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Message from Fr. Provincial

By the Grace of God and under continuous guidance and inspiration of Holy Spirit the second session of our Provincial Synaxis got over on 29 August 2014 at Nirmal Provincial House Dharampura. They were days of fellowship and communion and was also occasion to think collectively and together various action plans in the light of the four thrusts given by the General Synaxis. The Resolutions passed by the General Synaxis were the guiding principles for our discussions which helped us to formulate action plans in our mission situation. Now it is for us to put them into practice in our day to day life as a CMI religious community. The General Synaxis and the provincial Synaxis offer us an opportunity to self-examine the personal and collective life and mission of the CMI community in the light of the prophetic Charism bequeathed to us and the demands of global mission that we have accepted as a community. This renewal of our commitment in the community is vital and important all the more as we celebrate the canonization of our founder on 23rd November this year. May our readiness for the renewal of our Congregation along the path opened up by GS 37 with the central theme "CMI Charism and the Prophetic Call for Global Mission" take us further forward as a community united in the ever-living person of Jesus Christ and animated by the ever-abiding Holy Spirit. I take this opportunity to thank all the Synaxis members for their active and constructive participation. May God bless us all!

Pastor Heinrich Wernsmann Retires...



Heartfelt thanks to Pastor Heinrich Wernsmann who retires as Pastor of St. Nikomedes Parish Steinfurt in Germany. He has served the Parish St. Nikomedes from 2001. He is a friend of our mission and has initiated a partnership between Jagdalpur and Borghorst in the year 2003. Through this partnership a lot has been initiated especially in Dugoli and also for the Asha Ashram. His contact with Jagdalpur Mission began through Fr. Provincial who was in his pastoral team and later it was continued through Fr. Theodore Kindo. Besides he also initiated a lot of spiritual renewal programme in his parish. He was accorded a very solemn send-off by the parishioners on 24th August 2014. Nirmal Family remembers him with gratitude and wishes him God's abundant blessings!

“ ईश्वरसेवक आत्मा अब जिस राह पर तुम चल रहे हो क्या वह तुम्हें स्वर्गधाम तक पहुँचायेगी ? ”

Chavara Year Inauguration



On the occasion of the canonization of Blessed Kuriakose Elias Chavara and Blessed Euphrasia on 23rd November 2014, in Vatican Fr. Prior General has declared this year as Chavara Year. It began officially on 15th August 2014 and will end on 15th August 2015.

To mark the inauguration of this Chavara Year in our Province we conducted 40 hour adoration from 25th August 2014. The day began with the Holy Eucharistic celebration led by our Vicar Provincial Fr. Santhosh Kotheril CMI. Fr. Sebastian Mavunkel CMI delivered the homily. After the Divine Liturgy, we began 40 hour adoration. The second day (26th August 2014) began with the Divine Liturgy led by Fr. Philip Kollithanam, Cyncellus and Parish Priest of Good Shepherd Parish. 40 Hour Adoration was concluded with the Divine Liturgy led by Fr. Josey Thamarassery CMI, Provincial, Nirmal Province, Jagdalpur on 27th August 2014. Congratulations to Fr. Sebastian Mavunkel, Councillor for Evangelization and Pastoral Ministry, for the well arrangements. Thanks to all the Fathers, Sisters, Brothers, Candidates of various Congregations and faithful of Jagdalpur Diocese for their presence and prayers. After the Holy Eucharistic celebration, all venerated the relics of Bl. Kuriakose Elias Chavara.

Novitiate Entrance at Vinayalaya Novitiate

Nirmal Province is blessed with four postulants who will be officially commencing their canonical novitiate along with other 14 Postulants from the North Indian Provinces on 8th September 2014 at Vinayalaya Novitiate Bhanpuri, Jagdalpur.

CCC Inauguration



CCC (Community Care Centre) at Aghanpur was blessed and inaugurated by our Bishop Mar. Joseph Kollamparampil CMI on Wednesday, 6th August 2014. Rev. Fr. Provincial, Rev. Fr. V.G, Rev. Fr. Syncellus of the Diocese, many Fathers, Sisters were present on the occasion. Congratulations to Fr. Santhosh Tharakan CMI (Former Director) and Fr. Tom Arackal CMI, Director of CCC. Thanks to all for your valuable presence!

New Mission at Bemetara

Responding to the invitation given by the Archbishop of Raipur, Nirmal Province has taken up a new mission in the new district called Bemetara. It is a newly constituted district separating from Durg. Fr. Thomas Thuruthiyil CMI is entrusted to do pastoral ministry at Bemetara. He celebrated the first Holy Eucharist for the faithful in Bemetara on 24th August 2014. So we begin the pastoral ministry in the Archdiocese of Raipur, with the blessing of the Archbishop. Congratulations to Fr. Thomas Thuruthiyil for the pioneering work! Prayerful wishes from Nirmal Province Jagdalpur!

“ प्यारे सहजातों, खुदकी आत्मा का बचाव करना नहीं सीखे, -



PROVINCIAL'S DIARY
September - October 2014

September 2014

- 04 NAAC Meeting at Christ College, Jagdalpur, Common Gathering addressed by Rev. Fr. Prior General at 6 pm
- 05 To Raipur with Rev. Fr. Prior General
- 06-07 Visit - Kapsi and Junawar
- 08 Novitiate Entrance at Bhanpuri, Grotto Feast at Dantewada at 6 pm
- 11 Provincial Council Meeting
- 13 CRI Executive Meeting & Golden Jubilee at Raipur
- 15 St. Little Theresa Ashram Gathering at Palligaon
- 17 St. Alphonsa Ashram Gathering at Kirandul
- 25 Meeting - NAAC Peer Team
- 26-30 Visit - Students at Wardha and Mancherial

October 2014

- 01-04 Major Superiors' Meeting & Formation Council Meeting at Bangalore

RIP

Mr. Mathew Chirayilparambil (89) beloved Father of Fr. Benny Chirayilparambil CMI on 14th August 2014.

Mr. K.K. Antony (75) brother-in-law of Fr. Xavier Thanamavumkal CMI on 10th August 2014.

Ku. Priyanka (18) daughter of Mr. Bhagat and staff at Nirmal Niketan School, Dantewada, on 27th August 2014.

Nirmal family conveys hearty condolences and prayers to the bereaved family and to Fr. Benny, Fr. Xavier and the Principal and staff of Nirmal Niketan School.

Junior Priests' Get-together

Junior Priests' programme is planned for the last six batches of our Nirmal Province Jagdalpur (Batches from 2008 – 2013) on 17-18 October 2014 at Provincial House. Please be present for the get-together.

New Assignment

Fr. Abraham Palakkattuchira CMI is appointed Parochial Vicar of Immaculate Conception Church in Dupont, Diocese of Alexandria, USA on 4th August 2014. Congratulations and Prayerful wishes to Nirmal Fr. Abraham for a successful ministry!

Visit of Rev. Fr. Prior General

Dear Rev. Fathers/Brothers,

As Fr. Prior General makes his canonical visit to Samanvaya Kolchoor, he has also expressed his desire to meet the members of our Province. Therefore we shall have a province gathering on Thursday, 4th September 2014, at 6.00 pm, at our Nirmal Sadan Provincial House. All the CMI members are requested to be present for the gathering.

Chavara Retreat at Nirmal Sadan Provincial House

As desired by many of us, we are planning to arrange a Chavara retreat at Nirmal Sadan Provincial House during this Chavara Year. Rev. Fr. Thomas Kochumuttam CMI who belongs to the Chavara retreat team of the Generalate has consented to preach the retreat. It will be held from Monday, 8th December 2014 (begins in the evening) to Saturday, 13th December 2014 (ends in the morning). Please save these dates and be present for the retreat.

Mission Visit

Fr. Thomas Kadalikkattil CMI (Germany) and Fr. Baby Mangattuthazhath CMI (USA) visited Jagdalpur mission stations from 17-23 and 22-26 August 2014 respectively. Thank you dear Fathers for your visit and encouragements!

- बुलाहट से जुडे मूल्यों पर अमल करना नहीं सीखे हैं, तो आपलोगोंने क्या सीखे ? ” - धन्य चावरा

New Contact Numbers

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Chavara Boat



In connection with the Chavara Year, our eldest brother Bro. Joseph Vadakkekannamchira CMI in his 86th year designed 'Chavara Boat' and is exhibited at the Provincial House. He is honoured and appreciated by Fr. Provincial and all the Fathers of the Province during the inauguration of the Chavara Year. Congratulations to our dear Bro. Joseph!

'Evening on Vocation'



On the occasion of Chavara Year Nirmal Province Jagdalpur organised an 'Evening on Vocation' for all the candidates of different Congregations working in the Eparchy of Jagdalpur on 30th August 2014, at Christ Bhavan, Jagdalpur. The talk was given by Mr. Pauly Manjaly and his family from Bhopal. He spoke on 'Word oriented Religious Life based on his life testimony'. Congratulations to the Formation Co-ordinator of Nirmal Province Fr. Jose Eroorickal CMI (Junior) for the initiatives. There were more than 140 candidates for attending the valuable talk and prayer session. Thanks to all the formees and their formators. Special thanks to Christ Bhavan community for the well arrangements.

Feast Days

Fr. Kariyilakulam Mathew	Sept. 21
Fr. Kunnel Mathew	Sept. 21
Fr. Thelly Mathew	Sept. 21
Fr. Vallanattu Sunil	Sept. 21
Fr. Nellivelil Joshy	Sept. 21
Fr. Thekkummury Regi	Sept. 21
Fr. Arackal Tom	Sept. 29
Fr. Kaithapampil Boban	Sept. 29
Bro. Vellappally Anu	Sept. 21



Birth Days

Fr. Kaithapampil Boban	Sept. 02
Fr. Thelly Mathew	Sept. 03
Fr. Machery Kurian	Sept. 20
Fr. Kuppayil Peter	Sept. 30
Fr. Pazhoor Joseph	Sept. 30
Bro. Kadiamkuttiyil Anoop	Sept. 10
Bro. Vellappally Anu	Sept. 10

"Live not one's life as though one had a thousand years, but live each day as the last"
 Marcus Aurelius