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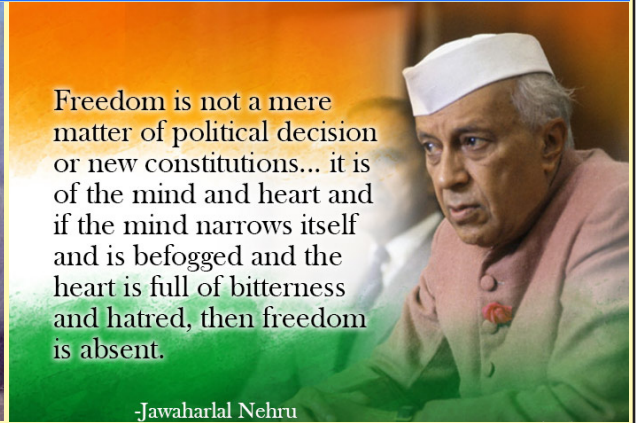
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Happy FEAST OF ASSUMPTION and INDEPENDENCE DAY



Freedom is not a mere matter of political decision or new constitutions... it is of the mind and heart and if the mind narrows itself and is befogged and the heart is full of bitterness and hatred, then freedom is absent.

-Jawaharlal Nehru

APPOINTMENTS BY FR. PROVINCIAL

Fr. Arulraj D.	: House Consultor, St. Lawrence w.e.f. 01-08-2021
Fr. Francis Jimmy Keepuram	: House Consultor, St. Lawrence w.e.f. 01-08-2021
Fr. James Vivekanandan	: Minister, Assistant Parish Priest, Raghampur
Fr. K. K. Devasy	: (Additional) House Consultor, St. Xavier's Durgapur w.e.f. 01-08-2021
Fr. M. Benny Thomas	: Minister, Director of Hostel, Curate, Christo Seva Ashram Kalna
Fr. M. Thomas Varghese	: (Additional) House Consultor, St. Xavier's Durgapur w.e.f. 01-08-2021
Fr. Zenith William	: (Additional) House Consultor, St. Xavier's Durgapur w.e.f. 01-08-2021

PROVINCIAL'S PROGRAM

August 2021

06 - 07	: Province Consult
10 - 14	: Visitation, St. Xavier's University Kolkata
14	: GB, St. Xavier's University, Kolkata
21	: Meeting of the Coetus Praevius

25 - 30 : Visitation, St. Xavier's College,
Kolkata

September 2021

03 - 04	: Province Consult
06 - 11	: Visitation - Bankura, Mirga, Jhantipahari



Announcement :

Ordinations: Deacons **Antony Albert Suresh** and **Antony Robert V** will be ordained to the Priesthood on 28 August, 2021 at St. Joseph's College, Trichi in Tamilnadu by Bishop Antony Stephen, Bishop of Tuticorin. Please do keep them in your prayers.

CALCUTTA JESUITS : NEWS AND VIEWS**Pre-novitiate, Arunoday**

Three pre-novices have come so far. On July 6, **Fr. Vivien, Sch. Prosenjit** and the co-workers got themselves vaccinated at St. Xavier's College. The three pre-novices were brought to Arunoday the same day. They were kept in quarantine following Covid-19 protocols. During their quarantine period, Sch. Prosenjit conducted an intensive orientation program for the pre-novices. **Fr. K. T. Thomas** has come back from Kerala.



The Arunoday staff was invited to concelebrate the Eucharist with Archbishop Thomas D'Souza on the occasion of the centenary celebrations of the Congregation of the Little Flowers of Bethany and the Silver Jubilee of their Novitiate at Barasat. Fr. Vivien attended the final profession of our three companions **Frs. Shaju Sacaria, Joseph Raj** and **Masillamani** at St. Xavier's University on July 16.

On July 17, there was an English Diagnostic Test administered to the three pre-novices and all of them fared well. The inauguration of the academic year 2021- 2022 was held on July 18. **Fr. Joseph Kulundai** was the main celebrant and Fr. Vivien and **Fr. Francis Koikara** were the concelebrants. **Sch. Rakesh Mondol** added verve to the liturgy with his music and singing. **Sch. Jeffery** and **Sch. Johnson** were also present. After the liturgy a delicious lunch was served to all present. And in the afternoon a movie was screened for the pre-novices. But the same evening, one of the pre-novices went back home for good.

-Sch. Prosenjit Gomes

Dhyan Ashram**Novitiate**

Having completed the First Probation with a Triduum, our eight new novices entered officially into their second probation on July 3 with a

Eucharistic celebration. After the Eucharist, they were welcomed by the second-year novices and the Juniors with songs and flowers. This was followed by a campus picnic where we enjoyed cooking together and sharing a meal with the staff members. These days we are all busy preparing for the Ignatian novena prayers and for the feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola.

-Novice Michael Murmu

Juniorate

The new Juniors arrived on June 26. This year we are blessed with 11 Juniors, Calcutta (3), Darjeeling (1), Delhi (2), Dumka-Raiganj (2) and Jamshedpur (3). On June 27, the Rector, **Fr. Sunny Kunnel**, addressed the whole Community in the beginning of this academic year. On June 28, we had our inaugural mass of the Holy Spirit followed by faith sharing on the following two days. We had a English Diagnostic Test and IPP on July 1-3. Our regular classes began on July 5. On July 17, the Juniors entertained the Community with their individual unique skills and talents during the show titled "Juniors Got Talents." We began our novena to St. Ignatius of Loyola on July 22 and getting ready to celebrate the feast on July 31.

-Sch. Sahaya Ravi

Premal Jyoti, Ahmedabad

The new academic year began with a three-day orientation program in Premal Jyoti Community. With 46 vivacious Scholastics from different provinces, the community has again come to life. Addressing the scholastics, the Superior, Fr. James Savarimuthu emphasized upon the importance of study in the life of a Jesuit Scholastic. He also stressed on taking care of one's own health during this pandemic. The online admission process, for the newcomers, has already started in the College. **Sch. Manu** and I have settled down and made our presence felt in the community with our skills and experiences. With the first showers of a little rain, the temperature has cooled down and there is some relief from Ahmedabad heat.

-Sch. Rintu Samuel

Vidyajyoti, Delhi

Regular online classes of the new academic year began in Vidyajyoti College on July 12. Abp. Kuriakose Bharanikulangara of the Faridabad

Diocese has appointed **Fr. Poulouse Mangai** and Fr. Augustine Perumalil (DEL) to the historical commission for the cause of the Servant of God Sr. Dr. Fidelis Taliyath, SD, the Founder-Director of Jeevodaya Hospital, Delhi. Along with several other officials, they took oath in the presence of Abp. Bharanikulangara during the opening ceremony held on July 14.

A volume “**Seeing the Other in the Mirror of Christ**”, 800th Anniversary of the Saint-Sultan Encounter co-edited by Poulouse Mangai and Joseph Victor Edwin (DEL) came out in July (Media House, New Delhi). Additionally, in July, Poulouse’s different writings have appeared in Vidyajyoti Journal, Voice of Delhi, Dilli Vaani and two books: St. Joseph (Pauline) and Spirituality Crossing the Borders (Dharmaram Publications). He has started a new column “Theological-Spiritual Musings” in CHARISINDIA, the monthly magazine of the National Charismatic Movement.

With the support of CRI Delhi, Poulouse extended Covid-19 Assistance (3rd round) to 30 Cycle Rickshaw Pullers of Asha ki Kiran, his ministry group. As Secretary, he hosted the two-day AGBM (online) of the CRI North Region on July 23 & 24. In the election, he was re-elected as the Secretary. Fr. Soosai Mani (DEL Provincial) is the new President.

-Fr. Poulouse Mangai

Final Vows at SXUK, Kolkata

On July 16, 2021, the Feast Day of Our Lady of Mount Carmel, three of our Jesuit companions **Fr. Joseph Raj**, **Fr. Shaju Sacaria** and **Fr. Masillamani** pronounced their Final Vows in the chapel of St. John De Britto, St. Xavier’s University, Kolkata. They chose the Ignatian theme “To see all things new in Christ” for their final commitment during the Ignatian Year 2021-2022.

Fr. Raphael Hyde, the Provincial of Calcutta Jesuit Province was the main celebrant and received their vows. Fr. Masillamani preached an inspiring homily. He shared about his vocation to priesthood, his formative years with God’s accompaniment and guidance of the Superiors. After the mass, a short felicitation program was organized. Fr. Raphael Hyde appreciated the Vowandis for their dedication, love for the poor and their committed service. Fr. Provincial expressed his gratitude to the SXUK Community for the meticulous planning and fabulous arrangements. **Fr. Sebastia L Raj**, the Vice-



Rector, welcomed the Provincial with an Utterio and a bouquet of flowers. **Fr. John Felix Raj**, the Vice Chancellor, presented the Utterio and bouquets of flowers to the Vowandis. Fr. Shaju Sacaria spoke about his vocation and thanked the formators and Jesuits who helped him to grow with freedom and responsibility. Fr. Joseph Raj proposed the vote of thanks remembering all those who made the day meaningful and memorable. He fondly remembered his formators, parents and friends from Guyana and St. Xavier’s Community.

Fr. Sebastia L Raj wished the Vowandis for committing themselves to the Society of Jesus and wished them on behalf of the SXUK Community. The Vowandis cut a cake to rejoice what God has done to them. A delicious dinner was served to all.

- Fr. Mourlin Fernando

Premananda Ashram, Chamrusai

Despite the absence of the students due to lockdown, the teaching staff is regularly coming to the Ashram for different programs such as teaching skills enhancement, use of teaching aides, learning



English and Computer skills, etc. The food items for the mid-day-meals are being regularly supplied from the BDO which is being distributed to the students.

The month of July was a grace-filled one for us as some Jesuit friends visited us. They are not only praying for us but physically visiting and encouraging us. **Frs. Thamacin** and **Narendra Singh**, the Principal and Vice Principal of St. Xavier's Collegiate School visited us on July 04 & 18, 2021 respectively, with 25 ALSOC members, with 300 Coconut saplings, to distribute to the people as a sign of care for our common home. **Fr. Jeyaraj Veluswamy**, the Rector of St. Xavier's Kolkata and **Fr. Arun Lucas**, the Assistant Director of Chitrabani, visited us on July 20 to interact with College and School going parish youth and find out their difficulties during the lockdown period.

We began the Novena prayers to St. Ignatius of Loyola from July 22, 2021. The devoted faithful parishioners attended the prayers despite the pandemic.

-Fr. Sebastian Xalxo

Maria Snehasadan, Gurap

We have started online classes (classes 3-6) for the students of St. Xavier's School, Gurap. All students and teachers were excited to begin this new venture in their career. **Fr. Masilamani** was in Gurap for three and half months and on July 5 he left for Burdwan Community. While being here, he engaged himself in our pastoral ministry and online classes.



During the lockdown period, we started mushroom cultivation and it yielded plenty. We are busy transplanting paddy at present.

Fr. Dominic and a few St. Xavier's Community members had come to visit us and stayed for a night in Gurap. It was a beautiful moment of companionship and sharing. On July 4, Fathers from

St. Xavier's University were here for breakfast and proceeded to Bolpur for their mission. **Fr. Vinay's** younger brother Fr. Casmir Kerketta CMF was here for a week before he went back to Tanzania where he is a missionary.

Fr. Provincial came for his visitation on July 9. It was a moment of grace and joy for the Gurap Community.

-Fr. Markus Hembrom

Raghabpur

The Community had a day of recollection and sharing. **Fr. Sunny George** gave a talk. **Sch. Daniel Besra** and **Sch. Albin Thomson** have recently joined the Community. On World Justice Day, in honor of paying tribute to our elder brother Fr. Stan Swamy, the entire Community participated in a candle light procession from College More of Raghabpur to Nepalganj.

After a few months, Raghabpur St. Joseph's Church premises are open for the spiritual nourishment of the parishioners. The Parish youth and the SVP members are doing some relief work in the Parish. The SVP members with the help of **Fr. Saju George**, Fr. Sunil SDB, Parish Priest and Rector of Diamond Harbor Parish and Fr. Louis SDB, distributed relief kits for 180 families, at Gangpur and Ban Shyam Nagar mission, Sundarbans. Thanks to **Fr. Salvatore**, the Parish Priest for his support.

Raghabpur St. Paul's high School has started the admission for Higher Secondary Students. Thanks to **Fr. Joseph Toppo**, Ms. Sadhana Karali and all the staff for making our students score high marks.

As the admission portals are opened for the College, **Fr. Johnson Padiyara** is comfortably managing the tedious job of the admission of the College students meticulously. The College organized a free vaccination drive for the students of Raghabpur campus which was inaugurated in the presence of Mr. Dilip Mondal (the MLA of Bishnupur), **Fr. Dominic Savio**, the Principal of St. Xavier's College, Kolkata, Fr. Johnson Padiyara, the Vice Principal, Br. Chintamani Das and a few Alumni members.

After the examinations, the Scholastics volunteered to help out Fr. Saju George in packing and delivering the relief kits to the needy in Gosaba and Kakdip in Sundarban areas.

-Sch. Albin Thomson



Prabhu Jisur Girja

Parish

On July 13, we celebrated the 2nd Anniversary of the blessing and re-dedication of our Church with High Masses at 5:00 p.m. in English and at 6:30 p.m. in Bengali. The English Mass was celebrated by the Acting Superior, **Fr. Kurian Emprayil** and concelebrated by **Frs. John Rojerse** and **Cyriac Sebastian**. The Bengali Mass was celebrated by our Parish Priest **Fr. Mahananda Singh**. After the Masses tea and snacks were served to the faithful.

Seva Kendra Calcutta distributed 'One-time Covid Emergency Relief' packets to 70 poor families of our Parish on July 24. The Seva Kendra team was assisted by our volunteers for the final registration and distribution.

We celebrated the "World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly" on July 25. Special Masses were celebrated for the Grandparents and the Elderly persons at 5:00 p.m. in English and at 6:30 p.m. in Bengali respectively. Fr. Cyriac Sebastian celebrated the 5:00 p.m. Mass and Fr. Mahananda celebrated the 6:30 p.m. Mass. All the grandparents and the elderly who had registered their names in advance received rosaries and stickers as gifts while the others received rosaries.

-Andrio Arup Gomes

Community

The Community and all the departments of the PJG campus were very grateful and happy to meet Fr. Provincial. His Visitation was a moment of grace for us all. The Scholastics were happy indeed to meet Fr. Provincial. They are busy with their studies and various activities as they are learning the rhythm of living in the Pandemic though they miss meeting their friends and having regular classes. **Fr. Dipak** conducted recollection to the M. C. Sisters on July 1 at Nimtola.

Chitrabani

Chitrabani is able to resume the works as it has reopened after a couple of months of lockdown. The staff members are happy as they were waiting for the day of reopening. They have received the vaccination and are happy to come back to carry on the works of Chitrabani. **Bro. Carlo**, the Manager, hardly feels tired of doing the works of Chitrabani. His work is the expression of his faith in God and the members of Chitrabani continue to admire his work and feel inspired.

Fr. Arun Lucas offered a course on basic media techniques to the Cleretian Theology students in Barrackpore on July 23-27.

-Fr. Arun Lucas

St. Xavier's School, Durgapur

On July 3, a Farewell Program for the out-going Principal **Fr. Francis Jimmy Keepuram** and a welcome program for the new Principal **Fr. Zenith William** were organized. During the program, all the members of staff who had completed 25 years of service in the School were recognized and rewarded with 'uttorios', gifts and tokens of gratitude by Fr. Jimmy. The School Magazine 'XAVISION' was ceremonially released by **Fr. K. C. Jacob** and a copy of the magazine was gifted to every teacher.

On July 24, the Inauguration Ceremony of the Ignatian Year was celebrated where the whole Jesuit Community and the teaching and the non-teaching staff of the School had assembled. The event was augmented by the gracious presence of **Fr. Julian Sahayadas**, who was the resource person for the day. He enlightened us with his spiritual disquisition on the life of St. Ignatius and specifically on the significance of the 'Cannonball Moment' in the life of St. Ignatius. After the conclusion of the short program refreshments were served.

On July 31, the Feast Day of St. Ignatius of Loyola was celebrated with a Eucharist followed by lunch. All the Jesuit Fathers of the Community concelebrated Mass and the Teachers' Choir sang the hymns. All the teaching and non-teaching staff had gathered to participate in the Mass. Fr. K.C. Jacob was the Main Celebrant. **Fr. K. K. Devasy** read the Gospel and **Fr. M. Thomas Varghese** preached the Homily. The teachers honored the Fathers with gifts to express their gratitude. The program ended with a Vote of Thanks proposed by Fr. Zenith William.

-Fr. Zenith William

St. Xavier's Burdwan

St. Xavier's Burdwan Jesuit Community is bubbling with life. Theology students (**Schs. John Paul, Jobin, and Oscar**) joined our Community on July 3, 2021. Their online classes are on the full swing. Two new collegians (**Schs. Jackvin Paul Alister and Paulus Baskey**) have joined the Community as well and are taking full preparations for their College Studies. **Fr. Masillamani** is attending his Spirituality Online Course from here. The Community now

comprises fifteen Jesuits. **Fr. Sahaya Jude** came back after performing the last rites for his father who went to his eternal abode on June 19, 2021.

We had meaningful novena services from July 22 to 30. On July 30, the College and School had a combined Feast Day celebration with all the staff members. In the presence of the teaching and non-teaching staff of the College and School, we installed the statues of St. Ignatius of Loyola and St. Francis Xavier in the School auditorium to mark the Ignatian Year. **Fr. Paul Arockiam** and **Fr. Maria Joseph** gave inspiring speeches thereon explaining the real purpose of the Ignatian Year. **Fr. Shyamal Makhal** sang on stage a beautiful song of his own composition. Fr. Sahaya Jude proposed the vote of thanks. All the Scholastics of our Community took active part in organizing the program. This program has set the hearts of the Staff of our institutions on fire to know more about St. Ignatius and St. Xavier and emulate their good example.

-Fr. Maria Joseph S

St. Xavier's Collegiate School, Kolkata

During the Summer Vacation, St. Xavier's Community Fathers made their Annual Retreat on June 22 – 30 preached by **Fr. Thamacin Arulappan**, Principal, SXCS. It was Fr. Thamacin's 25th retreat which was well appreciated by all the retreatants.

St. Xavier's Collegiate School and the ALSOC in association with B.P. Poddar Hospital and Medical Research Limited organized a day of Vaccine Camp at Arunoday Jesuit Pre-novitiate, Barasat on June 18. During this camp, about 114 formees, formators and their co-workers were administered the Covishield Vaccine. Mr. Soubhik Ballav and Mrs. Moumita Ballav, the parents of one of our students were generous enough to bear the partial cost of the vaccines.

The School also arranged the vaccines for the teachers, their family members, group-D staff, carpenters and the co-workers. On June 26, the School and the ALSOC, in association with Pulse Diagnostics organized a Vaccine Camp for the family members of the ALSOC, the passed out students and their parents at St. Xavier's Primary Section. The third Vaccination Camp was organized on July 13 for the parents of the underprivileged students of St. Xavier's Night School. The RT-PCR Tests – facilitated by St. Xavier's Collegiate School and the ALSOC in association with Nightingale Hospital –

have been open to the public.

On June 21, the School organized an online program to mark the Inauguration of the Ignatian Year for our teaching, non-teaching staff, students and their parents, the ALSOC and their family members. Fr. Thamacin Arulappan gave an inspiring talk on the significance of the Ignatian Year. After the Summer Vacation, the School resumed the online classes on June 14. Ten new teachers have been recruited for the New Academic Year: 4 for Primary, 3 for Secondary and 3 for Evening School. The text books and exercise books were distributed free of cost for the students of the Evening School.

The School reached out to some of the deserving families of Raghobpur, Amgachia, and our support staff. The field, adjacent to B.Ed. campus, is filled with fresh vegetables with the initiative of Fr. Thamacin.

Keeping the UAP "Care for our Common Home" in mind the School went on a green-drive. It sponsored 200 coconut saplings for the people of Chamrusai and 100 coconut saplings for Premananda Ashram Community. It also went around some of the cyclone affected schools, convents and parishes in and around Basanti, Sundarbans, Baruipur and Kalayanpur and sponsored 1200 saplings (mahogany, ashoka, tik, pongamiya) to restore greenery.

-Fr. Narendra Singh

St. Xavier's College, Kolkata

On July 5, the College received a Patient Transport Ambulance donated by Smt. Shakuntala Lakhotia in memory of Late Shyam Sunder Lakhotia. The ambulance would serve the students of both College and School, Alumni, Staff as well as the Jesuit Community.

As a part of the commemoration of the 500th Anniversary of the Cannonball Moment, the College organized an Inaugural Webinar on Cannonball Moment: Moving from Profession to Purpose on July 9. **Fr. Dominic Savio**, the Principal, delivered the Inaugural Address. The keynote address was given by **Fr. Jeyaraj Veluswamy**, the Rector. **Fr. Joseph Kulandai**, the Vice Principal and the Convenor of the Ignatian Year Committee for the College, thanked all the participants and briefed them all about the upcoming College events of the Ignatian Year.

The College Alumni Association presented the



17th Edition of Knowledge and Idea Xchange series on “Banglashree for MSMEs – New West Bengal Incentive Scheme” on July 23.

The College along with the Alumni Association organized over 7000 doses free-of-cost COVID Vaccination at **Fr. Depelchin** Auditorium for different people.

On July 24, we celebrated the birthday of Fr. Dominic Savio. The Alumni Association made it a grand celebration and observed it as a Philanthropy Day.

Our College had received the prestigious Education Eminence 2021 Award on July 25 for its Excellence in Advancement of Education & Human Relations from a popular national level news media TV channel namely News 18 Bangla.

The 2nd webinar of the Ignatian Year was organized on July 30. The theme was the Jesuits’ Contribution to Education and **Fr. Felix Raj** was the main resource person. The welcome address was delivered by Fr. Dominic Savio.

Due to the second wave of Covid-19, once again the College is getting ready to begin the current academic year with online classes for the students from August 2. Online Application Forms are available in the College website for the new UG students and the entrance examinations were conducted for all the PG students who had applied.

-Fr. David Paulraj

News from Tripura

National Justice Day was observed at St. Xavier’s Cathedral, Agartala in Tripura on July 28. Some 60 Priests and Religious attended the meeting along with the Bishop Lumen Monteiro CSC. **Fr. Jothi** was the resource person and he enthused the participants to be prophets today citing the Catholic Social Teachings which led **Fr. Stan Swamy**

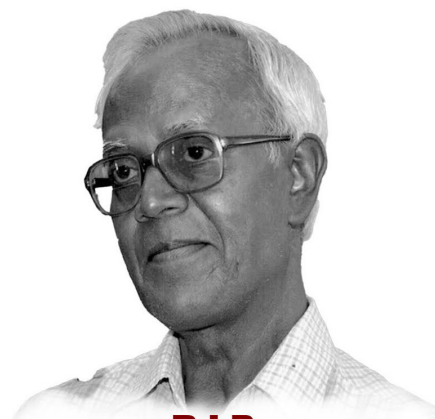
to stand with the excluded even risking his life. The participants took the oath holding lit candles to be prophets today.

On the Feast Day of our founder, St. Ignatius of Loyola, the Bishop of Tripura was in Jamtalibari, Kailasahar to bless and inaugurate the first Jesuit residence in Tripura. Kailasahar is some 150 km north of the capital Agartala. The Jesuits, for so long have been living in temporary houses or in the houses made for Jesuits now handed over to the Sisters. The New house is called ‘Arrupe Inn’, in Halam tribal language ‘inn’ means House.

Around 40 Religious and Priests along with the Parishioners participated in the lively Mass at the newly inaugurated House.

-Fr. Irudaya Jothi

A Jesuit Activist: Fr. Stan Swamy S.J.



R.I.P.
FR. STAN SWAMY, S.J.

Udayani observed July 28 as the National Justice Day to pay homage to **Fr. Stan Swamy**, a fearless defender of human rights of the tribals in Jharkhand. The candle light procession held in six places by the Udayani Self Help Group women, children and youth captured sentimentally the bystanders. Jesuit Fathers from Raghampur, St. Lawrence School, Gurap, Pandua and Kalna Communities also participated in their respective places.

Fr. Stan’s life has become a source of inspiration for common people. He is well known world-wide for his noble deeds and he has proved that a caged bird can still sing at the age of 84. No power on earth could ever silence him from speaking for justice. He was a true Christian soldier who practiced faith that does justice. “There is no greater love than to lay down one’s life for one’s friends” (John 15:13) is true in his life. Till he was interrogated by National Investigation Agency (NIA)



and charged under the UAPA against him, he was just a mentor. He never intended to be a popular face either because he was mentoring local tribal leaders to take the movement forward for their people. It was an attempt to implement and restore tribal rights enshrined in the Constitution for their integral development. It was an attempt to empower tribal autonomy and human dignity. Safeguarding their identity, Jal-Jangal-Jameen (water-forest-land) from the clutches of Industrialists and Governments, he conscientized people in a non-violent approach. He was a Gandhian thinker who promoted the philosophy of non-violence in his teaching.

I look at Fr. Stan as a spark in the social justice mission that has enkindled an unquenchable flame. It is catching up world-wide that cannot be put off easily. Every civil society and human right institution is going to adopt and propagate his idea as a tool to defend the rights of the excluded in our society. On National Justice Day, we witnessed the sparks all over the country despite the torrential rain. His custodial death is not the end of his era, it is the beginning to fight against the social evils' perpetrators and oppressive political power of the country who ruin the democratic rights of its citizens. Fr. Stan Swamy showed the way not to be aggressive and yet defend our rights. Consistency and perseverance should be our way of proceeding. He awakened the masses from deep slumber and ignited new hope in them. The zealous missionary and the gallant foot soldier of Ignatius was never



tired. His approach was amicable that did not digress his goal.

Fr. Stan has left behind a lot of successful stories and unfinished tasks for Jesuits and collaborators to carry them forward. He has opened our eyes 'to see all things new in Christ.' Appreciation and praises will have no bearing effect unless we embrace his legacy in our ministry. The social apostolate of the Society has to view in a larger perspective for the greater good of the people, especially for all those who are excluded such as Dalits, Adivasis, OBCs, unorganized laborers and youth who are vulnerable, marginalized and impoverished. Solidarity and stand-with-Stan campaign for bail is over once and for all with his departure to his heavenly abode. Now is the time to act collectively on his dream project and to further the movement toward achieving the goals he envisioned. His life and work are going to inspire us always when we run out of energy and enthusiasm.

-Fr. John Kerketta

Fr. De Ridder writes from Belgium



I am so glad you keep sending me news about the CCU. But I am slowly losing my ability to understand all the changes taking place in the world around us. Well, God's will be done. The last journey is at hand and I am blessed in the pleasant surroundings offered by the Society. **Jean Englebert, Guy Vanhoomissen & Charles Pollet** greet you. *Heartfully in the Lord. Jean De Ridder sj*



A warm welcome to:

Fr. P.J. Joseph who returns on the 4th of July 2021 from Kerala after about 7 months of Ayurvedic treatment for his legs.

Fr. Ripon Rozario and **Fr. Francis Dores** are returning to the Province about the 5th September 2021 after completing their tertianship program in Sri Lanka.

Health Update

Fr. Aloysius Carvalho has been keeping better health these days. But from time to time, he gets slight pain in his hip, which makes his walking a bit difficult. He attends daily Mass and joins in the evening Rosary on the corridor. At his 93rd birthday Fr. Carvalho was in a good form and shared about his school days and his vocation to the Society, recalling the names of the Jesuits and some Christian Brothers with such great memory. His days are filled with reading books non-stop.

Fr. P.C. Mathew is in good health. But recently he began to experience some general weakness. He too regularly attends daily Mass and joins in the evening Rosary.

Fr. Joseph Kallarangatt, some days ago suddenly caught a cold, and it caused some bad chest congestion and persistent cough and he has recovered from it. Fr. Joe is very regular at daily

Mass and at evening Rosary, he likes to carry in his hands the Mother Mary's statue.

Fr. Korko is staying at DA. He seems to be happier and healthy. He is helping out at D.A.

Sch. Bimol Soren was in the infirmary for some treatment. Soon he will be returning to Raghampur

Fr. Pat Walsh was tested Covid positive and was in isolation at SXC Kolkata for about two weeks and with medication he has tested negative now and has returned to his mission in Kharagpur.

-Fr. Jeyaraj Veluswamy

Rest In Peace



Fr. Stanislaus Lourduswami (Stany Swamy) (JAM, 84/64) passed away on 05.07.2021 at Holy Family Hospital, Mumbai.

Fr. Devasia Vellapani (GOA, 82/59) passed away on 06. 07. 2021 in Belgaum.

Fr. Stanislaus (Stany) Miranda (KAR, 91/68) passed away on 19.07.2021 in Mangaluru.

Fr. Abraham Enthemkuzhy (JAM, 70/52) passed away on 14. 07. 2021 at XIMB, Bhubaneswar

Fr. Paul Valappila (GUJ, 78/ 60) passed away on 31.07. 2021 in Vadodara.

Fr. Placie Fonseca (BOM, 84/62) passed away on 01.08.2021 in Mumbai.

Mr. Scaria Paimpallikunnal (95), uncle of Fr. P.J. Joseph, passed away on 24. 07. 2021 in Kerala.

Ms. Elizabeth Scaria (86), eldest sister of Fr. Sebastian Nallail, passed away on 01.08.2021 in Kerala.

Holy Father's intention for August 2021



Intention for evangelization - The Church

Let us pray for the Church, that She may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel

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Examen: A Constant Call for Conversion



Rabindranath Tagore, a deeply religious man with a profound sense of the divine presence active in everything asks, 'Have you not heard his silent steps?' and goes on to reply, 'He comes, comes and ever comes.' God comes to us indeed at every moment of our lives. To experience His presence, we need to look deeply into our personal life. A tool for doing this is the examination of conscience or Examen. It is examining our spiritual journey and its inner movements. It is about being aware of the work and voice of God and knowing the spirit-guided insights and recognizing the inner feelings. This exercise leads us to the depth of our affectivity and makes us aware of God's call for

desire was Examen. The more he practiced it, the greater he became aware of his inner movements of the spirit. This enabled him to become a hero for Christ.

General Congregation 35 (D2, #8) emphasizes that "to find divine life at the depths of reality is a mission of hope given to us Jesuits." It also says that our mode of proceeding is to trace the footprints of God everywhere, knowing that the spirit of Christ is at work in all places and situations and in all activities and meditations that seek to make him more present in the world. The demands of GC 35 can be fulfilled in our life by practicing the examen every day. In silence, we encounter the divine. The



conversion. It develops in us a heart that trusts in a loving and forgiving God. It leads to a spiritual conversion and discernment of our consciousness and conscience.

When Ignatius began to examine his inner journey on his sickbed in Loyola, he came to understand that many things which fascinated him had no lasting value or happiness. On the other hand, the lives of saints he read captivated him and their response to the Lord's call enkindled in him lasting peace and joy. Consequently, he developed a deep desire to know more about Christ and follow him closely. The tool he employed to fulfill this

more we know the footprints of God in our lives, the more we open ourselves to be led by the spirit of God. As followers of Christ, let us allow God to work in and through us and the Spirit to move us where God wants us to be in our lives.

Three questions we must ask ourselves twice a day: What has been happening in me? How has the Lord been working in me? What has He been asking of me? These questions can keep us in touch with the inner movements of the divine every moment of our lives.

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