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My dear Confreres, Fraternal greetings to you from Fr Benny Koottanal. We are in fact treading a road less travelled. A very undefined route with mysteries yet to unfold for clarity to dawn. But in spite of all the negatives happening around us one great thing that we notice is that human beings still hope: **Every rainfall has to cease one day.** In this time of the pandemic, we too hold the same hope and give our best to give a ray of hope to those who find it dwindling.

WE ARE ONE BEING: HUMAN BEING



The famous author Rutger Bregman in his well-applauded book “**Humankind: A Hopeful History**” mentions that even when it is very evident that humankind is a hopeful class who wishes to see beyond the debris a sign of hope, the majority wishes to depict it negatively. The tragedy is that we don’t acknowledge this possibility of hope and the likelihood of seeing through the trouble.

Imagine an airplane makes an emergency landing and breaks into three parts. As the cabin fills with smoke, everybody inside realises: We’ve got to get out of here. What happens? * On Planet A, the passengers turn to their neighbours to ask if they’re okay. Those needing

assistance are helped out of the plane first. People are willing to give their lives, even for perfect strangers. * On Planet B, everyone’s left to fend for themselves. Panic breaks out. There’s lots of pushing and shoving. Children, the elderly, and people with disabilities get trampled underfoot. * Now the question: **Which planet do we live on?** 97% of the people think we live on Planet B. The truth is, in almost every case, we live on Planet A.

Even history’s most momentous disasters have played out on Planet A. take the sinking of the *Titanic*. If you saw the movie, you probably think everybody was blinded by panic. In fact, the evacuation was quite orderly. One eyewitness recalled that ‘there was no indication of panic or hysteria, no cries of fear, and no running to and fro’. It’s the same with *September 11, 2001 terrorist attack*. As the Twin Tow-

ers burned, thousands of people descended the stairs calmly, even though they knew their lives were in danger. They stepped aside for firefighters and the injured. And people would actually say: “No, no, you first.” One survivor later reported: “I couldn’t believe it, that at this point people would actually say, “No, no, please take my place.”

There is a persistent myth that by their very nature humans are selfish, aggressive and quick to panic. This is the *veneer theory*: It’s the notion that civilisation is nothing more than a thin veneer that will crack at the tiniest provocation. In actuality, the opposite is true. **It’s when crisis hits – when the bombs fall or the floodwaters rise – that we humans become our best selves.**

My dear Confreres, this is the point that we need to tell ourselves today. Being at the receiving end of the tantrums of the pandemic Covid-19, it’s only natural that the humanity be written off by its own kind. But the fact is just the contrary. At the wake of this pandemic we see the number of extended hands all around, soothing words that are whispered and warm hearts that feel for the other. The generosity of humankind goes beyond borders: **Yes, We Have Become One Being – Human Being.** Obviously, we’re not angels. We’re complex creatures, with a good side and a not-so-good side. **The question is which side do we turn to?**

Moral: An Old Man says to his grandson: “There’s a fight going on inside me. It’s a terrible fight between two wolves. One is evil – angry, greedy, jealous, arrogant, and cowardly. The other is good – peaceful, loving, modest, generous, honest, and trustworthy. These two wolves are also fighting within you, and inside every other person too. After a moment, the boy asks: Which wolf will win? The old man smiles and says: **The One You Feed.**

CONGREGATIONAL MATTERS

Congratulations

1. Rev. Fr Suresh Babu, The New Provincial of Visakhapatnam Province



In the name of the South-West India Province, we Congratulate Rev. Fr Suresh Babu, the newly appointed Provincial of Vishakhapatnam Province. We wish him God’s abundant blessings in his new ministry.

2. Rev. Fr Sabu Francis, the New Major Superior & Governing Body Chairman of Suvidya College

Our heartfelt Congratulations and assurance of prayerful accompaniment to **Rev. Fr Sabu Francis**, the Provincial of Guwahati Province, who is appointed by the Superior General as the Governing Body Chairman and Major Superior of Suvidya College.

Gratitude



As a Province Family, we express our sincere gratitude to **Rev. Fr Chinnappa Reddy**, the former provincial of Vishakhapatnam Province for his wonderful service and commitment to the Province of Visakhapatnam and the congregation at large. He had been a benevolent Confrere and leader who guided the Vishakhapatnam Province for the past six years. As we thank him wholeheartedly for his effective leadership we wish him all the best and God's blessing for his future ministry.

LIFE IN THE PROVINCE

God's Blessing in the 'Year of Missions'

My dear Confreres, in this Year of Missions, we are gifted with a number of parishes in the Archdiocese of Bangalore and in the Diocese of Mysore. We thank God for these new openings which would help us to express our missionary commitment in the most effective way in this Year of Missions.

1. Our Lady of Compassion Church, Mulbagal and Nithyadhara Mathe Church, Srinivaspura

We are indeed very happy that the parishes of Mulbagal and Srinivaspura in the Kolar Deanery are once again entrusted with the MSFS. Many Years back these two parishes were taken back from us. In the recent times I met with the Archbishop of Bangalore, Rt. Rev. Peter Machado, and requested him to entrust with us these parishes. The Archbishop graciously listened to my request and has now entrusted the pastoral care of these parishes back to the MSFS. **Now all the parishes in the Kolar Deanery are once again pastorally taken care by the MSFS. The new Dean of the Kolar Deanery also will be one of the MSFS Confreres.** This is a great opportunity for us to commit ourselves as true missionaries proclaiming the Word of God in these remote areas.

2. Holy Rosary Church, Bidadi, Bangalore

The Archbishop of Bangalore has also entrusted the parish of Holy Rosary Church, Bidadi to the pastoral care of the MSFS. We consider it a great blessing for the province in the Year of Missions.

3. Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Pollibetta, South-Coorg

The Bishop of Mysore, Rt Rev K. William, has entrusted with the MSFS parish of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Pollibetta in South-Coorg. This parish is very close to the town of Gonikoppa on the Mysore-Irity Highway. As we take pastoral care of this parish we are also entrusted with the responsibility of buying some land nearby Gonikoppa town with the intention of starting a new parish, which shall be entrusted with the MSFS. This is a great opportunity for us to extend our missionary presence in the Coorg district under the diocese of Mysore.

My dear Confreres, God's providence always guides us through human agencies. Local Ordinaries in various dioceses had been very kind to us and have always helped us in sharing the Mission of Christ. I take this opportunity to thank **Most Rev. Peter Machado, the Archbishop of Bangalore** for his great

love and appreciation for the MSFS and above all for his great support in our Missionary endeavours. I am ever grateful to **Rt Rev. K. William, Bishop of Mysore** for his inspirational leadership and also for the support rendered to the MSFS in launching various initiatives in his esteemed diocese. Let us give our best to God that God may use us as his instruments to proclaim the Gospel.

Congratulations to the New Delegation Superior in the Philippines Delegation



My dear Confreres, after due consultation with the Members of the Philippines Delegation, with the unanimous consent of my Council and with the approval of the Superior General, **Rev. Fr Jundie SUMAGAYSAY** is appointed as the New Delegation Superior of the Philippines Delegation of the South-West India Province for a term of Three Years with effect from June 3, 2021. Along with him, **Rev. Fr Philip Valakodiyil** and **Rev. Fr Romnic S. Civico** are appointed as the Delegation Advisors and **Rev. Fr Nelson Manuel** is appointed as the Delegation Bursar. On behalf of the South-West India Province, I extend to them very sincere congratulation and God's blessings to lead the Delegation to further Missionary heights.

I express heartfelt gratitude to **Rev. Fr Jose Kumbolickal** who animated the Philippines Delegation as the Delegation Superior for the past three years. He was an effective animator who choked out and implemented various aspects of the Philippines Delegation's life with meticulous planning, spiritual leadership with mutual dialogue and discussion. God bless you, dear Fr Jose for your total commitment for the growth of the Philippines Delegation. I also thank the outgoing delegation advisors, **Rev. Fr Binoy Kuzhuppil** and **Rev. Fr Nathanael Masendo** and the outgoing delegation bursar **Rev. Fr Jiji Manjackal**. Thank you, dear Fathers.

OUR JUBILARIANS

My dear Confreres, we are celebrating the Silver Jubilee of Rev. Fr Vazhappillil Joy, Rev. Fr Pulinthanam Tomy, Rev. Fr Puthuparambil Tito, Rev. Fr Manickathan Shajan and Rev. Fr Manickathan Siby. Along with you, I take this opportunity to congratulate each one of them for their total surrender to the Lord through the MSFS Congregation and in particular through our Province. Dear Fathers, 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.

Congrats!

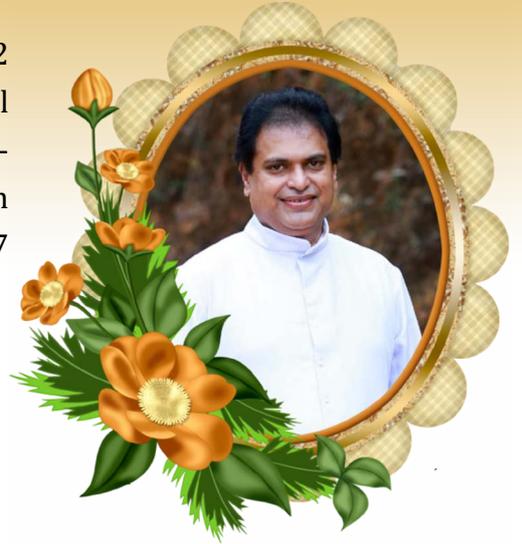
Rev. Fr Vazhappillil Joy

Rev. Fr Vazhappillil Joy, was born on September 10, 1969 at Kurichithanam, Kerala. He joined SFS Seminary, Ettumanoor in the year 1985. He made the First Profession on July 16, 1989, in Salesianum, Visakhapatnam. He completed the philosophical studies at Suvidya College, Bangalore, from 1989 to

1992. He did regency at Vinayakumar Estate, Chokkad from 1992 to 1993. He completed Bachelor in Theology at St Joseph Pontifical Seminary, Aluva, from 1993 to 1996. He committed himself in Perpetual Profession on May 30, 1995 and was ordained a deacon on December 13, 1995. He was ordained a priest on January 11, 1997 at St Thomas Church, Kurichithanam.

Appointments

- 1997 - 1998: Assistant Parish Priest at St Antony's Church, Ollur
- 1998 – 1999: Parish Priest at St Mary's Church, Kurumalloor
- 2000 – 2009: Associate Priest at St Johannes Baptist Kirche, Altenberge, Germany
- 2009 – 2013: Vicarius Co-operator at St Bonafatius Kirche, Freckenhorst, Germany
- 2013 - 2020: Superior of NEST and Director of FIDES India Society and Manager of SFS school, Kengeri
- 2020 till date: Associate Priest at St Laurantius Kirche, Senden



Congrats!

Rev. Fr Pulinthanam Tomy

Rev. Fr Pulinthanam Tomy was born on March 5, 1967 in Nellikutty, Kerala. He joined SFS Seminary, Ettumanoor in the year 1985. He made the First Profession on July 16, 1989, in Salesianum, Visakhapatnam. He completed the philosophical studies at Suvidya College, Bangalore from 1989 to 1992. He did regency at Vinayakumar Estate, Chokkad from 1992 to 1993. He completed Bachelor in Theology at St Joseph Pontifical Seminary, Aluva from 1993 to 1996. He committed himself in Perpetual Profession on May 30, 1995 and was ordained a deacon on December 13, 1995. He was ordained a priest on January 18, 1997 at St Sebastian Church, Ratnagiri.

Appointments

- 1997 - 1998: Assistant Parish Priest at St Francis Xavier's Church, Vattappara
- 1998 - 2009: Ministry of Preaching in Charis Bhavan, Athirampuzha
- 2009 till date: Superior and Director of Atmajyothi Retreat Centre, Pattikad



Congrats!

Rev. Fr Puthuparambil Tito

Rev. Fr Puthuparambil Tito, was born on November 8, 1969 at Panniarkooty, Ponmudy, Kerala. He joined SFS Seminary, Ettumanoor in the year 1985. He made the First Profession on July 16, 1989, in Salesianum, Visakhapatnam. He completed Bachelor in Philosophy at Suvidya College, Bangalore, from 1989 to 1992. He did regency in Vinayalaya, Bangalore from 1992 to 1993. He completed Bachelor in Theology at St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore, from 1993 to 1996. He committed himself in Perpetual Profession on May 30, 1995 and was ordained a deacon on May 30, 1996. He was ordained a priest on May 13, 1997 at St Mary's Church, Panniyarkutty.



Appointments

- 2000 - 2003: Vocation Promoter of Philippines
- 2003 - 2007: Associate Priest at Molino Parish
- 2007 - 2012: Rector of MSFS Formation House, Silang, Cavite
- 2009 - 2010: Mission Superior of Pihilippines Mission
- 2011-2012: MSc Psychology in Human Development at La Salle University, Philippines
- 2012 to 2019: Member of the Staff in Suvidya College, Bangalore
- 2020 till date: PhD studies in Psychology in Periyar University, Tamil Nadu

Congrats!

Rev. Fr Manickathan Shajan

Rev. Fr Manickathan Shajan was born on December 16, 1969 at Cheranalloor East, Kerala. He joined SFS Seminary, Ettumanoor in the year 1985. He made the First Profession on July 16, 1989, in Salesianum, Visakhapatnam. He completed the philosophical studies at Suvidya College, Bangalore, from 1989 to 1992. He did regency in the Catholic Mission, SFS Church, Thelam, Dhemaji Dt., Assam from 1992 to 1993. He completed Bachelor in Theology at St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore, from 1993 to 1996. He committed himself in Perpetual



Profession on May 30, 1995 and was ordained a deacon on May 30, 1996. He was ordained a priest on May 15, 1997 at Holy Family Church, Mankuzhy.

- 1997 to 1998: Assistant Parish Priest at St Thomas Church, Thottumukkom
- 1998: Vocation promotor of the Province for the Malabar Region
- 1998 - 1999: Administrator of SFS Boys' Home and Assistant at SFS School, Mermier Bhavan, Hebbagodi
- 1999 - 2003: Superior of MSFS Community, Martin Nivas, Srinivasapur and Manager of SFS School Srinivaspura
- 2003 - 2007: Treatment and Rest at Vinayalaya
- 2007 - 2014: Ministry in Charis Bhavan
- 2014 - 2016 MSc in Counselling and Psychotherapy at Anugraha College, Dindigul
- 2017 - 2020: Director and Counsellor at Divya Jyothi Ashram, Bathery
- 2017 - 2018: Novice Master at Snehajyothi Ashram, Makkiyad
- 2020 till date: Spiritual Director in IIS and Assistant Manager of SFS Publications, Bangalore

Congrats!

Rev. Fr Manickathan Siby

Rev. Fr Manickathan Siby was born on January 10, 1970 at Cheranallor East, Kerala. He joined SFS Seminary, Ettumanoor in the year 1985. He made the First Profession on July 16, 1989, in Salesianum, Visakhapatnam. He completed philosophical studies at Suvidya College, Bangalore, from 1989 to 1992. He did regency at Tenning, Nagaland from 1992 to 1993. He completed Bachelor in Theology at St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore, from 1993 to 1996. He committed himself in Perpetual Profession on May 30, 1995 and was ordained a deacon on May 30, 1996. He was ordained a priest on May 15, 1997 at Holy Family Church, Mankuzhy.



- 1997 - 1998: Assistant in SFS Parish, SFS School and PSI, Malur
- 1999 - 2001: Socius at Sannidhi, Mysore
- 1999 - 2001: MA in Sociology at Mysore

- 2001: Language Studies at Max-Müller Bhavan, Pune
- 2001 – 2012: Pastoral Ministry in the Diocese of Eichstaett, Germany
- 2013 – 2017: Administrator of SFS Public School & Junior College, Ettumanoor
- 2017 till date: Pastoral Ministry in the Diocese of Regensburg, Germany

Congratulation to Our New Priest

Fr Nguimatio Eteudem Peygres Senghor

The MSFS Congregation, South-West India Province and the Chad-Cameroon Delegation, in particular, are blessed with the gift of a new priest in the person of **Fr Nguimatio Eteudem Peygres Senghor** who is ordained on July 3, 2021. We, as a province family, congratulate our new priest for his courageous decision to respond to the call of Jesus to consecrate himself as holy priest in the Congregation of the Missionaries of St Francis de Sales and wish God’s abundant blessings upon his priestly and missionary ministries.



- Date of birth : May 19, 1989
- Place of birth : Douala-Cameroon
- Name of parents : Late Zangue Francois and Dongmo Lucienne
- Parish : St Francis Xavier Catholic Church, Kesramal
- Diocese : Bafoussam
- First Profession : July 14, 2013
- Perpetual Profession : September 26, 2020
- Diaconate Ordination : January 4, 2021
- Ordination : July 3, 2021

Hearty Congratulations dear Fr Senghor. Be assured of our love and accompaniment in your priestly life-journey in the family of the MSFS.

Apostolic Communities with Latest Update

Bangalore North

- Convener:
- Secretary:

- Fr Koottanal Benny
- Fr Kanat Vinod
- Fr Thumpechirayil Joshy
- Fr Ouseparambil Joseph
- Fr Puthuparambil Tito
- Fr Eanthanamkuzhiyil Saji
- Fr Cherolickal Joe
- Fr Jeevan Prasad D.
- Fr Manickathan Shajan
- Fr Munduchalil Tony
- Fr Marangolil Benny
- Fr Edathumparambil Binu
- Fr Valachathinakathu Vinoy
- Fr Martin Richard

- Fr Thekkekarottu Thomas
- Fr Vazheparambil Riju
- Fr S. Arockiyasamy
- Fr Mekkattu Thomas
- Fr Kokkandathil Jose
- Fr Edasseril Jose
- Fr Kanat Tom
- Fr Kuldeep Kujur
- Bro. Pindipuzha Joseph
- Fr Antony Selvam
- Fr Anil Kiran Budini
- Fr A.C. Arokianathan
- Fr Prashant Kumar

Hebbagodi Apostolic Community

Convener: Fr R. Santhosh Kumar

Secretary:

- Fr R. Santhosh Kumar
- Fr Vilachirayil Saju
- Fr Elayidathumadam Mathew
- Fr A. Jabamalai
- Fr Plathottathil Roy
- Fr A. Lawrence
- Fr Victor Kujur
- Fr Erniakulathil Tony
- Fr Manjackal Jijo
- Fr Thazhathukunnel Joshy
- Fr A. Doraiswamy
- Fr Parappally Jacob
- Fr Kannanaikkal Jose

Kolar Apostolic Community

Convener: Fr Y. Mathias

Secretary: Fr A. Mathias

- Fr Y. Mathias
- Fr R. Bartholomew
- Fr Puthiyaparambil Jose
- Fr Kuzhipillil Aloysius
- Fr J. Perianayagam
- Fr L. Selvaraj
- Fr Jeevan Prashant
- Fr A. Mathias
- Fr Christopher Crasta
- Fr Palamkunnel Biju
- Fr Chemplanickal Jijo
- Fr Marottikudy Shalbin
- Fr James Thomas
- Fr Kannadom Joseph
- Fr Kolarickal Jojo
- Fr Ummikuzhiyil Cyriac
- Fr C. Joseph

Koppal Apostolic Community

Convener: Fr E. Erudaya Raja

Secretary: Fr Staney I. Rodrigues

- Fr Kurakalayil Binoy
- Fr Salvador Fernandes
- Fr Vallisserikettil Majish
- Fr Chirackalpuraidathil Aneesh
- Fr E. Erudaya Raja

- Fr Pulikkalath Nirmal
- Fr A. Johnson
- Fr Anchanickal Thomas
- Fr Kulamkuthiyil Mijo
- Fr Staney I. Rodrigues

Shimoga Apostolic Community

Convener: Sudeep Paul

Secretary:

- Fr Sudeep Paul
- Fr Prabhu Kujur
- Fr D. Robert
- Fr David Buddini

Mysore Apostolic Community

Convener: Fr Sebastian Conrad

Secretary:

- Fr Sebastian Conrad
- Fr Cherukat Thomas
- Fr Panthanmackel Sibichen
- Fr K.V. Joseph
- Fr Anthony Swamy
- Fr A. Jerome
- Fr Choorapuzha George
- Fr Thunduparabil Abey
- Fr Prakash Prashant
- Fr Balavendra Jacob
- Fr Anand Ekka
- Fr Maria George

Bathery Apostolic Community

Convener: Fr Chirackal Justin

Secretary:

- Fr Chirackal Justin
- Fr Chennakattukunnel Thomas
- Fr Parayankunnel Shinto
- Fr Parakkottil Timson
- Fr Pannalakunnel Tom
- Fr Pendanam Abraham
- Fr Kizhakkethazhe Francis
- Fr Kottuppallil Noby
- Fr Vadakkedath Saji
- Fr Plamthotathil Sanoj

Kannur Apostolic Community

Convener: Fr Mecheril Jais

Secretary: Fr Puthusserry Shino

- Fr Mecheril Jais
- Fr Moongamakkal Thomas
- Fr Chirayil George
- Fr Kumblolickal Jose
- Fr Puzhakkara Subin
- Fr Puthusserry Shino
- Fr Karuvelil Simil
- Fr Vattappara George
- Fr Puthenveettil Albin

Aluva Apostolic Community

Convener: Fr Kalariparambil Thomas

Secretary:

- Fr Kalariparambil Thomas
- Fr Kochuveedu Sibichen
- Fr Plathottathil Jino
- Fr Kochuputhenpurayil Josemon
- Fr Aranjanil Paul
- Fr Thadathilankal Lalu
- Fr Ottalankal Chacko
- Fr Pulinthanam Tomy
- Fr Pulpara Joseph
- Fr Kalathil Mathew

Ettumanoor Apostolic Community

Convener:

Secretary:

- Fr Parappillil Jose
- Fr Kanjiramparambil Johny
- Fr Mullenkuzhy Joseph
- Fr Puthuparambil Varghese
- Fr Maroor Soby
- Fr Elanjimattathil Baby
- Fr Abhishek J.
- Fr Sudeep Andrews
- Fr Kovilparambil Sijo
- Fr Karickal Kurian
- Fr Chakiath Bijil
- Fr Thottukadavil Jose
- Fr Puthusserry Thomas
- Fr Vellaramkunnel Sebastian
- Fr Panachickal Justin
- Fr Cherackal Zacharias
- Fr Manjackal James
- Fr Pulichumackal Joby
- Fr Thanikkal Justin
- Fr Paraparambil Jibin
- Fr Kottoor Vijin
- Fr Panackappally Shince
- Fr Puthiyaparambil Johny
- Fr Kollarayathu Jaison
- Fr Thudipara Jacob

Trivandrum Apostolic Community

Convener: Fr Puthenpurackal Binod

Secretary:

- Fr Puthenpurackal Binod
- Fr Cheriyaakavil Prince
- Fr Karekatt Jose
- Fr Mamala Mathew
- Fr Kelimattathil Bibin
- Fr Vechuvettickal Jose
- Fr Kavitahzha Mathew

My dear Confreres, this is the latest updated list of the Apostolic Communities. If any name is missing out please bring it to my notice. After the transfers are effected in many Apostolic Communities the office of the Convener or the Secretary are left vacant. Wherever necessary, the election of the new Convener/Secretary needs to be done at the earliest.

Annual Retreat in the Province

Dear Confreres, as we know, we are not able to conduct the annual retreat (actual) due to the pandemic Covid-19. The decision of the Provincial Administration is to hold the Annual Retreat in Apostolic Communities as we did last year. The Annual Retreat last year was well appreciated by all. In order to organise the Annual Retreat in the Apostolic Communities, there should be at least one gathering of the Apostolic Community, actual/virtual, so that the election of the Convener and the Secretary can be done and the dates and the mode of the retreat can be planned out. Therefore, I request all of you, wherever the Conveners of the Apostolic Communities are already elected (or are continuing) please convoke an Apostolic Community Meeting before August 15 and make plans to organise the annual retreat. Apostolic Communities, where Conveners/Secretaries are not elected, I shall request anyone superior of the communities to take the initiative to convoke a meeting and to elect the Convener and the Secretary.

Newly Constituted Forums 2021-2022

Superiors' Forum

- **Fr Koottanal Benny (Chairman)**
- Fr A. Jerome
- Fr A. Johnson
- Fr A. Mathias
- Fr Antony Selvam
- Fr Balavendra Jacob
- Fr Cherolickal Joe
- Fr Cherukat Thomas
- Fr Chirackal Justin
- Fr Chirayil George
- Fr Edathumparambil Binu
- Fr E. Erudaya Raja
- Fr James Thomas
- Fr Kochuveedu Sibichen
- Fr Kanat Vinod
- Fr Karekatt Jose
- Fr Kokandathil Jose
- Fr Kurakalayil Binoy
- Fr Maria George
- Fr Marangolil Benny
- Fr Mecheril Jais
- Fr Palamkunnel Biju
- Fr Panthanmackel Sibichan
- Fr Parakkottil Timson
- Fr Parappillil Jose
- Fr Paul Sudeep
- Fr Pulinthanam Tomy
- Fr Puthiyaparambil Johny
- Fr Puthiyaparambil Jose (Sr.)
- Fr Puthussery Shino
- Fr Thazhathukunnel Joshy
- Fr Vadakkedath Saji
- Fr Vazheparambil Riju
- Fr Vilachirayil Saju
- Fr Y. Mathias

Formation Forum

- **Fr Koottanal Benny (Chairman)**
- **Fr Edathumparambil Binu (Convener)**
- Fr Thunduparabil Abey
- Fr Pandanam Abraham
- Fr Choorapuzha George
- Fr Kodikuthiyil Henry Jose
- Fr Parappally Jacob
- Fr Jerome A.
- Fr Cheravelil Jikson
- Fr Kanjiramparambil Johny
- Fr Kannanaikkal Jose
- Fr Parappillil Jose
- Fr Mullenkuzhy Joseph
- Fr Martin Richard
- Fr Kottuppallil Noby
- Fr Prakash Prashanth Raj

- Fr Kovilparambil Sijo
- Fr Sudeep Andrews K.
- Fr Kalariparambil Thomas
- Fr Thekkekarottu Thomas
- Fr Parakkottil Timson
- Fr Puthuparambil Tito
- Fr Pannalakunnel Tom
- Fr Valachathinakathu Vinoy

Core Committee Members:

- Fr Edathumparambil Binu (Convener)
- Fr Sudeep Andrews K. (Secretary)
- Fr Parakkottil Timson (Member)
- Fr Pannalakunnel Tom (Member)

Mission Forum

- **Fr Koottanal Benny (Chairman)**
- **Fr Cherolickal Joe (Convener)**
- Fr Balavendra Jacob
- Fr A. Johnson
- Fr A. C. Arokianathan
- Fr Anil Kiran Buddini
- Fr Antony Selvam
- Fr Aranjanil Paul
- Fr C. Joseph
- Fr Chakkiath Bijil
- Fr Christopher Crasta
- Fr Conrad Sebastian
- Fr Chirackalpuraidathil Tomy
- Fr D. Doraiswamy
- Fr D. Robert
- Fr David Buddini
- Fr E. Erudaya Raja
- Fr Elayidathumadam Mathew
- Fr Erniakulathil Tony
- Fr Israil Lakra
- Fr James Thomas
- Fr Jeevan Prashanth
- Fr Kalathil Mathew
- Fr Kallacherril Joseph
- Fr Karickal Kurian
- Fr Kavithazha Mathew
- Fr Kollarayathu Jaison
- Fr Kottoor Vijin
- Fr L. Selvaraj
- Fr Manjackal James
- Fr Mattakarathundiyl Thomas
- Fr Olikkunnel Kelvin
- Fr Ottalankal Chacko
- Fr Panachickal Justin Joseph
- Fr Panackappally Shince
- Fr Paraparambil Jibin
- Fr Pulichumackal Joby
- Fr Pulinthanam Tomy
- Fr Pulpara Joseph
- Fr Puthenpurackal Binod
- Fr Puthenveetil Albin
- Fr Puthiyaparampil Johny
- Fr. Puthusserry Thomas
- Fr Puthusserry Shino
- Fr R. Bartholomew
- Fr Staney I. Rodrigues
- Fr T.C. Jose Thottukadavil
- Fr Thanikkal Justin
- Fr Thazhathukunnel Joshy
- Fr Thudipara Jacob
- Fr Ummikuzhiyil Cyriac
- Fr Vadakkedath Saji
- Fr Vattappara George
- Fr Vechuvettickal Jose
- Fr Vellaramkunnel Sebastian
- Fr Zacharias Cherackal

Core Committee

- Fr Cherolickal Joe (Convener)
- Fr Balavendra Jacob (Secretary)

- Fr A. C. Arokianathan (Member)
- Fr Puthenpurackal Binod (Member)
- Fr Conrad Sebastian (Member)

Social & Innovative Forum

- **Fr Koottanal Benny (Provincial)**
- **Fr Vazhaparambil Riju (Councillor)**
- Fr Antony Selvam
- Fr C. Joseph
- Fr Chemplanickal Jijo
- Fr Cherackal Zacharias
- Fr Cherolickal Joe
- Fr Cherukat Thomas
- Fr E. Erudaya Raja
- Fr Edasseril Jose
- Fr Edathumparambil Binu
- Fr Jabamalai Perianayagam
- Fr Pulichumackal Joby
- Fr Kalariparambil Thomas
- Fr Kanat Tom
- Fr Kannadom Joseph
- Fr Karekatt Jose
- Fr Kelimattathil Bibin
- Fr Kochuputhenpurayil Josemon
- Fr Kochuveedu Sibichen
- Fr Kokkandathil Jose
- Fr Kollarayathu Jaison
- Fr Kovilparambil Sijo Paul
- Fr Kujur Prabhu Prakash
- Fr Kuldeep Kujur
- Fr Kuttivayalil Roji
- Fr L. Selvaraj
- Fr Mamala Mathew
- Fr Manickathan Shajan
- Fr Marangolil Benny
- Fr Mekkattu Thomas
- Fr Ouseparambil Joseph
- Fr Palamkunnel Biju
- Fr Pannalakunnel Tom
- Fr Pandanam Abraham
- Fr Plamthottathil Sanoj
- Fr Plathottathil Jino
- Fr Puthiyaparambil Johny
- Fr Puthusserry Shino
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- Fr Sudeep Paul
- Fr Thadathilankal Lulu
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- Fr C. Joseph
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- Fr D. Robert
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- Fr Moongamakal Thomas
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- Fr Prashanth Kumar
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- Fr Cherukat Thomas
- Fr Chirackalpuraidathil Anish
- Fr Chirayil George
- Fr Conrad Sebastian
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- Fr Erniakulathil Tony
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- Fr Marangolil Benny
- Fr Martin Richard
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- Fr Chemplanickal Jijo (Member)
- Fr Kovilparambil Sijo (Member)

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- Fr Vinod Kanat (Convener)
- Fr Thazhathukunnel Joshy
- Fr Erniakulathil Tony
- Fr Vadakkedath Saji
- Accountants

Please Take Note: The list of all our Confreres working abroad under the delegations, various communities and parishes, shall be published in the next circular. Due to the geographical differences and organisational concerns, they are not mentioned in this list.

Hearty Welcome

* **Fr Elayidathumadathil Mathew**, after having completed a long stint of pastoral Ministries in the United States of America, has returned to India. He has already taken up the new ministry in the Province. As we thank him for his committed services for the good of the Church and the Congregation in the US, **we extend to Fr Mathew a very hearty welcome to our Province family in India.**

* **Fr Valachathinakathu Vinoy**, having fulfilled all the requirements of the doctoral studies in Rome, has returned to India to take up a new ministry in the province. He is yet to finish his defence, which shall be completed in the course of time. Fr Vinoy has already taken charge as the Dean of Studies in Tejas Vidya Peetha. We extend a heartfelt welcome to Fr Vinoy and wish him God's abundant blessings in his ministry of forming our younger brothers. **Hearty Welcome der Fr Vinoy.**

* **Fr Jeevan Prasad D.**, after having completed his doctoral studies in Belgium has returned to the province family in India. The defence of his thesis will be completed online in the coming month. Fr Jeevan Prasad is taking charge as the Dean of Studies and Assistant Director of Indian Institute of Spirituality. **We extend to Fr Jeevan hearty welcome and God's blessings in his ministries.**

Bon Voyage

Fr Sandeep Tirkey, after completing MTh in Spiritual Theology at IIS, Bangalore and Formators Training at NVSC Pune, has left for ministry in the Chad-Cameroon Delegation on July 18, 2021. We congratulate Fr Sandeep for the successful completion of the studies and wish him God's abundant blessings in his new stint of ministries. **Bon Voyage and Best Wishes dear Fr Sandeep.**

Dispensation from Priesthood: George K. Rosario

My dear Confreres, hereby I would like to inform you that **George K. Rosario** is granted dispensation by the Holy Father FRANCIS from Sacred Celibacy and from the obligations connected to Sacred Ordination. Accordingly, the dispensed cleric automatically loses the rights proper to the clerical state and all those connected to it, as well as the related obligations (Can. 273-289). As a result, he also ceases to be

a member of the MSFS Congregation. I have, in person, handed over the decree to George K. Rosario and informed him of all the implications of this decree. We wish him God's abundant blessings in his future life.

I place on record my gratitude to the Superior General and the Assistant Superior General for their support in completing the procedures concerning the dispensation. A very special word of thanks to Frs. A. Jabamalai, A. Jerome and Joshy Thumpechirayil for the hard work in preparing all the dossiers and submitting them on time.

Transfers and Appointments

- **Fr A. Jerome** is appointed as the Manager of SFS School Anthoninagara with effect from June 1, 2021.
- **Fr Marottikudy Shalbin** is temporarily appointed to the community at ITI Kolar with effect from July 1, 2021 until he gets the visa to travel to UK for studies and pastoral ministries.
- **Fr Kochuveedu Sibichen** is appointed as the Superior of SFS Vidyashram, Aluva, with effect from July 3, 2021.
- **Fr Anand Ekka** is appointed to the Community at Anthoninagara with effect from July 9, 2021.
- **Fr Manjackal Jiji** is appointed to the community at Our Lady of Sacred Heart, Molino, Philippines with effect from July 11, 2021.
- **Fr Nelson Manuvel** is appointed to the MSFS House, Cavite, Philippines with effect from July 11, 2021.
- **Fr Erniakulathil Tony** is appointed as the Director and Procurator of SFS Prateeksha Boys' home, Hebbagodi with effect from July 13, 2021.
- **Fr Maria George** is designated to be appointed as the Parish Priest of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Pollibetta, South-Coorg in the Diocese of Mysore with effect from July 18, 2021.
- **Fr Jeevan Prasad D.** is appointed to the Indian Institute of Spirituality, Rajajinagar as Assistant Director and Dean of Studies with effect from August 1, 2021.
- **Fr Harold Christopher Crasta** is designated to be appointed as the Dean of Kolar Deanery with effect from August 1, 2021.
- **Fr A. C. Arokianathan** is designated to be appointed as the Priest In-charge of Holy Rosary Church, Bidadi in the Archdiocese of Bangalore with effect from August 1, 2021.
- **Fr Ummikuzhiyil Cyriac** is designated to be appointed as the Parish Priest of Our Lady of Compassion Church, Mulbagal, in the Archdiocese of Bangalore with effect from August 1, 2021.
- **Fr Prashanth Kumar** is designated to be appointed as the Manager and Correspondent of St

Antony's Institutions at T.C. Palya in the Archdiocese of Bangalore with effect from August 8, 2021.

- **Dn. Palamattathil Subin** is appointed to Prateeksha Boys' home, Hebbagodi as the In-charge of boys and to assist in the Parish of Our Lady of Sorrows, with effect from July 13, 2021.
- **Fr John Joseph** is appointed as the Assistant Parish Priest and Director of SFS Boys' Home Bero, Chad, with effect from July 1, 2021.
- **Fr Ajish C. Antony** is appointed as the Assistant Parish Priest and Priest In-charge of Comboni schools in Doba with effect from July 1, 2021.
- **Fr Sandeep Tirkey** is appointed as the superior of Doba community and Parish Priest of St Daniel Comboni Parish, Doba with effect from August 1, 2021.
- **Fr Parfait Ayissi** is appointed as the Assistant Parish Priest in Ekoumdoum with effect from August 1, 2021.
- **Fr Bipin Kishore Xess** is appointed as the Assistant Parish Priest Ebang Parish July 1, 2021.
- **Fr Senghor Peygres Nguimatio** is appointed as the Manager of the SFS school, Ngaoundere as Administrator of the SFS seminary, Ngaoundere with effect from August 15, 2021.

Appointment of Regents

A. Samuvel	MSFS House, Mattannur, with effect from June 30, 2021
Melchisedek	La Feuillette, Ngoya, with Effect from July 5, 2021
Chidjo Djoko Bertrand Armand	SFS Seminary and School, Ngaoundere with Effect from July 5, 2021
Franckvart Ahamed Takougoum	Sts Peter and Paul's Parish, Buea with Effect from July 5, 2021
Djoitanan Paulin	SFS Boys' home, Bero with Effect from July 5, 2021

Obituary



Rev. Fr Thomas Vazhayil (72), belonging to Visakhapatnam Province passed away on June 8, 2021. We thank God for this great veteran missionary. May God bless him with the eternal reward.

NB: For a deceased Confrere, who is a professed member, each one of us is obliged to celebrate a Holy Mass irrespective of the Province. I request all of you to do the necessary suffrages for the departed Confreres.

- **Mr Chacko Parappillil (92)**, Father of Fr Jose Parappillil, died on May 27, 2021.
- **Mr Joseph Madapally (64)**, Brother in law of Fr Jose Kumblolickal, died on June 15, 2021.
- **Mr Peter Cherackal (68)**, Father of Fr Zacharias Cherackal and Bro. Kuriakose Cherackal, died on June 26, 2021.
- **Mrs. Rosy Vareeth (85)**, Paternal Grandmother of Fr Justin Thanikkal, died on July 12, 2021

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.

July 2021

July 6-7	Pastoral Course for the Deacons of St Peters Pontifical Institute
July 8	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installation of Fr Sibichen Panthanmackel as Superior of Soumya Sadan Community • Executive Meeting of the MDO • Installation of Fr A. Jerome as the Superior and Rector of Sannidhi
July 9	Visiting our Community at Anthoninagara, Chikmagaluru
July 10	Inauguration of the SFS Administrative Block at Hebbagodi
July 11	Meeting with MSFS Deacons Studying in Tejas Vidya Peetha
July 12	Online Meeting of the Muenster Community of the Germany-Austria Delegation
July 13	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting in Suvidya College • Registration of the land in favour of the OLS Parish Hebbagodi • Registration of the land in favour of the OLS Parish Hebbagodi
July 14	Webinar for the Bangalore Province of the Claretians in preparation for the Foundation Day
July 16	Visitation to the MSFS Community Shiralakoppa & the Parish of Thandagunda
July 17	Visitation to the MSFS Community, Savanur
July 18	Council Meeting
July 21	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visitation to the MSFS Community "Atmajyothi", Pattikad • Visiting Fr Chacko Ottalankal
July 22-23	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visiting Fr Paul Aranjanil • Visiting Fr Lalu Thadathilankal • Visitation to Charis Bhavan

July 24-25	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visitation to SFS Seminary Ettumanoor • Visiting Fr Joby Pulichumakal • Visiting Fr Justin Thanikkal
July 26	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visitation to MSFS Community, Kattappana • Visiting Fr Jibin Paraparambil • Visiting Fr Vijin Kottoor • Visiting Fr Shince Panackappally
July 27	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visitation to MSFS House Adoor • Visiting Fr Mathew Kavithazha
July 28	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visitation to MSFS Community & SFS Church Vattiyookavu • Visitation to the Community of ITSSCAT
July 30	Visitation to SFS Vidyashram Aluva

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“Virtue should be preferred always and everywhere”

Fraternally,



**Fr Benny Koottanal MSFS
Provincial**