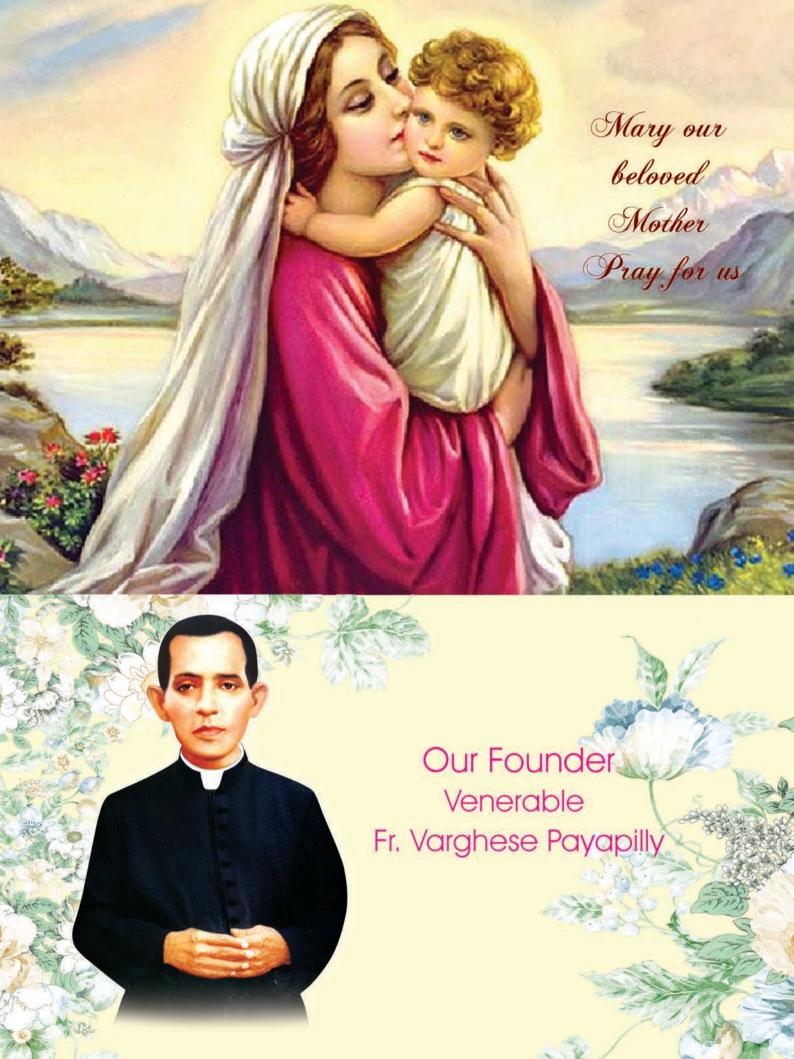


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"Union with Christ the compassionate for the proclamation of faith" Let the Risen lord enter our lives as in Saul who was transformed from persecutor to proclaimer. The more we encounter with him, the more we follow him in a prophetic way as heralds of the joy of gospel. With a deep sense of gratitude and joy for all the blessings, we have to wake up the world and share the joy of the Gospel in union with Christ, the compassionate.

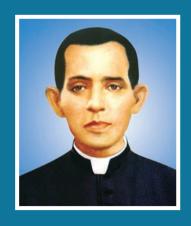
I am reminded of a hunter who lost his way deep inside a jungle while chasing a deer and could not find any food to eat for 3days. He lost his hope that he may die of hunger and an apple tree caught his eye. He collected 10 apples. As he ate the first apple, his joy knew no bounds and thanked God for the great blessings of life and the gift of apples. He was less grateful while eating the third to 5th apples. His joy kept reducing, could not enjoy the 10th apple, and started throwing. He has taken for granted and started complaining. It is the law of diminishing gratitude, taking things for granted, 10th apple effect, lack of appreciation for the gift of life and the magnificent blessings we have received from his bounty. We cease to feel grateful for the blessings, why not share the apples with those who need it; otherwise 10th apple effect can spoil

our vocation, community life and mission. Enjoy every bit of life with much gratitude as the first apple and enkindle the lives of others.

W should be messengers of joy, the joy of the gospel has to fill our lives. We should not be discouraged evangelizers looks like coming back from a funeral as Pope Francis speaks. The pages of SPARK reflect the generous response of our sisters to the great challenges, taking heroic initiatives to reach to peripheries and fill them with new hope by sharing Gospel values. I am grateful to everyone who contributed to make this issue a reality.

"I am a mission on earth; we are all sealed and branded by this mission of bringing light, blessing, enlivening, healing and freeing" (EG. 273). Servant of God Sr. Fidelis Thaliath, who lived her mission fully, left a trail of fragrance of holiness for us to follow. She was confident that He who gave life and blessing was with her and her prayers were granted. Jesus in the Eucharist, Mother Mary, all the saints especially the sick, poor and suffering were her friends. We consider the beginning of her canonization process as a great gift to the Catholic Church, our Congregation especially to Santhidham province.

Sr. Rancy Kidangen SD



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'When GOD wanted to create fish, he spoke to the sea When GOD wanted to create trees he spoke to the earth. But when GOD wanted to create man, he turned to HIMSELF: Then GOD said: "Let us make man in our image and likeness"

If you catch a fish out of the water, it will die; and when you take a tree off the ground, it dies too. - Likewise, when man disconnects from GOD. he dies: - GOD isour naturalenvironment. We were created to live in HIS presence - We must be connected with Him because only with Himexists Life - Let's stay in touch with GOD

Remember that water without fish is still water, but fish without water is nothing. - The soil without the tree is still soil, but the tree without soil is nothing ··· God without man is still God, but man without GOD is nothing.

Yes, dear sisters, God is essential in our lives so, what we shall do for it? Be like a child, let us keep our trust and dependency in God. Every person is born pure in heart and mind·Rm 8:14 says for all who are led by the spirit of God. Let us enjoy this freedom and inner joy by surrendering ourselves into His unconditional love. May the SPARK of Christ's love enable each one of us to give SPARK of love and hope for others. I wish you peace in your heart silence in your thoughts and goodness in your actions. I wish you all the prayerful best wishes to new editor and editorial board. May God bless you all.

> Yours Lovingly in Christ Sr. Grace Katteth SD Provincial Superior



#### AFZALGARH

Thristmas - Parish Level: Afzalgarh comes under Kadrabad, one of the substations of St. Mary's Church, Bhikkawala. Therefore, we could collaborate with our Parish priest, our sisters at Bhikkawala and prepare the entire parish for Christmas. We divided the people into four groups: Pithruvedi, Mathrusangam, Youth, Holy Childhood. We could call each group on particular days and prepare them through classes by various resource persons such as Fr. Devassia, Fr. Shibu, Fr. Tijo, and Fr. Raju CMI. We could also prepare them for making confession. At the end of the session, various games and cultural events were arranged for them. Since it was one-day programme, for each group, all of them actively participated

#### CHRISTMAS WITH THE POOR

Christmas with the construction workers: Since St. Mary's School, Afzalgarh is under construction, we could invite 11 workers for lunch along with us. We started with a small prayer service led by Sr. Sheena and gave Christmas message to them.

Christmas celebration with slum children: On 25 December 2021, nearly 60 children from nearby slum Bhajjawala gathered at the school campus around 2'oclock in the afternoon. We could gather them before Infant Jesus in the crib and read the passage from the Holy Bible. Then Sr. Sindhu gave Christmas message, and Sr. Sheena concluded with a short prayer. Children also sang a prayer song before the crib. Thereafter we could conduct some competitions and games for them. We could also distribute some old clothes collected by schoolteachers and students. At the end, we could distribute



the prizes for the winners of various competitions and gave Christmas gifts to each one. It was concluded at five pm by providing them with Christmas cakes, snacks and refreshment. It was a very graceful occasion for all of us.

**Zonal gathering:** On 3rd November 2021 Afzalgarh, Jaspur, Bhikkawala communities gathered for zonal meeting at.6.30 am at Afzalgarh under the leader ship of Sr. Rancy the councillor

in charge of our Zone. Bedapur and Nepal communities gathered virtually. The input session on Christus Vivit was enriching. Jesus was alive and we want to be alive. Jesus was ever young and the now of God. We must dare to be different. Sr. Greeshma conducted guided meditation. We had delicious lunch. Then rosary procession and indoor games. During evaluation, we decided to practise listening to the inner voice and the voice of the community members. We also decided to learn St. John 15. 1-15 and conduct Bible Quiz competition.



## **ALUVA**



SD Aluva with sisters on holidays

also availed ourselves to the sisters who come for holidays and took great care of those who were sick and undergoing treatments.

Christmas: On Christmas day we gave 130 bathing soaps to the patients at Aluva district hospital in collaboration with lay people.

Hearing of Witnesses Program: Servant of God Sr. Fidelis' tribunal meeting was held here for 5 days. We made all the necessary arrangements for Sr. Fidelis' family members and our sisters from different provinces those who came for the hearing session. We listen to the sufferings of the people and earnestly pray for their various intentions.

Ever since the Covid pandemic out broke we have been giving 10 food packets every Saturday to the homeless people. Often, we have few poor people knocking at our door and we provide them with food.

Caring support to the families of our sisters: We have whole heartedly rendered our services to the needs of our sisters' families. We could be a strengthening support in their sickness and struggles and a consoling presence in their grievances of their dear ones' demise. Our community



Silver Jubilarians Reception

## BAIJNATH

Parish Activities: Church activities started as usual in the month of July 2021 after lock down due to Covid 19 pandemic. 15 students are attending Sunday Catechism in different classes. One of our parishioners got a job in our own institution in Punjab who belongs to a very poor family from Jharkhand. We could help one girl of our parish whose father is expired due to covid 19, for nursing training at Dharamsala.

October 5th: We celebrated the death anniversary of our venerable Valliachan in the church with parishioners. We offered Holy Mass on Sunday and after that we gave a refreshment to them and distributed a souvenir with the prayer of Valliachan.

Carol Singing Competition: We had taken 15 of our choir members for a carol singing competition from our parish which was held at Hoshiarpur, Jalandhar diocese on 12th December, 2021. It happened for the first time and it was a very remarkable and unforgettable moment according to Baijnath Parish.

Christmas Day & New Year celebration in school: On 21st & 22nd of December. our school celebrated both Christmas and New Year. After two years, we got an opportunity to celebrate this because of the lock down due to Covid -19 pandemic. We were calling the students in school by odd and even numbers. Therefore, we celebrated it in two days. The celebration had taken place in the school auditorium. It was decorated very nicely. There was the Crib and Christmas tree decorated with stars and lights. The whole staff was present. We greeted the students 'Merry Christmas' and wished a prosperous upcoming New Year. We





Baijnath Christmas plot



Baijnath-Family Visit



Baijnath- Christmas with people around

celebrated New Year that day, as there was winter vacation from the next day. We had cultural programmes with Carol singing and Christmas drama in English. There were songs and dances related to New Year also. Everybody enjoyed each and every item.

Christmas in Church: One Day we went for carol singing to our catholic families. The church and surroundings were decorated with colourful lights and stars. There was a big crowd for three days in the evening to see the decoration and light arrangement. Many people attended the midnight Holy Mass as well as day Mass. After the Solemn Mass on Christmas day, around 400 people had lunch with us from different villages. Christmas celebrations were filled with delights, cheerfulness and worship.

#### BEDAPUR

St. Joseph's feast on 19th March: We celebrated it and distributed samosa to 200 disabled children of Asha deep and Palana Bhavan. There was

quiz competition and song of St. Joseph and prizes were given to catechism children.

Disabled Day: On Dec 3rd we celebrated the disabled day here. Children participated in various competitions. Wheel chair race, musical chair, sack race, breaking of balloons etc. There was group song too. Prizes were distributed, Special foods and sweets were given. In the Holy Mass there was special prayer for them. From neighbouring villages



disabled people and children too were invited and gifts were given to them.

**St. Joseph's Year celebration:** On 5th Dec. St Joseph's statue was brought here. For 1 week it was in the church and one day we could keep it in our house. We welcomed St Joseph



with children in a grant way and kept in our chapel. children of our hostel, sang songs and prayed. We, sisters spent the whole day turn by turn in front of him, St. Joseph's selfless



life inspired us to live more faithfully and dedicatedly. He was taken to each parish families and we followed him.

**Christmas Celebration:** Christmas was celebrated enthusiastically ignoring Covid. Besides cultural programmes, card making

and crib making competitions were there. Carol singing was conducted for two days. All our differently abled children sang the Christmas songs. On Christmas night carol singing and solemn Holy Mass there. Many people even from villages came. There was Satsang too for the non-Catholics.

Prayer friend was taken including hostelers and we prepared daily with special prayer. On Christmas day gifts were given to the 150 disabled children, Sisters and Rev. Fathers gathered together in our house and there was grant celebrations. With tasty and grand dinner, it came to an end for it. All enjoyed well and got blessings of Baby Jesus.



After the covid pandemic, we restarted pastoral work at Bhikkawala in the month of June. We started blessing the houses, prepared them for confession, and restarted holy mass in the village churches. We reactivated pious associations like Mathrusangam and youth. We inaugurated pithrusangham and holy childhood in our church recently. We call each group separately and conducted a programme for them.

**Youth meeting:** We conducted three youth meetings.

**Mathrusangam:** 67 participants and Fr. Tijo was the Resource person.







**Pithrusangham:** 58 participants Fr. Shibu was the Resource person

Holy child hood: Participants....98, Fr Devasia was the Resource person.

The resource persons were able to motivate the group and the participants were energised by the talk Refreshments were given to the participants, and indoor games were conducted for each group. They were so happy to attend the programme accordingly. We had carol singing in different villages and the houses of the staff. There was a special prayer for the Christ Bhaktas on Christmas day.

**Founders Day celebration:** We celebrated our Founder's Day on 5th October 2022. The celebration started with Holy Mass by Fr. Philip our vicar. We distributed sweets to



all the parishioners and our boarders After Holy Mass; our boarders had speech competition about our founder. Sr. Karuna conducted quiz programme about the



Founder. 50 children took part. After the programme, we had dinner together with boarders.



World Day of Poor: On 16th November we called all the 15 workers of our compound. Fr. Tijo said a small prayer at the beginning and after that he gave a short talk to the gathering. After that all of us talked with them and had tea party. Then, we gave them each a gift and went home happy.



#### BURBURIA



Tripura, God's own country. We can find another Kerala here. Indigenous tribals are very good people but poor. But they are struggling in their own land by Bengali infiltrates. They have become majority now and capture political power. Let us pray for the people of this state.



Silver Jubilee Celebration: We celebrated the silver jubilee of our diocese as well as silver jubilee of our beloved Bishop Lumen Monteiro on 4th December 2021. Mother Grace and Sr Francilin came from provincial house. We all of us went along with parishioners. Bishop offered holy Mass and around seventy-five fathers were there. After the Holy Mass there was cultural program. His Excellency Bishop

Lumen Monteiro celebrated Holy mass in the churches of Chechua and Bonshi. And conferred the sacrament of confirmation also. Around 50 people received conformation on that day.

On 22nd December, we had jubilee celebration in the church of Chechua one of the substations. Around five hundred people from different villages came to attend the program. After the Holy Mass there was lunch followed by program.

Pastoral Activities: We have fifteen villagers in the parish The people from two villages (Burburia and Gamaku) come every Sunday to the church and attend Holy Mass actively. We are going with father for Holy Mass in far of villages. We went to families and recite rosary in the month of October. There was active participation of mahilas.

Founder's Day Celebration: We celebrated Founder's Day on 22 October. We celebrated it in one of the villages KalaMati Soon after the Holy Mass Sr Seena Rose talked about our founder and our congregation. We distributed food kit (rice. Dal, oil) to fifteen families.

Women's Day Celebration: We celebrated St. Monica's feast day in our parish on 17th October. Around seventy-five women from different villages were present for the program. Our program started with Holy Mass. The woman offered lighted candles before the altar. After the Holy mass, Fr Prathap and all the sisters gave speeches on different topics. There were programs like group song. Games, Quiz and Bible reading competition. We had lunch together in the parish.

Christmas Celebration: We had Carol singing from 5th December onwards. We went only neighbouring two villages on 18th and 19th for Carol singing. On 24th night we had Holy mass followed by program. On 25th we had Holy mass in the village and we had lunch with parishioners.

#### DAMDEVAL

Led by the Word of God "Each moved forward...." Ezk 1:12 Sr. Suma Jose and Sr. Alphonsa ventured to an unknown path. When we reached Damdeval, the parish priest, Fr. Polachan and Sr. Anandalatha the



superior and Sr. Elsuis cordially welcomed us and extended their wholehearted support through prayers. Fr. Polachan had already arranged for our stay in Gadari village in the house of Bharti Didi from where we were to go for evangelization. Every day morning by 6:30 bus, we used to come to Damdeval to attend Holy Mass and after breakfast, share our previous days experience in the community. Then we used to have adoration for the mighty anointing and deliverance. At the end of the prayer, the parish priest would pray over us and bless us. We also received the blessings of our sisters and move to the village. It continued for the whole week. We thought of beginning door-todoor evangelization and we began by going house to house praying over the sick but all of a sudden, the Spirit changed our plans and led us to groups of women and children. Bharti Didi was instrumental in arranging the groups and we could meet at least two to three groups of more than 30 participants. In the evening after the supper, we had regular



Satsang with a group of women who would invite us daily to listen to the Word of God.

We just spoke about Jesus and his love for humankind; we proclaimed that he is the Saviour of the world and that he is love and



forgiveness. We spoke of the powerful name of Jesus and distributed the book "Yeshu naam ki Shakti." In between, the Spirit moved Sr. Suma Jose to use spiritual gifts, which had a great impact on people. Above all, we could give them Bible for which the people asked for more. We could distribute all Bible that we took there.

Creative Evangelization: moved by the Spirit Sr. Suma Jose preached in the local Bus, sang bhajan and distributed Bible, which was welcomed by, people and they asked for it again. We also spoke in the market to a pujari of that place. People came after us to listen more and to clarify their doubts.



Renovated Convent at Damdeval

#### DEENDAYALPURI

Around 40 differently abled People: Around 40 differently abled people were there for the Gathering. Video clips on Jesus' Birth, Public Life, Suffering and resurrection were shown. They were given Shawls, Shared food and snacks. We prayed for them.



Women's day celebration: Sr. Alphonsa was the resource person. Refreshment was given. Competitions were conducted. More than 100 women were there. Mothers of Tailoring Centre girls, beautician course, Computer course girls, schoolteachers were there. A few competitions and cultural programme were conducted and gifts were given to all the mothers.



**Ration Distribution:** We gave Ration to 40 physically disabled people. We got donation from Mrs. Sally Vijay in memory of her husband, Mr. Vijay who died of Covid. (20,000 /-)

Covid-19 Relief work: Collaborated



with Senha Charitable trust & Buddhist zu chi foundation, we could distribute the food kits for our parishioners i.e., 122familes, and also, we distributed the food kits for different groups' i.e., Differently abled people, Widows, Training



students, our neighbours and most needy people of this area. we could help the neediest people by paying their medical bill. We could help 300 families by this project.

Cyber Jagurktha Divas: Poster making competition in connection with 'Cyber Jagrutha Divas in the school. They took anti-corruption day pledge; we shared video to the children of our neighbourhood and taught them action songs.

**Diwali Celebration:** Diwali Celebration in the school Día decoration competition, Rangoli



competition and card making competition was held for different classes.

Children's Club: Children's Club, two groups from the neighbourhood were assembled here. Our Novices taught them action songs we shared them some inspirational videos. We gave them small Refreshment.



Christmas Day Celebration: Christmas was celebrated in the school. Sr. Jisha Jose was the



#### DEHRADUN

As the pandemic spread everywhere, it affected here also very badly. About 25 persons in our parish lost their lives in



Chief Guest. There were cultural programmes by the students of the school.

Ration Distribution for differently abled people: 122 physically disabled people were



given ration at Provincialate. We arranged it with the help of St. Joseph School Christmas party.

Christmas party for the children of neighbour hood 30 children who helped to make crib. We gave them Snacks and woollen shawls. We invited our close neighbours to visit the crib, sang songs and distributed cake.



the pandemic. It made the condition worse. Many people stopped to come in the church. In this situation, we prayed continuously and earnestly for the families and by September we restarted our house visiting. Their joyful welcoming took away our hesitation to enter the homes freely. We continued our house visiting. With that we also could give ration for twenty families.

Home mission: In this time only by God's grace Sr. Suma Jose and team came for the home mission. It made us more enthusiastic and energetic. The spirit filled preaching of Sr. Suma Jose and God's intervention in each



person and families made a great movement in the parish. We also joined them with owe and wonder.

Christmas: By the novena prayers and retreat the spiritually prepared very well for the Christmas. We could see it by the participation of the parishioners in the Holy mass. It was a God experience for us that the church was filled with the faithful and exchanging each other the joy of Christmas as earlier.

With the cooperation of the youth and the children on Dec 26, we gathered all the parishioners from three wards entrusted to us

in our convent. Sr.Sobhita gave a good introduction about Christmas. Sr.Jonitha conducted the prayer service and children had sung the carols.lt was a good chance to give Jesus to all who participated and very especially to our neighbours. We also prepared a Christmas tree with gifts. After the programme, we distributed the snacks and fruits. When they said, bye to us our minds and hearts filled with joy and gratitude towards God as we could give Jesus to them.

and conducted a good Christmas programme



## **GOPIKANDER**

We celebrated St. Joseph's feast with our hostel children. They all came for the solemn Holy Mass. It was at our convent chapel. After the mass, we gave them sweets. Then we called them in the evening. We gave a small description about St. Joseph. We served them samosa, boiled egg and tea. We put a lot, selected St. Joseph &Fr. Varghese Payapilly, and gave gift to the winners. For the senior most boys who are among the hostlers also got small gifts. We celebrated St. Joseph's feast in the parish on 21st. Father talked about St. Joseph, about the family year and also about our congregation. After the Holy mass, we served all the people tea and bun.

**Mission Sunday celebration:** It was on 7th November 2021. People came in large number for Holy Mass. There was offertory procession and Bible procession also. After the Holy

Mass there was mela under the Banayan tree. People brought so many food items from home and sold. We also actively participated in the mela.

Feast of the Christ the King: It was celebrated on 21st November. People of Gopikandar celebrated this feast with much enthusiasm and joy. After the mass there was eucharistic procession towards the church. The conclusion of the adoration was in the chapel. We distributed tea and snacks for the parishioners.

Ten days Rosary with the hostel boys: We started our ten days Rosary from 20th of October onwards. After the Rosary we gave small snacks to our small children for every day. They were very happy to come to the convent and recite the rosary with us.

In our church we have the celebration of St. Vianney 's feast on 8th August. This feast they are celebrating for the honour of the parish priest. Holy mass started with procession.

Before that the ladies of the church washed the feet of the father, garlanded him and gave him sweets to eat. After that with all the instruments and dance they proceeded to the church. After the Solemn Mass there was Bible and offertory procession. There was lunch for the parishioners.

**St. Monica's feast:** It was on 28th August. There was three days retreat for the ladies. The first day ladies were very less. Second day onwards their number increased. Three fathers were there for the confession and preaching.

All the ladies stayed at the church. Before starting the Holy mass children put Chandan to all the ladies and they to everybody bouquet. Mass was very solemn way. All the girls and ladies actively participated in the danced which they were doing in the professions.



#### GANDHIDHAM



Pandemic that struck the whole world created havoc and ruined the lives of multitude. COVID-19 was devastating and had created severe loss to human life. During this time of crisis, it was the need of the hour to convert the regular functioning

We kept parents' teachers meeting on 11th December. It was the first time we kept the meeting. So many parents actively participated. There was lighting the lamp with music first. Hostel boys were there to help us for everything. Sr. Anjana-Principal, Fr. Esao manager and from the male and female parents lighted the lamp. After that Father Esao spoke the aims and objectives of the school.

Sr. Anjana also spoke about the school discipline, fee structure and many things. There was free discussion also. After the meeting we served tea and snacks to all the parents. It was a wonder full experience for us. Sr. Naveena said the vote of thanks.



Blessing of newly constructed convent at Gopikandar

of the hospital into a hospital exclusively for COVID-19 patients. Responding to the call, the hospital immediately closed all the other departments and started functioning as a full-fledged COVID Care Hospital. The dedicated health service of St. Joseph Hospital has saved thousands of lives during this pandemic season. We could serve 6000 covid patients by the grace of God. The wealthy people of the area took initiative to help the management by providing ventilators, Oxygen Concentrator, gloves, PPE Kit, Oxygen Bank and C Pap etc.

**Education Help and Ration for The Covid Affected Families:** With the help of Camillus fathers, we could reach out to the neediest people of Gandhidham. With the help of Sneha charitable trust, we could help almost 900

families with food, medicine, and educational needs. Mask, sanitizers, and medicines were also very much useful for the people and we could see the sweet smile of gratefulness on their faces



**Dialysis Unit Inauguration:** In this post covid situation, we realized the great need of Dialysis Unit. Rev. Fr. Paul Moonjely the director of Caritas India became an instrument for fulfilling this great dream. With the help of Caritas Italiana we could buy dialysis machine and inaugurated the dialysis unit on 18th December 2021 at 06:00 pm. We



appreciate the generosity and concern of Rev. Fr. Paul Moonjely who took great pain to come over here to inaugurate the unit.

Christmas Celebaration With Benefactors, Doctors And Staff: Christmas day celebaration was held on 18/12/2021 in St Joseph hospsital premises at 6.00 PM. We invited the Benefactors, Doctors and staff with family. Most of the benefactors Doctors and sttaff were present. Around 300 people attenteded for the

get together. Sr Rancy Vicar provincial, Sr. Ajaya from Veraval, Sr. Anet and Sr. Bertilla from Hapa community and Sr Rose Leema from Gaziabad also came for the function.



Every body appreciated the service that we are rendering to the welfare of the society.

**Zonal Meeting:** The second gathering of Jyothis zone was at Gandhidham on 19th December. Sisters from Hapa and Veraval joined. The input session on Christus Vivit was enriching. Jesus was alive and we want to be alive. Jesus was ever young and the



now of God. We must dare to be different. Sr. Anet conducted Adoration. We had delicious lunch. During evaluation, we decided to practise listening to the inner voice and the voice of the community members. We also decided to learn St. John 15. 1-15 and conduct Bible Quiz competition.

Missio Meet of Postulants 2021: The postulants of St. Mary's, St. Joseph's and Santidham gathered for Missio meet at Gandhidham for their mission experience. Mother Grace inaugurated the Missio Meet on Nov 9, 2021.

The 19 formees were shuffled and divided into two groups and Sr.Ponsy and Sr.Josmy as their mistresses.



The Parish Priest Fr. Joseph encouraged us to take lead in the choir, deacon, mass readings etc. We were also entrusted the complete decoration of the church for the celebration of the First Holy Communion and Confirmation of 35 children. In the community, we took up the entire chapel responsibility and led the adoration, divine office, visits, and advent prayer for five days. Every Saturday we had half-a-day prayer reflecting upon the growth in our vocation and deepening our relationship with Jesus. We also had a short Bible reflection by Fr. Devasia CMI followed by confession. We had taken care of the inmates of Santisadan a means to be in touch with the destitute. We could also work in fields.

Sessions and classes on the matter of Mission learning began on Nov 10th. Mother Grace, Sr. Jasmine Jose, Sr.Maria Jees, Sr. Talisha, Sr.Suma Jose, Sr. Alphonsa and Dr. Kajal the Gynaecologist gave the classes. We were also privileged to meet and introduce ourselves to Mother Raisy, Mar Jose Chittoparambil the

Bishop of Rajkot. Sr.Francilin inspired us by sharing her mission experience

We visited villages, slums and families and prayed at their homes. We had the faith sharing sessions which greatly helped us to analyze our attitude and behaviour. During recreation there had been presentations based on classes. We visited the IFFCO Park and one-day picnic to salt processing areas, Vijay Vilas Palace and the Mandavi beach. Missio Meet 2021 has brought about a great change in our lives. We understood the struggles of our SD Missionaries. This meet has created in us a zeal to proclaim the word of God.

Christmas Celebrations with Families: We celebrated Christmas with HIV patients and Covid affected families. We visited all the Covid affected families of our parish and wished them with cake. On christmas day some of us had the meal with those families.It was a different experiece for every one of us.

**Medical Camp:** In memory of Servant of God Sr.Fidelis Thaliath, we conducted a medical camp on 07-01-2022. Every body co-operated with the camp. It was a good experience for us.



**Santhisadan:** Santhisadan is a home for the abandoned and destitute women. At present, We are blessed to have 40 residents in the santhisadan. Their presence is helping us to





grow in the charism of the congregation. All are mentally disturbed and with the help of psychiatric medicine they are living a normal and happy life. Around 7 of the residents reunited with their family We are getting help and support from the people around Gandhidham. In the month of October, we had rosary procession with our residents. We also celebrated Diwali, Navaratri and Christmas with them. On Diwali we gave special food for them. Night we lighted the Diya everywhere and lighted crackers which was sponsored by our benefactors. Ladies form inner wheel club came and celebrated navaratri and played garba with them. On Christmas day we spend some with our inmates. We distributed cake and special gifts to them.

#### **GHAT**

Rosary with the faithful, in the month of October we recited rosary with the children and we went to our 7 families to recite rosary



We conducted covid-19 awareness programs. We equipped ASHA, Anganwadi teachers and ANM to give awareness to our villages with the help of community health centre Ghat. We conducted awareness classes in 5 interior villages. We distributed food kit to 900 families also provided 1000 mask. We conducted Net work gathering and officials



from different department came into Maria Ashram. They shared their policy and expectation about our Ashram. This meeting helped us to have more idea about their work and policies.

Women's day celebration: On March 8th we celebrated Women's Day in Maria Ashram. 120 women participated from 15 villages. Fr jijo inaugurated the function and we arranged marketing training for them. They also collected the things from the villagers; it was very helpful to them. We conducted cultural activities and distributed prizes for the winners.



Maria Ashram Day: With great preparation and enthusiasm this year also, we celebrated



Maria Ashram Day on 8th September. Rev Fr Jijo was the main celebrant. 6 faithful families (Nepal) attended Holy Rosary and solemn Holy mass. After holy mass with the faithful we cooked food and had together.

**Training programs:** We provide training programs for 550 women from 10 villages. We

#### GHAZIABAD

Community Day Celebration 2nd Feb 2021: How very good and pleasant when kindred live together in unity.ps 133:1Community Day is the Day of Joy and Sharing of what we have and see in oneself and the other. As usual but unique. We celebrated this Day with the nine days preparation. During these days we have a 1hr classes taken by the members of the community on the encyclical of Pope Francis' Fratelli Tuiti'. Since the general synaxis was there the Holy Mass was celebrated on 1Feb. Sr Josmy and the juniors conducted the vigil. It's truly a successful and meaningful celebration as we could come together at all the three table.

provided different training programs about vegetable cultivation, DRR training, water



management training, Natural Recourses Managements Training, soil test and vermin compost training, climate change training.



Christmas: We went for carol singing to all our faithful families. On 24th evening we had Holy mass and 8 families attended. On 25 around 600 people were there for the Christmas program and our christubhaktas presented a small skit and students from different schools performed programs.

- ♦ The Eucharist and adoration
- The Recreation (the cultural program by the postulants, games by the sisters, tombola by all including Jeevandhara children) Enriching message by Sr Alphonsa.
- \* Dining table (delicious food together at the courtyard).

The day was concluded by the prize distribution by Sr. Annie and the screening of the movie' I AM KALLAM

Women's Gathering on 7th March, 2021: On the eve of the International Women's Day, women from Mariamnagar attended a small gathering at Jeevandhara at 4.00 pm. They were 25 in number. The event

began with a small prayer by the sisters and postulants. The women were then gifted with a powerful message by Sr. Alphonsa SD who exhorted the mothers to work hard and never tire in practicing and teaching their children the importance of Gospel Values. Sr. Rancyreminded to train their children in love. One of our Jeevandhara child Anjali enthralled them with her graceful dance. The postulants then entertained them with their action songs. This was followed by games for the women. All were then treated with snacks, drinks and gifts along with the sisters talking freely and mingling with them. The catholic women were also given Bible and spiritual Books as part of the evangelisation initiative and they retreated with a smile on their faces.

St. Joseph's Day: There was an online preparation to all the communities looking at various angles by apt resource persons for nine days from 9pm to 9.30pm. The topics chosen were very enriching. Silence but full of answer, Patient waiting, Silence and obedience, Patris Corde Document, The Consecrated dimension, Secret behind the spirituality, faith to jump into darkness, self-sacrifice to become a 'self- gift.

Congregation Day: We invited a family and we prayed together ate together and gifts were given to each member as a mark of respecting the Holy Family. Formees were given opportunity to present programs

Thanks be to God: God has graciously blessed us in the initiation of the Cause of the Sr. Dr. Fidelis Thaliath. The 'Nihil Obstat' from the Holy See is sanctioned on 16th December 2020 through His Grace Mar Kuriakose Bharanikulangara. (Arch bishop of the dioceses of Faridabad – Delhi). Arch Bishop Kuriakose Bharanikulangara declared it in the province on 27th February 2021. Let us thank the Lord for the fast processing of our request and continue to pray, also through the intercession of Sr. Fidelis Thaliath for completing the process as early as possible.



Opening Session of Canonization of the Cause of Sr. Fidelis: In God's own time, the Diocese of Faridabad has initiated the cause of Beatification of the Servant of God Sr. Dr. Fidelis Thaliath. After the initial formalities of getting approval from Superior General, the approval of the appointment of the Postulator, the consent of the Syro Malabar Bishops synod and Nihil Obstat from Vatican, the Archbishop of Faridabad diocese Mar Kuriakose Bharanikulangara in consultation with the provincial of Santhidham Province held the opening session at Santhidham Provincial house Ghaziabad on 14th July 2021. All the priests of Faridabad diocese were present as it was their day of monthly recollection. The diocesan tribunal and Historical commission took oath and took over the responsibility. The presence of Mother Liss Grace our Superior General, Sr. Tharaka, General Councillor, Mother Smitha and the priests and sisters from neighbouring communities were a blessing.

Juniors meet Sept. 5th to 20: All the juniors except Srs. Ann Therese, Leema Rani and Deepika gathered at the Provincialate on 5th Sept. It was a very joyful occasion. The waves of youthful energy and Zeal vibrated everywhere. The program was arranged well in advance. Classes, workshops, guided motivational meditations; films games enabled them to evaluate life. On 17th was the renewal of vows.17th to 19th they were with the formation group and 19th they staged cultural programs. On 20th they had games competitions and prizes were awarded to the winners in exam and competitions.



Golden and Silver Jubilee was celebrated on 26th September 2021 at Provincialate. Arch Bishop Mar Kuriakose Bharanikulangara, CMI fathers and brothers and Sisters from Mariam Nagar graced the occasion with their gracious presence. Silver Jubilarians gathered at generalate for their Jubilee preparation. Best wishes for all the Jubilarians.

We celebrated the **Senior Citizens Day** in google platform. We honoured all the senior citizens of our province with entertainments & input session.

"Ageing with Dignity and Grace." A program is organized for sisters of age group between 30 to 55. It started from 26th evening to 28th



evening, October 2021. Sisters reached the Provincial House by 26th afternoon. 20 sisters attended it in off line and others in online. It was a blessing that Dr. Dev Akkara OFM the head of the Trichur Govt. Psychiatry Department and Dr. Sr. Sonia the Clinical psychologist



were available to give an enriching session for the sisters.

Entrance of Aspirants into Postulancy: Sr. Renjana gave the meditation on hope and the aspirants entered into Postulancy with a solemn prayer session on 1st October 2021. Sr. Renjana is their mistress. Theology classes are scheduled and given to them regularly. Sr. Alphonsa is the dean of studies. Classes are arranged for other sisters too.



Formation day: Santhidham Provincial House became very alive with the presence of formees on 17th September to celebrate the formation day 'Atingere Divina2021' the divine touch. All our formees except first year novices and candidates were present with their mistress. Team Spirit, commitment, communion and participation was the hallmark of the gathering. It was a chance to know each other, accept and appreciate one another. Input sessions by resource persons especially the presence of Bishop Kalist was an added enrichment. He offered Holy mass and specially prayed for them. It was an excellent opportunity to know more about the congregation through various programs, especially the Quiz about Founder



and Congregation, symposium, write up, chanting and interaction with senior sisters. The Cultural program they put up was really worth seeing. Congratulations to all the formators especially Sr. Jisha for the unique theme.





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Gathering of Domestic Workers

#### **GOLTIER**



Women's day

Women's day Celebration: Women's Day was celebrated on 13th March 2021. Dr. Nidhi Sharma was the resource person. We conducted a small prayer service and we could share Jesus' love with them. There were 40 participants. We served them snacks and conducted a few games and it was a memorable day.

Celebration of St. Joseph's Day: Statue of St. Joseph was brought from Srinagar on 6th June 2021. We did a small prayer to show

our veneration to St. Joseph. Statue was kept for one week in the convent chapel and our Catholic families came to pray every day in the evening.

Relief Work: During the month of August 2021 we have distributed more than 60 food kits to the poor and needy with the help of Camillus Fathers. We gave food packets to three families who are in need. Medicine kit also was distributed to our Catholic families through KSS Kotdwar. We gave Rs.25000/- to



one of our staff who was severely affected by Covid 19.

Founder's Day Celebration: We celebrated Founder's Day with our Parishioners. We narrated a brief history of our founder before the mass and our parish priest Rev. Fr.John Francis gave an inspiring sermon about the saints. Tea and snacks were served towards the end.



Visit of His Excellency Bp. Vincent Nellaiparambil: Bp. Vincent paid a visit to our community. We welcomed him, he spent his precious time with us, and his presence was blissful to us.

Girl Child Day: Girl child day was celebrated on 12th September 2021. We took the class and conducted a prayer service. Games were arranged for them and the winners were given prizes. Snacks were served to them. There were 30 participants.

Children's day Celebration: We celebrated Children's Day along with the boys of this locality. Mrs. Savidha Semwal was the



Independence Day celebration: we had flag hosting by Rev. Sr. Catherine at 8.00Am' Sr. Sandwana delivered the speech. Aspirants and the inmates conducted programme.

**September 27th St. Monika's Feast:** We solemnly celebrated the feast. There was a prayer session conducted by our candidates. All our inmates we welcomed with a flower. Aspirants conducted games for them.



resource person and she spoke about the time management. We conducted the prayer service and few competitions and awarded prizes to the winners.



Christmas Celebration: Christmas was an occasion to visit the families of many Hindu teachers and students with baby Jesus. We covered more than 200 families within 3 days. It was a wonderful experience to see the students singing carol songs and moving house to house. People were eagerly waiting to welcome Jesus at their home. On Christmas day, many people gathered here. Elders, youth, and the children performed cultural programme, they were appreciated by giving small prizes and a piece of cake was served to everyone.





October 5th -Valliachan's Day: We celebrated it with our inmates. Sr. Catherine conducted quiz competition and the winners were given the gifts.

**November 9th - Aspirants Entrance:** On 7th to 9th Sr. Rancy gave the retreat to the candidates on 9th Sr. Vimal rose and Sr. Anupa conducted the entrance prayer. Evening Aspirants performed the cultural programmes.

#### **HAPA**



Flood: There was a big disaster of flood in the month of October 2021 in Jamnagar, Hapa and the neighbouring places. We co-operated with the Project Conducted by Navjeevan the social department of Rajkot Diocese to help the flood affected people. Sr. Jesna, Sr.Anet



#### December 25, 26th Christmas Celebrations:

We had carol singing on 25th. We went to our Behratoli, nearby Village with our aspirants and gave Christmas message to the villages. At 2.00 pm, we called the village children and



conducted a prayer in front of the crib. We helped one family from our savings of fasting. We distributed cake piece to the children. On 26th Sr. Ancy and Sr. Anupa went to village for crib blessing with our Aspirants. We prayed in each family and wished Christmas.

and our social workers distributed kits worth Rs.2000 each for 2500/- families.

Prior to the distribution, Survey was taken and token cards were given to each affected families at Bavagram Hapa and Jamnagar. It was a co-incidence that Sr. Suma Jose our Councillor for Social work was here and had a firsthand knowledge about the situation.



**Spiritual renewal of over Catholics Families at Hapa:** Twelve families of Jamnagar parish live at Hapa and they attend the Holy Mass in our Chapel. Sr.Jesna and Sr.Anet took pains to prepare these families for confession and prayed with them. On 3rd October Sr. Suma Jose helped them with an intense preparation by teaching them. It was a happy event that

all Catholic brothers and sisters at Hapa made their, confession on that day.



**Founders Day:** 5th October we celebrated Founders Day with Children from Bhavagram Sr.Bertlla spoke to them about our Valliachan, prayed with them and of course distributed them snacks.

Renovation of the Grotto: Our Grotto was in a dilapidated condition. We got it renovated and blessed it on 14th November by Fr. Cyric our chaplain in the presence of Mother Grace who was on Canonical visit here. All are welcome to receive blessing from over Blessed Mother who is in new golden attire.

**T.B Awarenes programme:** Sr. Jesna, Sr. Anet and Mrs. Binshi (Social worker) go from village to village and give Awareness classes.



Computer training: Sr. Jesana, Sr Anet and social workers do this too when they go to villages. As a result of their visit many have started coming from different villages to learn Computer skills conducted in our center.

Making Agarbathis: In order to occupy women in villages Navjeevan introduced a programme of making Agarbathi. It was done in our centre. Experts trained the women for this purpose to have a better knowledge the women were taken to a factory at Gondal where Agarbathi are made.

**New focus on Bhavagram:** Our Sisters have worked for many years with the people of Bhavagram and still working for their upliftment but there is not much improvement.

We have once again started nonformal education for them. Many programs have been conducted like Children's Day programme, Christmas programme etc. Apart from teaching them we give them milk, biscuits, snacks at daily base. They are given new clothes, foot wearers etc. as Christmas gifts donated by the well-wishers.

We have also started tailoring Classes for them as some of them expressed their desire to learn stitching.



Christmas celebration: On 24th Dec.2021, we conducted Christmas programme mainly for the AIDS patients who receive regular ration from here. Students and some teachers from Grace School run by Mrs. Veronica came here and put up Christmas program. They also distributed them snacks. Our Children from Bhavagram put up some items on Christmas besides the display of a live Crib. Each and every AIDS patient was gifted a rug.



#### IMPHAL



#### St. Vincent's Prayer Centre Pangmoul, Imphal Blessing and inauguration of the centre:

Sr. Annie and Sr. Alphonsa are the members of the prayer centre at Pangmoul Imphal. On 15th September on the feast of our Lady of sorrows, the regional superior of North East region Rev. Fr. Sebastian Malli blessed our house. It was Providence that two of the councillors were present for the same. Fr. Basil the one who founded the centre (St. Vincent's Prayer centre) was also present. As on this day, children began their exam they could not join but representatives of each group were present. Srs of FCC came with cake, and gifts for us. They were very helpful. After the blessing, we gave tea and refreshments.



During the introductory note, Fr. Sebastian Malli said that this centre would be a powerhouse for their congregation particular for their region. He also prophesied that thousands of people would come here to seek blessings.

Adoration & Counselling: We begin our day with adoration, which includes intercessory prayers for various matters. Sr. Annie is beautifully managing the house and Sr. Alphonsa is assisting her. Afternoon people come for counselling taking appointment. As there are many tribes with different languages, they bring translators with them. Our own villagers or those who know about our centre bring the people for counselling.



Deliverance & Healing: With the permission of Mother Grace, Mother Jisa Rani gave an opportunity for Sr. Dency Vellankal to be at Pangmoul, Impal, from 19th November to 30th December. During this period, many people came to the centre to pray. Many sick experienced healing and the broken-hearted found solace. With the power of Word of



God, we could chase the evil. The priests of the nearby parishes sent people to pray over them that they be healed. On 10th December, the Archbishop visited the centre and gave permission to do the ministry of deliverance in the presence of Mother Grace, councillors and the priest in charge of the station. On 26th December, we conduct a healing ministry in Suguna village, Jesus healed many sick, and



they praised God. On 29th December, we got the opportunity to visit the sick at their homes

and prayed over them. FCC sisters with their formees came to pray and they too praised God for all the blessings they received. When Sr. Alphonsa came back, Sr. Dency returned to her community.

Blessing of the Adoration Chapel: On 7th February, the Provincial In charge of CM North Province blessed our adoration chapel and celebrated the First holy Eucharist in that chapel. Fr. Provincial wished that the chapel may become a place where people may experience God's intervention in their lives.

#### JAHANGIRPURI



Sisters in Jahangirpuri are involved in various activities by following the footsteps of our elderly sisters who were the torch bearers, in this filed. The prime activities are providing TB medicine to the people of Jahangirpuri living in E, EE, D block, we have in our care more than 120 T.B patients some are MDR patients that they are multiple Drug Resistant patients they need higher degree of medicine and long treatment for the cure. Every month 15-20 new patients added to the list of patients. Sr.Alexis is taking care the T.B patients and all requirements for this Govt. Programme.

Our coaching centres (remedial classes for govt. school going children) and dropouts are functioning well after Corona lockdown. Sr. Mary Leena is in-Charge of this centre. Now we have more than 100 students in different classes seeking tuition. We have

conducted small Christmas programme with our students. They put up Christmas play and dances. One association of youth group came here on that day and distributed gift to our children.



We have lost one of our old staff and a good dedicated staff, Mrs. Usha- who was a trained and caring person to run the Mentally Challenged children's day care centre. We have conducted a small prayer service on her memories along with entire staff and students of mentally challenged and their parents. All those who are gathered shared their pleasant memories, and it was a heart taken experiences for us. Now her husband offered his services till we get another person. So the centre is running with his help.

We also have computer cum typing centre, Tailoring centre and 'Mehenty training. All these are useful for young students to get trained in some life skills.



During the year of 2021 April we have received a Health awareness project under RUPCHA from MANOS UNIDAS funding agency for two years. Under this project we have taken up 5 Blocks to work, E, EE, CD park, and K block. Various health awareness programmes, through various methods we are giving health awareness - class, street play, Rally, Consultation meeting with people representative and stakeholders are doing regular basis. We also have formed community volunteers groups, Health clubs, Children's parliament, and SHG groups under this project.

Medical Camps and Eye camps are being organized for every block and many poor patients in slum area receiving benefits out of it. So far we have conducted 5 general camps

with the help of Jivodaya hospital and 2 eye camps with the help of other NGOs.

Under this project, we have one counselling in-charge, Sr.Sherly John- in her leadership we are doing group counselling to various age groups of people and family and individual counselling.

In the parish under Syro Malabar Church we help the parish church in teaching catechism, preparing for Holy Communion, visiting families, animating the youth and women.



October 5th on Valliachan's day, we have conducted programme for our coaching children. We have introduced Valliachan and his personality among the children. We have distributed sweets, bananas and egg to the children.

#### **JASPUR**

Founder's Day celebration: We celebrated the Founder's Day solemnly with the poor & destitute from the village nearby on 8th August 2021. We invited the women of kishanpur village. Around 30 Mahilas



gathered for the program. Fr. John Chakkanatt CMI enriched with his class and video clips after that we conducted indoor games. Then we distributed the prizes for winners. We gave small gift and refreshment to them and we thanked them.



Education: Our main apostolate here in Jaspur is education. We three sisters are working in the school. CMI Fathers are running this institution. Each celebration or gathering in the school we begin with some prayer services. Through that we could give Jesus to all. It is a good opportunity for us to proclaim Jesus to them.

Boarding: Though CMI Fathers are running this institution, sisters look after them. At present Sr. Saphalya is the in charge. There are 25 girls in our boarding. All are Catholics except one Hindu girl. They go to church every day. They recite rosary with us in the convent. They are having group prayer in different groups in every Sunday. They conduct adoration for 1 hour on Thursdays. They all study in Maria School Jaspur. Though they are from poor families, they get good education and moral values here.

**Evangelization:** There are 8 catholic families in the Kishanpur village. They are poor people belonging to the fourth class. Moral instruction is imparted to all the pupils with a view to inculcate moral values and a sense of justice. We get chance to say about the love of God, Bible stories and parables of Jesus in



Moral Science classes. We visit their houses and meet parents also. We pray for them and make good relationship with them. We are giving special tuition online classes for the students who do not pick up properly. We visit our neighbouring houses. We visit the families of our teachers and students and pray for them. In the month of May along with the parishioners we conducted special rosary every day for the people affected by covid-19

Every Sunday we used to go to village Gerhinegi for Mass. Before Mass, there will be a prayer service. We will visit the houses after Holy Mass .In Jaspur parish every Sunday after mass there will be catechism classes.

From deanery level we have Activities for the Year of St. Joseph. Our parishioners & hostlers participated the competitions painting, skit & group song. For the skit and painting our hostelers achieved second prize.

In the month of October, we conducted the rosary every day in the convent with parish children and boarders, and after rosary we distributed the Prasad. Last ten days in the month October we conducted solemn rosary in the parish church and 31 October we had the rosary procession.

We had taken hostlers to Ashadeep Ashram, Najibabad Premdham during Dussehra holidays. They themselves made the Bujia for them and distributed and boarders and the inmates performed some cultural programs. We visited the 'Palana Bhavan' also.. Hostlers all were happy and shared their experience with wholeheartedly. It helped them to be compassionate to the poor & destitute.



Christmas Celebration: We celebrated Christmas with the children. In the month of December, sisters and hostlers did the

advent prayer together. We took the prayer friends including boarding students'. On 23rd December we celebrated Christmas & shared the gift each other in a creative way.

From 16th December to 21st December, we went for carol in nearby villages and shared the peace and joy of Infant Jesus to all. Especially in Kishanpur we could go to all the houses and proclaim Jesus to all.

On 19th December we spiritually prepared the parishioners for the Christmas. Fr.George CMI came for confession and spiritual preparation for them. On 22nd December we celebrated magnificent Christmas program in the school. The spectacular performance by our Marians was highly appreciated. We conducted living crib and carol singing competition. Manager Fr.John Chakkanatt gave some valuable inputs about the Christmas. Cultural event and skit were based on the theme Christmas.

Church Feast: On 27th November evening our denary church we conducted novena, rosary



and Holy mass led by Jaspur parish. On 5th December we went to Bazpur shrine for the feast of Immaculate Conception of Mother Mary. All the parishioners from Kishanpur and Gerhinegi villages joined.

On 12th December we celebrated the titular feast of Immaculate Conception of Mother Mary in Jaspur church in solemn way. Spiritually we prepared for the feast by conducting nine days novena. The main celebrant was Fr.Cyriac Kalampatt CMI. We had immense rosary procession.

## KALAMBOLI



100 families ration support with the other NGO



Senior citizen day celebration



Common birth day celebration of our inmates those who don't know their birth days On Jan 26th



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#### KHERAKHURD

Santhidham Kherakhurd takes care of 50 mentally unstable destitute women at present. It is also a formation house and postulants are here.

Foundation day March 19th and founder's birthday 8th August were celebrated with our residents by giving them a short explanation about our congregation and founder father.

Our postulants conducted programs like skit, short cultural programmes. We gave them delicious food. Easter, we had Lunch with our residents giving them delicious food.



During lock down period, we did not allow the visitors inside. Our benefactors really helped us to maintain our residents by giving ration and medicine. Healthy aging India (AIMS) brought us one time cooked food for a period of two months. They also provide medical check-up and medicines once a month. During the peak period, one of our residents died of Covid in April and another resident died of Post covid complication in June.

When we were affected and infected with Covid 19 Sr Sudeepa came to our help with medicines and Sr Pauline Therese bought the medicines. From Jivodaya and Jahangirpuri sisters came to our help.

We also maintain a nutrition garden with the help of our residents. Daily prayer, yoga, games and moral classes help them to



a certain amount. As a precaution, we have not received new admissions. We thank the Almighty for giving us opportunities to live our charism. Healthy aging India from AIMs and Mobile Health Scheme from Delhi govt visit us monthly and is a great help.



We distributed ration to 16 poor families of this parish as we get foodstuffs from others. Daily rosary with our inmates and weekly rosary procession give us more strength.



#### MANDAL

Onvention conducted in Mandal Parish:
We organized two days convention in our parish guided by Sr. Suma Jose and Sr. Maria Varghese. Through the convention they brought great renewal among the parishioners. It was really wonderful experiences. We have one substation named Kaliyan. There also conducted 2 days convention. All the community members cooperated for the success of the convention.



Picnic with our inmates: In order to have a joyful day for our inmates we went a picnic to Jammu JDA Park under the leadership of Sr. Marcia. All of them enjoyed well. Sr. Suma Jose was with us for the picnic. Sr. Jitha & community also came there with snacks for our inmates. All of them enjoyed the picnic and refreshed.

Christmas celebration in School: We had a Christmas celebration with teachers in the school. In this academic year we met second time with all the teachers. So it was a family gathering for us. They met with each other. Sr. Vinaya conducted prayer service in front of the crib. Sr. Ashisha took initiative to make the crib. We had gathering after the prayer. Sr. Pauline Therese gave Christmas message to them. It was great event we could communicate the message very effectively through our prayer session carol songs and Christmas message. We gave tea party and small gift to all of them.

Christmas celebration in our Parish: We could go for carol in all our Christian families. This year we conducted 3 hours convention and confession as the preparation for Christmas. Under the leader ship of our new Parish Priest, Fr. Soosai Rajan conducted family wise carol singing competition in the church. On Christmas Day in front of the church people put up spontaneous programme. As the church was on the road side, it was really attracted by the people.

Rosary in the month of October: We had rosary in each family of our Mandal Parish. Our catechist also came with us for rosary. All the sisters participated according to their turn for the rosary and prayer meetings. We gave bible reading, reflection and praise and worship after the rosary.

**Day of the Poor:** We help 2 children for their fee in the School. We gave ration for 5 families.



## **MAWTHONG**

Christmas celebration with the hostlers:
On 22nd Dec we celebrated the great



feast of the Nativity of the Lord along with our hostlers and with their parents. Bro. Marshall and Bro. Lurshai were the guest of the program and was enriched by his inspirational message. Children added the joy of the day with their beautiful and colorful presentation. After the short program we enjoyed Agape together.



The feast of nativity: On the day of Christmas around 50 new born babies received the



sacrament of Baptism and more than 100 children received first Holy Communion under the guidance of Sr. Relin.



**Vocation Camp:** We conducted one day vocation camp for the children from class eight to ten. Twenty-one were present for the camp. Under the guidance of Sr. Suma Jose, the councilor in charge of vocation promotion could conduct it more effectively the very presence of Mother Grace with her introductory talk we began our program. Sister's participation from different places Srs. Suma Jose Francilin,



Linet, Leezy and different formation groups made the camp more successful and helped the children to feel at home. We conducted outdoor games and distributed gifts. We concluded the program with prayer.

Vocation tours: We visited many schools parish for the purpose of vocation promotion. They could share about our congregation as well as our Valliachan to the children. We could motivate them. We could reach far and near. We (Sr. Rejit & Sr. Jasmine Jose) could also visit some of the schools and families of Tripura as our presence is already there. Even though we had no language the priest over there did all the necessary support to visit the families.

#### MOGA

In the month of May 2021 only, new members (Sr Jenzy, Sr Rose Pullan, and Sr Maria Grace) formed a new community in Moga. The main apostolic activity of this community is in Education field. Teachers were taking regular online classes and sending video classes to children. The main duty of ours was to watch their classes and check their performance. Until the end of July, we were not going out for any work, but we had regular Holy mass and Sacrament of reconciliation.

In the month of August Govt. allowed us to call higher-class children in school. In the beginning it was very difficult us to bring our children in right track. Slowly by the middle of September children and staff adjusted and regular classes started for all the children.

During the pandemic period we distributed about 15 kits collaborated with fathers.



Inaugration of the Silver Jubilee of St. Joseph's Convent School

St Joseph's Convent School, Moga celebrates its SILVER JUBILEE this year (1997- 2022). On September 20th, we inaugurated Silver Jubilee. The day began with the Thanks Giving Mass offered by Rev Fr Saju Kuthodiputhenpurayil C S T (Provincial Superior of Christu Jyoti Province) along with Rev Fr George Alukka CST (parish priest) and Rev Fr Noble (Asst. Parish priest). Children staged variety of programs. All the dignitaries lighted the Silver Jubilee Lamp.



Award Ceremony of Class X Board (2020-'21)

On 5th October, we had special prayer and mass. We encouraged our parishioners and staff to ask special graces through the powerful intercession of our Valliachan.

We were going to catholic houses and recited rosary with them. It was a powerful experience for us. On 31st Oct. we took 45 of our Catholic children to Muktsar for rally conducted by CST fathers. Every Sunday, there is catechism for our children. With the help of fathers, we are very much involved in Parish work and Faith formation.



Gathering of non formal school children

By Dec. 10th we started Christmas Carols. We covered almost 100 families including our teachers' houses. Through this, we could share the love, peace, and Joy of Christmas to all. On 23rd Dec. We celebrated Christmas at School.



Christmas Celebration

On 29th Dec. we invited our non-formal school children here. Around 100 poor children came. They performed many programs and conducted different games for them.

# AHIHDILAM

October 2021, we had a special Holy Mass for children offered by Rev. Fr. Raju Hembrom Councillor of TOR. After



Holy Mass, there was a cultural program. October31, we had a Rosary procession holding lighted candles with Village children.



December 5th, we celebrated "Nawai Porob" means all the people from each house offered their first fruit to God'. Paddy, Potatoes etc. It is a very beautiful function during the offering time of Holy Mass, all the people carry the crops and with the rhythmic steps, they move to the altar to offer it to God. Fr. Sunny and CHF sisters conducted a day of recollection for the children before receiving the first communion at Hansdiha. On December 25th, a grand Christmas celebration was there. Night 9.30pm and morning 9.30am thousands of people gathered in the church.

In the month of November, we visited different Villages to offer Holy Mass with the priest in remembrance of deceased. 99 children from different villages received Holy Communion in Hansdiha Parish on 21st November.

# NANDACHAUR



Evangelization & Pastoral Ministry: Gospel Values sharing: We conduct weekly visit to four tuition centres and teach Bible verses, Bible stories and action Songs based on Christian values. We do visit to different villages and pay attention to their cries and struggles.

Conventions: On 15th August 2021 Bro. John Britto and his team reached here to conduct Bible Convention in different villages of our Parish. It was from 16th to 19th August. Last day Sr.Suma Jose S.D also came here and joined the group. People were inspired by the convention and they experienced the mercy and peace of God.



Decorated Crucifix as the symbol of golden jubilee: In connection with the Golden Jubilee, celebration of Jalandhar Diocese a decorated Crucifix was brought on 16th September. A

grand reception was given and it was kept in the church for 3 days to venerate. People were there to pray. On 19th, it was taken to nearby parish for veneration. It was rotated to every parish of this diocese as the part of the jubilee celebration. Jubilee year was concluded on 8th November 2021 with grand celebration.

Parish Church feast: As the preparation for the Parish feast of St. Teresa a three-day convention was arranged for the parishioners. The diocesan convention team led the parishioners. Parishioners gained graces and blessings by this convention.

A Day with children to share the word of God: On 19th November we conducted village tour. We covered 4 villages. We gathered the children and had short prayer by Sr. Suman



Lakra S D. She read Bible passage (Mk.10:13-16) and Sr. Sumitha explained and prayed for them. We taught skit (Mk.11:46-52) and songs based on Christian values. We conducted different types of competition for them, such as speech, action song and skit and painting. Prizes were given to the winners. Refreshment was given to all. Children were very happy and gay.

**Shobha Yathra:** On 23rd December as the proclamation of the incarnation of the word

of God, Parish conducted a procession with a decorated LIVING CRIB in a Vehicle. Procession proceeded to different corners of Nandachaur, proclaiming the peace and joy of Christmas and blessed New Year.

## **Social Activities:**

Girl Child Day celebration: On 8th September girl child day was celebrated in the parish. Holy Mass and Special prayers were offered to them and gave a small statue of mother Mary to increase their devotion and honour. Children offered flowers to Mother Mary as the sign and devotion to her.

Founder's Day celebration: On the eve of the day, we conducted short prayer service interceding for favours. On 5th just before the Holy Mass Sr. Suman Lakra said commentary on Venerable Fr. Varghese Payapilly. Grand lunch was served to our workers. Sr.Sales SD introduced our founder to them and distributed the prayer of Venerable Fr. Varghese Payapilly.

Youth Day: On 20th October, there was a gathering of our youth from different villages. It started with devotion to Mother Mary, reciting Rosary. Mr. Robin welcomed the resource person Fr.John Theja, in their midst. He took class on vocation with the support of PPT. It was inspiring and interesting. Refreshment was given to them. They enjoyed the day and expressed their gratitude towards him.

Day with poor: We paid a short visit to a poor widow of our parish and presented her woollen clothes. We went to the Surpunch of our village to plead for a piece of land for a poor lady who has 3children.

New year surprise to tuition centres: Woollen clothes were distributed to different tuition centres of different villagers; by Carmel Social work department. As a support and help, we went with them to distribute the woollen clothes to the tuition children.

# NEPAL

Taith Renewal Program (9th July to 12th [ July): These 4 days were God given chance of evangelization among Catholic families and 'Christu bhaktas' over here. Along with our parish priest Rev. Fr. Joji CMI we conducted 4 days faith renewal programme for them. We could divide them in 4 groups such as aged parents, young couple, youth and children. Hence, we could pay special attention to each person and prepare them to make good confession and attend the Eucharistic celebration faithfully. It started by 9' 0 clock in the morning and concluded with final blessing by 5' o clock in the evening. Day was made memorable through various classes, group discussion and Eucharistic adoration.



Women's day Celebration: We celebrated woman's day on 9th March 2021. We could give the awareness classes about the importance of the equality of boy and girl child since in Nepal it is very common of doing abortion of girl child because of their belief system that there won't be the continuation of the family generation. There were 47 women from three denominations, Methodist, evangelical and Catholics and Hindus. We conducted group games and song competitions and awarded prizes to the winners.

8th August 2021; 145 th Birth Day of our founder Venerable Fr. Varghese Payapilly: Due to Covid situation, we could not call all the children of our locality, but we focused only in one village. It was nearly two hours



programme. Around 24 children participated. We began with prayer service and spoke about Valliachan to them. We conducted quiz competition. After quiz competition. We distributed prayers to the winners and refreshment.



Girl child day celebration (8th September 2021): We gathered the girls and youth. Nearly 48 children were gathered for the programme. The programme was given about empowerment of girls. By the end there was cultural programme. Then we distributed prayers and concluded with snacks and refreshment.

March 19th Celebrations. We (SD Nepal) had Holy mass for the intention of the Congregation. On this day we visited some sick people, prayed for them and distributed some snacks to them, like fruits, cake, egg etc. We didn't take any photo.



Amidst the up-roaring surge and threat of the pandemic 2021 has been a great blessing to our Ormanjhi community. Although there were terrors in between, with the sisters and inmates fallen sick, there wasn't much of a big problem. All went on well just as the Almighty decides. The presence of the Aspirants, Sr. Sajitha, and Sr. Roshni was one of the greatest blessings. With them, we were able to accomplish many great and wonderful tasks, the Lord wants of us.



On 19th March, we invited some poor families from our village, provided rations and a stage performance on the life of the Old and New Testament Joseph was put up before them. They all went back happily, with a lesson to put their trust and hope in the Lord at all circumstances.

The Birthdays and Anniversaries of our beloved Valliachans Ven. Fr. Varghese Payappilly and Msgr.Gerorge Valliarumpeth were solemnly observed. Special preparatory prayers and Holy mass were offered. Quiz and display of their biographies were meaningfully presented.

# **ORMANJHI**



Sr. Pavana's entrance into her Golden Jubilee year was marked on 15th August with Holy mass and grand wishing ceremony. In honour of St.Ann the grand mother of Jesus, who is the patroness of our Sr. Lilly Ann, a gathering was held along with Fathers and Sisters from neighboring communities.



Daily Rosary with the inmates continues all throughout the month of October with all round the premises procession. Because of the big hearts of our benefactors, we were able to share our love with the poor outside our community. This Christmas time we could reach out to them, distributing blankets, sarees, dry rations etc.

The Lord was with us, that we could attain the goal of achieving the ADHAR CARDS for our inmates.

# PALAKKAL

First Death Anniversary of Sr. Jessit: 25th August 2021 on the day of the first death anniversary of Sr. Jessit, Rev. Fr. Davis Chiramel came here and offered Holy Mass in our chapel and prayed the office of the dead near the tomb of Sr. Jessit. Family members were present for the Holy Mass. Rev. Mother Liss Grace also came and joined with us.

Formation and Vocation Promotion: Sr. Josmy and Postulants reached Palakkal on 21st December 2021 for their preparation to Novitiate. After their arrival under the leadership of Sr. Suma Jose and Sr. Tess Maria we could conduct a vocation seminar in the parish church. We gathered the girls of 8th-12th standard. Sr. Tess Maria shared about her mission experience, Sr. Josmy introduced SD and one of the Postulants shared her vocation. The response of the children was very effective. As the Postulants came to Kerala for the first time, we took them for a pilgrimage to Palayoor, Pavaraty, Ollur and other Churches.

**Silver Jubilee:** 41 silver Jubilarians of Sr. Jessit's batch came to visit the tomb of sister Jessit. We also took this opportunity to glorify the Lord for all the abundant blessings He has showered upon these 41 sisters for last 25 years of their Religious life.

Christmas Celebration: We had Christmas program with the children of St. Raphael Unit of our Parish with the help of Mrs. Lilly



Palakkal Christmas celebration with inmates

Jose on 23rd December 2021. We conducted a small prayer for them after that they staged



some programmes including Christmas tree. We conducted competitions and the gifts were distributed for the same. With tea party,



Palakal christmas celebration with inmates & arishioners

we concluded the program. On the Christmas day we had a grant celebration in our convent with our Mamas, gave them some gifts and also wished them the joy of Christmas.

**Priestly Ordination and First Holy Mass:** It was the great privilege to have Fr. Varghese Chakkalakkal, the newly ordained as the 11th priest of this Parish to offer Holy Mass in our convent on 9th January 2022.

**Visit of Mar Vincent Nellaiparambil, Bishop of Bijnor:** We were blessed with the gracious presence of our dear Mar. Vincent the Bishop of Bijnor Diocese on 21st January 2021. He spent some time with our Mamas and Formees. He also visited the tomb of our sisters.



Bishop Vincent's visit to Palakkal

# PERU

Celebration of 92nd death anniversary of Valliachan and the feast of St. Joseph. competition of speech about Valliachan. It was conducted by our substation village families. Speech competition about Valliachan was conducted to our substation village families. we gave cash prizes to the winners along with St. Joseph's kit



Christmas celebration & Baptism in village chapel substation.







Christmas celebration & Baptism in village chapel substation. We gave to Chirstmas gift to children & food kit for 10 poor families Christmas celebration with differently abled people in diocese.



Christmas celebration with our patients. We celebrated St. Joseph day on 20th March with our few Christian families. Due to Covid 19 only few people could participate it. But we have given food and food items to each family.





Sr. Delphy Reached Peru on 12th January 2022



# **PREMNAGAR**

Srinagar diocese at Premnagar parish. Two sisters are serving for full time parish work (Evangelization work) and one in the school. Even though there is problems of Covid 19 we took precautions and going for regular home visits. Our parish women leaders are very helpful for the visit. We are going by two groups in Morning and evening. This regular visit helps the people to deepen their Faith in God and Catholic Church.



Women's seminar: We conducted a seminar for women with the collaboration of Diocese. 65 women participated in the seminar. The national women commission Sr Ludwin was the resource person. It was very energetic session for them. Topics was "Strong and Sustainable women cell"



Camp for catechism students: We conducted one-day camp for them. There was good input for them. 75 children participated. We conducted Bible quiz, fancy dress, solo song competition etc.

Christmas celebration: We had Christmas celebration with Parishioners. Our youth presented Christmas drama. It was a very joyful moment.



Celebrations with school staff: We gathered together with our teachers in many occasions like teachers' day, Principal's Day, Christmas celebration etc. We played together and nurtured the relationship with each other.

# SARSAWA

Eye Camp: We, the Santidham have started eye camp for poor and needy people of Sarsawa area. From Oct 2021 to Dec.2021, a total of 246 people benefited. People of this area are very happy with this noble service. We are very grateful to Jolly Grant Hospital, Dehradun.

Outing For Shantidham Inmates: we arranged a tour to Jagadhri for our inmates after the long-time of pandemic. Our inmates and the staff enjoyed a lot. We gratefully remember the Jagadhri community for their warm welcome and service rendered to our inmates.

Diwali Celebrations: Our inmates enjoyed Diwali with colourful celebrations. Our benefactors, well-wishers and friends visited our centre and celebrated Diwali with our inmates. Various officials like C O; SHO from police department, Wing commander from AIR Force, Municipal Chairman visited and distributed sweets, crackers etc...

Ration Distribution: We have distributed 800 kg kichedi to the poor and needy villagers and to the different charitable institutions during this pandemic.

Prayer With Benefactors & Well Wishers: When people visit our centre, we maximum try to pray with them in our chapel for their various intentions.

Christmas Celebrations: We celebrated the Christmas very joyfully with lot of preparations. There was a Christmas carol in Catholic families and many non-Christian friends visited our Church and cribs in school and Santidham.

Christmas With Shantidham Inmates: We celebrated Christmas with our residents joyfully. We had special dinner and entertainments.



School celebrations: We celebrated Principal's Day, Children's Day Diwali and Christmas. Through these programmes we could impart the love of God and values of Kingdom to many people of this area.

Investiture Ceremony in the School: Shreya IAS and SHO of Sarsawa inaugurated the Investiture Ceremony in the School. One of our students Shreya Singal passed out IAS. We the management of the school invited her in the school and congratulated her. Her speech and presence were inspiration for other students.



# SAHSNIANG

**Congregation Day:** We had conducted a vigil prayer along with the hostel girls. On the same day of the feast, one of the parishioners gave introduction of holy mass and talked about our congregation thereafter gave refreshments to all.

Women's Day Celebration: The programme was held in SD convent Sahsniang on 21st March. All the mothers of our parish came. It was commenced with a prayer. They were enriched by the talk of the resource persons Mr. Babu Gregory and Sr. Matilda SDV. Among them 75 of them were participated in the entertainments and all were given gifts. The programme ended up with small refreshments and thanksgiving.

House Blessing After The Easter: Along with fathers of our parish we went for house blessings, it was rather blessing for the families, praying together after the lockdown. we visited seven villages between 21st April and 1st May.

**Sacred Heart Feast:** We celebrated the feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus in a solemn way. On 11th we observed as prayer day along with the exposing of the Most Blessed Sacrament from 6.30 am to 4.30 p.m.



October 5th 2021: We celebrated Valliachan's day with a solemn Holy mass. All the other celebrations we postponed to November 9th due to some unavoidable emergency. We celebrated with workers who are helping us to make the retaining wall. The programme was instigated with a prayer service led by



Sr. Bensara. The hostellers enacted a skit on Valliachan's life and origin of SD congregation subsequently ceremonial dinner together with workers.



Parents Meeting: Parents meeting was held on 30th October in order to warm up the relationship with each other and to grow up the children in a good manner, Sr. Rania welcomed all. Children performed some cultural items. Resource persons Mr, Babu Gregory and Sr, Bensara enriched everyone with their dynamic speech.

Children's Day: The children's day was celebrated on 14th November in a fine manner decorating the hostel premises by sisters and praying for the children along with preparing delicious food and conducting games and distributing gifts for the winners.



Angel Armies: We initiated a programme for children of our school forming a separate prayer group for both boys and girls from class 5 to class 10 and for smaller classes together. We gather every week and enhance them with showing inspirational clippings, teaching bible words, sharing saints' stories, inspirational speech, and praying together. Children are glad to participate in it.

## **CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION**

We celebrated the Christmas with all the parishioners of our village and benefactors on 13th December. Together with us Headman and our SD friends also took initiative to put



up this event in a colorful manner. Sr.Rania welcomed them. Mother Grace was the chief guest of the programme and Sr. Francilin gave a heart touching speech, and motivated them. Hostel children performed some programmes; all the distinguished guests spoke on that day and concluded it with refreshments.



**Vocation Camp:** The camp was inaugurated with a prayer; subsequently children were welcomed with flower. There were 31 participants. They were blessed with online talks, prayers and different kinds of games and they were also given chance to do recreation with our different formation groups. All participants enjoyed and they were happy with us.

# SIRSANAL



Parish work: In our parish once in a month there is youth meetings and mothers meeting. Very actively they attend in the meeting. This meeting is an occasion to cultivate moral values and deepen their faith. Bible competitions are often held for youth. Gifts and eatables are given to encourage children to come to the Holy mass and rosary, so that many children come to the church regularly. Competitions are also organized for children.



Women's day: 8 March we celebrated as a women's day. More than a hundred women of different religion attended. In the gathering it was highlighted about the importance of women in the society and the necessity to educate girlchildren. Parish priest Fr Lawrence talked on women's day theme "Choose the challenge", he said that women must take up the challenge in their lives then only they will be successful in life. Different programs were organized for them, competitions were held and prizes were given.

St. Joseph's Day celebration: On this day the households of all the houses were gathered together. It was an occasion to remind them about their responsibilities at home, the importance of regular family prayers, confession and attending Holy mass. After the meeting each family was given food kits.

**House visiting:** We visit the houses of various religions and listen to them. People love it so much and respecting us to come their houses.



Medical Camp: with the help of Jivodaya Hospital, a medical camp was conducted in this remote area. Around 180 people came for the check up. From hospital, doctor and sisters from different places came here with great sacrifice. The camp was very much benefited the people here.

**Education:** we could financially help three children for their higher education. In the school we have given textbooks and notebooks to Catholics children freely.



# TALOJA



**Founders'day:** For Valliachan's day, we conducted novena for 9 days with Mamas. On Oct 5 th, we gave 'Vadapav' to all who are at 'Swargdwar' and Balabhavan.

Rosary Procession: We recited rosary with our mamas last 10days of the month of October. There was procession on 31st October by holding the statue of Mother Mary. We concluded our prayer in the place where Mother Mary's statue is kept. Then we gave porridge to all.

**Grand Parents' Day:** We celebrated grand Parents' Day on 2nd October. There was programme by our inmates. We gave lunch to all.

## VASHI

Whatever we did whether it is daily Holy Mass or house visits we did with a sole purpose of giving Jesus to the people. We could attend Holy Mass daily with a universal heart; but chance to visit people were very limited. Still, we visited one lady in her last days at the hospital (who was not in the habit of attending Mass or Sacraments) and helped her to be in touch with Jesus; arranged for confession and we put a rosary in her neck invoking our mother's blessing.

We could deal with a gentleman who once was very close to the Church but unfortunately away from the Church for 7-8 years. Through constant contacts, prayer and sacrifice he changed; came for Holy mass 25th evening by the grace of God.

We gave Bible to one lady and encouraged her to read it by clearing her doubts to a certain extent.

At the beginning of the Advent, we visited the houses of our unit and reminded them of the need to prepare oneself to receive Jesus in the heart so as to radiate HIM especially during this pandemic season

We contact people mainly through phone and it is good that we can help families and people like this.

## VERAVAL



2020-21 The world wide spread of Corona Pandemic has led every person into sickness, loneliness, depression and death. We could reach out to the people who were suffering due to lack of food, medicine, financial, crisis, lack of job and could assist them in their very need. Without looking at caste and religion, we stepped out of our convent walls into the houses and provided them with food, medicines, masks and necessary kits. Those people whom we supported are grateful towards us for our kind deeds.

We collected money from the students of our school and supported the cancer patients, and thus generated awareness in the heart of the children to take care of the people who are in need.

We could perform different activities through the support of ladies and youth from the parish and thus gave more attention for the upliftment of our parish ministry. Through the food fast conducted in the parish, raised money for the Mission Sunday and contributed good amount for the Church.

Under the guidance of Sr. Gillet many activities are going on. Without failure every month She provides medicines and rations to the TB & HIV / AIDS patients. In spite of her age limit her service is admirable and model for us. Mathruvedi, women of our parish church, with the support of the sisters, collected money, visited nearby orphanage, and provided them with the necessary things especially food Martials.

During this corona pandemic with the financial support of the parishioners we identified the families who find hard to purchase medicines due to financial crisis and have provided the with medicines and food articled.

On the whole during this 20-21 experienced God's unconditional love and healing in all our undertakings and from every people with whom we live and share our life.

## WALKUBA (UGANDA)



Arrival of Sr. Francilin and Sr. Seena Rose at Walkuba on 22nd February 2022



Reception of Sr. Francilin and Sr. Seena Rose



## Committed life of our dear sisters:

## **BLOOM WHERE YOU ARE PLANTED**

(Srs. Shanti, Cornila, Merysha, Dipti and Sonia)



When we look at the life of our dear Sr Pancratia, this proverb comes to our mind. Bloom where you are planted. The fragrance of her heart spreads so vibrantly in every moment. Her contented life

is reflected in her cheerful smile and silent enduring of her pain. Inflamed with the love of God, she radiates it to all who take care of her. Even in this old age she continues blooming in the provincialate. We never feel tired of taking care of her. She inspires us by her innocent life. Whenever we ask her, do you have pain she would smilingly reply no. We could only understand the pain through her facial expression. Love one another is her favourite word of God. It is imprinted so deeply in her heart and that enables her to bear the pains of life cheerfully without any complaint.



'Unless you become like little children, you cannot enter the kingdom of heaven' Our beloved Sr Pancratia is very simple, so innocent like the small child, she used to go before the Divine Mercy,

stood before him for few moments and return to her place. She was so convinced of the need for a mother and clings to Mother Mary very closely. Pondering her love, she sings the song' 'Amme ende Amme'. She experienced joy in generous sharing of what she has. We have heard sisters saying," Whenever she gives anything, she makes sure that it should be the best".

She loves reading and invests much time in it. Even now, when her physical strength does not permit, she loves to hold books and turn the pages. If she sees books, she would ask 'let me see'. Books are her friends.

She is a mother, a sister and a faithful bride of Jesus who lives her consecrated life to its fullness. Even in illness, she is a model to us. I remember when she was an animator at the provincialate, I have seen her always smiling. As a mother, she serves and loves every one. And now, in her old age she shows what she lived. She never shows irritation or anger but rather a smile. She accepted everything with a joyful heart and humility.

She is a beautiful soul who despite of mental and physical illness has a great reverence for God and loves Him dearly. Her innocent smile gives soothing experience to everyone; she is sharing the joy and happiness through her presence. I feel Jesus is pleased with her that she is one among of those who receives the suffering and pain from the hand of her beloved joyfully.

She is a saintly sister and Zealous missionary. Blessed are the pure in heart (Mt 5:8) her pure life reflects in her dealing and cleanliness. She has a big heart that has space for everyone who approaches her. She has a great admiration towards the anointed such as priests, bishops, superiors. One day when one bishop came, she spontaneously joined her hands greeting the bishop. It really inspires us too. She loves chanting and singing. She used to chant 'isho ye Ninne njan snehikunnu' and the song 'Atmavam Deivame varane'.

# Foot Prints....



Sr. Eliza Arackal SD

Born : 14th November 1938

Professed: 6th January 1959

Died: 30th November 2018

Eliza was born in Arackal family as the youngest daughter of Mr. Kuriakose and Mrs. Rosamma at Arakuzha in the diocese of Kothamangalam. She joined SD after completing SSLC in the year 1957 and made her first profession in 1959. She was sister superior at Chempu, Wirur, Kulapuram, Damdeval, Sarsawa, Mandal, Thaloja, and Kalamboli. Besides these, she has served at Chunangamvely, Perumannur, Pazhanganad, Jagadhri, Bhikkawala, Delhi, Kherakhurd, and Gandhidham. In the year 1967, she came to mission and 51 long years she went about giving Jesus and his compassionate love to all the needy.

Sr. Eliza's hand is behind the establishment of the mission centers of the interior villages of Santhidham province. Her personal charism was to reach out to the people who are in need, irrespective of rich or poor. With her influence, many rich people came forward to help the poor. AIDS affected people found a real mother in her .She went from house to house begging for help. Under her leadership, the rich found joy to associate with her in helping the poor. She imbibed the spirit of Jesus, which was reflected in our founder father Venerable Fr. Varghese Payapilly, the compassion towards the downtrodden. Her sincerity, simplicity, humility, hard-working spirit made this possible. She rejoiced in spending herself in preparing the younger generation to take up the challenges of the time.

Jesus brought her to the spiritual maturity

by giving her Alzheimer's a share of his suffering; a person who was so active was brought slowly to stillness. She found joy in suffering and never had any

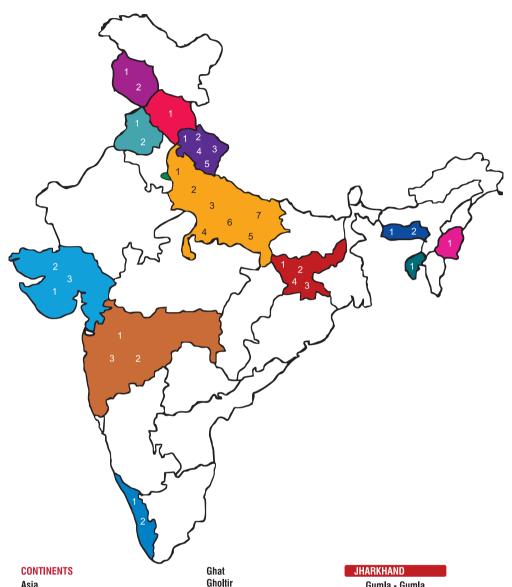
complaints. She was brought to Kherakhurd and slowly she lost all the faculties and gave herself totally into the hands of God. After six years, she was brought to the Provincialate and she spent her last two years here. She was bed ridden, giving the sisters a chance to love her and to be loved.

The last stage came unexpectedly as she was affected with Pneumonia. After giving the anointing of the sick, she was shifted to St. Joseph Hospital where she breathed her last in the prayerful presence of Mother Grace and sisters at 2.05 am on 30 November 2018

The funeral ceremony of Sr. Eliza began at Santhidham Provincial house on 1st December 2018 at 2.30 pm. It was officiated by Bishop Emeritus Gratian Mundadan CMI. Rev. Fr. Jose Thekkemuriyil (Vicar General of Bijnor Diocese), Rev. Fr. George Kachapilly CMI (parish priest of Mariam nagar), Rev. Fr. Varkey from diocese of Jammu and Srinagar were cocelebrants. Bishop highlighted in his homily the virtues Sr. Eliza practiced in her personal life like simplicity, humility, hard working, and devotion to the poor, which moulded her as a true sister of SD. The final part of the funeral ceremony was administered by His Grace Mar Kuriakose Bharanikulangara, the arch bishop of Faridabad diocese.

Dear Sr. Eliza, your holiness, childlike trust, zeal, compassionate love to the poor and suffering stand out as perfect example of your faithfulness to God and humanity. Your silent suffering was par excellent. Act as a mediator for us before the heavenly throne.....

# Reaching out to the ends of the world By the mercy of God Presence of SD Santhidham



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Imphal

## Servant of God Sr. Dr. Fidelis Thaliath SD









The servant of God, Sr. Fidelis Thaliath, a spirit filled, zealous missionary doctor who through various ministries of compassion instilled new hope and life to the suffering and destitute, giving glory to God. She has become the Aroma of Christ and as a true SD sister, she spent her life in holiness responding to the needs of the people. She was a visionary angel of compassion who made her dreams a reality. Thus Jivodaya hospital, Ashok Vihar, Jeevandhara Ghaziabad, Jahangirpuri slum development programs, Jivodaya Ashralaya Vikaspuri were her realized dreams.

God in his own time held the opening session and the Diocesan Tribunal and Historical experts took the oath of their respective offices and began their responsibilities under the guidance of Archbishop Kuriakose Bharanikulangara of Faridabad diocese.

The eyewitnesses gave their depositions before the tribunal and the historical experts go through the relevant documents and chronicles.

On her 14th birthday to eternity was commemorated at Ghaziabad Provincial house, at home and her native Parish Church Puthenpally by installing a cut out of her full figure and offering Holy Mass and other special prayers. Fr. Alex Kattezath, parishioners especially Thaliath family prayed together for the progress of her canonization.

Eyewitnesses testify that she led a holy life, very compassionate, deep faith and trust in God and her prayers were very personal and answered promptly. There was a divine aura around her and people could experience it. She loved Jesus Christ and Mother Mary was her mother and constant companion. We pray that she may be counted among the saints at the earliest.



## Sisters of the Destitute

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