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NEWS LETTER

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“Upon Calvary, we cannot have life without love, or love without the redeemer's death”

TLG, 11: 281

Dear Confreres,



We are almost in the middle of our Lenten journey. “Lent is a favourable season for deepening our spiritual life through the means of sanctification offered to us by the Church: fasting, prayer and almsgiving. The journey with Jesus helps us to sanctify and to live a life of grace. In our journey, we are called to renew and reconcile: with God, neighbours and oneself. On Ash Wednesday, we were marked with ashes on our foreheads, a stark reminder that we are dust, going to die, sooner or later. But on Easter,

those ashes are washed away when we are soaked with the blessings of Easter water with which we are going to be baptized. A new Baptism and a new life. Death no longer has a claim on us. Jesus surpassed all the odds, died and rose from the dead to give new life to each one of us. The death of Jesus leads to Resurrection. We are not the people of Good Friday, but Easter people. WE LIVE-IN HIM!

WE LIVE! WE LIVE FULLY NOW because HE LIVES! Wishing each one of you a fruitful Lenten season and a very Happy Easter. May God bless all



## HAPPY EASTER

## DIOCESAN FAMILY DAY AT SFS CHURCH, PUNE

Bishop Thomas Dabre, Bishop of Poona, announced this year as the Year of the Family in the diocese of Poona. On Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2017, a Family day was organized from 3:30pm -9:00pm in St. Francis de Sales Parish for the Pune Municipal zone. It was the initiative of Small Christian Community Director for the Diocese of Poona, Fr. S. A. Louis and his team Members. The program began with a solemn enthronement of the Bible by Rev. Bishop Thomas. He gave his powerful message of love, peace, harmony and forgiveness to all families gathered.. It was much appreciated by the families that were present for the program. Further the program included the input sessions by various resource persons from various Parishes. They gave powerful testimonies on parenting and integrated family living. The Family day was celebrated with great joy and happiness by all the participants.



Fr. Malcolm Sequiera, Vicar General of the diocese of Poona was the main celebrant for the Holy Eucharist. It was con-celebrated by MSFS Priests and Religious and th Diocesan priests. Thereafter there was a fellowship meal for all. Congrats to SFS Parish Family who was the host Parish for the family day.

-Fr. Santhosh

## PROVINCE UPDATE PROGRAM

The Province organized two days update program on the topic “Live healthily, think positively and pray liturgically” on 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> March , and 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> March 2017 respectively. Taking care of one's health is need of the hour. We work tirelessly in our respective communities and on the long run we neglect health. The two days update program mostly dealt on health issues, diet and stress management, including the topics regarding property, national education policy of central government and liturgical matter. Various eminent resource persons were called to enlighten the participants on the topics mentioned above. Participants appreciated the organizing team for the enriching update program.



## APPOINTMENTS 2017- 2018

|     | Name                 | Responsibility                                  | Place                           | Effect From | Handing over |
|-----|----------------------|---|---------------------------------|-------------|--------------|
| 1.  | Adaikala Rajan       | Minister/<br>Salesian Studies                   | Fransalian<br>Seminary, Pune    | June 1      | ✓            |
| 2.  | Albert F             | Staff/ Ph.d                                     | Bastora                         |             |              |
| 3.  | Alex Peter           | Parish Priest                                   | Salem                           |             | ✓            |
| 4.  | Andrew P             | Asst PP/Vocation promoter                       | Salem                           |             |              |
| 5.  | Anthonyswamy<br>(Sr) | B.ed Studies                                    | Vasai                           |             |              |
| 6.  | Anthonyamy<br>(Jr)   | Priest in-Charge                                | Bileshwarpur                    |             | ✓            |
| 7.  | Austin K. S          | Preaching team<br>Animator                      | Harmony-<br>Belgaum             |             |              |
| 8.  | Diago Fernandes      | Principal/Superior                              | Gangapur                        |             | ✓            |
| 9.  | Elvis Rodrigues      | Studies   | Attached to<br>Dahanu           |             |              |
| 10. | Francis<br>Mulackal  | Manager/Assisting                               | Kurla School/<br>Parish         |             | ✓            |
| 11. | George Peter         | MPM   | Fransalian<br>Seminary, Pune    |             |              |
| 12. | Jacob                | Staff/Assisting<br>Boarding Director            | Aldona                          |             |              |
| 13. | Jesudass             | Staff   | Gangapur (School<br>Comm)       |             |              |
| 14. | Jijo John            | Studies-Scripture                               | Fransalian<br>Seminary, Pune    |             |              |
| 15. | Juze Fernandes       | Studies   | Bangalore                       |             |              |
| 16. | Joe Fernandes        | New Mission                                     | Belewadi<br>(Sindudurg Diocese) |             |              |
| 17. | Joe Rebello          | Assisting                                       | Dahanu                          |             |              |
| 18. | John Robert          | Rector  | Bastora                         |             | ✓            |
| 19. | Kennedy              | Asst PP   | Koparkhairane<br>SFS Church     |             |              |
| 20. | Kindo                | Boarding Director<br>and Property<br>Supervisor | Aldona                          |             | ✓            |
| 21. | Leo James            | H.M/ Asst PP                                    | Kadgaon                         |             | ✓            |
| 22. | Lourduswamy A        | Superior/<br>Parish Priest/ Staff               | Gangapur<br>Parish/School       |             | ✓            |

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| 23. | Marcos D'Souza   | Staff/Vocation Promoter    | Siolim                   |             |              |
| 24. | Mario D'Souza    | Director                   | Harmony-Belgaum          |             | ✓            |
| 25. | Mathew Rodrigues | Preaching Team             | Harmony-Belgaum          | July 1      |              |
| 26. | Paul Sagayam     | Head Master                | Nallasopara              |             | ✓            |
| 27. | Peppin Jayaraj   | Superior / Director        | Koparkhairane Ashram     |             | ✓            |
| 28. | Prabhakar C      | Priest in-Charge           | Ajmer                    |             |              |
| 29. | Pradeep Kumar    | Secretary/Priest in-Charge | Lohegaon                 |             | ✓            |
| 30. | Ramesh           | Vice Rector/Dean           | Salem                    |             |              |
| 31. | Romeo Louis      | Manager/Staff/Asst PP      | Gangapur School/Parish   | June 15     | ✓            |
| 32. | Rosario S        | Staff                      | Nallasopara              |             |              |
| 33. | Roxy Fernandes   | Vice Rector/Dean           | Bastora                  |             | ✓            |
| 34. | Sushanth Mantry  | Parish Priest/Legal Work   | Koparkhairane Parish     |             | ✓            |
| 35. | Terrie Pinto     | Superior/ Priest in-Charge | Khopoli                  |             | ✓            |
| 36. | Thomas Kappili   | Member                     | Aldona                   |             |              |
| 37. | Thomas K         | Assisting, Part time       | Harmony-Belgaum          |             |              |
| 38. | Vedamanickam     | Staff/Assisting            | SFS School Pune/Lohegaon |             |              |
| 39. | Vicky Mendes     | Assistant PP               | Kalambist                |             |              |

**(All transfers will come into effect from 1st June, 2017, except those marked and others in consultation with respective persons and Provincial if necessary)**

Few more transfers will be announced later. I thank all the confreres who have been transferred and taking the new responsibilities, for your contribution and tireless service to your respective communities. I thank you all sincerely in the name of the Province for what you have done to the best of your ability. I express my sincere gratitude for your willingness to accept the new responsibilities.

In cases of Taking Over/Handing over the out-going person is expected to fix up the date in consultation with the incoming person and let the Vicar/Provincial know about it . A delegate would be sent. Kindly keep all the required documents updated. It has to be done without fail and properly.

## INFORMATION

As per the request of the Bishop of Belgaum Diocese, and as per the policy of the Diocese, the mission of Kakkeri will be handed over to the Diocese of Belgaum. We sincerely thank all the confreres who served for the growth of Kakkeri mission. Thanks and appreciation to the Sisters of the Cross of Chavnod for their dedicated service and collaboration.

## UPCOMING BIRTHDAYS AND ORDINATION ANNIVERSARIES

### Birthdays

#### APRIL

03 Fr. L. Sagayaraj  
04 Fr. Anthoniswamy (Sr)  
04 Fr. Manuel Martins  
07 Bro. Joherman Fernandes  
08 Fr. K. S. Austin  
19 Fr. A Nelson  
19 Bro. Robert Armstrong  
20 Fr. Anthonysamy (Jr)  
28 Fr. John Paul G  
29 Fr. K Benedict

### Ordination Anniversary

#### APRIL

11 Fr. Santan Gama  
11 Fr. Cyril George  
11 Fr. James Mascarenhas  
11 Fr. Jerry Misquith  
17 Fr. Denis Lemos  
21 Fr. Tony Lopez  
22 Fr. Anthony D'Souza (Sr)  
23 Fr. Daniel Pareste  
25 Fr. Jerson D'Souza  
25 Fr. Agnel Lawrence  
26 Fr. Melky Fernandes  
27 Fr. Malayil Joseph  
28 Fr. Alex Peter

*Wishing you a very Happy Birthday  
and  
Ordination Anniversary*

## THANKS, APPRECIATION AND CONGRATULATIONS

- ✿ Thanks and appreciation to Fr Thomas Kalary and Fr. Philip Thomas for the evaluation of formation and the formation houses in Pune Province.
- ✿ Thanks to all the formators of the Province and in a very special way to Fransalian Seminary, Suvidya College, Novitiate- Varanasi, SFS Pudukotta Seminary for their dedicated service.
- ✿ Thanks to Fr. Noel Rebello, the General Councilor for Formation and the team for working on graded formation in the Congregation.
- ✿ Congratulations, thanks and appreciation to Fr. Adaikala Rajan, for securing distinction in M.th in Spirituality at Indian Institute of Spirituality (IIS), Bangalore .
- ✿ Congratulations, thanks and appreciation to the young retreat preaching team for the animation of various retreats and lenten mission in different parishes of our own and other parishes in the dioceses and in the Congregation.
- ✿ We thank all the confreres who have been transferred for their dedicated services and contributions in their respective communities. Wishing you all the best for their new responsibility. May God bless you all.

## HEARTY WELCOME

Fr. Perry D'Silva has been on holidays. We wish him a pleasant time.

## LET US PRAY

- ✿ For the success of the Provincial Congress of South East India Province which is held from 27th to 30th March, 2017 at MSFS Provincial House, Tiruchy, Tamil Nadu.
- ✿ For the success of 5th Ordinary General Chapter of North East India Province to be held from April 18 to 22, 2017, Guwahati, Assam.
- ✿ For the good health of Bishop Emeritus, Rev. Valerian D' Souza who has been hospitalized.

## VICAR

I will be visiting the Confreres in USA from 30th March- 12th April. In my absence Fr. Jerry, the Provincial Bursar, will be the Vicar. For any emergency kindly contact him.

## MY PROGRAM

### April

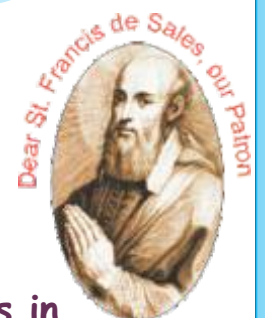
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| 17-21 | Guwahati, Assam, Provincial Chapter, Northeast Province |
| 24-25 | Gauthan, Belgaum, Nippani                               |
| 28    | Ordination of Dn. Jerome, Coimbatore, TN                |
| 30    | Ordination of Dn. George Fernandos, Sivagangai, TN      |

### May

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| 5     | Ordination of Dn. Sahayaraj A, Manathidal, TN |
| 10-12 | Makkiad, Kerala                               |
| 13-15 | Ordination of Dn. Rawson Fernandes, Goa       |

Fraternally,

Fr. S. Vincent Lourduswamy msfs  
(Provincial Superior)



**"Humility perfects us in what concerns God, and meekness in what concerns our neighbor."**

**-SFS**