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Programme - July 2015

2. 5.00 p.m. - Meeting of various denominations, Bishop's House
4. 8.00 p.m. - Attend Rotary Chairman of Mangalore Central, Bendur Hall
5. - Pastoral Visit to Gantalkatte
- 4.00 p.m. - ICYM Central Council Meeting
- 5-10 8.45 p.m. - I batch Retreat starts
12. 9.15 a.m. - All associations Meeting at Pastoral Institute
- 10 to 5 - Prayer in Kodialbail Chapel
14. 10.00 a.m. - SCC Coordinators, Convenors' Meeting, P.I.
15. 9.30 a.m. - Correspondents Meeting, P.I.
16. - Diocesan Pastoral Parished
- 5.30 p.m. - Feast of Mt Carmel Cloistered Carmel, Kankanady
17. 9.30 a.m. - Inauguration of Counselling Seminar, teachers, P.I.
- 18-19 - Pastoral Visit to Vittal
- 23 9.30 a.m. - Visiting Seminary, meet staff and students
24. 4.00 p.m. - CBE governing board
- 25-26 - Pastoral Visit to Pakshikere
30. 3.00 p.m. - CODP General Body meeting, CODP office
- Bishop available:** 13 - People; 21, 28 - Priests and Sisters

BISHOP'S MESSAGE FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2015

I am happy to know that the Catechism year was inaugurated in all Parishes on 7 June 2015. All students from Std. I to XII should attend the catechism class regularly.

There could be defaulters in attending the catechism classes. It is necessary that the Parish clergy and the religious visit the homes of such students. Mere publication in the church may not get desired result. In the context of today, catechism plays an important role. If any child loses catechism, there are no possibilities of imparting catechism to such children later on. I would consider the teaching of catechism is more important ministry on the part of the clergy and religious than anything else.

On 16 July 2015 the feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel will be celebrated. This feast is popular among the faithful of coastal dioceses. This devotion has become a part and parcel of Christian devotion to Mother Mary. The Carmelite missionaries had introduced and fostered this devotion wherever they served. Today every child at the time of First Holy Communion gets a scapular and rosary. Every year on the feast of Mount Carmel, some parishes give scapulars to the faithful and speak of the importance of scapular devotion. The Carmelites supply scapulars free of cost, so also Gerosa Company, Milagres, Mangalore. This devotion inculcates the love for Mother Mary in our life. In the families there is a practice of reciting the Chaplet of Our Lady of Carmel. By these means an extension of the spirituality of the Carmelites is fostered among the faithful. The message of this devotion is to remain faithful to the teachings of Jesus and to pray and make penance for our sins and sins of the world. The penance is not for its own sake but to increase in us spirit of charity towards the unfortunate ones.

I thank you for your prayers and greetings on my feast and birthday on 21 June 2015. I am grateful to the parents of the boys and girls who have joined the seminary and religious communities. Our effort to promote vocations should be continued throughout the year. In our state, the diocese like Gulbarga, Shimoga, Ballary, Udupi and Mangalore need vocations apart from several religious congregations. Besides we have an obligation to send missionaries to other Dioceses in India. While thanking the Lord for giving us vocations, I thank specially the Parish Priests and religious for their efforts to inculcate the desire

in the young minds. Let us promote vocations by our own edifying life.

Three years back on 16 July 2012, the diocese of Udupi was erected. We offer our greetings and good wishes to the Bishop and their entire diocese on this anniversary. May the Diocese of Udupi prosper.

I place before you some of the sentiments and observations of the laity in our diocese. Before initiating any new project or works in the parish, please refer and seek advice from the Bishop. After you have the permission from the Bishop, let the project or works be kept before the Parish assembly / Parish Pastoral Parishad and Finance committee. Let the people have a say in all these works. The cash book has to be signed at the end of every month by the Parish Priest and Vice President. Before signing, let him go through all the bills, vouchers and receipts. Please ensure transparency and impeccable accountability, in order to uphold the highest traditions of the church exemplified by Pope Francis. Let the finance committee go through the accounts periodically. The education institutions either under a trust or under Parish Priest, should follow the same procedures. The trustees of the education trust should scrutinise and pass the accounts. Where there is a Promotion of Education Account, the committee which I have constituted should do the similar exercise (Refer Internos of September 2013 Page 183). Keep open the accounts to all the members of the committee. When often repeated, admonitions by me are neglected, there could be scope for misunderstanding, doubts and confusion in the minds of the people. The minutes of finance committee should be sent to the Bishop for approval. Some parishes are not sending them to me. If it was sent timely, I would have given the guidance and when complaints come to me I would have clarified many a doubt in the minds of people. Since monies belong to the parish or institution, we are only the stewards and trustees. I strongly recommend to you to be very careful in initiating and carrying on the projects in the parish or institutions. Please follow the procedure laid down in the Constitution of Parish Pastoral Parishad.

I thank you for the cooperation and your continuous prayer for me and the diocese. May God Bless you.

+ Aloysius Paul D'Souza
Bishop of Mangalore

Dear Rev Fathers,

Fr Faustine Lobo National Director of PMS has sent the following information. Kindly hurry up with the projects to claim grants from Christian development council, Govt. of Karnataka.

- Bishop

Your Excellencies,

I am writing to your good selves as the member of the Christian Development Council, the Government of Karnataka.

We are scrutinizing projects from different churches and institutions. We have projects from them all. But to my surprise I find that the Catholic Church is not applying for projects as many as desired. The pentecostal churches, small little sects and denominations are submitting projects left and right. The family trusts of these denominations are taking huge money and are building their personal property.

May I request the Most Reverend bishops, the priests and the religious to apply to as many projects so that many of our needs are satisfied. There is money enough for many more projects. The projects could be for Repairs and renovation of churches, For higher studies of students, for Skill training, for Old age homes, for Orphanages.

For the repairs, renovation or extension of Churches (This also includes compound walls for the church property or Cemetary) provision is made based on the years of existence..

Churches within 01-05 years of existence - No grants

Churches within 06-10 years of existence - Rs. 5 lakhs or 50% of the estimated cost, whichever is less.

Churches within 11-25 years of existence - Rs. 20 lakhs or 50% of the estimated cost, whichever is less.

Churches within 50-99 years of existence - Rs. 30 lakhs or 75% of the estimated cost, whichever is less.

Churches that have completed 100 years and more - Rs. 50 lakhs or 90% of the estimated cost, whichever is less.

Construction of the Compound wall to churches or graveyards
- Rs. 10 lakhs or 90% of the estimated cost, whichever is less.

The CDC has formed a sub-committee to scrutinize the projects before presenting to the CDC. I am member of the sub-committee too. Therefore, there is better scope to make available the funds.

Hurry up please.

With warm regards,

Rev. Faustine L. Lobo

National Director

Clerical Appointments

1. V. Rev Victor Machado is appointed Vicar Forane of City Varado w.e.f. 03.06.2015.
2. V. Rev John Baptist Saldanha is appointed Vicar Forane of Mangalore South Varado w.e.f. 24.06.2015.

We wish them well and pray for God's abundant blessings.

+ Aloysius Paul D'Souza

Bishop of Mangalore

Birthday

Rev Victor Machado - 28.7.1945 (70)

Ad Multos Annos

RESULT

St. Mary's College, Bela

Final Degree result

B.B.M. 100%; B.Com. 99%

- V. Rev. Vincent D'Souza

REMINDER

Diocesan Directory

I am disappointed to inform you that not even 50% of the parishes and religious houses have furnished the information for the Directory. On 15 July I am submitting the manuscripts to the press to go ahead with the printing. From the religious communities, to be precise only 10-12 houses have sent the information. Kindly hurry up in supplying information as mentioned in the Internos of June 2015.

Annual Returns

28 parishes have submitted the annual audited statement of accounts to the Chancery. Please don't delay. Those parishes who have a large volume of accounts work may delay in sending the audited statements. They should send the budget proposals independently for approval.

Bible Quiz

Mr. Denis Castelino (94449101617; 8970920101) from Bajpe Parish has; been publishing Bible Quiz as ಪವಿತ್ರ ಪುಸ್ತಕ್ - ಜಾಣ್ವಾರಿಯ ಸ್ಪರ್ಧೆ.

He has been assisted by Priests. Some varados have taken the Quiz sheets and returned them for competition. The winners are awarded prizes. Since the quiz is in order, you may cooperate with him. Every quiz paper has a foreword by a Priest. He has completed 120 quiz in June 2015

- Vicar General

SHANTHI-KIRAN COUNSELING CENTRE
Pastoral Institute, Bajjodi, Mangalore - 5.

10th June, 2015

Greetings.

We have begun a new school year and doing the noble duty of guiding our students to be responsible human beings. As we deal with our students we may find hard to guide them especially in psychological and emotional spheres. Most of us belong to 'X' or 'Y' generations (born before 1994) and we are dealing with students of 'Z' generation (born after 1995). At times, our guidance, inputs and corrections don't help them and may have adverse effects on them. The educational policies too discourage the traditional forms of guidance and corrections. We notice generational differences, psychological and emotional difficulties in our students. We have hard times to understand them, which makes our work difficult and in turn create a lot of stress in us. We hope that certain amount of assistance may enable our teachers to equip them with skills to identify, assess and guide in psychological needs and developmental hazards of our children. So we are organizing a seminar on **PSYCHOLOGICAL FIRST AID** in the coming semester.

The seminar will be held in two levels of two days each at the week-ends. The seminar will shed light on psychology, psychopathology, counseling skills, and soft skills to deal with our children. The seminar will be held in zonal levels in three places for the English Medium Higher Primary and High schools. The participants of Level II need to be the one who have already attended Level I

The details of the seminar as follows:

Group I

Deaneries : Bantwal, Belthangady, Mogarnad, Puttur

Venue : Bantwal

Dates : Level I: July, 10-11

Level II: August 07-08

Last date to register the names: 30th June, 2015

Group II

Deaneries : Pezar, Mudipu, Bela, Moodbidri
Venue : Shanthi Kiran, Bajjodi - Mangalore
Dates : Level I: July 17-18
Level II: August 21-22
Last date to register the names: 09th July, 2015

Group III:

Deaneries : Episcopal City, City, Kinnigoli
Venue : Shanthi Kiran, Bajjodi - Mangalore
Dates : Level I: July 31 - Aug 1
Level II: September 16-17
Last date to register the names: 16th July, 2015

Participants: Headmaster/Headmistress and two teachers from each school

Registration Fee: Rs. 200/- per person per level (inclusive of tea, lunch, refreshments and Certificate of participation)

Time : 9.30 am to 4.00 pm
Kindly register your names before the assigned dates.

The contact details: **2223897, 8105681256**

- **Rev. Arun Lobo**

Recommendation of the Bishop

I strongly recommend the teachers to attend the courses.

+ **Aloysius Paul D'Souza**
Bishop of Mangalore

MANGALA JYOTHI

I. PROGRAMMES:

- 2, July 15 : Value Education Classes : St. Agnes P.U. College.
 5, July 15 : Liturgy Seminar, Vijayadka Parish.
 8-9 July 15 : Regional Catechetical Meeting - Bangalore
 11, July 15 : Catechism Teachers' Follow up Training
 Programme: **Episcopal City Deanery (2 pm-5pm)**
 12, July 15 : Catechism Teachers Training Programme:
Belthangady Deanery (9 am - 3 pm)
 19, July 15 : Catechism co-ordinator's Seminar (Sunday)
 20, July 15 : Catechism co-ordinator's Seminar (Primary School)
 21, July 15 : Catechism co-ordinator's Seminar (High School)
 23, July 15 : Value Education Classes : Gerosa High School
 26, July 15 : Liturgy Seminar, Sastan Parish.
 30, July 15 : Value Education Classes : Holy Redeemer School,
 Belthangady

II. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

1. New Publications & Arrivals:

- * **DVD on First Holy Communion Catechesis** (Rs. 100/-)
 - * “ಭಾವಾರ್ಥಚ್ಯಾ ಶಿಕ್ಷಾಚಿ ಸಾಹೆತ್” - Teachers Aid for Sunday/School Catechesis
 - * **Colouring pictures in Konkani** (Rs. 50/-) - Student material (LKG to 5th Std), these pictures are related to new testament.
 - * **The story of Jesus Puzzle Kit, famous bible stories...** for children.
 - * “ಚೇತನ ಭಕ್ತಿ ನೀತೆ ಪುಸ್ತಕ & DVD” - Fr. Chasara.
 - * Other new books on consecrated life, homilies, spirituality available.
2. **Hosts, Padthicals, incense...** are available at our stall.
3. **Konkani Lectionary Vol. I:** will be available from 6th July 2015.
 Vol. II & III will be available in the month of October 2015.
 Sorry for the delay.

Dear Fathers I am happy to inform you that new catechism teacher's training was held on 14th June at Mangala Jyothi. 75 new teachers were present and also Extra ordinary minister's training was held on 21st June at Mangala Jyothi. 80 candidates have attended the course. I thank you for your co-operation.

- **Director, Mangala Jyothi**

FAMILY LIFE SERVICE CENTRE
PROGRAMMES IN THE MONTH OF JULY 2015

- I. Marriage preparation Programme: Pre-Cana 4th & 5th; 25th & 26th (English)
Time : 8:30 am to 5.00 pm
Place: Shanthi Kiran Hall, Nanthoor – Bajjodi
- II. Family Apostolate classes in the Seminary 13th to 17th
- III. Regional Secretary and Diocesan Commission
Coordinators meeting and Training at Bangalore 23rd July
- IV. **For Couples / Hand Maids**
 - i. 1st July 2015: Teaching Meet at Bondel at 6.30 pm
 - ii. 3rd July 2015: Teaching Meet Ashok Nagar at 7 pm
 - iii. 15th July 2015: Community Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Pastoral Institute, Bajjodi at 7 pm
 - iv. 19th July 2015: Joint meeting of the community at Pastoral Institute, Bajjodi at 4 pm
- V. **CFCI Singles & CFCI Youth:**
Meet on 5th, 12th & 26th July at 4 pm at Urwa
- VI. **Christian Life Seminar (CLS)**
on: 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th July at Milagres Parish at 6 pm.
- VII. **Kids Village** for Children of Milagres Parish aged between 7 to 12 on 26th July from 9 am to 5 pm at Milagres Church.

- Rev. Anil Alfred D'Souza
Director

**The Sad Demise of Sr. Nirmala Joshi,
The Second Superior General of Missionaries of
Charity, on 22nd June, 2015**

Sister Nirmala Joshi of the Missionaries of Charity went to eternal rest on 22nd June, 2015. We are very much saddened by her death and pray to God to grant her eternal rest in his heavenly kingdom.

Sr. Nirmala who succeeded Blessed Mother Teresa as Super General of the Congregation of Missionaries of Charity was born in 1934 in Ranchi (Bihar) to a rich Brahmin parents. Sr. Nirmala was the first among the 10 children of her parents, eight girls and 2 boys. Her earlier name was Kusum. She attended school run by the Sisters and was touched by their love for the poor and dedicated service. Sr. Nirmala Joshi obtained her Master's Degree in Political Science and studied Law. Having come in contact with Mother Teresa, she was fascinated by her simple way of life and love for the poor. She used to say: "I was touched by Jesus, when I saw my hostel friend kneeling and praying. I had never sought him, but he had sought me and had found me at last". Sr. Nirmala accepted Jesus Christ as her Lord and Saviour, and embraced Christianity in 1958 at the age of 23.

In the year 1997, she was elected to succeed Mother Teresa as the Superior General of the Institute. Today, the Congregation of Missionaries of Charity has over 4000 Missionaries of Charity spread all over the world.

On her election as the Superior General, Sr. Nirmala repeated the very words of Mother Teresa and called herself '*a little pencil*' in God's hands and stressed that He uses all of us to write the history of Charity.

The Government of India bestowed on Sr. Nirmala the Padma Vibhushan, the second highest civilian award, on 26th January, 2009 for her services to the nation. Her term as Superior General ended on 25th March, 2009, and she was succeeded by German-born Sr. Mary Prema Pierick, M. C.

On this sad occasion, I express my deep sorrow, heartfelt sympathy and sincere condolences to all the Sisters of Missionaries

of Charity spread all over the world, and pray to God to give necessary strength and courage to all of them to accept this irreparable loss, and to carry forward Sr. Nirmala's legacy of compassion, gentleness and service to the poorest of the poor and holiness of life.

+ Bernard Moras

Archbishop of Bangalore,

*President – Karnataka Region Catholic Bishops' Council,
and*

President - All Karnataka United Forum for Human Rights

Laudato si

Laudato si is the recent social encyclical of Pope Francis and it deals with the care of the environment. The title, ***Laudato si'*** is neither Latin nor Italian, but medieval Umbrian, the language in which St Francis wrote the canticle on creation "Praise Be to You, *my Lord, with all your creatures, especially Sir Brother Sun, who is the day and through whom you give us light* " (*Laudato Si*, 87). The encyclical is lengthy with 246 paragraphs, 6 chapters, 172 footnotes, with an introduction and two prayers as conclusion. It is addressed to all men and women of good will, since creation is the home of every one.

The Church has spoken on social issues in the past. In recent years both Pope St John Paul II and Benedict XVI have spoken on the beauty of creation and the responsibility of the creatures towards it. Pope Francis moved by the thoughts of the Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew of Constantinople (Green Patriarch), who has been loud in pointing out the need to repent for the damage we have caused to the environment, examines the theological, ethical and social implications of the environment and appeals the world leaders to consider the ecological problems seriously in *laudato si*.

The first chapter notes on what is happening to our environment due to recent technological changes like pollution, climatic change, issue of water, loss of bio- diversity, issue of

quality of life, breakdown of social relationships and global inequality and appeals to the leaders of the world to act with responsibility.

The second chapter deals on the Gospel of creation in the light of Biblical accounts of creation. It invites all to contemplate the beauty and harmony in creation and calls on every one to make the creation a means to praise God gazing at it in the eyes of Jesus and in singing the canticle of St Francis Assisi, *Laudato Si*.

Third chapter points out the human roots for the crisis in the environment due to modern creativity of technology, modern anthropocentrism and new biological technologies which have made man centre of the universe and alienated him from God and his fellowmen.

The Fourth chapter focuses on an integral ecology taking into account other related global crisis like environmental, economic, social, principle of common good and issue of justice. The crisis of environment, the Pope warns, cannot be settled unless we have an integral approach to the reality along with other human crisis.

The Fifth chapter deals with an approach and action plan with an appeal to international leaders for dialogue and set policies to deal with environment, at the same it has a call to the religious leaders to accommodate dialogue with science.

The sixth and the last chapter is on ecological education and spirituality. This consists in a new life style with a covenant between the humanity and environment to be experienced in conversion of heart, peace and joy. It also invites to cultivate civic and political love. The pope reminds of the spirituality of sacraments and the need to have rest leading to a Trinitarian relationship with the creation and also with Mary, the queen of peace.

This encyclical is well received by Catholics and the rest. It is considered as an occasion for all to think and act on our responsibility towards our earthly home!

- Rev. Ronald Serrao
St Joseph's Seminary, Jeppu

CODP-ISD

- 05.07.2015... - Training to religious sisters on Government Facilities in CODP-ISD
- Training to SHG members on Health & Hygiene in CODP-ISD
- 10.07.2015... Annual Day celebration of SHGs at Mukka
- 11.07.2015... Janashree Scholarships disbursement in Seethangoli
- 13.07.2015... Inauguration of 59th EDC batch in RUSEMP, Pakshikere
- 14.07.2015... Sahajeevana Okkoota meet in CODP-ISD
- 16.07.2015 Deanery Priest Co-ordinators and CAP Co-ordinators meet in CODP-ISD
- 18.07.2015... - Jeevan Raksha Okkoota meet in CODP-ISD
- Training on Right to Information in Bedrampalla
- YET new batch selection in CODP-ISD
- 19.07.2015 Training to Parish CAP Conveners in CODP-ISD
- 21.07.2015 to 23.07.2015... Training on Project Cycle Management & PME at KROSS, Bengaluru
- 26.07.2015 Felicitation of newly elected Gram Panchayat members of CODP's SHGs in CODP-ISD
- 30.07.2015... CODP Governing Board and Annual General Body meetings in CODP-ISD.

Planned Programmes for the month of July 2015

- 1) Disbursement of Educare loan to renewal students in CODP ISD
- 2) Interview of renewal students under Educare project in CODP-ISD
- 3) Aati festival celebration

- **Director, CODP**

YET Programme

CODP has a programme for children under the aegis of CAP called YET (Youth Empowerment Programme). As per this programme, we prepare children from 8th standard onwards for civil services and thus catching them young. Already two batches are trained and the first batch has reached 10th standard this year.

The syllabus for these children includes Life skills, Soft skills, GMAT, English, Mathematics, General knowledge, Science, Grammar and Field exposure, etc. This is a 60 hours per year programme, both residential and non-residential.

We shall be selecting 50-60 students in a batch. In order to select students for the new batch, we request the Parish Priests to send 8th standard students who have scored 85% and above marks in the annual exam of 7th std held in March 2015. The students should have an aptitude towards Civil Services. They will have to bear part of the expenditure. They are to come to CODP on Saturday, 18th July 2015 at 10.00 a.m. Students will be selected on the basis of Aptitude Test-cum-General Knowledge .

CAP QUIZ 2015

CAP (Career Advancement Programme) is one of the programmes of CODP. The main goal of this programme is to encourage our youth to go for higher education and motivate them to take up Civil Service as job career.

Our presence in society is not that visible mainly because of our absence in civil services of our country. Even though there are considerable number of educational, social and health institutions run by Christians, the absence of Christians in bureaucracy is a big drawback. Over and above that the atrocities and attacks on Christians are on the rise.

The Civil Services are recruited by competitive exams. In order to give our youth a taste of competitive exams the CAP CELL has been conducting the CAP Quiz in various deaneries of Mangalore Diocese. This year CAP Quiz will be held on Sunday, the 2nd of August 2015.

- The eligible candidates for CAP QUIZ are college students (PUC and above) but below 25 years old.
- There will be three prizes for winners. The first prize is Rs. 5000, Second prize is Rs. 3000/- and third prize is Rs. 2000/-, and each deanery will have 3 consolation prizes.

- The students can enroll their names with CODP or their respective Parish Priests by paying Rs.25/- each before 19th July 2015.
- This Quiz is only for Catholic youth of Mangalore Diocese. Letter regarding this is already sent to all the Parishes of Mangalore Diocese.

On behalf of CAP we also guide and motivate our people to avail Government facilities like scholarships, pension and other schemes. The minority Scholarship application forms are available in website www.gokdom.com or www.scholarship.gov.in. The students are requested to log on to the website for further information.

The Road to Character

- David Brooks

The Road to Character is one of the best leadership books written by famous author and writer David Brooks. Here are the opening chapters from his book.

Recently I've been thinking about the difference between the resume virtues and the eulogy virtues. The resume virtues are the ones you list on your resume, the skills that you bring to the job market and that contribute to external success. The eulogy virtues are deeper. They're the virtues that get talked about at your funeral, the ones that exist at the core of your being-whether you are kind, brave, honest or faithful; what kind of relationships you formed.

Most of us would say that the eulogy virtues are more important than the resume virtues, but I confess that for long stretches of my life I've spent more time thinking about the latter than the former. Our education system is certainly oriented around

the resume virtues more than the eulogy ones. Public conversation is, too-the self-help tips in magazines, the nonfiction bestsellers. Most of us have clearer strategies for how to achieve career success than we do for how to develop a profound character.

One book that has helped me think about these two sets of virtues is *Lonely Man of Faith*, which was written by Rabbi Joseph Soloveitchik in 1965. Soloveitchik noted that there are two accounts of creation in Genesis and argued that these represent the two opposing sides of our nature, which he called Adam I and Adam II.

Modernizing Soloveitchik's categories a bit, we could say that Adam I is the career-oriented, ambitious side of our nature. Adam I is the external, resume Adam. Adam I wants to build, create, produce, and discover things. He wants to have high status and win victories.

Adam II is the internal Adam. Adam II wants to embody certain moral qualities. Adam II wants to have a serene inner character, a quiet but solid sense of right and wrong – not only to do good, but to be good. Adam II wants to love intimately, to sacrifice self in the service of others, to live in obedience to some transcendent truth, to have a cohesive inner soul that honors creation and one's own possibilities.

While Adam I wants to conquer the world, Adam II wants to obey a calling to serve the world. While Adam I is creative and savors his own accomplishments, Adam II sometimes renounces worldly success and status for the sake of some sacred purpose. While Adam I asks how things work, Adam II asks why things exist, and what ultimately we are here for. While Adam I wants to venture forth, Adam II wants to return to his roots and savor the warmth of a family meal. While Adam I's motto is "Success," Adam II experiences life as a moral drama. His motto is "Charity, love, and redemption".

Soloveitchik argued that we live in the contradiction between these two Adams. The outer, majestic Adam and the inner, humble Adam are not fully reconcilable. We are forever caught in self-confrontation. We are called to fulfill both personae, and must master the art of living forever within the tension between these two natures.

The hard part of this confrontation, I'd add, is that Adams I and II live by different logics. Adam I – the creating, building, and discovering Adam – lives by a straightforward utilitarian logic. It's the logic of economics. Input leads to output. Effort leads to reward. Practice makes perfect. Pursue self interest. Maximize your utility. Impress the world.

Adam II lives by an inverse logic. It's a moral logic, not an economic one. You have to give to receive. You have to surrender to something outside yourself to gain strength within yourself. You have to conquer your desire to get what you crave. Success leads to the greatest failure, which is pride. Failure leads to the greatest success, which is humility and learning. In order to fulfill yourself, you have to forget yourself. In order to find yourself, you have to lose yourself.

To nurture your Adam I career, it makes sense to cultivate your strengths. To nurture your Adam II moral core, it is necessary to confront your weaknesses.

We live in a culture that nurtures Adam I, the external Adam and neglects Adam II. We live in a society that encourages us to think about how to have a great career but leaves many of us inarticulate about how to cultivate the inner life. The competition to succeed and win admiration is so fierce that it becomes all-consuming. The consumer marketplace encourages us to live by a utilitarian calculus, to satisfy our desires and lose sight of the moral stakes involved in everyday decisions. The noise of fast

and shallow communications makes it harder to hear the quieter sounds that emanate from the depths. We live in a culture that teaches us to promote and advertise ourselves and to master the skills required for success, but that gives little encouragement to humility, sympathy and honest self-confrontation, which are necessary for building character.

If you are only Adam I, you turn into a shrewd animal, a crafty, self-preserving creature who is adept at playing the game and who turns everything into a game. If that's all you have, you spend a lot of time cultivating professional skills, but you don't have a clear idea of the sources of meaning in life, so you don't know where you should devote your skills, which career path will be highest and best. Years pass and the deepest parts of yourself go unexplored and unstructured. You are busy, but you have a vague anxiety that your life has not achieved its ultimate meaning and significance. You live with an unconscious boredom, not really loving, not really attached to the moral purposes that give life its worth. You lack the internal criteria to make unshakable commitments. You never develop inner constancy, the integrity that can withstand popular disapproval or a serious blow. You find yourself doing things that other people approve of, whether these things are right for you or not. You foolishly judge other people by their abilities, not by their worth. You do not have a strategy to build character, and without that, not only your inner life but also your external life will eventually fall to pieces.

This book is about Adam II. It's about how some people have cultivated strong character. It's about one mindset that people through the centuries have adopted to put iron in their core and to cultivate a wise heart. I wrote it, to be honest, to save my own soul.

Summary by – Fr. Jossie Lobo

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