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BISHOP'S PROGRAMME FOR DECEMBER 2019

1	10.00	a.m.	Festal Mass at Mudipu Shrine
	03.00	p.m.	Youth March for Christ, Milagres to Nehru
			Maidan
	05.30	p.m.	Sauhardha Christmas, Milagres Hall
	06.00	p.m.	White Doves' Programme
2-3			Feast of St Francis Xavier, Goa
4	10.30	a.m.	Laity Commission's Meeting, Cathedral
5	11.15	a.m.	60th Anniversary of Priestly Ordination at
			St Antony's Ashram
7	10.30	a.m.	Final Vows, AC Sisters, Mary Hill
	06.00	p.m.	75 th Anniversary, Padua High School
8	10.00	a.m.	Silver Jubilee, Farla Parish
	05.30	p.m.	Feast of Pompei Shrine, Urwa
9	10.00	a.m.	Final Vows, SRA Sisters, Vamanjoor
9-13			Clergy Retreat
14	10.00	a.m.	Inauguration of Presbytery, Narampady
15	04.00	p.m.	Inauguration of Parish Hall, Mogarnad
16	03.00	p.m.	Meeting of the Council of Priests, Bishop's
			House
17	06.15	p.m.	Mass at UMI Convent, Bondel
18	06.30	p.m.	Mass at Bethany Convent, Kulshekar

21	11.30	a.m.	Ecumenical Christmas, Haleangady
	03.30	p.m.	Inauguration of the New Church at
			Antonykatte
23	12.00	noon	Christmas Message, Media Personnel
24	07.30	p.m.	Christmas Mass, Cathedral
26	06.00	p.m.	Ecumenical Christmas, Kadaba
27	10.00	a.m.	Vocation Camp, Pastoral Institute
	07.00	p.m.	Bandhutva Christmas, Bishop's House
29	04.30	p.m.	Mass at Ursuline Convent, Bolar

Bishop Meets in the Forenoon:

Lay Faithful, 17; Diocesan Clergy and Religious, 18.

BISHOP'S MESSAGE FOR DECEMBER 2019

We are going begin a new liturgical year with Advent season beginning on 1 December, with cycle A. December reminds us of the joyful message of the birth of Our Lord, the mystery of incarnation of the Son of God, which we have come to know through the message of Archangel Gabriel. When God wants to become other than himself, he becomes man. He did not choose to be an angel or any subhuman reality. He became man and dwelt among us and thus he has raised the dignity of humanity. God desired to come out of his Mystery to mingle with our reality. "The Word became flesh to make us 'partakers of the divine nature': 'For this is why the Word became man, and the Son of God became Son of man: so that man, by entering into communion with the Word and thus receiving divine sonship, might become a son of God'. 'For the Son of God became man so that we might become God'. 'The only-begotten Son of God, wanting to make us sharers in his divinity, assumed our nature, so that he, made man, might make men gods" (CCC 460).

Advent has two characteristics: on the one hand we prepare ourselves for the first coming of the Lord and the summit is Christmas. On the other hand, we wait for his second glorious coming as the Judge of the living and the dead as he draws our minds and hearts to receive the reward he has promised to those who remain faithful to him.

During Advent we celebrate two important days: the feast of St Francis Xavier and the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary. Francis Xavier's body is preserved incorrupt on this earth and he reminds us of God's fidelity towards those who work for evangelization of the world. Mary's body also does not see corruption thanks to the preventive redemption she experienced through the merits of Christ and her immaculate conception becomes one of the principal reasons for her assumption into heaven where she goes to enjoy the eternal glory with body and soul.

Pope Pius IX who solemnly defined this truth of Mary is confirmed by herself at Lourdes where she addressed herself as the Immaculate Conception. Pope John Paul II taught that Mary was not only preserved from original sin but also from sinful tendencies. During the general audience on 12 June 1996 he taught: "Pius IX's definition refers only to the freedom from original sin and does not explicitly include the freedom from concupiscence. Nevertheless, Mary's complete preservation from every stain of sin also has as a consequence her freedom from concupiscence, a disordered tendency which, according to the Council of Trent, comes from sin and inclines to sin (DS 1515)". This gives us the insight that God has been so gracious to her and the All Holy Mary deserves the name, "Full of Grace".

Clarification regarding Permanent Graves: Certain queries were asked regarding the permanent graves and tariffs. I desire that the Parish Priests explain to people the spirit behind the raising of tariffs and regulating the years when graves are reserved. The tariffs are raised so as to discourage the reservation of graves. But it must be emphasized that the grave space for the burial of the mortal remains is **FREE** for every one of Christ's faithful if one does not select the place nor does one reserve the space.

As regards permanency, the former understanding was that the permanency lasts for 49 years from the first burial, with the possibility two more burials. However, the present rule says that the graves are reserved for 30 years after the 5th burial. There is a doubt in the minds of some regarding the graves reserved in the past and have already completed 30 years, with or without the second or third burial: whether they are going to lose the prescribed permanency intended earlier? I would like to request the Parish Priests to inform Christ's faithful that the graves reserved before the present decree, will not to be assigned to others before the completion of 49th year from the first burial. However, the family can utilize the same grave for further burials as stated in the present norms. When new burials take place in the same grave, the duration is to be counted as per the present decree for the new burials. The fee for the second or subsequent burials remains at 50% of the fee for the first burial existing at the time of the respective burials.

Clarification regarding the Mass Offerings: From 1 January, the Mass stipend is raised in some cases 100%, for normative Masses and fixed Masses. The general principle employed in determining the offering for a normative Mass is the amount an ordinary labourer should get as wages for a day's labour. Today, an ordinary labourer gets more than Rs 400 as wages. But the Mass stipend is not raised to that level for the daily normative or fixed Mass.

We need to understand that Mass offering to given to pray for the intention of the giver at the Mass springs from the ancient custom when those faithful taking part in the Mass provided the necessary gifts for the celebration (especially the bread and wine) as well as other gifts meant to sustain the clergy and feed those most in need. Mass offering is an optional and free contribution. It is not a payment for the Mass. Moreover, no one is compelled to give Mass offerings. The amount prescribed for Mass offering remains within one's bound of economic capacity as it does not go beyond a day's wage. When some are not capable of providing Mass intentions, they are not excluded by the priest in his prayers. Every Parish Priest is obliged to pray for all the people's intentions every Sunday and holydays of obligation during one Mass (*Missa Pro Populo*). An active and devout participation in the celebration of Mass counts more than just giving a Mass offering.

Diocesan Eucharistic Procession: On Sunday, **January 5**, **2020**, the Feast of Epiphany of Our Lord, we hold the Diocesan Annual Eucharistic Procession. The programme starts at 3.30 p.m. with Mass at Milagres Church. I request all the Rev. Fathers – diocesan and religious – to concelebrate the Mass with me. The seminarians, religious brothers, sisters and formees should participate in the procession and they are required to come in their habits/religious garb/cassocks. I request all the Parish Priests to announce to the faithful to participate in large numbers in this diocesan event. It is the responsibility of the Parish Priests to motivate their parishioners by giving them proper catechesis on the beauty, importance and spiritual values of this Diocesan Eucharistic Procession. The programme will end at 6.00 p.m.

Happy Christmas and New Year: The first word spoken by a human character in the Gospel of Matthew is "Where?" This is also the Magi's question: "Where?" Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? Is this not our heart question as well? Where do we find Jesus in the midst of this crazy, broken world? Where is the Christ-child? Where is the light? Where is God leading us?

When the Magi came to Bethlehem and saw the Christ-child in the arms of Mary, they were overcome with joy, knelt down, and worshipped him. The Magi humbly knelt down before the great, incarnate God of the universe. The heart of the Magi has only one posture: kneeling. The heart of the Magi always surrenders to the mystery of Emmanuel. Then the Magi opened their treasure chests and presented Jesus with gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. The heart of the Magi is one of generosity in all of life - in giving, in loving, in praise and gratitude, and in blessing others. Let us all desire very much to have the heart of the Magi. I wish you a very Happy and Holy Christmas, and a New Year full of God's choicest blessings.

₩ Peter Paul Saldanha
Bishop of Mangalore

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE IN ADVENT

- Before the Second Vatican Council, it was not allowable to celebrate a nuptial Mass or impart a nuptial blessing during Advent or Lent. Only a wedding ceremony outside of Mass was permitted. Whereas today, although weddings may be celebrated during Advent, the couples should be advised to keep in mind the special character of these seasons of the Church Year by observing a suitable simplicity in the ceremonies and decorations.
- 2) "When a marriage is celebrated during Advent or Lent or other days of penance, the Parish Priest should advise the couple to take into consideration the special nature of these times." (Rite of Marriage [RM], Intro, 11) This admonition would affect the decoration of the worship space and music in particular. The liturgical norms have to be followed, while the weddings held during Advent cannot be celebrated with the same exuberance and festivity that one often finds at weddings held at other times of year.
- 3) If marriage has to be celebrated on any Sunday in Advent season (at Parish Mass or outside the scheduled Masses), the Advent Mass of Sunday is celebrated with purple vestment, reciting the creed, prayers of the faithful of Sunday with a prayer for the spouses, the proper readings of Sunday, without the Gloria.
 - However, one of the readings may be used from the proper readings provided for marriage in the Lectionary (RM 34; *Ordo* p. 22).
- 4) If a marriage has to be celebrated on any days of the week in Advent season, except on December 8 i.e., Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, nuptial Mass is to be celebrated with its proper readings in white or festive vestments. However, this year, December 8 is a Sunday and so the Mass of the Second Sunday of Advent has the precedence and the Feast of the Immaculate Conception is celebrated on Monday, 9 December.
- 5) Since the season of Advent does not anticipate the joy of Christmas, decoration or arrangements of flowers and music must be moderate (cf. Ceremonial of Bishops, No. 236, RM. 32, *Ordo* p. 39).

- Bishop of Mangalore

DIOCESAN SURVEY MATERIALS

The Parish Priests are requested to collect the survey papers/questionnaire filled in by their parish families in the months of April-May this year and submitted to the diocese for processing the data. Now that the data from the survey instruments/papers has been fed into the computer for analysis, these survey papers will be available at the reception of the Bishop's House after 15 December 2019. The Parish Priests are requested to take them back to their office and treat them as confidential material. While they are instructed to preserve them in their respective parish church office, these survey papers may be used to update the parish family (*status animarum*) register and to initiate steps to prepare as well as implement the Pastoral Plan at the parish level.

- Vicar General

CLERGY MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT - CMA

The Parish Priests are requested to note that for the CMA the calendar year is taken into consideration, i.e. from January to December.

Every Parish Priest is responsible to maintain the CMA and submit the returns every quarter irrespective of surplus or deficit by 15 days from the end of each quarter.

 $\begin{array}{lll} 1^{st}Quarter: & January \ to \ March \\ 2^{nd}\ Quarter: & April \ to \ June \\ 3^{rd}\ Quarter: & July \ to \ September \\ 4^{th}\ Quarter: & October \ to \ December \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{ll} to \ submit \ the \ returns \ by \ 15^{th}\ July \\ to \ submit \ the \ returns \ by \ 15^{th}\ October \\ to \ submit \ the \ returns \ by \ 15^{th}\ January \\ \end{array}$

The annual report of CMA will be published in February every year.

If any of the Parish Priests has not claimed/paid CMA deficit/surplus or not submitted his CMA returns, I request them to submit the same to the office at the earliest.

- Procurator

Earmarked Collections from Parishes remitted to Bishops House up to 25.11.2019

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	PARISH	Maundy Thursday	Good Friday	Pentecost Sunday	Pro Afris	Soc. of St. Peter Ap.	Ongoing Formation	Communio India (15th Aug)	Peters Pence	Mission	Flood Relief (8 th Sept)
1	Rosario Cathedral	14210	20900	12190	7030	10700	16590	à	0886	157720	55000
2	Adyapady	1650	2244	770	825	917	790	790	911	27400	5280
3	Agrar	111197	33861	6207	6540	2680	6345	5661	9009	81330	74432
4	Allipade	5250	16750	4450	4350	3950	4250	3250	4100	57550	7550
S	Ammembal	12000	21600	7400	0009	0099	2900	4500	0089	200000	25000
9	Anegudde	2670	10930	1950	1600	1400	1590	1131	1833	29355	3145
7	Angelore	45652	100471	23245	20414	23108	19352	15115	21093	361720	102700
∞	Arva	7740	17164	5330	4532	4350	4737	4569	4513	129165	12180
6	Ashoknagar	30064	58060	10929	11772	10029	9456	9851	10659	308663	42756
10	Badyar	4580	12466	2647	2575	2685	3050	5058	2705	83500	10165
11	Bajal	12081	22809	8206	0062	8312	7750	9099	9196	90580	39789
12	Bajjodi	10650	19133	8117	8658	8093	0692	2758	8490	105450	17353
13	Bajpe	25500	51300	15700	15260	17735	19790	12690	15250	185400	18740
14	Bambil	4931	10251	2160	2795	2140	2569	1674	2585	40000	4452
15	Bannur	6229	13164	6181	6013	7211	5972	2950	5296	42462	11243
16	Bantwal	22740	49000	14500	14868	13840	13395	0826	14920	210000	29100
17	Bejai	45010	80475	25728	28587	28824	23168	18320	32017	000006	161924

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18	Bela	11203	53280	11286	11962	10679	10247	5953	10541	167563	19002
19	Belloor	10332	26726	5200	6226	5500	0089			110000	5682
20	Belthangady	23106	38799	14915	12255	15270	12390	6634	12059	156535	44460
21	Belvai	0629	11980	6110	3430	3900	4200	3250	3550	125000	16500
22	Bendur	102546	162613	98/09	45347	58650	56103	43985	55276	452365	69110
23	Bola	4264	5245	2328	2415	2480	2177	1000	2251	13584	5134
24	Bolkunje	6350	16700	3450	5650	3900	4950	3200	3700	35000	18500
25	Bondel	45000	75000	28530	26395	31800	26500		31725	500000	100000
26	Borimar	4500	8500	4300	2000	4100	4500	4000	4000	132000	13500
27	Bovikana	2500	2700	1250	1300	1200	1300	840	1290	19500	3440
28	Cascia	14610	23950	0908	9470	7850	7450	7835	9400	190000	30200
29	Cordel	68729	105113	41662	51396	43989	40385	24981	44782	618542	108718
30	Derebail	32515	51880	22221	20015	21496	22180	18654	21869		28609
31	Delanthabettu	2140	4042	2755	2345	2435	2220	1840	2300	18279	4000
32	Eliarpadav	5425	8275	4587	2000	3909	4692	2525	3600	28500	7725
33	Fajir	14472	30201	11825	13465	12808	13987	11468	111137	100000	16332
34	Farla	8000	18000	0092	2800	5530	5870	4020	6620	00096	20000
35	Ferar	7910	34615	6355	6315	6570	5615	4110	5835	81125	27550

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36	Fermai	7000	14000	5000	5000	4000	3500	3271	4721	91732	18565
37	Gantalkatte	5470	12426	4137	5864	3808	5462	3364	4744	20000	20102
38	Gardady	1700	4962	1560	1680	1600	1500	1500	1520	22300	3760
39	Gurpur	12271	42985	7312	8200	8837	8555	8081	8446	00906	14660
40	Hosabettu	15220	35903	7465	8170	6365	6570	4830	7330	100700	21650
41	Indubettu	3040	4075	1210	1230	1120	1310	780	1288	38370	3150
42	Jeppu	24370	51565	12555	8702	12470	11605	2092	11028	72300	24170
43	Kadaba	1550	3965	1276	910	1138	1350	912	1611	24200	3514
4	Karady	3376	15147	5150	4064	4120	4765	2650	4245	35180	8050
45	Kasargod	3606	9218	3288	3566	3280	3724	1140	4038	61000	2000
46	Kateel	3718	8877	2921	2837	2616	3217	2298	2388	70298	3500
47	Katipalla	18980	51100	10884	7948	10878	11000	6851	10482	157382	25131
48	Kayyar	2890	16190	6850	5930	9650	5150	4140	6320	80000	11000
46	Kelarai	23959	46191	15832	19157	18408	18541	8670	21209	161000	50050
20	Kinnigoly	25820	42560	23910	20969	18910	22130		11460	155825	32375
51	Kirem	21459	47014	10301	10524	10034	10973		10241	237431	42545
52	Kokkada	3470	8430	2020	2230	2070	1880	1720	2040	40000	19450
53	Kollangana	5003	11357	4942	4810	4033	4363	2500	4605	44160	7625

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54	Komangala	1	ı	1060	1	750	640	1420	800	21000	2213
55	Kulur	11475	20050	9106	8160	7018	6369	4732	8879	125260	13370
99	Kumbla	4010	10023	2920	3117	2825	2321	1367	2330	54195	10200
57	Kuppepadav	2366	13975	3000	4030	3000	3000	1700	3200	00089	7000
28	Lawrencenagar	2572	4302	2216	1664	2170	2443	1235	2070	41184	2680
59	Loreto	13938	44576	12307	11860	10042	10024	8857	10639	98986	10500
09	Madanthyar	20766	51890	16744	14576	15879	16440	11325	15368	360100	32964
19	Manela	4750	7150	3930	3100	3710	3460	2370	4450	38000	7500
62	Maniyampare	2000	4300	3648	3557	3450	3336	1500	3350	29000	5050
63	Manjeshwar	7791	11742	7200	5500	7400	6400	4900	7100	225250	125000
2	Manjottie	3730	10315	2720	2146	3178	2860	1340	2860	40000	12000
65	Mariashram	8532	25335	5100	5892	5070	5150	4350	5105	118000	2000
99	Maril	6924	22269	5423	0209	5521	5435	3150	5832	35035	18421
19	Milagres	54100	09568	45820	48290	43230	53060	32980	44810	320985	109970
89	Miyapadav	2990	13749	4509	5436	4913	3302		5046		
69	Mogarnad	11590	32150	11840	12630	9520	9840	0999	10405	119470	9595
70	Moodbidri-Alangar	13083	23634	6964	7223	6962	7230	6245	7187	162500	25000
71	Moodbidri-Town	29635	56453	11325	11240	12015	11355	13410	9200	283115	34745

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72	Mudipu	6475	13700	5295	6730	6410	5430	3020	5140	120000	23900
73	Mukka	5200	16145	3449	3010	2825	3445	2580	3012	72770	17360
74	Mulky	11146	12786	7430	0959	7100	7545	6258	6423	72144	18115
75	Nainadu	2900	0006	2890	3820	3160	4450	3000	3680	00002	0066
9/	Nala	1885	3265	2031	1736	2215	2666		1782	25900	4145
77	Narampady	10200	15300	8500	7800	7825	0008	2000	8150	155500	38500
78	Naravi	8393	11791	2657	2538	6751	6239	4300	5625	204040	22664
62	Neermarga	19946	37533	11133	11636	12225	10307		11319	133811	33802
80	Neerude	10890	16540	6320	4636	4560	4640		5030	63125	37310
81	Nellikar	2500	4500	2134	2500	1642	1356	1008	1869	28550	3289
82	Nellyady	3012	4198	2342	2240	2114	2115	1705	2260	23000	5700
83	Niddodi	2000	20600	5304	6300	4800	5300	4430	4600	172000	26000
84	Nidpally	830	2800	1700	1150	1600	1080	450	1550	25750	5400
85	Nirkan	4550	8050	3100	3540	2800	3245	1750	2900	43400	19370
98	Nithyadarnagar	6350	12150	4375	4420					57250	7248
87	Omzoor	12833	33226	7807	10168	9243	12581	7658	9030	180218	27059
88	Pakshikere	10245	14950	4930	4200	5305	5040	4350	4545	103000	0699
68	Paladka	15190	30110	7024	8005	6256	6010	7110	5678	61407	36010

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06	Paldane	20800	35500	11840	7800	0868	8205	8126	10503	107950	28885
91	Panir	12502	34024	11330	8847	8606	8168		8629	82515	39645
92	Panja	4140	8330	3700	3306	3700	3100	3900	3600	50000	10350
93	Pavur	1798	4740	1800	1400	2104	1815	3000	1900	25000	0866
94	Pavur Uliya		2550							3000	
95	Permannur	30461	69107	26306	25170	23235	26656	16514	24320	258830	30000
96	Permude	8668	17384	3060	3963	3361	4174	3010	3701	118284	12480
26	Peruvai	2438	7844	2628	2959	2909	4316	2251	3362		9450
86	Pezar	4680	12163	3215	6979	3282	3575	3222	4522	86250	12250
66	Puttur	23045	80221	15275	14024	15544	14846	11933	15636	184147	66084
100	Ranipura	10845	15385	6291	6243	9669	7108	4052	1911	68358	8283
101	Salethur	2497	8267	2383	2135	2247	2446	1520	2590	51000	2675
102	Sampaje	2430	4669	2783	2220	2000	2228	1141	2005	46165	3835
103	Sampige	7619	10315	3425	2934	2933	3160	1846	3361	193300	6949
104	Saverapura	1776	4080	2170	2810	2498	1781	3393	1780	15000	6250
105	Shakthinagar	8865	15670	3938	3715		4590	4000	5380	37000	12500
106	Shambur	3500	4300	2646	2800	2750	2750	2400	2800	50700	4600
107	Shirtady	7208	18781	6258	6838	5982	8619	4090	6681	113520	16775

Flood Relief 8 th Sept)	22110	8375	57058	33500	11500	9061	4700	22870	3240	14650	111220	96882	8740	20080	22988	14479	30291		4590
FJ Re	22	83	57	33.	11	36	47	22	32	14	111	78	87	50	22	41	300		45
Mission Sunday	64410	68899	237928	70000	31425	61760	52500	117500	37100	94100	276570	365580	41156	212222	63600	92000	91000	1	30500
Peters Pence	5020	4364	17815	6182	1762	4083	1437	6952	2340	4200	26700	28494	3075	17070	7223	8219	7736	904	1200
Communio India (15 th Aug)	3854	2120		5922	2169	3019	1488	3503	1250	3555	21450	17858	2540	17000	3135	5405	3680	793	029
Ongoing Formation	6444	5375	19761	2850	1371	4860	1456	1919	1970	4365	30585	29374	3640	18080	5752	7139	6163	092	1500
Soc. of St. Peter Ap.	5460	3700	16650	8364	1693	4564	1440	5170	2185	4075	29150	26562	3538	16510	5007	6099	5894	664	1305
Pro Afris	6292	5420	16430	10300	1796	4826	1640	5312	2103	3675	29990	29173	3721	16020	4010	7529	6390	910	1
Pentecost Sunday	5946	2895	14000	5714	2245	4582	1536	0929	2035	3350	30240	26855	3439	16200	4527	8126	5257	1110	1450
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	108	109	110	111	112	113	114	115	116	117	118	119	120	121	122	123	124	125	126

Note: The Parish Priests are requested to remit the Earmarked Collections regularly as and when the collection is made

Cha	rity given to Needy from June 25 til	-		arishes
	PARISH	Medical	Education	Other Charity
4	Allipade		20000	
9	Ashoknagar	10000		
10	Badyar	8000	10000	
12	Bajjodi	15000		20000
16	Bantwal			10000
17	Bejai	10000	10000	
18	Bela	26000		
20	Belthangady	30000		
22	Bendur	12000	7000	
28	Cascia	8000		
29	Cordel	25000	10000	
33	Fajir	22000		
34	Farla	8000		
36	Fermai	8000		
38	Gardady	5000		
42	Jeppu	30000		
44	Karady		5000	
52	Kokkada	7000		
55	Kulur	2500		10000
56	Kumbla	10000		
59	Loreto	5000		
60	Madanthyar	10000		
62	Maniyampare	5000		
65	Mariashram	8000		
67	Milagres			5000
70	Moodbidri-Alangar	10000		
74	Mulky	15000		
76	Nala			5000
79	Neermarga	27000	10000	
83	Niddodi	10000		

84	Nidpally	8000		
86	Nithyadarnagar	20000		
90	Paldane	10000		
91	Panir			5000
92	Panja	8000		
93	Pavur	14000		2000
95	Permannur			5000
97	Peruvai			10000
98	Pezar	10000		
102	Sampaje		10000	
104	Saverapura	20000		
106	Shambur	10000		
107	Shirtady		10000	10000
114	Thokur	10000		
116	Ukkinadka	10000		
118	Urwa	10000		
119	Valencia	10000		10000
121	Vamanjoor	12000		
124	Vorkady	10000		
127	Others	38000		2000

- Procurator

Diamond and Golden Ordination Days

- * Rev. Victor Pinto, Kirem, 60th anniversary of Ordination to Priesthood on December 3, 2019
- * Rev. Valerian D'Souza, Senior Priests' Home at Jeppu, 60th anniversary of Ordination to Priesthood on December 5, 2019.
- * Rev. Albert Menezes, Senior Priests' Home at Jeppu, 60th anniversary of Ordination to Priesthood on December 5, 2019.
- * Rev. Godfrey Saldanha, St Zuze Vaz Home at Jeppu, 50th anniversary of Ordination to Priesthood on December 3, 2019.

What a wonderful occasion to celebrate the blessings of fifty/ sixty years of generous service. Thank you for your holy devotion to the Lord and to His Church. God bless you with a jubilant heart on your jubilee anniversary.

LETTER FROM THE CONGREGATION FOR THE CLERGY TO THE BISHOPS OF INDIA

Prot. N. 1019 1193

Vatican

City, October 14, 2019

Your Excellency,

With this letter, I would like to convey my heartfelt gratitude for the visit of the Conference of Catholic Bishops of India (Latin Rite) to the Congregation for the Clergy in three different groups - 7 September, 12 September, and 19 September last - on the occasion of your visit *Ad Limina Apostolorum*. I would like herein, to revisit and elaborate upon some of the pertinent matters that were discussed during our fraternal and fruitful encounter.

Allow me to express my appreciation for the paternal care and attention that you give to your priests. As the Holy Father has said many times, the most important pastoral ministry of a Bishop is to accompany the priests of his Diocese. Even in your country, which has a number of faithful priests and vocations to the priesthood, there are always some priests in crisis. They are not immune to the problems that exist in the world. Be especially attentive to those priests who do not attend diocesan meetings or retreats and begin to isolate themselves; often times these are signs of a priest who is suffering in some way.

The Congregation receives many petitions each year from priests, requesting that they be dispensed from their obligations arising from Holy Orders, including that of celibacy. For the priests of India incardinated into dioceses, these cases are usually handled by Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples *per competenza*. However, priests of India who are members of consecrated religious orders would request dispensation through the Congregation for the Clergy

When a priest has minor children whom he has fathered, it is an automatic reason for presenting the case the Holy Father with the intention of obtaining the favour of a dispensation. When the Pope visited this Dicastery in May of 2015, he said that if a priest has

young children, he must fulfill his natural obligations as a father toward his child. It is not enough to give money to support financially the child. The child needs to be educated, formed, and accompanied by his or her own parents. (cf. *Il criteria da seguire*

il bene dei bambini, Interview of Beniamino Cardinal Stella; L'Osservatore Romano, 27 February 2019). If a priest refuses to present petition for a dispensation, the Bishop should write to the congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples per competenza, seeking guidance regarding the use of the Special Faculties.

On 30 January 2009, Pope Benedict XVI granted three Special Faculties to this Congregation, which give the Dicastery the authority to present the Holy Father, for his decision, a s of dismissal from the clerical state through an administrative process and not a judicial process The First Special Faculty is for sins and delicts against the Sixth Commandment for example, attempting marriage Commandment: for example, attempting marriage or concubinage. It is important to note that to note that all cases involving minors are sent immediately to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith per competenza. The Second Special Faculty is for other violations against Divine or Ecclesiastical Law that cause grave scandal cult is for other violations against Divine or Law that cause graves scandal, for example, disobedience, the misuse of money, example, disobedience, the misuse of money, all s involving minors are sent immediately to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the all cases involving minors are sent immediately to the Congregation for the Doctrine of the or political involvement. The **Third Special Faculty** is for priests who have abandoned their ministry voluntarily and illicitly for more than five consecutive years. In each case, the Bishop prepares the Instruction at the diocesan level and presents it to the Dicastery with the request to apply one of the Special Faculties. The Congregation studies the case, gives the priest the right to defense, and then presents the request to the Holy Father. If approved, a decree is issued by the Pope in forma specifica, which is not subject to appeals nor any recourse whatsoever because it is an act of the Supreme Pontiff; it takes effect when he issues his decision.

The abundance of dispensations and dismissals gives evidence to the great need for **priestly formation**. In 2013, Pope Benedict XVI transferred the section on Seminaries from the Congregation of Education to the Congregation for the Clergy so there could an integrated formation that includes both the initial and ongoing formation of priests. This Dicastery cannot emphasize enough the necessity of the formation of priests: **initial formation** - which takes place in the seminary - and **ongoing formation** which continues until the priest passes from this life

to the next. The formation of priests does not end with ordination; rather, the longest and most important stage of formation is just beginning. We recommend that a team of priests be established in each diocese that will assist priests with their ongoing human and spiritual formation. It is important to note that the majority of cases presented to the Dicastery for dispensation have nothing to do with a crisis of Faith, or with a lack of intellectual formation. Priests rarely leave the priesthood for intellectual reasons, but for human ones. In almost every case, there is a grave lack of human formation, especially the priest's *affective* formation.

With regard to initial formation, the Congregation urges the Bishops to **assign their very best priests** to the work of **seminary formation**, who carry in their heart a passion to be a formator. Bishops ought to nominate rectors and formators whom they trust, and who will accept the responsibility of forming future priests. Seminary formators should be given the freedom to make decisions, which must be respected. It is essential that the Bishop support the formation team.

It is necessary to **prepare seminary formators well**. It is not enough to choose the best pastor in the diocese and appoint him to the seminary. They must receive a specific and particular formation for this serious responsibility. Training and investing in priest formators will bear great fruit for the Church.

The Congregation encourages the Bishops of India to invest in their future priests by sending some of their priests to Rome to study at the Pontifical Universities. We should not fail to mention, however, that advanced studies are not just about earning academic degrees because an academic degree does not automatically equip a priest to be an expert formator. There is a difference between being a *professor* in a seminary, and being a *formator*.

Priests studying in Rome can enrol in the Course on the **Practice of Priestly Formation**, which takes place on Thursday afternoons at the Congregation for the Clergy from October through May. The classes are not just lectures, but include the sharing of the pastoral and formation experiences by priests from around the world. The foundation for the course is the *Ratio Fundamentalis Institutionis Sacerdotalis*, promulgated by our Dicastery on 8 December 2016, and it is the basis for all initial and ongoing priestly formation in the Church. Although the course is primarily for priests who will have the responsibility of vocation

promotion, seminary formation, and ongoing formation, it is important to point out, however, that these courses are not only for priest formators, but for all priests who come to Rome for Further studies. Initial and ongoing formation, as well as the promotion of vocations, is the responsibility of all priests, not only those priests who are directly involved in formation. A priest is always called to be a formator, whether in the seminary, the parish, or the presbyterate. When they return to their diocese, and the Bishop assigns them to be a formator in a seminary, we hope that they would consider an assignment to seminary formation as a vocation from God to form the next generation of priests. We want to put into their hearts and inspire them that it is a privilege to work in seminaries, and to give this service to the Church.

The Dicastery advises the Bishops to be cautious about accepting seminarians who have transferred from a different diocese or religious order. It is a great responsibly to ordain, so a Bishop must be very prudent before imposing hands. The Church is asking these men to make a commitment forever. Because they often come from broken families, it is not easy for the youth of today to make a permanent, life-long commitment. The Gospel teaches that marriage last until death, and that perpetual consecrated religious life and the priesthood are forever.

The Dicastery was glad to learn that the Bishops are making progress on their **Ratio Nationalis**, remembering that the Congregation for the Evangelization of Peoples has competency regarding the *recognitio*. I encourage you to take your time to reflect and discuss the *Ratio*. There should be collaboration and a working toward consensus so that the entire Episcopal Conference is united regarding priestly formation according to the mind of the Church.

We often speak of the necessity of priestly fraternity, but **fraternity among the Episcopate** is also very important. Being a Bishop today is something that is particularly challenging, and so I encourage you to be good brothers to each other. Support and help one other remain united among yourselves. A Bishop must have at least one or two brother Bishops with whom he is able to confide during difficult times.

In gratitude for the visit of the Episcopal Conference of India to this Dicastery, I avail myself of the occasion to express my sentiments of highest esteem and cordial best wishes, as I remain,

Sincerely yours in Christ, Beniamino Cardinal Stella **Prefect**

CONGREGATION FOR THE DIVINE WORSHIP AND DISCIPLINE OF THE SACRAMENTS

Prot. N. 404/19

DECREE

on the celebration of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Loreto to be inscribed in the General Roman Calendar

Since the Middle Ages veneration for the Holy House of Loreto has been the origin of that particular shrine which still today is visited by many faithful pilgrims in order to nourish their faith in the Word of God made flesh for us.

This shrine recalls the mystery of the Incarnation, leading all those who visit it to consider "the fullness of time", when God sent his Son, born of a woman, as well as to meditate both on the words of the Angel announcing the Good News and on the words of the Virgin in response to the divine call. Overshadowed by the Spirit, the humble handmaid of the Lord so became the dwelling-place of divinity, the purest image of the holy Church.

Closely bound to the Apostolic See this shrine, praised by Popes and known throughout the world, has, over the years and no less than Nazareth in the Holy Land, been able to illustrate powerfully the evangelical virtues of the Holy Family.

In the Holy House, before the image of the Mother of the Redeemer and of the Church, Saints and Blesseds have responded to their vocation, the sick have invoked consolation in suffering, the people of God have begun to praise and plead with Mary using the Litany of Loreto, which is known throughout the world. In a particular way all those who travel via aircraft have found in her their heavenly patron.

In light of this, Pope Francis has decreed, by his own authority, that the optional memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary of Loreto should be inscribed in the Roman Calendar on 10 December, the day on which the feast falls in Loreto, and celebrated every year. This celebration will help all people, especially families, youth and religious to imitate the virtues of that perfect disciple of the Gospel, the Virgin Mother, who, in conceiving the Head of the Church also accepted us as her own.

Therefore the new memorial must appear in all Calendars and Liturgical Books for the celebration of Mass and the Liturgy of the Hours; the relative texts are attached to this decree and their translations, approved by the Episcopal Conferences, will be published after confirmation by this Dicastery.

Anything to the contrary notwithstanding.

From the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, 7 October 2019, the memorial of the Blessed Virgin Mary of the Rosary.

Arthur Roche Robert Card. Sarah Archbishop Secretary **Prefect**

MANGALA JYOTHI

I. Programmes:

1 Dec. 19 : Liturgy Animation - Mudipu Shrine Feast 7 Dec. 19 : Training Programme for English choir

members - M.J.

8 Dec. 19 : Training Programme for Konkani choir

members - M.J.

13-15 Dec. 19: Regional Catechism text book works 17 Dec. 19: Liturgy Practice - Anthonykatte

21 Dec. 19 : Liturgy Animation - Blessing of the New

Church, Antonykatte.

II. Information-Commission for Catechetics & Bible:

- 1. Kindly remind your parishioners to subscribe/renew the subscription of *Jezuchi Suvartha*.
- 2. Diocesan Level Annual Public Examination for VII and X standard students (Catechism and Value Education) will be held on 11th January 2020 from 10 a.m. till 12.30 p.m. Dear correspondents please motivate the students to study well and on examination day kindly visit the school.
- We will be sending you Mangala Jyothi Bulletin in December second week. It is not just a magazine but it includes all the information regarding catechetics, liturgy and Bible. Every Parish Priest, HM, Principal and Catechism Coordinator will

- be getting a copy. After reading this bulletin, please circulate among the teachers.
- 4. For further information, please visit our website: www.mangalajyothi.com

III. Information Commission For Liturgy:

- 1. Please make these corrections in Ordo:
 - Page 71, 5th Sunday of Ordinary Time: 1 Reading Is. 58:7-10;
 - Page 80, 1st Sunday of Lent Gospel Mt. 4:1-11;
 - Page 82, 2nd Sunday of Lent Gospel Mt. 17:1-9;
 - Page 162, 20th Sunday of Ordinary Time Justice Sunday.
- 2. **Please correct the following** *in Devacha Sobdacho Sombhrom* page 29, "Dies Natalis solis invicti" means Birthday of the unconquerable sun".

We regret for the inconvenience. These errors happened during printing and they are unintentional. Please check and do the necessary corrections in the *Ordo* as well as *Sombhrom*.

3. New Konkani Missal orders and other related booksclarifications:

- So far only a few parishes have placed their order. Therefore, we have extended the last date for placing prepublication order up to **15th December 2019.** You need to make the pre-publication order payment in advance. Regarding payment (actual price) and mode of payment and date will be intimated to you later.
- When you place the order for books **please fill the order form** given in November *Internos* issue 2019. You can send the form by mail or post. Order over sms, whatsapp, phone will not be accepted.
- **Booklet of People's Response:** In the New Missal, many things have changed. For example: people's responses, Gloria, penitential rite, Sanctus, Lamb of God, and so on. Our people need to learn these prayers and responses. That is why we are going to print a separate booklet for the people as people's booklet. Some priests have told us they will be displaying it on the LCD screen. Is it possible for all parishes to display the text during daily masses? Some of you have

- ordered people's response booklet as 1 or 5 copies. In order to get those books at Rs 20/- a large number of copies are required. Therefore, please place your order accordingly.
- Children's Mass Booklet: The children Mass booklet includes children's liturgy separately. It includes order of the Mass, Eucharistic prayers for children and their responses. This booklet is very much useful during children's liturgy. In order to get the booklet for Rs 25, sufficient number of copies required.
- Missal and Concelebrant's Copy Printing details: Many prayers of the celebrants are modified or changed. New Masses have been included. Concelebrant's copy will be printed just like the Missal separately. Hard-bound with 8 ribbons inside and premium quality natural shade, imported, acid proof paper will be used. Missal sides will have gold-foiling. Font will be larger than the existing one. Further details regarding the New Missal will be given to you during the On-Going Formation programme in the month of January 2020.

4. Training Programme for Choir Members:

We will be organising formation programmes for choir members from this new liturgical year. Our choir members need sufficient training in the matters of liturgy and singing. This time programme will be held at Mangala Jyothi. Please send the choir master/musician and 2 representatives of your parish/institution for this training. Minimum number of participants: 3 from each parish or group.

- **1. English Group:** 7 December 2019, Saturday from 3.30 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. Registration fee: Rs100. (not on 15 December as mentioned in November *Internos*).
- **2. Konkani Group:** 8 December 2019, Sunday from 9 am to 1 p.m. Mass included. Registration fee: 150 (Tea/Lunch will be served).

Please register the names by 6 December 2019, Friday by whatsapp/sms/email or phone. We need to make the arrangements for food and tea.

New Revised English Lectionary: CCBI has revised the English Lectionary. It is not the same as old. The book will be available in 3 volumes from February 2020. CCBI and Asian Trading Corporation are the authorized publishers and distributors. ATC has requested and authorized Mangala Jyothi to accept the pre-publication orders and distribute the book in Mangalore Region/Diocese.

Salient features: Large, Bold, Easy-to-read type (14 pt), attractive format, No unnecessary page - turning, Handy Ribbon markers, including indexes, durable, attractive hard cover binding.

Pre-publication offer price: Rs 4500 only, order with payment before 15 December 2019. Post-publication price: Rs 7500/
- For order and payment details refer November *Internos* issue or contact Mangala Jyothi.

- **6. Handbook for Lectors:** We have prepared the handbook for Lectors. It includes necessary information and guidelines for the readers or Lectors. Kindly encourage the Lectors to have a copy for the effective proclamation of the Word of God. Price Rs 30/-. Please try to form a Lectors group in your parish and organise training for them.
- 7. Recollection for Extraordinary ministers (Reminder): Kindly organise 3 hours of recollection for the Extraordinary ministers in this Advent season. The theme can be: Missionary discipleship or you can choose your own.

IV. New Arrivals:

- 1. Handbook for Lectors in Konkani Rs. 30/-
- 2. Handbook for Choir members in Konkani Rs. 30/-
- 3. ದೇವ್ಸ್ತುತೆಚೆಂ ಗಾಯಾನ್ ಮಾಗ್ಣ್ಯಾಕ್ ಪ್ರೇರಣ್ ಗಾಯಾನ್ ಮಂಡಳಿಚ್ಯಾ ಸಾಂದ್ಯಾಂಕ್ - Rs. 70/-
- 4. ಕಾಳ್ದಾಂ ಆಮ್ಜಿಂ ಉಬಾರುಯಾಂ–ಗಾಯಾನ್ ಮಂಡಳಿಚ್ಯಾ ಸಾಂದ್ಯಾಂಕ್– $Rs.\ 60$ /-
- 5. ಕೀರ್ತನಾಚೆಂ ಮಸ್ತಕ್ Rs. 100/-
- 6. ದೈವಿಕ್ ಸಂದೇಶ್ ಆಯ್ತಾರ್ ಆನಿ ಫೆಸ್ತಾಂಚ್ಯಾ ವಾಚ್ಪಾಂಚೆರ್ ವಿವರ್ Rs. 150/-
- 7. Receive the Gifts of the Holy Spirit Confirmation Catechesis Rs. 35/-
- Mass Candles, superior quality Hosts & Particles, Incense are available at Mangala Jyothi stall.
 - Director, Mangala Jyothi

Young Catholic Students/Young Students' Movement Diocese of Mangalore

- Thank you all the parish priests for your support to make 'YCS FLAIR 2019' a success. Around 800 students from 52 units competed and around 1000 witnessed the event.
- 2. We also thank you for your kind support for 'YCS Mission Gallery 2019' with a tag line 'Mission Jesus Vision Nature.' It was held at the back ground of Extraordinary Mission Month October. I am happy to inform you that 74 YCS units organised selling eco-friendly items and collected Rs 1,46,655 which is already submitted to the Parish Priests.
- The YCS-SPANDANA Minority Scholarship Help Desk helped 800 plus students this year free of cost. We hope to do similar service in the coming years too.
- 4. There will be a 'Youth March for Christ' on 1st of December at 3 p.m. from Milagres to Nehru Maidan. The theme is 'Christ our Light and Life.' Please send the students.
- 5. As we approach the month of December, I place a kind request before all Varado Directors and Parish Priests to gradually slow down YCS activities (but not Cell Meetings) for the year and instruct the students to get into study from coming January so that they do well in their academics.

- Fr Rupesh Madtha, Director

VOCATION SERVICE CENTRE

One day **Vocation Camp** is organised on **Friday**, **December 27**, **2019** at **Pastoral Institute**, **Shanthi Kiran**, **Bajjodi** between 9. 00 a.m. and 4.00 p.m. for boys studying in High School and beyond. Please encourage aspiring boys to attend the camp.

- Fr Anil Fernandes, Vocation Director

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PROGRAMMES OF CODP-ISD

01.12.2019 : YET Classes for students of 8^{th} , 9^{th} and 10^{th} Stds in CODP-ISD

06.12.2019: Cleanliness Drive at Nirchal

07.12.2019 : Training on Plastic Waste Management at Vamadapadavu

08.12.2019 : Cleanliness Drive at Bedrampalla

09.12.2019 to 11.12.2019 : Women Empowerment project evaluation meet in KROSS, Bengaluru

10.12.2019 : - Sahajeevana Okkoota meet in CODP-ISD

'SPARSHA – Cancer Prevention Project'
 Launching programme in CODP-ISD

19.12.2019 : - Cleanliness Drive at Bannur

- Cleanliness Drive and Christmas celebration at Bannur

21.12.2019: Jeevan Raksha Okkoota meet in CODP-ISD

23.12.2019 : - Christmas get-together of SHGs at Maniampare

- Cleanliness Drive at Adyanadka

- Christmas get-together for Staff and Well-wishers in CODP-ISD

26.12.2019 : Cleanliness Drive at Balepuni

27.12.2019: Cleanliness Drive at Narampady

28.12.2019 : - Christmas get-together of SHGs at Narampady

 Cleanliness Drive and Christmas celebration at Modankap

30.12.2019: Christmas get-together of SHGs at Kumbla

- 1) Christmas get-together for children under Child Sponsorship project
- 2) Cleanliness drive and Christmas celebration at SHG centres

- Director, CODP

Platinum and Golden Birthdays

- * Rev. Valerian Rodrigues, St Zuze Vaz Home, Platinum Birthday (75th) on December 14, 2019.
- * Rev. Nelson Olivera, Holy Spirit Church, Sampige, Golden Birthday (50th) on December 7, 2019.

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDAR FOR

- Ongoing Formation of Priests on January 13 & 14, 2020 till lunch time.
- Junior Clergy Formation (1-10 yrs ordained) on January 21, 2020.

- Bishop of Mangalore

R.I.P.

- Mr Peter Monteiro (58), brother of Rev. Felix Monteiro, Father Muller Kankanady expired on October 13, 2019 at Madanthyar.
- Mr William Pinto (84), brother of Msgr Edwin C. Pinto, Founder and Spiritual Director of Helpers of Mount Rosary, Alangar Moodbidri on October 30, 2019 at Rosario-Mangalore.
- Mr Wilfred D'Souza (47), brother of Rev. Victor D'Souza, Principal, Rosario PU College, expired on November 3, 2019 at Piusnagar.
- Mr Rosario Pinto (88), father of Rev. Ronald Pinto, pursuing higher studies in Philippines, expired on November 14, 2019 at Amembal.

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