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BISHOP'S PROGRAMME FOR JANUARY 2025

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| 3 | 07.00 | p.m. | Christmas Get-together with Doctors and families, FMCI |
| 4 | 11.00 | a.m. | Christmas Celebration in the District Prison, with PMI |
| 5 | 03.30 | p.m. | Mass at Milagres, and Eucharistic Procession |
| 9 | 10.00 | a.m. | Ordination at Pakshikere |
| 10 | 04.00 | p.m. | Diocesan Finance Council, Bishop's House |
| 11-12 | | | Pastoral Visit, Manjotti Parish |
| 13 | 09.30 | a.m. | Ongoing Formation, I Batch, Pastoral Centre, Bajjodi |
| | 04.30 | p.m. | Evaluation, Eucharistic Procession, Bishop's House, Kodialbail |
| 16 | 09.30 | a.m. | Ongoing Formation, II Batch, Pastoral Centre |
| | 05.30 | p.m. | Silver Jubilee of St Joseph English Medium School, Sullia |
| 18 | 09.00 | a.m. | Silver Jubilee of Fatima English Medium School, Miyapadavu |
| 19 | | | Festal Mass at Meppady, Calicut |
| 23 | 10.30 | a.m. | Centennial Birthday of Msgr Aloysius D'Souza, Seminary, Jeppu |

- 24 10.30 a.m. Mass and Blessing the Renovated Facility,
Friendship House
- 25 09.00 a.m. Mass at St Ann's Convent, Bolar
06.15 p.m. Solemn Vespers, Bejai Church
- 26-Feb. 5 CCBI Meeting, Bhubaneswar

Bishop Meets in the Forenoon:

Religious Men and Women, 15; Diocesan Clergy, 21;
Lay Faithful, 22.

BISHOP'S MESSAGE FOR JANUARY 2025

Papal Intention for January: The Holy Father has called on the entire Church to pray for migrants, refugees, and those affected by war, that their right to education may be safeguarded. Education undoubtedly raises awareness of people's rights and duties, and enlightened citizens contribute to building a healthy society. Let us help the migrants and refugees working in our Diocese to have better facilities for holistic education.

Eucharistic Procession and Adoring the Lord: On the 5th of this month, as we celebrate the Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord, all are cordially invited to participate in the Diocesan Eucharistic Procession, which marks the Jubilee of the Eucharist. The theme of this year's message is: "Hope does not disappoint us." Kindly encourage the Faithful of your parish to join the procession and pray for the whole Church and our Diocese in front of the Eucharistic Lord. Please be reminded not to schedule any programmes in the afternoon to allow for greater participation.

Prayer for Christian Unity: From 18 to 25 January the Week of Prayer is held for Christian Unity. The theme for the 2025 Week of Prayer is "Do you believe this?" (Jn 11: 26), takes its cue from the dialogue between Jesus and Martha when Jesus

visited the home of Martha and Mary in Bethany following the death of their brother Lazarus. Jesus, in order to rouse her faith in new life, said to Martha: “I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?” This year marks the 1700th anniversary of the first Christian Ecumenical Council, held in Nicaea. This commemoration provides a unique opportunity to reflect on and celebrate the common faith of Christians, as expressed in the Creed formulated during this Council; a faith that remains alive and fruitful in our days. The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity 2025 offers an invitation to draw on this shared heritage and to enter more deeply into the faith that unites all Christians. May the Lord bring all the Christians closer in this year.

Ecumenical Sunday and Jubilee of Christian Unity: In our Diocese, Sunday, 19 January is dedicated to Ecumenical Efforts. The Introduction, Homily, and Prayer of the Faithful will provide an opportunity to highlight and reflect on the importance of Christian unity. Additionally, all are invited to celebrate the Jubilee of Christian Unity on 1 February. On this day, Parish Priests are asked to organize ecumenical meetings with Christian brethren from other mainline Churches. For further details on Christian Churches and Ecclesial Communities in your vicinity, as well as the prayer service notes, please contact the Secretary of the Commission for Ecumenism, Fr Rupesh Madtha.

Sunday of the Word of God is celebrated on 25 and 26 January. Pope Francis established the Sunday of the Word of God in 2019 through an Apostolic Letter called “Aperuit illis”. The motto for the 2025 celebration is “I hope in your Word” (Ps 119:74). It is a cry of hope: man, in a moment of anguish, tribulation and confusion, cries out to God and puts all his hope in him. Hope gives greater meaning to our earthly existence and indicates our destiny. The Sunday of the Word of God is a day to emphasize the importance of referring to the Word of God in the daily life of the Church and communities. The Scriptures are central to

Christian worship because they reveal God to people through God's inspiration. The Commission for the Bible gives the directives to indicate the mode of celebrating this Jubilee.

I pray that the Lord grant you a Happy and Prosperous New Year 2025. May Mother of God accompany you on your life's journey. May all experience the mercy of God throughout this year.

✠ Peter Paul Saldanha
Bishop of Mangalore

ONGOING FORMATION PROGRAMME FOR THE CLERGY

Topic : Revisiting the Educational Apostolate in the Diocese of Mangalore

Resource Persons: Rev Dr Praveen L Lasrado, Secretary, CBE

Prof. Mathew C Ninan, Director,

Little Rock Indian School, Brahmavar.

Place : Pastoral Institute - Jyothi Nivas, Main Hall

Time : From 9.00 am to 1.00 p.m.

13 January 2025 Vicariates 16 January 2025 Vicariates

13 January 2025 Vicariates	16 January 2025 Vicariates
Episcopal City Bela Bantwal Kirem Puttur Surathkal	Mangalore City Belthangady Gurpur Permannur Moodbidri Vittal

Please note that attendance at the ongoing formation programme is mandatory. If you are unable to attend on the day assigned to your deanery and wish to change the day of your attendance, kindly inform us via WhatsApp by January 11, 2025. This will help us ensure appropriate food arrangements and avoid any wastage or shortages.

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ANNUAL MISSION STATISTICS - 2024

The Annual Mission Statistics Sheets/Forms for the year 2024 will be sent to all Parish Priests and Superiors of Religious Houses (both Men and Women) and are expected to reach you by January 8, 2025. If you have not received them by that date, please collect them from the reception desk at the Bishop's House, Kodialbail.

We kindly request that you carefully update the statistics for your parish or institution. Please ensure that all information is accurately entered in the designated columns and spaces provided on the Mission Statistics forms. Once completed, return the forms to the Chancery. The completed forms must reach the Chancery **no later than February 10, 2024**. We ask that you thoroughly review and verify all information before finalizing the forms to ensure they accurately reflect the current situation of your parish or institution.

It is important to note that each diocese is required to submit the mission statistics data to the Holy See within the specified time frame. In light of this, we kindly ask Parish Priests to remind the Superiors of Religious Convents or Houses within their parishes of the deadline and to ensure that the completed forms are sent promptly to the Chancery by the aforementioned date in order to assist us in tabulating the data and submitting it to the Holy See. Your cooperation and attention to this matter are greatly appreciated.

– **Chancery Office**

CLARIFICATION ON THE AUTHORS & THE TRUSTEES OF A PARISH TRUST

As per Amended PMLA Rules, Ministry of Finance (Department of Revenue) vide Notification S.O. 1074(E), dated March 7, 2023, in the exercise of the powers conferred by Section 73 of the Prevention of Money-laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 (15 of 2003), has amended the Prevention of Money-laundering (Maintenance of Records) Rules, 2005 and accordingly:

“Non-profit organization” now means “any entity or organization, constituted for religious or charitable purposes referred to in clause (15) of section 2 of the Income-tax Act, 1961 (43 of 1961), that is registered as a trust or a society under the Societies Registration Act, 1860 (21 of 1860) or any similar State legislation or a Company registered under the section 8 of the Companies Act, 2013 (18 of 2013).” Banks are required to Obtain Darpann ID’s for All accounts of trusts, Churches and Schools. In the Diocese of Mangalore, since schools are units of

Churches, the Church is required to Obtain a Darpann ID. Two trustees are required, namely the Parish Priest and Vice President of PPC. Only their details are to be used. Bishop, VG and Procurator are only Authors of the Trust and not Trustees in charge of day-to-day Management. Hence their PAN and Other details are not required.

– **Procurator**

ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE YEAR 2025-2026

Parish Priests are requested to prepare the budget for the new financial year 2025-2026 before its commencement. The budget should be prepared by the Parish Finance Council during the months of January and February, taking into account the actual income and expenditure for the financial year 2023-2024, as well as the figures for the first nine months of the current year (from April 2024 to December 2024). The budget should then be approved in the Parish Finance Council meeting and submitted for the Bishop's approval. Kindly ensure that the budget is sent to the Bishop for approval by the end of February 2025.

The budget will include the following details:

Items	Actual of 2023-2024	Budgeted for 2024-2025	Actual up to Dec 2024	Budgeted for 2025-2026

It should be noted that items like earmarked collections, permanent grave fees, and any capital income do not form part of the budget. The following specimen heads of items are common for most parishes. The list is not exhaustive; there may be additional items applicable to a particular parish or institution.

Format for Preparing the Church Budget

Income		Expenditure	
Receipts from Properties and Investments:	Rs.	Salaries to church employees	Rs.
Rent from Shops/Buildings let out		Wages	
Rent from house buildings let out		Land tax	
Rent collected from grounds/open area		House tax	
Rent from Parish Hall			
Moolageni Received		Allowance to Priests:	
Chalageni Received		Allowance to Parish Priest	
		Allowance to Asst. Priest I	
		Allowance to Asst. Priest II	
Interest Income		T.A. to Parish Priest	
Interest Received from SB A/c		T.A. to Asst. Priest I	
Interest from Fixed Deposits:		T.A. to Asst. Priest II	
i) Church (legacy, capital fund, general fund etc.)		Holiday Allowance to Parish Priest	
		Holiday Allowance to Asst. Priest I	
ii) Dividend on shares		Holiday Allowance to Asst. Priest II	
iii) Interest on refund of Income tax			
iv) Interest from Arrears of Rent		Church requisites:	
v) Charity funds:		Hosts & Particles	
a) KCWA Fund		Mass wine	
b) Medical Fund:		Candles & Incense	
c) Poor Students Education Fund		Flowers	
d) Housing Fund		Church linen & Vestments	
		Liturgical books	

vi) Choir Fund		
Agriculture Income		Religious Obligations:
		Pro-populo Mass
		Legacy Masses
Voluntary Contributions:		Repairs & Maintenance:
Annual (Kaido) Contributions		Church Building
Sunday Collections (75%)		Parochial House
DCMF (25%)		Cemetery
Mite Box Collection		Garden
Donations: a) Church		Furniture
b) Charity funds:		Electrical Installations
c) Education Fund		Computer(electronics)
d) Medical Fund		Generator (fuel/oil etc.)
f) Housing Fund		Machinery & Equipment
g) Any other (Specify):		Garden
i)		Hall
ii)		
Feast Collections:		Administrative expenses:
1) Parish Feast		Electricity charges
2) Christmas		Water Charges
3) Nativity of B.V.M.		Postage & Courier
4) Holy Week		Printing & Stationery
5) All Souls Day		Telephone
6) New Year		Conveyance charges
7) Patron Feast		Newspaper & periodicals
8) Any other (specify):		Bank charges
i)		Audit fees
ii)		IT filing charges
Other Collections:		Professional charges
		Legal charges
Selection of graves		Cable & Internet charges
Tolling of bells		Website
Illumination & decoration		Meeting expenses
Sale of old materials (Scrap, newspaper etc.)		Staff welfare fund

Serthi collection	Miscellaneous	
Certificate charges	Hall expenses	
Publication of Banns	Serthi expenses	
Retreat collection		
Others (Specify):	Agriculture expenses	
i)		
ii)	Festivals and Celebrations	
	1) Parish Feast	
	2) Christmas	
	3) Nativity of B.V.M.	
	4) Holy Week	
	5) New Year	
	6) All Souls Day	
	7) Patron Feast	
	5) Any Other (specify)	
	i)	
	ii)	
	Activities (Social & Religious):	
	1) Youth Activity	
	2) Catechism	
	3) Choir expenses	
	4) Sodality, Altar Servers	
	5) Retreat	
	6) Felicitation	
	7) Other activities (specify):	
	i)	
	ii)	
	Donations & Contributions:	
	Diocesan Central Pool Fund (DCPF)	
	Priests Aid Fund (1%)	
	Parish Union	

	Charity:	
	Alms/Charity (25%)	
	DCMF (25%)	
	Mite Box Collection (DCMF)	
	Medical Aid	
	Education Aid	
	Housing Aid	
	Any other: Specify:	
	i)	
	ii)	
	Capital Expenditure:	
	Building	
	Furniture	
	Electrical Installations	
	Vessels & Utensils	
	Machinery	
	Any other: Specify:	
	i)	
	ii)	
Total	Total	

Date:

Seal of the Church

Parish Priest

Vice President

Secretary

Pope Francis: *Speaking well and not speaking ill is an expression of humility, and humility is the hallmark of the Incarnation. An ecclesial community lives in joyful and fraternal harmony to the extent that its members walk in the way of humility, refusing to think and speak ill of one another. Saint Paul, says, "Bless and do not curse" (Rom 12:14). We can also understand his words as meaning: "Speak well and do not speak ill" of others, in our case, our co-workers, our superiors and colleagues, everyone. Speak well and do not speak ill.*

**EARMARKED COLLECTIONS FROM PARISHES REMITTED TO BISHOPS HOUSE
UP TO 30.11.2024**

No	PARISH	Maundy Thursday	Good Friday	Solidarity	Soc. of St. Peter Ap.	Ongoing Formation	Communion India	Apostolate	Monthi Feast	Mission Sunday	Christ the King
1	Rosario Cathedral	22250	33310	10910	12320	20265	8450	15700	30490	272826	14130
2	Adyapady	3160	3777	2823	926	1128	630	870	2870	50480	1077
	Anthonykatte	7132	12203	2345	1510	1860	1738	1580	8205	-	1350
3	Agrar	19430	43612	10558	10672	13266	8181	11413	16605	300000	12426
4	Allipade	10650	21430	9495	7736	8498	5392	9250	15465	209150	9440
5	Anmambal	13150	20050	10050	9590	10100	8170	8500	19200	140000	8500
6	Anegudde	2042	4382	1796	1734	1771	1316	1712	5624	34555	1559
7	Angalore	48245	94240	25087	27960	27327	21445	26072	59896	637440	27252
8	Arva	9625	17540	5428	5514	5572	5297	4949	13158	83060	5126
9	Ashoknagar	33966	60905	18730	22805	23032	14090	27636	38375	361490	20415
10	Badyar	9285	16600	4764	7436	7312	4654	8815	10735	218700	8260
11	Bajjal	22731	33362	14232	13310	13311	6936	14714	33770	128689	14260
12	Bajjodi	18602	28730	10635	10688	10327	6566	22634	17355	107178	11735

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13	Bajpe	47650	72228	24700	22424	24784	16610	23080	27710	237870	22218
14	Bambil	3408	8432	3840	3632	6720	2520	2460	3250	40050	3100
15	Bannur	12210	28473	8618	8090	7957	4904	7967	18786	119614	8009
16	Bantwal	41427	79691	29140	22940	22995	17585	21740	27424	271966	24037
17	Bejai	78824	127588	25116	46686	57700	26260	37910	62595	1669079	30270
18	Bela	13373	51465	16332	17558	16045	8393	10225	20636	184734	18325
19	Belloor	10070	23812	8255	6840	7635	4960	8873	15945	149945	7325
20	Belthangady	43205	59343	18770	17973	18340	8152	15629	33531	542215	15657
21	Belvai	6693	12954	5483	6290	7211	6075	7243	11890	90713	6431
22	Bendur	95210	159838	61915	73980	66985	53922	73979	90250	913580	69790
23	Bola	4615	5917	4413	4569	3720	2242	4066	8967	20174	4875
24	Bolkunje	14719	20380	7582	8282	6257	7450	5241	12078	48043	4592
25	Bondel	50840	84660	32120	35645	32000	26230	34380	45000	503935	31674
26	Borimar	6200	16600	4700	6085	5620	3429	5781	10750	151000	5356
27	Bovikana	1650	3566	2002	2080	1680	600	1560	2520	19320	1920
28	Cascia	11590	15244	7575	7400	8820	11040	11730	22316	101500	9445

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29	Cordel	110330	188780	65102	64190	62033	38277	60642	76511	609253	66103
30	Derebail	81574	112144	38548	48537	44025	31465	51664	55812	1044734	46831
31	Delanthabettu	2628	4030	2490	2194	2753	1225	2830	4055	19600	2514
32	Eliarpadav	5980	17790	4940	4160	5325	3390	7050	9165	34700	5790
33	Fajir	20555	39471	15204	16573	17276	16634	17289	35691	170000	17604
34	Farla	9570	18472	8670	7760	9111	6014	8460	13100	113246	9240
35	Ferar	10225	41375	8920	10939	9700	7250	9000	25100	140000	11497
36	Fermai	6232	13948	5669	6343	5120	7475	5340	10048	88720	5528
37	Gantalkatte	7110	15632	7227	5592	5955	5152	8067	13063	87910	6379
38	Gardady	5390	10310	4110	2980	2480	3400	3460	6590	80302	3040
39	Gurpur	18139	48105	13823	14572	13192	10375	14364	26307	172040	13462
40	Hosabettu	12880	35590	6565	7850	9770	6710	9240	17790	96700	8915
41	Indubettu	5100	7600	4250	2438	3033	1855	2686	4973	128986	2419
42	Jeppu	32614	66650	23107	12644	17654	11970	13053	25130	138556	10768
43	Kadaba	2899	5141	1285	1413	1777	965	3121	4065	47000	1668
44	Karady	5263	13466	5779	6515	6295	2921	6495	11682	54810	7057

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45	Kasargod	4230	8903	5176	5601	6976	3427	5757	8510	96208	4339
46	Kateel	5265	10218	4139	4220	4510	3690	4195	8315	91432	6341
47	Katipalla	19025	46689	12712	13594	15104	8440	9653	34341	155518	15106
48	Kayyar	9559	18860	11215	11435	10813	11235	15876	15850	100000	15250
49	Kelarai	25491	58459	22029	23414	20330	11275	23608	33019	162082	24419
50	Kinnigoli	31960	49305	20761	21456	23566	15230	29858	40834	732430	26020
51	Kirem	23445	45255	15371	14530	16272	11578	14275	35677	287093	28051
52	Kokkada	5529	10349	4407	4164	5220	3802	4705	10126	112562	4464
53	Kollangana	6889	21232	5995	6084	7679	3259	5549	9728	101732	5600
54	Komangala	960	2698	1400	1100	2445	840	1310	1696	16010	842
55	Kulur	26993	36315	13354	21858	22472	16370	29313	47378	263401	14620
56	Kumbala	6229	11493	4461	5100	7756	4319	3676	12025	193881	4782
57	Kuppepadav	9439	14674	5015	4747	8090	2640	5265	10910	140000	5320
58	Lawrencenagar	3726	7491	4058	4687	4032	1807	3593	5765	61030	4499
59	Loreto	23076	57941	12166	15809	15239	14255	17136	38271	511681	15319
60	Madanthayar	41002	63704	24517	23131	23632	13703	21866	51839	700000	19592

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61	Manela	5902	9703	6024	6404	7461	3524	6108	9910	109500	8020
62	Maniyampare	2886	6486	3895	4127	4717	1565	3146	5109	38790	4312
63	Manjeshwar	8467	17540	8478	8344	6573	3723	7272	8545	131760	6366
64	Manjotti	6220	11360	4680	3840	3460	2180	4720	8920	202000	5140
65	Mariashram	7811	12891	6470	7940	6874	5975	5157	12386	135000	5905
66	Maril	9831	10516	9840	12800	14000	8800	10700	21000	204888	10800
67	Milagres	82990	106160	68750	67240	61420	42900	52340	85140	736651	60290
68	Miyapadav	4739	14814	7493	6874	8442	3014	6195	12361	54015	7668
69	Mogarnad	23152	57989	19888	20553	22724	14372	21676	39610	362762	19394
70	Moodbidri-Alangar	11832	23180	12762	10848	10400	8759	12100	23000	438000	10700
71	Moodbidri-Town	35314	61676	18573	18906	22358	12061	23374	24154	309677	21251
72	Mudipu	7974	22133	6553	7161	6874	4873	7981	15942	105810	8403
73	Mukka	6027	14095	3736	5701	7937	5017	7282	12125	166237	6365
74	Mulky	12359	29280	8668	13825	17559	16671	12667	29679	169000	11679
75	Nainadu	6736	11509	9662	5980	6510	4995	5154	10327	116289	5681
76	Nala	2805	3517	1608	2169	2737	1810	2073	2888	43000	3955

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77	Narampady	11889	17770	11114	11412	11508	7830	10082	16602	445000	11136
78	Naravi	10770	30532	9586	8996	7219	5265	7158	16641	195000	7535
79	Neermarga	41891	16735	16825	17023	13125	12160	14576	34067	163161	19095
80	Neerude	12840	24805	10522	8630	8215	6078	8633	15322	74137	7126
81	Nellikar	2605	5465	2470	2297	3916	1658	2889	2981	38471	3169
82	Nellyady	2770	5498	3041	2721	2380	1470	3280	6620	81346	3428
83	Niddodi	9910	18490	7040	7850	7810	6820	7950	18870	100000	4620
84	Nidpally	3737	3840	5780	2168	2404	1410	3280	4374	80793	2858
85	Nirkan	6850	13070	5580	4400	4720	3150	4800	9050	75200	4420
86	Nithyadarnagar	11935	27604	6420	6728	8184	8539	7064	21632	126443	7400
87	Omzoor	20922	29406	23526	17348	12716	11804	15935	23766	200687	10539
88	Pakshikere	13739	25465	6067	6661	7355	6112	6154	13330	165000	6082
89	Paladka	10065	18910	10387	8913	7074	6582	9144	14634	76742	5584
90	Paldane	18530	32224	13252	14100	12040	11058	17354	29864	195000	13018
91	Panir	19119	42305	16680	16010	18960	10493	16660	28655	281970	16644
92	Panja	4490	4900	1650	4175	4165	795	4433	4200	40000	3050
	Bellare	2055	3500	2340	2295	2120	1500	2230	6140	42000	2225

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93	Pavur	1500	2000	-	1428	1957	2175	3174	4098	16075	1660
94	Pavur Uliya	460	550	590	674	430	450	556	1467	7537	1244
95	Permannur	52050	104080	32180	30140	31020	21150	25025	80080	303300	32000
96	Permude	12463	20927	5780	6972	7682	8172	5227	16372	153650	8920
97	Peruvai	3820	9885	4911	5546	4526	4028	5090	10267	68937	5544
98	Pezar	5190	13185	3270	3791	3270	2320	3478	8050	51000	3765
99	Puttur	29170	102398	25069	23415	27415	15648	29250	48474	1450000	34025
100	Ranipura	18570	39260	10948	13204	19243	7706	14312	30200	121000	12075
101	Salethur	3356	8616	3642	3844	3427	3467	2435	6852	85526	4026
102	Sampaje	2840	5360	2932	2520	3020	2012	2230	3550	38100	2200
103	Sampige	10155	14070	4300	5032	5120	3190	6220	12410	314150	4870
104	Saverapura	2850	5000	4300	3620	2410	2080	2470	5470	27300	3000
105	Shakthinagar	10811	18183	6306	8280	7520	5390	11500	21210	122000	8626
106	Shambur	3525	4215	3046	3341	4257	3800	4652	4330	40338	4378
107	Shirthady	13268	21495	9128	8270	8831	6080	8806	15308	155225	9814
108	Siddakatte	11967	28623	9000	10089	9315	4627	9367	17112	72459	10000

No	PARISH	Maunder Thursday	Good Friday	Solidarity	Soc. of St. Peter Ap.	Ongoing Formation	Comm-union India	Apostolate	Monthi Feast	Mission Sunday	Christ the King
109	Sullia	5675	10572	5080	7340	4675	2841	4688	9687	86600	5650
110	Surathkal	40440	46846	25310	28499	28489	19560	28788	50164	232585	26040
111	Taccode	10005	39598	7564	8280	8260	6987	12644	23331	93563	11088
112	Thannirbavi	3320	6474	2760	1410	1770	3260	1610	6710	50971	3270
113	Thodambila	11134	19524	4750	7008	6313	4254	8713	13833	117674	7190
114	Thokur	4540	13740	5770	4423	4756	3380	5297	8005	176908	4074
115	Ujire	10434	30600	8035	8636	8894	4134	8522	16629	206769	8350
116	Ukkimadka	3225	4560	2260	3011	3086	1570	3205	3271	35760	3249
117	Uppinangady	8040	14645	5213	4733	5070	3049	4686	13109	161693	4560
118	Urwa	53576	83895	48490	39548	38660	26845	41492	78983	484250	39257
119	Valencia	41845	81036	39797	39885	43386	24480	40556	84225	1052375	36603
120	Vamadapadav	8023	15549	6314	5781	6842	4928	7217	12491	77400	6119
121	Vamanjoor	60341	89000	28594	22027	29718	24115	32648	50454	318075	28361
122	Venur	10048	18016	6505	8134	7950	6190	7568	16520	111200	10470
123	Vittal	17840	22663	11498	11918	12048	10327	10905	19544	164216	13391
124	Vorkady	20670	28760	13176	14025	12417	8259	14819	23321	201000	12533

MANGALA JYOTHI

I. Programmes for January 2025

- 4 : VII & X Std. School Catechism / VE Annual Exam
- 5 : Liturgy Animation - Diocesan Eucharistic Procession
- 9 : Liturgy animation, Ordination Liturgy, Pakshikere
- 12 : Adult Catechesis on Liturgy & Sacraments, Lectors Training, Mangalore
- 15 : Way of the Cross Committee meeting, Pezar
- 16-17 : Evaluation of the Answer scripts (VII & X Std.), MJ
- 19 : Adult Catechesis on Liturgy & Sacraments, Lectors Training, Vorkady
- 22-23 : Class on Liturgy and Catechetics, Bethany, Bajpe
- 25-Feb. 5 : CCBI Plenary Assembly, Bhubaneshwar
- 26-30 : St Lawrence Basilica, Attur - Ministry and Stall

II. Commission for Catechetics:

1. VII & X Std. Catechism and VE exams: The Diocesan level VII & X Std. Catechism, as well as VE exams, will be conducted on 04 January 2025, Saturday, from 10.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. For more details, refer to our website www.mangalajyothi.com or Mangala Jyothi Bulletin, December 2024 issue.

2. Sunday Catechism Annual Exams date: 16-02-2025, morning hours.

Mangala Jyothi is preparing common question papers for the annual exams (Std. IV to X). The question paper pattern has already been published in our June bulletin issue. The copy of the question paper (Std. IV to X) will be sent to deanery priest coordinators and Deans of the respective deaneries by 5 February 2025. Parish Priests are requested to collect the question papers from them. *You may modify the question papers according to your local situation or syllabus if necessary.* However, please *do not change the date of the examination.* The syllabus covers the entire year.

3. Parish / Diocesan level Catechism Day: You are requested to organize Catechism Day at the parish level either on 23 February or in March or at your convenience. The diocesan level Catechism Day will be celebrated on 2 March 2025, Sunday, from 8.30 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. at Urwa Church. You are cordially invited to the programme.

III. Commission for Liturgy:

1. Enrolment of Extraordinary Ministers' Data / updating information online (Reminder): In order to issue certificates and check other details such as training/faculty renewal, online registration is required. For more details, visit our website [www.mangalajyothi.com/parishlogin/Extraordinary ministersdata](http://www.mangalajyothi.com/parishlogin/Extraordinary_ministersdata) or contact our office at 0824-6666612. Please maintain a separate file for this ministry at the parish office. Our staff will call you in this regard and assist you. Kindly cooperate and complete the process by 28 February 2025.

2. Liturgical Hymns: The hymns used for the liturgy must be approved by the Bishop. Parish Priests are requested to check the hymns before they are sung. Kindly use *Somyak Dhinvasuya* - the official liturgical hymnal for liturgical singing.

IV. New arrivals and other items available at our stall:

- * ಕಥೋಲಿಕ್ ಪಂಚಾಂಗ್
- * 2025 ಜುಬ್ಲಿವ್ ವರ್ಷಾಚೊ ಸಂಭ್ರಮ್
- * ಖುರ್ನಾ ವಾಟೆಚಿಂ ಪುಸ್ತಕಾಂ:
ಭವ್ಯಶ್ಯಾಚ್ಯಾ ಯಾತ್ರಿಕಾಂಕ್ ಖುರ್ನಾವಾಟ್
- * ಖುರ್ನಾ ವಾಟೆಚ್ಯಾ 14 ಸ್ತಸಾಂವಾಂಚಿಂ ಪಿಂತುರಾಂ
- * Pilgrims of Hope on the Synodal Journey - Jubilee Year Handbook by CCBI

V. Information: There will be a Mangala Jyothi stall during the annual feast of St. Lawrence Basilica, Attur. There will also be a provision for the renewal of *Jesuchi Suvantha* and *Devacha Sobdacho Sombram* subscriptions. Please inform your parishioners about this.

- Director, Mangala Jyothi

COMMISSION FOR BIBLE – DIOCESE OF MANGALORE

1. The Sixth Sunday of the Word of God will be celebrated on 26 January 2025 with the theme, **“I Hope in Your Word”** “ತುಜ್ಞಾ ಉತ್ತರಾಚಿರ್ ಹಾಂವ್ ಭರ್ವಸ್ತಾಂ” (Ps 119:74).

Dicastery for Evangelization in its Liturgical and Pastoral Handbook for the Word of God Sunday 2025 notes that to actively experience the Sunday of the Word of God it is important that preparations extend from the spiritual level (personal and community prayer) to the material level (adequate planning). To effectively prepare and live out this Sunday it makes the following pastoral proposals:

- A week before the Sunday of the Word of God, include an intention dedicated to this goal in the prayer of the faithful.
- Provide a time of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in the community, offered for the celebration of the Sunday of the Word of God.
- Have moments of Biblical Catechesis.
- Celebrate this Sunday’s Mass in a solemn way, according to Pope Francis’ request. The Apostolic Letter *Aperuit illis*, No. 3, outlines some suggestions: Enthronement of the Word of God; highlighting the proclamation of the Word of God and adapting the homily to emphasize the service that is rendered to the Word of the Lord. The parish priests could find ways of distributing the Bible, or one of its books, to the whole assembly so as to bring out the importance of continuing the daily reading, deepening and praying with Sacred Scripture, with a special emphasis on Lectio Divina. Make special reference in the Prayer of the Faithful to Christian unity, since celebrating the Sunday of the Word of God expresses ecumenical significance.
- Listening, sharing, living and proclaiming the Word of God is not a one-day task, but a task to undertake for our whole life. It might help to promote various Bible initiatives throughout the year and provide an opportunity for ongoing formation of

- the faithful: Formation for Lectors; Carrying the Word “in your pocket”; Carrying the Word in your cellphone; Formation of the Bible Study Group in the Parish; Meditated Rosary with proclamation of the Word and meditation.
2. The liturgical resources for the Word of God Sunday in Konkani and English will be sent to all the Parishes of the Diocese.
 3. **Biblioth: A Race of Grace**— the programme of reading the entire Bible was a great success. On the occasion of the Jubilee of the Word of God or Word of God Sunday, certificates can be distributed to them, and their efforts can be recognized with a small prize at the parish level. This will be a wonderful way to appreciate their dedication to the Word of God. If any parish needs certificates please contact the Commission for Bible Secretary: 9844763634.
 4. A profuse embodiment of the Word of God could be found in the Prayer of the Church. To mark the Jubilee of the Word of God, the Commission for Bible organises the **Solemn Vespers in Konkani on the eve of the Jubilee of the Word of God on 25.01.2025 at St Francis Xavier Church, Bejai at 6.15 pm.**
 5. **Diocesan Level Online Bible Quiz** (google form mode) will be held **on 05 March 2025 (Ash Wednesday)** in continuation of the Word of God Sunday Celebration. The Quiz includes questions only from the *Book of Genesis* and the *Gospel of Matthew*.
 6. **Jubilee Bible 2025:** There is a proposal for an ambitious project of writing the entire Bible in Konkani within a stipulated duration of ONE hour by 2025 people (including priests, sisters, children, and lay faithful).
 7. *Vatek Divo* (Lamp to my Steps—Ps 119:105) — Zone Level-Bible Quiz at Mogarnad Church on 26.01.2025.
 8. **Bible Classes at St Joseph’s Institute of Theology, Jeppu, Mangalore in Konkani and English.**

Theme:

ಪಾವ್ಲಾಚ್ಯಾ ಪಾವ್ಲಾಂನಿ: ಸಾಂ ಪಾವ್ಲಾಚ್ಯಾ ಪತ್ರಾಂಕ್ ಏಕ್ ಪ್ರಸ್ತಾವನ್.

Paulachea Pavlanim: San Pavlachea potrank ek prostavon.

In the Footsteps of Paul – An Introduction to the Letters of Paul.

Dates:

Konkani : Monday to Friday, Feb 03-07 & 10-14, 2025 from 6:00 to 7:30 pm.

English : Monday to Friday, Feb 17-21 & 24-28, 2025 from 6:00 to 7:30 pm.

9. “Scripture, Tradition, and the Magisterium: A Harmonious Relationship”- A Paper presentation at All India Bible Congress 2025, Vailankanni, 21-23 January 2025 commemorating the 60th year of *Dei Verbum*.

- Fr Vincent Sequeira, Secretary

PROGRAMMES OF CODP

- 05.01.2025 : Training on Leadership in Moodbidri
 08.01.2025 : Training on Social Media Management in Talapady
 12.01.2025 : Educare Motivation Programme in Rosario Church Hall, Pandeshwar
 17.01.2025 : Training on Strengthening of Okkuta in Bajpe, Visit to SAMPADA, Udupi to gain knowledge on Co-operative Bank
 19.01.2025 : Training on Local Resource Management in Vorkady
 21.01.2025 : Awareness on Global Warming in Talapady, Training on Advocacy and Networking in Kotekar
 22.01.2025 : Women Empowerment Project- Cluster Level Meeting in CODP
 23.01.2025 : Women Empowerment Project- Cluster Level Meeting in CODP
 27.01.2025 : Training on Local Resource Management in Manjeshwar, Training on Social Media Management in Sheni
 28.01.2025 : Training on Panchayath Raj in Bela

Housing Programme: As of today, 198 new houses and 100 house repairs have been completed. These achievements were made possible through the cooperation of the Parish Priests, donours, and the Housing Committee. Visits to the homes of pending applicants are scheduled for January 2025.

– **Director, CODP**

DIAMOND BIRTHDAY

Rev. Oswald Monteiro, Parish Priest Our Lady of Remedies Church, Kirem celebrates 60th birthday on 13.01.2025.

Wishing you a blessed and joyful 60th birthday! Your faithful service and dedication to the Church have been an inspiration to many. May God continue to bless you with health, happiness, and grace as you continue to serve His people.

CENTENNIAL BIRTHDAY

Rev. Aloysius D'Souza, St Zuze Vaz Home, on 29.01.2025.

On the joyous occasion of your 100th birthday, we extend our heartfelt congratulations and prayers for God's continued blessings upon you. Your remarkable journey of service to the Church over the past century has been nothing short of inspiring. As a dedicated member of the diocesan curia, as well as your time spent in various parishes as Parish Priest and Vicar Forane, you have touched the lives of many and have helped guide the faithful with wisdom and compassion.

Your role as Vicar General, Spiritual Director, and Teacher of Latin at St. Joseph's Seminary speaks volumes of your commitment not just to the administrative sphere of the Church, but to nurturing and educating future generations of clergy. Your tireless devotion to the spiritual and intellectual growth of others has left an indelible mark on both the clergy and laity alike.

Your legacy is one of service, sacrifice, and love for the Church, and your faith has been a beacon of light for so many.

As you celebrate this monumental milestone, we pray that God continues to bless you with good health, peace, and joy. May you continue to inspire all who are fortunate enough to know you with your humility, wisdom gained through experience, and grace. *Happy 100th birthday to our favourite centenarian, Msgr Aloysius! A century of awesomeness!*

SIGNIFICANCE OF THE HOLY DOOR

With the opening of the Holy Door on January 24, 2024 (Christmas Eve), Pope Francis inaugurated the 2025 Jubilee Year of Hope and encouraged each of us to enter into the mystery of this extraordinary event. He said, “Tonight, the door of hope has opened wide to the world. Tonight, God speaks to each of us and says: there is hope also for you! There is hope for each of us. For Christians, hope is not a cinematic ‘happy ending’ which we passively await, but rather, a promise, the Lord’s promise, to be welcomed here and now in our world of suffering and sighs. This is the Jubilee. This is the season of hope in which we are invited to rediscover the joy of meeting the Lord.”

Doors open, close, and revolve. There are holy doors. An open door points to a new beginning, a way out, or a welcome to enter. It may also show a path to what lies ahead. A closed door may symbolize a dead end or imprisonment, or it may signal “do not disturb.” In Dante’s “Inferno”, Part One of his *Divine Comedy*, the frightening verse hangs over the gates of hell: “Abandon all hope, ye who enter here.” Revolving doors signify mindless circular motion with no exit.

For today’s Jews, placing the *mezuzah* (literal meaning “doorpost”), a piece of parchment inscribed with specific Hebrew verses from the Torah, which Jews affix in a small case/box to the right of their doorposts, reminds them of their divine deliverance from slavery in Egypt. In Christian theology, since the fifteenth century, a holy door has been used as a liturgical symbol of the conversion of the heart. Pilgrims pass through the holy door as an expression of leaving behind and crossing the threshold from sin to grace, from slavery to freedom, and from darkness to light. Here, the link to the Jews is evident. For Christians, the door derives its meaning from Jesus Christ, who is the door, the gate, and “the way” to life (Jn 14:6).

The Lord never forces the door; He even asks permission to come in. “Behold, I stand at the door and knock; if anyone hears My voice and

opens the door, I will come in to him and eat with him, and he with Me” (Rev. 3:20). Just imagine the Lord knocking on the door of our heart! In the Book of Revelation, the City of God is prophesied thus: “Its gates shall never be shut by day,” which means forever because “there shall be no night there” (21:25).

R.I.P.

- Mr Roshan Thomas Crasta (49 years), brother-in-law of Rev. Fr. Edwin Corea, Parish Priest of Miyapadavu, passed away on 28.11.2024. His funeral took place on 29.11.2024 at St. Joseph the Worker Church, Vamanjoor.
 - Mrs Lilly Soares (88 years), mother of Rev. Fr. Denis Soares, Parish Priest of Niddodi, passed away on 8.12.2024. Her funeral took place on 10.12.2024 at the Most Holy Redeemer Church, Derebail.
 - Mrs Lucy Pinto (82 years), mother of Rev. Fr Peter Gonsalves, Headmaster, St Lawrence English Medium School, Bondel, passed away on 24.12.2024. Her funeral took place on 26.12.2024 at St John the Baptist Church, Kokkada.
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