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# SOLEMNITY OF IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

# **FESTAL GREETINGS**

# Feast of the Immaculate Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Father Jaime Clotet, narrating the founding of the Claretian Congregation and alluding to Father Claret, comments: "In order to form us in the apostolic spirit with which he was animated...we had to be 'a son of the Immaculate Heart of Mary' .... Our Father was a true Son of the Heart of Mary. By this he was pointing out to us the great perfection to which we were called." Further, the General Chapter document of 1967, Spiritual Heritage (17-18) notes, "Our sonship in Mary's Heart is a proper note of our spirituality and apostolate. It has permeated the life of the Congregation and has sustained its energy in the pursuit of the aims of our Institute."

We venerate the Heart of the Virgin Mother of God because we are called and truly are sons of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, in keeping with the definition that our father founder himself bequeathed to us. Devotion to the Heart of Mary originates from one's love and devotion to the person of Mary, and all that she represents. A fire of love, the fire of God's love, burned in the Heart of Mary ever Virgin. God also in His eternal plan has chosen Mary to be the mother of His Son and our mother. She is not just associated with Jesus but also with his disciples. Mary gave birth to Jesus and through her He became man and was able to enter into communion with men and women. She directs us to Him, through whom comes life and joy for all people. Therefore, she is the mother of Jesus and the mother of his disciples.

Gospel of Luke mentions that Mary was ever receptive to the powerful action of the Holy Spirit, especially at the time of Incarnation as she was overshadowed by the same Spirit and became a living temple of grace and holiness. We believe that the Heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary remained ever docile to the divine will and proved to be a worthy dwelling place of the Holy Spirit. Mary wholeheartedly welcomed the Word, the eternal Son of the Father in her Heart and then in her flesh, and received his teaching with joy in her life and kept it faithfully in her heart. Having accepted the holy will of God, she stood at the altar of the cross where a sword of sorrow pierced her heart as she lovingly consented to



the sacrifice of her only son she had borne. Therefore, Mary played a unique role in the salvation history. She also remains as a perfect example to everyone who wishes to become a disciple of Christ.

St. Pope John Paul II in his address to the members of the General Chapter of 1985 reminds the Claretians in these words: "I would like to recall a distinctive trait of your spirit, which constantly appeared with singular power in your Holy founder and should continue to be a way of being a Son of the Heart of Mary and of being an instrument of salvation in her hands." He emphasizes



that the dimension of Marian sonship has always remained as an important element of the spirituality and evangelizing activity of the Congregation.

By entrusting oneself to her maternal Heart, a Claretian missionary also hopes to be better conformed to Christ. As imitators of Mary and of her spiritual richness, one can certainly grow in his vocation to holiness and continuously purify oneself in his pursuit of her spiritual values that mark out his life as authentic Claretian. Mary's immaculate Heart remains always as the refuge of our hearts. A Claretian evangelizer should draw inspiration for his pattern of life from Mary, who listens attentively to the Word, ponders in her Heart, and commits herself actively to the interests of the Kingdom.

This Marian model demands a commitment and self-gift from a true Claretian missionary. Our vocation and our special spiritual task as Claretians certainly involve the imitation of her faith, hope and love. It is in this way we become worthy sons of the heart of Mary as well as to be conformed to the image of Christ.

Mary who was taken up to heaven after her earthly pilgrimage has a mission of watching over us, the brothers and sisters of her Son, with a mother's love. She will console us in our difficulties and dangers and will guide us in our journey toward our heavenly home.

Fr. Mathew Moothedam, CMF Correspondent, Immaculate Heart of Mary

# **FORMATION**

#### Dedicated to the Lord - Professions and Renewals

On 31 May we the Claretians celebrate the Vocation Day. This year, in the province of Bangalore, we had the special joy of celebrating our gift of Vocation. On the day, we had one Student making his First Profession, three Students making their Perpetual Commitment

and eleven of our Students Renewing their Vows. Fr. Sabu Koottarappallil, Provincial Superior, presided the Holy Eucharist at Claretian Seminary Malleswaram. Many of our Claretian confreres, well-wishers and family members of the professing students participated in the solemn celebration.



Professions and Renewals at Claretian Seminary, Malleswaram





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On the previous day, 30 May 2023, the Novitiate House was vibrant as the Postulants from different Claretian organisms of India began their year of novitiate at Claret

Bhavan Carmelaram; this year we have 28 novices. We thank God for inspiring these young men to dedicate their lives in His service.



Novices 2023-24 with Formators at Claret Bhavan, Carmelaram

# Congratulations to Our Newly Ordained Priests





Fr. Veligandla Bala John

Fr. Male Jojappa



#### **BARIKHAJURI, ST. PETER'S CHURCH**

Sacrament of Confirmation



Sunday, 4 June 2023, the feast day of Holy Trinity, marked a real festive day for St. Peter's Church Barikhajuri. 305 boys and girls received confirmation on the solemn occasion. Bishop Theodore Mascarenhas SFX, the Apostolic Administrator of Daltonganj diocese presided the Holy Eucharist and confirmed the young people in faith. The faithful came in large numbers to celebrate



and pray during the festivities. Earlier, on 28 May, on the day of the feast of the Pentecost, 105 children received First Holy Communion in the parish.

#### **BARWADIH, ST. CLARET CHURCH**

## **First Holy Communion**

On Pentecost Sunday, 28 May 2023, St. Claret Church Barwadih wore a festive look as 85 children from the parish and neighbourhood received the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. The children as well as their parents had prepared in anticipation to celebrate the special occasion.



A large gathering of the faithful witnessed the solemn celebration, presided by Parish Priest Fr. Deonis Kujur and assisted by other priests. The service was made colourful with the melodious singing by the choir and the splendidly dressed communicants all in white.



Parents came in for the function with garlands and gifts to congratulate the children after the Eucharistic service. The new group will surely provide further energy and vibrancy to the Sunday Eucharist.

#### **GAURIBIDANUR, PROJECT VISION**

# **International Women's Day**

On International Women's Day, March 08, the Project Vision Rural Campus Gauribidanur organized women's day programme for the women from disability



background. The programme was attended by over 45 women. Jr. Advocates Sumaya and Thriveni from Gauribidanur Taluk enlightened the participants on the significance of the day. Senior Advocate Mr. Venkatesh HV, explained the historical background for the celebration of International Women's Day.





This year the theme for the celebration was Embrace Equity. The theme highlights the importance of creating a world where women are valued, respected, and empowered to achieve their goal and fulfill their potential. It is a call to action for individuals and organizations around the world to work towards gender equality and to support the advancement of women's rights and opportunities. Project Vision campus promotes the growth of women, especially from the rural and differently able background.

#### JALAHALLI, ST. THOMAS CHURCH

## Visit to Rehabilitation Centre for Leprosy affected

As one of the charity works during the Lenten Period Pithruvedhi and Mathruvedhi groups of St. Thomas



Parish Jalahalli, under the leadership of Parish Priest, Fr. Sunny Mathew, visited the Sumanahalli Rehabilitation Centre. Around 90 families participated and shared the experiences of the inmates at the centre. All the visitors were awestruck by the wonderful performance of the Miracle on Wheels team, who motivated the inmates



through inspirational activities. Later all shared lunch with the inmates to add to their joy. The visitors made a contribution of ₹ 200,000 to meet the expenses of the centre.

## **NALLAJERLA, INFANT JESUS CHURCH**

# **Cordimarian Spirituality**

To help the parishioners to grow in Marian devotion and Marian spirituality, Infant Jesus Church Nallajerla



organized a seminar for the Legion of Mary members of the parish on 03 February 2023. The seminar was attended by 85 members from different units of the parish.

Fr. Ch. Rajkumar from Visakhapatnam diocese animated the seminar and guided the participants on various



aspects of Marian Devotion. Some of the themes focused during the seminar were, importance of Marian Devotion, purpose of Legion of Mary, daily living of Marian spirituality by the members, the responsibilities of the members, their role in the parish development, how to conduct the Mariadalm meeting etc. There were also some practical sessions on the organization of the Mariadalam meetings. During the session it was also decided to make the Maiadalam more active in the villages and to elect the office bearers for better organization and participation.

#### **NEW ZEALAND MISSION**

#### **The RCIA Candidates**

"The Greatest gift of Easter is Hope". This hope of growth in the Rotorua Church was visualized by four candidates to the sacraments of initiation and three



candidates returning to faith through the confirmation at Easter Vigil Mass 2023. The parish warmly welcomed the candidates and their families, sponsors, godparents, and catechists. They are truly a precious gift to the parish and to the Catholic community of Rotorua.





# **Confirmation and First Holy Communion**

On the Pentecost Sunday 2023, the Rotorua Catholic community was blessed to have 53 children receiving Confirmation and First Holy Communion in the parish to set the world on fire of God's love. The celebration was organized in two churches: 20 candidates at St. Michael's Church and other 33 candidates at St. Mary's Church.



The confirmations were officiated by Fr. Thomas CMF. It was greatly appreciated by the parents, sponsors, well-wishers, and parish community. We truly pray for these candidates to have the Holy Spirit with them and renew their lives constantly on fire for God.



## T. DASARAHALLI, SS JOSEPH AND CLARET CHURCH

#### **Holistic Growth of the Children**

On March 05 Sunday, the Medical Fraternity team of Saints Joseph & Claret Church Dasarahalli parish arranged a Seminar for Students on "holistic approach



towards the growth of the children". Students from Class 5 to 12 and their parents participated in the seminar.

Various relevant themes like, sex education, different stages of growth, use and misuse of media and achieving our dreams, etc. were discussed during the seminar. Rev. Sr. Philo John JMJ & Medical Team from St. Philomena's Hospital, Bengaluru directed the seminar.

## **Inspiring Youth for Social Commitment**



Saints Joseph & Claret Church Dasarahalli, Youth Association (JACYA ) of the parish conducted a one-day camp on, Leadership & Social Commitment for the parish youth on 18 March 2023. Guided by Fr. George Kannanthanam CMF, the seminar inspired 90 youth of the parish for better social involvement.

#### YOUTH AND VOCATION MINISTRY

#### **Vocation Orientation Camps**

Province of Bangalore organised one day Vocation Orientation Programme at Claretian Seminary Malleswaram on 26 January 2023. About 90 aspiring youth from Claretian parishes of Jalahalli and Dasarahalli participated in the programme. The aim of the camp was to help the youth to discover their vocation to religious life. Fr. Sabu George, Provincial Superior, inaugurated the sessions by inviting the aspiring youth to focus on their life and discern properly in carrying out the mission of Christ in the style of St. Anthony Mary Claret, our Founder.

Special motivational talks on vocation, choices, discernment and Claretian Congregation were given by Frs. Joseph Thoompanal, Tomy Urumbumkuzhiyil, Jessin



Kocheril, Justin Kuzhivelil and Jaipaul Thumma. Sisters from Congregation of Daughters of Sacred Heart of Jesus



were also present to motivating the youth. Claretian Seminary students organised captivating action songs and group dynamics to help the youth during the camp.

## **Regional Youth Meet**

The Province organised a regional youth get-together at St. Peter's Church Doddaballapura on Sunday 19 February 2023. There were 64 youth from seven different parishes of the deanery who benefited from the opportunity.



The day began with the celebration of the holy Eucharist together with the parish community. After the Mass, Fr. Sabu George, the Provincial Superior, inaugurated the event in the presence of Fr. Jaipaul Thumma, the Prefect of Youth and Vocation Ministry. In his inaugural address, Fr. Provincial underlined the importance of



Communion, Participation and Mission by the youth in their parishes.

The day's activities were guided by different resource persons. Rev. Fr. Dominic Sequeira inspired the youth on orientations of life; Fr. Jaipaul, addressed the youth on the importance of right selection and decision to succeed in life; he also shared the examples from Claretian mission and ministries. Frs. Joseph Thoompanal, Claretian regional youth coordinator, Anthony D'Souza, the Parish Priest, Sebastian T., Mario Zalki, Valentine Anthony Raj, and Lourduswamy also joined the event to inspire the youth and to motivate them.

The event received appreciation from the youth as well as their parishes for the opportunity and the efforts taken to give proper direction and orientation to the youngsters.

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## **BUTIBORI, ST. CLARET SCHOOL**

# **Celebration of Diversity and Integration**

On the Republic Day of India, 26 January 2023, St. Claret School Butibori organised Bharat Darshan (Social Science Exhibition) depicting the culture, tradition, culinary and artefacts of the country. The aim of the exhibition was



to celebrate the diversity of India and to spread the message of unity and integration. It was the fruit of the hard work and creativity of the students and the staff.



The programme received an overwhelming response from the parents and local people. They appreciated the management, staff and children for putting up an incredible show of cultures of India. The Bharat Darshan paved a platform for students to exhibit their talents and became a means to educate all. Thousands of parents and students and guests witnessed the extravagant exhibition. It was an incredible and first of its kind exhibition being presented in the area.

# CARMELARAM, INSTITUTE OF CONSECRATED LIFE-SANYASA

# **Fidelity and Perseverance in Consecrated Life**

The Institute of Consecrated Life – Sanyasa (ICLS), reaches out to different parts of India through seminars, engaging communities in theological reflection on fidelity and perseverance in consecrated life.

Institute of Consecrated Life – Sanyasa (ICLS), since its very beginnings, has organized annual seminars on consecrated life at the institute premises. This year, ICLS began a new venture of organizing additional regional seminars at various locations in India to help consecrated men and women in the peripheries to engage in deeper theological reflection on consecrated life. Accordingly, three regional seminars were conducted this year. The



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first such seminar was held at Karukutty in Kerala on February 18, 2023. Two more such seminars were held at Ranchi and Kolkata on April 22 and 23 respectively. The seminars were organized in collaboration with the Claretians of the delegation of Kolkata and the local units of the Conference of Religious of India (CRI).

The theme of both the seminars was "Fidelity and Perseverance in Consecrated Life: A Gift and a Challenge," based on the 2020 document from DICLSAL, The Gift of Fidelity, the Joy of Perseverance, applying its insights to the regional contexts of India.



The seminars consisted of three input sessions, each of which focused on each part of the document. In the first session, Fr. Arul Jesu Robin, director of ICLS, analyzed the struggles and challenges in fidelity and perseverance. In the second, Fr. Paulson Veliyannoor, Assistant Director of ICLS, focused on how to nurture fidelity and perseverance. The third session, on the canonical matters related to departures from consecrated life was dealt with by Fr. Irudayaraj, a canonist of the archdiocese of Kolkata. The sessions were followed by a panel discussion and Q&A session. The seminars were hosted at Claret Vidyaniketan minor seminary at Ranchi and Claret Nivas major seminary at Barrackpore.

The Institute, Sanyasa, offers an academic program for deepening the understanding of the consecrated form of life in the Church especially in the light of the Scripture, Magisterium, tradition and various theological interpretations with the scope of reviving and empowering the consecrated persons.

# **Enhancing Consecrated Life**

The Institute of Consecrated Life – Sanyasa (ICLS) has been offering one month summer course for the consecrated persons in the month of May every year. This particular programme has been a signature programme of ICLS and a real blessing for the consecrated persons as they can have overall knowledge of the theology of consecrated life in a short span of one month.



As usual, this year too, ICLS had its typical one month of intensive course on the theology of Consecrated Life with different resource persons — most of them being Claretians. Altogether, there were sixty participants from twenty-one different religious institutes. Subjects like Biblical Spirituality of Consecrated Life, Revisioning Consecrated Life from the History, Theology of Vocation, Theology of Community Life, Joyful Living of Evangelical Counsels, Growing in Affective Maturity, Psycho-spiritual Integration, Mission of the Consecrated and Theology of Charism were the topics dealt during the course. There were also moments of recollection and silence, relaxation and leisure for the participants. The participants were greatly satisfied with the effort of Claretians in providing quality ongoing formation for the consecrated persons of India during the summer holidays.

#### JALAHALLI, ANTHONY CLARET SCHOOL

## **Mothers' Meet**

Anthony Claret School Jalahalli organised Mothers' Meet for upper kindergarten students on Saturday, 3 June 2023 to facilitate the parents to interact with the teachers



and introduce the children to school environment. This provided an opportunity for the mothers and teachers to get connected. The mothers were assured of their child's safety and overall growth. This facilitated them to have a healthy rapport with mothers and contributed positivity and confidence. To facilitate better education of the child, the mothers were advised to get involved



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in the child's learning process and activity in addition to all other support given from AC School. The intention of the mothers' meet was to keep a common goal in mind, to help the child grow holistically.

# **JALAHALLI, ST. CLARET SCHOOL**

## **World No Tobacco Day**

To encourage students to think positively and be proactive in eradicating the social evils, 'The World No



Tobacco Day' was observed on 31 May 2023 by St. Claret School Jalahalli. Programme highlighted the importance of quitting tobacco and encouraged students to take action against tobacco use. A rally was conducted outside the school campus. The students marched with placards and slogans to spread awareness about the hazardous effects of tobacco on the health of people.

# **World Environment Day**

On 5 June 2023, the School celebrated 'World Environment Day. Every year the school organises a programme to encourage action and awareness for the protection of the environment.



This year, on this special day a musical skit was enacted by the students with the theme - 'Go Green, Plastic is Obscene!' The message was to encourage the Claretines to fight against plastic pollution and contribute their bit towards protecting the earth. The Green ambassadors and NCC Cadets of 39 KAR marched with placards and slogans in their bid to create awareness in their locality and to motivate fellow citizens to save the precious resources of Mother Earth.

## **JALAHALLI, ST. CLARET COLLEGE**

## **Teacher Orientation at Claretian Schools**

Claret Centre for Consulting and Skills Training (C3ST) was established at St. Claret College in 2022 to associate, collaborate with and assist other institutions and organisations in helping them to shape and achieve their aspirations.

This year C3ST has engaged the educators of Claretian Schools at three different places and has witnessed tremendous success in delivering engaging and thought-provoking sessions. The topic of engagement was "The



Alchemy of Education: Decoding the Teacher's Influential Magic." The objective behind this engagement was to infuse energy and excitement among the educators at the start of their academic session while exposing them to a world of opportunity that they can open up for their students by engaging in innovative classroom practices. The sessions were conducted at St. Claret College for the educators of Anthony Claret School, Bengaluru on



May 23; for the staff members of St. Claret School at Narasannapetta, Andhra Pradesh on June 01 and for the staff of St. Claret School, Nallajerla, Andhra Pradesh on June 02.

Every session involved activities that made the attendees introspect into the efforts they put in and the impact their work has on the lives and minds of their young students.



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## **Traffic Barricades to Bangalore City**

St. Claret institutions, Bangalore sponsored 50 traffic barricades to Jalahalli Traffic Police station. On 07 June 2023 the barricades were handed over to Sri. Sachin P. Gorpade IPS, Deputy Commissioner of Police,



traffic North, Bangalore City in the presence of Ms. Prithvi M. J., Assistant Commissioner of Police Traffic North, Sri Anand Naik, Traffic Police Station Inspector, Jalahalli and other dignitaries. Sri. Gorpade thanked the Management for the generous gesture.

On the same day a session on traffic awareness was organized for the students of St. Claret College. Dr Suresh Kumar, former Chief Traffic warden of Bangalore City Police Traffic Warden Organisation and Sri Jayanth Garudachar conducted the traffic awareness programme. During the interaction, the DCP and ACP motivated the students to follow the traffic rules and be responsible citizens.

#### MEDCHAL, ST. CLARET SCHOOL

# **Teachers' Orientation and Training**

The management of St. Claret High School, Athvelly-Medchal, organised a comprehensive six-day orientation and training session for teachers. The sessions were held from 05 to 10 June 2023.

The training was designed to equip teachers with practical skills in teaching subjects and methodologies. Various strategies were proposed, and hands-on training was provided to ensure that the teachers were well-equipped to handle their classes effectively.

Mr. Rajeshwar Rao, a curriculum developer, content writer, and passionate mathematics educator, inspired the teachers on effective classroom management, classroom energizers, secrets of successful teachers, tips to become a super teacher, hands-on practice for teachers, and practical tips for creativity in the teaching-learning process.

Mr. Sayed, a resource person from Vidura, conducted teacher orientation sessions for Upper Primary and High School. The focus was on studying and assessing



materials such as Textbook Made Easy, Practice Made Easy, FA syllabus, and question paper patterns.

The up skilling programme provided valuable benefits to the teachers, enabling them to start the new academic year (2023-2024) with a fresh perspective. By enhancing their teaching skills and familiarising them with the latest study materials and technology, the programme helped teachers better engage with their students and provide a more effective learning experience.

#### **NALLAJERLA, ST. CLARET SCHOOL**

#### **Alumni Reunion**

14 January 2023 marked a day of renewed euphoria for the Claretines of Nallajerla. This gathering provided an opportunity for the alumni to come together and cherish the memories. The participants actively participated in the activities of the day. Mr. Rajkumar Pachigalla, through powerful motivational talk, encouraged the



participants to excel in life and keep the Claretine inspiration alive. Participants resolved to make the alumni gathering regular and inspire one another.

# **New Mineral Water Plant**

St. Claret School at Nallajerla was fortunate to get a new Mineral Water Plant through the project of Guntur Diocese. On 04 February 2023 His Excellency Most Rev. Chinnabathini Bhagaiah, Bishop of Guntur, inaugurated the plant. The programme coordinator Fr. U Kiran and Regional coordinator of Caritas Fr. K. Kiran were also present on the occasion.





# RENEWAL PROGRAMMES

## Priests' Renewal

Committed to the Ongoing Formation of its members, Province of Bangalore organized a Renewal Programme for the priests who are in their 10th to 15th year of priesthood; 19 priests made use of the renewal held at Provincial Curia from 28 February to 02 March 2023.

The focus of the renewal was on Pastoral Spirituality, animated by Fr. Vincent Arokiadas, a priest of the archdiocese of Hyderabad. Fr. Vincent elaborated the priestly spirituality through the expectations of ideal and the reality of actual priesthood and spirituality.



Fr. Xavier Pereira, the prefect of formation, guided the participants in understanding the Claretian ongoing formation and its need in the daily lives of missionaries challenged by the modern times and expectations of the apostolate. Provincial Superior, Fr. Sabu George, help the participants to review the image of Claretian Missionary. The participants also had the opportunity to interact virtually with Superior General, Rev. Fr. Mathew Vattamattam, who helped them to be connected and rooted in the Lord and the missionary vocation. Two of the participants also shared in detail their experience of specific ongoing formation; Fr. Chinnanna about his studies in family apostolate and Fr. Ravikumar about the Forge programme.

Participants spent quality time during the encounter recalling and sharing their personal and communitarian vocational and apostolic journey. It was time of being deeply rooted and connected to Claretian vocation and to be energized in order to be audacious in mission.

#### **Intensive Preparation for Perpetual Profession**



In a profound journey of spiritual growth, 19 candidates (8 from St. Joseph Vaz Delegation, 4 from St. Thomas Province, 3 from Bangalore Province, 3 from Kolkata

Delegation, and 1 from Chennai Province) preparing for their Perpetual Profession this year from the Claretian Major Organisms of ASCLA West participated in the Intensive preparation at Claret Bhavan, Carmelaram from 01 to 25 May 2023.

The programme was conducted under the guidance of the core committee, which consisted of Frs. Lawrence V., Michael Mariadoss, Antony L., other Claretian resource persons too contributed through reflections on various themes.

#### **Pre-Novitiate Integration**



Under the guidance of prefecture of formation, Province of Bangalore organised Pre-Novitiate Integration programme for 25 Postulants of the Claretian major organisms of India. The programme took place from 13 to 26 May 2023 at Claretian Seminary Malleswaram. Our different missionaries guided the postulants to prepare themselves strengthening the vocation to enter the novitiate; it was concluded with retreat.

## **Renewal for Jubilarians**

At the ASCLA WEST conference level, Missionaries celebrating their jubilee came together for a refresher seminar at Provincial Curia Malleswaram from 25 to 27 May 2023. There were 16 members celebrating their 50 years of religious life, 25 years of religious life and 25 years of priesthood.

For the jubilarians, it was a joy-filled gathering to renew and refresh the Call and the Response. The deep sharing among the members of the personal call narratives, vocational journey, Claretian communion and ministerial fulfillment made the rejoining truly Claretian — men rooted in Christ and audacious in mission.

Fr. Benny Koottanal, MSFS animated the group on



the theme Priesthood - Call to Holistic Maturity. He highlighted the need for awareness of love and sacrifice



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as the essential qualities of priest; he also enumerated the right use of the social media platform. Fr. Joseph Lobo, SJ helped the participants to reflect on Priestly Mission-Spirituality. He focused on understanding how Eucharist with its inherent features of victim-altar-offerer makes a priest.

## **Cyber Security and Digital Documentation**

On 3 June 2023, organised by the prefect of apostolate and missions, Principals and Administrators of the educational institutions of the province of Bangalore came together for a seminar on Cyber Security and Digital Documentation at Provincial Curia Malleswaram.

Fr. Joson, IMS guided the participants in understanding the need of being prepared to deal with the demands of institutions concerning digital technology. He focussed on various types of cyber threats and the needed security against such dangers. The seminar also dealt with the load of digital documentation required in the institutions and how it can be guarded against possible loss and threats.



Education Ministry Facilitator of the province, Fr. Benny Cheruthottupuram, engaged the participants in understanding the immediate needs of our institutions in providing quality and affordable education to our students. Along with 12 Principals and Administrators of the institutions, provincial government also participated in the seminar.

New Residence of **Catholic Ashram Barwadih** was inaugurated and blessed on 05 March 2023.





On 17 May 2023 **Fr. Sunny Mathew Kunnampadavil, CMF** was appointed as the new Proto Syncellus (Vicar General) of Mandya Diocese.



Congratulations & Blessings of the Lord