

MSFS - MISSIONARIES OF ST.FRANCIS DE SALES
SOUTH-WEST INDIA PROVINCE (SWIP)



VINAYALAYA, MSFS Provincial House P.B.No.5557, Malleswaram West P.O
Bengaluru 560 055, INDIA

Tel. 080 23340379 Mob: 91 9739010026, Fax: 080 23341329

E-mail:provincialsouthwestmsfs@gmail.com Website:www.msfsouthwest.com
secretaryprovincialsouthwest@gmail.com

SWIP Circular BK/45

June 24, 2019

My dear Confreres,

Fraternal greetings to you from Fr. Benny Kootanal. As we have already entered into the hectic activities of the new academic year, I come to wish you all the best and God's blessings in all your commitments for the glory of God. Let our **Awareness** of our call to religious and priestly life, define the meaning of all that we do in and through our Apostolic activities.

AWARENESS: THE CALL TO SELF-REALISATION AND SURRENDER

My dear Confreres, the first question in the Bible gives the whole direction to human



beings about their vocation and the consequent choices that they make in their life. God asks this question to Adam: **Where are you?** (Gen. 3/8-9). Going a step further, we would understand it in a different perspective. It means: **Are you in the right place? Have you found the space of your life?** In fact, this is a question each one of us needs to answer. *Our life deserves a little more awareness.* How many of us pray when we pray?

How many of us mean it when we say, "I love you"? These are questions that remain unanswered and subtle. **Awareness** is the word that suits every movement in this world, whether it is prayer, love or work. **Yes, Where Are You?**

Sitting at the brink of a well Jesus said: *Woman, you worship what you do not know; we worship what we know* (Jn. 4/22). Very often most of our prayers and liturgical practices unfortunately emerge merely from the mechanical and traditional practices we have inherited without the touch of a heart in it. When we reduce our approaches to mere such practices, 'persons', 'places' and 'things' become more important in our worships than the essence. The question is not *on which mountain should we worship?* **But for those who have already entered into that AWARENESS every place is the mountain/temple of God.**

One of the most important means to arrive at AWARENESS is RETREAT. The greatest strength of Our Blessed Mother's life was RETREAT and INNER SILENCE. *Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart* (Lk. 2/19). Will the recitation of Rosary ever help us without these two fabrics intertwined therein? What remains even in the celebration of the mass, if the inner touch of *retreat* is rid of it? It is time to go beyond the mere strangles of the web of rituals.

Jesus is standing at the shore of the sea of Tiberias. He is telling the disciples to throw the net to the **right**. I am very sure that they have thrown the net many times to the right before he said it. But what he is insisting is to **throw the net with the awareness that they are throwing it to the right**. Once you do that your nets will be full. Whatever be the concerns that we are engaged in, when we deal with them with a little more love and awareness, we give meaning to our activities and in turn receive meaning to live our life. **Anything that is done with AWARENESS is a spiritual journey.**

The question, *where are you?* Means also **where you are supposed to be!** It is like a young man, who in the desperation of his life decides to commit suicide. An old sweeper woman at the roadside asks him the question: *Where are you going, my son?* A total turn around takes place in his life with that question: "Am I going to kill myself because I am desperate? Can't I turn back and say that I am sorry? Should I leave behind my wife and children lonely and desperate?" Yes, the question is: **Where are you supposed to be?**

My dear Confreres, let us live our life with a little more AWARENESS. A warm shake hand, a loving smile, interiorizing prayer, a compassionate approach and a repentant life-style – that’s all! Yes, let us ask ourselves: **WHERE ARE YOU?**

CONGREGATIONAL MATTERS

1. New Missions

Our Congregation is making a great leap into the Frontiers. Under the animation of our Superior General, through the medium of various provinces we have taken up various new missions in different parts of the world. We wish each of these Missionaries and Missions God’s abundant blessings.



**South East India Province in
MALAWI**

Visakhapatnam Province in INDONESIA



Pune Province in ECUADOR



We wish them abundant blessings and successful mission in the distant lands. God bless you dear Fathers!

2. New Appointments in Suvidya College

* **Fr. Jose Kannanaikal** of South West India Province is appointed as *Registrar & Controller of Examinations in Suvidya College*.

* **Fr. Jose Puthiyaparambil** (Senior) of South West India province is appointed as *Spiritual Director of Suvidya College*. He will carry out this responsibility continuing his present assignments and residents in the province.

We wish both of them God's abundant blessings and effective participation in the formation of our younger brothers in Suvidya College.

REVISED LIST OF FORUMS 2019

Superiors' Forum

- | | |
|---|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Fr. Benny Koottanal
(Provincial) | 17. Fr. Kodikuthiyil Henry Jose |
| 2. Fr. A. Johnson | 18. Fr. Kokkandathil Jose |
| 3. Fr. A.C. Arokianathan | 19. Fr. Kuzhipallil Aloysius |
| 4. Fr. Balavendra Jacob | 20. Fr. L. Selvaraj |
| 5. Fr. Cherolickal Joe | 21. Fr. Marangolil Benny |
| 6. Fr. Cherukat Thomas | 22. Fr. Mecheril Jais |
| 7. Fr. Chirayil George | 23. Fr. Parakottil Timson |
| 8. Fr. Conrad Sebastian | 24. Fr. Parappillil Jose |
| 9. Fr. Crasta Herold Christopher | 25. Fr. Paul Sudeep |
| 10. Fr. E. Erudayaraja | 26. Fr. Pulinthanam Tomy |
| 11. Fr. Edasseril Jose | 27. Fr. Puthenpurackal Binod |
| 12. Fr. Elanjimattathil Baby | 28. Fr. Puthiaparmabil Johny |
| 13. Fr. Kalariparambil Thomas | 29. Fr. Puthiaparmabil Jose (Sr.) |
| 14. Fr. Kanjiramparambil Johny | 30. Fr. R. Bartholomew |
| 15. Fr. Kannadom Joseph | 31. Fr. S. Arockia Samy |
| 16. Fr. Karekatt Jose | 32. Fr. Thazhathukunnel Joshy |
| | 33. Fr. Ummikuzhiyil Cyriac |

34. Fr. Vadakkedath Saji
35. Fr. Vazhappillil Joy
36. Fr. Vazheparambil Riju

37. Fr. Vechuvettickal Jose
38. Fr. Vilachirayil Saju
39. Fr. Y. Mathias

Education Forum

- 1. Fr. Benny Koottanal
(Provincial)**
- 2. Fr. A. Jabamalai (Councillor)**
3. Fr. A. Johnson
4. Fr. A. Mathias
5. Fr. Anchanickal Thomas
6. Fr. Balavendra Jacob
7. Fr. C. Joseph
8. Fr. Cherukat Thomas
9. Fr. Chrirackal Justin
10. Fr. Conrad Sebastian
11. Fr. D. Robert
12. Fr. E. Erudaya Raja
13. Fr. Erniyakulathil Tony
14. Fr. J. Perianayagam
15. Fr. Kanattu Vinod
16. Fr. Kochuputhenpurayil Josemon
17. Fr. Kolarickal Jojo
18. Fr. Kujur Victor
19. Fr. Kulamkuthiyil Mijo
20. Fr. Kulangarathottiyil Sebastian
21. Fr. Kurakalayil Binoy
22. Fr. Kuzhuppillil Aloysius
23. Fr. Manjackal Jijo
24. Fr. Mariyaraj George

25. Fr. Maroor Soby
26. Fr. Marottikudy Shalbin
27. Fr. Mecheril Jais
28. Fr. Moongamakal Thomas
29. Fr. P. Maria Lawrence
30. Fr. Parappillil Jose
31. Fr. Plathottathil Roy
32. Fr. Pulikkalath Nirmal Jose
33. Fr. Puthiaparambil Jose
34. Fr. Puzhakkara Subin
35. Fr. R. Bartholomew
36. Fr. R. Santhosh Kumar
37. Fr. Richard Martin
38. Fr. S. Arockiya Samy
39. Fr. Sudeep Paul
40. Fr. Thazhathukunnel Joshy
41. Fr. Thoppil Joseph
42. Fr. Ummikkuzhiyil Cyriac
43. Fr. Vadakkedath Saji
44. Fr. Vallisserikettil Majish
45. Fr. Vattappara George
46. Fr. Vazhappillil Joy
47. Fr. Vechuvettickal Jose
48. Fr. Vilachirayil Saju
49. Fr. Y. Mathias

Core Committee:

1. Fr. A. Jabamalai (Councillor)
2. Fr. Thazhathukunnel Joshy (Secretary)

3. Fr. Maroor Soby (Member)
4. Fr. Kurakalayil Binoy (Member)

Formation Forum

- | | |
|---|--|
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fr. Benny Koottanal
(Provincial) 2. Fr. Binu Edathumparambil
(Councillor) 3. Fr. Cheriyaavil Prince 4. Fr. Cherolickal Jomon 5. Fr. Chirackalpuraidathil Anish 6. Fr. Chirayil George 7. Fr. Crasta Harold Christopher 8. Fr. Ekka Anand 9. Fr. Joseph Charles Perianayagam 10. Fr. Jundie Sumagaysay 11. Fr. K. Sudeep Andrews 12. Fr. Kalariparambil Thomas 13. Fr. Kalathungal Mathew | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 14. Fr. Kanjiramparambil Johny 15. Fr. Kannanaickal Jose 16. Fr. Kochuveedu Sibichan 17. Fr. Kodikuthiyil Henry Jose 18. Fr. Mookenthottam Antony 19. Fr. Mullenkuzhy Joseph 20. Fr. Panthanmackel Sibichen 21. Fr. Parakottil Timson 22. Fr. Parapally Jacob 23. Fr. Parayankunnel Shinto 24. Fr. Pendanam Abraham 25. Fr. Puthuparambil Tito 26. Fr. Thunduparambil Abey 27. Fr. Tirkey Sandeep |
|---|--|

Core Committee Members:

1. Fr. Binu Edathumparambil (Councillor)
2. Fr. Cheriyaavil Prince (Secretary)
3. Fr. Parakottil Timson (Member)
4. Fr. K. Sudeep Andrews (Member)

Social and Innovative Forum

- | | |
|---|---|
| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Fr. Benny Koottanal
(Provincial) 2. Fr. Vazhaparambil Riju
(Councilor) 3. Fr. A.C. Arokianathan 4. Fr. C. Joseph 5. Fr. Chemplanickal Jijo | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 6. Fr. Cherolickal Joe 7. Fr. Cherukat Thomas 8. Fr. Choorapuzha George 9. Fr. E. Erudaya Raja 10. Fr. Edasseril Jose 11. Fr. Edathumparambil Binu 12. Fr. Fernandes Salvador |
|---|---|

13. Fr. Jabamalai Perianayagam
14. Fr. Jeevan Prashanth
15. Fr. Kalariparambil Thomas
16. Fr. Kanat Tom
17. Fr. Karekatt Jose
18. Fr. Kochuputhenpurayil Josemon
19. Fr. Kokkandathil Jose
20. Fr. Kollarayathu Jaison
21. Fr. Kovilparambil Sijo Paul
22. Fr. Kujur Prabhu Prakash
23. Fr. Mamala Mathew
24. Fr. Manickathan Shajan
25. Fr. Marangoly Benny

26. Fr. Ouseparambil Joseph
27. Fr. Pannalakunnel Tom
28. Fr. Pendanam Abraham
29. Fr. Plamthottathil Sanoj
30. Fr. Plathottathil Jino
31. Fr. Puthussery Shino
32. Fr. R. Barthlomew
33. Fr. R. Santosh Kumar
34. Fr. Sudeep Paul
35. Fr. Ummikuzhiyil Cyriac
36. Fr. Vadakkedath Saji
37. Fr. Vazhappillil Joy
38. Bro. Pindipuzha Joseph

Core Committee Members

1. Fr. Riju Vazhaparambil (Councilor)
2. Fr. Sudeep Paul (Secretary)
3. Fr. Jino Plathottathil (Member)
4. Fr. Sijo Paul Kovilparambil (Member)

Mission Forum

- | | |
|--|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Fr. Benny Koottanal
(Provincial) | 12. Fr. Cherackal Zacharias Peter |
| 2. Fr. Joe Cherolickal
(Councillor) | 13. Fr. Conrad Sebastian |
| 3. Fr. A. Johnson | 14. Fr. D. Doraiswamy |
| 4. Fr. A. Antony Selvam | 15. Fr. D. Robert |
| 5. Fr. A. C. Arokianathan | 16. Fr. E. Erudaya Raja |
| 6. Fr. A. Jerome | 17. Fr. Ekka Rakesh |
| 7. Fr. A. Prasanth Kumar | 18. Fr. Elanjimattathil Baby |
| 8. Fr. Aranjanil Paul | 19. Fr. Erniakulathil Tony |
| 9. Fr. Balavendra Jacob | 20. Fr. J. Abhishek |
| 10. Fr. C. Joseph | 21. Fr. James Thomas |
| 11. Fr. Chakkiath Bijil | 22. Fr. Kallacherril Joseph |
| | 23. Fr. Kannadom Joseph |
| | 24. Fr. Karickal Kurian |

- | | |
|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 25. Fr. Kavithazha Mathew | 43. Fr. Puliklkalath Nirmal Jose |
| 26. Fr. Kizhakkethazhe Francis | 44. Fr. Pulinthanam Tomy |
| 27. Fr. Kollarayathu Jaison | 45. Fr. Pulpara Joseph |
| 28. Fr. Kovilparambil Sijo Paul | 46. Fr. Puthenpurakkal Binod |
| 29. Fr. Kuzhipallil Aloysius | 47. Fr. Puthiaparampil Johny |
| 30. Fr. L. Selvaraj | 48. Fr. Puthuparambil Varghese |
| 31. Fr. Mamala Mathew | 49. Fr. Puthusserry Shino |
| 32. Fr. Manjackal James | 50. Fr. Puthussery Thomas |
| 33. Fr. Mattakarathundiyl Thomas | 51. Fr. Rodrigues Stany |
| 34. Fr. Mekkattu Thomas | 52. Fr. S. Arokia Samy |
| 35. Fr. Mundachalil Tony | 53. Fr. Simil Devasia |
| 36. Fr. Mundiyanickal Aneesh | 54. Fr. T.C. Jose Thottukadavil |
| 37. Fr. Ottalankal Chacko | 55. Fr. Thadathilankal Lalu |
| 38. Fr. Ouseparambil Joseph | 56. Fr. Thazhathukunnel Joshy |
| 39. Fr. Panachickal Justin Joseph | 57. Fr. Thudipara Jacob |
| 40. Fr. Parappillil Jose | 58. Fr. Ummikuzhiyil Cyriac |
| 41. Fr. Petrus Kerketta | 59. Fr. Vadakkedath Saji |
| 42. Fr. Pulichumackal Joby | 60. Fr. Vellaramkunnel Sebastian |

Core Committee

1. Fr. Joe Cherolickal (Councillor)
2. Fr. Balavendra Jacob (Secretary)
3. Fr. A. C. Arokianathan (Member)
4. Fr. Binod Puthenpurackal (Member)
5. Fr. Conrad Sebastian (Member)

Stewardship Forum

- | | |
|--|------------------------------------|
| 1. Fr. Benny Koottanal (Provincial) | 8. Fr. Chemplanickal Jijo |
| 2. Fr. Vinod Kanattu (Bursar) | 9. Fr. Chennakattukunnel Thomas |
| 3. Fr. A. Johnson | 10. Fr. Cherukat Thomas |
| 4. Fr. A.C. Arokianathan | 11. Fr. Chirackalpuraidathil Anish |
| 5. Fr. Anchanickal Thomas | 12. Fr. Chirackalpuraidathil Tomy |
| 6. Fr. Balavendra Jacob | 13. Fr. E. Erudaya Raja |
| 7. Fr. C. Joseph | 14. Fr. Ekka Anand |

- | | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 15. Fr. Eranyakulathil Tony | 30. Fr. Plathottathil Jino |
| 16. Fr. Kannadom Joseph | 31. Fr. Puthiyaparambil Jose |
| 17. Fr. Karekatt Jose | 32. Fr. Puthusserry Shino |
| 18. Fr. Kochuputhenpurayil Josemon | 33. Fr. R. Bartholomew |
| 19. Fr. Kokkandathil Jose | 34. Fr. Richard Martin |
| 20. Fr. Kolarickal Jojo | 35. Fr. Thazhathukunnel Joshy |
| 21. Fr. Kollarayath Jaison | 36. Fr. Thumpechirayil Joshy George |
| 22. Fr. Kulangarathottiyil Sebastian | 37. Fr. Thunduparambil Abey |
| 23. Fr. L. Selvaraj | 38. Fr. Ummikuzhyil Cyriac |
| 24. Fr. Marangollil Benny | 39. Fr. Vadakkedath Saji |
| 25. Fr. Mecheril Jais | 40. Fr. Vattapara George |
| 26. Fr. Mekkattu Thomas | 41. Fr. Vazhaparambil Riju |
| 27. Fr. Ouseparambil Joseph | 42. Fr. Vechuvettickal Jose |
| 28. Fr. Panthanmackel Sibichen | |
| 29. Fr. Plamthottathil Sanoj | |

Core Committee

1. Fr. Vinod Kanattu (Bursar)
2. Fr. Eranyakulathil Tony (Secretary)
3. Fr. Chemplanickal Jijo (Member)
4. Fr. Chirackalpuraidathil Anish (Member)

Internal Audit Team

1. Fr. Vinod Kanattu (Bursar)
2. Fr. Thazhathukunnel Joshy
3. Fr. Eranyakulathil Tony
4. Fr. Vadakkedath Saji

FIRST ANNUAL RETREAT at CHARIS BHAVAN – JULY 15-19, 2019

My dear Confreres, I am very happy to welcome all of you who are participating in the first annual retreat in Charis Bhavan. **Rev. Fr. Xavier Terrence, the Vicar General of Palayamkottai Diocese** will be the Preacher of our Retreat. He is a renowned Patrologist and Scripture Scholar. He has served St. Peter's Pontifical Institute and Seminary as Professor and Formator. He is also regular professor in Indian Institute of Spirituality, Regional Diocesan Major Seminary at Trichy and various theological

institutions. He is a well-known and renowned retreat preacher. We are privileged to have him as our preacher for this year for both annual retreats. Let us make use of this opportunity to listen to him and renew our religious commitment.

*** Please Note: If any of you are yet to register your names for the retreat please do it within the coming two days.**

INAUGURATION AND BLESSING OF ST. ANTHONY'S CHURCH AT KADISENAHALLI

"You will succeed, not by military might or by your own strength, but by my spirit, obstacles as great as mountains will disappear before you. You will rebuild the Temple, and as you put the last stone in place, the people will shout Beautiful, Beautiful". (Zechariah 4:6).



28th May 2019 was a red-letter day in the annals of the history of St. Anthony's Church Kadisenahalli as the new Church was inaugurated and blessed. The opening ceremonies were graced by the Arch Bishop of Bangalore, Rev. Dr. Peter Machado and the Bishop Emeritus Rev. Dr. Bernad Moras. Fr A. Jabamalai, the Provincial Councillor represented the provincial in his absence. The procession began from Cluny Convent to the newly built church. The

Holy Eucharist was concelebrated by 35 priests with both Bishops as the main celebrants. Fr. A. Jerome MSFS was the facilitator for the whole ceremony. He explained in detail about each part of the liturgy that enabled the faithful to attend it with reverence. There was a big crowd of



both Catholics and non-Catholics to participate in the ceremonies. During the homily, Most Rev. Dr. Bernard Moras invited all the parishners to thank God for the marvellous

gift of the new church and to take care of it with gratitude. He also appreciated Rev. Fr. C. Joseph MSFS, the parish priest of St. Anthony's Church, whose hard work, persevering effort and meticulous planning has brought a long awaited dream to come true. The Archbishop, Most Rev. Peter Machado, specially thanked the MSFS Fathers for their exceptional missionary commitment in the Bangalore Archdiocese. The well prepared liturgy and the melodious singing by the parish choir added solemnity to the occasion. After the Eucharistic celebration the dignitaries were felicitated.

ITSSCAT INDIA – BLESSING OF THE NEW WING

The dream for a new building for ITSSCAT –India has finally come true at the outset of its 9th academic year on the 22nd of May 2019. The day started with a Thanks Giving Mass at 11.30 am for the great Providential Care experienced from the very beginning of



ITSSCAT and the innumerable number of people whose sacrifices sustain its functioning and growth. Rev. Fr. Benny Koottanal– the provincial, officiated the Eucharistic Celebration, concelebrated by Fr. Riju

Vazhaparambil – the councillor in-charge of Innovative and social ministries, Fr. Vinod Kanatt – the provincial bursar, and the members of the Trivandrum Apostolic community. The provincial officially erected ITSSCAT as a MSFS community during the Mass by installing Fr. Jose Karekatt as the superior and Fr. Mathew Mamala as member of the community.

The new wing was blessed at 5.30 pm, by Rt. Rev. Dr. Christudas– the auxiliary bishop of the Latin Archdiocese of Trivandrum thereafter it was officially opened by Rev. Dr. Benny Koottanal – the Provincial Superior, in the presence of number of priests and religious and good number of benefactors, neighbours, friends, parents and relatives of the students.

The blessing was followed by a public gathering which was inaugurated by the Bishop, presided over by the Provincial, the key note address was delivered by Mrs. Lida Jacob IAS, felicitated by Mr. Somarajan IPS and a few others of the place and Rev. Sr. Marykutty OMMI proposed the vote of thanks at the end of a short cultural program and culminated with dinner.

INAUGURATION AND BLESSING OF DeCARE AT MAKKIYAD



De Sales Center for Accompanied Renewal and Empowerment (DeCARE) in Makkiyad was blessed by His Grace Most Rev. Dr. Varghese Chakkalackal the Bishop of Catholic Diocese of Calicut and inaugurated by Rev. Dr. Benny Koottanal, MSFS, the provincial superior of South-west India province on May 15, 2019.

The blessing and the inauguration ceremony

of DeCare, Makkiyad started with Holy Mass officiated by His Grace Most Rev. Dr. Varghese Chakkalackal, Bishop of Calicut, who in his homily emphatically stated that every priest and religious should have the strength of identity, the strength of action and the strength of faith. Rev. Dr. Benny Koottanal in his inaugural address spoke about the passion with which the founder and the director of DeCare Rev. Dr. Tom Pannalakunnel, MSFS perused the vision of having a treatment centre for the clergy and religious in India. He assured the full support of the province for this new ministry in India. Rev. Dr. David Songy, OFM, Cap., the president and CEO of St. Luke Institute Maryland, USA stated that spirituality should be the foundation of the treatment program.



FIRST PROFESSION AT MAKKIYAD



JESUS HAS MADE ME HIS OWN was the theme of the first profession, which took place at Sneha Jyothy Ashram, Makkiyad on 31st May 2019. It was indeed a joyful day for the South West India Province and to the Congregation as twelve of our novices after completing one year of Canonical Novitiate made their First Profession. The solemn Eucharistic Celebration was presided over by Rev. Fr. Benny Kottanal, the Provincial of the South West India Province. The candidates were presented to the Provincial by Rev. Fr. Timson Parakkottil, the Novice Master. The occasion was blessed with the presence of Fr. Binu Edathumparabil, the Provincial Councilor in charge of Formation, good number of MSFS confreres, and also many fathers, sisters, and laity from the locality.

On May 30, 2019 the initiation ceremony was officiated by the Provincial during the solemn Eucharistic celebration in the evening, and sixteen brothers were initiated to the Novitiate.

PERPETUAL PROFESSION-2019

For Him, Forever as Fransalians was the theme of the perpetual profession, which took place at Indian Institute of Spirituality on 28th May 2019. Eleven brothers from Tejas Vidya Peetha belonging to three different provinces namely South West India, South

East India and Nagpur Province pronounced the formula of perpetual profession on that auspicious evening.



The Solemn Eucharistic celebration was presided over by Rev. Fr. Benny Koottanal MSFS, the Provincial of South West India Province. The candidates were presented to the Provincial by Rev. Fr. Henry Jose Kodikuthiyil MSFS, the Rector of Tejas Vidya Peetha. In the homily provincial exhorted the brothers to live a life radiating the life-witnessing values of Christ and to develop lotus spirituality in our personal lives. The occasion was blessed with the presence of Fr. Binu Edathumparambil MSFS, and Fr. Santiagu MSFS, the provincial councillors in charge of Formation of South West India and South East India province respectively. Good number of confreres, priests, religious, friends, and family members of our brothers graced the occasion.

36TH SALESIAN SEMINAR

The 36th Salesian Seminar was conducted from 28th April to 3rd May 2019, at Indian Institute of Spirituality, Bangalore. The theme of the seminar was **NATURE IN THE WORKS OF ST. FRANCIS DE SALES**. The Seminar gave new insights and helped to understand better the way our beloved Patron recognized and valued Nature, as vivid expressions of the Love of God. The talks, orientations, and classes were mainly focused on the natural similes and metaphors used by Francis de Sales in his writings. **Rev. Fr Jayaseelan, the provincial of Pune Province** presided over the inaugural Mass and gave the keynote address for the seminar. On the concluding day **Rev. Fr George**

Panthanmackal the provincial of North-East Province celebrated the Eucharist and enlightened the group regarding the importance of holding on to Francis de Sales especially in practicing his spirituality and love for nature. The Seminar had 37 participants belonging to different Congregations namely MSFS, OSFS, DSFS and SSS.



The talks by renowned resource persons were really thought provoking and they challenged to live up to the expectations of our Patron.

SALESIAN RETREAT 2019

Salesian Retreat 2019 was conducted at Makkiyad Ashram from 5th to 24th May 2019. 22 brothers from five provinces of our Congregation took part in the Retreat. The First week was animated by Frs. Abey Thunduparambil and PrinceCheriyakavil; Second week by Fr Benny Koottanal and Fr Philip Valakodiyil and the third week by Frs Tito Puthuparambil and Joe Cherolickal.

BON VOYAGE DEAR FR. PHILIP VALAKODIYIL

After having rendered a wonderful service to the *Indian Institute of Spirituality* for a decade as its Dean and Director **Fr. Philip Valakodiyil** has flown to the Philippines to take up his new assignment as Rector of the Scholastics and Manager of SFS Publications in the Philippines. I thank Fr. Philip for his relentless commitment and missionary zeal and wish him God's blessings in his ministry. **All the best dear Fr. Philip.**

THANK YOU DEAR FR. SANTOSH PEREIRA

Fr. Santosh Pereira was my Secretary for the past three years. He has done a wonderful job as the secretary to the Provincial upholding the credibility and the integrity of the



office through unceasing commitment, flawless confidentiality and cheerful availability. It was a blessing for me to have him in the office as my Secretary, but above all as a confrere, friend and brother. He would be leaving for Australia, to the Archdiocese of Adelaide, for pastoral ministry and studies on July 10, 2019. He would be appointed as the assistant parish priest of Fr. Shibu Thundathil, a parish, which eventually is to become MSFS Parish. As I thank you, dear Fr.

Santosh, for your goodness and commitment, I wish you God's abundant blessings in your new ministry. God bless you!

FR. JOSHY THUMPECHIRAYIL – THE NEW PROVINCIAL SECRETARY



I am happy to welcome the new Provincial Secretary, Fr. Joshy Thumpechirayil, to the office of the Secretary. Fr. Joshy begins his new assignment with effect from 25th of June 2019. I wish him God's abundant blessings in this new responsibility to discharge his duties with utmost commitment, love and availability. Hearty welcome, dear Fr. Joshy. Please take note of the **Mobile Number of Fr. Joshy, the New Secretary: 9742162172.**

TRANSFERS & APPOINTMENTS

- **Fr. Onomo Ayissi Innocent Parfait** is appointed assistant parish priest in Ekoumdoum parish and procurator of the community with effect 15 September 2019

- **Fr. Nelson Padikara** is appointed procurator of MSFS Community at Molino, Philippines
- **Dn. Subin Palamattathil** is designated for MSc Counselling at Anugraha College, Dindigul
- **Bro. Emmanuel Balu** is appointed to the community of Chintamani up to 30th September. He is designated thereafter for BEd in Mysore
- **Bro. Ajo Mookenthottam** is appointed as Regent in MSFS Community Mundargi
- **Bro. Jerin Kulamkuthiyil** is appointed as Regent in MSFS Community Antoninagar
- **Bro. Eyeya Amot Aloys Jean Baptiste** is appointed as Regent in the community of Doba from 15th July 2019
- **Bro. Temgoua Jacques Clovisis** appointed as Regent at MSFS Seminary Ngaoundere from 15th July 2019
- **Bro. Nga Modo Engelbertis** appointed as Regent at SFS Boys Home and St. Josephine Bakitha Parish Bero from 1st July 2019.

PROMOTIONS IN CHAD-CAMEROON DELEGATION

Promoted for First Profession

- | | |
|--------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Ngueyou Dandjio Yves | 3. Emmanuel Vono Vono |
| 2. Ning Stanley Kangaroo | 4. Wiisahnyuy Nelson |

Promoted to the Novitiate

- | | |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 1. Nyamsi Panteun Eves | 4. Julius Venyeniis |
| 2. Clovis Eui | 5. Nanguép Njampou |
| 3. DassiLambo Jean Baptiste | 6. Che Bertrand Ching |

The following scholastics are asked / decided to discontinue

- | | |
|------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Gouba William Bouel | 3. Mala Ndzana Paul Marie |
| 2. Nofeh Cedric | |

The following scholastics from Tejas Vidya Peetha are asked / decided to discontinue

- | | |
|----------------|--------------------------|
| 1. S. Franklin | 2. Johnson Kochupurackal |
|----------------|--------------------------|

OBITUARY

- **Mr. Hernan Sumagaysay** aged 61, father of Fr. Jundie Sumagaysay, died on June 12, 2019.

We assure you, dear Fr. Jundie, the remembrance of your beloved father in our Holy Mass and Prayers

MY SCHEDULE

My dear Confreres, please do take note of the schedule of my program. Different from the previous circular, each new circular would bring in additional changes in my programs as per the need. Please do organize the visitation and other common meetings/programs according to the latest communication.

July 2019

July 5	Meeting of the Vocation Promoters
July 15-19	Annual Retreat at Charis Bhavan
July 23	Council Meeting

August 2019

August 1	Visitation to MSFS Community PSI Sevagram, Kengeri * Bangalore North Apostolic Community Meeting
August 2	Visitation to MSFS Community NEST, Kengeri
August 3	Visitation to MSFS Community, Mysore
August 4	Visitation to Sannidhi, MSFS Seminary Mysore
August 5	Visitation to MSFS Community, SoumyaSadana, Mysore; * Mysore Apostolic Community Meeting
August 6	Visitation to MSFS Community and SFS School Anthoninagara
August 8-9	Forum Meeting of the Social & Innovative Ministries
August 10	Visitation to MSFS Community, Karahalli
August 13-14	Visitation to MSFS Community Mermier Bhavan, Meeting with the School and College Managements
August 15	Holy Mass in "Mother of Compassion", Syro-Malabar Parish, Hebbagodi * Visitation to Prateeksha Boys' Home, Hebbagodi
August 16	Visitation to MSFS Community & SFS Church, Hebbagodi; * Bangalore South Apostolic Community Meeting
August 17	Council Meeting
August 19-30	Visitation to the Philippines Delegation

	*Silver Jubilee Celebration of the Philippines Delegation
--	---

September 2019

September 2	Visitation of MSFS Community & SFS School, Mundargi
September 3	Visitation of MSFS Community & SFS School, Savanur
September 4	Visitation to MSFS Community at Shiralakoppa; Meeting with Frs. D. Robert, Stany and Abhishek *Blessing and Inauguration of SFS School Shiralakoppa *Shimoga Apostolic Community Meeting
September 5	Visitation of MSFS Community & SFS School, Kuknoor
September 6	Visitation of MSFS Community & SFS Schools, Koppal * North Karnataka Apostolic Community Meeting
September 8	Institute Day IIS
Sept. 10-18	Visitation to the Confreres in England
September 19	Council Meeting
Sept. 20-21	Formation Forum Meeting; Vocation Promoters' Meeting
Sept. 23-24	Visitation to MSFS Novitiate & DeCare at Makkiad * Personal meeting with the Novices
September 24	Visitation to MSFS Community and Prateeksha Boys' Home Ulickal
September 25	Visitation to MSFS Community and SFS School Mattannur
September 26	Visitation to MSFS Community & SFS School Kannur * Kannur Apostolic Community Meeting
September 30	Mermier's Day * Installation of the New Rector of Suvidya College

October 2019

Sept. 30 – Oct 5	Classes in IIS for the Diploma Students
October 4	Seminar for the Formators of "Sisters of the Cross of Chavanod", Trichy
October 6	Seminar for the Formators of Sisters of St. Joseph of Tarbes, Bangalore
October 11-12	Meeting of the Education Forum
October 14-18	2 nd Annual Retreat in Indian Institute of Spirituality
October 19-21	Visitation to Sedem Mission in Gulbarga
October 23	Council Meeting
October 24	MSFS Foundation Day & Institute Day of Suvidya College
October 27	Inauguration & Blessing of the New Church in Adoor
October 29 – November 19	Visitation to Germany & Austria, Visiting Fr. Jeevan Prasad in Leuven (Belgium), Visiting our Confreres in the Franco-Swiss Province

November 2019

October 29 - November 19	Visitation to Germany & Austria, Visiting Fr. Jeevan Prasad in Leuven (Belgium), Visiting our Confreres in the Franco-Swiss Province
November 22	Mission Forum Meeting of those Confreres in Karnataka
November 24	Council Meeting
November 25	Talk for the Formators of DSFS Congregation
Nov. 26-27	Stewardship Forum Meeting
Nov. 28-30	Classes for the Diploma Students of IIS
November 30	School Annual Day - ICSE Hebbagodi

December 2019

December 1	Visitation to IIS, *Meeting with the Students, *Meeting with the Associates of Fransalians
December 2-3	*PIF & Governing Body Meeting in Suvidya * Gabriel Memorial Lectures
December 5-23	* Visitation to Chad-Cameroon Delegation <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Visitation to all our Communities and Confreres in Chad-Cameroon Delegation• Delegation Colloquium• Visitation to the Novitiate in Kibaha, Tanzania, Meeting with Fr. Prakash Prashant and the Novices• Visitation to the Scholastics in Arusha, Tanzania• Meeting with Fr. Mathew Thazhathukunnel, Provincial, East Africa
December 25	Christmas
December 27	Council Meeting
Dec. 29-30	Meeting with the Confreres in Vinayalaya Community

VOICE OF SFS

“We are human only through Reason. But self-love generally confuses reason into unfair dealings.”

Fraternally,



Fr. Benny Kottanal MSFS

Provincial