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# Pope Message

**Dear Brothers and Sisters,**

## **The Rosary as a Powerful Spiritual Weapon**

Pope Leo XIII emphasized that the **Rosary is a spiritual weapon against evil**, especially in times of crisis for the Church and the world. He wrote that the Rosary has a **“divine power to overcome the evils of society”**, uniting the faithful in prayer and leading them closer to Christ.

“The Rosary is the most excellent form of prayer and the most efficacious means of attaining eternal life. It is the remedy for all our evils, the root of all our blessings.”—  
*Pope Leo XIII, Encyclical Octobri Mense (1891).*

## **The Rosary: A School of Faith and Contemplation**

For Pope Leo, the Rosary was not merely a repetition of prayers but a **means of meditating on the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ**.

He taught that through the mysteries of the Rosary, Christians learn the truths of the Gospel and grow in holiness.

“In the Rosary all Christian mysteries are gathered and represented, and with them are joined the chief acts of virtue of which our salvation depends.”—*Supremi Apostolatus Officio (1883)*

## The Rosary as a Family Prayer

Pope Leo XIII strongly urged families to **pray the Rosary together**, saying that it strengthens unity, peace, and faith in the home. He believed that the Rosary could restore harmony in society beginning with the family. “If the family of Christians duly keep up this pious custom, they will most certainly obtain help from heaven.” — *Magnae Dei Matris* (1892)

## The Rosary and Mary’s Motherly Intercession

Pope Leo consistently reminded the faithful that Mary, through the Rosary, **intercedes powerfully for her children**. By meditating with Mary, we enter more deeply into the mysteries of Christ and receive her maternal protection.

“It is impossible to meditate upon the mysteries of the Rosary and live in sin. Mary’s intercession renews the soul and brings peace.”

## The Rosary as a Prayer for Peace and Renewal

At a time of wars, social upheaval, and attacks on faith, Pope Leo XIII called the Rosary the “**anchor of hope for nations**”. He asked that every October be dedicated to the Holy Rosary and that public recitations be encouraged.

“Let all Christian people, with humble and trusting hearts, invoke through the Rosary the powerful aid of the Blessed Virgin Mary in all trials and dangers.” — *Laetitia Sanctae* (1893)

**POPE LEO XIV**



# Founder Quotes

⇒ Even a Good idea will die if not shared and executed.

⇒ God's experience could come even in the form of suffering.

⇒ Grace of God will according to the container you hold.

⇒ Life is worth living for person who want to achieve.

⇒ Punctuality is a sign and symbol of integrity.

**Fr.J.E.Arulraj DMI & MMI**



# Provincial Message

Dear Brethren in Christ Jesus,

October month is a month that invites all who love Mother of God demanded to pray rosaries as many times we can. Therefore, I would like to throw the light on 'why do we, as Catholics, hold the Rosary so dear?' the importance of praying rosary and its' impact. The Rosary is not just a prayer of repetition; it is a prayer of the heart, a prayer of love, and a prayer of power. Every bead we touch, every Hail Mary we whisper, is a step we take with Mary into the life of Jesus. Through the Joyful, Sorrowful, Luminous, and Glorious mysteries, we walk with Him from the **crib to the Cross**, from the tomb to the glory of Heaven.

The Rosary is a weapon against the darkness of the world. It guards our souls, strengthens our families, and heals our wounds. As St. Padre Pio said, "*The Rosary is the weapon for these times.*" When life confuses us, the Rosary brings clarity. When sorrow weighs us down, it brings peace. When families grow apart, it brings unity.

Praying the Rosary is simple: begin with the Creed, the Our Father, the Hail Marys, and the Glory Be. Announce each mystery, and then slowly meditate seeing Jesus, hearing His words, feeling His presence.

Don't just recite enter into the mystery. Offer each decade for something close to your heart for your family, for the sick, for peace in our world, for those in need.

And most of all, personalize it. Let every bead become a chain of love binding you to Heaven. See Mary beside you, whispering your name before the throne of God. Feel your heart becoming calmer, your faith growing stronger, and your love for Jesus deepening. The Rosary is not a burden it is a gift, a lifeline, a fountain of grace.

Dear friends, take the beads in your hand. Pray not with your lips only, but with your heart. Make it your daily companion. Through the Rosary, you will find strength in weakness, peace in trials, and light in darkness.

**The Rosary is a journey. A journey with Mary into the Heart of Jesus; Let us walk it daily.**

With prayers and blessings,

Sr. Antoniammal DMI

Provincial Superior

**Rev. Sr. Antoniammal DMI  
Provincial Superior  
St. Xavier Province**

# Founder Visit

On 01.08.2025, father Founder visited Aralvaimozhi community. Provincial and community sisters welcomed and spoke to the father.



# Assistant General Visit



On 20.08.2025,  
Sr. Arockia Mary,  
the Asst.  
General visited  
provincialate  
office. She  
checked all the  
files and  
accounts.



**Provincial Program in August 2025**

# **Canonical Visit**

**Sr. A. Antoniammal, had a canonical visit to Karaikal community and DMI St. Joseph Global School, Karaikal, from 09.08.2025 to 11.08.2025. She oriented staff as well as sisters**



On 09.08.2025, Provincial went to the Karaikal Village and met SHG group members and orient-



## SHG Meeting



**On 10.08.2025, Sr. A. Antoniammal, met  
Karaikal Parish Priest along with the  
Karaikal community sisters.**



**On 10.08.2025, Sr. Antoniammal and Karaikal,  
Nagapattinam community sisters went for picnic to  
the Pichawaram and Chithambaram.**



# Nagapattinam visit-12&13 August 2025

From 11.08.2025 to 13.08.2025

Sr. Antoniammal and Sr. Jaya, the Councilor  
had a canonical visit at Nagapattinam  
community.



**Provincial issued appointment letters to Sr.M.Sofia Mary as animators of the community and Sr.Viyagula Kani as bursar of the community were installed and given appointment.**



**On 13.08.2025, Sr.Antoniammal checked accounts and community meeting at Nagapattinam Community.**



# Salem Visit-25 to 27th August 2025

Provincial made a canonical visit at Salem community from 25<sup>th</sup> to 27<sup>th</sup> August 2025





**Provincial  
issued  
appointment  
letter to Sr.  
Little as  
animators of  
the  
Salem  
community**

**Provincial went to the Village and  
met SHG group members.**



# Eraiyr community Visit-August



**On 28.08.2025, Provincial visited DMI St. Joseph Global School, Eraiyr and she gave an orientation to the children.**



**On 28.08.2025, Sr. Antoniammal,  
DMI met and blessed the grade X  
students.**



**S JGS-CBSE, 36-ERAIYUR  
PROVINCIAL MEET WITH  
GRADE X STUDENTS**

**28.08.2025**

**Sr. Antoniammal met the teaching and non-teaching staffs in St. Joseph Global School at Eraiyur. She conducted meeting and gave a valuable talk to them.**



# Casual Visit



On 02.08.2025 and 03.08.2025, Provincial attended general annual assembly programme 2025 TNCRI at Pillar salai, Nagamalai Pudukottai, Madurai and the same day she went to the Installation of the Arch Bishop at Madurai.

**On 16.08.2025, Sr. Antoniammal, the Provincial, went along with Sr. Baby Chennai Provincial to Palanchur formation house motivated the formees. She gave 45 minutes of input on the topic "A religious sister attitude and discipline in the view of Synodality and conducted community meeting.**



**On 20.08.2025, Sr. Antoniammal and Sr. Arockia Mary, Assistant General had a casual visit at Palayamkottai community and motivated the student sisters.**



**On 20.08.2025, Asst. General and Provincial had a casual visit at Aralvaimozhi community**



**On 24.08.2025, Sr. Antoniammal had a casual visit to Trichy community. She observed and motivated the community sisters.**



On 30th August 2025, Sr. Antoniammal attended the *DFT Talent Harmony Sports Meet* that was conducted at Yagapuram School.



# Provincial Program Month of September 2025

On 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025, Sr. Antoniammal, the Provincial participated in the School of Law Inauguration at Aralvaimozhi.



On 5<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> September 2025, Provincial Administration organized the seminar for 17<sup>th</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> batch sisters of St. Xavier Province at Muttom.



# Founding members day

**On 17<sup>th</sup> September 2025, Father Founder, Provincial and Muttom sisters were celebrated Amalabhavan day and Founding members day at Muttom.**



# Casual Visit

On 11.09.2025 & 12.09.2025, Sr. Antoniammal St. Xavier Province, made a casual visit to R.M.Thurai Community. On 12.09.2025 morning during prayer Sr. Antoniammal appointed Sr. Amritha as the Bursar of the R.M.Thurai community.



# Annual Retreat

From 26.09.2025 to 02.10.2025, the Annual retreat was organized to Juniors and Students sisters at Tenkasi. The Preacher was Fr. Kumar Duraisamy SHS, Topic for the Retreat "Transformation through Jesus' Mind-set" : Being Rooted in Christ and His Mission.



# Annai Nagar

## Recollection



**On 17<sup>th</sup> August 2025, community sisters had monthly recollection, talk and mass by Fr. Justin**



## Picnic

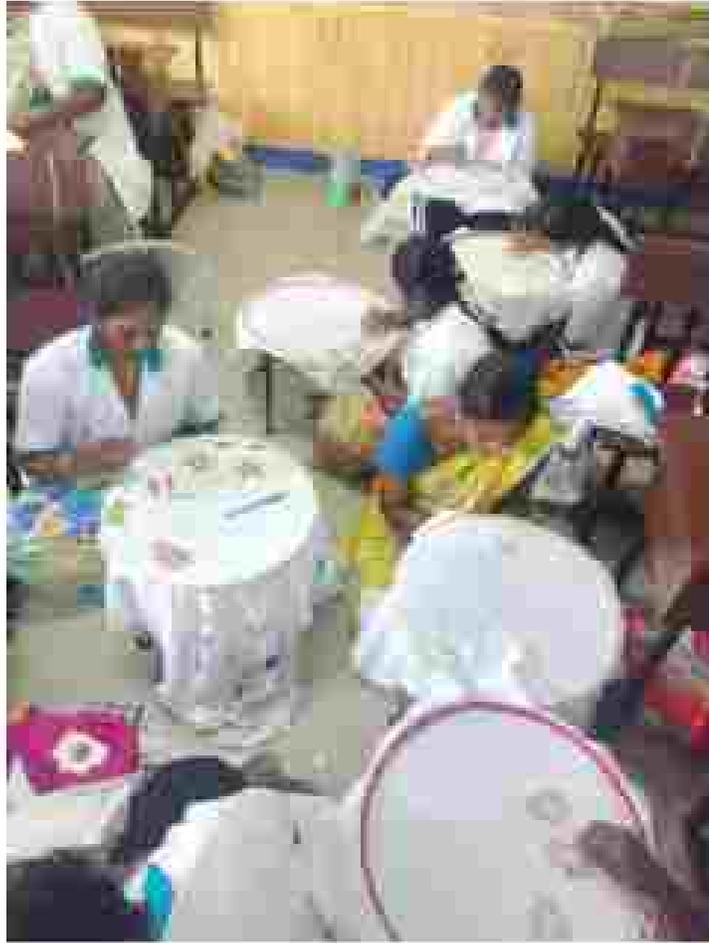
**On 17.08.2025,  
Community sisters  
went for picnic to  
Malaikottai**

# EDP Training

**On 04.08.2025, Anna Pannai Horticulture organized a one-month honey bee training program for women. 12 women participated in the training.**



# Skill Training



Two of our women are learning Aari work at IOB RSETI Pudukkottai in a one-month course.

## New Group Formation



# St. Joseph Global School

**On 01.08.2025, St. Joseph Global School (CBSE), Annai Nagar students won certificates in the Olympiad.**



**On 01.08.2025, conducted the Orange Color Day activity for the Kindergarten students.**



**On August 2, 2025, PA I Open Day was conducted at St. Joseph Global School, Annai Nagar .**



**On 14th August 2025, Independence Day was celebrated.**



# DFT Visit

On 8th August 2025, St. Joseph Global School, Annai Nagar, was visited by DFT Heads Rev. Sr. Sandhiya and Rev. Sr. Jegani.



# Coordinators Meeting



**On 3rd September 2025, St. Joseph Global School, Annai Nagar school joyfully celebrated Onam in the campus.**



**On 4th September 2025, students, along with the school management, organized a joyful Teachers' Day Celebration.**



**On 10.09.2025, a special program “Phone Addiction Detox Activity” was conducted by the teachers for the students.**



**Awareness Program**

# Aralvaimozhi

## Recollection

On 19.08.2025, community sisters had Recollection. Fr.Susai Antony gave the talk, conducted the adoration and mass.



**On 19.08.2025, Sr.Lilly, Sr.Dayana and Sr.Regina went to R.M.Durai for the celebration of Mother Ceciliam-mal birthday the mother of Father founder.**



**On 01.08.2025, at Nagercoil sisters participated protest against release of the 2 sisters who had been arrested in Chandigarh.**



**On 20.08.2025, Sr.C.Arockiamary, Asst. General visited Aralvaimozhi community sisters, college and the pilgrimage to Devasahayam mount**



# Co foundress Day Celebration

**On 22.08.2025, Aralvaimozhi community sisters and School, College staffs celebrated mother Virginammal birthday. They had a special prayer and mass. Then provided food for aunties and drivers.**



# St. Joseph International School Aralvaimozhi

On 15.08.2025, 79th Independence Day was celebrated. The Chief Guest, Mr. J. John Suby, Havildar and Radio Operator (CRPF)



**A Digital Poster Creation on Cyber Safety training programme was conducted for Class VIII students on 22.08.2025.**



**Cyber Safety Training**

**On 28th August 2025, KG students celebrated Traditional Day with great enthusiasm.**



**On September 6<sup>th</sup> 2025, St. Joseph International School students proudly participated in the Interschool Athletic Competition Final held in Chennai, organized by DFT.**



**On September 9th and 10th 2025, St. Joseph International School had the honor of welcoming Rev. Sr. Santhiya, our Director of Administration, and Rev. Sr. Mourin, our Correspondent, to the school.**



# DMI Engineering College

**DMI  
Engineering  
College  
celebrated  
Independence  
Day on 15th  
August 2025  
with  
patriotism and  
pride.**

**The Coding Club conducted a Seminar on  
“Introduction to Digital Marketing & Career Oppor-  
tunities” on 5th August 2025 for third and fourth-year  
students.**



**DMI Engineering College celebrated Onam on 4th September 2025 at the Mother Virgin Auditorium.**



**On 22nd September 2025, the Department of ECE, organized a seminar on “Atomic Habits” by Principal Dr. A. Albert Raj**



# Chettiapatti

## Recollection

On 16.08.2025, Recollection organized.  
Fr. Thiraviam SDM came and conducted  
the Theme of "The Wisdom of Christ :  
living according to God's will"



# Medical Camp

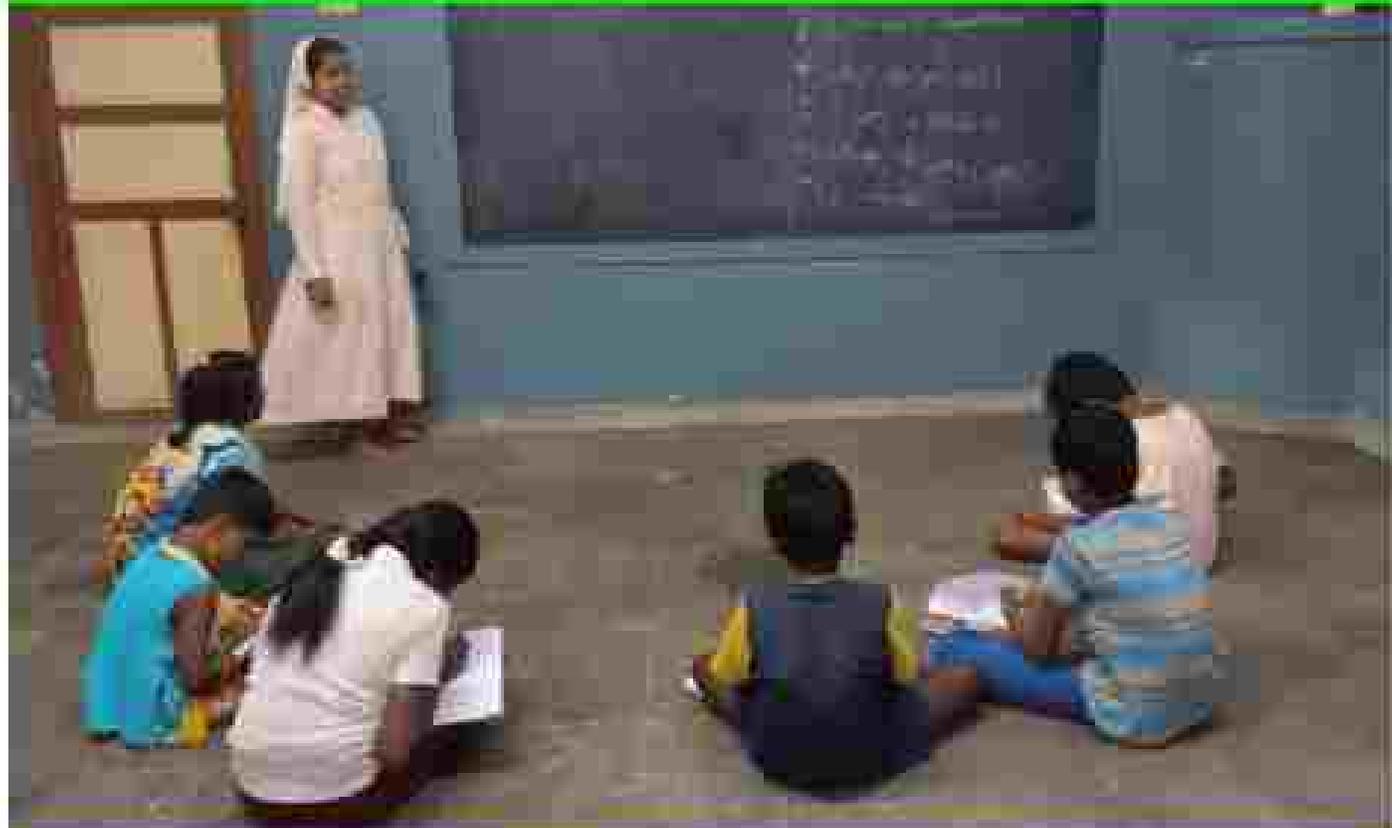
**On 07.08.2025, medical camp was conducted for home children. Nurse came from Elumazli hospital**



**On 15.08.2025, Sr. Jancy and others attended children meeting in Chennai. Sr. Lalitha and Sr. Sandhya was conducted.**



**On 20.08.2025, Sr. Amirta took spoken English class for home children.**



**On 24.08.2025 community sisters conducted meeting for home children.**



**From 5<sup>th</sup> to 7<sup>th</sup> September 2025, Sr. Roseline attended in put session on Rooted in chrism  
Radiating purpose ; Living the DMI way every Day.**



**Sr. Jancy philo took catechism for catholic children on 19<sup>th</sup> September 2025, conducted competitions singing fancy dress and speech for catholic children.**



# Coimbatore

On 01.08.2025, community sisters attended St.Xavier province level online quiz competition.



On 02.08.2025, CRI meeting was organized in Coimbatore.



# **Christ the King Engineering College**

**On 13.08.2025, the fresher's day inauguration ceremony was celebrated at Christ the King Engineering College.**



**On 15.08.2025, 79th Independence day was celebrated in College campus.**



**On 22.09.2025 Mr. I. Jagan the motivational speaker came to Christ the King college, Coimbatore**



**Coimbatore hostel girl Miss. Dhamayathi won Tamil Nadu state level taekwondo competition and got the medals and certificates**



# Elupatti

On 22.08.2025, community sisters celebrated Mother Virginammal birthday and had a special Holy Mass



**Sr. M.K.Teresa Visit**



# St. Joseph's College of Engineering & Technology

**On 25.08.2025, fresher's day was celebrated, SJ CET got 100% admissions in this year.**



**On 5<sup>th</sup> September 2025, teacher's day was celebrated.**



**Community sisters attended CRI meeting on 14<sup>th</sup> September 2025**



# Eraiyyur Community

On 01.08.2025, in Ranjan Kudi village Sr.Arputham, Sr.Mono and staff Mrs.Jaya conducted SHG meeting.



On 04.08.2025 in Namaiyur village Sr.Arputham , Sr . Mona and staff Rani given awareness on Right to Education.



# St. Joseph Global School

On August 15, 2025, celebrated India's 79<sup>th</sup> Independence Day, where students, faculty, and staff members paid tribute to the nation and freedom fighters of India.



## Independence Day

# DFT Visit

On 12.08.2025, the honor of welcoming to respected Correspondent, Sr. Leetha Roseline.



**On 30.08.2025, Inter-School Sports Competition 2025 was conducted by DFT. students participated in various track events & games and won 3 Gold medals & 2 silver medals.**





On 10.09.2025, "Veetuku Oru Vignani" (A Scientist for Every Home) program has been organized by Puthiya Thalaimurai TV at Hans Rover School SJGS, Eraiyur School Student Mr. S. Thakirkhan won the I prize.

பெரும்பலூர் மாவட்டம் தோண்டல் ரோவர் பள்ளிக் பள்ளியில் புதிய தலைமுறை தொலைக்காட்சியின் "விட்டுக்கு ஒரு விஞ்ஞானி" 2025 அறிவிப்பில் கண்காட்சியின் இளநிலை பிரிவில் மாவட்ட அளவில் செயின்ட் ஜோசப் குடும்பம் பள்ளியின் **தழுவிரகாஸ் முதல் பரிசிலை பெற்றுள்ளார்**. தோண்டல் ரோவர் பள்ளிக் பள்ளியின் முதல்வர் திருமதி.வி.கோபலா மற்றும் வில்லேஜ் டெக்னாலஜி இணை திருவனர் பாலாஜி வரதன் ஆபீஸார் பரிசிலை வழங்கினார்.



On September 02<sup>nd</sup> 2025 to September 04<sup>th</sup> 2025, the students of Grade VI to Grade X along with teachers visited the places in Munnar.



# Karaikal

## Provincial Visit

**Sr. A. Antoniammal had a canonical visit to the Karaikal community, checked the documents and had a personal talk to the sisters from 09.08.2025 to 11.08.2025.**



**On 19.08.2025, community sisters celebrated the birthday of father founder's mother.**



**On 22.08.2025, community sisters and school staffs celebrated mother Virgin birthday and provided food.**



**On 20.09.2025, Karaikal community sisters had a recollection.**



**On 02.09.2025 community sisters organized a meet for the mentally challenged children and provided cloth and snacks for them.**



# Awareness Program

On 11.09.2025 & 12.09.2025 Mental Health Awareness program was organized at Thirukadaiyur, Akkur village & Poraiyar.



On 12.09.2025 community sisters conducted health awareness at Dillaiyadi.



# DMI St. Joseph Global School

On 6<sup>th</sup> August 2025, Karaikal School blessed with the gracious presence of Director-Admin Rev. Sr. Sandiyagu Mary and Correspondent Rev. Sr. Leetha Roselin.



**On 15.08.2025, Independence day was celebrated. The Chief Guest, Ms. L. Kamimozhi, International Beach Volleyball Player**



# Independence Day



**On 4<sup>th</sup> September 2025, DMI St. Joseph Global School celebrated Onam festival.**



**DMI St. Joseph Global School athletes showcased their talent and determination at the Zonal Level Athletics Championship 2025-26, held on 10th & 11th September at Karaikal Stadium.**



# Kavunji

On 10<sup>th</sup> August 2025, community sisters participated in Arch Bishop Anthony Samy Novena Mass at La saleth kodaikanal.



**Garden  
work**

**On 5<sup>th</sup> August 2025, Sr.Vincent Treasa organized meeting for the development mission sisters and staff.**



**On 9<sup>th</sup> August Rev.Sr.S.Lalitha DMI superior general had talked with the Kodaikanal sisters together with Rev.Sr.C.Arockia Mary DMI the Assistance general.**



# Munkilpallam visit



On 4<sup>th</sup> August 2025 Sr. Vincent Treasa, Sr. Jaya and Kodaikanal community sisters visited Munkilpallam people.

# PLF Meeting

On 1st August 2025, Sr. Antony and Mrs. Meena staff conducted PLF meeting at Poondi.



Cancer Awareness Program, 19.08.2025

# Leadership Training

On 01.09.2025 Sr.Antony conducted the leadership training at Kavunji. Totally 15 members were participated.



On 21.9.2025, Kavunji community sisters had the network with mahalir thiitam and peak social service centre organized SHG women



# Awareness Program

On 17.9.2025, Sr. Antony given the awareness on women rights in Poondi.



Sr. Antony and Sr. Sheela conducted mental health awareness at Poondi, Polur, and Manava-nur.



# Kodikottai

## Recollection

On 16.08.2025, community sisters had a recollection, the Preacher was Fr.Santhiyagu (Norbertine), theme: To know God's plan.



On 22<sup>nd</sup> august 2025, community sisters had a special prayer and celebrate the 66th birthday of our beloved Mother Rev. Sr. M. Virginammal, DMI



# SHG Meeting

On the 3rd, 8th, and 18th August 2025, SHG meetings were held at Nallakudi, Puthukuruchi, and Manapuvayal villages. A total of 57 women participated in these gatherings. The meetings were facilitated by Sr. Susai Mary and Arulmary



# Medical Camp

**On 20.08.2025, medical camp was organized at Thalakkavayal village, around 30 women benefited.**



**On 9th and 16th August 2025, Children group meeting was conducted at Sarugani and Kodikottai village.**



**On the 15th and 16th August 2025, had a sponsor meeting at Chennai. The sessions were led by Sr. Lalitha, Children's Coordinator Sr. Sandiya, and Mr. Jeevan.**



**On 18th August 2025, dress distribution program was organized for sponsor children. 12 children received their dresses.**



**On 27th August, Kodikottai community sister took the catechism children for a one-day picnic to Pudukkottai.**



# Awareness Program

**On 5th September 2025, Sr. Arulmary conducted a Right to Food awareness program at Puthukuruchi village. Nearly 30 women participated in the session.**



**On 15th September, Sr. Susai conducted an Environmental Day Awareness program at Puthukuruchi and Nallakudi village**



# St. Joseph International School

On 08.08.2025, banana & yellow color day was celebrated.



**Fire safety  
Inspection  
on  
08.08.2025**



# DFT Visit

**On 07.08.2025, School visited by CC member & Director Administration (DFT)**



**On 09.08.2025, the GRAMMAR CAPSULE EXAM was conducted.**



**On 12.08.2025, WORLD ELEPHANT DAY was conducted at Kodikottai school, to raise awareness about the urgent need to protect elephants.**



# Picnic

**On 13.09.2025, kodikottai school students Grade I to VIII had a picnic to Rameshwaram.**



# Muttom

**On 6th August 2025, community sisters joyfully welcomed Rev. Fr. Jesudass, the elder brother of our Founding Father, into the KMMC family.**



# First Thanks giving Mass participation



**On 16.08.2025, Fr. Viju MMI at Puthurand**



**On 16.08.2025, Fr. Romance MMI at Iraivi puththanthuraion.**

**On 17.08.2025, Fr. Narcheithi Raja  
MMI at Uththumalai, Tenkasi.**



**A significant moment came on 20th Au-  
gust, when a grand Statue of God the Fa-  
ther arrived at the KMMC Campus.**



**On 31 August, the community took part in the blessing of the MBBS boys' hostel**



**On 17.09.2025, Founding members day was celebrated at Muttom.**



# KMMC Medical College and Hospital

On August 15th 2025, Independence Day was celebrated at KMMC Medical College and Hospitals with a flag hoisting ceremony.



# KMMC College of Allied Health Science

On 26.07.2025, college day was celebrated, The Chief Guest was Dr. V Anitha MBBS, MS Department of Anatomy.



**A workshop on “Lab Tech Revolution – Pioneering the Future of Diagnostics” was conducted on 08-08-2025 at Council Hall. The program was organized by the Department of Medical Laboratory Technology & Physician assistant.**



# KMMC College of Pharmacy

A one-day Workshop under the Continuing Education Program on *Advanced Research Methodology & IPR* was conducted on 09-08-2025. The session was led by Prof. Dr. Baby Joseph, CMI, M.Sc., B.Ed., Ph.D., Pro Vice-Chancellor.



# St. Joseph International School

**On 2nd August 2025, Principal taken a grammar class for the teachers.**



**On 15.08.2025, Independence day was celebrated.**



**The school hosted a Book Fair to promote reading culture among students. Learners explored a diverse collection of books, fostering imagination, knowledge acquisition, and literary engagement.**



# Nagapattinam

From 11th to 13th August 2025,  
Sr. A. Antoniammal, the Provincial and  
Sr. T. Jeya, Councillor had a canonical visit at  
Nagapattinam community.



**On 9th August, Nagapattinam community sisters had a recollection, Rev. Fr. Richard from SJ delivered a beautiful message. The topic of the recollection was The Wisdom of Christ: Living According to God's Will.**



**On the 17th August 2025, Srs. M. Sophia and M. Kani conducted catechism classes for the Parish children.**



# Co foundress Day Celebration

On 22nd August 2025, community sisters celebrated Mother Virgin 66th birthday.



# Awareness Program

**On 18th August, Sr. M. Sophia and Mrs. W. Suguna visited Thirumanakudi village and conducted a Mental Health Awareness program.**



**On 20th August, Mrs. W. Suguna gave a Health Awareness session in the 19th Ward. A total of 12 members participated.**



**On 5<sup>th</sup> September 2025, Sr. Sophia had an ICICI rating for one of the SHGs, namely Thamarai from Neermulai.**



**On 5th September, Nagapattinam community sisters formed a new children's group in Neermulai village called 'Roja.' A total of 15 children participated."**



**On the 14<sup>th</sup> September 2025, Srs. M. Sophia and M. Kani conducted catechism classes for the Parish children.**

**On 5th September, Sr. M. Sophia conducted a Leadership program in Neermulai village. She spoke about the role of leaders. A total of 17 members participated in the training.**



# Palayamkottai

Recollection - 09.08.2025



On 10.08.2025, made pilgrimage to Our Lady of Assumption Basilica at Kamanayakkanpatti



# Provincial, Asst. General Casual visit

On 20.08.2025 Rev. Sr. C. Arockia Mary DMI, the Assistant General and Rev. Sr. A. Antoniammal DMI, Provincial made casual visit to Palayamkottai community.



# The Substation Festival Celebration at Tomaimichaelpuram from 20th September to 29th September 2025.



# Don Bosco Matric School

On 06.08.2025, Don Bosco School conducted Investiture ceremony. The Chief Guest attended Mr. M. Senthil Thangadurai, B.Sc., D.T.E.M. Inspector of Police, Melapalayam.



On 12.08.2025 Respected Correspondent Rev. Sr. Mourin visited Don Bosco Campus



**On 5th September 2025, Teacher's Day was celebrated in Don Bosco School with great enthusiasm and respect for our teachers."**



**On 3rd September 2025, the District-Level Ball Badminton Tournament for boys under 14, 17, and 19 categories was held on Don Bosco campus. Students performed exceptionally well and secured II place in all three categories.**



# R.M.Thurai

**On August 16<sup>th</sup> 2025, Fr. Savariar (Capuchin) delivered a recollection talk on the topic of “The Wisdom of Christ: Living According to God’s Will”**



**On 09.08.2025 Father Founder called all the student sisters and he gave talk about How to build a Happy Comfortable Life.**



**On August 14th, 15th 2025, Sr. Sandiya, the children's coordinator, held a meeting for the sisters in charge of the children at the DFT office.**



**On 19<sup>th</sup> August 2025, Sister Christy attended mass and administered Holy Communion to the congregants at Periyakadu Church.**



**On 19<sup>th</sup> August 2025, community sisters commemorate the birthday remembrance of Mrs. Mary Cecily, the mother of our father founder, Rev. J. E. Arul Raj.**



**On September 7, 2025, Sr. Vijili Dali, the mission councilor, spoke to the student sisters and bestowed her blessings upon them as they prepared to take their exams, offering them encouragement.**



**On September 25<sup>th</sup> 2025, R.M.Thurai student sisters are departing for the Annual retreat. Consequently, our Father Founder officiated mass and bestowed blessings upon everyone before they commenced their journey to Thenkasi.**



# Rajapalayam

**On 24.08.2025 – Rev. Fr. William, MMI the superior general had a casual visit to Rajapalayam community.**



**On 22.08.2025, community sisters and School staffs celebrated Mother Virginamal birthday. Also had a special mass.**



# St. Joseph International School

On 04.08.2025 the practical class was conducted for XI and XII Students.



## Coding Class

On 05.08.2025, Grade III students practiced their coding activities.



**On 07-08-2025, Academic Director Mr. Vijimon Iyyappan visited School campus. He met the students and teachers and discussed about the academic excellence.**



**15.08.2025, St. Joseph International School celebrated the Independence Day and sports day. Students participated in various competitions and won the prizes.**



**On 10.08.2025, Rajapalayam school students participated in state level teakwondo competition held in Dhalavaipuram and secured 2<sup>nd</sup> place.**



# Salem

## Awareness Program

**On 07.08.2025, Sr. Malar and Mrs.Dhanam conducted an awareness program on Dengue fever in Gaiganvalivu village, Valakkapatty. A total of 58 women participated in the session.**



**Picnic**  
**On 16.08.2025, community sisters went on a picnic to Yercard.**

**From 12th to 13th of September 2025, an online meeting was organized by the General Administration for the Development Mission across the globe. The theme of the "Adaptive Leadership Program" was led by Rev. Fr. Stany, CMF, while the "Mission-Centered Leadership Program" was conducted by Mr. Venget. The program coordinators were Sr. Viji and Mr. Venget.**



**On 1st August 2025, Mr. Chinnapayan conducted a training program on the *Right to Food* in Pachai Palathi village.**



**On 4th August 2025, Sr. Little conducted an awareness program on Gender-Based Violence faced by youth girls in society.**



**On 11th August 2025, Sr. Little conducted a DLF (District Level Federation) meeting at Karumanthurai in Salem District.**



**On 1st and 5th of September 2025, Sr. Little and Mrs. Jothi successfully conducted Leadership Training sessions in Nadupatty, Pagadupattu, Vellikadu .**



**In observance of *Girl Children's Day*, On 19<sup>th</sup> September-2025 a special event was organized at Thekkampattu High School.**



# Awareness Program

On 15<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> of September 2025, Sr. Little, Sr. Malar & Mr. Chinnapayan conducted an awareness program on suicide attacks for women in Pagadupattu village.



# St. Joseph International School

On 14th August 2025, Drug Awareness Rally was organized from Pagadupatu Pirivu to Karumandurai Bus Stand. KG to grade X students participated in this event.



# Independence Day

On 15.08.2025, St. Joseph International School, Salem celebrated the 79<sup>th</sup> Independence Day.



**On 13<sup>th</sup> September 2025, St. Joseph International School, Salem have taken Kindergarten students to Muttal Forest Range Park.**



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**On 5<sup>th</sup> September 2025,  
Dr. Radhakrishnan birthday  
teachers day was celebrated.**



**On 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2025, SJIS Salem students participated in Salem Sahodaya Athletics competition held at SPIRO public school, Namakkal.**



# Shenbaganur

**On 2<sup>nd</sup> August Sr. Jeya conducted HIV and AIDS awareness in DMI office 11 members participated.**



**On 5<sup>th</sup> August Sr. Vincent Treasa organized meeting for the development mission sisters and staff. And also conducted DLF meeting.**



**On 9<sup>th</sup> August Rev.Sr.S.Lalitha DMI superior general had talked with the kodaikanal sisters together with Rev.Sr.C.Arockia Mary DMI the Assistance general. Sr.Vincent treasa too presented**



**On  
12.08.2025,  
Kungumacimil  
SHG got a  
Loan from  
ICIC Bank,  
the amount is  
Rs. 6,46,000/  
10 members  
received.**



**On 22.08.2025, Shenbaganur community sisters celebrated Mother Virginammal's birthday.**



**On 9<sup>th</sup> September 2025, Sr. Jeya conducted a meeting for the Blessing SHG at Ugarthe Nagar. A total of 10 members participated**



## **Awareness Program**



**On 1<sup>st</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> September 2025, a Dengue Awareness Program was organized by Sr. Flora, Sr. Philo**

**On 18th September 2025, an awareness program on Violence against Women was organized at B.L. Shed. A total of 27 members participated in the session.**



**An awareness program on the *Right to Food* was organized at the DMI office on 12th September 2025.**



# Tenkasi

## DMI St. Joseph Global School

On August 22, 2025, a Faith Formation Mass was organized for Christian students. The event aimed to nurture spiritual growth and deepen faith among students.



On August 6<sup>th</sup>, 2025, Academic Director, Mr. Vijimon Iyyapan, visited. He reviewed the records and reports

**On August 15, 2025, Independence Day was celebrated. The Chief Guest, Mr. Bala Murugan, graced the occasion with his inspiring presence.**



**Independence Day**

**On 31.07.2025, KG department organized a fun-filled Tiger Day celebration for young learners, aiming to raise awareness about tiger conservation and promote creativity.**



On September 4th 2025, Teachers' Day was celebrated with great enthusiasm. The event featured house-wise programs, and the occasion was graced by Chief Guest Rev. Sr. Dr. L. Arockia Mary, Correspondent of JP Group of Institutions.



# Correspondent Visit

On 24.09.2025, Sr. Mourin, the Correspondent of South Zone-2, visited school campus and spent the entire day with us, beginning with addressing the students in the morning assembly where she motivated them with her inspiring words.



# JP College of Engineering

The 79<sup>th</sup> Independence Day was celebrated on the college campus on 15th August 2025.



On 20<sup>th</sup> August 2025, the Internal Quality Assurance Cell and the Department of Commerce organized an MOU signing ceremony with Zion Auditor College, Tirunelveli.



**On 24.09.2025, today the Honorable School Education Minister of Tamil Nadu, Mr. Anbil Mahesh Poyyamozhi, visited the JP campus.**



# JP College of Arts & Science

On 18<sup>th</sup> August 2025, the Departments of Mathematics and Physics organized a Visit to Rojavanam Old Age Home, Courtallam, where students spent quality time with the elderly and contributed essentials.



**On 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2025, the Department of Commerce – General (C Section) arranged an Industrial Visit to Kodai Queen Chocolate Factory, Kodaikanal. Students gained insights into chocolate-making processes.**



**Student Achievement on Paper presentation on 14.08.2025**



Sr. Dr. I. Arockia Mary, Correspondent; Sr. Jude Lisa, Administrator; Dr. Michael Maridhas, Principal; and Mr. Samuel Manoharan, Public Relations Officer congratulated the participants of the CM Trophy 2025. JP college students secured 11 gold and 6 silver medals.



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**Achievements**

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**TAMIL NADU  
CM TROPHY  
2025**

**11 Gold and 6 Silver Medals**



**Dr. Sharmila, HoD of Commerce, published four books titled E-Commerce, Principles of Management, Management Accounting, and Business Organization.**

# Trichy

**Recollection - 16.08.2025, The Theme was 'Transformation towards ones call' and by Rev. Fr. Justin from Rosearinan**



**Catechism class every Sunday by Sr. Amudha in the parish.**



**On 24-8-2025, Sr. A. Antoniammal the Provincial came to Trichy community for casual visit**



**Picnic**  
**On**  
**16.08.202**  
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**laikottai,**  
**Trichy**

**On 20<sup>th</sup> September-2025, recollection was conducted at Annai nagar community.**



**On 14<sup>th</sup> September 2025, girl child day was celebrated.**



# Shrine Vailankanni Matric School

On 14<sup>th</sup> August 2025, Clubs inauguration and the Independence Day celebrated in a grand way. The chief guest was Dr. K. Vetrivel.Ph.D.from Barthidasan University Trichy.



**On 4<sup>th</sup> September 2025, teacher's day was celebrated at Shrine Vailankanni Matric Hr. Sec. School.**





**On 8<sup>th</sup> Sep-  
tember  
2025, cele-  
brated the  
Feast of the  
Nativity of  
the Blessed  
Virgin  
Mary.**



# Vadagaraiparai

**On August 12th 2025, community sisters had the pleasure of hosting a group of pilgrims who visited SalethMadha Church.**



**On August 6th 2025, Tamil Nadu State Rural Livelihoods Mission and Valnthukattuvom jointly organized a training Intergraded Digital Platform**



**On 14.08.2025, a one-month tailoring training program was conducted at Poolathur Village.**



**On 15<sup>th</sup> August 2025, community sisters celebrated Independence Day at Poolathur and Kamanur. All Self Help Group (SHG) members actively participated in the event.**



# Awareness Program

On 20.08.2025, at Kamanur Panchayat, the Block Level Coordinators conducted an awareness program focusing on personal hygiene and sanitation-related issues and sex education.



**On 18.9.2025 in Kodaikanal BDO office Awareness on solid waste management training was conducted in our working area 15 members participated.**



# Garden Work



# Important Days to be Observed-September 2025

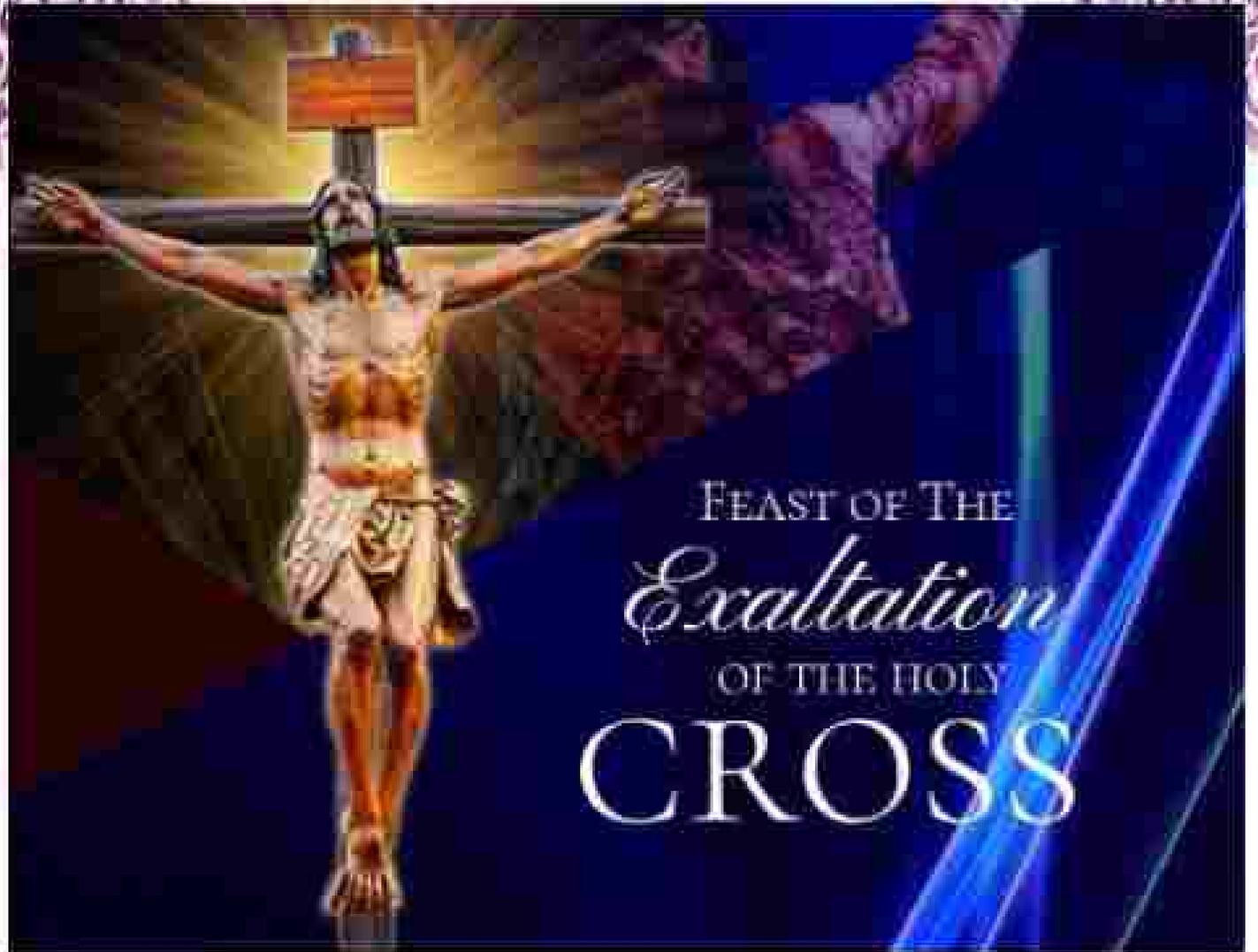


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PRAY FOR US

SEPTEMBER 5TH



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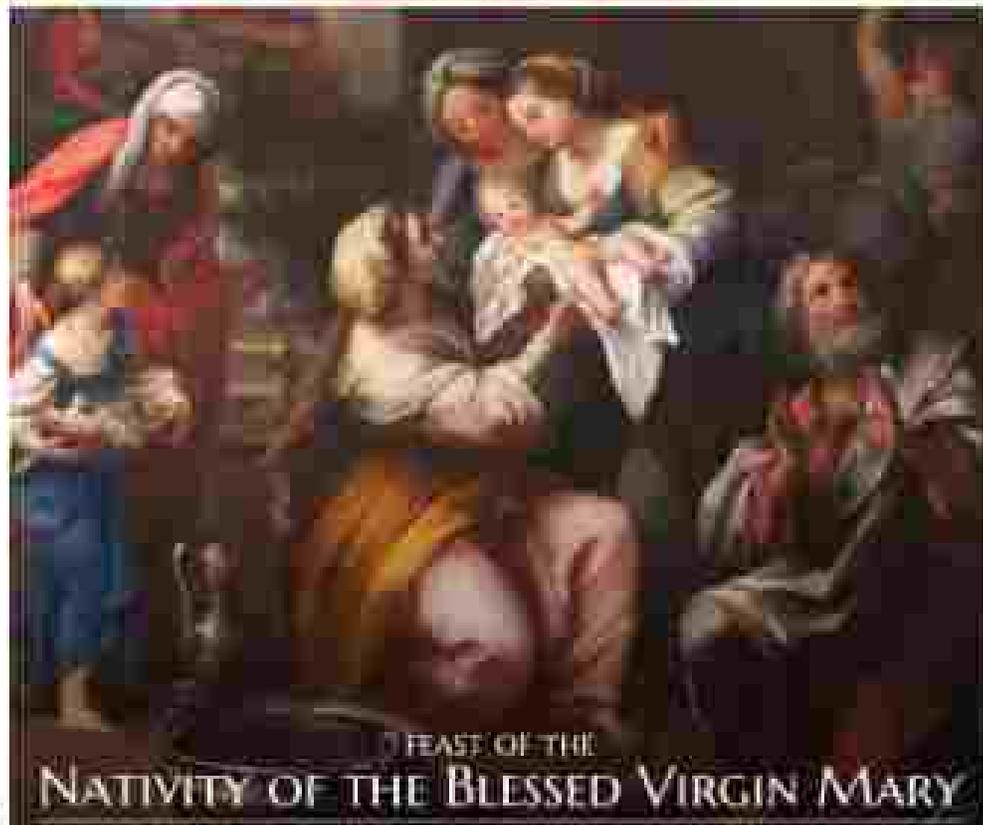
*"Like Our Lady, remain at the Cross of Jesus!"*  
-St. Pio of Pietrelcina

Learn about the Feast of Our Lady  
of Sorrows, September 15:



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**SAINTS MICHAEL,  
GABRIEL AND RAPHAEL,**  
HOLY ARCHANGELS



FEAST OF THE  
**NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

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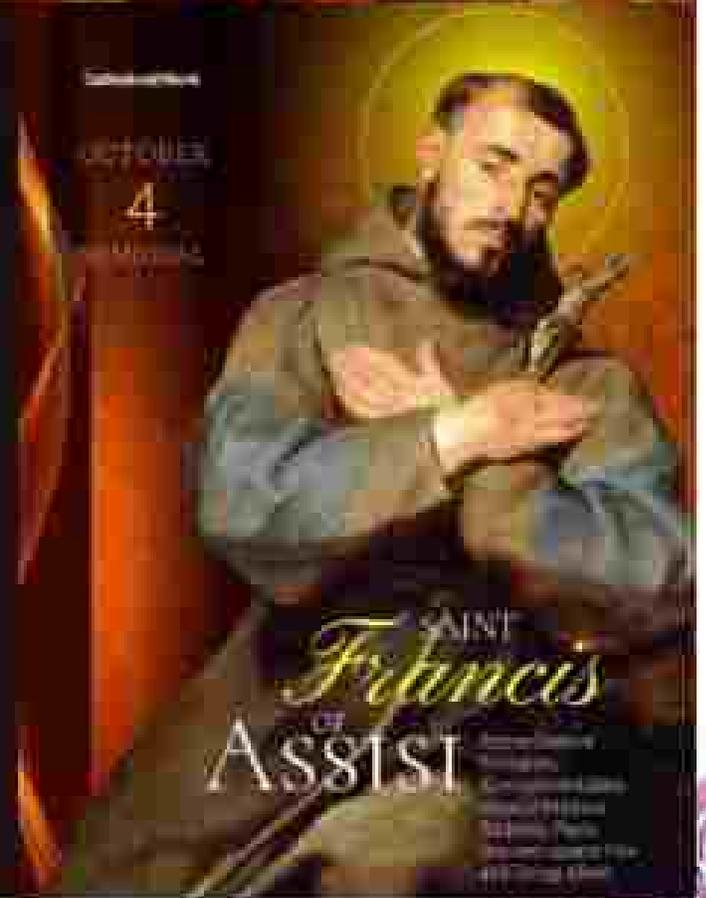


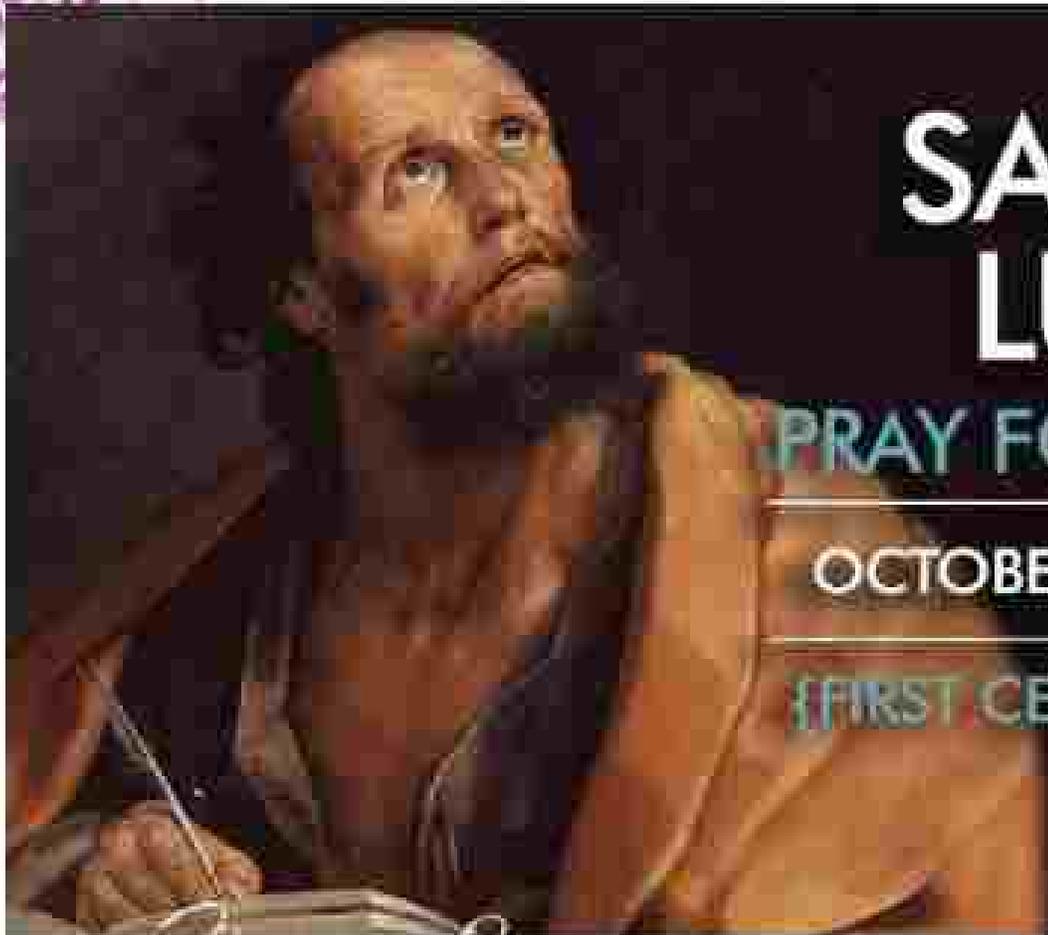
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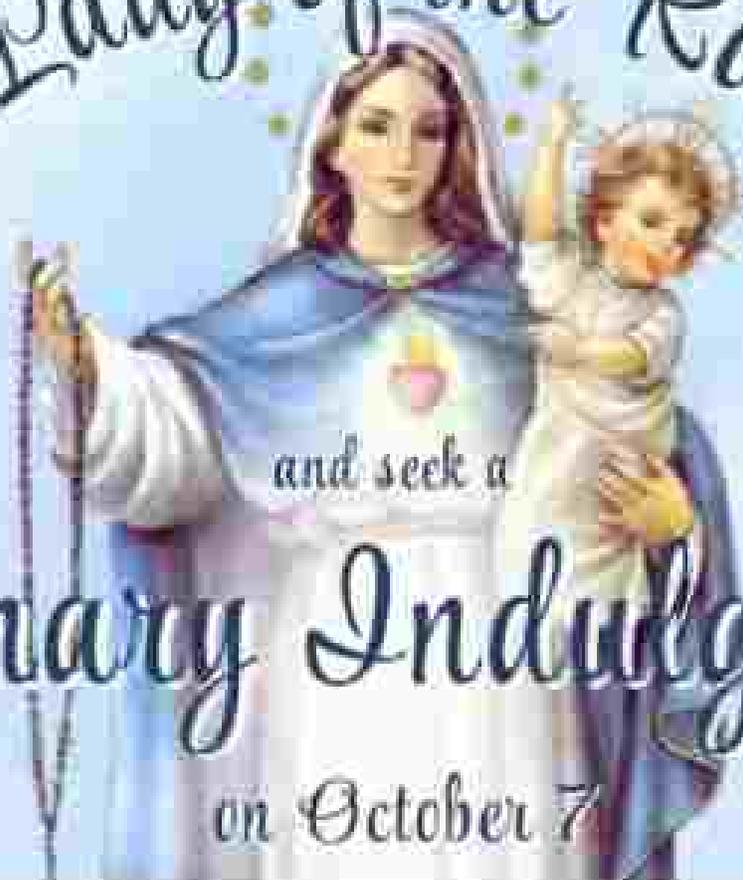
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# Ss. Simon & Jude

Apostles



# Articles 2025

## Communication Skill Development

Greetings and prayerful wishes from Sr. A. veronica

Your personality grows when you can connect with others in meaningful ways. Communication skills, like active listening and understanding others, are crucial for building strong relationships. Imagine a good conversation as a bridge that brings people closer.

In this blog, we'll explore how good communication skills and personality development can greatly impact your personal growth. As Tony Robbins wisely notes, the way we communicate with others and with ourselves ultimately determines the quality of our lives, underlining the profound influence of effective communication on our overall well-being.

### **Why is communication important?**

Communication is like the heartbeat of how people connect, decide things, and work together. It's not just about talking; it's the way we build relationship, make choices, and get things done. Let's look at the importance of communication

## **Personal Relationships**

Expressing thoughts, sharing experiences, and actively listening create a bond of understanding and trust, effective communication allows couples, friends, and family members to navigate challenges, resolve conflict, and celebrate shared joys, contributing to the resilience and richness of relationships.

## **Professional success**

From job interviews to daily interactions at work, the ability to convey ideas clearly and collaborate effectively is paramount. A survey by the national Association of colleges and employers found that effective communication skills top the qualities employers seek in new hires. Strong communication enhances individual performance and fuels leadership qualities, teamwork, and career development.

When we faced with challenges, communication becomes a dynamic tool for finding solutions. Open and effective communication allows for exchanging ideas, perspectives, and insights, leading to more informed problems-solving and better decision-making. Teams that communicate well can tap into the collective intelligence of their members. Fostering innovative approaches to complex issues.

## **Building confidence**

As individuals become skilled communicators, they articulate their viewpoints effectively and develop a sense of assurance in their abilities. This newly found confidence extends beyond communication skills, positively impacting various aspects of life, from personal interactions to professional presentations and public speaking engagements.

## **Decision – Making**

Sharing information, discussing options, and considering diverse viewpoints are integral to effective decision-making. Clear and transparent communication ensures that decisions are well-informed, inclusive, and collectively agreed upon. In professional settings, this collaborative approach to decision-making not only enhances the quality of choices but also promotes a sense of ownership among team members.

## **Leadership**

Leadership and effective communication are inseparable. Leaders who can communicate a compelling vision, inspire their team, and provide clear direction often achieve success.

Communication is a cornerstone of leadership, influencing team dynamics, organization culture, and overall success.

A study by Harvard Business Review found that strong communication skills are essential for leadership success. Leaders who prioritize communication creates open and transparent environment skills are essential for leadership success.

### **Conclusion:**

In essence, communication is not just a skill to be mastered; it's a fundamental aspect of personal and professional growth. Whether building leaderships, navigating challenges, or leading a team, the ability to communicate effectively is a stepping stone for success in various phases of



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# Reborn As Religious

## Introduction

I am truly honored and delighted to write an article on the inspiring book **Reborn as Religious** authored by our beloved Founder Father. This book is filled with profound thoughts and powerful words that have deeply touched my heart. It has not only guided me in my spiritual journey but also inspired deep personal reflection. I am grateful for the opportunity to share some insights and personal views that I have gained through reading this remarkable work.

## Reborn

"Reborn" generally means born again or regenerated, often with a spiritual or metaphorical meaning. They believe that people are reborn after death. to start to exist or to become active again: The old abandoned buildings have been reborn.

## In Christianity, being "born again Means

In Christianity, being "born again" or experiencing rebirth signifies a spiritual transformation where a person, through faith in Jesus Christ, receives a new spiritual life from God.

## **Some Example from Bible**

In the Holy Bible, both in the Old and New Testaments, we find many people who were spiritually reborn and received God's blessings and miracles in their lives.

Some powerful examples from the New Testament include Nicodemus, Saul who became Paul, Mary Magdalene, and the Prodigal Son

Each of these individuals had a deep encounter with Jesus, and that encounter changed their lives forever. Through His love, forgiveness, and guidance, they were reborn spiritually. Their lives became strong examples of faith, transformation, and the power of God's grace.

### **Reborn as Religious**

To be reborn as a religious is not easy. It is not something we can achieve by our own strength. True rebirth is only possible through the grace of God the Father.

To be reborn means to surrender ourselves completely to Jesus to offer our whole life to Him, holding nothing back. Yes, it is possible, but only when we open our hearts fully and allow Jesus to take control. As good religious, we are called to have a personal encounter with the Lord. This encounter transforms us from within. It leads us to live the values of Jesus every day showing mercy to others, walking in humility, and choosing love over pride or selfishness.

Prayer is the key. Daily prayer is essential to remain connected with the Lord. It strengthens us, comforts us, and reminds us of our mission. Through prayer, we grow closer to Jesus and become more like Him.

To be reborn is to begin again with God, to live not for ourselves but for Him and for others. It is a journey of love, sacrifice, and deep joy.

### **Conclusion**

Finally, I am glad to end my article by saying that being reborn as a religious means receiving a new heart a heart ready to be filled with the Gospel values of love, sacrifice, forgiveness, and compassion.

When I choose to cultivate these virtues in my daily life, with sincerity and faith, I believe that I am truly being reborn as a good religious—one who lives not for self, but for Christ and His mission.



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**community**

# The wisdom of Christ: Living according to God's Will

The wisdom of Christ is not a mere intellectual knowledge rather it is a transformative force, rooted in an intimate relationship with God, learned through Sacred Scripture, and fully embodied in the person of Jesus Christ, who is the very essence and model of our life. This forms the foundation of every religious vocation a life offered to God and humanity with total dedication. We look to Jesus, our Master and Guru, to learn how to live according to God's will. As the Scripture says, "*In whom are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge*" Colossians 2:3.

## God's Will and Jesus' Mind-Set

The mind-set and commitment of Jesus that always inspire me are found in His words: "*Not my will, but Yours be done*" (Luke 22:42) and "*My food is to do the will of the Father who sent me and to finish His work*" (John 4:34). These highlight His unwavering dedication to God's mission. Just as food sustains the body, doing God's will sustain the soul. In a world driven by appetite, ambition, and self-fulfillment, Jesus reorients us to a higher purpose: living for God's mission.

The first task of a religious is to be ready to do God's work. As Fr. Founder says, *"The making of DMI & MMI captures the spirit of missionary readiness giving up personal likes and even legitimate wishes to choose the right direction and receive empowerment."* Being a religious is more than following routines of prayer and community life; it means doing God's will and loving unconditionally, without division. **The Call or Vocation**

A religious vocation is a union of God's call and our free response. Every Christian is called to witness Christ and serve like Him. Our calling flows not from our plans, but from a personal encounter with Jesus an experience of God as Abba. The first step in vocation is knowing who I am: my identity as a beloved child of God, and my core competency gifts, talents, and purpose given for mission.

**Scriptural Parallels: Choices and Consequences**

Self-Will & Consequence	God's Will & Reward
Lot chose the valley → Lost everything	Abraham obeyed → Inherited the Promised Land
Miriam and Aaron sought recognition → Rebuked	Moses obeyed → Led Israel
Saul disobeyed → Lost kingship	David submitted → Became king
Judas chose money → Lost life	Peter repented → Became Vicar of Christ
Old Eve sought her own will → lost paradise Old Adam sought his own will → Lost paradise	New Eve Mary said yes Became Mother of God New Adam Jesus emptied himself → Became Savior and gained the Eternal Paradise Heaven.

Remember this, those who choose their own will missed God's blessings.

Those who surrendered to God's will were exalted.

### **Biblical and Spiritual Models of Surrender:**

The apostles remained fishermen in nature but redirected their will to become fishers of people.

**Mary Magdalene's** passion was not extinguished but elevated toward love of the Father.

**Simon** was transformed into **Peter**, the rock.

**Saul** became **Paul**, filled with Christ's love.

**St. Augustine** remained a seeker of truth—now in divine light.

**St. Ignatius of Loyola**, once a soldier, marched forward to win souls for Christ.

**Fr. J.E. Arul Raj**, though trained by OMI, directed his spirit to a universal mission.

### **St. Paul: A Model of Vocational Conversion**

From persecutor to apostle, Paul's transformation began with a divine encounter (Acts 9:1–9). His life was marked by surrender and mission: "*I am what I am because of Christ*" (1 Cor. 15:10), "*To live is Christ*" (Phil. 1:21), "*We preach not ourselves, but Christ*" (2 Cor. 4:5), "*I have been crucified with Christ*" (Gal. 2:20).

### **DMI: Living God's Will**

It is fundamentally about dissolving and becoming. Dissolving of one's will into the supreme grace, the patrimony of the founder. Surrendering my thinking, will, core competencies, desires, freedom, and aspirations into that higher will.

Higher will. Through this surrender, the becoming of a true DMI emerges. This surrender does not destroy individuality, but rather elevates and dignifies it. In dissolving our personal will, we do not lose our nature, we are transformed and empowered to become frontier missionaries. We come as individual persons, and through formation and transformation, we become the Individual DMI as one family.

### **Conclusion**

To live 'God's will' is to die to self and be born anew in Christ. It is a sacred journey from ego to obedience, from personal ambition to divine mission. This path transforms, not destroys. To imitate Christ is to embrace: forgiveness rooted in mercy, compassion that serves, love without limits, humility before God, obedience in the unknown, prayer grounded in intimacy, a mission that never rests. True discipleship is not passive but it is dynamic surrender. In Jesus, we find the perfect model. Let our lives echo His words: "*My food is to do the will of Him who sent me*" (John 4:34). And each day, may we also pray and live this surrender for in it lies our true freedom, purpose, and fulfillment.



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# Mary's Fiat: The Power of Her 'Yes' to God

## Introduction

In a quiet village of Nazareth, an encounter between a young girl and an angel changed the course of history. The angel Gabriel greeted Mary with the words, "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you" (Luke 1:28), and delivered a divine message that would forever shape the destiny of humanity. Her response, known as her "**fiat**" in Latin for fiat is "let it be" is one of the most powerful and transformative acts of obedience in human history. More than a simple "yes," **Mary's fiat** was a bold act of surrender, trust, and faith. It exemplifies the deepest form of cooperation with God's will and offers a model of faithful response for every believer.

## Comprehension of the Fiat: "Let It Be Done to Me"

The word "**fiat**" comes from the Latin translation of Luke 1:38, where Mary responds to the angel: "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord:

let it be done to me according to your word." This is brief but profound statement contains layers of spiritual significance:

- **Submission to God's will:** Mary acknowledges her role as a servant of God, willingly placing herself in His plan.
- **Total trust:** Despite uncertainty, she entrusts her future to divine providence.

**Active consent:** Mary is not a passive recipient but an active participant in God's redemptive work.

Her fiat echoes the very words of creation, where God says, "Let there be light" (Genesis 1:3). Just as creation began with a divine fiat, **redemption begins with Mary's fiat.**

### **The Historical Setting of Her 'Yes'**

Mary was likely a teenager when she was visited by angel Gabriel. In her cultural and religious context, an unmarried woman becoming pregnant risked public disgrace, rejection, and even death by stoning. Her "yes" was not spoken in comfort or safety. It involved real **personal risk**, fear of judgment, and a future filled with un-

Yet she responded not with resistance, but with faith. Her **courage and humility** form a striking contrast to the hesitations often found in Biblical figures (e.g., Moses, Jonah, or Zechariah). Mary's fiat is both **simple and radical**: a young girl, saying "yes" to a divine mystery she could not fully comprehend.

### **The Fiat as a Model of Discipleship**

Mary's fiat is not just a historical event. It is an enduring **spiritual proposal** for discipleship:

#### **1. Obedience without Full Understanding**

Mary did not have all the answers. She only knew that God was calling, and she responded. In a world that often demands certainty, her example invites believers to **trust even in mystery**.

#### **2. Openness to Grace**

Mary's willingness created space for the Holy Spirit to work in her and through her. Every Christian is likewise called to **receive and cooperate with grace**.

#### **3. Faith amid Fear**

Mary's yes did not eliminate suffering from her life. She endured hardship, exile, misunderstanding,

and ultimately watched her son suffer and die. Yet her initial “yes” gave her the strength to stand by Jesus all the way to the cross.

### **The Echo of the Fiat through the Ages**

Mary’s fiat didn’t end at the Annunciation it continued throughout her life. At every stage the Visitation, the Nativity, the Presentation, the Flight into Egypt, and finally at the foot of the Cross she kept reaffirming her yes.

The early Church recognized Mary as the first and most faithful disciple. Her fiat is echoed in the lives of saints, martyrs, missionaries, and everyday believers who say “yes” to God in their own lives.

### **Modern Lessons from Mary’s Fiat**

Today, Mary’s fiat remains deeply relevant:

- For those facing **life-changing decisions**, her trust is a guide.
- For those afraid of the **unknown**, her courage offers peace.

For those seeking to follow God, her obedience lights the path.

Her example is especially important in an age of self-will and control, reminding us of the spiritual power in surrender and humility.

### **Conclusion: The Power of a 'Yes'**

Mary's fiat was not grand or dramatic by worldly standards. It was spoken in a humble home, by a quiet girl, far from any throne or temple. And yet, from that hidden act of surrender, salvation entered the world.

The power of Mary's "yes" reminds us that **true greatness lies in faithfulness**. Through her fiat, the Word became flesh and through our own small fiats, Christ can continue to be born into the world today.

May we, like Mary, have the courage to say:

"Let it be done to me according to your word."



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# Articles-September 2025

## The Emmanuel in Emmanuel God With Us, Always

There are names that carry history, and there are names that carry eternity. Emmanuel is one such name not merely a title, but a living promise. It means God with us a declaration whispered by prophets, fulfilled in a manger, and echoed in every heart that dares to believe. But to reflect on The Emmanuel in Emmanuel is to go deeper. It is to realize that within the word it lies a mystery, that God with us is not just a memory of Bethlehem, but a truth unfolding in every moment of our lives.

### God with Us in the Silence

*“The Lord is not always found in thunder or fire. He is often found in the stillness, just as Elijah encountered Him in *“a gentle whisper”* (1 Kings 19:12)”*.

We often imagine Emmanuel in the grandeur of miracles. Yet, more often, He reveals Himself in silence. In the stillness of prayer, in the quiet of dawn, in the pause between our hurried breaths, there He is, present without fanfare, near without noise. The Emmanuel in Emmanuel is not distant. He does not wait for us to climb mountains of perfection before He draws near. Instead, He chooses to step into the ordinariness of our days. He is God in the kitchen, God in the hospital ward, God in the crowded streets and the lonely corners. He is Emmanuel not above us, but with us.

## God With Us in Our Struggles

*“Do not fear, for I am with you, do not be afraid, for I am your God; I will strengthen you, I will help you” (Isaiah 41:10).*

Life often feels like exile. We carry burdens too heavy, questions too deep, wounds too raw. In these valleys, we may wonder: Where is God? And yet, the Emmanuel in Emmanuel whispers: *I am here*. Not as a distant observer, but as one who shares our sorrows. In the tears that fall unnoticed, in the prayers that seem unanswered, He is the God who suffers with us, the God who carries the cross alongside us. Emmanuel is not the absence of pain but the presence of love within it. He transforms our darkness by entering it, our weakness by embracing it, our loneliness by inhabiting it. Every scar we bear can become a reminder: we were never abandoned.

## God With Us in Community

*“For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them” (Matthew 18:20).*

Emmanuel is not a solitary gift. God-with-us means God-with-us-together. He is revealed when hearts beat in unison, when hands reach to lift another, when voices rise in prayer and hope. The Emmanuel in Emmanuel is seen in the smile of a child, the embrace of a friend, the courage of those who work for justice, the patience of those who forgive. Whenever compassion flows, Emmanuel lives. Whenever love is chosen over indifference, He is present again. And so, God with us becomes God through us.

Each of us is invited to become a reflection of Emmanuel to carry His presence into places of despair, to embody His tenderness in a world too often harsh, to be His nearness for those who feel alone.

### **God With Us in Mission**

*Before leaving His disciples, Jesus promised: "And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age" (Matthew 28:20).*

To believe in Emmanuel is not only to receive comfort; it is to accept a mission. The God who comes to dwell among us also sends us forth. Just as the Word became flesh and entered history, we are called to enter into the struggles of others. The Emmanuel in Emmanuel means that His presence is not confined to churches and altars. It extends into classrooms, hospitals, workplaces, and homes through us. We are to be Emmanuel-bearers, people whose lives proclaim: God is with you.

### **A Promise That Never Fades**

*"I will never leave you or forsake you" (Hebrews 13:5).*

Bethlehem was not the end of Emmanuel; it was the beginning. Every dawn that breaks the night, every reconciliation that heals a wound, every act of faith that lifts a weary heart these are signs that Emmanuel still abides. The Emmanuel in Emmanuel is the God who came, the God who comes, and the God who will come again. He is presence in the manger, presence in the Eucharist, presence in the least of our brothers and sisters, presence in the depths of our own hearts.

## **Conclusion**

To say *Emmanuel* is to breathe hope. It is to know that we are never alone, that love has entered our history, and that God's nearness is not a passing season but an eternal reality.

The Emmanuel in Emmanuel is more than a name.

It is a heartbeat, a promise, a mission. It is God who walks with us, God who abides within us, and God who longs to shine through us.



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# Emmanuel: God With Us in Jesus and in His Servant

The name Emmanuel reverberates over the centuries as a guarantee of hope, of closeness, of divine nearness. It is a name declared for the first time by the words of the prophet Isaiah: "The virgin will conceive and bear a son, and will call him Emmanuel" (Isaiah 7:14). Centuries afterward, the gospel of Matthew bears witness to its fulfillment in Jesus: "They shall call his name Emmanuel, which means, God with us" (Matthew 1:23). Emmanuel is not just a name; it is a mystery—divine in origin, but profoundly human in experience. It is a fusion of heaven and earth, a reality that speaks to hearts and changes lives.

## **Jesus: The First Emmanuel**

When the Son of God was born in Bethlehem, He came completely into the human experience. He did not stay aloof deity gazing down upon humanity but became Emmanuel—God with us. Each of His life moments demonstrated God's closeness: from His private years in Nazareth to His public ministry, Jesus became Emmanuel in concrete forms. He greeted children with affection, touched the leper with sympathy, and fed thousands with humble loaves and fish.

On the Cross, Emmanuel's presence shone most deeply. Forsaken, ridiculed, and suffering, He stayed with His people in their deepest suffering.

His Resurrection guaranteed that God's presence cannot be defeated; as He vowed, "And behold,

I am with you always, to the very end of the age" (Matthew 28:20). Jesus is Emmanuel—yesterday, today, and forever—reminding us that divine love never forsakes those who seek it.

### **Emmanuel in Our Times: Rev. Fr. J. E. Arul Raj**

But Emmanuel's journey did not end in the Gospels. It lives on wherever people incarnate God's presence among us. In contemporary times, one such witness is Rev. Fr. J. E. Arul Raj, the founder of the Daughters of Mary Immaculate (DMI) and the Missionaries of Mary Immaculate (MMI).

Fr. Arul Raj was born with a burning desire for God and His people. He thought that the Gospel is not only a body of teachings but a living reality intended to change the world. Just as Jesus was Emmanuel in His acts of love, Fr. Arul Raj was Emmanuel in his radical availability to the poor, the oppressed, and the marginalized. His motto, "All to All," reflected this radical availability—he gave himself completely to God's cause and to the service of humankind.

Through his vision, faith communities flourished: institutions where children are blessed with dignity and knowledge, missions where hope overtakes despair, and congregations where the love of Christ is lived out in action. Fr. Arul Raj's Emmanuel was not theoretical; it was earthy, practical, and redemptive.

In his leadership of sisters and missionaries, in his relentless ministry, and in his unflinching pastoral care, he made God's presence real to all whom he met.

In his own words: "Mission is nothing but Emmanuel lived out—God being present to His people through us." It was this belief that made his life a living testimony: a servant of God, but a reflection of Jesus' compassion, leadership, and self-giving love.

### **A Legacy of Emmanuel**

Fr. Arul Raj's life is reminiscent of St. Paul's statement: "It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me" (Galatians 2:20). He let himself be a channel of God's presence, allowing Christ to be worked out on earth through human hands. Each school that educates a child, each mission that revives hope in a village, each community that sees Christ's love—all carry out the work of Emmanuel through his life and ministry.

His "All to All" motto is not a slogan; it is a plan for living Emmanuel. By being fully available—spiritually, emotionally, and practically—He shows us that God's presence is seen most clearly when it flows through human action. Fr. Arul Raj encourages us that Emmanuel is not just Jesus' title but a vocation for every Christian: to make God present in small ways and big ways, where we are.

## **Conclusion: Emmanuel, Yesterday and Today**

To see Jesus as Emmanuel is to see God's eternally near presence. To see Emmanuel in Fr. J. E. Arul Raj is to observe how that presence still radiates through human hearts and lives, out into the Church and into active love and service. His life reminds us that Emmanuel is both divine and human, heavenly but earthly, eternal but present in time.

Looking upon Jesus, Emmanuel Himself, and His servant, Fr. Arul Raj, we are challenged to bring this Emmanuel spirit into our own lives. To be Emmanuel today means to be a reflection of God's nearness, concern, and love in the world today.

"Emmanuel, God with us"—in Jesus who lived among us, and in His servant Fr. Arul Raj who made His presence felt in our times.



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# "Like a Sparrow: The Joy of Happy Community Life"



In the gentle rustle of the morning trees and the soft glow of the rising sun, a tiny sparrow flutters from branch to branch, singing her song with quiet confidence. She is small, unassuming, and often overlooked but in her humble way, she reflects the very essence of a joyful, united community.

Just like the sparrow, a happy community doesn't need grand structures or loud proclamations. It thrives in **togetherness, simplicity, and shared purpose**. Every member, no matter how small or quiet, brings a unique note to the song of life.

## **Living Simply, Sharing Freely**

The sparrow does not hoard. She finds what she needs and moves on, always ready to share space and sky with others. In a happy community, we too learn to live simply not clinging to possessions, but opening our hands and hearts. We share meals, ideas, time, and laughter, building bonds deeper than material things.

## **Supporting Each Other Through Storms**

When dark clouds gather, sparrows huddle close. They don't abandon each other.

Similarly, a strong community stays united through life's storms. When one stumbles, others lift them up. When someone celebrates, all rejoice. The burden becomes lighter, and joy becomes fuller.

## **Singing Each Other's Songs**

Sparrows are known not only for their presence but for their cheerful chirping a song that calls others, comforts, and unites. In community life, this song becomes our encouragement. We listen, we affirm, we celebrate each other's gifts. Whether it's a young one learning or an elder remembering, every voice is part of the harmony.

## **Building Together, One Twig at a Time**

A sparrow's nest is built one twig at a time, carefully and patiently. A happy community, too, is not built in a day. It takes **effort, patience, and love** — through forgiveness, service, and faithfulness in small things. Each kind act, each honest word, is a twig woven into a secure home for many.

## **Finding God in the Smallest Moments**

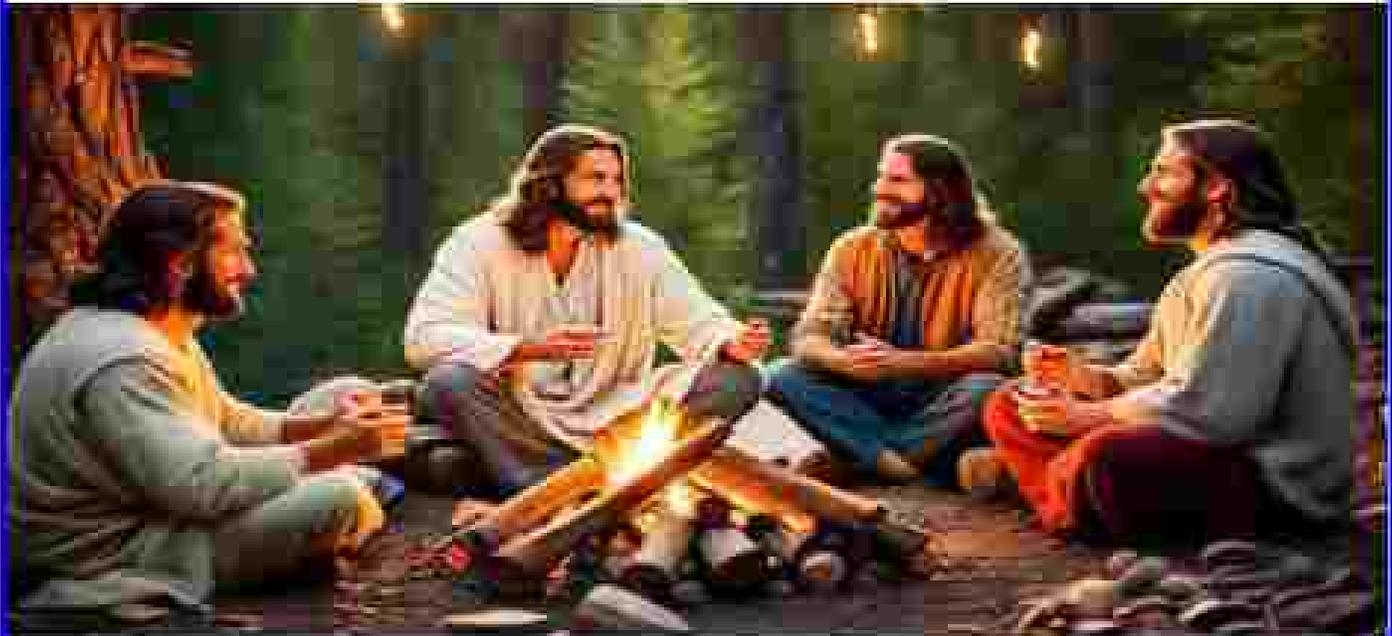
Even Jesus spoke of the sparrow, reminding us that not one falls to the ground without the Father knowing. How much more, then, does God dwell among us in our communities in the shared prayer, in the breaking of bread, in every act of kindness? A happy community is where **God is felt deeply, not just in temples, but in the heart of daily life.**

## **Conclusion:**

### **Be Like the Sparrow**

Let us be like the sparrow — small, yet mighty in love: simple, yet rich in joy. In a world often driven by noise and ambition, we can choose the quiet strength of community: where love is enough and every heart has a home.

Let your community be a nest of peace, where all are welcome, all are loved, and all can sing freely under the wide sky of God's grace.



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## **I Am at the Business of the Father”:**

### **The Life of Fr. Arul raj in the Light of St. Augustine**

St. Augustine's famous confession “Our hearts are restless until they rest in Thee, O Lord” captures the deep longing of every soul for God. Rev. Father Founder. J.E. Dr. J.E. Arul raj OMI, founder and missionary priest, gave this same conviction a practical voice when he declared: **“I am at the business of the Father.”** His life story, like Augustine's, is that of a heart that could never rest in comfort or compromise but only in the service of God.

#### **Genesis ( Early Roots ) :**

Born in Rajakkamangalamthurai, which is a coastal village in Tamil Nadu, Rev. Father Founder. J.E. Arul raj grew up in the simplicity which shaped him to discipline faith, and love. His father is a headmaster, who formed him in integrity and perseverance, while his mother nurtured him in faith and prayer. Much like St. Augustine, whose vocation was watered by the ceaseless prayers of his mother Monica who also, Rev. Father Founder J.E. Arul raj's early life were quietly preparing him to hear and follow God's call.

## **The Call to Mission**

Rev. Father Founder J.E. Arul raj was Ordained as an Oblate priest in 1979. Rev. Father Founder J.E. Arul raj chose not the path of ease but of sacrifice. He volunteered to go where no one else would go to Pandaravedu, a remote village spoken of, as a "punishment area" in those days. Rev. Father Founder was appointed parish priest of St. Joseph Mission in 1981, he faced grim realities: deep poverty, caste discrimination, violence, and despair.

Where others saw only hardship, he discerned the whisper of God's will. St. Augustine wrestled with the inner emptiness of a life without God; as well as Rev. Father Founder J.E. Arul raj wrestled with the outer struggles of a people crushed by suffering. Both discovered the same truth, that which is fullness of life comes only in surrender to God's purpose.

## **A Restless Zeal**

The missionary journey of Rev. Father Founder. J.E. Arul raj was marked by restlessness, not the unease of discontent but the urgency of love.

He could not remain still while children were left uneducated, while women endured exploitation, while families lived without dignity.

This holy restlessness became his strength, driving him to pour himself out completely for others.

His words, "**I am at the business of the Father**", were not only an idea but he lived in reality. Every challenge he endured, every sacrifice that he made, and every step that he proceeded was embraced as part of the Father's work.

### **The Legacy of a Life in God's Business:**

Just as St. Augustine's restless search gave the Church timeless writings and profound insights, simultaneously Rev Father Founder. J.E. Arul raj's restless zeal gave to the world the living communities of faith, service, and hope. Yet his history is not only the story of foundations laid upon; it is the witness of a man who refused comfort, choosing instead the cost of discipleship. Like St. Augustine, who found true peace only when he rested in God, Similarly Rev. Father Founder J.E. Arul raj found his peace only in laboring for God.

His priesthood, his struggles, and his whole life were wholly entrusted to the Father's business.

### Conclusion

Rev. Father Founder J.E Arul raj's life, reflected through the lens of St. Augustine, which significantly reveals truth that is timeless. The restless heart finds its peace not only in self, but in God. And that peace would discover mission. His journey was formed him in humble village in Tamil Nadu, which ultimately led to the difficult mission field of Pandaravedu teaches us that holiness is not found in ease, but in courage, sacrifice, and in an unyielding love. To tell his history, is to proclaim the story of a man, who with St. Augustine's conviction and a missionary's zeal, could able to proclaim with his life. **"I am at the business of the Father."**



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# Jubilee Year of Our Catholic Church: Celebrating Communion, Participation,



We thank the Lord with  
hearts so bright,  
The years of faith, love,  
and light.  
Together we sing, together  
we  
cheer,

God bless our Church this Jubilee Year!

## **Introduction**

This year, our Catholic Church joyfully celebrates the Jubilee Year a sacred milestone that invites us to remember God's faithfulness, to rejoice in our spiritual journey, and to renew our commitment to building a lively and united community. Rooted in the Church's universal call to holiness, our Jubilee is not only a celebration of years passed, but also a profound opportunity to deepen our understanding of what it means to be Church one that lives in communion, participation, and is driven by mission.

Inspired by Pope Francis' vision for a synodal Church and the spirit of renewal, we take this Jubilee Year to reflect on how we can grow together as a

## **Communion: One Body in Christ**

"So in Christ we, though many are one body in Christ, and individually members of one another."

(Romans 12:5)

At the heart of our faith is communion our deep connection with God and with one another. As a church, we are not just a group of individuals; we are a family united in Christ. During this Jubilee Year, we are called to strengthen our bonds of unity through generations, ministries, and backgrounds. Through the Eucharist, prayer, and shared fellowship, we experience the real presence of Christ among us. Let this year be a time of healing any divisions, reconciling relationships, and confirming that we all belong in the Body of Christ.

## **Participation: Everyone Has a Role**

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms"

(1 Peter 4:10)

The Church is not complete without your voice and your gifts. This Jubilee reminds us that every baptized person has a role to play. Whether in liturgy, support, teaching, youth ministry, or simple acts of kindness, we are invited to participate fully in the life of the Church.

Let this Jubilee Year empower every member of our congregation to step forward, get involved, and contribute to the mission of our Church with generosity and love. When we work together, the Holy Spirit will move more powerfully among us.

### **Mission: Sent Forth to Serve**

"For even the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many"  
(Mark 10:45)

Our Jubilee celebration is not only inward-looking. It is also a call to go external to live our faith confidently and bring the love of Christ to others. Mission means serving the poor, welcoming the foreigner, visiting the sick, and being a light in our communities. This year, we renew our missionary spirit by launching outreach programs, parish service days, and evangelization efforts that go beyond our church walls. As disciples of Jesus, we are sent forth to transform the world with hope, compassion, and justice.

### **Conclusion**

As we journey through this Jubilee Year, we give thanks for the past, we celebrate the present, and we embrace the future with faith.

Through the guiding themes of Communion, Participation, and Mission, we are reminded of who we are as Church a people united in love, working together, and always reaching out in service.

May this Jubilee not be just a celebration of years, but a renewal of hearts, a revival of purpose, and a rekindling of faith? Let us walk together as one body, with open hearts and willing hands, ready to continue the beautiful mission that Christ has entrusted to us.

**“To Him is glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations, forever and ever. Amen.”(Ephesians 3:21)**



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<b>3</b>	<b>SE. S. Rabekka Mary</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>Elupatti</b>
<b>4</b>	<b>SE. A. Fatima Mary</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>Muttom</b>
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<b>7</b>	<b>SE. Elizabeth Dem-ta</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>Trichy</b>
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**October 2025**

# Quiz Winners for August 2025

**First** –Coimbatore, Salem,  
Eraiyyur, Kavunji, Kodikottai,  
Muttom, Elupatti, Shenbaganur

**Second-**  
Chettiapatti, Nagapattinam,  
Karaikal, Tenkasi, R.M.Thurai,  
Annai Nagar, Vadagaraiparai

**Third-Aralvaimozhi, Trichy**

# Quiz Winners for September- 2025

**First-** Aralvaimozhi, Chettiapatti,  
Elupatti, Kodikottai, Vadagarai-  
parai, Nagapattinam, Muttom, Sa-  
lem, Shenbaganur, Tenkasi, Ka-  
vunji, Palayamkottai

**Second-**  
Eraiyyur, R.M.Thurai

**Third-** Annai Nagar,  
Coimbatore, Trichy

**THANK YOU!**

