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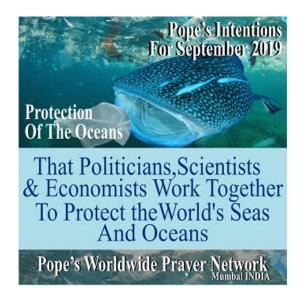
Understanding and Assimilating the UAPs

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Fr General Arturo Sosa opened the gathering in Hong Kong of the Jesuit Conference of Asia Pacific's major superiors, delegates, coordinators, secretaries and directors of work with a message about the Universal Apostolic Preferences (UAPs). "This week, you gather to open yourselves fully to being guided by the Holy Spirit. The challenge before you is to be sensitive to the movements in your heart," was the reminder from the Superior General of the Society of Jesus. "We as a body can be led by the Holy Spirit."

From the Gospel of Luke, he chose a passage that struck a deep chord: "No one pours new wine into old wineskins. Otherwise, the new wine will burst the skins, and it will be spilled, and the skins will be ruined. Rather, new wine must be put into fresh wineskins. And no one who has been drinking old wine desires new, for he says, "The old is good."

In this time of transition for the Society, Fr General's words come as a challenge and a consolation: "The radical changes we are experiencing, that happen so fast that it is hard to keep up: these are the new wineskins into which we are called to pour the Good News of Jesus Christ through our life-mission profoundly transformed by the experience of encounter with the Lord." And Fr General's reminder is constant: "He is on the path with us."



Fr. Provincial's schedule: September 2019

3	Meet Cardinal Oswald Gracias
10	Meeting of Superiors and
	Directors of Work
11	Province Consult
15-16	Infant Jesus Shrine
17	Holy Cross, Nashik
18	MPSM
19-20	Ambatha
27	Tara

Ignatian Retreats in Groups

based on the UAPs

24-31 October at Vinayalaya

5 - 12 November at Nashik Shrine

Register at

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Poem by Philip Carvalho sj

Some years ago, the late Fr. Philip Carvalho had

written a set of poems for children. We are happy to inform you that one of these poems has been included in the Marathi Bal Bharati reader for children in Std. II. This is a good tribute to the memory of Fr. Carvalho.



Amabatha News

The students of Prabodhan Vidyalaya participated in Junior Nehru Hockey tournament this year. The U - 17 girls got the 2nd place and the U - 17 and U - 15 boys got the 3rd place at Nashik District level. Thanks to all the support

received from various people and our Lord for all His Blessings



The 10th standard students made a recollection under the direction of Br. Jackson on the theme 'Who am I?' The main objective of the recollection was to make students aware of their image and purpose in life. We pray for these students that they will turn to be men and women listening to God's voice and people in service of others for God's greatest glory.

- Stephen Ghosal

John Mezsia will be celebrating a special thanksgiving Mass at St. Michael's Church, Manickpur on 15th September at 9.15 am. We invite you all to have breakfast with us at 8 am and then join for mass. Kindly inform Fr. Ainsley D'mello.

St Stanislaus Villa, Lonavala Family Holiday Camp

This Diwali, there will be 2 Family Camps:

Camp 1: Wed 23 Oct to Sun 27 Oct

Camp 2: Wed 30 Oct to Sun 03 Nov

'Seniors' Holiday Dhamaka'

This year we are also introducing the 'Seniors' Holiday Dhamaka' a Camp Tailor-made just for our dear seniors. We want to show that age is a matter of the mind and that having Fun grows with experience. This is for Senior couples, groups or singles. No young persons will be permitted at this exclusive 'Seniors' Holiday Dhamaka'.

At the Seniors' Holiday Dhamaka', there will be super fun filled activity right through the day where you can 'let your hair down' (what's left of it); or if they prefer just relax & chat about good old chor-police, and dubba-ispice, old or new flames or about 'mobile' simply meaning, 'Able to move' and not some restricting gadget.

'Seniors' Holiday Dhamaka' Camp 3: 5 Days

Wed 06 Nov to Sun 10 Nov

For more information & Registration get in touch with The Parish Office, St Peter's Church, Hill Rd, Bandra. Tel: 2645 9474; 2642 3098

Workshop on Transforming Teaching through IPP

On 13 July, Campion School hosted the workshop on Jesuit Education for the teachers. The workshop started with an introduction by Fr. Francis Swamy. It encompassed three phases; Characteristics of Jesuit Education, acquaintance with the

IPP (Ignatian Pedagogical Paradigm) and sessions demonstrating how the IPP can be incorporated in everyday teaching.

In the first session, Mr Paul Machado discussed the characteristics of Jesuit Education, enlightening us on the purpose behind our educational efforts.

In the second session, Dr. Vini Sebastian explained how the IPP lays guidelines which guarantee the overall development of students. The main elements are Experience, Reflection, and Action. A prelearning element, Context, and a postlearning element, Evaluation, are also necessary for the method's success, bringing the total to five elements. Ignatian pedagogy uses this dynamic five-step method to enhance the learner's growth and development. The child is exposed to 'learning experiences' which induces him to question or reason out and arrive at a conclusion. The IPP includes various factors that contribute to successful learning.

For the last session, we had professors from St. Xavier's College of Education who showed us how the IPP can be incorporated in our lessons. We were then asked to prepare lessons based on our subjects and demonstrate what we had learnt.

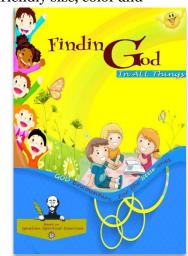
The workshop was enlightening and at the same time gave us 'hands-on' experience on implementing the IPP. This enables us to mould students who are academically sound and also conscientious persons.

Ms Shannen D'Souza (Campion School)

Holy Family publication

A publication for children titled *Finding God...in All Things* was released by Holy Family Church, Chakala on the Feast Day of St. Ignatius of Loyola 2019. This adaptation has been put together by parishioners Mary Saldanha and Marietta Azavedo under the guidance of Frs. Charles Rodrigues and Vincent Vaz. This concise guide with its short chapters, child friendly size, color and

appealing font is an ideal introduction of Ignatian spirituality to children aged 4 to 10 years. The book divided into 10 Chapters, follows a simple style of writing intended to help integrate Ignatian spirituality, imaginative prayer and the Examen into the everyday lives of kids. Each Chapter



of the book includes a Prayer and an Activity to help children cherish and express their spirituality.

Ps. Ms. Mary Saldanha who played such a vital role in this publication has gone to her eternal reward. May she rest in peace.

A page from the diary of XTC, Belgaum

The academic year began with the warm welcome of the probationers to the Novitiate wing on 3rd July. The program began with the procession from the Juniorate block to the Novitiate chapel with a question of confirmation by Fr Novice master – "Are you ready to enter into the novitiate?" To which the 11 brothers unanimously replied "Yes". After the mass, the new comers planted their vocation plants with help from their guardian angels. The evening culminated with a sportive football match between the two

batches. The rest of the day was spent in leisure, getting to know our 1st year brothers. This year, the four provinces are blessed with 20 Novices in all. The next event was the feast of St. Ignatius. The Eucharist was celebrated by Fr. Vijay Chokar, our new Socius, who preached on following the footsteps of Ignatius through his life. This celebration was also attended by parishioners from around.

15th August was marked by multiple events - The Assumption of our lady, the anniversary of the first vows of our founding fathers, Independence Day and Rakshabandhan. Fr. Seby presided at the mass and a multi lingual choir sang hymns representing the diversity of India. This was followed by a flag hoisting ceremony. Our chief guest for the day was Sr. Jessy John – our very own neighbor from Gyan Niketan. We had our brother sister bonding between the two formation houses on this rich cultural festival of Rakhi followed by mouth watering *Jelabis*.

2nd year novices

Youth Alive @ Manickpur

IGNIS 2019 – an inter-zonal event to celebrate the feast of St. Ignatius set the premises of St. Michael's Church, Manickpur buzzing with activity. Spread out over 3rd and 4th August 2019, the Youth Group organized a variety of events for different age groups. Indoor sports like Carrom, Chess, and Table Tennis along with creative arts like drawing, best out of waste and poster making were organized.

The quiz competition for children spread more awareness about the life of St. Ignatius and the Jesuits. Recognizing the need to listen to the voices of the youth a debate competition was organized and indeed, there is a lot of listening to be done. Tele games which involved people of different age groups working together as a team was enjoyed by all the participants and volunteers involved. Football, however, was the

main crowd-puller this year with young and old alike coming to the church ground to cheer their zone. This was the first event organized by the Youth Group this year and it certainly achieved its goal of bringing the people of the parish and the youth together for the feast of St. Ignatius.



After the excitement of IGNIS, it was time for the Youth to experience a new reality. The youth visited Seva Sadan – an orphanage for children on 18th August 2019. Along with organizing games for them, the youth took a session on 'Self Esteem' for the children in small groups. The entire experience was very enriching and motivating for the youth.

Sumit D'souza

Khabre Snehasadan ki

Summer vacations physically sap our energy but also refresh us as we enter the new academic year in June. Fr. Felix D'Souza left us to go to his new destination, St. Peters Church, Bandra. Thank you, Fr. Felix, for all your services and wish you all the best. We welcome Deacon Frankline Colaco who will assist in Snehasadan work, while doing his diaconate ministry in Holy Family Church.

At the HSC exams this year, 5 children appeared and all passed, giving us cent percent results. At the SSC exams, 8 children appeared, of whom one boy got a KT in one subject and one boy could not clear the exam. All the rest passed, with the highest among them securing 79% marks. One boy cleared his Bachelor in Engineering exam, and one

completed his Diploma in Civil Engineering and also got a job in L&T, while one girl successfully completed her General Nursing Midwifery Diploma and got a job in Holy Spirit Hospital. We see that some of our children have done really well, whereas others need to put in more hard work.

We celebrated the 57th anniversary of Snehasadan, on 28th June. Fr. Noel, the Director, celebrated the Holy Eucharist, and this was followed by a cultural program. Our Chief-Guest, Dr. Shelly Sharma, (a Homeopath) motivated our children with her inspiring words. We thank her for all the support and guidance that she renders to our children. On this occasion, we also felicitated all the children who had successfully completed their various courses.

On 10th August, the Snehasadan staff and house-parents went for a picnic to Vihang Vihar Farm, Saphale. The journey was filled with fun, laughter and joy. It was time to be with nature, enjoy walks along the seashore, boating on the river and refreshing dips in the swimming-pools. The farm was surrounded by vast green paddy-fields, has ponds for fish-farming and several cages for raising of animals. These were added attractions for all of us. This was a wonderful opportunity for the staff from all our centres and projects, the house-parents, the office-staff and the Management to come together to spend quality time with one another. The fun and games, swimming, dancing in the rain, singing, cracking of jokes and the walk along the sea-shore deepened the bond among us. At the end, though physically tired, we were filled with fresh energy and enthusiasm to work together as a team.

- Frankline Colaco

Holy Cross Aaj Tak

Holy Cross community has once again ventured into new pastoral, interfaith, youth and ecology activities taking inspiration from the UAPs. The Parish pastoral council begins every month with half hour of faith formation session or workshop in Ignatian Spirituality and other Church related topics. Vinay has been actively involved in giving effective on above topics. It has helped the council members to be contemplatives in action following the Jesuit charism.

The parish vouth had their annual summer camp at Panchgani in which group building and activities were conducted by Sch. Vivian Almeida and group.



On 18th

August a nature trek was organized at Dabosa waterfall, Jawhar for the parish and other youth. The youth carried out the cleanliness drive at the trekking spot and collected thirty bags of plastic waste. News of this gesture spread like wild fire among the locals who thanked the youth personally. During the monsoon where people usually litter such places, the youth wrote a love letter to nature with this noble gesture.

India's 73rd Independence Day celebration was unique and distinct, gathering various NGOs from Nasik city who work for the service of the common people. This day saw the presence of many people from other faiths and communities and even the third gender was invited to share the platform at the church level. The reluctance and fear that initially many people felt to enter the church campus was taken away by this

beautiful approach. The focus of the programme was on constitutional values where the youth of the holy cross put up an effective street play based on the constitution and the current situation in India. There were no celebrities invited instead the speakers of the day were a lady domestic worker, a Ghanta Gaadi employee, an Adivasi youth, a slum girl and a transgender. Vency in his welcome speech made everyone feel at home with the Church.

Vinay along with his studies of MA in English has been actively involved in preparing and giving ecology modules to different schools. Teachers and students orientation programme have also been taken up in Jesuit and Non-Jesuit Schools by Lloyd. The youth activity has also been extended to Manmad where the Alumni of St. Xaviers boarding Manmad were called together to have an interaction. There was tree plantation done in the campus along with nature trek.

- Holy Cross Jesuits

Manickpur News

Ignatian Novena on UAPs: For the first time a nine-day novena, instead of the customary three days, was introduced at all the daily Masses at St. Michael's Church, Manickpur in preparation for the feast of St. Ignatius. This novena dwelt on the four themes of the Universal Apostolic Preferences (UAPs) promulgated by Fr. General Arturo Sosa for the next 10 years. Deacon John Meszia with the collaboration of Prashant and the support of the rest of the community organised this creative new initiative. The introduction related to the life of Ignatius, Ignatian spirituality and the UAPs was read by a lay person followed by a brief testimony of transformation by one of the Jesuits. This novel approach to novenas and the creative presentation of Ignatian spirituality was appreciated by the parishioners.

Paryavaran cum Parents' Day: Paryavaran (Environment) Day was held together with Parents Day on the weekend of 28-29 July. Quite a few parishioners bought saplings, displayed in the church campus, to be planted around their homes. In a novel venture before the Parents' Day celebration for the confirmation students and their parents, Fr. Neelam Lopes, the green parish priest, blessed the saplings. Each student was gifted a sapling: a reminder of a visible sign of invisible grace. These will be watered and nurtured at home as a commitment to the care for Mother Earth.

MANIK Special Issue on UAPs: The special issue of Manik, the Manickpur Church bulletin, brought out on the occasion of the feast of St. Ignatius, highlighted the UAPs. The editorial team explained in practical terms the four UAPs and their implications for Jesuit institutions.

Prashant Olalekar

In Christ's Peace

- + Fr. Hedwig da Costa (KAR) 83/66, passed away at Bengaluru on 31 July
- **+ Mrs. Marcella Lopes,** the mother of deacon Thomson Lopes passed away on 29 July
- + Mr. Ivor D'Souza, the brother of Br. Bruno D'Souza, passed away on 30 July
- + Fr. Gilbert D'Souza, the brother of Br. Vincent D'Souza, passed away on 22 August

We celebrate ...

1st September - World Day of Prayer for Creation

1st Sept to 4th Oct – Season of Creation.