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Not all of us can do great things. But we can do small things with great love.

- Mother Teresa

# **Diocesan Events**





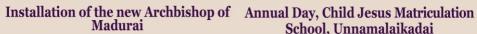
**Conference of Women Self Confidence Program** 





Protest against the unjust arrest of two Nuns







School, Unnamalaikadai





**Protest on Dalits Black Day** 



# VOICE OF THE SHEPHERD

**D**ear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

September brings us moments of grace as we celebrate the feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Girl Child Day, and Teacher's Day. Each of these celebrations speaks deeply to our faith and life. As we honour the birth of our Blessed Mother, we are reminded of her unwavering faith and her complete commitment to God. She said, "I am the handmaid of the Lord" (Luke 1:38). A handmaid, a slave, has no wish or life of her own except that of her master's. Mary trusted God fully and lived in total surrender until the end of her life. That is why the world continues to remember her and celebrate her with love and devotion.

On this day, we also turn our hearts to the girl child. Mary herself was once a little girl, raised with faith and hope. Today, many girl children face discrimination—sometimes in schools, often in society, and tragically, even in their own homes. Some even suffer abuse from those who should protect them. This reality must change. We need to educate our children—girls must learn to face life with courage, and boys must be taught to respect, care for, and value girls as equal children of God. Our thoughts, words, and actions must reflect this dignity.

We also celebrate Teacher's Day with gratitude. Teachers are not mere instructors but role models and inspirers who shape the hearts and minds of our young ones. The world is changing rapidly, and teachers too must remain learners, growing in knowledge and love to guide their students.

About twenty-five years ago, we formed our Corporate Management to bring all our diocesan schools under one administration. At that time, there were more than 900 aided teachers and about 50 self-financed teachers. Today, 360 aided teachers and more than 450 self-financed teachers are serving in our 62 government-aided schools and 2 unaided primary schools. Many of our self-financed teachers work tirelessly for a very low salary, yet they continue to educate with dedication and love.

# Voice of the Shepherd

Unfortunately, government-aided schools face increasing challenges. While government schools receive several benefits for students and teachers, our aided schools often struggle with staffing and resources. Through TNBC, TANCEAN, and our Corporate Management, we are pressing the government to count the strength of English-medium students for faculty fixation. This will help us retain and gain more teaching posts, ensuring quality education continues.

To support our self-financed teachers and to bring them a little comfort in their financial struggles, we are launching a Lucky Lottery Scheme worth ₹ 1 crore. This is not merely a fundraising project; it is our heartfelt effort to express gratitude to those who give so much of themselves for the sake of our children, often with very little in return.

I appeal to each one of you, my dear brothers and sisters, to stand with us in this noble cause. When our teachers approach you with these tickets, please receive them with an open heart and purchase them generously. Every ticket you buy will carry with it a gesture of appreciation, a token of hope, and a promise of better days for our teachers.

If you are able, you may also sponsor prizes for this scheme. Your contribution—big or small—will go a long way in uplifting those who silently and tirelessly shape the future of our society. At this juncture, as we take up new initiatives for the growth of our schools and the welfare of our teachers and students, my sincere appreciation to our Corporate Manager, Rev. Fr. Dominic M. Kadatchadhas, who is taking great initiatives and making tireless efforts for the betterment of our teachers, students, and schools. Let us come together as one diocesan family to care for those who care so deeply for our children.

As we honour our Blessed Mother, cherish our girl children, and appreciate our teachers, may we grow as a diocese that values faith, dignity, and service. May God bless you all abundantly.

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

# Engagements of the Bishop: September 2025

Date	Event	Place	Time
01	Commission Co-ordination		
	Meeting – Trinity Pastoral Centre	Unnamalaikadai	03.00 pm
02	Curia	Bishop's House	09.30 am
03	Feast Mass	Mannanvilai	06.00 pm
04	Feast Mass	Theruvukadai	06.00 pm
05	Feast Mass at St. Mary's Basilica	Mulagumoodu	06.30 pm
07	Church blessing	Pallavilai	04.30 pm
08	Grotto Blessing	Kappiyarai	06.30 pm
09	Curia	Bishop's House	09.30 am
12	Feast Mass	Vellicode	06.00 pm
14	Feast Mass	Munchirai	09.00 am
20	KIDSS Day Celebration -		
	Trinity Pastoral Centre	Unnamalaikadai	10.00 am
21	Contact Visit & Feast Mass	Kaliakkavilai	09.00 am
23	Curia	Bishop's House	09.30 am
	KIDSS Board Meeting	Puthukkadai	03.00 pm
26	Feast Mass	Thumpali	06.00 pm
28	Contact Visit & Confirmation Mass	Vattam	09.00 am
29	Feast Mass	Sirayankuzhi	06.30 pm
30	Curia	Bishop's House	09.30 am

# PRAYER INTENTION FOR SEPTEMBER 2025

# For our relationship with all of creation

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

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# சிறைப்பணி ஞாயிறு - ஆகஸ்ட் 17, 2025

ஆண்டவர் இயேசுவில் அன்பான சகோதர சகோதரிகளே,

காணாமல் போனவர்களைத் தேடி மீட்க வந்த நமது ஆண்டவராகிய இயேசு கிறிஸ்துவிடமிருந்து உங்களுக்கு அருளும், இரக்கமும், அமைதியும், உண்டாவதாக!

சிரைப்பணி ஞாயிறை கொண்டாடும் இவ்வேளையில் "அனைவருக்கும் மீட்பு உண்டு" என்ற நமது கிறிஸ்கவ நம்பிக்கையின் அடிப்படை கோட்பாட்டை நினைவுபடுத்திக் கொள்ள விரும்புகிறேன். இந்த ஆண்டின் சிறைப்பணி ஞாயிறு கருப்பொருள் **"வீழ்ந்தோர் இறைவேண்டலால் எழுவர்"** என்பது ஆகும். கடவுளின் அருளாலும், திருஅவையின் ஆதரவுடனும் சிறைவாசிகள் மீண்டெழுவது இயலாத காரியம் அல்ல என்பதை இக்கருப்பொருள் நமக்கு நினைவூட்டுகிறது. கண்டனம் செய்வதில் விரைவும், மன்னிப்பதில் தாமதமும் காட்டும் இவ்வுலகில், நற்செய்தி, நம்மை ஓர் உயர்ந்த உண்மைக்கு அழைக்கிறது. ஒவ்வொரு மனிதனும் எவ்வளவுதான் தன் வாழ்வில் தவறுகள் செய் கா தரம் தாழ்ந்திருந்தாலும், கடவுளின் பார்வையில் விலைமதிப்பற்றவர்களாகவே இருக்கின்றனர். ஆண்டவருடைய இரக்கமும், நம் இரைவேண்டலும் அவர்கள் மாந்நுக்கை அடைய உகவிபுரியும்.

### மீட்பிற்கான அழைப்பு

படைப்பின் தொடக்கத்திலிருந்தே, பாவிகளிடம் கடவுளின் அசைக்க முடியாத அன்பைக் காண் கிறோம். ஆதாமும் ஏவாளும் வீழ்ந்திருந்தும் கைவிடப்படவில்லை. அரசர் தாவீது, கடுமையான பாவம் செய்த போதிலும், மனந்திரும்பி கடவுளின் இதயத்திற்கு ஏற்ற மனிதரானார். ஒரு காலத்தில் கிறிஸ்தவர்களை துன்புறுத்திய புனித பவுல், புறஇனத்தாரின் சீடரானார். காணாமல் போன மகன் கொண்டாடப்பட்டார். இவை வெறும் கடந்த காலக் கதைகள் மட்டும் அல்ல, மாறாக இவை இறைதன்மை கொண்டவை, நம்பிக்கையையும் எதிர்நோக்கையும் தருபவையும் ஆகும். எசேக்கியேல் இறைவாக்கினர் மூலம் கடவுள் அறிவிக்கிறதுபோல், "தீயோர் சாகவேண்டுமென்பது என் விருப்பம் அன்று ஆனால், அத்தீயோர் தம் வழிகளினின்று திரும்பி, வாழ வேண்டும் என்பதே என் விருப்பம். ஆகவே உங்கள் தீய வழிகளினின்று திரும்பி திரும்புங்கள்" (எசேக்கியேல் 33:11).

### கிறிஸ்து இரக்கமுள்ளவர் மற்றும் மறுசீரமைப்பு செய்பவர்

தனது பொது வாழ்வில், இயேசு ஏழைகள், பாவிகள், வரி வசூலிப்பவர்கள் மற்றும் புறந்தள்ளப்பட்ட மக்களோடு நல்லுறவு வைத்திருந்தார். சிலுவையிலிருந்து, மனந்திரும்பிய ஒரு கள்வனிடம் "நீர் இன்று என்னோடு பேரின்ப வீட்டில் இருப்பீர்"(லூக் 23:43) என்னும் மன்னிப்பு வார்த்தைகளைப் பேசினார். வரி வசூலிப்பவர்களுடன் அவர் உணவருந்தினார்; விபச்சாரத்தில் ஈடுபட்டதாக குற்றம் சாட்டப்பட்ட பெண்னை மன்னித்தார். தொலைந்து போன நாணயம், காணாமற்போன ஆடு, இழந்து போன மகன் போன்ற உவமைகள் மூலம் அவர் தந்தையின் இதயத்தை வெளிப்படுத்தினார். "மனம் மாறத் தேவையில்லாத் தொண்ணூற்றொன்பது நேர்மையாளர்களைக் குறித்து உண்டாகும் மகிழ்ச்சியைவிட, மனம் மாறிய ஒரு பாவியைக் குறித்து விண்ணுலகில் மிகுதியான மகிழ்ச்சி உண்டாகும்" (லூக் 15:7). காணாமற்போனதை தேடி மீட்கவே மானிட மகன் வந்திருக்கிறார். (லூக்.19:10) என்று சொல்லி சமூகத்தால் புறந்தள்ளப்பட்டவர்களுக்கு புது நம்பிக்கைக் கொடுத்தார்.

#### தண்டனைக்குப் பின்னால் நம்பிக்கை

திருத்தந்தை பிரான்சிஸ் ஒருமுறை சிறை சந்திப்பிற்கு பிறகு இவ்வாறு கூறினார், "ஆண்டவர் மறு ஒருங்கிணைப்பில் வல்லவர் அவர் நம் கையைப் பிடித்து மீண்டும் சமூகத்திற்குள் கொண்டு வருகிறார்."

சிறையில் அடைக்கப்பட்டவர்களுடனும், அவர்கள் குடும்பத்தினருடனும், அவர்களுக்கு சேவை செய்பவர்களுடனும் ஒன்றாக நடப்போம். நம் இதயங்கள் அகலத் திறக்கப்படட்டும் - அதனால் எவரும் விலக்கப்பட மாட்டார்கள். அனைவரும் கடவுளின் அன்பை அறியட்டும். இந்த சிறைப்பணி ஞாயிறு நம் தைரியத்தைப் புதுப்பிக்கட்டும். மறக்கப்பட்டவர்களுக்கு சேவை செய்யவும், குரலற்றவர்களுக்காக குரலெழுப்பவும், பூட்டிய கதவுகளுக்குப் பின்னால் நற்செய்தியை அறிவிக்கவும் இந்த ஞாயிறு நமக்கு அழைப்பு விடுக்கிறது. திருஅவை, கண்டனம் செய்வதற்கான நீதிமன்ற அறை அல்ல, மாறாக நலம் தரும் மருத்துவமனை. "நானும் தீர்ப்பு அளிக்கவில்லை. நீர் போகலாம். இனிப் பாவம் செய்யாதீர்" (யோவான் 8:11) என்னும் கிறிஸ்துவின் வார்த்தைகளை வாழ்வில் எதிரொலிப்போம்.

தமிழகத் தில் 9 மத் திய சிறைச் சாலைகள், 5 பெண்கள் தனிச்சிறைச்சாலைகள், 10 மாவட்டச் சிறைச்சாலைகள், 3 திறந்தவெளி சிறைச்சாலைகள் மற்றும் கிளை சிறைச்சாலைகள் உட்பட 120 சிறைச்சாலைகளில் 22,631 சிறைவாசிகள் நமது ஆதரவுக்காக காத்துக் கொண்டிருக்கின்றனர். நம்முடைய மறைமாவட்டத்திலும் சிறைப்பணி தன்னார்வ தொண்டர்கள் சிறைவாசிகளின் குழந்தைகளுக்கு கல்வி உதவி,

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சிறைவாசிகளின் குடும்பங்களுக்கு பொருளாதார உதவி மற்றும் சிறைவாசிகளை ஆற்றுப்படுத்துதல் போன்ற பல நல்லப் பணிகளை செய்து வருகின்றனர். சிறைவாசிகளின் மனமாற்றத்திற்காகவும், அவர்களின் புதுவாழ்விற்காகவும், குடும்ப நலனுக்காகவும் நாம் தொடர்ந்து மன்றாடுவோம்.

#### சிறைப்பணிக்காக நாம் செய்ய வேண்டியன:

- மறைமாவட்டத்திலுள்ள சிறைப்பணி பணிக்குழுவில் சிறைவாசிகளுக்காக பணிபுரிய ஆர்வமாக உள்ளவர்கள், தன்னார்வத்தோடு தங்களை இப்பணிக்குழுவில் இணைத்து பணியாற்றுதல்.
- வருமுன் காப்பது சிறந்தது என்பதற்கிணங்க, சிறைப்பணி பணிக்குழு தொடர் முயற்சியாக "குற்றமில்லா குமரி" என்கின்ற முயற்சி மேற்கொண்டு ஒவ்வொரு பங்குகளிலும் உள்ள மறைக்கல்வி மன்றத்தினை சந்தித்து விழிப்புணர்வு பயிற்சி அளித்து வருகிறது. உங்கள் பங்குகளிலும் சிறைப்பணிக்குழுவை தொடர்பு கொண்டு இப்பயிற்சியை வழங்க உரியன செய்தல்.
- நம்முடைய பங்குத்தளத்தில் பங்கு மக்கள் எவரேனும் சிறையில் அடைக்கப்பட்டிருந்தால் அவர்களை அடையாளம் கண்டு அவர்களுக்கு தேவையான உதவிகள் செய்யலாம் என்கின்ற முன்னெடுப்பும், நம் மத்தியில் வாழ்கின்ற அவருடைய குடும்பத்தாருக்கு, நாம் இருக்கின்றோம் என்கின்ற, உடனிருப்பையும் கொடுத்தல்.
- ❖ மேலும் வருகின்ற ஞாயிறு திருப்பலி காணிக்கையினை இம்மாதமே ஆயர் இல்லத்தில் செலுத்தும்படி கேட்டுக்கொள்கின்றேன்.

இறைமகன் இயேசு உங்களை நிறைவாய் ஆசீர்வதிப்பாராக!

கிறிஸ்துவில் உங்கள் அன்புள்ள,

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

**குறிப்பு:** இச்சுற்றுமடலை குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டத்தின் அனைத்துப் பங்குகளிலும், கிளைப் பங்குகளிலும் ஆகஸ்ட் 10, 2025 அன்று ஞாயிறு திருப்பலியில் மறையுரைக்குப் பதிலாக வாசிக்கவும்.

September 2025

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திருப்பலி நன்கொடை ₹150/-[செப்டம்பர் 01, 2025 முதல்]

அன்பான அருள்பணியாளர்களே! அருள்சகோதரிகளே! இறைமக்களே!

தமிழக திருஅவையின் அனைத்து மறைமாவட்டங்களிலும் செப்டம்பர் 01, 2025 முதல் திருப்பலி கொண்டாட்டத்திற்கான நன்கொடை ₹150/- என்று தமிழக ஆயர் பேரவை பரிந்துரைத்துள்ளது. இதனடிப்படையில் நமது குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டத்திலும் இப்புதிய நடைமுறை செப்டம்பர் 01, 2025 முதல் நடைமுறைப்படுத்தப்படுகிறது.

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ஒரு திருப்பலியில் ஒன்றுக்குமேல் திருப்பலிக் கருத்துக்கள் வந்தாலும், ஒரு திருப்பலிக்குரிய தொகையை மட்டுமே மேற்குறிப்பிட்ட முறையில் பகிர்ந்தளிக்க வேண்டும். இதர திருப்பலித் தொகை முழுவதுமாக (₹150/-) ஒவ்வொரு மாத இறுதியிலும் ஆயர் இல்லத்திற்குச் செலுத்த வேண்டும். அதுபோலவே, திருவிழா மற்றும் சிறப்பு நாட்களில் பெறப்படும் எல்லாத் திருப்பலிக் கருத்துகளுக்கும் (Stipends) ₹ 150/- வீதம் கட்டாயமாக மறைமாவட்டத்திற்குச் செலுத்த வேண்டும். மீதியுள்ள தொகையும் அறப்பணிகளுக்காகவே செலவிடப்பட வேண்டும். இந்த புதிய நடைமுறை நமது மறைமாவட்டத்தில் செப்டம்பர் 01, 2025–லிருந்து நடைமுறைக்கு வருகிறது.

கிறிஸ்துவில் உங்கள் அன்புள்ள,

மேத்கு ஆயர் ஆல்பர்ட் G.A. அனஸ்தாஸ்,

குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டம்.

குறிப்பு: இத்தகவல் குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டத்தின் அனைத்துப் பங்குகளிலும் கிளைப் பங்குகளிலும் ஆகஸ்ட் 24, 2025 ஞாயிறு திருப்பலியில் அறினிப்பின்போது வாசிக்கப்பட வேண்டும்.

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# ஆலயப் பணியாளர்களின் ஊதியத்திற்கான வழிகாட்டுதல்கள்

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

ஆலயப் பணியாளர்களுக்கான ஊதியம் குறித்த வரைமுறைகளை வழிகாட்டுதலாக வழங்குகின்றேன்.

- 1. ஞாயிறு மற்றும் ஒரு நாள் திருப்பலி மட்டும் நடைபெறும் கிளைப்பங்குகளில் பிற வேலைகளையும் கருத்தில் கொண்டு குறைந்தபட்சம் ரூ.5000/- வழங்க வேண்டும்.
- 2. வாரத்தில் 3 முதல் 5 நாட்கள் திருப்பலி நடைபெற்று மொத்த வேலைகளையும் கவனிப்பவர்களுக்கு குறைந்தபட்சம் ரூ.7000/- வழங்க வேண்டும்.
- 3. எல்லா நாட்களும் திருப்பலி நடைபெறும் பங்குகளில் ஒட்டுமொத்த பணிகளை ஆற்றுவோருக்கு குறைந்தபட்சம் ரூ.9000/- வழங்க வேண்டும்.
- 4. இந்த ஊதியத்தில் ரூ.500/-, ரூ.700/-, ரூ.900/- என்ற அடிப்படையில் R.D. கட்ட ஆவன செய்ய வேண்டும். (பாதித்தொகை பணியாளர் ஊதியத்திலிருந்தும் மீதித் தொகை பங்கிலிருந்தும் செலுத்த வேண்டும்).
- 5. நம் மறைமாவட்டத் தில் 01.09.2025 ஆம் நாளிலிருந் து நடைமுறையிலிருக்கும் திருப்பலிக் கட்டணங்களை முறையாக வழங்க வேண்டும்.
- 6. பணிநிறைவு பெற்றுச் செல்லும்போது பணவெகுமதி கிடைக்க வழிவகை செய்ய வேண்டும்.
- 7. 10 ஆண்டுகளுக்குமேல் 20 ஆண்டுகள் வரை பணி செய்து ஓய்வு பெற்றிருப்பின் மாதம் ரூ.1,000/– வீதமும், 20 ஆண்டுகளுக்கு மேல் பணி செய்து ஓய்வு பெற்றிருப்பின் மாதம் ரூ.2,000/– வீதமும் ஓய்வூதியம் வழங்கப்பட வேண்டும்.
- 8. 5 ஆண்டுகளுக்கு ஒரு முறை ஊதியம் மறு வரையறை செய்யப்பட வேண்டும்.
- 9. எந்த தொகையாக இருந்தாலும் பங்கு மேய்ப்புப்பணிப் பேரவை பொருளர் வழியாக பெற்றுக் கொள்ள வேண்டும். தனிப்பட்ட முறையில் எவரிடமிருந்தும் பணம் பெறுதல் கூடாது.

10.பணி ஓய்வு வயது 70.

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மேற்கு நிப்பிட்ட வழிகாட்டு தல்களை பங்குப் பணியாளரும் பங்கு மேய்ப்புப்பணிப் பேரவையும் செப்டம்பர் 01, 2025 முதல் பங்குகளில் நடைமுறைப்படுத்த ஆவன செய்யுமாறு பணிக்கின்றேன்.

கிறிஸ்துவில் உங்கள் அன்புள்ள,

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



**குறிப்பு:** இத்தகவலை குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டத்தின் அனைத்துப் பங்குகளிலும், கிளைப் பங்குகளிலும் ஆகஸ்ட் 24, 2025 அன்று ஞாயிறு திருப்பலியில் வாசிக்கவும்.

#### Reminder

# **Annual Retreat**

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

Batch I: October 19 to 24, 2025 Batch II: October 26 to 31, 2025

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

The venue for all the batches is **SPARC** (Suvartha Pastoral Animation and Renewal Center) Vizhinjam Venganoor PO, 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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# 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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# THE ROMAN CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF KUZHITHURAI



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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. சமூத்திலிருந்து 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

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மனதில் விதைப்போம். இவர்களை சீரும் சிறப்போடும் ஆற்றலோடும் வளர்த்தெடுப்போம். இவர்களின் வாழ்வில் வரும் தடைகளைத் தகர்ப்போம். இவர்களுக்கான உரிமைகளை, பாதுகாப்பை, வருங்காலத்தை உறுதி செய்வோம். பெண் குழந்தைகளைக் கொண்டாடுவோம்.

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!

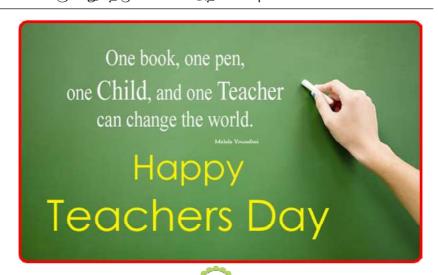
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**குறிப்பு:** இத்தகவலை குழித்துறை மறைமாவட்டத்தின் அனைத்துப் பங்குகளிலும், கிளைப் பங்குகளிலும் ஆகஸ்ட் 31, 2025 அன்று ஞாயிறு திருப்பலியில் அழிவிக்கவும்.



# Contributions to the Diocese July 16 to August 15, 2025

# 1. Annual Contribution from Churches

No	Parish	Amount
1	Annainagar (Packiapuram)	10,500
2	Arockia Annainagar (Nallayanpuram)	6,200
3	Arockiapuram	50,000
4	Kallankuzhy (Manalikarai)	13,400
5	Kanjiracode	65,500
6	Konnakuzhivilai	35,000
7	Kuzhivilai (Vavarai)	17,000
8	Maruthoorkurichy (Irudhayapuram)	12,000
9	Mathiravilai	1,60,000
10	Melpalai	55,000
11	Padmanabhapuram (Thuckalay)	50,000
12	Pattarivilai	45,000
13	Ponmanai (Eanchacode)	4,000
14	Puthenkadai	15,000
15	Puthukkadai	27,000
16	Solapuram (Manalikarai)	15,000
17	Themanoor	20,000
18	Theruvukkadai (Poottety)	21,000
19	Verkilambi (Chetticharvilai)	7,000
	Total	6,28,600

# 2. Youth Year (2023)

No	Parish	Amount
1	Annainagar (Packiapuram)	1,245
2	Mullanganavilai	2,302
3	Pattarivilai	2,593
4	Ponmanai (Eanchacode)	1,212
5	Puthenkadai	5,735
6	Puthukkadai	750
7	Themanoor	1,684
	Total	15,521

# 3. Holy Childhood

No	Parish	Amount
1	Annainagar (Packiapuram) (2016)	430
2	Annainagar (Packiapuram) (2017)	670
3	Annainagar (Packiapuram) (2025)	2,951
4	Arockia Annainagar (Nallayanpuram)	1,869
5	Arockiapuram	6,390
6	Kanjiracode	7,085
7	Mekkamandapam (Chemparuthivilai)	1,430
8	Melpalai	4,176
9	Nattalam (Mullanganavilai) (2016)	700
10	Nattalam (Mullanganavilai) (2017)	700
11	Nattalam (Mullanganavilai) (2023)	600
12	Paruthiaraithottam (Kalkurichy)	1,770
13	Pattarivilai	2,559
14	Ponmanai (Eanchacode) (2017)	985
15	Ponmanai (Eanchacode) (2022)	1,210
16	Ponmanai (Eanchacode) (2023)	1,540
17	Puthenkadai (2023)	3,062
18	Puthenkadai (2024)	3,238
19	Puthukkadai (2019)	2,500
20	Puthukkadai (2020)	2,800
21	Puthukkadai (2021)	2,300
22	Puthukkadai (2022)	2,100
23	Themanoor (2016)	810
24	Themanoor (2024)	3,202
25	Themanoor (2025)	3,143
26	Theruvukkadai (Poottetty)	5,060
	Total	63,280

# 4. Shrine (Special Mass)

No	Parish	Amount
1	Mulagumoodu	4,000
2	Vettuvenni	4,000
	Total	8,000

# 5. Bible Sunday

No	Parish	Amount
1	Annainagar (Packiapuram) (2016)	321
2	Annainagar (Packiapuram) (2017)	358
3	Annainagar (Packiapuram) (2018)	445
4	Annainagar (Packiapuram) (2019)	561
5	Annainagar (Packiapuram) (2023)	1,123
6	Annainagar (Packiapuram) (2024)	1,261
7	Aramannam (Nagacode) (2019)	1,140
8	Arockia Annainagar (Nallayanpuram) (2024)	1,303
9	Arockiapuram (2024)	4,403
10	Mekkamandapam (Chemparuthivilai) (2024)	1,700
11	Melpalai (2024)	4,887
12	Mullanganavilai (2024)	13,050
13	Pattarivilai (2022)	2,961
14	Pattarivilai (2023)	1,702
15	Pattarivilai (2024)	496
16	Ponmanai (Eanchacode) (2021)	1,214
17	Ponmanai (Eanchacode) (2022)	1,228
18	Puthenkadai (2022)	3,460
19	Puthenkadai (2023)	4,305
20	Puthenkadai (2024)	4,285
21	Puthukkadai (2018)	1,200
22	Puthukkadai (2023)	1,300
23	Themanoor (2017)	975
24	Themanoor (2018)	1,120
25	Themanoor (2021)	680
26	Themanoor (2023)	3,215
27	Themanoor (2024)	3,810
28	Theruvukkadai (Poottety)	2,370
29	Thundathuvilai (2024)	4,355
30	Vavarai (2024)	11,000
	Total	80,228

# 6. Cumulated Mass

No	Parish	Amount
1	Annainagar (Feast Mass)	23,100
2	Chetticharvilai	1,800
3	Chunkankadai (Shrine)	3,600
4	Iruthayapuram (T)	600
5	Iruthayapuram (T)	400
6	Kadayal	13,000
7	Kaliakkavilai (January - April)	42,200
8	Kandanvilai (June, July)	22,000
9	Kanjiracode	700
10	Konamkadu	1,000
11	Madathattuvilai	9,100
12	Mulagumoodu	4,800
13	Mullanganavilai	5,200
14	Palliady	3,100
15	Palliady	2,400
16	Parakunnu (Feast Mass)	20,100
17	Puliyoorkurichy	2,000
18	Thachoor (Mathoor)	2,100
19	Thirithuvapuram	40,900
20	Thirithuvapuram	1,400
21	Thiruvithancode	41,000
22	Vattam	2,600
23	Verkilambi (Chetticharvilai)	3,900
24	Vettuvenni (Shrine)	3,50,000
25	Vettuvenni (Shrine)	20,000
	Total	6,17,000

# 7. Bishop Consecration

No	Parish	Amount
1	Kallankuzhy (Manalikarai)	6,700
2	Padmanabhapuram (Thuckalay)	25,000
	Total	31,700

# 8. Social Communication

No	Parish	Amount
1	Ambankalai (Kolvel)	2,301
2	Annainagar	3,075
3	Annainagar (Packiapuram)	1,740
4	Appattuvilai (St. Antony)	2,130
5	Chellamkonam (Panavilai)	1,250
6	Chemparuthivilai	5,840
7	Cherikadai (Palliyady)	3,300
8	Chirayankuzhy (Kanjiracode)	4,730
9	Eraviputhoorkadai (Manjady)	2,625
10	Kallankuzhy (Manalikarai)	1,120
11	Kamplar	1,000
12	Kanjiracode (2023)	6,359
13	Kappiarai	4,457
14	Kolvel	9,500
15	Konnkuzhivilai (2024)	5,430
16	Kottoorkonam	3,000
17	Kuzhivilai	4,150
18	Manali	1,566
19	Maruthancode (Panavilai)	490
20	Maruthoorkurichy (Iruthayapuram)	1,000
21	Mathoorkonam (Ambalakkadai)	2,395
22	Mekkamandapam (Chemparuthivilai)	1,020
23	Melpalai	4,145
24	Mullanganavilai (2023)	2,467
25	Mullanganavilai (2025)	7,200
26	Munchirai	3,500
27	Nattalam (Mullanganavilai) (2024)	1,000
28	Nattalam (Mullanganavilai) (2025)	1,000
29	Nellickavilai (Pacode)	1,304
30	Padmanabhapuram (Thuckalay) (2024)	1,570
31	Padmanabhapuram (Thuckalay) (2025)	1,420
32	Palliady	13,600
33	Panavilai	1,600

# 8. Social Communication

No	Parish	Amount
34	Paruthiaraithottam (Kalkurichy)	1,930
35	Pattarivilai	1,560
36	Ponkinkalai (Kadayal)	2,338
37	Puthenkadai (2023)	3,780
38	Puthenkadai (2024)	1,214
39	Puthukkadai (2023)	1,500
40	Puthukkadai (2025)	2,500
41	Soosaipuram (Vellicode)	3,057
42	Thachoor (Mathoor)	1,992
43	Themanoor (2023)	2,121
44	Themanoor (2024)	1,815
45	Theruvukkadai (Poottety)	1,530
46	Udavilai (Thumpali)	1,600
47	Varthanvilai	6,223
48	Vavarai	3,250
49	Vellicode	10,836
	Total	1,54,530

# 9. Mission Sunday

No	Parish	Amount
1	Annainagar (Packiapuram) (2016)	341
2	Annainagar (Packiapuram) (2018)	659
3	Arockia Annainagar (Nallayanpuram) (2024)	992
4	Arockiapuram (2024)	3,044
5	Mekkamandapam (Chemparuthivilai) (2024)	850
6	Melpalai (2024)	12,119
7	Puthenkadai (2019)	2,243
8	Puthenkadai (2023)	5,725
9	Themanoor (2023)	2,810
10	Themanoor (2024)	3,130
11	Theruvukadai (Poottety) (2024)	3,120
12	Thundathuvilai	7,460
	Total	42,493

# 10. New Bishop's House Building

No	Parish	Amount	
1	Chanelkarai (Palliady) (Collection)	8,560	
2	Cherikadai (Palliady) (Collection)	1,500	
3	Cherukole Karuputhottam (Collection)	12,000	
4	Chirayankuzhy (Kanjiracode) (Collection)	6,400	
5	Kamplar	15,000	
6	Kanjiracode	5,000	
7	Kattuvilai (Cherukole Karumputhottam) (Collection	n) 3,000	
8	Kozhiporvilai (Collection)	3,050	
9	Kuzhivilai (Vavarai)	16,697	
10	Maruthoorkurichy (Iruthayapuram) (Collection)	5,900	
11	Mekkamandapam (Chemparuthivilai)	1,535	
12	Melpalai	18,170	
13	Muhamathoor (Kozhiporvilai) (Collection)	2,800	
14	Mulagumoodu (Collection)	55,000	
15	Palapally (Manali) (Collection)	5,000	
16	Palliady (Collection)	20,000	
17	Paruthiaraithottam (Kalkurichy) (Collection)	5,000	
18	Perunchilampu (Manalikaria) (Collection)	1,500	
19	Puthenkadai	47,471	
20	Soosaipuram (Vellicode) (Collection)	5,000	
21	Swamiyarmadam (Manalikarai) (Collection)	4,000	
22	Thachoor (Mathoor) (Collection)	13,400	
23	Vilavoor (Mulagumoodu) (Collection)	5,000	
	Total	2,60,983	

# 11. Cancer Patient Fund

No	Parish	Amount
1	Paramanvilai	4,900
	Total	4,900

# Contribution

# 12. Prison Ministry

No	Parish	Amount
1	Annainagar (Packiapuram) (2016)	313
2	Annainagar (Packiapuram) (2017)	472
3	Annainagar (Packiapuram) (2018)	374
4	Annainagar (Packiapuram) (2019)	510
5	Annainagar (Packiapuram) (2024)	1,310
6	Arockia Annainagar (Nallayanpuram) (2024)	1,182
7	Arockiapuram (2024)	3,213
8	Mekkamandapam (Chemparuthivilai) (2023)	740
9	Mekkamandapam (Chemparuthivilai) (2024)	725
10	Mullanganavilai (2022)	1,872
11	Mullanganavilai (2023)	1,982
12	Nattalam (Mullanganavilai) (2023)	1,000
13	Padmanabhapuram (Thuckalay)	1,340
14	Ponmanai (Eanchacode) (2017)	1,120
15	Ponmanai (Eanchacode) (2018)	1,010
16	Ponmanai (Eanchacode) (2021)	1,248
17	Ponmanai (Eanchacode) (2022)	1,315
18	Puthenkadai (2024)	4,630
19	Puthukkadai (2018)	1,800
20	Puthukkadai (2019)	2,000
21	Puthukkadai (2022)	1,500
22	Puthukkadai (2023)	1,600
23	Puthukkadai (2024)	1,950
24	Themanoor (2023)	3,305
25	Themanoor (2024)	4,291
26	Vavarai (2022)	5,200
27	Vavarai (2023)	5,850
28	Vavarai (2024)	6,400
	Total	58,252

# 13. Holy Land

No	Parish	Amount
1	Arockia Annainagar (Nallayanpuram)	3,194
2	Arockiapuram (2025)	7,351
3	Kalkurichy	23,700
4	Kamplar	3,880
5	Konnankuzhivilai	14,956
6	Melpalai	17,102
7	Padmanabhapuram (Thuckalay)	8,750
8	Paruthiaraithottam (Kalkurichy)	2,040
9	Pattarivilai	12,300
10	Puthenkadai (2024)	6,982
11	Puthenkadai (2025)	8,610
12	Themanoor (2016)	3,000
13	Themanoor (2024)	5,740
14	Themanoor (2025)	5,193
15	Theuvukadai (Poottety)	13,720
16	Thundathuvilai	37,240
	Total	1,73,758

# 14. Seminary Fund

No	Parish	Amount	
1	Auxilaries of the Lay Apostalate (July)	7,000	
2	Auxilaries of the Lay Apostalate (August)	7,000	
3	Mr. Joseph, Palliady	1,000	
4	Mulagumoodu	5,000	
5	Palliady (July)	3,000	
6	Palliady (July)	3,000	
7	Paramanvilai (Confirmation)	8,904	
8	Themanoor (Confirmation)	10,350	
9	Ved. Baby Kamala	1,000	
	Total	46,254	

# Activities of the Pastoral Commissions in the Month of July 2025

#### **Commissions Co-ordination**

**O**n 7th July at 3:00 p.m., a Commission Secretaries' Meeting was held at the Holy Trinity Pastoral Centre, Bishop's House Campus, Unnamalikadai. Very Rev. Fr. S. Xavier Benedict (Vicar General) presided over the meeting. Rev. Fr. Daniel Abraham, Secretary of the Holy Childhood Commission, presented the one-year report. During the meeting, various matters concerning the commissions were discussed.

# **Field Staff Training Programme**

On 1st July, a Field Staff Training Programme was conducted by Fr. N. Martin, the Commission Co-ordinator. The topic was: "எதிர்நோக்கின் திருப்பயணத்தில் களப்பணியாளர்களின் சமூக பங்களிப்பு" A total of 23 field staff members participated in the programme.

## **Christian Life Commission**

#### **Commission for Catechism**

Training Program for School Contact Persons on Catechism & Morality

\* A training program for School Contact Persons on Catechism and Moral Classes was held on 03 of July, 2025 at Christian Life Commission Training Hall Unnamalaikadai. Rev. Fr. Dominic Kadatcha Dhas gave the introduction and Rev. Fr. Aloysius was the resource person, discussing "கற்பிக்க அழைக்கப்பட்டோம், வழிகாட்ட உருவாக்கப்படுவோம்".78 teachers participated in this session and benefitted. The program ended with Rev. Fr. Andrew's address.

# **BTCT - Program**

\* The Basic Theological Training (*BTCT- Basic Training for Catechism Teachers*) for the 24<sup>th</sup> group was held at Christian Life Commission Training Hall, Unnamalaikadai for 4 weeks in July. The training was inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Edwin Raj C., Mrs. Jaculine, Rev. Fr. Godwin Selva Justus, Mrs. Preetha, Rev. Fr. Stephen C., Rev. Fr. Naveen, Rev. Fr. Sunil and Mrs.

Vijila the Catechist were the resource persons given training under different subjects like *Introduction to the Bible, Basic Prayers, Christology, Students' Psychology, Liturgy, Sacraments, Good Habits, Effective Use of Media, Discipleship and Model Class.* 89 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.

# **Directors Meeting**

\* On July 09, 2025 Christian Life Commission Directors' meeting was conducted at Commissions office Unnamalikadai, in the presence of the Diocesan Secretary. Updates on election, Annual Planning and Evaluation of Ministry were discussed. Directors from 5 Vicariates participated.

# **Curriculum training for the Catechism teachers at vicariate level**

- \* Curriculum training for Karankadu vicariate catechism teachers was held on July 06, 2025 at Church of St. Aloysius, Karankadu. 352 teachers from different parishes participated. They were divided into 6 groups and were trained.
- \* Curriculum training for Thirithuvapuram vicariate catechism teachers was held on July 06, 2025 at St. Joseph's Matriculation Hr. Sec. School Thirithuvapuram. 358 teachers from 35 parishes benefitted from the training. They were put into 6 sections and were trained.

# **Vicariate Executive Committee Meetings**

- \* Thirithuvapuram vicariate executive committee was organized on July 05, 2025 and 5 people attended. They discussed Curriculum Training and Administrators' Election.
- \* Mathiravilai vicariate executive committee took place on July 19, 2025 and 14 persons participated. The election for Administrators was conducted.

# Vicariate level general body meetings

- \* Mulagumoodu vicariate general body meeting was held on July 12, 2025 and 65 people joined in the meeting. The election of Administrators was conducted.
- \* Vencode vicariate general body meeting was conducted on July 20, 2025 and 53 people participated.

# Training for the catechism teachers at parishes

- \* A Training program was conducted for the catechism teachers at Ootukuzhi on July 06, 2025 and 9 teachers participated. It was guided by Mrs. Jenilet on the topic of "The Responsibilities of Catechism Teachers".
- \* A Training program was conducted for the catechism teachers at Appattuvilai (St. Antony) on July 20, 2025 and 18 People participated. The theme was "Teacher-Student Relationship and Teaching Methodology". It was dealt with well by Mr. Jeya Prakash.
- \* A Training program was conducted for the catechism teachers at Pallavilai on July 24, 2025 and 6 teachers participated. It was guided by Mrs. Preetha on the topic of "Dedicated Teacher".

# Training for the catechism students at parishes

\* On July 27, 2025 a special training program was conducted by the Manali Parish and the Substations for those from 10<sup>th</sup> catechism students to Parents on "Jubilee 2025". It was dealt by Mr. Albin and Mr. Jeya Prakash.

# **Commission for Liturgy**

# Vicariate level general body meeting

\* Vencode vicariate general body meeting was conducted on July 12, 2025, with attendance of 25 members. Fr. Shine was the resource person who gave a wonderful speech on the documents of the Second Vatican Council.

# Sacristans general body meeting

\* On July 14, 2025 general body meeting was conducted at the Church of Our Lady of Rosary, Kanjiracode. Rev. Fr. Ignatius made a thoughtful sharing on the role and the responsibility of the sacristans. As many as 75 Sacristans participated.

# **Other Ministry**

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

#### **Commission for the Bible**

\* The Christian Life Commission Secretary, Rev. Fr. Andrews V. attended the TNBCLC Annual Meeting which was held in St. Paul's Seminary, Trichy on July 16, 2025

# **Family Commission**

- 1. Number of people registered their marriage: 18 persons
- 2. Number of people participated in the pre-marriage preparatory class: 111 persons
- 3. Number of Parishes Family Commission meetings conducted: 13
- 4. On 06-07-2025, Sunday: A Family Commission general council was held at the Commission office in Unnamalaikadai, in which 24 people participated.
- 5. On 15-07-2025, at 3:00 PM, in the presence of the Vicar General, a syllabus drafting committee meeting was held at the Commission office in Unnamalaikadai to discuss drafting the new syllabus for the Family Commission.
- 6. Family Commission secretary met with six Vicariate Forane of Kuzhithurai Diocese and formulated a few strategic plans for the growth of the Family Commission. The guidance and sharing of experiences by them were valuable.
- 7. Family Commission resolved marriage obstacles and facilitated marriage arrangements for two families:
- a) Vellichanthai Kattuvilai Husband's Family
- b) Madathatuvillai West Street Wife's Family

### **BCC (Anbiyam) Commission**

On 06.07.2025, the *Anbiyam* gathering was held at Poottetri Parish. During the event, Mr. David, the full-timer, gave training on the method of conducting Anbiyam meetings.

On 05.07.2025, the Mulagumoodu Vicariate General Body Meeting was held at Tholayavattam Puthuvasantham De-addiction Centre. Mrs. Benita gave a training session on the topic "What is Addiction?". Mr. Bruno shared his personal experience. The event was graced by Rev. Fr. David Michael, Vicar Forane, Rev. Fr. Benjamin, Vicariate Director, Anbiyam Diocesan Coordinator Mrs. M.A. Baby Kamala, Full-Timer Mr. Bellarmine, and 41 participants from 21 units.

On 10.07.2025, Full-Timer Mr. David visited 19 families of the 8th Anbiyam at Sahaya Nagar Parish, conducted the Anbiyam meeting, and helped to revive the Anbiyam, which had not been functioning for the past two years.

On 11.07.2025, the Mathiravilai Vicariate Executive Committee Meeting was held at Thundathuvilai with 10 participants. Discussions were held on the evaluation of the visit to the Home for the Aged, the planning of July month's fieldwork, and the Diocesan Bible Ouiz.

On 12.07.2025, the Diocesan Executives and full-timers met His Lordship, the Bishop, and held a discussion regarding the future plans. A total of 14 members participated in this meeting.

On 12.07.2025, the Thakkalai Action Zone was inaugurated at Puliyoor Kurichi. The program was conducted under the leadership of Mr. Francis Kennedy, Vicariate President, in the presence of Rev. Fr. Benjamin, Vicar Forane, and Rev. Fr. Alwin Vijay, Diocesan Director. A total of 22 participants from 9 units took part. The event was held in the form of a discussion meeting.

On 19.07.2025, the Karancadu Vicariate General Body Meeting was held under the leadership of Mr. Judu Bensigar, Vicariate President, in the presence of Rev. Fr. Bright Singh, Vicariate Director, and Rev. Fr. Sahaya Justus, Vicar Forane. A total of 73 participants from 25 units, including full-timers, vicariate executives, and Anbiyam members, took part in the meeting.

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On 27.06.2025, the Thirithuvapuram Vicariate Executive Committee Meeting was held at Thirithuvapuram, under the leadership of Mr. Jagan Babu, Vicariate President, in the presence of Rev. Fr. Wiselin Xavier, Vicariate Director, and Mrs. Sheela, full-timer. A total of 20 members participated. Discussions were held on the Poor Marriage Scheme and the distribution of donations.

On 27.06.2025, the Thirithuvapuram Vicariate General Body Meeting was held at Thirithuvapuram, under the leadership of Mr. Jagan Babu, Vicariate President, in the presence of Rev. Fr. Wiselin Xavier, Vicariate Director, and Mrs. Sheela, full-timer. Discussions were held on the implementation of the Vicariate's primary Marriage Scheme. A total of 74 participants from 31 units attended the meeting.

On 27.07.2025, the Mathiravilai Vicariate General Body Meeting was held at Thundathuvilai, under the leadership of Mrs. Maria Retinabai, Vicariate President, in the presence of Rev. Fr. Callistus, Vicariate Director, and Mr. Davidraj, full-timer. A total of 39 participants from 17 units attended. The meeting included a review of the activities.

On 27.07.2025, the Vencode Vicariate General Body Meeting was held at Munchirai, under the leadership of Mr. Gerald Xavier, Vicariate President, in the presence of Rev. Fr. Manohiam Xavier, Vicariate Vicar, Rev. Fr. Bertin Anas, Vicariate Director, and Mrs. Jenet, full-timer. A total of 40 participants from 15 units attended. The meeting was animated by the Valanur unit.

On 27.07.2025, the Puthankadai Vicariate General Body Meeting was held at Kulasekharam, under the leadership of Mr. Amalraj, Vicariate President, in the presence of Rev. Fr. Maria Martin, Vicar Forane, and Mr. Albin Jose, full-timer. A total of 49 participants from 18 units attended.

On 27.07.2025, fieldwork was carried out in two Anbiyams of the Appattuvilai (A) Parish.

In the 7th Anbiyam, 19 families were visited and a meeting was conducted.

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In the 2nd Anbiyam, 18 families were visited and a meeting was conducted.

On 25.07.2025, a joint meeting of the Diocesan executives and full-timers was held at the office. During the meeting, the Adithalam monthly's topics up to December were taken up.

From 1st August onwards, Mrs. Jenet will serve as the full-timer of the Puthankadai Vicariate, and Mr. Albin Jose will serve in the Vencode Vicariate, as announced by the Director.

#### **Works of Full-Timers:**

House Visit	-	193
Anbiyam (BCC) Visit	-	103
<b>BCCs Coordination Visit</b>	-	37
Visits to the Sicks	-	22
Visiting the Executives	-	35
Full-Timers Meetings	-	8

On behalf of parish BCCs Coordination Rs. 3,49,539.00/- had been given for different needs of the people like Education Help, Marriage Support, Medical Aid, and Elders Care.

#### **Labour Commission**

# 1. Trainings

S. No	Date/ Place	Title	Trainer	Participants
1.	06.07.2025 St. Joseph Church, Appattuvilai	About Christian Workers Movement, Benefits of joining the Welfare Board	Mr. Edwin Anand Mrs. Jainy	20
2.	15.07.2025 St. Mary's Basilica, Mulagumoodu	Skill Training on Siddha Anti-Biotics Preparation to Unorganized Workers	Dr. S. Dharshini	55
3.	24.07.2025 St. Thomas Church, Chellamkonam	Workers Movement Welfare Committee	Mr. Joseph Raj Mrs. Jainy	15
4.	27.07.2025 St. Xavier's Church, Marthandam	Welfare Committee	Mrs. Jainy	12

# 2. Meetings

- 1. The Mulagumoodu Vicariate meeting was held at the St. Mary's Basilica, Mulagumoodu on 06.07.2025. Rev.Fr. Robert John Kennedy the Vicariate Director, and Including Diocesan representatives 45 people were present.
- 2. As the tenure of the Mulagumoodu Vicariate office bearers was over, the election was held at the St. Mary's Basilica, Mulagumoodu on 13.07.2025 at 3 pm. The Director of the Mulagumoodu Vicariate Christian Workers Movement, Rev. Robert John Kennedy, National Executive Committee Member, Mr. Michael Antony and Karancadu and vicariate Joint Secretary, Mr. Stalin Raja was present as the Election Committee. In the election, Mr. Johnson (Chetticharvilai Unit) was elected as the president, Mrs. Vijaya (Mugamathur Unit) as the secretary, Mrs. Santhi kala (Perunchilambu Unit) as the treasurer, Mr. Albert Raj (Kalkurichi Unit) as the vice president, and Mr. Mohan (Kuzhivilai Unit) as the joint secretary. 65 people including the field staff were present.
- 3. The election of the Mathiravilai Vicariate office bearers was held on 13.07.2025 at 4.30 pm at St. Anthony's Church, Thundathuvilai. Mr. Christudas (Mullanganavilai Unit) was elected as the president, Mr. Sakaya Valan Prith (Sahayanagar Unit) as the secretary, Mr. J. Pees (Panavilai Unit) as the treasurer, Mr. Jacob Thaddeus (Mathiravilai Unit) as the vice president, and Mrs. Maria Madalenal (Tundathuvilai Unit) as the joint secretary. National Executive Committee member Mr. Michael Antony, Karangadu Vicariate Deputy Secretary Mr. Stalin Raja, Mulagumoodu Vicariate Coordinator Mr. Joseph Raj, and 25 people including field Staff were present at the event.
- 4. The training and 44th National General Assembly meeting were held in Chennai for three days on 18.07.2025, 19.07.2025, and 20.07.2025. The Director Rev. Fr. A. Michael Raj, President Mr. Edwin Anand, Treasurer Mr. Albert Dennis, Joint Secretary Mr. John Selin, Field Staff Mrs. Jaini and National Executive Committee Member Mr. Michael Antony was present.

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- 5. On 24.07.2025 the inactive Unit of St. Thomas Church in Chellamkonam was revived again with the efforts of the parish priest.
- 6. On 27.07.2025 The election of Karancadu Vicariate office bears was held at the St. Child Theresa Church at Kandanvilai at 4 pm. Mr. Maria Valan Raj (Pattarivilai Unit) was elected as the President, Mr. Stalin Raja (Alanvilai Unit) as the Secretary, Mr. JohnBennett Ravi (Kand anvilai Unit) as the Treasurer, Mr. Alexander (Elanthavilai Unit) as the Vice President, and Mr. Joseph Raj (Nullivilai Unit) as the Joint Secretary. The event was attended by 54 people including the Vicar forane of the Karangadu Vicariate, Rev. Fr. Sahayadas, and the Director of the Karancadu Vicariate, Rev. Fr. Ravi Godson Kennedy, the Election Committee members, Mr. Albert Dennis, the Coordinator of the Mulagumoodu Vicariate, Mr. Joseph Raj, and the Field staff, Mrs. Jainy.

# 3. Welfare Assistance

- \* On 08.07.2025, an application was made for a person to receive marriage allowance.
- \* An application had already been made for 2 people to receive retirement. The petitions were clarified again.
- \* Applications were received for one person to receive retirement benefit through the NSP Pension Scheme that was sent to the Delhi office.

#### 4. Formation of a new Unit

On 06.07.2025 in Mulagumoodu Vicariate at Appattuvilai a new unit was formed.

# **Health Commission**

# 1. First Friday Camp

The first Friday camp has been conducted On 04 July 2025 at the hospital premises from 09:00AM to 04:00 PM. The following Doctors like general medicine, ENT, Eye, Gynecology, Dermatology doctors were given their expert consultation to the needy people at free of cost. Totally 66 patients were benefited with this camp.

## 2. Camp in parishes

On 20 July 2025, the camp was conducted at St Catherine's Chruch, Kappiyarai. The following Doctors - General Medicine, ENT Specialist, Dermatologist and Obsteric & Gynecologist were arranged for consultation. Totally 134 people were benefited out of this camp.

On 27 July 2025, the camp was conducted at St Xavier's Chruch, Konamkadu. The following Doctors - General medicine. ENT specialist, Eye specialist were arranged for consultation according to the need of the community. Totally 126 people were benefited with this camp.

Both above parish camp the medicines and basic investigations offered at free of cost.

# 3. Special Camp

On 30 Jun 2026, the Surgery specialist camp was conducted in our hospital premise from 09:00Am to 04:00PM. Total 10 Specialist and super specialist doctors were arranged for the expert opinion (General medicine, General surgery, ENT, Oncology Surgery, Obstetric & Gynecology, Pediatric surgery, Ortho, Neuro Surgery, Urology, Anesthesia). Totally 43 patients were benefited. The camp was provided the following benefits are up to 30% concession in all surgeries, surgical package blood investigation was Rs. 2499/instead of 4000. Few basic investigation was offered free.

# **SC/ST Commission**

There were Vicariate Meetings held in four Vicariates. Two vicariates namely Vencode and Thiruthuvapuram did not connect. Monitoring Committee meeting was held on 16-07-2025. Monsignor Xavier Benedict convened the meeting. KIDSS Executive Director Fr. M. Martin was present.

August 10 Black day should be commemorated in an effective way. It was decided to audit the accounts. The Executive meeting was conducted. 15 members participated. In the Last month 17 groups were visited and the topic of discussion was, "aims and objectives of this commission".

#### **Social Communications**

The Holy mass was recorded and telecasted on Madha TV 19<sup>th</sup> july from Mulagumoodu St. Mary's Basilica and 27<sup>th</sup> July from Chentharei St. Xavier's Church. A special Social Communication Day program was Filmed and telecasted on Madha TV on 10<sup>th</sup> july from Chunkankadai, St. Xavier's Catholic Engineering College.

Throughout June "அறம் செய விரும்பு" was shared by Fr. Sahaya Dhas, The word of God was shared by Fr.pencer, Daily Saintly Life Histories were provided by Fr. Atlas via whatsapp status, Sunday's homilies were blogged by Fr. Anish, and Daily Reflection were shared by Fr. Arul Vinish

# **Prison Ministry Commission**

Our Diocesan prison ministry general body meeting was held on 25.07.2025 at V.S.C.S meeting hall, Marthandam presided over by Sr. Margret Mary, with the participation of ninteen members. The Secretary, Mr. Vincent presented the report and Mrs. Reena, the treasurer submitted the monthly account report.

Then the resource persons who were in charge of conducting "Crimeless Kumari" at Elavuvilai were appreciated. Volenteers who go to Thuckalay sub-jail informed that the dish was provided to them as planned out in the previous meeting.

Experience of visiting inmates and the families of the inmates were shared by the members.

Following decisions were taken.

- \* Prison Sunday on the second week of August will be celebrated according to the guidelines of our diocese.
- \* In September 2025 "The Crimeless Kumari" programme will be conducted in Mulavilai Parish after due consultation with the parish priest.
- \* Tamil Nadu level one day seminar is held in Chengalpattu on 16.08.2025 where two members, Sr. Margret & Mrs. Philominal from our side will be participating.

Announcement from TNBC was shared that Most Rev. Ambrose, Bishop of Vellore announced as president, Prison Ministry Tamil Nadu in the place of Most. Rev. Neethinathan. Then the meeting came to an end at 05.30 with thanksgiving prayer.

#### CRI

The CRI meeting was held on 19th July 2025 at the Bishop's House, Unnamalaikadai, commencing at 09:30am. The theme of the gathering was "Pilgrims of Hope on the Mission of Religious", and the resource person was Rev. Fr. Martin, Director of all Commission in the Diocese of Kuzhithurai. A total of 75 religious members participated in the meeting.

Later, the CRI President discussed upcoming programs and initiatives. Sr. Felsy CTC was elected as the new Secretary of CRI. Participants were then grouped by vicariate, within which they elected their respective vicariate representatives and discussed their local plans and programs.

#### **Commission for Children**

11.07.2025: Thirithuvapuram Vicariate executive committee meeting held at marthandam led by Rev. Fr. Wiselin Xavier, along with vicariate director Fr. Sathish Magizhan and with executive team members.

## Vicariate excutive meetings

- 11.07.2025 Thirithupuram held at Marthandam Vicariate office
- 12. 07.2025 Vencode held at Munchirai
- 12. 07.2025 Mulagumoodu held at Thuckalay
- 17.07.2025 PuthenKadai

Vicariate General body meetings

\* 05.07.2025 Puthukadai held at Palotiyagam hall, Kulasekaram. Participants, Vicariate director. 27vazhikattigal, fulltimers Mrs.Suseela

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- \* 19.07.2025 Vencode held at Kappukad, planning for vicariate Mannadu
- \* 20.07.2025 Thirithuvapuram held at St. Joseph's School Thirithuvapuram training program on the theme of "leading Children and guiding" 35 incharges participated.
- \* 20.07.2025 Thirithuvapuram Vicariate regional and zonal level planning meeting held at St.Joseph's School Thirithuvapuram.
- \* 26.07.2025 Mulagumoodu held at Thuckalay Udhayatharagai, formation course for incharges. 33 were attended along with Vicar Forane and Vicariate Director and full timer.
- \* 26.07.2025 Mathiravilai Vicariate held at Arokia Annai Church Karunkal.

# **Parish Level training**

27.07.2025 - Thumbali, Karumapilavilai

# **Initiatives and Spoecial works**

Thiruthuvapuram Vicariate Children Commission met Kalluvilai 'karunalayam' special school, donated 18,000 rupees color printer. Initiative taken by Vicariate Director Fr. Sathish Magizhan.

#### **Full Timers works**

kuzhu santhippu -33, vazhikattigal santhippu -7, Parish Priests met -11 fulltimer's meeting -2.

### **Youth Commission**

# **Executive Meetings**

The Diocesan Executive Meeting was held on July 27, 2025, at Youth Commission office in Trithuvapuram. The meeting featured a thought-provoking talk on media awareness by Rev. Fr. Sargin Rubas. In addition to the diocesan meeting, vicariate executive

meetings were conducted across different vicariates. These meetings provided a platform for members to discuss local issues, share experiences, and plan activities tailored to their specific needs. The Puthenkadai Vicariate meeting on July 13, 2025, with the participation of 6 members, while the Mathiravilai Vicariate meeting on the same day had 3 members in attendance. The Mulagumoodu Vicariate meeting on July 20, 2025, was attended by 9 members, and the Vencode Vicariate meeting on July 26, 2025, had 8 members participating.

#### **General Body Meetings**

Vencode Vicariate meeting on July 13, 2025, featured a talk on street theatre drama training by Mr. Iruthaiya Raj, which was attended by 25 members. Thirithuvapuram Vicariate meeting on July 13, 2025, took a different approach, with 10 members. Miss. Lavanya & Mr. Diffin Jeba sharing their field visit experiences. The Mulagumoodu Vicariate meeting on July 20, 2025, was notable for its session on "Who I am" by Mr. Anish, which drew an impressive attendance of 38 members. Other general body meetings included the Karenkadu Vicariate meeting on July 20, 2025, where 10 members learned about movement and its need from Miss. Arsha, and the Mathiravilai Vicariate meeting on the same day, which focused on environmental prevention with Rev. Fr. Halwin addressing 5 members.

### **Arts Day Competition**

Puthenkadai Vicariate Arts Day, held on July 20, 2025, at Eanchacode. A total of 55 members participated in the competition

## **Trainings**

At the Muttaikadu Parish, 15 members participated in a training session on "Movement and Life" conducted by Mr. Anish. At the Nullivilai Parish, 22 members learned about the importance of movement from Miss. Arsha.

# Young Christian Students Movement (YCS) Meetings & Trainings

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. A series of general body meetings were held across various vicariates, focusing on topics pertinent to the members interests and well-being. The Young Christian Students (YCS) movement held general body meetings across vicariates on July 20, 2025. Sessions included street theatre drama training by Mr. Rose Robin in Vencode Vicariate, leadership training by Mr. Sam Vinodh in Trithuvapuram Vicariate, and talks on humanity by Miss. Babitta in Karenkadu and personality development by Mr. Sam Vinodh in Mulagumoodu Vicariate. Environmental prevention sessions were also conducted by Mr. Jenith and Mr. Berlin. Additionally, Mr. Sam Vinodh led a training session on the importance of movement for 22 YCS members at Varthanvilai Parish, focusing on spiritual and personal growth. These initiatives showcase the YCS movement's commitment to empowering its members and promoting community engagement.

#### **Parish Unit Visits**

The Youth Commission members were actively engaged in visiting parish units, with a total of 34 units visited during the month.

Yugasakthi Editorial meeting was held on July 27, 2025 Which was attended by 8 Members. Furthermore, three meetings were conducted for field staffs.

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

# Kuzhithurai Integral Development Social Services (KIDSS)

## Report for the Month of July 2025

#### **Activities of KIDSS Units**

#### KIDSS IFO

- 1. **P**roject Director, Staff, Federation representatives and Sangam members around 35 of them participated in the Collector's Grievance Day on 4<sup>th</sup>July 2025 at Collector office, Nagercoil.
- 2. Federation meeting was conducted on 14<sup>th</sup> July 2025 under the leadership of PD.
- 3. Staff team visited 8 Sangams during this month and created awareness on different topics such as Sangam activities, importance of electing Office bearers and Junk food.

#### KIDSS SHG

- 1. Kannumamoodu group organised awareness training about Naturopathy treatment with the support of Maxwell Naturopathy centre on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2025 in which 22 members participated.
- 2. Six groups completed their auditing in this month.
- 3. Staff team visited 46 SHG groups during this month and sensitized the members about Joint family and nuclear family and 718 groups members became aware of the present family situation.
- 4. Three groups visited three patients and supported with Rs. 4000/- and One group gave Rs. 6000/- as marriage support to 5 persons.

#### KIDSS WSCP

- Executive meeting was conducted on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at Thiruthuvapuram and discussed about District Manadu agenda.
- 2. The Project Director and staff undertook a fund mobilization drive to support the higher education of children from their target beneficiary group on 16<sup>th</sup>July 2025.

- 3. The Widows District Conference was held on 27th July 2025 at Vettuvenni, drawing the participation of 431. The event began with an inaugural address by the Project Director, Mrs. Carmel Mary, who highlighted the importance of the gathering. The special guest for the occasion was **Most Rev. Bishop Albert G.A. Anastas**, Diocese of Kuzhithurai, who offered an inspiring invocation speech. The other invited guests Fr. M. Martin, Fr. Sahayadhas, and Fr. Issac Raj, who each delivered heartfelt felicitation addresses. A keynote session on Leadership was delivered by Fr. Maria William, aimed at empowering the widows to take initiative and lead in their communities. The event also featured a series of cultural activities.
- 4. Staff team visited 19 Sangams and created awareness about leadership.
- 5. The Vicariate Executive meetings conducted in this month are as below:

Vicariate	Date	Topic	Participants
Mathiravilai	17.07.2025		21
Karenkadu	21.07.025	Leadership	15
Puthenkadai	25.07.2025		15
Thirithuvapuram	26.07.2025		13
Vencode	28.07.2025		12
Mulagumoodu	30.07.2025		18

#### KIDSS RMP

- 1. District executive meeting was conducted on 19<sup>th</sup> July 2025 in which ED participated.
- 2. Thuckalay zonal Auditing and loan team had training on their roles and responsibilities on 12<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at RMP building in which 38 members attended. Mulavilai zone had their training on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2025 with 38 members.
- 3. Staff team visited 45 Sangams during this month and created awareness on different topics such as rain water harvesting, environment protection, healthy life, drug awareness and Sangam activities.

Zone level meetings were conducted as stated below:

Zone	Date	Topic	Participants	
Thuckalay 05.07.2025 Role of secretary a vice secretary		Role of secretary and vice secretary	d 82	
Thirithuvapuram	ram 05.07.2025 Role of secretary and vice secretary		90	
Karungal	12.07.2025	Welfare board for workers in abroad	69	
Mulavilai 12.07.2025		Role of Sangam Treasurers	79	

## **KIDSS Kolping**

- 1. District Executive meeting was conducted on 24<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at Kolping building, Thiruthuvapuram.
- 2. Staff team visited 78 Kolping families during this month.
- 3. Five Kolping families supported Five persons for medicines Rs. 8000/-, three Kolping families helped 2 persons for their livelihood with Rs. 6000/- and old age home with Rs. 4000/- and Two Kolping families gave Rs. 4500/- as educational support to 6 students.

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

Vicariate	Date	Topic	Participants
Vencode	02.07.2025	Health benefits of Vegetables	31
Thirithuvapuram	02.07.2025	Geriatric Care	30
Mulagumoodu	03.07.2025	Cancer Disease	43
Puthenkadai	03.07.2025	Benefits of raisins	31
Mathiravilai	07.07.2025	Pitham disease	32
Karenkadu	07.07.2025	Impact of negligence of life	43

#### KIDSS DDP:

- 1. DDP monitoring team had the meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> July 2025 under the leadership of Vicar General Msgr. Xavier Benedict. PD coordinated the programs.
- 2. District Executive meeting was held on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at Unnamalaikadai in which ED also participated. They planned for observation of black day on August 10, 2025.
- 3. Staff visited 17 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
06.07.2025	Karungal	Common disease of Children & food habits	35
09.07.2025	Kulasekharam		14
13.07.2025	Melpuram		37
19.07.2025	Manali		29
26.07.2025	Vattam		9
22.07.2025	Manalikarai		21

- 2. Manali Zone supported a student with Rs. 5000/- for education.
- 3. The Deceased member Mr. Joseph's family received Rs. 20,000/- from BFDP death claim scheme.
- 4. Staff participated in the Collector's grievance day on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at Nagercoil.
- 5. Staff team visited 60 groups and an awareness was created among the members about drug use.

#### KIDSS CHDP

1. Union meetings were conducted in all four unions on 9<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2025 in which 47 office bearers attended. Input sessions were given about drug use.

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- 2. Naturopathy health camp was conducted at Kallaravilai parish on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2025. Dr. Rekha gave awareness session about importance of Naturopathy treatment and 35 people consulted her out of 75 participants.
- 3. On July 26, 2025 World Brian day was observed with special camp at Naturopathy clinic and Dr. Angelin Asha created awareness about brain health for all ages. Around 20 members participated in the camp.
- 4. Volunteers meeting was conducted on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2025 in which 5 members attended and they had an input about healthy food.
- 5. A total of 42 devotees consulted Drs. Angelin Asha and Anusha through the facilities provided by Fr. James Tombeur Naturopathy Clinic at Chunkankadai and the Vettuvenni shrine.
- 6. Two new groups were formed in this month at Kandanvilai and Mulavilai.
- 7. Staff team visited 41 groups and sensitized the members about benefits of listening to our elders
- 8. In July 2025, a total of 69 patients received treatment at Fr. James Tombeur Naturopathy Clinic, including 6 inpatients.

#### **Activity of VIDSes**

#### Karankadu (KVIDS)

KVIDS conducted its executive meeting on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at VF Office, Thingalnager.

#### Mulagumoodu (MuVIDS)

MuVIDS executive meeting was held on  $12^{th}$  July 2025 at VF office, Thuckalay.

## Mathiravilai (MaVIDS)

MaVIDS conducted their executive meeting 26<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at Annai Auditorium, Thundathuvilai.

#### Thirithuvapuram (TVIDS)

TVIDS's executive meeting was held on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at Thiruthuvapuram.

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#### Puthenkadai (PVIDS):

PVIDS had their executive meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at VF Office, Kulasekharam.

#### Vencode (VVIDS)

VVIDS conducted their executive meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at VF office, Puthukadai.

## **Educational Assistance revised meeting**

Educational Assistance revised meeting was conducted on 25<sup>th</sup> July 2025 at Bishop's House Unnamalaikadai under the leadership of Vicar General Msgr. Xavier Benedict. In which 16 members participated.

## **Higher Education Guidance planning meeting**

Higher Education guidance planning was organised on 26<sup>th</sup> July at Bishop's House, Unnamalaikadai under the leadership of Vicar General Msgr. Xavier Benedict with 12 members including youth director and representatives from VIDSes. ED shared about the purpose of this gathering. They took certain strategy for providing career guidance for the students hereafter.

## **KIDSS Special projects**

## I. Community Disability Management and Rehabilitation Project

- 1. In July 34 new disabled persons were identified and they were categorized LD, MR etc..
- 2. In two parishes disability groups were formed in July 2025. In Mathoorkonam substation on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2025 with 12 disabled persons and at Mullanginavilai parish on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2025 with 27 persons. We express our gratitude for the presence of the parish priests to grace the event.

## Successful referral and linkages for welfare schemes:

ü 12 persons received tailoring certificate and 2 more persons applied for it and 18 persons applied for tailoring machine.

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- ü 3 individuals received monthly pension scheme and two more applications submitted.
- ü 1 person received motorized tailoring machine
- ü 1 individual receive CM health insurance card
- ü One family's ration card is upgraded from NPHH to PHH
- ü One person received 35 kg rice monthly under PDS and 24 applications are submitted
- ü Two new applications are submitted for privilege card and two persons for UDID care.
- ü Three persons applied three wheeled bike and two persons for motorized wheel chair.
- ü Four persons applied for free housing scheme and one person for IGP loan.

## II. Psychosocial Wellbeing

- 1. On July 22, 2025 School Health Program was organised at St.Francis Higher Secondary School, Vavarai on 22nd July 2025. Fr. N. Martin gave session on impact of social media and drug abuse for the male students and Sr. Margaret for the female students about sex education and impact of social media. A total of 135 (M -75, F 60) attended the program.
- 2. On July 23, 2025 training was conducted at St.Francis Higher Secondary School, Vencode in which 116 (M-68, F-48) students participated. Fr.N.Martin and Sr.Sarojam were the resource persons who gave the session on impact of social media on adolescents, drug abuse and sex education.
- 3. Mental Health day was observed at Nanjil CBSE School, Vazhuthalampallam on 30<sup>th</sup> July 2025 with 300 students. Sr. Sarojam and Sr. Margaret gave session on mental health.

## 4. Counselling Services

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

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

- 1. Orientation on CTWWC concept and importance of gatekeeping program was conducted at Mathar for parish council and BIDS separately on 6th July 2025.
- In two parishes namely Ampalakadai and Melpuram BIDSes took up the responsibility in providing guidance and further follow up support to vulnerable children towards gatekeeping system.
- 3. Review and follow up program was conducted at Pilavilai on 27<sup>th</sup> July 2025.
- 4. Capacity building training on family strengthening was conducted for Melpuram and Kulappuram BIDSes on 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> July respectively.
- 5. Capacity building training on Govt. Welfare schemes and family strengthening program was conducted for the members of BCC coordination at Pilavilai and Pullani on 6<sup>th</sup> 12<sup>th</sup> July 2025.
- 6. Orientation training was conducted on Role of parents and children to the Legion of Mary and CBOs at Cheruthikonam, Kamplar, Chentharai and Nullivilai during this month. Totally 101 members participated in the program.
- We express our gratitude to Karankadu parish for mobilizing sanitary items and clothing for the vulnerable families worth of Rs. 17158/-

## Referral and linkages to strengthen the family-basedcare:

- 1. Seven persons received social ID cards
- 2. One student was supported to get admission at Friends ITI and one student was motivated to continue his schooling.
- 3. One person received ERF support from KIDSS Rs. 7000/-
- 4. Twenty one children and their families were supported with sanitary items worth of Rs. 6448/-
- 5. One care giver was supported with clothing.

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- 6. One person applied for tailoring machine and one student was guided to apply for educational support in an NGO
- 7. 09 individuals received psychosocial support

## IV. KIDSS Ezhuvom Iyakkam (Cancer Care Campaign)

- 1. Vicariate level monthly volunteer's meetings were conducted at Mathiravilai, Vencode, Mulagumoodu and Karankadu. Totally 34 volunteers including VFs of Mathiravilai and Vencode attended the meeting. The volunteers identified new patients and visited around 45 patients within their vicariates.
- 2. In July Mulagumoodu and Mathiravilai vicariate volunteers visited 19 patients through KIDSS palliative care and provided spiritual and emotional support and also nutritious food kit.

## V. Children Parliament (CP)

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	Cheruthikonam	13.07.2025	18	Mrs. Vincy Grace
2	Sahayanagar	13.07.2025	24	Mrs. Shanthi
3	Pechipparai	20.7.2025	18	Mr. David
4	Muhamathoor	20.7.2025	22	Mrs. Christilda
5	Kozhiporvilai	20.7.2025	48	Mr. John Britto
6	Kappiyarai	27.7.2025	51	Mrs. Virgin Suja

Kappiyarai CP distributed vegetable saplings to all participants.

#### **KIDSS Activities:**

Panchayth level trainings were conducted at Edaicode on 11<sup>th</sup> July 2025 and at Siluvaipuram on 23<sup>rd</sup> July 2025. Mr. David took session on how to make Kitchen Garden and organic pest repellence and a total of participants were 92.

- Fr. M. Martin,

Secretary cum Executive Director, KIDSS.

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#### **DIOCESAN CHRONICLES: JULY 2025**

- July 1 : Bishop Presided over the meeting of the inauguration of the new academic year of the Morning Star Polytechnic College Chunkankadai at 10.00 am. On the same day evening bishop presided over the Curia Meeting at Bishop's House
- July 2 : Bishop Celebrated a marriage mass at Pattarivilai at 10.00 am
- July 3 : Bishop Blessed the newly-built church at Chittar at 05.00 pm.
- July 4 : Bishop inaugurated a new ministry at Ponmalai with the Holy Mass at 11.00 am.
- July 5-10: Bishop attended TNBCLC meeting at Thindivanam
- July 11 : Bishop blessed the newly-built Arch, hoisted the flag and celebrated the feast mass at 05.30 pm at Nullivilai.
- July 12 : Bishop Celebrated the memorial mass for Fr. Densingh at 03.30 pm at Sahayanagar.
- July 13 : Bishop celebrated the mass at Cathedral and laid the stone for campus redesign work at 09.00 am.
- July 14: Bishop presided over the Curia Meeting at Bishop's House at 09.30 am. On the Same day at 03.30 pm Bishop attended the United Christian Council Meeting at Palapallam.
- July 15 : Bishop attended the Education Board Meeting at 03.00 pm at Trinity Pastoral Centre, Unnamalaikadai.
- July 17 : Bishop attended the Friends of kottar board meeting at Bishop's House at 10.00 am
- July 18: Bishop Presided over the graduation day at Annai Velankanni College Tholayavattam at 10.00 am.

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July 19: Bishop Presided over the Finance Committee meeting at 03.00 pm at Bishop's house.

July 20 : Bishop Celebrated a Feast Mass at Vavarai at 09.30 am.

July 21 : Bishop presided over the Curia Meeting at Bishop's House at 09.30 am.

July 22 : Bishop presided over the consult meeting at Bishop's House at 09.30 am. On the same day evening 04.00 pm Bishop attended Kanyakumari Cancer Research centre Trust meeting at Chunkankadai. Later at 05.00 pm Bishop attended the St. Xavier's Engineering College board meeting at Chunkankadai.

July 23 : Bishop attended Nanjil Milk Plant Board Meeting at 03.00 pm at Mulagumoodu.

July 27 : Bishop attended the conference of widow self - confidence & empowerment program at 03.30 pm at Vettuvenni.

July 28 : Bishop presided over the priest personel board meeting at Bishop's House at 03.30 pm.

July 29 : Bishop presided over the Curia Meeting at Bishop's House at 09.30 am.

#### **Attention Please!**

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

Onam

- September 05, 2025

- Fr. G. Jayakumar, Financial Administrator.

#### DAYS TO REMEMBER IN SEPTEMBER 2025

#### **BIRTH DAYS**

- 01: Fr. Amaladhas F.A. (1962)
- 02: Fr. Ravi Godson Kennedy S. (1976)
- o3: Fr. Wenceslaus OCD (1949)
- 04: Fr. Jegan Silvester L. (1982)
- 05: Fr. Sahaya Jerald Abin MSFS (1983)
- 08 : Fr. Suresh Raj R. (1982)
- 10 : Fr. Jose Robinson S.K. (1969)
- 12 : Fr. John Francis M. (1977)
- 15 : Fr. Andrews V. (1981)
- 17 : Fr. Sahaya Justus W. (1968)
- 19: Fr. Arockia Samy OMD (1985)
- 20 : Fr. David Michael M. (1967)
- 20 : Fr. John Xavier I.Sch. (1975)
- 22 : Fr. Domi Lilil Raja A. (1986)
- 24: Fr. Jayakumar G. (1971)
- 24: Fr. Arul R. (1988)
- 27: Fr. Edwin Raj C. (1987)
- 29 : Fr. Philip Raj SAC (1988)

#### ORDINATION DAYS

- 06: Fr. Ravi Godson Kennedy S. (2014)
- 06: Fr. Florence A. (2014)
- 06: Fr. John Benhar N. (2014)

#### REMEMBER THE DEAD

- 03: Fr. George V. M. (2004)
- 04: Fr. Gabriel A. (2014)
- 17: Fr. Athanasius E. Retnasamy (1998)
- 20 : Fr. Antony Muthu M. (1997)
- 21 : Fr. Stephen V. J. (1994)
- 24: Fr. Pascal Prosper S. (2021)
- 27 : Fr. Pius Morris (1964)

# **Diocesan Events**





Welcoming the sisters to Malaiyadi for initiating the new Ministry for the Special children





Inter Diocese Badminton match under Madurai Province organized by the Diocese of Kuzhithurai on the day St. John Mary Vianney





Silver Jubilee celebration of six Priests of our Diocese





Blessing and opening of a new building of Vincent De Paul-run Old age home



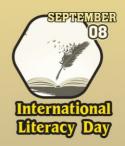








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