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My dear Confreres,

Greetings and good wishes for all of you from Vinayalaya!

We live at a time of constant conflicts and violent fights among nations and the news of hundreds of dead in violent attacks reach us daily through mass media. Violence is begotten first in the human hearts and then it is manifested outwardly. One of the reasons for the perpetration of violence is the denial of justice. When rightful benefits or freedom is denied to individuals it can beget violence. This reality is not alien to religious or priestly life. It is important for us to ensure that we consciously take care of the legitimate needs of confreres and give them the necessary care and concern. It has to begin with local communities and permeate to the rest of the whole Congregation. Taking our religious life for granted and not consciously living it with its demands and consequences can sometimes lead us to personal crisis and loss of focus in life. I invite all of us to live our life with passion and enthusiasm and with a genuine concern for each other. I also invite all of us to support our confreres, particularly those who are in personal crisis, and assure them that we care for them and they mean to us. Sometimes the heavy schedule of our work and responsibilities can prevent us from being sensitive to one another. We must remember that we succeed or fail as a family and the success or failure of one member is the success and failure of all. In this new month of August in which our Nation celebrates its Independence Day and we commemorate the Assumption of our Blessed Mother let us seek the ultimate freedom from our bondages, addictions and prejudices. I wish you all a very Happy Feast of the Assumption and Happy Independence Day!

Provincial Statutes

South West Province does not have the updated Provincial Statutes assimilating the spirit of the new Constitutions and the General Directory. The first four drafts were done after the discussion of them in the Apostolic Communities during the previous administration. But unfortunately we could not complete it and get it approved in the previous Provincial Chapter and Congress. Provincial Statutes is the life nerve for the common living of the members within a Province. It gives clear directives and guidelines regarding our personal, community and province level life and activities. The

updated Provincial Statutes draft is being made ready and it will be soon sent to the Apostolic Communities for discussion and deliberation. We are doing this process in preparation for getting it approved in the next Provincial Congress/Chapter. The Provincial Council which met on 26th July 2014 at Vinayalaya has constituted a **Committee** for the follow up of the Provincial Statutes. It consists of the following members: **Fr. A. Jerome** (Convenor), **Fr. Thomas Chennakattukunnel** (Member) and **Fr. R. Santhosh Kumar** (Member).

Registering for Studies by Confreres

The normal practise in our Religious Life is that members are asked for specialization and training according to the need of the Province and Congregation. I call the attention of members that before we undertake any form of personal study or specialization it should be with the knowledge and approval of the Provincial Council. It is in keeping with the normal practice of our religious obedience.

Jubilee Celebrations at Vinayakumar Estate, ISS and Charis Bhavan

As the Province is preparing for its Silver Jubilee in the coming year, three of our major institutions in the Province are celebrating Jubilee this year. **Vinayakumar Estate** is celebrating its Golden Jubilee (50th Year) on 15th September, 2014. The Solemn Eucharistic celebration will be presided over by Most Rev. Dr. Varghese Chakkalackal, Bishop of Calicut at 10.30 am. It will be followed by the Jubilee celebrations. On this occasion it is fitting that we thank God for all the pioneers and other confreres who laboured for making the Estate what it is today and we pray for them with grateful hearts. **Indian Institute of Spirituality** is celebrating its Silver Jubilee this year. There is a week-long celebration at IIS and the culmination of it will be on 19th October, 2014. Very Rev. Fr. Superior General will preside over the functions. IIS has grown into international fame as an Institution of Research and Study. As a Province family we gratefully remember the visionary and pioneer, Fr. Antony Kolencherry on this occasion and pray for him. **Charis Bhavan, Athirampuzha** is celebrating its Silver Jubilee this year. The jubilee celebrations will be on 13th December 2014 and Very Rev. Fr. Superior General will be part of the celebrations. Charis Bhavan is known as a Renewal Retreat Centre of the MSFS in India and abroad. Thousands have benefited from its services. We gratefully remember the visionary and pioneer Fr. James Manjackal who played the pivotal role in making what it is today and pray for Fr. Devasia Kuzhuppil whose generous contribution of land made this dream into a reality. There will be invitations from these our Institutions with detailed programs of the jubilee celebrations reaching you shortly. As a province family we thank God for all those who laboured for the growth of these our Institutions and all those who worked in these institutions.

2015 Year of Mission for MSFS Congregation

Our Superior General has officially communicated in his letter that the Year 2015 is declared as Year of Mission for the MSFS Congregation. Every province, Vice Province,

Delegations, Regions and Missions of the Congregation are invited to prepare concrete plans for strengthening the frontier missions, foreign missions and missions within the territory of the unit. All the Forums in the Province are invited to make concrete plans and suggestions for the meaningful realization of this Year of Mission in 2015.

First Profession at Silang, Cavite, Philippines



June 3rd 2014 was indeed a joyful day for the Philippines delegation and to the congregation of Missionaries of St. Francis de Sales as four of our novices namely; Dexter Rivera, Noli Villarba Yorong Jr, Leo L. Aquilar and Romnick S. Civico made their first profession at MSFS Formation House, Silang, Cavite. Rev. Fr. Ginu Pathiyakam, the

delegation superior was the main celebrant and he officially received the vows. The occasion was even more solemnized by the presence of their family members, priests and religious from far and near. The temporary professed members in turn expressed their deep sense of gratitude to all those who guided them at different stages of formation.

We have 4 brothers who entered the Novitiate after their initiation ceremony on June 3rd. Two of our brothers also renewed their vows on the same day. The day was meticulously organized by the outgoing novice master. Fr. Joy Kochupovathummuttil.

Reported by Bro. Kamukumthottathil Anismon

First Profession at Makkiyad

On 31st May 2014, nine brothers of South West India Province and seven brothers of Pune province made their first commitment to the Lord. Rt. Rev. Dr. Varghese Chakkalackal, the Bishop of Calicut Diocese was the main celebrant. In his homily, the Bishop emphasised on the practise of the evangelical counsels of chastity, poverty and obedience as the constituent element of religious life. Bishop also reminded the brothers of the prayerful support that they would be receiving from all the corners of the earth and made them to understand that these prayers would strengthen them in their commitment. Rev. Fr. Jose Kumblolickal, the Provincial of South West India Province and Rev. Fr. Vincent Lourduswamy, the Provincial of Pune Province received the vows of the brothers respectively. Fr. Vincent, the provincial of the Pune province



thanked South West India Province represented by Fr. Jose Kumblolickal for accepting their novices to our novitiate for the past 3 years. He also thanked Fr. Thomas Anchanickal, the novice master and other staffs of the novitiate community for taking care of their novices in our novitiate. After the celebration of the Eucharist the Novice Master thanked the gathering. It was followed by the fellowship meal.

Parents and relatives of most of the brothers attended the function as well as neighbours and well-wishers along with fathers and sisters from far and near made the celebration a colourful one.

Initiation into the Novitiate

On 30th May 2014, nineteen of our brothers were initiated into novitiate by Rev. Fr. Jose Kumblolickal, the Provincial of South West India Province, at the presence of the Novice master, Fr. Thomas Anchanickal and newly appointed Socius, Fr. Anish Chirackalpuraidathil. Fr. Provincial instructed the new novices about the importance of novitiate life and the need for discerning one's vocation in novitiate life. He also thanked the formation team in the Novitiate for their dedicated services, especially the out-going Socius, Fr. Jaison Kollarayath. The ceremony was concluded with the fellowship meal and during the meal the novice master welcomed the new novices to the novitiate.

Reported by Fr. Anish Chirackalpuraidathil

Perpetual Profession at Tejas Vidya Peetha



On May 28, 2014, during the Solemn Eucharistic Celebration presided by Rev. Fr. Jose Kumblolickal, the Provincial, six of our scholastics namely; Thottukadavil Jose, S. Innacimuthu, Kochuputhenpurayil Josemon, Ouseparambil Joseph, Pulikkalath Nirmal Joseph, Kamukumthottathil Anishmon (Philippines),

made their Final Commitment to the Lord. Rev. Fr. Jose Kumblolickal, the Provincial, receiving their vows, officially accepted them into the Congregation as permanent members. The occasion was even more solemnized by the presence of their family members, priests and religious from far and near. The perpetually professed members, in turn, expressed their deep sense of gratitude to all those who guided them at different stages of their formation. On the same day sixteen of our brothers, four of them from South East India Province renewed their vows. Congratulations to our newly perpetually professed confreres and to all those who renewed their vows!

Reported by Bro. S. Prakash Prashanth Raj

First General Chapter Retreat at Charis Bhavan, Athirampuzha



The first of the two General Chapter retreats in South - West India Province was conducted at Charis Bhavan, Athirampuzha as it was planned from 15th - 20th June 2014. There were 42 participants in the retreat. The chapter retreat was guided by Fr. Joseph Pullopally MSFS

and Fr. John Karondukadavil MSFS. It was indeed a time for recapturing the spirit of our Founder and the early missinaires. Also the inspiring meditation and group discussions helped the participants to remodel the mission and the ministry entrusted in view of today's world. This retreat was also a time for nourishing ourselves and empowering in Salesian Spirituality lived by our early missionaries. Both preachers were able to challenge the whole group by their talks and prayers. On the last but one day of the retreat the Province Family felicitated three of our Silver Jubilarians of this year - Fr. Henry Kodikuthiyil, Fr. Conrad Sebastian and Fr. George Choorapuzha.

Reported by Fr. Anish Mundiyanickal

News from SFS Seminary, Ettumanoor

On the 10th and 11th of July 2014 our Provincial, Very Rev. Fr. Jose Kumblolickal made his canonical visitation to SFS Seminary, Ettumanoor. On the 10th of July the community celebration of the Holy Eucharist was held in the evening at 7 P.M. During the homily, addressing all the seminarians and especially those going to be admitted to Postulancy, the provincial emphasized the need for fidelity to the vocation that each of them has received and the postulants to prepare themselves earnestly to enter the novitiate. After the homily he admitted ten seminarians, those beginning the final year of the Minor

Seminary, to Postulancy. To mark the day the provincial gave each postulant a small crucifix.

The following day, on the 11th of July, we had a community meeting in the evening chaired by the Provincial. Prior to the meeting he had met all the fathers personally. He emphasized the important aspects of formation especially how the formators are to be examples to the seminarians. He then touched on some of the important aspects of formation and common planning for the coming year was done.

Reported by Fr. Jose Maliekal

Apostolic Community Meetings and Conveners and Secretaries

Apostolic community meetings are very important for the support of religious life and for sharing of our concerns and news. I request hereby to all the Conveners and Secretaries to convene the next meeting at the earliest. There are some communities that do not have conveners as some of them got transferred or changed places. I authorize the secretaries to convene the meeting and hold the elections for the new conveners. The minutes of the apostolic community meetings are to be sent to the Provincial within a week of holding the meeting. It is very important that we elect conveners who are active, dynamic and have time to spare for convening the meetings and animating them. Since the role of the Convener of Apostolic Community is that of animation it is important that we elect competent persons for this responsibility. I exhort to all the members that in exercising your right to elect the conveners, do it responsibly. Those conveners and secretaries who have completed their term of office of three years can convene the meeting and get them re-elected or elect new conveners and secretaries. This process has to be completed before the 30th of August, 2014. Follow the regularity in these meetings and animate the members by bringing them together and fostering our religious unity. **Fr. R. Santhosh Kumar** is the convener for Bangalore South Apostolic Community and **Fr. Mariaraj George** is the secretary. It was wrongly given in the last circular and we apologize for the same. The full list of conveners and secretaries will be published in the next circular.

Superior General on Congregational Retreat

Very Rev. Fr. Abraham Vettuvellil, our Superior General, through his email letter dated 22.07.2014, to all the Major Superiors gave the following message regarding the General Chapter Retreat:

"I thank you for organizing the Congregational Retreat 2014 in all the Provinces. There are already some good things shared about the retreat and we are all glad that the Spirit of the Lord will continue to move our hearts for generous response to the Call of the Chapter from all of us.

Please note:

Make sure that all our confreres from your Provinces who have not attended this Retreat due to whatever reason are given another opportunity to make this retreat as this is mandatory for all.

There are units of the Provinces in different Countries and I request all the Provincials to make sure that confreres entrusted to your care will make this retreat wherever they are.

I am told that there were only 33 participants for the retreat out of a total of 80 plus members in GAH. Please arrange a Congregational retreat for the confreres who have not attended with the help of the Delegation Superiors and Local Superiors.

May I remind you that as Major Superiors, it is part of our animation - responsibility to make sure that mandatory annual retreat is attended by all. It is important to follow up with this retreat and talk to confreres who have not attended this retreat. Before the next Annual retreat in 2015, I strongly suggest that you provide another opportunity for confreres to attend the retreat (if they have not attended)"

May I request to all those who have not attended the Congregational Retreat to take the directives of our Superior General seriously and ensure your participation without fail in the coming retreat in Vinayalaya or in other provinces.

Academic Year Inauguration of Suvidya College

The new academic year of Suvidya College 2014-15, having a total strength of 205 students including 160 MSFS, was inaugurated on June 14, 2014, by Rev. Fr A. Dharmaraj, Provincial of Southeast Province, who is also the Chairman of Governing Body and Major Superior of Suvidya College. Dr. Joy Mampally, the Rector and President, welcomed the gathering. Dr Varughese John, a Kierkegaardian scholar from South Asia Institute of Advanced Christian Studies (Saiacs), Bangalore, delivered the *Lectio Brevis*. Rev. Fr. Noel Rebello, General Secretary for Formation, delivered homily at the solemn Eucharistic celebration. Dr. Jolly Chakkalakkal, the Dean of Studies, welcomed the dignitaries in the auditorium, including Fr. Joseph Thazhathukunnel (Northeast Province) and Fr. Lawrence Jayaraj (Pune Province) the new members on the staff. Dr. R. Santhosh Kumar, the Registrar, proposed the Vote of Thanks.

Appointment

Fr. Jose Edasseril is appointed as procurator at MSFS House, Beenachi, Sulthan Bathery with effect from 3rd June, 2014.

Fr. Marcel Dung Dung is appointed as the Mission Procurator of our Chad- Cameroon Mission from July 2014.

Fr. Shajan Manickathan is designated for MSc in Counselling studies at Anugraha Institute of Social Sciences, Dindigul with effect from 28th July 2014.

Fr. Anil Thondampallil is designated to be appointed as the Chaplain to the Prison Minsitry in the Diocese of Kannur with effect from 1st August, 2014. He will be residing at the Parish House in Kannadiparamba.

Fr. Justin Chirackal who returned from Germany, is appointed to Athmajyothi Retreat Centre at Pattikkad with effect from 12th August, 2014.

Bon Voyage

Fr. Joseph Pattarakalayil and Fr. M .Periyanayagam have left for pastoral ministry in the diocese of Munster, Germany on July 3, 2014. They are undergoing the German language course and pastoral training in the Diocese for one year. We wish you God's abundant blessings in the new ministry!

Promotions – Chad, Cameroon Mission

Promoted to First Profession and Next Stage of Formation

The following students from our Chad- Cameroon mission made their first profession on July 10, 2014 at Fransalianum, Kibaha, Tanzania.

1. Chiabi Titus Tosam
2. Leandre Francky Senguena
3. Madjita Tanibe Anniversaire
4. M'toudjriel Abba
5. Philippe Roland Menounga Mbolo

Admission to the Novitiate

1. Nyamsi Panteun Yves Cyrille
2. Toussaint Ndeialdongar

Promoted to Community Experience

1. Kodji Deli Dieudonné – La Feuillette, Ngoya
2. Tsala Pierre Salomon – La Feuillette, Ngoya

Board Exam Results- 2014

School	Students Appeared	D	I	II	III	Total Pass %
SFS School, Mundargi	14	4	9	1	-	100
SFS School, Srinivaspur	131	66	61	04	-	100

Change of Address and Phone Numbers

Fr. Thomas Moongamakkal is appointed as the parish priest of Sts. Peter and Paul University parish in Buea, Cameroon. And **Fr. Manu Kumbidiyamackal** is appointed as

the Parish Priest of Para Hills/Modbury Parish, Adelaide, Australia. We felicitate our fathers and assure them our support and prayers.

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News from Buea, Anglophone Cameroon



Fr. Thomas Moongamakkal was officially installed as the Parish Priest of Sts. Peter and Paul University Parish of Buea by the representative of the Bishop of Buea, Mgr. Bernard Asek, the V.G and V.C of the diocese on July 3, 2014 at 9.00am. It was really a grand celebration. Frs. Manoj Arackal, the Mission Superior of Chad-Cameroon, Joshy Nellimalamattam, Marcel Dung Dung and Fr. Onomo Ayissi Innocent Parfait went to Buea the previous day evening and participated in the function on the following day. There was a special lunch for all which the parish had prepared. Although 41 diocesan priests were transferred and took their respective parishes, Fr. Thomas was the only one who was officially installed as Parish Priest. Diocesan Priests are normally not installed as the Parish Priests in the Diocese, so that the Bishop can transfer them at any time. But an installed Parish Priest cannot be transferred easily, can be done only due to some serious reasons. Buea is the University town in the Anglophone area of Cameroon

and the Bishop of Buea is entrusting this important ministry to the University students to the MSFS.

Sangeethotsava- 2014



De Sales Music Academy (DSMA) organized a month-long summer camp for music and dance under the banner of Sangeethotsava – 2014 from 28th of April to 24th of May, 2014. It was both a residential as well as a non-residential camp. This year 85 students, both children and grownups, from different states of our

country such as Andhra Pradesh, Tamil Nadu and Karnataka participated in the camp. Thirty residential camp students were accommodated in the Kannada Medium School. They included some of our students from NEST, a few non-Christian students from the city and the rest from different Parishes of Diocese of Bangalore.

To mark the conclusion of the summer camp a cultural program was organized in order to offer an opportunity for the camp students to exhibit all that they had learned during a month-long course. The presence of Rev. Dr. Jose Kumbloickal, Provincial South-West India Province created an aura of grandeur and festivity to the program. In his presidential address, Rev. Dr. Jose Kumbloickal highlighted the significance of mastering the performing arts of music and dance and the value of such arts in the integral growth of each individual. He also gave away the certificates of participation and merit for all the camp students.

At the end of his address, Rev. Dr. Jose Kumbloickal re-launched the professionally redesigned website of DSMA. The address of the website is: www.desalesmusicacademy.com. As icing on the cake, Sangeethotsava – 2014 came to an end with an enthralling Tabla performance by Sri Dilip Mukherjee, Professor at Rabindra Bharathi University, Kolkata, vocal performance by Ms. Teena Mukherjee and Sitar performance by Prabir Bhattacharyee, a renowned Sitarist from Bangalore. The program was well attended by many parents, friends, MSFS fathers and well-wishers of camp children and DSMA students.

Reported By: Fr. R. Santhosh Kumar

SFS PU College - Freshers Day, Tamaka, Kolar



The PU College at Tamaka, Kolar is at its infancy, and the growth is gradual and promising. Thanks to God's blessings. The Institute celebrated its maiden freshers day on the 16th of June 2014. On this gracious occasion the newly constructed block of P.U College was blessed and inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Aloysius Kuzhuppillil, the

Dean of Kolar Deanery. The event witnessed the esteemed presence of Rev. Frs. Vinod Kanattu, the Manager, Aloysius Kuzhuppillil, the Dean, Jabamalai, the Principal of the College and many more MSFS Confreres. The promising presence of 350 students cum parents and the total participation of the staff elicited a ray of hope on this infant institute. Rev Frs. Vinod, Aloysius and Jabamalai addressed the gathering and transmitted the vision of the new born institute. The Principal appreciated and thanked the students, parents and the staff for their participation and for their sharing the vision of the institute and urged them to stay on with the trust. He also assured the gathering that the institute will deliver the promises it portrays. Thus the graceful event came to an end.

Reported By Fr. A. Jabamalai

Blessing of Foundation Stone for Church Building, Koppal



Parish Church is the symbol of the physical unity of the faithful and it invites them to raise their hearts and minds to God. For the past few years the parishioners and the MSFS confreres were praying and trying hard to get the funds and necessary permission from the authorities for

the building of a temple of the Lord in Koppal, the mother house of North Karnataka MSFS Mission. 25 July, 2014 was a day of both joy and blessing for the Koppal Mission as

Rev. Fr. Jose Kumbloickal blessed the well cut foundation stone for the new Church. It was only on 24 July, 2014 the confreres managed to secure the required permission to begin the proposed construction of the church after a long period of prayer and negotiations. The jubilant ceremony took place in the presence of the confreres from the neighbouring communities, the parishioners and teachers from our schools. The ceremony began with the celebration of Holy Eucharist presided over by Provincial in Kannada. It was a historic day and there was a good turnout of the parishioners, in spite of it being a working day. Fr. Tomy Mullasseril, the Parish Priest and superior thanked Fr. Provincial and all those who were present for the prayers and support.

We thank very specially the strenuous efforts of Fr. Tomy Mullasseril, the parish priest in raising funds for the construction of the Church and pray that the people of Koppal mission may be blessed with a place to raise their minds and hearts to God and celebrate all the relevant sacraments in their own church.

Reported by Fr. Jais Mecheril

News from PSI, Malur



IGA Tailoring Training Centre- the result of long cherished desire of Pastoral Sociology Institute, Malur came true to establish an **Income Generation Activity Programme** at PSI, Malur. We started with the Tailoring Training Centre having clear objectives to enhance the financial independence among rural women in Malur

Taluka. On Monday 30th June 2014 we had the blessings of Training centre at PSI, Malur. Fr. Saju Vilachirayil, the Superior of PSI Malur blessed the centre in the presence of other fathers, sisters, staff and trainees. Trainings are conducted in two batches per day and the batch consists of 20 trainees. In the coming years we are planning to establish sub-centres in different villages.

PSI Kuknoor:- PSI is also happy to inform that 'PSI Sevasadan, Kuknoor' got a new project named '**RED ALERT**', which deals with prevention of child trafficking. We thank Fr. Victor Kujur, Fr. Jose Puthiyaparambil and Team for their selfless services.

Reported by Fr. Jijo Chemplanickal

Leave from the Congregation

Bro. Madathiparambil Justin, who did his Regency in the Philippines and was promoted to first year Theology, made his personal decision to leave the Congregation.

The Superior General has granted him dispensation from the temporary vows. We wish him all the best and assure him our prayerful support.

Bro. Anchil Antony Chacko, who was doing his second year Philosophy in Suvidya, is asked by the administration to take a break for two years to complete his treatment and B.A studies from home. He will be supported from the Province for the completion of his B.A studies.

Praying for Confreres who are Sick

Fr. Raison Kaduvakuzhiyil is deteriorating in his health. He is under palliative care at Mermier Bhavan. The doctors have advised us to stop further treatment as his condition is not improving after all specialized treatment. Let us earnestly pray for Fr. Raison that he experience our love and support and the comfort from the Lord.

Fr. James Manjackal recently had a small growth surgically removed from his tongue. He is getting better. He needs our intense prayers and loving support as province family for his complete healing and recovery.

Fr. Thomas Mattakarathundiyl is feeling better and he makes it a point to be part of some of the community activities. Let us continue to remember and pray for his strength and recovery.

Let us pray for the Departed

1. Rev. Fr. Gilbert Bugnon François MSFS, the formal provincial of Brazil Province, left for his eternal reward on the 29th of June 2014.

Kindly favour our departed confrere with the suffrages prescribed in our Constitutions.

2. Fr. Dijo Koikkara's grandmother passed away on 12th June 2014.

3. Mr. TC Varky (86) uncle of Fr. Anil Thondampallil passed away on 23rd June 2014.

4. Mr. Ndeialdongar Ndouba Maurice, father of Toussaint Ndeialdongar one of our novices in Kibaha, Tanzania passed away on 3rd July 2014.

5. Fr. Paul Raj's maternal uncle passed away on 5th July, 2014.

6. Fr. Sijo Olickal's aunt Sr. Valsa Varghese passed away on 10th July 2014.

7. Fr. Joji Kazhukanolickal lost his maternal grandmother on 31st July 2014.

We extend our sincere condolences to our confreres and share their grief as we continue to pray for the eternal repose of these dear departed members.

My Programme

July 2014

- 2 Visitation of Shimoga Mission with Provincial Council, meeting with Bishop
- 3 Visitation of Chikmagalur Mission, Meeting with Bishop, visit to new Mission
- 13 Council Meeting, IIS Rajajinagar

- 15-17 Canonical Visitation of Charis Bhavan Community, SFS Seminary Ettumanoor
- 19 Apostolic Community Meeting, NEST Kengeri
- 21 Parish Feast – St. Alphonsa Church Sultanpalya, Bangalore
- 25 Blessing of the Foundation Stone for the Church, Koppal
- 26 St. Anne’s Feast day Mass, Generalate, Millers Road, Bangalore
- 26-27 Provincial Statutes discussion, Vinayalaya, Bangalore

August 2014

- 2 CRI Executive Body meeting, Bangalore
- 3-6 Visitation of Gulbarga Mission, meeting with Bishop of Gulbarga
- 7 Mission Forum meeting at Vinayalaya, Bangalore
- 12 Council Meeting, Mermier Bhavan, Electronics City
- 14 Parish Feast – Vijayanagar, Bangalore
- 21-26 KRCRI Annual Meeting, Karwar
- 28 Provincial Statutes discussion, Vinayalaya
- 30-31 Canonical Visitation – Vattiyoorkavu, ITSSCAT, Parish in Neyyattinkara

September 2014

- 6 Community Picnic – Vinayalaya community
- 8 Blessing of SFS PU College – Province Jubilee Memorial Auditorium
- 11 Apostolic Community Meeting, IIS Rajajinagar
- 12-15 Council Meeting, Jubilee Celebrations of Vinayakumar Estate, Nilambur
- 17-3rd Oct. Visitation of Chad-Cameroon Mission

In the Footsteps of our Patron, St. Francis de Sales:

“Humility without generosity is only a deception and cowardice of heart which makes us think that we are good for nothing and that other should never think of using us in anything great. On the other hand generosity without humility is only presumption” (SFS Sermons for Lent, p. 123).

Fraternally in Christ,



Rev. Fr. Jose Kumbloickal MSFS
Provincial Superior