



GUJARAT JESUIT SAMACHAR

Premal Jyoti, PB 4002, Ahmedabad - 380 009



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PROVINCIAL'S PROGRAMME

June

11: a.m. Finance Commission Meeting

11 – 12 : Consult

19 – 21 : Visitation, Bawla

23 – 25 : Visitation, Gurjarvani

APPOINTMENTS

► **PROVINCIAL has appointed**

Sr. No.	Name	Place & Designation
01	Fr. Sudhir Beck	Minister, Premal Jyoti
02	Fr. Albert Arockiam	Asst Treasurer XKM, Premal Jyoti
03	Fr. Roy Kollamparambil	Building Construction In-charge, Jeevan Darshan
04	Fr. Charles Kispotta	Proposed PP, Vijaynagar
05	Fr. Ronald Saldanha	Proposed PP, Bhiloda
06	Fr. Sundar Vasava	Proposed PP, Radhandpur
07	Fr. Velanganni Sinnamuthu	Proposed PP, Mandali
08	Fr. Siddharth Canisius	Proposed PP, Unteshwari
09	Fr. Cyprian Monis	Proposed PP, Bawla
10	Fr. Antony Michael Raj	Proposed PP, Dhandhuka & Acting Superior, Dhandhuka - Bawla
11	Fr. Hilary Pereira	Proposed PP, St Francis Xavier Parish, A'bad
12	Fr. Jose Panadan	Proposed PP, St Ignatius Loyola Parish, A'bad
13	Fr. Albert Delgado	Proposed PP, Anklav
14	Fr. Piyush Parmar	Proposed Asst PP, Anand
15	Fr. Jolly Nadukudiyil	Proposed Asst PP, Varasda & Farm In-charge, Kanewal
16	Fr. James Vas	Proposed PP, St. Joseph, Vadodara

17	Fr. Freddie D'Souza	Proposed Asst PP, Ankleshwar
18	Fr. Vinay Macwan	Proposed Asst PP, Zankhvav
19	Fr. Peter D'Souza	Proposed Asst PP, Zankhvav
20	Fr. Sanjay Horo	Proposed Asst PP, Dadhwada
21	Fr. Anthony Britto	Proposed Asst PP, Vyara
22	Fr. Sobers D'Cunha	Proposed PP, Mandal & Acting Superior Mandal-Vyara-Songadh
23	Fr. Francis D'Sa	Proposed Asst PP, Unai
24	Fr. Lazarus D'Souza	Proposed PP, Pimpri
25	Fr. Caesar D'Cunha	Proposed Asst PP, Pimpri
26	Fr. Joseph Parmar	Proposed Asst PP, Subir
27	Fr. Ishwan Gamit	Proposed PP, Paraspada
28	Fr. Paulraj Yagu	Director, Loyola Tech, Nadiad
29	Fr. Sudhir Chettiar	Director XTI, Sevasi
30	Fr. Valerian Dias	Director, Xavier Hostel, Surat
31	Fr. Arulanandam Pangiraj	Director of Works, Khatamba
32	Fr. Thomas Kolady	Director of Works, Jivan Wadi, Poshina
33	Fr. Yowan Sebastian	Asst Dir of Works, Jivan Wadi, Poshina
34	Fr. Rayappan Irudayam	Principal, St. Joseph, Vadodara & Proposed Asst PP
35	Fr. Noel Parmar	Principal, St. Xavier's Sch. Anand & Proposed Asst PP
36	Fr. Kamlesh Raval	In-charge Principal, St. Xavier's Sch. Bharuch
37	Fr. Anand Antony	In-charge Principal, Deevalaya, Fulwadi
38	Fr. Arul Rayan	In-charge Principal, St. Xavier's Sch. Gandhinagar
39	Fr. Vincent Vaghela	Manager, St. Xavier's Sch. Bawla & Proposed Asst PP
40	Fr. Royston Fernandes	Manager, St. Mary's Sch. Vijaynagar & Proposed Asst PP
41	Fr. Patras Mundu	Director, Apostolic School, Sughad & Acting Superior Sughad-Gandhinagar
42	Fr. Cosmas Kurikkattil	Acting Superior, Radhanpur - Mandali
43	Fr. Vincent Moonnupeedikail	Acting Superior, Jeevan Darshan & Chaplain, Shrine Baroda
44	Fr. Francis Macwan	Acting Superior, Gurjarvani
45	Fr. Ambrose Vedam	Acting Superior, Sneh Jyoti-XTI-Anklav & Director, Multipurpose Centre Sevasi
46	Fr. Robert Mascarenhas	Acting Superior, Xavier's Residence, Surat
47	Fr. Vincent Saldanha	Acting Superior, St. Joseph's Community, Vadodara
48	Fr. Kirit Patelia	Acting Superior, Shamgahan-Subir-Pimpri Community
49	Fr. Irudayaraj Manickam	Sneh Jyoti Community, Multipurpose Centre Sevasi

PROVINCE HIGHLIGHTS

➔ MODASA COLLABORATION

A Memorandum of Understanding has been signed between the Archbishop of Gandhinagar and the Provincial Superior of the Gujarat Province of the Society of Jesus. According to this MoU out of 8.2 acres of land in Modasa, the Society of Jesus hands over 5.2 acres to the Archdiocese of Gandhinagar; the Archdiocese plans to start an English medium School and a presbytery there. The Archdiocese will run the Parish, the school and the hostel. The remaining land (3 acres) which will have the Jesuit Residence and Sangath Social Centre will continue to remain with the Society. The Archdiocese will put up its own school building and presbytery within five years of the date of this agreement. Until then, the diocesan Parish Priest will reside in the Jesuit residence and the monthly expenses will be shared equally; the school will be run in the hostel buildings.

The Society of Jesus will make available a one-time Corpus Fund of Rs. 35 lakhs for the running of the Parish and related works. It will then be the responsibility of the Parish Priest and the Archbishop to find funds for these works in the future.

We would like to thank all the priests who have contributed to the growth of Modasa Parish; special thanks to **Fr. Siddharth Canisius** who in a relatively short time has managed to put many records in order.

Archbishop Thomas Macwan, Frs. Kamji Dund and Jeyaraj were present from the side of the Archdiocese and **Frs. Alpesh Macwan** (Socius), **Ramesh Macwan** (Treasurer), **Thomas Kolady** (Superior), **Nixon Macwan** (District Coordinator), **Siddharth Canisius** (PP) and **Stanislaus Jebamalai** (Director, Sangath) were present from the side of the Society of Jesus during the handing-over. We wish the Archdiocese all the best for the success of the mission. (Fr. Thomas Kolady)

➔ VOCATION PROMOTION

Due to the pandemic the Commission for Vocation had an online meeting on 21st May. In spite of connectivity difficulties, most of the members were present. The agenda included long and short-term plans for vocation promotion. Those members assigned to various States and Regions presented their respective plans. The summer vacation is the most suitable time for promoting vocations but all were hampered by the pandemic these past two vacations - only some virtual interactions were possible. Some relatives, laity, Jesuit friends, and other religious

are very supportive in helping find suitable candidates. In his address Fr. Provincial emphasized that vocation promotion should become the culture of the province. It should happen spontaneously; not by the commission members alone but by all the members of the Province. We also need to put in place a structure to promote vocations from other States and Regions. He was very appreciative of the work put in by the commission members. (Fr Sanjay Parmar)

➔ SCHOLASTICS' RETREAT

On 13th May forty-two scholastics began their annual retreat in two groups: **Fr. James B Dabhi** directed the second year scholastics of Premal Jyoti and the Scholastics of our Province. **Fr. Johnson Mundupuzhakkal** directed the first year scholastics of Premal Jyoti. The Spiritual Exercises helped us in three inter-related ways: first, it was the time to rejuvenate our spiritual life through cherishing our relationship with Christ and thanking Him for the graces received; secondly, it helped deepen our spiritual experience; thirdly, we reaffirmed our commitment to Christ through the renewal of our vows. Everything - the talks, the personal meditations and the individual guidance contributed to a very meaningful and fruitful retreat. (Schs. Sylvester & Vinay)



➔ SCHOLASTICS' GATHERING

After our annual retreat, we had the scholastics' gathering on 22nd and 23rd May. On the first day we shared our personal life experiences with one another. This sharing helped us to know one another better and strengthen our companionship. **Fr. James Savarimuthu**, our PCF gave an inspiring and challenging talk on 'Vowed Life.' We welcomed **Sch. Pradip Gamit** to the scholastic body. The focus of our sharing with **Fr. Durai Fernand**, our Provincial was 'Jesuit Formation'.

On 23rd May we had the Inaugural Eucharist for the Ignatian Year on the theme 'To See All Things New In Christ.' Fr. Provincial was the main celebrant. The Eucharist



was live-streamed. The choir was led by the scholastics of Premal Jyoti. After the Eucharist Fr. Provincial released the magazine 'Aflame With Love'. The articles therein were written by the Gujarat scholastics. After spending a fruitful and bonding time with one another we returned to our respective places. (Schs. Pradip Gamit & Sandip Makwana)



➤ ROOTS & WINGS

During tertianship, we get familiarised with the Autobiography and the Spiritual Exercises of St Ignatius. But during the Roots & Wings Course these works take on a special meaning since the Jesuit has gone through ups and downs in his personal life. Just as Ignatius became a new man with a new mind, so also we begin to feel things differently leading us to an inward journey. The focus of attention begins to grow, the burden of 'ego' begins to shed,



and the serenity and docility of the Spirit slowly begins to settle firmly. We were fifteen of us from seven different Provinces of India. We gelled well and all felt a sense of belonging. The course offers a good opportunity to have a break, take a deep plunge in our Spiritual heritage and get recharged for our mission with a spirit-filled vision and enthusiasm. (Fr. Anthony Britto and Fr. Joseph Parmar)

➤ CORONA RELIEF

The COVID-19 pandemic has greatly affected the people of Radhanpur causing much fear and panic. For three days (7th to 9th May) under the leadership of Fr. Antony Michael Raj some relief measures were undertaken. 'Ukalo' and a preventive package were distributed daily to those who needed. Sr. Josephine and the school staff also joined us in this campaign. We were also encouraged by the local MLA and others. (Sch. Raman Dalvi)



➤ FIGHTING COVID-19 TOGETHER IN GUJARAT: A JESUIT INITIATIVE

The campaign to fight COVID-19 has been going on for about three weeks. It started with the letter of the Provincial, Fr. Durai Fernand (3rd May), as a response to the urgent call that came from many centres and institutions of South Gujarat. This brief note aims at providing a preliminary outline of the response to this call.

Who has joined this campaign? Where is it conducted?

The table below gives the answers. There are approximately 54 institutions comprising social centres and parishes; institutions belonging to Jesuits, Sisters and non-Jesuits. It is a joint effort and an attempt to work on a platform of four networks, established in the four zones. It covers the Districts and Talukas of South, Central and North Gujarat and the Districts of Banaskantha and Sabarkantha. The area covers five District communities of the Province.

Updated 28.05.21				
[Data of the number of villages is approximate]				
ZONES	Organisations	Districts	Talukas	Villages
South-South	19	5	8	345
North-South	12	4	8	373
Anand-Kheda	14	6	12	288
North & B.S.	14	7	16	275
TOTAL	59	22	44	1281

What is the purpose of the campaign?

The main objective is to ensure that rural communities are able to access quality health service for COVID prevention, treatment and vaccination.

The specific objectives are:

- 1) To support the primary health care system through screening of people for early detection of COVID cases.
- 2) To set up COVID care centres and/or offer physical spaces to rural health systems for such centres.
- 3) To support hospitals, dispensaries, clinics run by some of our institutions with medical equipment.
- 4) To create awareness among people about COVID, its symptoms, health facilities and about vaccination.
- 5) To support vulnerable families with food ration.

How is it organised?

The Core Team under the leadership of Fr. Isaac Rumao has the following members: Fernando Franco (Secretary), Sr. Jacinta Canis, Manoj Parmar, Stany Pinto and Vijay Parmar. The team decides on policy matters and approves the final additional budgets of each institution. The Implementation Team is made up of 8 persons, two

persons per zone, a Jesuit and a Sister for each Zone. They organise zonal meetings to decide on the needs and priorities and propose the budgets for approval.

Where is the funding coming from?

Some institutions have been able to get funds from funding bodies in India and abroad. Common funds for this emergency of three months (a short-run intervention) come from the following contributions made by PDT Gujarat-ALBOAN.

- 1) Organisations having approved projects by the PDT-ALBOAN were offered the alternative of using some amount of the “project-money” for emergency (relief) purposes. They prepared a budget and submitted it to the PDO.
- 2) The first specific donation from ALBOAN (Grant-1) was distributed among those centres/institutions that had no funds from (1).
- 3) The second specific donation (Grant-2) is going to be a special advance from ALBOAN to cover the budgets presented of the four zones.

For long-term intervention we expect to receive the fruit of the campaign conducted by ALBOAN and a decision will have to be taken about the projects to be accepted at the meeting of the PDT-ALBOAN in September/October 2021.

What are the services and items being provided?

There is some variety among the zones and institutions. The most common ones are:

- Information, Education and Dissemination through written material, photos, and videos to dispel fear and support positive measures. This involves contacting PHCs.
- Distribution of individual kits with basic medicines, masks, sanitizers, etc.





- Distribution of specialized kits to ASHA workers or other medical personnel containing oximeters, temperature measuring devices, and in some cases testing material.
- Establishing oxygen hubs wherever feasible and providing extra equipment to the hospitals, dispensaries ready to receive it.
- Using mobile vans equipped with medical staff to visit villages, provide information and help people access various government facilities.
- Provide food rations to vulnerable people in the villages.
- Offer our premises for quarantine centres, etc.

What have been the consolations?

- Our presence in the field has contributed to removing fear and increasing confidence.
- Many among us and our co-workers have been affected by the pandemic. Some have tested positive and others including friends and family members have died. In spite of this, the response has been very encouraging.
- There have been many small spontaneous acts of compassion. They may not have been recorded but they have provided inspiration and hope.

What have been the obstacles?

- Working together, working for a goal that goes beyond our own organisation is always difficult.
- The delay in getting FCRA accounts “activated” and



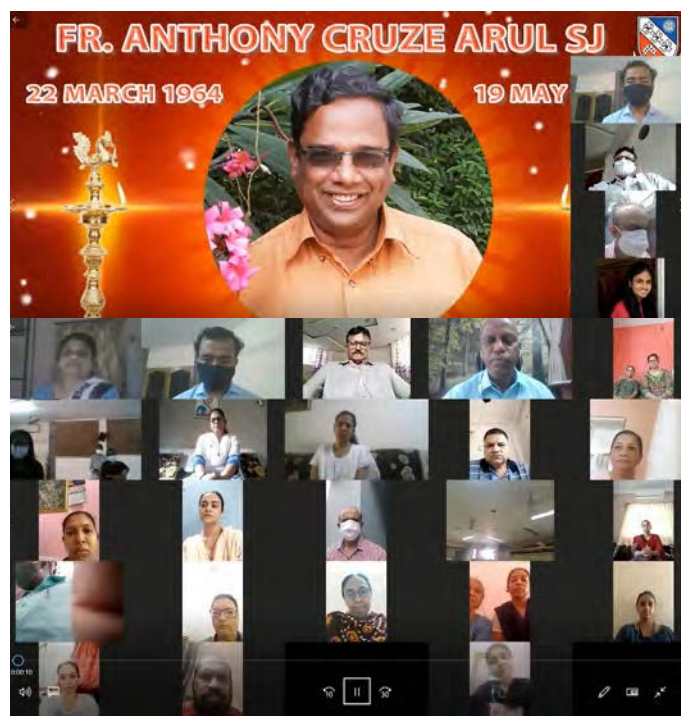
being able to receive the money has been a constant headache.

- New social issues are arising quickly: Children who have lost both or one parent, people who have lost the opportunity to get jobs, malnutrition of women and children. These issues are not fully addressed at present.

(The photos provide a partial view of the work that is being done.)

➔ REMEMBERING CRUZE

The Xavier Parivar of Gandhinagar is still trying to accept the untimely death of **Fr. Anthony Cruze** on 19 May due to COVID- 19. **Frs. Antonidoss, Suresh Antony, Siddharth Canisius, Freddy D’Souza, Xavier Amalraj and Arul Rayan** along with some religious sisters and staff representatives gave him a fitting funeral on 20 May. There was a genuine desire in our hearts to pay homage to Fr. Cruze and pray for his departed soul since most people could not be present for the funeral service due to Covid protocol. Accordingly, on 28 May, an online prayer service was organized by the management which brought together more than one hundred staff, students, alumni and well-wishers. Provincial **Fr Durai Fernand**, Dr Cecil (who treated him initially) and others paid tribute to Fr. Cruze. Fr. Cruze was here a short while but he conquered many hearts. May Fr. Cruze continue to inspire and intercede for us all as he enjoys the company of the angels and saints. (Arul Rayan SJ)



ANNOUNCEMENTS

➔ PROVINCE RETREAT

Preacher: Fr. Vincent Saldanha SJ

Date: 8 – 16 July

Venue: Sneh Jyoti, Sevasi

R.I.P

- † Fr. Saju Bastian SJ (HAZ), 59/37, passed away at Samford Hospital, Ranchi on 3 May.
- † Fr. Cyril Rajesh Tigga SJ (MAP), 84/62, passed away at Holy Cross Hospital, Ambikapur on 5 May.
- † Fr. Ramesh Tribhuvan SJ (PUN), 49/25, passed away at Booth Hospital, Ahmednagar on 6 May.
- † Fr. Isaac Tete SJ (RAN), 66/46, passed away at St. Anne's Hospital, Ulhatu on 6 May.
- † Fr. Anil Dayal Kujur SJ (HAZ), 60/35, passed away at Holy Cross hospital Ambikapur on 6 May.
- † Fr. Jerome Gonsalves SJ (PUN), 71/51, passed away at Sonali Memorial Hospital, Pune on 7 May.

- † Fr. Antony Raj Perinbam SJ (MDU), 76/57, passed away at Vadamalayan Hospital, Madurai on 10 May.
- † Fr. Ambrose D'Souza SJ (KAR), 66/39, passed away, at Father Muller Hospital, Mangaluru on 12 May.
- † Fr. Francis Kurien SJ (HAZ), 68/51, passed away, at the Holy Family Hospital, Koderma on 13 May.
- † Br. Jeganathan Ambrose S., SJ (MDU), 72/53, passed away at the Government Hospital, Dindigul on 17 May.
- † **Fr. Antony Cruze Arul SJ (GUJ), 57/35** passed away at UN Mehta Hospital, Ahmedabad on 19 May.
- † Fr. Rajarathinam Rathinam, SJ (CEN), 62/41, passed away at Apollo Hospital, Tiruchirappalli on 24 May.
- † Fr. Jeyaraj Maria, SJ (MDU), 86/67, passed away at St. Joseph Hospital, Dindigul on 29 May.
- † Fr. Lawrence Maria Gabriel, SJ (MDU), 81/56 passed away at St. Joseph Hospital, Dindigul on 29 May.




 FR. ANTHONY CRUZE ARUL SJ

(22.03.1964 – 19.05.2021)

 A TRUE FRIEND AND
COMPANION

My dear Cruze,

I never thought even in the wildest of my dreams that you would leave us so soon. Neither did I ever think that I would write your obituary! Your untimely departure has shocked us. I was literally frozen when I heard that you were no more. It is already ten days since we buried you. I was there at your grave to say goodbye to you. As your body was being lowered into the grave, many memories and thoughts crossed my mind and I whispered something to you. Did you hear that? “Cruze, my friend, goodbye and pray for me.”

As I write this obituary I am at a loss for words wondering what to write about you? Cruze, the earliest memory I have of you is way back in 1983 in the pre-novitiate. I remember how you used to pull my legs saying that you are my elder brother! This you continued until very recently. We were both born in 1964 - you in March and I in October. Yes, you were seven months older and how much joy it brought you! Such little joys brought a smile on my face.

As you continued your B.Com studies at Shahjanand College, I joined the novitiate. Formation separated us by a few years but you

always made sure that we met. Cruze, do you remember the Gujarati cultural tour we undertook while in the Juniorate? You were made in-charge of “nasto” (snacks)! What about our card games? You would often cheat and win. And at the end you would laugh your heart out and proclaim proudly that you had cheated and nobody caught you! I remember so well that I would get angry with you for cheating. You would laugh and reply, “Cani, take it easy, it's just a game.”

Philosophy studies separated us. You went to Chennai and I went to Pune. But you stayed connected through letters. In all your letters you included a joke without fail. Cruze, you had tremendous love for South Gujarat and the tribals. It all began when you were sent to Bharuch for your regency. This love for the tribals lasted until you

breathed your last. You loved singing tribal songs and enjoyed their dances. Your love for the people was so inspiring. You would go out of your way to help them, at times even risking your own health and interests. Theology studies at Premal Jyoti brought us back together. Even in our theological conversations and discussions you always brought in the tribals





of Gujarat. Your ordination was anticipated due to your father's ill health; you were ordained in Tamil Nadu in September 1998 and we, your companions, a month later. You took pride in saying that you would place your hands on us as a priest during our ordination, and you did it!

Cruze, you were an educationist. You served as the Principal of St. Xavier's in Bharuch for several years, later in Bhiloda, and finally in Gandhinagar. You loved your students; you were their guide, teacher, and a father-figure. You kept track not only of the students but also their family situation. Your regular visits to the families of poor students brought joy to them. You took special



care of students who were poor - academically and economically. I remember you sharing about how you had saved some people from committing suicide; you had counselled, consoled and helped them economically and medically. You paid special attention to sports. Your human resource management was indeed praiseworthy.

Cruze, you remained a good Jesuit, a faithful religious and a cheerful companion. You were very particular about spiritual duties amidst your demanding academic life. You were always available to go wherever you were sent. I remember you sharing with me how you immediately accepted to go to Bhiloda where the others were not willing to go. Your availability was remarkable. You also said that because of the Church we have schools and not the other way around!

Cruze, what a dedicated priest you were! I had the privilege of being your companion and a community member at Bhiloda for almost five years. I have seen your life as a priest very closely. You inspired me on many occasions. Cruze, I appreciate the genuine, kind and loving pastor in you the most!

Cruze, you trusted me so much that you have shared with me your innermost experiences, struggles and apprehensions. I tell you my friend it is hard to find another as open and honest as you. As all these memories flood my mind, I find it hard to hold back my tears. About a month ago when I met you, you advised me to remain safe from the Corona pandemic. I used to worry about your driving too. We travelled together several times with you driving and I sitting next to you – I had my heart in my mouth! You were a reckless driver. I remember telling you more than once, “Cruze, if you have a photo of your mother, frame it and keep it in front of you while you drive. You should bury her first, and only then you can die.” You brushed aside my advice, and laughed aloud as usual. I am so pained now to know that your mother is inconsolable and heartbroken. She has not stopped crying. How unfortunate that she could not even be present for your funeral.

May the Lord of life lead you from untruth to truth, from darkness to light, and from death to eternal bliss! Bye Cruze! Whisper a prayer for me.

Your ever-loving friend
Fr. Siddharth Canisius, SJ



“TOO SOON ... TO BE TAKEN AWAY”

Twenty-five days of battle against corona were well fought. Finally, Fr. Cruze gave himself to the will of God and surrendered his spirit on 19th May. Loss of a young life shakes our faith in God and makes us question “Why Lord?” His loss as a witnessing missionary, enlightening educationist and a down-to-earth human being is irrevocable. His ever-smiling face showed him to be a cheerful giver of time and energy to those who met him.

He was related to me in two ways – he was my uncle from my mother’s side and a cousin from my father’s. This double relationship was seen in his dealings with me. His dual role as an uncle and a friend was a great blend of spiritual guidance and companionship for me.

His deepest pride was the ‘call to the Society of Jesus’. From the very first thought of joining the Society to his last breath, he never doubted his vocation. On the contrary, his ardent zeal to serve this least Society always dominated his mind and rejuvenated him. This grace of confirmation of his vocation to the Society led him to become a vocation promoter of the Province. The piety, upbringing and witnessing values of his family paved the way towards his response to the divine call

As COVID was peaking, his youngest sister would often express

her fear, advising him to be cautious and take extra care to remain safe. By way of response he would say to her, “As a missionary I cannot be living in fear behind closed doors. With all the precautions taken, I need to be at the service of the Jesuit community and the people who are entrusted to my care.” He enjoyed the grace of being the ‘risk taker’ for the well-being of others; he enabled others to be courageous in turn.

‘Bolo, my dear’ was the constant expression that would flow from him towards any student who approached him. His charm, wittiness and approachability made him popular among the students and staff. He often admitted less privileged and academically weaker students to the school. ‘What good would our Jesuit education bring about if we only admit and nurture the privileged and intellectually well off students’? This is the question that often went on in his mind. His heart always reached out to the tribal students. Delimiting factors like time and physical energy would not hamper him if he had to reach out to any tribal student in need of his assistance. After his death I have received numerous phone calls from his students to express their deepest pain and sorrow. It speaks volumes for his self-sacrificing attitude - yet another grace freely given to him by the Creator.

His ten years as Principal in Bharuch built the life of many who fondly remember him as their ‘guru and comforter’. His successful four years as Principal in Bhiloda showed him as a buffer that absorbed negativity and imparted positivity in bringing harmony and growth among both students and staff. During his short span in Gandhinagar he capitalized his humanness to win the hearts of students, staff, parents and government officials who hailed him to be an available, approachable and adorable Principal.

He was a uniting factor in his biological family. Starting from his aged ailing mother to his youngest sister, he came across as a person who was spiritually, emotionally and intellectually



mature. His priesthood was a matter of pride to everyone at home. They longed for his presence during the summer holidays because of his warmth and genuine love. Thanks be to the late Fr. Maria Pragasam, SJ who sowed the seed of vocation in Cruze's life. Fr. Antonidoss, SJ his cousin always remained Cruze's mentor and spiritual guide. He enjoyed the inflow of graces in his personal life in and through Fr. Antonidoss.

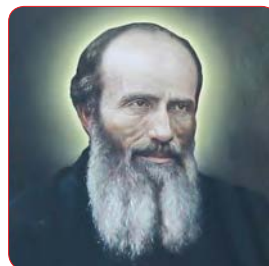
His departure has created a deep vacuum in my life. His contribution towards my faith formation and in nurturing of my vocation as a Jesuit will remain priceless treasures in my personal life. He sensed that his end was coming and his new life in the Lord immanent. Before he passed away he made a very short video call to all his family members and close friends only to say, "I am ok." He wanted to keep all of us hopeful and in good mood. During his last days, he slowly exited all the WhatsApp groups as a sign of complete availability and surrender to the Almighty.

The end of the earthly life of a wonderful human being and a cheerful Jesuit was complete as his mortal remains were laid to rest. His fond and life-giving memories will always remain in me.

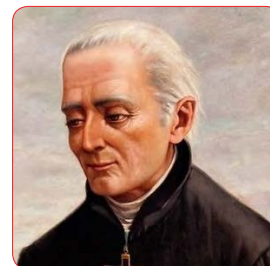
Too soon to be taken away – too early to have gone away – too young to fall prey to the pandemic. "Fingers hesitate to erase your number from my mobile 'Cruze Anna' because such was your unimaginable availability and care for me. But your robust faith in God and your deep love for Jesus compels me to believe that you are now in a better place to love the Society of Jesus, your family and me in a little way."

Fr. Antony-Suresh, SJ

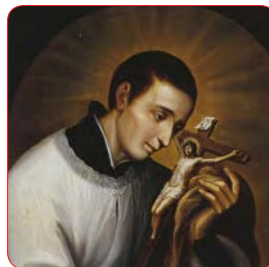
JESUIT SAINTS OF THE MONTH



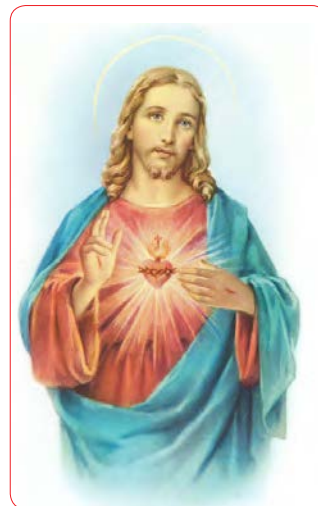
▲ St James Berthieu



▲ St Jose de Anchieta



▲ St Aloysius Gonzaga



▲ Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

THE HEART OF JESUS IS THE ULTIMATE SYMBOL OF GOD'S MERCY; BUT IT IS NOT AN IMAGINARY SYMBOL, IT IS A REAL SYMBOL, WHICH REPRESENTS THE CENTER, THE SOURCE FROM WHICH SALVATION FOR ALL HUMANITY GUSHED FORTH.

Pope Francis





POPE'S WORLDWIDE PRAYER NETWORK

The Beauty of Marriage

Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.



GREEN CORNER

ECO-AUDIT

In the eco-audit conducted by the GJEM under the Province SAP, Xavier Technical Institute, Sevasi emerges as a Green Institute scoring 24/25 [“Very good”]. This is no surprise as XTI has developed over the years into an institute that demonstrates and promotes sustainable practices, thanks to the tireless efforts of Fr. Vincent Moonnupeedikail and the community.

XTI as highlighted in the report:

- Boasts of 9.2 KVA on-grid and 12 KVA off-grid electricity production.
- Has installed a steam cooker [capacity: 200 students] saving 50% firewood.
- Makes maximum use of sunlight in the classrooms/workshops.
- Practices grey-water recycling and rainwater harvesting.
- Makes 'eco-bricks' which are installed as garden boundaries.
- Has 248 Angiosperm species (flowering plants) and 2 Gymnosperms (non-flowering plants); also 81 tree species.
- Has an organic vegetable garden, herbal garden, butterfly garden and an eco-exhibition.
- Regularly organizes Environment Awareness programs in collaboration with GJEM.
- Collaborates with GJEM to organize solar exhibitions in schools.

An important recommendation made is that a system to make 'eco-bricks' be put in place so as to recycle waste plastic. The report is available on our website: www.gjemsj.org. We encourage other communities/institutions to come forward and be eco-audited.

(Fr Lancelot D’Cruz)

BIRTHDAYS & DEATH DAYS 2021

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| 01 Jolly Nadukudil
Rajeev Chakranarayan | 13 Charles Aruldass
Fr Francisco Figuera – 1983+ | 25 Keith Abranches
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