



PROVINCIAL'S MUSINGS

The JCSA Meeting this time, from 26-29 October, was historic. The members of the JCSA did not have to travel miles to meet as a group but sat in their respective office rooms and connected with each other online from as far as Rome, Nepal, Sri Lanka and different parts of India.

Many topics were covered during the four-day meeting and I would like to highlight a few of them. Fr General, having recuperated after his fall, spoke with great energy on three topics: Vocation Promotion, Solidarity in Formation and the Ignatian Year.

Speaking on the theme of Vocation Promotion, Fr General invited us to create a culture of vocation promotion in our communities and in our apostolates by praying daily for vocations, creating a culture of hospitality in our communities, finding greater synergies between our accompaniment of youth and vocation promotion and using our communication networks and social media to promote vocations.

Solidarity in Formation is an effort to make formation a shared concern of the conference and later of the whole Society. It is creating partnerships to share human and financial resources and expertise.

The Ignatian Year, remembering the conversion of St Ignatius and his canonization along with St Francis Xavier begins in May 2021 and ends in July 2022. The Ignatian Year is an opportunity to return to our spiritual roots and make them known. The theme of the Ignatian Year is "To see all things new in Christ." This is also an opportunity to integrate the UAPs into the Ignatian Year.

In the wake of COVID-19, the South Asian Conference has come up with "Migration Facilitation Network", a Helpline to reach out to the migrants. Covid-19 has changed our world irrevocably. If this is so, how do we, as Jesuits respond to this new world that is being born?

The JCSA also gave an online farewell to Fr George Pattery, the outgoing POSA. Fr Varghese Palli, the Provincial of Dumka, delivering the farewell speech quoted Tagore saying, "Our meetings and partings belong to all the movements of the world." We are all part of this larger movement to build God's Cosmos, the fraternity that *Fratelli Tutti* calls us to.



Fr Dionysius Vaz, SJ

APPOINTED BY FR GENERAL

Fr Agnelo Mascarenhas (GOA): Provincial of Pune

APPOINTED BY FR PROVINCIAL

Fr Pradeep Sequeira: Finance Officer, St Aloysius Gonzaga School, Mangaluru

Fr Olvin Veigas: In-charge of Province Publications



CONGRATULATIONS



FR PRADEEP ANTHONY

To Fr Pradeep Anthony and Fr Roshan David Pereira on pronouncing your Final Vows in the Society of Jesus. May God bless you and your ministry.



FR ROSHAN DAVID PEREIRA



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Scholastics Anush Prasad D'Cunha, Jason Stewart Martis, Joseph Kiran Pashan, Nithin Machado, Pradeep RS, Vincent Jaison A and Yesunath Mothes Karlekar have applied for their diaconate ordination. If anyone has information or suggestions for a discerned decision on this matter, please send them to the Provincial by 25 November 2020.

Ignatian Year Committee

Fr John Pradeep (C), Fr Cyril Menezes, Fr Francis Fernandes, Fr Joel Fernandes, Fr Melwyn S Pinto, Fr Prashanth D'Souza, Fr Shantharaj T, Fr Swebert D'Silva and Sch Leston Lobo

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December 13: Spiritual Directors' Colloquium

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PROVINCIAL'S PROGRAMME

November 2020

16-19: Visitation: Bijapur Mission, Vijayapura
20-21: Visitation: Loyola Sadan, Kalaburagi
22-24: Visitation: Pannur-Manvi Mission
25: Consultation on Migration - Manvi
27-30: Visitation: Mundgod Mission

December 2020

01-04: Visitation: VN, Dharwad
06-09: Visitation: Arrupe Nivas, Bengaluru
11-19: Visitation: Jnana Jyothi, Anekal
13: Spiritual Directors' Colloquium - LM
21: Province Consult: LM



Fr Dion Vaz, the new Provincial, made a flying visit to the Anekal mission. He encouraged the scholastics to prepare well for the unprecedented challenges looming on our way. The first-year theologians paid a visit to the tomb of Fr Manuel D'Cunha along with Fr Balaraju as part of their Church History classes. After a short break the scholastics began another semester with the on-line classes on Sociology of Religion by our ever-green professor Fr Lawrence Fernandes.

Ms Teena, the Karnataka State Lok-Manch campaign coordinator visited the CIRW and some of our villages. She and the CIRW staff met the Lok-Manch leaders, Asha workers and Anganawadi teachers and gave awareness about the government free ration and its distribution to the pregnant women and the mothers. The new batch of tailoring classes have already started in all the four village tailoring centers (Gowrenahalli, Ra-

chamanhalli, Vabasandra, and Basavanapura) and a few more fresh students have registered in the Anekal Tailoring Center as well. Ten tailoring students passed out and received certificates from our Anekal centre. The 90 dry ration kits and 25 added from local resources, totally 115 kits (each costing Rs 1000) were distributed to the poorest of the poor in and around Anekal taluka. The tailoring students, CIRW staff, and the hostel children came together to celebrate Dussehra and Ayudha Puja with a short programme, of course with due precautions and social distance.

At present we are visiting the migrant labourers in the brick factories and have already started the mobile-medical-care for the migrants. We also conducted awareness sessions especially to the pregnant women and young mothers about the government aid available through the local Anganawadi and the Panchayat. (JP)

ASHIRVAD //



At our inter-religious meeting, Dr Nayeemulla Khan, retired Professor of SJC spoke on "Victory of Good over Evil", on the occasion of the Dussehra Festival and Reverend Sadhviji (A Saintly Mother) spoke on Sunshine State. Fr Jerry D'Souza is much involved with webinars on social issues and migration of people involving North Karnataka and Bengaluru social activists. Fr Jerry, Fr Francis Guntipilly along with ISI Bengaluru are engaged in the data collection

process on Migrants. Ashirvad Jesuit Community was the host for the Province Jesuits recuperating from the pandemic. Fr Harry Terry and Fr Josephvaz, without neglecting their online classes, were at the service of the recuperating patients. Fr Francis Guntipilly is active in the family movement and with online counseling. On the feast of the Holy Rosary he conducted the online Rosary for the Archdiocese. (EL)

VIJAYAPURA //



As part of our recollection day, we had a pilgrimage to Infant Jesus Shrine, Bhalki. Loyola Nivas, Sindagi was happy to host the triduum for the North Karnataka Regents guided by Fr Balaraju A. Fr. Anthony Das preached an eight day retreat to the DHM sisters. One of the girls named Lalbi from our centre, had a successful kidney transplant operation thanks to the help of our twinning partners. The first and second phases of Covid-19 awareness programmes for 30 communities in the slums are successfully completed thanks to the collaboration of the Azim Premji Foundation. CNFE actively collaborated with other progressive NGOs to address the issues of farmers, labourers and common people who are affected by the recent policies of the

government. Gandhi Jayanthi was celebrated in 122 children's groups. There was a special coaching programme arranged for students who were appearing for the SSLC supplementary exams. With the generosity of BJES and the province we have got the Covid Care Centre ready.

The work in the village panchayats has resumed. It has resulted in more people desiring to join our self-help groups. The SHG groups of Bolachikkalaki, one of the panchayats, succeeded in their demand for a primary health centre. We are trying to make it a model centre with the help of SELCO solar initiatives. CNFE also organized a silent candle light protest against the atrocities on women across the country. Nearly 800

people took part in this protest at various places in the city. There was a rally organized in collaboration with civil society organizations and various religious organizations to condemn the arrest of Fr Stan Swamy and other human rights activists and to submit a memorandum to the President of India through the district administration. CNFE organised an interface programme for the local police, the auto drivers and the officials from RTO. MGNREGA Anustana Abhiyana campaign is on full swing: people are sensitized about the rural employment programmes of the government and are initiated into the work that would give them sustenance. The torrential rains and floods in the Bhima river bank have caused a huge loss of life and livelihood. We were able to distribute food kits to some of the affected people.



Gandhi Jayanthi celebration was well organized in our schools; and the teachers took part in

Shramadaan by planting saplings. Sangama has been a part of many protests specially against the Farmers' Bill and the administrative chaos in UP. Sangama also organized a function on the occasion of Mother Theresa's birthday. Food kits were handed to 20 children affected by HIV. We thank the Indian High School community for helping us in installing a roti making machine and a solar unit, for the benefit of the people and the villagers. Fr. Balaraju A is back in the community after giving a course on Church History to the theologians at Anekal. Loyola ITI is collaborating with SELCO foundation to give training in solar technology to 2600 youths of Bijapur district, and CNFE is partnering with this project to provide livelihood opportunities to many target groups. The Church construction work is steadily progressing.

Teachers' Day was celebrated in the school, college and parish. One of our old students named Sharanu Handral from Loyola Yomiuri college has been selected as the PSI. He was honoured by the School Management on Gandhi Jayanthi day. The teachers are busy with online classes and in helping students to get scholarships. On the Ayudha Pooja Day, Fr James Gonsalves blessed the school vehicles. Loyola Yomiuri School celebrated the Kannada Rajyotsava at which Shubhan Sharif, 10th standard Nodal Officer, was the chief guest. The management also successfully completed the procedure of renewal of permission for 1st to 8th standards for five years. (PM)

MUNDGOD



The newly renovated Mother of God Church, Mainalli, the dream project of Fr Francis Menezes, was blessed on October 31 by the Bishop of Belgaum and apostolic administrator of Karwar diocese, Most Rev. Derek Fernandes. The provincial, Fr Dionysius Vaz inaugurated the Church. Those who took part in the event were Fr Melwin Pinto, rector of St Aloysius College Mangaluru and other Jesuits of Karnataka Province,



along with the priests and lay faithful of Sirsi deanery. Bishop Derek Fernandes, Fr Dionysius Vaz, Fr Melwin Pinto, Fr Sujay Daniel and Fr Francis Menezes were honoured during the felicitation programme.



Fund raising activities for Mission Sunday were successfully organized for two consecutive days in St Lawrence Church, Hangal, by Fr Thomas D'Souza. In LKV CBSE, a meaningful prayer

service was held for the staff on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanthi. Also, various activities were conducted online for the students on the occasion of Karnataka Rajyotsava. LVK celebrated Gandhi Jayanthi by organising cleanliness drive and planting of saplings. Along with other likeminded faith-based organizations a memorandum was submitted to both the Tashildar and local MLA demanding justice for the Hathras rape victim and release of Fr Stan Swamy. The LVK Study Team (on land rights and productivity) met the MLA and

requested him to look into the needs of forest dwellers. The computer centre of LVK is providing basic computer skills for 32 students. In addition, Sch Cannon Fernandes helps these students with classes in spoken English. Through the online portal Sevasindhu, LVK Hangal has succeeded in helping to procure 164 labour cards for the construction workers and has successfully formed 20 groups in the villages. The work of forming a union of construction workers is in progress. (AD)

KALABURAGI



We thank God that there has not been any Covid-19 infected cases in the campus or in the surrounding villages. Last month there were torrential showers which flooded part of our campus.

The community travelled to Harihar to join other Jesuits of the North Karnataka to celebrate the 80th birthday of Fr Pradeep Sequeira. We made use of the opportunity to pray at the shrine of Our Lady. It was a much needed break for the community members. The teaching staff of the

College after a fortnight of holidays is back in the College and is busy preparing classes, video recording, editing and uploading them for the benefit of the students. Our school has begun teaching children in one of the villages for their convenience. The response of the children and their parents has been good. Condemning the arrest of Fr. Stan Swamy our community participated in a silent protest march in Kalaburagi along with the members of the Karnataka United Christian forum for human rights. (MM)

FATIMA RETREAT HOUSE



The community had a Requiem Mass for Frs Walter Andrade, Jayanth Padival and Vijay Prabhu. "The Fatima Retreat House Drinking Water Project" was blessed and inaugurated by the superior, Fr Maxim Misquith. Placed near the entrance of FRH, fresh drinking water is made available to the passersby. The project was sponsored by the family members of Fr Walter Andrade. Fr Maxim Misquith was the chief guest at a function organized on Ayudha Pooja Day at St. Aloysius ITI. It was a day of joy for us when Fr Vishwas

Misquith, new priest and member of our community, celebrated a thanksgiving Mass. During the last week of October, we had the daily recitation of the Rosary followed by the celebration of the Holy Eucharist in the open shrine. On the 31st, the feast of our Lady of the Rosary was celebrated. We celebrated the feast of St. Alphonsus Rodrigues, the patron saint of our Brothers Tony Crasta and Benedict Rosario with the Holy Eucharist celebrated by Fr Terence Farias followed by a community fellowship meal. (CD)

LOYOLA, Mangaluru



Fr Pradeep Crasta, Sch Joswin Pereira and the pre-novices played a major role in neatly organising the October 10 ordination ceremony held in Loyola Hall. The four newly ordained were invited to Loyola, their Tavaru Mane to be felicitated. Fr Praveen Martis (junior) was the main celebrant at the Eucharistic table. On 18 October, the entire Loyola, including the cooks, went to the Aloysian Boys' Home for an outing. The pre-novices, finally, were able to keep aside their computers and mobiles as their classes ended on October 23. To keep them occupied and out of mischief, Sch Joswin organised Community Days. The event was inaugurated by Fr Melwin

Pinto, rector of SAC on October 29. For three days at a stretch, the pre-novices had lots of fun and games, and of course, *badha khana*. The march past was judged by eminent personalities like Ms Rita Saldanha, Mrs Diana and Mrs Juliet. Despite the pandemic, the year has brought us two more candidates this month, one of them a graduate. The total number of pre-novices has gone up to 27. Fr Peter Pinto's birthday was celebrated with due solemnity on the feast of All Saints. We were happy to have with us our Provincial, rector of SAC and a good number of Fathers from SAC and AIMIT for the evening programme followed by a sumptuous dinner. (PP)

The month of October dawned with a new hope and expectation for the future since the change of officials was significant event of the month. The novices buckled up their shoes for an intense football coaching by Mr Lazarus Lepcha, a Loyola degree college staff. The feast of Our Lady of Rosary was celebrated on a grand scale with a procession in the campus. The novices felt privileged to participate in the mass celebrated by the newly ordained priest Fr W.K. Pradeep. The novices also had a meaningful and effective monthly recollection ably guided by Fr. Xavier from Kolkata province on the theme: "My vocation and mission as Jesuit". St. Joseph's garden has a facelift with new plants and interlocks. Fr John Pradeep preached an 8-day retreat to Sisters of St Joseph of Tarbes. Meanwhile, Fr Merwyn Fernandes, the Socius, offered an

intensive English course with the assistance of Frs Richard Sequeira, Jeevan Gomes and Prakash D'Souza.

Fr Xavier Savarimuthu (CCU), who has been with us for a couple of months, addressed the senior community on the theme: Nature's Covid lessons and caring for our common Home.

All our retreat houses as well as spirituality centres have jointly launched "Online Programmes." As part of this venture, we already had an online Recollection talk on 'Fratelli Tutti' preached by Fr Joseph Lobo. The response was excellent. This is an initiative from us to reach out to our stakeholders in the present context of Covid pandemic. (RS)

PRERANA – TERTIANSHIP //

As part of our preparation for the Month's retreat we undertook a pilgrimage to the parish church dedicated to Our Lady in Kalenagrahara. Fr William Sequeira guided us through the Retreat along with Fr Arul Sivan, both accompanying us like our elder brothers. Our sincere thanks to all of you for your prayers. It was indeed a grace-filled and energizing experience to be rooted in the love of God by walking with Him. This was followed by the Magnificat Week of 4 days

helping us to come down the mountain to recollect, re-live and relish the graces received and our peak experiences. Sharing and listening to the experiences of others enriched us and made us wonder at the immense goodness of God. We are now studying the Spiritual Exercises in depth under Fr Joseph D'Mello. We are glad to have Fr Jose Jacob (KER), tertian instructor (Sri Lanka) who has joined us for few months. (LF)

ARRUPE NIVAS //

The construction of the Admin Building of SJC has been completed after four long years. It is a magnificent piece of architecture, truly a feast for the eyes, thanks to the tireless efforts of many a Jesuit, specially Fr Victor Lobo, the Principal. With this building the envisaged SJ University is all set to take off. As a token of gratitude to all who laboured for its construction, the community members shared a grand lunch with all the construction workers. A gift too was given to each one of them.

The students' council of the college went on a donation drive to help the economically poor students of the college for the payment of their fees through crowd-funding. It is truly an act of compassion by our students – an important characteristic of Jesuit Education.

Under *Unnat Bharat Abhiyan* - a flagship programme of the Government of India - the college has adopted five villages in Anekal taluk to transform them into 'model villages'. 22 students with three faculty members spent one month in these villages, making household surveys and participatory rural appraisal. FDP organised a workshop on 'Student evaluation using MCQs'. Public Relations Office hosted a lecture by Vandana Shiva, a world-renowned environmentalist and activist. A one-week online exhibition titled "GANDHI IN PRINT AND MINT" was organised by PANA to mark the 151st birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi wherein Philatelic literature, postage stamps, postal stationery and currency notes on Mahatma Gandhi were exhibited. To commemorate world mental health day, SWASA organised "Freeze the Moment!" - a photography

competition on the theme 'moment of resilience'. Food Miles organised a talk by Dr Christopher S.B. Gondi, University of Illinois on "Can diet change pancreatic cancer?" It also conducted a national level poster competition on sustainable approaches to food waste management during and post Covid-19 pandemic. NOUS presented a conversation 'UNPACKING DISCRETION' on the discreet charm of the savarnas. NSS organised a national level competition on wild life conservation, which included photography, poster making, sketching and poetry writing. It also conducted 'Fit India Campaign' on nutrition and food - a competition to bring out the amazing chef by spicing up life with nutritional food. The Department of Commerce and Management organised THARANG online business fest.

A human-chain rally was organised by the Jesuits, faculty and the students to show their solidarity with Fr Stan Swamy. The college

alone had managed to gather about 400 students and staff to stand along the road for an hour with placards. Archbishop Peter Machado joined the rally. Fr Swebert, the rector played an important role in getting this event organized with deftness and efficiency. We also participated in a protest rally organized by PUCL.

The newly ordained priests were invited to celebrate a mass for the community and to give their blessings. Fr Ralph da Costa gave a very enlightening talk on Pope's new encyclical "Fratelli Tutti" to the community, which was live-streamed. Hundreds benefited from this insightful exposition of the encyclical. Besides continuing to organize research webinars, Fr Joseph Lobo gave two theological courses – one each for Vidyajyoti and Mangalore seminary, along with a few online formative programs for various groups of religious, and an online session titled 'COVID-19: a sigh and a sign of our times'. (JL)

INIGO SADAN



Our community members participated in the Silent Human Chain protest from Brigade road to Shanti Nagar bus stand to show our solidarity with Fr Stan Swamy. Young priests of the community went to Mundgod for their triduum which was guided by Fr Francis Menezes. The visitation of Fr Provincial was a grace-filled moment for all of us. He encouraged and gave novel ideas to respond to the changing times. Schs Ramhorchan (DAR), Prakash Murmu (DUM) and Maria Divij donated blood towards the kidney transplantation of Ms Lalbi from Vijayapura.

Fr Jeevan James the newly ordained priest celebrated his first mass for the community members. We gave a farewell to Fr Robert Rodrigues and wished him well for his JRS mission in Afghanistan. All the scholastics went to Dhyanashram at MSJ for their triduum which was guided by Fr Anil D'Almeida. To approach the needy effectively during this pandemic we have opened the Centre for Social Concern headed by Fr Rohan D'Almeida.

A colourful and memorable Gandhi Jayanthi celebration was held in SJIPS campus. In view of the celebration, various competitions were held for the students. E-certificates were distributed to the winners and participants. Two of our students participated in "Inspire Award". We are waiting for the results. We had an inspection from the BEO Office

regarding the RR (Renewal of the Registration). UGC has approved two more courses (E-Commerce and Logistics & Banking and Finance) of St Joseph's Community College under St Joseph's Evening College. Amidst the pandemic we have started online classes with an orientation talk to students by Fr Deepak. As the pandemic wave is still fresh in the air, many companies have come forward to hire workers in different sectors. This is a blessing in disguise for our last batch of students. We have successfully placed 80% of our students in various sectors. Through the Skip organization we have set up the SELCO Solar lab and now the lab is ready to train students who take up Electrical and Electronics courses.

Gandhi Jayanthi was celebrated virtually at St Joseph's School CBSE with an inter-religious prayer for peace. A silent protest was held at SJII ground in which the rector, principals, coordinators, teaching and non-teaching staff gathered to stand in solidarity with Fr Stan. A webinar on Orientation to Life Skills for parents and various competitions were organized for students to mark the National Cyber Safety Awareness Month to educate people in the public and private sectors. Fr Rohan D'Almeida addressed the Sisters of Charity in Mangaluru on the importance and the pros and cons of NEP. (FA)

The PTA General Body Meeting was held with a very limited gathering. Important days such as Kannada Rajyotsava, and Hindi Diwas were celebrated virtually. An inter-religious prayer was held online to mark Gandhi Jayanthi. The school came together to stand in solidarity with Fr Stan Swamy as a large number from the school participated in the 'Human Chain'. We turned Cadence 2020 - the interschool music fest - into a virtual contest. It saw very good participation and was a success, as was the SJBHSMUN - our landmark event with Chief Guest, Uddhav Kanoria and Guest of Hon-

our, Ms Mahiti Bharatesh. In a grand finale to the three-day event, Prof Sudhir Krishnaswamy, Vice Chancellor of the National Law School of India University and an old boy, was the Chief Guest and addressed the delegates.

SJPUC organised a two day career guidance and orientation for the first years. The physics department organised a webinar on Introduction to Astrophysics. The Gospel Fest "Genesis" was well conducted by the AICUF unit of the college with the theme 'Resurgite'. (WB)

NAVASADHANA



Pre-novices participated in a silent protest to express their solidarity with Fr Stan Swamy and also to raise their voices against the unjust arrest of the human rights activists. Navasadhana is grateful to Sch Ovin Rodrigues for his generous service. During the few weeks that he was here he was a great inspiration to our pre-novices through his simple and earnest lifestyle. We had a day long outing to Bisle Ghat and Agni

Estate near Sakleshpur to relax and rejuvenate ourselves by changing the daily routine. Navasat-2K20 has been kicked off with various fun filled games and competitions for the pre-novices during the week-long Dussera holidays. The event was flagged off with a creative march past for which Fr Roshan Pereira was the chief guest. Schs Joyal D'Sa, Sanson D'Souza and Paul Anand were off to Mysore for their triduum. (DD)

ST ALOYSIUS COLLEGE, Mangaluru



A unique awareness programme was organized by Radio Sarang in collaboration with Ramakrishna Ashram. It was called ಮೂರು ಪಡಿಕೆ ಒಂದು ಸಾಧನ (three pots one mission). Forty tri-ple earthen pots were distributed to the listeners to manage kitchen waste in an eco-friendly way. Also, in collaboration with the STRIDE Project, the college engaged renowned artists to perform Anantha Ajeya, a Tala Maddale programme. Broadcast on digital platforms, the show was witnessed by over a thousand viewers.

The AGBM of MJES was special this year thanks to the presence of the new Provincial Fr Dion Vaz as President and the new rector Fr Melwin Pinto as Vice-President. After the AGBM, the community had a fellowship gathering to thank and bid farewell to Fr Dion and welcome and felicitate Fr Melwin.

The pandemic was somewhat less depressing to those who enjoyed reading Fr Leo's jokes daily on WhatsApp over the past six months. He has now reduced the frequency to once a week - probably for the benefit of those who, like the tube light, take time for full illumination.

At Gonzaga Nivas, Fr Joy Rodrigues has been very

active reaping the bounty from the farm. He has given to the community a steady supply of coconuts, bananas and palm fruit in the last couple of months.

Thanks to the initiative of Fr Cyril D'Mello, a Solar Technology and Innovation Lab was inaugurated in our ITI - designed for installation, repairs and servicing of solar electric appliances. The Lab is a joint venture with the collaboration of SELCO Foundation and SKIP. On the occasion of *Ayudha Pooja* Fr Maxim Misquith was our *poojary* who blessed all the labs and instruments. A two-day training programme was held for the ITI staff with Frs Felix Victor and Ronald Pais as resource persons.

The degree college has obtained approval from the UGC to start two more BVoc courses, viz. Software Development and Renewal Energy Management. Regular classes for II PG students have already begun. Our PU College held the second edition of SAPMUN (St Aloysius Pre-University Model United Nations) with over 150 students participating virtually in the event. Gonzaga School kept its students vibrant and socially conscious with online celebrations of English Literary Week, Hindi Saptah, World Ozone Day, International Day of Peace, etc. (OR)

On the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti, we participated in an inter-religious prayer meet at the Gandhi Bhavan of the Karnatak University, Dharwad. Fr. Edward Philip preached a Triduum, prior to the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, at Tumarikoppa, Dharwad district. For our monthly recollection we paid a visit to the Snanika Arulapanavara Viraktha Matt at Deshnur run by the Jesuits of the Goa Province. Fr Menino Gonsalves SJ alias Shri Menino Swami, welcomed us and inspired us with his spiritual input on renunciation. We spent some time in silence followed by a Holy Eucharist celebrated by Fr Menino. After a sumptuous vegetarian lunch at the Matt we proceeded to see the magnificent water falls at Gokak.

Fr Edward Philip attended the funeral of his father on October 13 at Mysore. He organised and conducted a meeting of the Diocesan youth animators to plan and execute a programme, at Hubli, for the youth of the Belgaum diocese. The terrace

garden has begun yielding a harvest of different vegetables though in small quantities.

Ten of us Scholastics, collaborated with the youth of our Parish, in cleaning and weeding the parish church campus. At the request of our parish priest, four scholastics along with the parish youth help out in enforcing SOP against COVID-19 before the Sunday Mass in the Parish. To express our solidarity with Fr Stan Lourduswamy, Fr. T V Antony joined other like-minded social activists of Dharwad, in presenting a memorandum to the DC of Dharwad.

Fr Melwin Pinto, the rector of St Aloysius College, Mangaluru, paid a fleeting visit to Vidyaniketan. Frs Francis Menezes and Johnson Pinto also paid us a visit. Fr. Francis Fernandes, the PCF, was with us for a few days to meet the scholastics. By the grace of God all of us are in good health and free from COVID 19. (SP)

PANDITHAHALLI //

It is comforting to witness the culmination of the construction work of Holy Angels School with exquisite paintings on the walls, well laid interlocks and well equipped class rooms. The pandemic seemed to be a blessing in disguise for it gave us the time needed for the renovation of the school building. In a very simple manner, we had our celebration of Teachers' Day, Gandhi Jayanti, Karnataka Rajyotsava as well as blessing of our school buses and community vehicles. Thanks to the generosity of the Mount St Joseph Community, we now have a second hand Bolero for the

mission. We also acknowledge the generous contribution of the AIMIT community for their computers for our school. We have been successfully conducting online classes for the students and of late, we completed the FA 1 online tests. We are glad that we are already through with the transfer of the school management and have received the essential documents regarding the school. We had a meeting with the Xavier Sadan community on the past, present and the future possibilities of our presence and work in Mysore. (EL)

SATYA NILAYAM, Chennai //

Satya Nilayam has been busy with online classes ever since the online academic program began this year. The final semester exams for the outgoing students had been meticulously organised and the first continuous assessment for the second years too are over. The online classes began for second years in the month of July and for first years from October. We have 42 students in the first year. Fr Nithin Monteiro has helped out in quite a few JCSA online events. He was in the team of 'Life line retreat' organised by JCSA followed by a few more of JCSA initiatives in which he collaborated with JCSA online team. As his academic

program has now started in Boston College, he is busy attending the online classes from here. We are deeply grieved at the untimely demise of Fr Vijay Kumar Prabhu, our former professor, dean and librarian. We came together in prayer and at the Eucharist remembering gratefully the devoted and dedicated service of Fr Vijay. He was a kind, compassionate and a caring professor and formator who had always worked for the well-being of the staff and students. Satya Nilayam places on record its profound gratitude for his long years of noble service. (LF)



REST IN PEACE

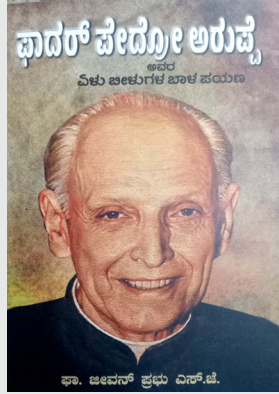
Mr Francis Pereira, 56, Fr Joe Mathias' niece's husband, on 16 October, in Mangaluru.
 Fr Wilson Arockiasamy SJ (MDU) 56/36, on 17 October, in Nagercoil.
 Fr Joachim Dungdung, SJ (RAN) 73/48, on 19 October, in Ranchi.
 Fr Gregory D'Silva, SJ (JAM) 56/37, on 25 October, in Jamshedpur.
 Br Jeyaraj Annaviar, SJ (MDU) 78/57, on 3 November, in Dindigul.
 Fr Gonzalez Valles Carlos SJ, (ESP) 95 / 79, on 09 November, in Madrid, Spain.
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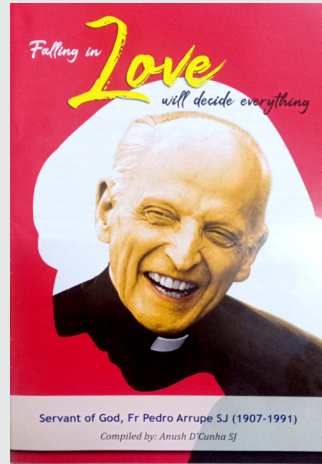
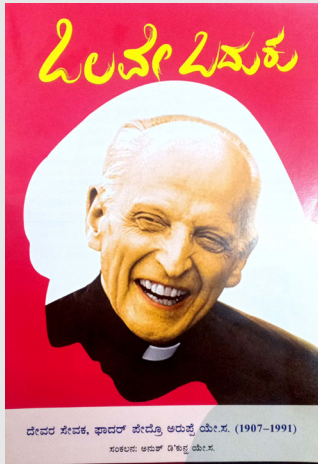
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