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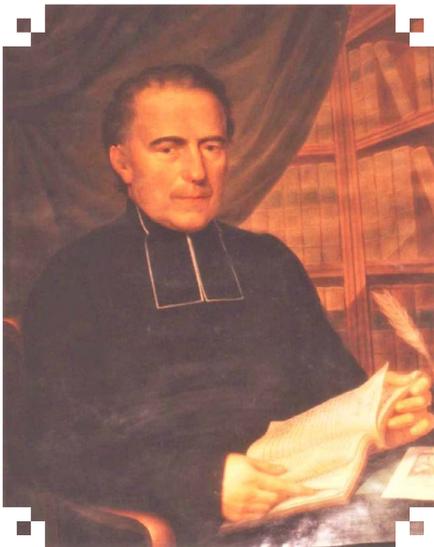
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My dear Confreres,

Fraternal greetings to you from Fr Benny Koottanal. With heart full of joy and gratitude to God I come to wish each one of you the joys and blessings of our **Founder's Day**. May the life and conviction of the Servant of God, Fr Mermier, instill in us a true thirst for God and His Kingdom. Let the Spirit and Spirituality of our beloved Founder with that ardent cry **I WANT MISSIONS** inspire us to encounter the challenges of our priestly and missionary life with the Salesian hope and optimism. I wish each one of you **HAPPY FOUNDER'S DAY**

FR. PETER MARY MERMIER: YARDSTICK TO MSFS MISSIONARY ZEAL



My dear Confreres, as we are celebrating the Founder's Day the reminiscences of the yesteryears of our Congregation come alive into our memories. The heroic discernment made by a single man in response to the inner conviction received through prayer and enlightenment is still creating undulations in the modern times. Fr Peter Mermier, our beloved Founder, may not have gained the gigantic applause and appeal as many of his contemporaries mustered in the course of time. Whether it is due to the lethargic approach of his followers in propagating his commitment and missionary zeal is yet to be studied and discovered. But one thing is sure: More than ever Fr Peter Mermier is endeared to the hearts of the Missionaries of St

Francis de Sales purely because of the irresistibility of the depth of his spirituality: I want Missions.

Classical Spirituality would teach us that **the Founder of a Religious Congregation is a person who acts and reacts in day-to-day life with a certain consistency according to the particular vision of the Mystery of Christ they have under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Thereafter in Union with the Church they translate the Mystery in their daily life.**

Every Founder is inspired by the context of the time in which he/she lived. Fr Mermier, realizing the quest of the people of God, decided to discover within himself the movement of the Spirit. The Founders of each Congregation are touched by one or the other aspects of the Mystery of Christ. Some are moved by the compassion of Christ, others are moved by the sacraments instituted by the Lord and yet some others by the Mystery of his passion. Accordingly they developed the Spirituality of the Congregation they founded. **Fr Mermier was touched by the MISSIONARY DYNAMISM OF THE PERSON OF JESUS.** Jesus who went about preaching the Gospel became the thrust point of our Founder's Spirituality. His desire to initiate the **Parish Mission Preaching**, an innovative concept of that time, emerged purely out of the in-depth desire to imitate the MISSIONARY JESUS *who went about doing good.*

Assembling like-minded people and starting a community life to engage in the Parish Mission Preaching was something unheard about the diocesan clergy. Yet, **history produces unsung heroes who meddled with ordinariness in an extraordinary manner leading to unimaginable results.** The tender desire of an ordinary diocesan Priest - **I want Missions** - has propelled mighty results in the foundation of two of world-wide known Congregations, namely *Missionaries of St Francis de Sales* and *Sisters of the Cross of Chavanod*. **The birth and growth of these Congregations show forth that sincere desire to follow Jesus can never be thwarted due to inadequacies and inconveniences.** God makes His presence felt through simplest of initiatives; He sustains it when we are consistent in our commitment; He extends it when it is in union with the faith of the Holy Catholic Church.

My dear Confreres, today we possess what Fr Mermier lacked: Personnel, Money, Modern Technologies and Immense Opportunities. **But do we lag behind when it comes to his persevering Faith and ardent commitment?** The celebration of the Founder's Day should emulate in us a new sense of purpose, so that like our Founder we too dare to cry: **I Want Missions.**

CONGREGATIONAL MATTERS

Fr Sabu Francis Manasrayil MSFS: New Rector of Suvidya College, Bangalore



Our Superior General, Very Rev. Fr Abraham Vettuvellil, has appointed **Fr Sabu Francis Manasrayil MSFS** as the new President and Rector of Suvidya College, Bangalore. He would assume the office on 30th September, 2019 during the solemn mass in honour of our beloved Founder Fr Peter Marie Mermier. In the name of the South West India Province we Congratulate Fr Sabu Francis Manasrayil MSFS God's abundant blessings in his new ministry. We specially take this opportunity to place on record the commendable service of **Fr Joy Mampally MSFS** as the rector of Suvidya College for the past Five and half years.

'Seminar on Formation' for the MSFS Formators

Following the directive from the 20th General Chapter and also clear recommendation of the Rectors' Meeting held at Vinayalaya, Bangalore in June 2019, the General Councillor and General Secretary for

Formation, **Rev. Fr Suresh Babu** is organising a Seminar on Formation in view of training our Formators in all our Seminaries. May I request all our Formators to participate in either of these seminars according to your convenience. The details are here below:

Resource Person: Rev. Fr Binu Edathumparambil MSFS

First Training Programme: 29th October to 1st November 2019 in MSFS Provincial House, Guwahati

Second Training Programme: 28th to 31st January 2020 at MSFS Provincial House, Trichy

'Conference of the MDO' in Vinayalaya Bangalore

The General Councilor and General Secretary for Social and Innovative Ministries (SAIM), **Rev. Fr J. Stephen**, has convoked a Conference of the MDO in Vinayalaya, Bangalore from the 5th to the 8th of November 2019. It is going to be an important event for the whole of Congregation in the light of the CALL OF THE GENERAL CHAPTER. It does not merely consist of input sessions but also time of inspiring each other through sharing of one's talents, seeking Clarity of our ministries and planning for the future.

The Councillor in charge of SAIM together with all those who are directly involved in Social Apostolates, NGOs and other Social Works are expected to participate in this Conference. All the General Councilors will take part in this program to give a kind of serious note to it. All the Participants are expected to register their names before September 30, 2019, with Fr Thomas Chozhithara MSFS, Director, MDO, Rome. All the confreres who participated in the last conference are cordially invited to participate in this Conference too.

VOS ESTIS LUX MUNDI – Apostolic Letter of Pope Francis

The latest Apostolic Letter of Pope Francis **"You are the Light of the World"** communicates a very serious stand of the Church regarding some of the misuses in the Church by the Clergy, especially towards the minors and the vulnerable group of the society. This Apostolic Letter gives certain very important guidelines how such cases have to be handled and the Church's commitment to the weak and the vulnerable of the society. A copy of this Apostolic Letter is sent to all of you per Email. I request all the **Apostolic Communities to have a study of this very important Apostolic Letter in your next meeting.**

Six Year Plans of the Superior General

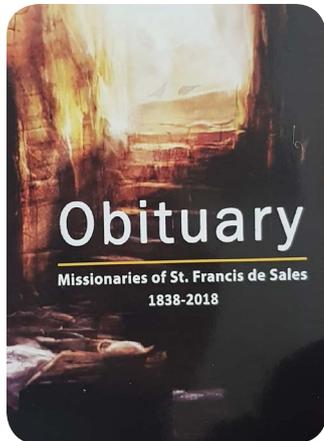
The Six Year Plans of our Superior General Very Rev. Fr Abraham Vettuvilil is published. It consists of his programs and schedules from 2019 to 2025. His schedule shall be send to each of you per Email. Please have a look at it and take note especially his schedules and programs for our province.

Salesian Programs in Annecy

As in the past years this year too, the regular study on St Francis de Sales and Fr Mermier is organized in Annecy from the middle of September to the middle of November 2019. It is an intensive and contex-

tual study of the life and spirituality of St Francis de Sales and Fr Mermier through seminars, lectures, retreats and visit to the places where they lived and worked. Every year one each person is selected and send for this program. This year from our Province **Fr Prashant Kumar** has gone for this program and is at present attending the program in France.

Updated Obituary Book with the List of the Deceased Confreres



My dear Confreres, I am happy to announce to you that the updated Obituary of the deceased members of our Congregation is published. A copy of it will be sent from the Provincial's Office to each community. I request each community to remember these Confreres of ours who are gone to eternal rest during our rosary/evening prayer or night prayers. I sincerely thank **Rev. Fr Jayaseelan, the Provincial of the Pune Province, and his team** for preparing the updated Obituary of our Confreres and taking the pain to dispatch it to the Provincial House. Congratulations dear Fathers!

LIFE IN THE PROVINCE

Philippines Delegation

My dear Confreres, as I visit our Delegations every year, this year too I visited the Delegation of the Philippines. Of course, this year was a very special year for the Delegation as it celebrated its Silver Jubilee. Here below you have a short write up by the Delegation Superior of the Philippines, Fr Jose Kumbloickal regarding my visitation and the jubilee celebrations.

The Annual Visitation of the Provincial

Rev. Fr Benny Koottanal, the Provincial Superior, together with Fr Jabamalai, Councilor in charge of Education and Fr Vinod Kanat, the Provincial Bursar, made the annual-visitation to the Philippines Delegation from 19 to 27 of August 2019.



The Delegation Superior, in consulta-

tion with his Advisory Council, had prepared the schedule of Provincial's visitation and it was meticulously carried out. Provincial met all the confreres personally and held community meetings in which the Delegation Superior, the Provincial Bursar and Councilor in charge of Education were present. He also met all the scholastics in formation individually. Provincial and his team visited the parish community of Molino, the Formation House of Silang, Theology Scholasticate of Amadeo, the Novitiate House of Amadeo and the Minor Seminary of Barili, Cebu.

On 25th August there was the Silver Jubilee celebration of the Delegation at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish. During the evening mass at 6.30 pm, Provincial and his team together with the parish community members celebrated the Jubilee mass and delivered his message for the parishioners. Provincial and his team, together with the Delegation Superior, visited the construction site of the Minor Seminary in Barili, Cebu and also met the community members. The annual visitation of the Provincial with his team was a moment of strengthening the bond of the Delegation with the Province family and also occasion for clarifying the concerns of the Delegation with the Major Superior and his team.

The Delegation Annual Colloquium

It is the tradition in the Delegation to hold the Annual Colloquium when the Provincial makes his visitation and this year it was held on 23rd August at Silang Seminary. All the Delegation members except Fr Jundie Sumagaysay, who is doing his MTh studies at IIS and Fr Noel Tatoy, who is now serving as assistant parish priest in the Diocese of Noveliches, were present for the colloquium. During the colloquium, the Delegation Superior, Fr Jose Kumbloickal, presented the Delegation report from last June 3rd 2019 when he took charge as the Superior. In the report he presented the animation of community and religious life in the Delegation, news on the Forum meetings, evaluation of the action plan drawn in the previous Delegation Colloquium and the present concerns of the Delegation.

There were detailed discussions on the important concerns of the Delegation such as the ongoing construction of the Minor Seminary in Barili, Cebu, the future plans of starting a social work center for the delegation and on the details of starting a school in the Delegation. Fr Jiji Manjackal presented the Delegation Budget and the serious financial concerns of the Delegation were presented to the assembly. There were exchanges of clarifications regarding the planning of the construction of the seminary and the actual plan for funding it. The plan for the Social Work Center in the Delegation was discussed, and it was approved. Fr Provincial, in his address stressed on the need for meticulous planning for the future projects of the Delegation and the need for foreseeing the financial viability of these projects. There were the interventions of the Provincial Bursar and the Councilor in charge of Education and while appreciating the progress happening in the Delegation, they observed the need for proper financial plan for the Delegation.

In the final part of the Colloquium the participants discussed and finalized the action plan for the Delegation.

1. Start a Social Work Center in the plot of land belonging to the Delegation near George Town.
2. Purchase a plot of land for school and explore the possibility of beginning the kindergarten and primary education within the coming 3 years.
3. Complete the construction work of the Minor Seminary in Barili Cebu as scheduled in the agreement with the contractor.

The action plan of the Province during the last Provincial Chapter had approved the first two projects and the Delegation colloquium came to an end with the final words from Provincial and the vote of thanks proposed by the Delegation Superior.

Silver Jubilee Celebrations of the 25 Years of MSFS Presence in the Philippines:

On the 26th August 2019 at 10.00am the Bishop of Imus, **Most Rev. Reynaldo Evangelista**, presided over the concluding thanksgiving mass of the Silver Jubilee celebrations of the Philippines Delegation. The Provincial of SW Province, together with the Bursar and Councilor in charge of Education and the Delegation Superior were the concelebrants at the altar together with the bishop. A total number of 25 priests who participated in the Jubilee, including the delegation members, diocesan clergy and religious priests, added joy to the celebration. In his homily, the Bishop of Imus praised the dedicated pastoral and spiritual services of MSFS Fathers in his diocese and he assured his continued support and love for the Fransalians.

After the communion service, there was a short program which included the address by Provincial to



all the participants of the Jubilee; the honoring of the Bishop, the Provincial, the Bursar and the Councilor in charge of Education; a Video Presentation on the history of MSFS during the last 25 years in the Philippines prepared by the MSFS Scholastics with the guidance of Fr Jinu Pathiyakam; the releasing of the Silver Jubilee

Magazine titled *I Want Missions: 25 Years of MSFS in the Philippines* and the vote of thanks proposed by the Delegation Superior. As a silver jubilee souvenir, a prayer book prepared by Fr Philip Valakodiyil and Fr Binoy Kuzhupil titled *Pray with MSFS* was given to all the participants. The jubilee celebrations were concluded with the agape meal shared by all the participants.

Installation of the Novice Master and the Initiation of the Postulants to the Novitiate

On the 31st of July, Fr Binoy Kuzhuppil was installed as the Novice Master and four of our Postulants, Bro. Christian Ibañez Exclamado, Bro. Marlon Bahalla Quijano, Bro. Marvin Montilla Lipon and Bro. Rustom Atamosa Moglahus were initiated as Novices. The solemn occasion was animated by the Delegation Superior Rev. Fr Jose Kumbloickal. During the Holy Eucharist, which was concelebrated by all our



Confreres in the Delegation Fr Binoy Kuzhuppil was officially installed as the Novice Master and the four candidates were initiated as novices. We wish the Novice Master and the Novices God's abundant blessings and an in-depth knowledge of Religious life, the Spirit and Spirituality of our Founder and the Patron.

Congratulations to Fr Jose Kumbloickal: Teaching Faculty in SVD Theological College

My dear Confreres, I am very happy to inform you that Rev. Fr Jose Kumbloickal, the Delegation Superior of the Philippines Delegation, is inducted as a Faculty Member and Teaching Staff in the SVD Theological College. He takes regular classes for the Theologians in the College. We extend our heartfelt congratulations and best wishes to Fr Jose for this new ministry.

Golden Jubilarian

My dear Confreres, We are celebrating the golden Jubilee of the Priestly Ordination of **Fr K. V. Joseph**. Along with you, I take this opportunity to congratulate Fr K. V. Joseph for his total surrender to the Lord through the MSFS Congregation and in particular through our Province. Dear Father, you are unique and through your own unique dynamism you have brought in the flavour of love and commitment through the various ministries you have undertaken in the province until now. May this Jubilee year be a time of joy, fulfillment and motivation for further commitment.

Fr Kallacheril Joseph

Fr Kallacheril Joseph s/o Varkey and Thresia was born on 12th April, 1938 at Payapar, Palai. He completed his secondary schooling in 1959 at St Aloysius School, Vizag. He was in Arumanoor minor seminary in 1961 for a few months and then completed his minor seminary and philosophical studies in 1965 at St Charles seminary, Nagpur. In the year 1965 he was admitted to the novitiate and made his First profession on 19th May, 1966 at Salesianum, Visakhapatnam. He completed his Theological studies at De Sales Hall, Hyattsville, America. He made his perpetual profession on 25th January, 1970 and was ordained a deacon on 5th June, 1970. He was ordained a priest on 12th September, 1970 in Philadelphia.



Appointments

- ❖ Kotak School, 1971-72
- ❖ Warden at St Aloysius School, 1973-74
- ❖ Principal L. R. G. School Ananthapur, 1974-79
- ❖ Staff at SFS Seminary Etumanoor, 1979-80

- ❖ Community member at Stella Maris, 1980-83
- ❖ Staff at SFS School Seethamandhara, 1983-84
- ❖ Headmaster of Vinayakumar High School and Parish priest of Anantapur mission, 1984-88
- ❖ Community member at Sudhirvana, 1988-91
- ❖ Chaplain St John's Medical College, Bangalore, 1991-94
- ❖ Parish Priest of holy Rosary Church, Yelahanka, Bangalore, 1994-99
- ❖ Sabbatical leave and Service in Tanzania, 1999-2001
- ❖ Associate chaplain St John's Medical College, Bangalore, 2001 (For Six months)
- ❖ Novice master at Sannidhi, Mysore, 2001-06
- ❖ Member of PSI Sevagram, 2006
- ❖ Mission at the diocese of Vanimo in Papua New Guinea, 2006 -09
- ❖ Parish priest of St Ignatius Church, Kannadiparamba, 2010-11
- ❖ Confessor and Spiritual Guide at Shrine Basilica of Our lady of Health, Vailankanni, 2011-12
- ❖ Director of Prateeksha Boy's home and procurator of the community at Ulickal, 2012-13
- ❖ Member of Vinayalaya Community, 2013-14
- ❖ Spiritual Director of the sisters of Sacred Sciences, Mysore 2014-15
- ❖ Spiritual Father and formator at Sannidhi, Mysore 2015-17
- ❖ Convener of Mysore Apostolic Community 2016
- ❖ Member of Soumya Sadan Community, Mysore 2017-

Formation Forum

Following Confreres are appointed to the Core-Committee of the Formation Forum

Fr Binu Edathumparambil (Convener)

Fr Cheriyaakavil Prince (Secretary)

Fr Parakottil Timson (Member)

Fr K. Sudeep Andrews (Member)

Appointment of the Extended Group of Vocation Promoters

In order to strengthen the ministry of Vocation Promotion in our Confreres, in addition to the appointed Vocation Promoters, the following members are also appointed to assist them. They are:

Karnataka: Frs. Sudeep Andrews, Salvador Fernandes, J. Abishek, Christopher Crasta and L. Selvaraj

North India: Fr Anand Ekka

Kerala: Frs. Noby Kottupally, Binod Puthenpurackal, Johny Puthiaparambil, Bijil Chakiath and Shino Puthussery

Education Forum

Following Confreres are appointed to the Core-Committee of the Education Forum

Fr A. Jabamalai (Convener)

Fr Soby Maroor

Fr Binoy Kurakalayil

Fr Joshy Thazhathukunnel

Education Monitoring Committee

As per the decision of the Provincial Chapter hereby we constitute a committee that would function as monitoring committee to oversee the implementation of the education policies for the coming five years. They would also be responsible to study the functioning and future of SFS PU College, Tamaka and SFS CBSE School Kannur.

Fr Joy Vazhappally

Fr Benny Marangoly

Fr Joshy Thazhathukunnel

Mr Dass(Lay Expert)

Stewardship Forum

Following Confreres are appointed to the Core-Committee of the Stewardship Forum

Fr Vinod Kanattu (Convener)

Fr Eranyakulathil Tony

Fr Chemplanickal Jijo

Fr Chirackalpuraidathil Anish

Committee for the Study about the Vacant Land in the Province

As per the decision of the Provincial Chapter a committee is constituted to study about the vacant land and the possible ministries to be initiated there. The members of the Committee are:

Fr Saju Vilachirayil

Fr Saji Vadakedath

Fr Tony Erniakulam

Finance Committee

Following the decision of the Provincial Chapter a finance committee is constituted for a term of Five Years in order to assess and to suggest ways and means to implement financial policies of the Province.

The members of the Committee are:

Fr Joshy Thazhathukunnel

Fr Tony Erniakulam

Fr Saji Vadakedath

Mr Bipin Babu (Lay Expert)

Mission Forum

Following Confreres are appointed to the Core-Committee of the Mission Forum

Fr Joe Cherolickal (Convener)

Fr Balavendra Jacob

Fr A. C. Arokianathan

Fr BinodPuthenpurackal

Fr Conrad Sebastian

Social and Innovative Forum

Following Confreres are appointed to the Core-Committee of the Social and Innovative Ministries Forum

Fr Riju Vazhaparambil(Convener)

Fr Jino Plathottathil

Fr Kovilparambil Sijo Paul

Fr Sudeep Paul

Second Annual Retreat at IIS: 14th -18th October 2019

My dear Confreres, the second Annual Retreat of our Province will be conducted in IIS from the 14th to the 18th of October 2019. The names of the participants are given below. Please make sure that all of you participate in the retreat without fail. The retreat begins at 9am on Monday and concludes with lunch on Friday. Participation throughout the retreat is compulsory. Please bring with you the Bible and note book for the retreat. You can reach IIS directly and the accommodations will be arranged there.

Fr Xavier Terrence of the Palayamkottai diocese will be the Preacher. Following Confreres are the Participants:

1. Fr A. Jabamalai
2. Fr A. Jerome
3. Fr A. Mathias
4. Fr A.C. Arokianathan
5. Fr Anchanickal Thomas
6. Fr Balavendra Jacob
7. Fr C. Joseph
8. Fr Chakkiath Bijil
9. Fr Chemplanickal Jijo
10. Fr Chennakattukunnel Thomas
11. Fr Cheriyakavil Prince
12. Fr Cherolickal Joe
13. Fr Cherukat Thomas
14. Fr Chirackalpuraidathil Anish
15. Fr Chirackalpuraidathil Tomy
16. Fr D. Robert
17. Fr James Thomas
18. Fr Jeevan Prashanth
19. Fr K. Sudeep Andrews
20. Fr Kalathil Mathew
21. Fr Kallacherril Joseph
22. Fr Kanat Thomas
23. Fr Kannadom Joseph
24. Fr Kannanaickal Jose
25. Fr Karuvelil Simil
26. Fr Kizhakkethazhe Francis
27. Fr Kodikuthiyil Henry Jose
28. Fr Kolarickal Jojo
29. Fr Kollarayathu Jaison
30. Fr Koottanal Benny

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| 31. Fr Kottuppallil Noby Varghese | 51. Fr Plathottathil Jino |
| 32. Fr Kovilparambil Sijo Paul | 52. Fr Pulichumackal Joby |
| 33. Fr Kujur Victor | 53. Fr Puliklkalath Nirmal Jose |
| 34. Fr Kulangarathottiyil Sebastian | 54. Fr Puthenpurackal Binod |
| 35. Fr Kurakalayil Binoy | 55. Fr Puthuparambil Tito |
| 36. Fr Lawrence | 56. Fr Puthuparambil Varghese |
| 37. Fr M. George | 57. Fr Puthusserry Shino |
| 38. Fr Mamala Mathew | 58. Fr Puzhakkara Subin |
| 39. Fr Manickathan Shajan | 59. Fr R. Bartholomew |
| 40. Fr Manjackal Jijo | 60. Fr Richard Martin |
| 41. Fr Marangolil Benny | 61. Fr Rodrigues Stany |
| 42. Fr Maroor Soby | 62. Fr Thazhathukunnel Joshy |
| 43. Fr Marottikudy Shalbin | 63. Fr Thumpechirayil Joshy George |
| 44. Fr Mekkattu Thomas | 64. Fr Thunduparambil Abey |
| 45. Fr Moongamakkal Thomas | 65. Fr Ummikuzhiyil Cyriac |
| 46. Fr Mundiyanickal Aneesh | 66. Fr Vazheparambil Riju |
| 47. Fr P. Maria Lawrence | 67. Fr Vilachirayil Saju |
| 48. Fr Panachickal Justin Joseph | 68. Fr K. J. Joseph (Salvatorian) |
| 49. Fr Pannalakunnel Tom | 69. Fr Alphonse (Pune Province) |
| 50. Fr Panthanmackel Sibichen | 70. Fr David (Pune Province) |

Collaboration with the Religious Women's Congregation

My dear Confreres, it was one of the Action Plans of the Provincial Chapter to enter into collaborative ministries with religious congregations of women in our Apostolic Activities. As a follow up to this action plan, we have already entered into a contract of collaborative ministries with the **Sisters of Providence**. The Sisters have already entered into a collaborative ministry with us in the NEST Children's Village and SFS School, Kengeri. Two of the Sisters are already residing in our campus and engaging themselves in the ministries. We extend to them a hearty welcome and wish them joyful Apostolate together with our MSFS Confreres.

Updating the Provincial Archive: Profile of every Confrere

My dear Confreres, we are in the process of updating the Archive of the Provincial's Office. The Provincial Secretary has already sent to you a Profile form to be filled in by each one of you. Until now we have received only a few of them in return. **I request each one of you to fill in the profile form before the 15th of October 2019** and send it back to the Provincial's Office.

Best Wishes

After having completed his term as the Rector of SFS Seminary Etumanoor, **Fr Joby Mattathil**, who was

designated for Pastoral Ministry to the diocese of Eichstätt, Germany has reached Germany on the 26th August 2019. At present he is further learning the German language staying in the diocesan Seminary of Eichstätt. We wish Fr Joby God's abundant blessings in his new stint of ministries.

Bon Voyage

Dear Confreres, I am happy to inform you that two of our Scholastics from the Philippines, Bros. Sotomil Robert Roy P. and Subiera Ricardo D. will be leaving for France on the 28th of September 2019 for their regency cum community experience, followed by theological studies in the university of Fribourg, Switzerland. We wish them God's abundant blessings in their new experiences in life to become full-fledged MSFS Missionaries. **We thank the Provincial Administration of the Franco-Swiss Province** for their generosity and love to welcome and form our young brothers.

Departure from the Congregation

Sunil Kumar Pratima, who completed the first year theology has decided to discontinue from Tejas Vidya Peetha, Bangalore. He is given the necessary dispensation by the Superior General and ceases to be the member of our Congregation.

Obituary

- **Mrs. Eliamma Joseph (67)**, Aunt of Fr Binoy Kurakalayil died on 5th August, 2019.
- **Mrs. Celine Mary (75)**, Aunt of Fr Richard Martin died on 7th August, 2019.
- **Mr M. K. James (61)**, Father of Bro. Vijin Kottor died on 11th August, 2019.
- **Fr Sunny Puthanapra (53)**, Cousin Brother of Fr Tom Pannalakunnel died on 17th August, 2019.
- **Mr C. Rayappa (68)**, Uncle of Fr L. Selvaraj died on 1st September, 2019.
- **Mr Thomas Zacharias Kizhakkethazhe (61)**, Elder Brother of Fr Francis Kizhakkethazhe died on 13th September, 2019.
- **Mr Joseph Theneth (87)**, Maternal Uncle of Fr Benny Koottanal died on 14th September, 2019.

We assure you, dear Confreres, the remembrance of your dear ones 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.

September 2019

September 29	Mermier's Day celebration at Kolar Deanery
September 30	* Inauguration and Blessing of the new School Building in Srinivaspura Mermier's Day * Mermier's Day * Installation of the New Rector of Suvidya College

October 2019

October 2	Visitation to MSFS Community Karahalli
October 3	Visiting Dn Palamattathil Subin Benny in Dindigal
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 7	Holy Eucharist and Talk for the CharisBhavan Convention
October 9	Visitation to MSFS Community PSI Kengeri
October 10	Visitation to NEST, FidesIndia, SFS School Kengeri
October 11	Visitation to MSFS Community Anthoninagara
October 14-18	2nd Annual Retreat in Indian Institute of Spirituality
October 19-21	Visitation to Sedem Mission in Gulbarga, meeting with the Bishop and Frs. Antony Selvam and Rakesh Ekka
October 23	Council Meeting
October 24	MSFS Foundation Day & Institute Day of Suvidya College
October 26-27	Visitation to ITSSCAT, Sunday Mass at SFS Church Vattiyoor kavu; Meeting with Frs. Joby Pulichumakal & Puthuparambil Varghese
October 31	Inauguration & Blessing of the Garment Mill at Karahalli

November 2019

Nov 3-23	Visitation to Germany & Austria, Visiting our Confreres in the Franco-Swiss Province <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Personal Meeting with all the Confreres • Delegation Colloquium • Meeting the Bishops and other Authorities in the Dioceses and Monasteries
November 25	Talk for the Formators of DSFS Congregation
November 27	Council Meeting
November 30	School Annual Day – ICSE Hebbagodi

December 2019

December 1	Visitation to IIS: *Holy Eucharist *Meeting with the Students (Diploma & PG) *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
Dec. 29-30	Meeting with the Confreres in Vinayalaya Community

January 2020

January 1	New Year
January 2-3	Mid-Year evaluation of the Regents at Vinayalaya
January 7-8	Visitation to SFS Seminary Ettumanoor, Meeting the 3rd year Seminarians
January 9	Visitation to Charis Bhavan
January 10	Visitation to MSFS Community Kattappana, meeting with Frs. Jacob Thudipara and Tony Munduchalil
January 11-12	Visitation to MSFS Community Aluva, Meeting with Frs. Paul Aranjanil, Zacharias Cherackal & Chacko Ottalankal
January 13	Visitation to Atmajyothi Community Pattikad
January 14	Meeting the Postulants of SWIP in MSFS Seminary, Vadakancher-ry
January 18	School Annual Day – SFS CBSE Hebbagodi
January 19	Council Meeting
January 24	Feast of St Francis de Sales – Festal Mass at Vinayalaya
Jan. 27-Feb.1	Classes for Diploma Students of IIS

February 2020

February 3-8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visitation to Tejas • Classes in Tejas on Eucharist • Meeting with the Staff & Students
February 10	Visitation to Sannidhi
February 11	Visitation to SoumyaSadana
February 12	Visitation to MSFS Community Kuvempunagar
February 16	Council Meeting
February 17-21	Classes for the MTh Students of IIS * Diaconate Ordination at Tejas
February 24	Visitation to MSFS Communities at Sidlghatta, Kadisanahalli & Chintamani
February 25	Visitation to MSFS Community, Srinivaspura
February 26	Visitation to MSFS Community at Tamaka, MSFS Community ITI Kolar, meeting with Fr A. Jerome
February 27	Visitation to MSFS Community Malur
February 28	Visitation to MSFS Community and Boys' Home, Gokunte

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“Forget all that is not of God and for God; remain entirely at peace under the guidance of God: This is the height of virtue”

Faternally,



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