravilai	13,350
45	Mathoorkonam (Ambalakkadai)	850
46	Mekkamandapam (Chemparuthivilai)	1,000
47	Melpuram (2024)	6,326
48	Melpuram (2025)	3,948
49	Moolachel (Manali)	1,080
50	Mukkalampadu	3,572
51	Mulavilai	6,107
52	Munchirai	2,000
53	Murasancode	6,164
54	Murasancode	4,500
55	Muthalar (Kallaravilai)	2,437
56	Mylacode	5,000
57	Nalloor (Marthandam)	3,095
58	Nellickavilai (Pacode)	1,028
59	Nellickavilai (Pacode)	2,020
60	Pacode	4,376
61	Palapally (Manali)	1,040
62	Palavilai	3,445
63	Pallavilai (Pattarivilai)	1,213
64	Palliady	12,345
65	Panavilai	1,500
66	Paramanvilai	1,495
67	Pullani	3,435

Contribution

6. Prison Ministry

No	Parish	Amount
68	Puthenkadai	7,400
69	Puthucode (Vavarai)	1,427
70	Sahayanagar	9,257
71	Saicode (Kuttaikadu)	1,735
72	Soosaipuram (Vellicode)	2,610
73	Swamiyarmadam (Manalikarai)	2,200
74	Thattanvilai (Padarnilam) (2024)	1,026
75	Thattanvilai (Padarnilam) (2025)	1,200
76	Thickurichy	7,264
77	Thiruvithancode	3,800
78	Thuckalay	5,723
79	Udavilai (Thumpali)	1,600
80	Unnamalaikadai (Marthandam)	1,950
81	Valanoor	4,250
82	Valvachagostam	2,576
83	Vellayambalam	1,500
84	Vellicode	8,457
85	Vencode	4,040
86	Veppuvilai (Vellayambalam)	1,030
87	Verkilambi (Chetticharvilai)	600
88	Vettuvenni (Shrine)	17,900
89	Vettuvilai (Vencode) (2022)	600
90	Vettuvilai (Vencode) (2023)	900
91	Vettuvilai (Vencode) (2024)	1,300
92	Villukury (Madathattuvilai)	2,605
93	Vizhunthayambalam	4,200
Total		3,17,048

7. St. Devasahayam Thanksgiving Mass

No	Parish	Amount
1	Pallavilai (Pattarivilai)	1,685
Total		1,685

8. Social Communication

No	Parish	Amount
1	Alanvilai	5,176
2	Chitharal (Themanoor)	650
3	Elanthavilai	1,013
4	Kakkavilai (Fathimapuram)	1,000
5	Kandanvilai	2,500
6	Kanjiracode	11,755
7	Kuzhivilai (Karenkadu)	1,527
8	Mancode (Cheruvallloor) (2024)	635
9	Mancode (Cheruvallloor) (2025)	442
10	Manjady	1,500
11	Mannanvilai (Iruthayapuram) (2023)	1,987
12	Mannanvilai (Iruthayapuram) (2025)	1,795
13	Mathiravilai (2024)	11,805
14	Melpuram (2024)	5,483
15	Melpuram (2025)	5,407
16	Monday Market (Arockiapuram) (2023)	610
17	Monday Market (Arockiapuram) (2024)	1,261
18	Muhilankarai (Manalikarai)	1,940
19	Muthalar (Kallaravilai)	1,004
20	Pacode	4,259
21	Pallavilai (Pattarivilai)	1,680
22	Palliady (2024)	14,090
23	Thattanvilai (Padarnilam) (2023)	377
24	Thattanvilai (Padarnilam) (2024)	722
25	Thattanvilai (Padarnilam) (2025)	1,142
26	Thuckalay	2,510
27	Vellayambalam	971
28	Vellayambalam	1,443
29	Vencode	2,114
30	Vettuvilai (Vencode) (2023)	800
31	Vettuvilai (Vencode) (2024)	1,400
Total		88,998

Contribution

9. Bible Sunday

No	Parish	Amount
1	Aramannam (Nagacode)	2,585
2	Chitharal (Themanoor)	680
3	Kandanvilai	12,781
4	Kumarapuram (Manalikarai)	1,070
5	Manalikuzhivilai	1,550
6	Mancode (Cheruvallloor)	1,177
7	Mannanvilai (Iruthayapuram)	3,625
8	Melpuram	4,301
9	Mukkalampadu	2,174
10	Palliady	19,735
11	Thattanvilai (Padarnilam) (2023)	474
12	Thattanvilai (Padarnilam) (2024)	538
13	Thittavilai (Pullani)	500
14	Vettuvilai (Vencode) (2022)	850
15	Vettuvilai (Vencode) (2023)	1,000
16	Vettuvilai (Vencode) (2024)	1,500
17	Villukury (Madathattuvilai)	1,470
Total		56,010

10. Seminary Fund

No	Parish	Amount
1	Auxilaries of the Lay Apostolate	7,000
2	Fr. Innocent	500
3	Lourdugiri (Confirmation)	24,706
4	M. Baby, Karungal	10,000
5	Mr. Joseph, Palliady (August, September)	2,000
6	Mrs. Dora Augesty, Thundathuvilai	10,000
7	Mulagumoodu	5,000
8	Palliady	3,000
Total		62,206

Contribution

11. New Bishop’s House Building

No	Parish	Amount
1	Kandanvilai	30,000
2	Kannode (Murasancode)	2,000
3	Kumarapuram (Manalikarai)	15,000
4	Kuttaikadu (Collection)	2,390
5	Manalikarai (Collection)	21,000
6	Manjady (Collection)	1,000
7	Mathiravilai	50,000
8	Monday Market (Arockiapuram)	7,669
9	Muhilankarai (Manalikarai)	14,000
10	Munchirai	10,000
11	Paloor (Poottety)	2,000
12	Theruvukkadai (Poottety) (Collection)	6,000
13	Thittavilai (Pullani)	15,000
14	Verkilambi (Chetticharvilai) (Collection)	4,200
15	Vettuvilai (Vencode)	17,750
16	Villukury (Madathattuvilai)	10,000
Total		2,08,009

12. Holy Land

No	Parish	Amount
1	Kulasekharam	17,965
2	Kumarapuram (Manalikarai)	3,000
3	Pallavilai (Pattarivilai)	3,784
4	Vencode	13,500
5	Vettuvilai (Vencode) (2023)	2,000
6	Vettuvilai (Vencode) (2024)	2,500
Total		42,749

13. Cancer Patient Fund

No	Parish	Amount
1	Koottamavu	30,000
2	Mannanvilai (Iruthayapuram)	9,500
Total		39,500

Contribution

14. Shrine (Special Mass)

No	Parish	Amount
1	Chunkankadai	16,000
2	Vettuvenni	2,000
	Total	18,000

Incardination of Rev. Fr. Wellington B.



Fr. Wellington B.

We are pleased to announce that Rev. Fr. Wellington B., a priest of the Servants of Charity congregation, has been incardinated into the Diocese of Kuzhithurai, effective September 1, 2025. Fr. Wellington has been serving diligently in our Diocese since May 6, 2019, and is currently the Priest-in-Charge of Parakuntu parish. This incardination follows his formal request and thorough consultation, in accordance with Canon 267.

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.

Activities of the Pastoral Commissions in the Month of August 2025

CHRISTIAN LIFE COMMISSION

Commission for Catechism

BTCT - Program

- * The Basic Theological Training (*BTCT- Basic Training for Catechism Teachers*) for the 25th group was held at Christian Life Commission Training Hall, Unnamalaikadai for 4 weeks in August. Rev. Fr. Edwin Raj C., Mrs. Jaculine, Rev. Fr. Godwin Selva Justus S., Mrs. Preetha V., Rev. Fr. Stephen C., Rev. Fr. Paul Richard Joseph, Rev. Fr. Sunil K. and Mrs. Vijila M., the Catechist were the resource persons who gave training under different subjects like *Introduction to the Bible, Basic Prayers and their Meanings, Christology, Students' Psychological View of Catechism, Liturgy- Sacraments, Good Habits, Effective Use of Media, Discipleship and Model Class*. 91 Catechism teachers participated in this training. Rev. Fr. Andrews V., the Secretary of the Christian Life Commission felicitated the participants and presented certificates to the trainees. And he appreciated Catechists Mrs. Vijila and Mrs. Prema for all their efforts and help in the twenty-five training programs.

Vicariate Executive Committee Meetings

- * Mulagumoodu vicariate executive committee took place on August 09, 2025 and 17 persons participated. They discussed the visitation of the Parish Catechetical Forum. The election for Administrators was conducted.
- * Thirithuvapuram vicariate executive committee was organized on August 16, 2025 and 4 people attended. They discussed the General Body Meeting and Administrators' Election.

Vicariate level General Body Meetings

Report: Activities of the Pastoral Commissions

- * Mulagumoodu vicariate general body meeting was held on August 09, 2025 and 51 people from 27 Catechetical Forums joined in the meeting. Mrs. Jenilet Leela gave a talk on the topic *Teachers are the Supporting Tools for the Students*.
- * Mathiravilai vicariate general body meeting was conducted on August 16, 2025 and 21 people participated. New administrators took charge on that day. Fr. Andrews, Commission Secretary, talked about the annual plan. Then, it was decided that all Catechetical forums send their annual plans in the vicariate WhatsApp group.
- * Thirithuvapuram vicariate general body meeting took place on August 23, 2025 and 66 people participated. New office- bearers were elected and they took charge. The former office- bearers were thanked.

Training for the Catechism Teachers at Parishes

- * A Training program was conducted for the catechism teachers at Siluvaipuram on August 31, 2025 and 28 People participated. Mr. Jeya Prakash gave training on the theme “The Duty and Responsibility of Catechism Teachers in Students’ Growth.”

Commission for Liturgy

Vicariate level General Body Meetings

- * Karenkadu vicariate general body meeting was held on August 03, 2025 and 20 members participated in it. Fr. Sunil gave a talk on ‘Introduction to Liturgy.’
- * Mulagumoodu vicariate general body meeting was conducted on August 09, 2025 and 16 people took part in it. Fr. Michael Alocius delivered a talk on ‘Introduction to Liturgy.’
- * Vencode vicariate general body meeting took place on August 09, 2025, with the attendance of 30 members. Fr. Shine was

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the resource person who gave a wonderful speech on the documents of the Second Vatican Council.

Vicariate Executive Committee Meetings

- * Mathiravilai vicariate executive committee took place on August 09, 2025 and 13 persons participated. The election for Administrators was conducted.

Commission for the Bible

Vicariate level General Body Meetings

- * Karenkadu vicariate general body meeting was held on August 09, 2025 and 10 people participated. Fr. Reegan gave a talk on 'Introduction to Bible.'

Vicariate Executive Committee Meetings

- * Mulagumoodu vicariate executive committee meeting was held on August 09, 2025 and 13 people took part in it. Fr. Michael Alocius delivered a talk on 'Aim and Tasks of Commissions.' The election for new office-bearers was conducted.
- * Mathiravilai vicariate executive committee meeting took place on August 23, 2025 and 18 persons participated. They discussed Bible Sunday Celebrations. The election for Administrators was conducted.

Commission for Prison Ministry

Our Diocesan prison ministry general body meeting was held on 29.08.2025 at V.S.C.S meeting hall, Marthandam presided over by Sr. Margret Mary, with the participation of seventeen members. The Secretary, Mr. Vincent presented the report and Mrs. Reena, the treasurer submitted the monthly account report. The reports were discussed and approved.

The following information was shared...

- * Next awareness program "Crimeless Kumari" would be conducted at Mulavilai Parish on 21.09.2025 after the mass.

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* The participants of Jubilee Seminar conducted at Chengalpattu shared that it was highly fruitful and the higher officials in police department appreciated our mission.

* Experience of visiting the inmates and their family were shared.

Following decisions were made unanimously:

An inmate, a remanded prisoner request our PMI to help him in fixing an artificial hand which he lost in an electrical accident. During the course of discussion in the meeting Mr. Paul Raj, a member of our ministry told he would try asking a friend to do this.

An another one prisoner's wife has requested to help for her children's education. . This matter was brought for discussion and decided to collect the actual information about the family and then accordingly we might proceed with what to do.

Five teams were allotted for the training program and Mr. Vincent will organise as a coordinator.

Mr. Amirthabai from Nattalm willingly wishes to join our mission she was welcomed.

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

Commission for Inter-religious dialogue and Ecumenism

Regional meeting of Ecumenism and Inter-religious dialogue was held at St. Pius X boys town Animation Centre, Nagamalai, Madurai on 30th August. The meeting was presided over by Rt.Rev. Dr.Lawrence Pius. D.D. who also delivered the introductory address. Rev. Fr. Martin.N ,Rev.Fr.Bright Singh and Rev.Fr.Sahaya Stalin participated in the meeting representing Ecumenism and Inter-religious dialogue.

The priests and representatives of various dioceses deliberated on the theme provided by CCBI Pastoral plan: "Journeying towards a Synodal Church, Mission of 2033." The dignitaries shared about the action plans undertaken in realizing the mission 2033.

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The meeting was concluded with the discussion about the upcoming event in November at Chennai.

Commission for Labour

Vicariate-Level Activities:

1. The Mulagumoodu Vicariate Labour Commission election for new executive members was held on 03/08/2025, with around 40 members participating.
2. On 03/08/2025, the Mathiravilai Vicariate Labour Commission meeting was conducted at St. Anthony's Church, Thundathuvilai Parish, with 15 members attending.
3. The Thiruthuvapuram Vicariate Labour Commission election was held at St. Anthony's Church, Vettumani on 10/08/2025 under the guidance of the Vicariate Director, Rev. Fr. Anees. A total of 13 members participated.
4. The Karankadu Vicariate Labour Commission meeting was held at St. Michael Archangel Church, Mylode on 23/08/2025. A training session on Poison-free Agriculture was conducted by Green Champion (Agri) Dr. Rajkumar. Twenty-five members benefited from this session.

Diocesan-Level Activities:

1. A special Diocesan Executive Committee meeting was held at the Unnamalaikadai office on 17/08/2025. Rev. Fr. Martin (Coordinator of Commissions), Rev. Fr. A. Michael Raj (Diocesan Director), and Rev. Godwin Selva Justus participated and discussed the future plans of the Labour Commission. Ten executive members attended this meeting.
2. Another Diocesan Executive Committee meeting was held at the Unnamalaikadai office on 17/08/2025 at 3:00 PM. Thirty-five members from six different zones participated

Decisions Made in the Executive Meeting:

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1. To conduct the General Body Meeting on 21/09/2025 at Arockiyapuram Parish.
2. To send clothes for the poor to Varanasi by the end of November (as done last year), with the responsibility entrusted to the members.
3. To conduct new elections for executive body members in the vicariates of Vencode and Puthenkadai.

Participation:

1. The General Body Meeting of the Workers India Federation was held at Bhopal on 22nd and 23rd August 2025, in which field worker Mrs. Jayini participated.

Special Tasks:

1. A scholarship application was submitted.
2. Renewal of the Welfare Board card was completed for one person.

Commission for Children

Vicariate General body meetings

- * 02.08.2025 Vencode held at Munchirai, training was given on the theme of “Childrend’s personality development” by Fr. Biruthivie Thomas. 30 incharges participated.
- * 02.08.2025 Puthankadai held at Kulesakeram training was given on the theme of How to lead and guide the children by Fr. Nareen. 31 incharges participated.
- * 24.08.2025 Mulagumoodu, Thuckalay madalam Incharges meeting held at Madathattuvilai under Diocesan Secretary Fr. Jose Prasanth and Vcariate director Fr. John Baptist.
- * 24.08.2025 Karankadu held at Thachanparmbu.
- * 24.08.2025 Mathiravilai held at Karunkal.

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Parish Level training

- * 09.08.2025 – Annai Nagar (Vencode vicariate) 36 Children participated
- * 10.08.2025 – Amsi and It's Substations.
- * 24.08.2025 – Kampilar (Vencode vicariate) 62 Children participated
- * 24.08.2025 – Madhapuram (Vencode vicariate) 72 Children participated
- * 30.08.2025 – Chadaiyankuzhi (Vencode vicariate) 25 Children participated
- * 31.08.2025 – Kanchampuram (Vencode vicariate) 62 Children participated

Manadu

16.08.2025 – Kappukadu Mandala Manadu held at kappukadu 144 Children participated.

Seyal Thazha Payirchi

- * 16.08.2025 Thirithuvapuram held at St. Antony's Church Maruthancode, 166 Children participated. 23 incharges training was given by Fr. Prithivi Thomas.
- * 27.08.2025 Thirithuvapuram held at St. Kuzhithurai St. Michael's Church 151 Children participated. 13 incharges training was given by Fr. Bright Singh.

Full Timers works

- * kuzhu santhippu - 37
- * vazhikattigal santhippu - 7
- * Parish Priests meeting - 11
- * fulltimer's meeting - 6

Social Communications

Our Diocesan Social Communications general body meeting was held on 09.08.2025 at St. Antony's Shrine Parish, Vettuvanni with the participation of seventeen members.

The Holy mass was recorded and telecasted on Madha Tv 16th August from Mulagumoodu St. Mary's Basilica, 24th August from Chemparuthivilai St. Antony's church and 31st August from Mullanganavilai St. Antony's Church. A special Independence day program was filmed and telecasted on Madha Tv on 15th August from Mulagumoodu, St. Joseph Matriculation Hr.Sec.School. The Diocesan Father's Silver Jubilee celebration Mass and Experience Sharing were recorded and telecasted on thenaruvi media 22nd August.

Throughout August The word of God was shared by Fr.Pencer, Daily Saintly Life Histories were provided by Fr. Atlas via whatsapp status, Sunday's homilies were blogged by Fr.Anish, and Daily Reflection were shared by Fr. Arul Vinish.

COMMISSION FOR YOUTH

Youth Movement

Training Programmes

The Second phase training program for youth was held on August 22-24, covering topics such as Social analysis, Gender equality, Bible & Youth, Artificial intelligence, Movement and its importance. A total of 26 trainees and 10 executive members participated in the training program.

Executive Meetings

The Diocesan Executive Committee met on August 14 through online with 14 members in attendance. Vicariate executive meetings held on all the vicariates.

General Body Meetings

Six vicariates, namely Trithuvapuram, Vencode, Karenkadu, Puthenkadai, Mathiravilai and Mulagumoodu, held general body meetings in August . The meetings covered a range of topics, including “Healthy foods and Life “ in Trithuvapuram, “Kanniyakumari and independence struggle” in Vencode, “ Youth and peace” in Karenkadu, “Arts day “ in Puthenkadai, “ social analysis” in Mathiravilai and “ Freedom Struggle” in Mulagumoodu.

17 youth units were visited during the month of August.

YOUNG CHRISTIAN STUDENTS MOVEMENT (YCS)

Trainings

The Second phase training program for YCS was held on August 15-17, covering topics such as Self-awareness, Young stage of Jesus, Aim and objective , Good habits, Drug awareness, Media, Positive Thinking. 35 trainees participated in the training program. Participants gained valuable insights and enhanced their understanding of the movement’s mission and goals..

Meetings

A series of executive meetings took place, fostering collaboration and strategic planning among leaders. Notably, vicariate executive meetings were convened in multiple Vicariates, including Mulagumoodu, Mathiravilai, Trithuvapuram, Vencode, and Karenkadu. A series of general body meetings were held across various vicariates, focusing on topics pertinent to the members’ interests and well-being.

Yugasakthi Editorial meeting was held on August 3, 2025 Which was attended by 8 members. Furthermore, two meetings were conducted for field staffs.

Commission for BCC (Anbiyam)

Key Events & Meetings

- * 01.08.2025: Full-timers participated in the protest in Nagercoil regarding the arrest of the sisters.
- * 02.08.2025 – Mulagumoodu Vicariate GBM: Vicariate President: Mr. Francis Kennady; Vicariate Director: Rev. Fr. Benjamin; Full-timer: Mr. Bellarmin; Participants: 53 from 25 BCCs.
- * 09.08.2025 – Manalikai Activity Zone (Seyal Thalam): Presided by: Vicariate President Mr. Francis Kennady; Presence: Rev. Fr. Benjamin, Rev. Fr. Alwin Vijay, Mr. Bellarmin; Venue: Semparuthivilai; Participants: 44 from 10 BCCs; Training: Importance, challenges, activities, and Anbiyam Anthem by Rev. Fr. Alwin Vijay.
- * 16.08.2025 – Mulagumoodu Activity Zone: Vicariate President: Mr. Francis Kennedy; Presence: Vicariate Director Rev. Fr. Benjamin, Diocesan Director Rev. Fr. Alwin Vijay, field worker Mr. Bellarmine; Participants: 20 from 7 units; Training: Rev. Fr. Alwin Vijay.
- * 16.08.2025 – Karankadu Vicariate GBM: Vicariate President: Mr. Jude Bensigar; Presence: Rev. Fr. Brightsing, Rev. Fr. Alvin Vijay; Participants: 60 from 20 units.
- * 20.08.2025 – Vencode Vicariate Executives' Meeting: Participants: 17 members including Vicar Forane, Vicariate Director, Full-Timer, and Executives
Decisions: Division of Seyal Thalangal and games planning
Treasurer elected: Mr. Amaldoss
- * 22–23.08.2025 – Mathiravilai Vicariate Meetings: Vicariate President: Mrs. Maria Rethinabai; Presence: Rev. Fr. Callistus,

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Mr. Davidraj; Participants: 14 (Executive), 47 (GBM from 19 units); Training: Mrs. Jasmine Flory (KIDS) – *“Let us cultivate the habit of small savings”*.

- * 23.08.2025 – Puthankadai Vicariate Executives’ Meeting: Vicariate President: Mr. Amalraj; Participants: 7 members; Agenda: Activity Zonal-level training.
- * 24.08.2025 – Thirithuvapuram Vicariate Meetings: Vicariate President: Mr. Jagan Babu; Presence: Rev. Fr. Wiselin Xavier, Mrs. Sheela; Participants: 19 (Executive), 76 (GBM from 30 units); Agenda: Implementation of Vicariate Marriage Plan, Kuzhithurai parish administration.
- * 24.08.2025 – Puthankadai Vicariate GBM: Vicariate President: Mr. Amalraj Presence: Rev. Fr. Jese Raymond; Participants: 25 members; Decision: Next meeting at Pechiparai; Review meeting.
- * 30.08.2025 – Diocesan Executive Committee: Diocesan President: Mr. Francis Kennedy; Presence: Rev. Fr. Alvin Vijay, Mrs. Vijila; Participants: 25 members.

Works of Full-Timers

- * House Visit – 167
- * Anbiyam (BCC) Visit – 35
- * BCCs Coordination Visit – 34
- * Visiting Executives – 27
- * Visits to Sick – 12
- * Full-Timers Meetings – 4

Financial Support

Rs. 5,35,380.00/- disbursed via parish BCCs for Education Help, Marriage Support, Medical Aid, and Elders Care.

Commission for CRI

The Diocesan Executive CRI Meeting was held on 20th July 2025 at Amala Convent, under the leadership of Bro. Paul, CRI President. Having recently attended the State-level CRI gathering, he shared insights on environmental conservation, the rally from Kanyakumari to Chennai, and other upcoming CRI programmes. A total of eight members participated in the meeting.

Mathiravilai Vicariate CRI Meeting

The Mathiravilai Vicariate CRI Meeting was held on 2nd July 2025 at Chendarai Convent. The session was presided over by Rev. Fr. Flarence, VF of Mathiravilai, and coordinated by Sr. Leema Rose CTC, the Vicariate In-charge. Twenty-four sisters representing eight convents participated. The members shared their rich missionary experiences and discussed innovative approaches to mission in response to the challenges of climate change.

Puthenkadai Vicariate CRI Meeting

The Puthenkadai Vicariate CRI Meeting was conducted on 23rd July 2025 at St. Anne's Convent, Cancer Centre, Nagacode. The meeting was presided over by Rev. Fr. Martin, VF of Puthenkadai, and coordinated by Sr. Elsi, the Vicariate In-charge. The sisters exchanged their missionary experiences and reflected on the challenges faced in their apostolic works.

Vencode Vicariate CRI Meeting

The Vencode Vicariate CRI Meeting took place on 27th July 2025 at St. Anne's Convent, Puthukadai. The meeting was led by Bro. Paul, CRI President, with the coordination of Sr. Kulandai, the Vicariate In-charge. Twenty sisters from nine convents participated. The gathering provided a forum for sharing missionary experiences, addressing difficulties, and reflecting on future mission priorities.

Commission for Health

1. First Friday Camp:

The first Friday camp has been conducted On 01 August 2025 at the hospital premises from 09:00AM to 04:00 PM. The following

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Doctors like general medicine, ENT, Eye, Gynecology, Dermatology doctors were given their expert consultation to the needy people in free of cost. Totally 53 patients were benefited with this camp.

2. Camp in parishes:

On 03 Aug 2025, the camp was conducted at The Sacred Heart of Jesus Church, Parakundu. General medicine and Oncology Medicine specialist were arranged for consultation. Totally 88 people were benefited with this camp

On 10 Aug 2025, the camp was conducted at St Antony church, Mullanganavilai. Two General medicine, ENT specialist, Skin specialist were arranged for consultation as per their request. Also provided ECG and basic blood investigation in camp special rate. Totally 204 people were benefited with this camp.

On 17 Aug 2025, the camp was conducted at Friends youth committee, Palakkavilai. Two General medicine specialist were arranged for consultation. Totally 60 people were benefited with this camp.

On 24 Aug 2025, the camp was conducted at St Micheal Chruch, Chirayankuzhi. Two General medicine, ENT specialist, Skin specialist were arranged for consultation. Totally 96 people were benefited with this camp.

On 31 Aug 2025, the camp was conducted at St Arockiya Nadhar Chruch, Veyppuvilai. Two General medicine, Skin specialist were arranged for consultation. Totally 103 people were benefited with this camp.

3. Special Camp

The First aid camp was conducted at Our Lady of Assumption Church, Mathiravillai during “Anbin Viruinthu” on 10 Aug 2025 and 9th & 10th day of festival (14, 15 Aug 2025).

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

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

Activities of KIDSS Units

KIDSS CHDP

1. Union meetings were conducted in all four unions on 6th, 13th and 20th August 2025. Total number of participants was 35 and staff gave session on obesity.
2. On August 26, 2025 Mariagiri College students 50 of them visited the Spirulina production unit at Chunkankadai and Mrs. Selin Sheeba gave session about how to prepare Spirulina.
3. On August 29, 2025 volunteers had their meeting and they had session on health tips of cereals. They also their incentives for sale of medicines.
4. On August 30, 2025 world lung cancer day was observed at Naturopathy Clinic. Dr. Anusha spoke about lung cancer. 26 members took consultation.
5. On August 30, 2025 CHDP Unit was invited to put up food exhibition in the young scientist program organised by Annai Ada and gave session on health food.
6. On August 31, 2025 Naturopathy health camp cum nutritious food exhibition was conducted at Perumankuzhi parish in which 50 members participated. Dr. Beem talked about importance of naturopathy treatment and 22 members consulted him and took medicines.
7. In August 2025, 28 devotees consulted Dr. Anusha through the facilities provided by Fr. James Tombeur Naturopathy Clinic at Chunkankadai and the Vettuvenni shrine.
8. Two new groups were formed in this month at Elampilavilai and Pilavilai
9. Staff team visited 45 groups and created awareness about healthy food and functions of brain.
10. In August 2025, a total of 61 patients received treatment at Fr. James Tombeur Naturopathy Clinic, including 2 inpatients.

KIDSS IFO

Staff team visited 12 Sangams during this month and created awareness on various topics such as preparation of annual action plan, conducting meeting with agenda, Sangam activities, roles and responsibilities of office bearers, record and account maintenance organic food and Junk food.

KIDSS SHG

1. Elanchirai, Kannumamoodu group organised awareness training about the importance of Naturopathy treatment with the support of Maxwell Naturopathy centre on 17th August 2025 in which 25 members benefited from the training.
2. Three groups completed their auditing in this month.
3. 15members participated in the grama Sabha meeting on August 15th 2025
4. One person from Punarkonam SHG group member was guided to apply under CM free housing scheme and he received Rs. 3,00,000/-
5. Anducode SHG group got bank loan Rs. 20,00,000/
6. Staff team visited 50 groups during this month and discussed about our life in the Independent Inda.

KIDSS WSCP

1. District Executive meeting was held on August 9, 2025 at Bishop's house, Unnamalaikadai.
2. On August 17, 2025 training was conducted for the group members on Government welfare Schemes by Mrs. Peter Celin.
3. Two new Sangams were formed in this month.
4. Staff team visited 17 Sangams and created awareness about Government welfare schemes.
5. The Vicariate Executive meetingswere conducted in all six vicariates in this month as below:

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Vicariate	Date	Topic	Participants
Karankadu	18.8.2025	Government Welfare Schemes	14
Vencode	25.8.2025		13
Mulagumoodu	27.8.2025		23
Mathiravilai	28.8.2025		22
Puthenkadai	29.8.2025		15
Thirithuvapuram	30.8.2025		13

KIDSS RMP

- 1. Rev. Fr. Jeya Prakash took charge as Project Director of RMP on August 05, 2025 in the presence of Executive Director.
- 2. District executive meeting was conducted on August 16, 2025 at RMP building in the presence of Project Director Fr. Jeya Prakash. There was an input session about the roles of district federation and their activities.
- 3. Staff team visited 56 Sangams during this month and created awareness on conservation of ground water.
- 4. 29 members attended grama Sabha meeting on August 15, 2025 at various places.
- 5. Zone level meetings were conducted as stated below.

Zone	Date	Topic	Participants
Thuckalay	02.08.2025	Conservation of ground water	73
Thirithuvapuram	02.08.2025	Welfare board for workers in abroad	60
Karungal	09.8.2025	Conservation of ground water	72
Mulavilai	09.08.2025	Welfare board for workers in abroad	62

KIDSS Kolping

- 1. District Executive meeting was held on August 20, 2025 at Kolping building, Thiruthuvapuram.
- 2. Staff team visited 76 Kolping families during this month.
- 3. Four Kolping families helped persons for medicines Rs. 9000, two Kolping families helped 2 persons for their livelihood with Rs. 3500/- and CCI with Rs. 2000/- and Two Kolping families gave Rs. 43000/- as financial assistance for education and also educational materials.

37 members attended in the grama Sabha meeting in different places on August 15, 2025.

- 4. Vicariate Executive Meetings were conducted during this month as stated below.

Vicariate	Date	Topic	Participants
Karankadu	4.8.2025	Tips to release tension	42
Mathiravilai	4.8.2025	Respecting parents	30
Vencode	5.8.2025	Home remedy for cold	30
Trithuvapuram	5.8.2025	Violence	31
Mulagumoodu	6.8.2025	Organ Donation	45
Puthenkadai	6.8.2025	Ill effects of drug	33

KIDSS DDP:

- 1. Black day was observed on August 10, 2025 at Mulagumoodu. Most Rev.Bishop Albert Anasthas presided over the public meeting. Special invitee was Tribal federation leader Dr. R. Suresh Swamiyar Kani and there were felicitations by the invited guests. Around 86 members participated.
- 2. Executive meeting was conducted on August 10, 2025 at Mulagumoodu.

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- 3. Meeting was organised with non-Dalit leaders on August 16, 2025
- 4. Vicariate executive meetings were conducted at Puthenkadai, Karankadu, Mulagumoodu and Mathiravilai during this month and they had an input session on Roles and responsibilities of executive and on human rights.
- 5. Staff visited 10 Sangams and capacitated the members on aims, objectives and activities of Sangam.

KIDSS BFDP

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

Date	Zone	Topic	Participants
10.8.2025	Melpuram	Medicines and side effects of Allopathic	35
13.8.2025	Kulasekharam		14
23.8.2025	Vattam		11
3.8.2025	Karungal		32
9.8.2025	Manali	Diabetics	31
19.8.2025	Manalikalrai	Demerits of drug addiction	23

- 2. Staff team visited 54 groups and created awareness about preservation of water bodies.
- 3. Panchayath training was conducted at Vadivilai on August 28, 2025 in which 40 members gained better knowledge about subsidies from horticulture department. Mrs. Merlin, from Horticulture department shared the information.

3. Activity of VIDSeS

Karankadu (KVIDS)

KVIDS conducted its executive meeting on August 17, 2025 at VF Office, Thingalnager.

Mulagumoodu (MuVIDS)

MuVIDS executive meeting was conducted on August 9, 2025 at VF office, Thuckalay.

Mathiravilai (MaVIDS)

MaVIDS executive meeting was held on August 23, 2025 at Annai Auditorium, Thundathuvilai.

KIDSS Special projects

I. Community Disability Management and Rehabilitation Project

1. In August 31 new disabled persons were identified and they were categorized LD, MR, and CP etc...
2. In Thuckalay one team was formed with 13 disabled persons on August 17, 2025

Successful referral and linkages for welfare schemes:

- * Three persons received tailoring certificate while 11 persons applied for tailoring machine.
- * Three persons received new ID card and one person received smart phone.
- * Three more persons received disabled monthly pension and five more persons applied for it.
- * One person was supported by KIDSS to get Lumbar pain belt worth of Rs.6500/-
- * Two persons applied for 35 kg under PDS system.

II. Psychosocial Wellbeing

1. On August 9, 2025 training was conducted at St.Joseph's High School, Siluvaipuram with 85 students. On August 29, 2025 an awareness session was conducted at St.Francis Higher Secondary

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School, Manguzhy in which 135 students participated. In both places Fr.N.Martin and Sr.Sarojam gave the sessions on impact of social media on adolescents, drug abuse and sex education separately for girls and boys for better understanding.

2. Counselling Services

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

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

1. In August 2025 three sub stations namely Elampilavilai, Chemmankalai and Kattuvilai and Kulasekharam panchayath took up the responsibility in providing guidance and support to the vulnerable children towards monitoring and gatekeeping roles.
2. Follow up and review of gate keeping system was conducted in two places at Pacode and Kuttaikadu on 3rd and 24th August 2025.
3. Capacity building training on gate keeping system was conducted for the parish council members at Ampalakadai on 10th August 2025
4. Pacode and Melpuram BIDS had capacity building training and planning meeting with vulnerable children and their families on 17th and 24th August 2025.
5. Family strengthening and gate keeping training was conducted for BCC Coordination at Chentharai, Pilavilai and Pullani during this month.
6. An awareness seminar on positive parenting and importance of family strengthening was conducted at Pilavilai for Catholic Seva Sangam

7. Orientation on CTWWC concept and role of responsible parent was conducted for the CSI women commission at Marankonam CSI church on 31st August 2025.
8. Champion Appreciation event was organised at Unnamalaikadai on 18th August 2025. Most Rev. Bishop Albert Anasthas congratulated all the champions and gave them appreciation Certificate and Memento. CRS Executive Director and the team graced the event.

Referral and linkages to strengthen the family-based care:

1. Six persons received social ID cards such as death certificate, ration card etc...
2. One child was provided with Uniform with the support of Champion and another child with dress materials worth of Rs. 2000/-
3. 10 persons received psychosocial support during this month.

IV. KIDSS Ezhuvom Iyakkam (Cancer Care Campaign)

1. Mathiravilai Vicariate Volunteers had their monthly meeting cum cancer awareness training on August 02, 2025 at VF office. They also mobilized Rs.10000/- and supported two patients.
2. Vicariate level monthly volunteer's meetings were conducted at Mathiravilai, Vencode, Mulagumoodu, Puthenkadai, Thiruthuvapuram and Karankadu. Totally 45 volunteers including VFs of Mathiravilai and Vencode attended the meeting. The volunteers identified 6 new patients and visited around 38 patients within their vicariates.
3. In August Puthenkadai and Vencode vicariate volunteers visited 24 patients through KIDSS palliative care and provided spiritual and emotional support and also nutritious food kit.

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- 4. Cancer Awareness training was conducted for the Mathiravilai Vicariate Pastoral council on 31st August at VF office. Professor Amutha from Sree Mookambika took the session and around 50 members attended the program.
- 5. Eight patients were supported financially in this month Rs. 70000/-

V. Children Parliament (CP)

- 1. Pechiparai CP meeting was conducted on September09, 2025 with 14 members.
- 2. Children Parliament (CP) village level Conference was conducted with a theme on ‘Healthy Food Safety’ during this month as given below:

S. No	CP Name	Date	Participants	Resource Person
1	Nallayanpuram	3.8.2025	40	Mrs. Vijaya
2	Kottoorkonam	3.8.2025	35	Mrs. Beula
3	Munchirai	3.8.2025	30	Mr. Thaba Chandra Bose
4	Elampilavilai	10.8.2025	20	Mrs. Anlet
5	Cherikadai	10.8.2025	17	Mrs.Vincy.Y
6	Chemparuthivilai	16.8.2025	34	Mrs.Bency
7	Marthandam	17.8.2025	22	Mrs.Rani
8	Melpalai	27.8.2025	10	Mr. Thaba Chandra Bose

KIDSS Activities:

KIDSS All staff meeting was conducted on 21st August 2025 at Unnamalaikadai. Executive Director gave session on staff requirement, importance of documentation and type record maintenance in every office of target Units. Then ED informed about KIDSS day celebration.

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

DIOCESAN CHRONICLES: AUGUST 2025

- 01: Bishop participated in the protest for the unjust arrest of two nuns at Anna Stadium Nagercoil at 04.00 pm. Later Bishop hoisted the flag and celebrated the feast mass at Manavilai at 06.00 pm.
- 02: Bishop attended the installation of Madurai Arch Bishop at Madurai at 04.00 pm.
- 04: Bishop presided over the gathering of Priest on the day of priests' day celebration at Unnamalaikadai at 6.30 PM.
- 05: Bishop presided over the Curia Meeting at Bishop's House at 09.30 am. On the same day evening at 05.30 pm Bishop inaugurated the special Finance Committee of Mulagumoodu Basilica.
- 06: Bishop attended the meeting at Yesuvai kanpom Marthandam at 10.00 am.
- 08: Bishop blessed the residence for the Sister's at Malayadi at 10.00 am. On the same day at 03.00 pm Bishop attended the board meeting of St. Xavier's Multi Specialty Hospital at Chunkankadai.
- 09: Bishop made a Contact Visit and celebrated confirmation mass at Themanoor at 09.00 am. On the same day at 04.30 pm, Bishop attended the School annual day celebration of Child Jesus Matriculation School.
- 10: Bishop made a Contact Visit and celebrated confirmation mass at Paramanvilai at 09.00 am. On the same day at 03.30 pm, Bishop attended the Dalits Black Day protest at Mulagumoodu.
- 11: Bishop Inaugurated inter diocesan badminton match for priests' at St. Xavier's Engineering College Chunkankadai at 09.00 am. Later at 10.00 am, Bishop attended the new academic year inauguration day celebration of St. Xavier's

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Engineering College Chunkankadai. On the same day evening at 05.00 pm, Bishop made a contact Visit, hoisted the flag and celebrated the feast mass at Melpalai at 05.00 pm.

- 12: Bishop attended the Recollection at Annai Ada 09.30 am. On the same day evening at 05.30 pm, Bishop made a Contact Visit and celebrated feast mass at Arokiapuram.
- 13: Bishop presided over the Curia Meeting at Bishop's House at 09.00 am. On the same day Bishop blessed the newly erected flagpole, hoisted the flag and celebrated the feast mass at Mela Alanvilai at 06.30 pm.
- 15: Bishop celebrated the feast mass at Mathiravilai at 09.00 am.
- 16: Bishop presided over the finance committee meeting at 03.00 pm at Bishop's House.
- 17: Bishop Celebrated Confirmation Mass at Lourdugiri Parish at 09.30 am. On the Same day 04.00 pm, Bishop opened and the blessed the new building of the Old age Home of Osanam at Sahayanagar at 04.00 pm.
- 18: Bishop attended the CRS meeting at Trinity Pastoral Centre at 04.00 pm.
- 19: Bishop presided over the Curia meeting at Bishop's House at 09.30 am.
- 20: Bishop opened and blessed the new showroom of Fathima Traders at Oorambu at 08.30 am.
- 21: Bishop Visits Newly – Constructing Minor seminary and blessed the work at 09.00 am. On the same day evening 05.00 pm, Bishop blessed the newly renovated sanctuary of Solapuram Church.

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- 24: Bishop celebrated the feast mass and laid the foundation stone for the new church at Padarnilam at 09.30 am.
- 25: Bishop presided over the Curia meeting at Bishop's House at 09.30 am. On the same day, Bishop presided over the KIDS Board meeting at Bishop's House at 03.00 pm.
- 26: Bishop presided over the consult meeting at Bishop's House at 09.30 am.
- 27: Bishop blessed the new building of Mulagumoodu Vicariate Bank, Kurunthancode Branch at 09.30 am.
- 29: Bishop hoisted the flag and celebrated the feast mass at Villukuri at 06.30 pm.
- 30: Bishop celebrated the feast mass at Kulasekharam at 06.30 pm.
- 31: Bishop made a contact visit and celebrated a mass at Koottamavu at 04.30 pm.

INTERNATIONAL DAYS IN OCTOBER 2025

October 1	- International Day of the Older Person
October 2	- International Day of Non-Violence
October 4	- World Animal Welfare Day
October 5	- World Teachers' Day
October 10	- World Mental Health Day
October 11	- International Day of the Girl Child
October 15	- World Student's Day
October 16	- World Food Day
October 31	- National Unity Day

DAYS TO REMEMBER IN OCTOBER 2025

BIRTH DAYS

- 01 : Fr. Pushpa Raj A. (1974)
- 02 : Fr. Benny L. (1975)
- 02 : Fr. Shine S. (1984)
- 08 : Fr. Daniel Abraham S. (1990)
- 08 : Fr. Biruthive Thomas (1994)
- 09 : Fr. Prince Shoban OFM-CAP (1978)
- 11 : Fr. John Michael Raj M. (1967)
- 13 : Fr. Cyril Mesmin V. (1985)
- 15 : Fr. Aswin Paul C. (1993)
- 17 : Fr. Naveen L.G. (1990)
- 21 : Most Rev. Jeromedhas V. (1951)

ORDINATION DAYS

- 03 : Fr. Vincent Raj S. (1979)
- 27 : Fr. John Xavier I.Sch. (2007)
- 27 : Fr. Xavier Bruce R. (1982)

REMEMBER THE DEAD

- 01 : Fr. Pathrose (1933)
- 05 : Fr. Peter A. (1998)
- 10 : Fr. James Tombeur (2002)
- 14 : Fr. Kulandaiswamy I. (2012)
- 19 : Fr. Joseph A. J. (2002)
- 19 : Fr. Soosaiah M. (1987)
- 25 : Fr. Eugene Kulandai A. (2009)
- 25 : Fr. Mariadhason S. (2023)
- 28 : Fr. Julius S. M. (2001)
- 29 : Fr. John Fernandez (1957)
- 29 : Fr. Mary Ephrem Gomez (1971)

Diocesan Events



The Blessing of the new Church, Pallavilai



Feast of St. Marys' Basilica,
Mulagumoodu



Bible Seminar at Yesuvai Kanbom



KIDSS Day celebration



*Eradicating Poverty is not a task of Charity.
It is an act of Justice.*

OCTOBER 17



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