



Archdiocese of Bangalore
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St. Francis Xavier
Patron of Archdiocese
Pray for Us

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Dear Rev. Fathers / Sisters / Brothers / Lay Faithful,

1. TEACHERS DAY (5TH SEPTEMBER)

Jesus is universally recognized as a great teacher. All those who heard him speaking during his public ministry knew about it, and now those who read his teachings in the Gospels will certainly bear witness to this fact. On many occasions, His teachings healed the people who listened to Him.

Many teachers of our time are good teachers because of their methods and techniques they use in imparting knowledge to the students. What can make a real difference is the way that good teachers teach those old facts to a new generation in an effective manner with love and care. They do it primarily through their exemplary lives. Teaching the students the basic values will heal the students of their personality disorders. Let us specially pray on 5th September for all our teachers who are tirelessly working in our educational institutions and inspiring many young people to become exemplary citizens with good values. May the eternal Teacher shower His blessings upon them.

2. SOLOMUNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY (8th SEPTEMBER)

This year, as we celebrate the Birth of Mother Mary, very special, let us commemorate the Centenary of her Apparitions at Fatima. Let us encourage the faithful to participate every day in the novena, and get the maternal blessings and protection of Mother Mary. Mary has three very important expectations from us: to be joyful, to help without hesitation and to persevere.

To Be Joyful: Whoever discovers Jesus will be filled with an inner joy so great that nothing and no one can take it away. With Christ in our life, we find the strength and hope not to be sad and discouraged, brooding over the problems which have no human solutions, but trust God and be joyful in the service of the Lord.

To Help without Hesitation: For the second action, people should always rise “in haste” just like Mary, to help others in need. Victory is to those who repeatedly rise-up without getting discouraged. Making a difference by helping others does not require to be done on a grand scale, but serving every day and doing things with tenderness and mercy.

To Persevere: The third verb explains that Mother Mary depended on God and his goodness for the strength and courage needed to stay by Christ’s side. She encouraged His disciples to be the same.

In this world in which long-lasting good values are rejected and everything is changing, people seem to be afraid of life’s commitments. The Virgin Mary encourages us to be men and women who are constant in their good work. Let us ask our Mother to intercede for us to be joyful and persevere in the service of the Lord.

September 8th being the Girl Child’s Day, let us specially pray for the Girl-Children, that the Lord may protect them from all dangers and all atrocities committed against them. May their rights be persevered and their lives are protected.

Our ordinary, simple and pious people observe this feast with great devotion and solemnity. We in our Archdiocese are doubly blessed by the presence of the Basilica Shrine of Our Lady of Health in Shivajinagar. Whether we venerate the Birth of Mary as the Ordo specifies or as Arogya Maathe, it is a fitting occasion for us to deepen our filial devotion to our Blessed Mother and help our people to grow in devotion to our Blessed Mother and help our people to grow in devotion to her. “To Jesus through Mary” is a perennially valid truth. Mary listens to our plea, takes our needs to her Son, intercedes with Him for us and fills us with joy. There are thousands of anecdotes that prove the power of Mary’s intercession. The prayer of St. Bernard, “Remember O Most Virgin Mary that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help and sought thy intercession was never left unaided” is so true and so effective. We need to have faith and where there is true faith there is fullness of life in Christ, and Mary will intercede for us to have the fullness of life in Christ. **Please encourage all your parishioners to participate in the festive Masses at St. Mary’s Basilica Shrine on 8th September.**

May I request all the Archdiocesan priests and the religious priests to come to the Shrine in large numbers during the Novena days and help the Basilican Clergy in hearing confessions and offering the Holy Masses. It will be a great help to the devotees in the Centenary of her Apparitions at Fatima to celebrate Mother Mary’s Birthday more spiritually and meaningfully.

I wish all of you a very Happy Feast of the Birthday of Our Blessed Mother. I assure you of my special prayers for you, especially on 8th September when I preside over the liturgical services at St. Mary’s Basilica Shrine, Shivajinagar.

3. THE EUCHARISTIC SPECIES

In a circular issued on the feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, 5th June 2017, the Holy See has declared that completely gluten- free hosts are invalid for celebration of the Eucharist, and has told the Bishops to look at ways to safeguard the quality of the bread and wine used for the celebration of the Eucharist, by issuing guideline and constituting an oversight body and/or even a form of certification to help “remove any doubt about the validity of the matter for the Eucharist”. It also underlines that every bishop “is bound to remind priests, especially parish priests and Rectors of churches, of their responsibility to verify those who provide the bread and wine for the celebration and the worthiness of the material.”

In our Archdiocese, the wine for the celebration of the Holy Eucharist is made available at the Archbishop’s House with the Procurator. You may bring bread from such places where it is either prepared and sold by the Religious Sisters or sold at the authorized centres, as you are doing now. I recommend that all Parishes and religious Houses procure the necessary wine from the Archbishop’s House. I also urge Parish Priests to guide the faithful properly whenever they come forward to offer bread and wine as offertory gifts during the Holy Eucharist. Table wine or any other should not be brought for the offertory.

(For more details please see the Annexure 1)

4. CHURCH PROPERTIS & LAND RECORDS

The present dispensation at the Centre is almost on the lookout for any loop holes in our property holdings so as to deprive us of our lands and properties. The States are not any different whatever be the complexion or color of their ideology. It is, therefore, incumbent on us to do everything possible to safeguard our rights and protect the interest of the Church for the sake of a more peaceful and untroubled apostolic service. New laws and rules governing lands and property are in the pipeline in our country under the present dispensation at the centre and even at the State Government level and therefore it is a matter of urgency that we at the Parish and institutional level put our property and land records/ documents in order and up-to date. This exercise of setting the Church and institutional records in order had begun twelve years ago with an appeal to hand over the original records to the Archbishop’s House but the response was not encouraging at all and besides, some parish Priests / heads of the institutions have still to set the documents in order . Please do the needful as this is a very important matter. Very sensitive too since the atmosphere in our country is such that any little flaw in our records is likely to be utilized by vested interests and the Church’s enemies to dispossess us of our properties. For any guidance in this regard you may kindly contact the Legal/ Rent/ Estate office of the Archdiocese.

The original documents and records of land, buildings and of other importance have to be kept in the Archdiocesan Archive under the custody. Hence

after retaining a certified copy of the same in the Parishes and Institutions for immediate reference, kindly send the original documents and records to the Estate office without fail. Please do not fail to receive an acknowledgment for the documents submitted to the office for your reference.

5. EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS AND THE SORROWFUL MOTHER

Mid-September brings us back to Calvary and the compassionate companionship of our Blessed Mother, the Mother of Sorrows. "There stood at the foot of the cross, Mary His Mother" says St. John. He deliberately says she STOOD. She did not swoon or collapse. She stood. Mary, standing at the foot of the cross is a woman of strength, a woman of fortitude, a woman of courage, woman of hope. That is the true exaltation of the holy cross. The cross of Calvary which was for centuries a symbol of shame, horror and extreme cruelty, has now become a symbol of hope and redemption. That is why during the way of the cross we say: "By your holy cross you have you have redeemed the world" Mary, standing at the foot of the cross is the first witness to the triumph of the Holy Cross. How many women have found courage and strength from this icon of the sorrowful mother at the foot of the cross? Let our heart-felt prayers go up to heaven for the mothers, wives, daughters, who are condemned to stand on Calvary of their lives.

6. MASS CENTRES IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE

(Please see annexure II)

7. NATIONAL YOUTH SUNDAY

The Conference of Catholic Bishops in India has decided that the youth of India will celebrate '**National Youth Sunday**' in the month of August. The National Office has fixed the First Sunday of August as 'National Youth Sunday' for uniformity. However, in our Archdiocese this year, 2017 we will celebrate Youth Sunday in all our parishes on **October 1st 2017**. On this day, all youth of the parish will come together to celebrate a special Youth Mass. Introduction and Prayers of the faithful prepared by the Archdiocesan Youth Office is sent to you as a help. On the Youth Day, please invite and involve all the youth of the parish in celebrating meaningful liturgies and youth activities following the mass. I urge all parish priests to start youth groups, if you require any assistance please contact Fr. Divya Paul who will arrange for youth animators to come and assist you in the formation of Youth Groups. Pope Francis has chosen "Young people, faith and vocational discernment" as the theme for the synod gathering, which will be held in October 2018. Young people are already contributing a lot through the synod questionnaire which was sent to them. I am happy to inform you that in our Archdiocese we have already started work in the light of this invite of the Holy Father and held our First Career and Vocational Guidance Seminar for over 320 youth on July 22nd at Paalana Bhavan. More such programs will follow all over the Archdiocese. I hope and pray that every parish in the Archdiocese will have a vibrant youth group that will contribute positively to the growth of the church in our country.

8. FEAST OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

St. Vincent de Paul was a great apostle of charity, and brought a great revival of the priesthood in the 17th century. He was born near Dax in the Landes (France) in 1581. As a young priest he was captured by Moorish pirates who carried him to Africa. He was sold into slavery, but freed in 1607 when he converted his owner.

Having returned to France, he became successively a parish priest and chaplain to the galley-slaves. He founded a religious Congregation under the title of Priests of the Mission or Lazarists (now known as Vincentians), and he bound them by a special way to undertake the apostolic work of charity; he sent them to preach missions, especially to the ignorant peasants of that time, and to establish seminaries. In order to help poor girls, invalids, and the insane, sick and unemployed, he and St. Louise de Marillac founded the Congregation of the Daughters of Charity, now better known as the Sisters of St. Vincent.

St. Vincent worked tirelessly to help those in need: the impoverished, the sick, the enslaved, the abandoned, the ignored. He died in 1660 at St. Lazarus's house, Paris. His motto: "God sees you. Let us love God; but at the price of our hands and sweat of our face."

The real glory of the Church and its very essence are the apostles of charity like St. Vincent de Paul and Mother Teresa and a host of others, less known and not raised to the altar. It is through their lives and work that the true nature of the Church as the icon of God's mercy is revealed. It is they who make the face of Christ which is the merciful face of the Father shine through. Their example, therefore, is at once an inspiration and challenge to us. I wish all the Vincent De Paul Society members a very happy feast.

9. CENTENARY OF THE FATIMA APPARITIONS – Final Programme

Youth Bike Rally on Sunday, 08th October, 2017 at Our Lady of Fatima, Jalahalli to Our Lady of Fatima, Hoskote.

The Archdiocesan Youth Commission together with the Parishes of Jalahalli and Hoskote is planning a massive Bike Rally for Peace and Harmony in honour our Blessed Mother of Fatima during this centenary year of the apparitions.

Registrations will begin at 10:00 am at O L of Fatima Church Jalahalli.

11:00 Special Rosary by the Youth of the Archdiocese, followed by the Consecration of the youth of the Archdiocese to our Blessed Mother. Inaugural Ceremony and Keynote address by the Archbishop followed by the formal 'Flag Off' of the Bike Rally.

The Rally will reach Our Lady of Fatima Church, Hoskote at 1:30 pm.

Lunch will be served for all.

Time for Private Devotions and Rosary.

3:30 pm Solemn Concelebrated Mass by His Grace the Archbishop, and Concluding Celebrations.

10. APPOINTMENTS

Sl. No.	Name	To	Designation	Date
1	Fr. Julius, msc	Our Lady of Fatima Church, Jalahalli	Asst. Parish Priest	16.08.2017
2	Fr. Savari Nayagam, hgn	St. Patrick's Church Brigade Road	Asst. Parish Priest	13.08.2017
3	Fr. Viagula Mathew, Bblan Shs	St. Mary's Minor Basilica Shivajinagar	Asst. Parish Priest	01.09.2017

11. INFORMATION

i. Priests' Recollection

The next Archdiocesan Priests' Recollection will be conducted on Wednesday, 4th October, 2017 at Paalanaa Bhavana from 9.30 a.m. to 1.00 p.m. I request all the Archdiocesan Clergy and the Religious Priests working in our Archdiocesan parishes and institutions are expected to actively participate in the Recollection for their spiritual renewal and benefits.

ii. Deans' Meeting

The next Archdiocesan Deans' Meeting will be on Wednesday, 4th October, 2017 at Archbishop's House from 2.00 p.m. I request all the Deans of the Archdiocese to participate in this Meeting without fail.

iii. Honouring of Children of the of the Archdiocese of Bangalore

The Archdiocesan Board of Education (ABE), as in the past, will honour all the Catholic boys and girls who have secured more than 80% marks in 2017 SSLC/ ICSE/CBSE and XII/II PUC examinations.

The Holy Mass will be at St. Francis Xavier's Cathedral, Coles Park on Sunday 17th September 2017, at 4.00 p.m., and thereafter the Felicitation Function will be held at St. Germain's Educational Institution.

I request all the meritorious students to compulsorily attend this programme and, if possible, along with their parents. *For further details, please contact the following address:*

**The Secretary
Archdiocesan Board of Education (ABE)
Paalanaa Bhavana, Archdiocesan Pastoral Center
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Bengaluru 560 046
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iv. The 13th Anniversary of My Archiepiscopacy

I will be completing 13 years as Archbishop on Sunday 17th September 2017. I gratefully acknowledge my sincere thanks to God Almighty for gift of life, gift of vocation, gift of episcopacy and gift of pastoral service. I also owe my sincere thanks to all of you for your prayers, support and collaboration in my pastoral work. Let us continue to work with great vigour and earnestness.

v. Election and Franchise

The Election for the Karnataka Vidhana Sabha is fast approaching, and will be held in the forth coming year. Many are not having the election ID card, especially the religious Priest, Brothers, and Sisters as their stay is temporary in the present places. By not participating in the election, we lose our right to vote suitable candidate for our State. Hence, I request you all to make a new election ID card if you do not have one, or renew the old one at the earliest. Kindly give this awareness to Parishioners and other Christians to attend towards same without fail.

Let us make the people aware of their right to vote and encourage them to participate in electing the suitable candidate who will safeguard and help the minorities.

vi. The Synod of Bishops- October 2018

The General Secretariat of the Synod of Bishops has made preparations for the web page in preparation for the XV ordinary General assembly of the Synod of Bishops to take place in October, 2018 to treat the topic: young people, the faith and vocational Discernment.

This website, found at the following address, [http //youth.Synod2018.va](http://youth.Synod2018.va), can be consulted. Let us pray for the youth and the success of this Synod.

vii. Msgr. Dr George Kalayil as the new Bishop of Puttur Diocese, Syro-Malankara Catholic Church

Through an order, Pope Francis has appointed Dr George Kalayil as the new Bishop of Puttur diocese, Syro-Malankara Catholic church. The order was issued by the Pope at St Peters Basilica on Saturday August 5. Simultaneously, Archbishop of Syro-Malankara Catholic Church, Moran Mor Baselios Cardinal Cleemis Catholicos, head of Thiruvananthapuram made an announcement of this order at Thiruvananthapuram, while chancellor of Puttur Diocese, Fr Philip Nellivila, made this announcement at Pro Cathedral, Noojibalthila.

After the retirement of Dr Geevarghese Mar Divanasios, who was the Bishop of Puttur Diocese covering nine revenue districts since the last seven years, Dr George Kalayil was officiating as administrative officer of the Diocese. The

Episcopal Ordination of the new Bishop will take place on September 21 at Adur Pattanamthitta, Kerala. The Bishop will be installed at Pro Cathedral, at Puttur on September 30.

Dr Kalayil had been ordained into religious service for Bathery diocese in 1986 by Fr Cyril Baselios Catholicos. In 1994, he secured his doctorate in theology from Gregorian University, Rome. He served as priest and professor at various places before becoming Vicar General of Puttur diocese and Administrator during the period of illness of Bishop Geevarghese Mar Divanasios.

It is my privilege to congratulate him on your behalf and to wish him every success in his episcopal ministry in his diocese.

viii. National Intercession Day

The Bangalore Catholic Charismatic Renewal Services (BCCRS) is organizing the “National Intercession Day” for the benefit of all the faithful in the Archdiocese of Bangalore on 2nd October 2017 (Monday) from 10.00 a.m. to 8.00 p.m. at St. Francis Xavier’s Cathedral, Cleveland Town, Bengaluru 560 005. On this day all intercessors are called to spend this day dedicated to intercession in praying for the intentions of the day. You may intercede individually or in groups, and support your intercession by Jericho prayer, fasting and abstinence, participating in the Eucharist, reciting the Rosary, in Eucharistic adoration etc.

I invite Priests, Religious Men & Women and very specially the Lay people in the Archdiocese of Bangalore to come in large numbers to join hands and pray for various intentions. This event would provide an opportunity for the faithful to gather in oneness to pray and to intercede for specific the needs of our Country, the Catholic Church, the Archdiocese of Bangalore and for your personal needs.

ix. Archdiocesan Pastoral Council (APC)

The newly formed Archdiocesan Pastoral Council met on 17.08.2017 at which a few points were discussed regarding The World Day of the Poor, Faith Formation of Children and Youth and Preparation for the forthcoming State and General Elections. The Office-bearers of the newly constituted APC are:

- President: His Grace the Archbishop
- Vice Presidents: Vicars General
- Secretary: Mr. J.A. Kanthraj (St. Anthony’s Friary Church)
- Joint Secretary: Mrs. Elizabeth Prakash (St. Theresa’s Church, J.C. Road)

While congratulating the newly appointed Secretaries, I also thank the former Secretary – Mr. P.C. Anthony Swamy, and the Joint Secretary – Mrs. Elizabeth Peter for their commendable service.

12. A WORD OF THANKS

I sincerely thank you dear Bishops, Fathers, Sisters and Lay faithful for your good will and kind gesture of love, appreciation, good wishes and prayers on the occasion of the 76th Birthday on 10th August 2017 and also on my Patronal Feast Day on 20th August. The Archdiocese has seen exponential growth of fame with merit because of your whole hearted cooperation and goodwill to make Jesus known to all. Let's continue the good work we have begun under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. Kindly pray for me as I do for every one of you every day. May God bless you.

With every good wish and God's blessings,

Yours sincerely,



✠ **Bernard Moras**
Archbishop of Bangalore

ANNEXURE 1

CONGREGATION FOR DIVINE WORSHIP AND THE DISCIPLINE OF THE SACRAMENTS

Circular letter to Bishops on the bread and wine for the Eucharist

1. At the request of the Holy Father, Pope Francis, the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments is writing to Diocesan Bishops (and to those who are their equivalents in law) to remind them that it falls to them above all to duly provide for all that is required for the celebration of the Lord's Supper (cf. Lk 22: 8,13). It is for the Bishop as principal dispenser of the mysteries of God, moderator, promoter and guardian of the liturgical life in the Church entrusted to his care (Cf. CIC can. 835 § 1), to watch over the quality of the bread and wine to be used at the Eucharist and also those who prepare these materials. In order to be of assistance we recall the existing regulations and offer some practical suggestions.
2. Until recently it was certain religious communities who took care of baking the bread and making the wine for the celebration of the Eucharist. Today, however, these materials are also sold in supermarkets and other stores and even over the internet. In order to remove any doubt about the validity of the matter for the Eucharist, this Dicastery suggests that Ordinaries should give guidance in this regard by, for example, guaranteeing the Eucharistic matter through special certification.

The Ordinary is bound to remind priests, especially parish priests and rectors of churches, of their responsibility to verify those who provide the bread and wine for the celebration and the worthiness of the material.

It is also for the Ordinary to provide information to the producers of the bread and wine for the Eucharist and to remind them of the absolute respect that is due to the norms.

3. The norms about the Eucharistic matter are given in can. 924 of the CIC and in numbers 319 – 323 of the *Institutio generalis Missalis Romani* and have already been explained in the Instruction *Redemptionis Sacramentum* issued by this Congregation (25 March 2004):
 - a) “The bread used in the celebration of the Most Holy Eucharistic Sacrifice must be unleavened, purely of wheat, and recently made so that there is no danger of decomposition. It follows therefore that bread made from another substance, even if it is grain, or if it is mixed with another substance different from wheat to such an extent that it would not commonly be

considered wheat bread, does not constitute valid matter for confecting the Sacrifice and the Eucharistic Sacrament. It is a grave abuse to introduce other substances, such as fruit or sugar or honey, into the bread for confecting the Eucharist. Hosts should obviously be made by those who are not only distinguished by their integrity, but also skilled in making them and furnished with suitable tools” (n. 48).

- b) “The wine that is used in the most sacred celebration of the Eucharistic Sacrifice must be natural, from the fruit of the grape, pure and incorrupt, not mixed with other substances. [...] Great care should be taken so that the wine intended for the celebration of the Eucharist is well conserved and has not soured. It is altogether forbidden to use wine of doubtful authenticity or provenance, for the Church requires certainty regarding the conditions necessary for the validity of the sacraments. Nor are other drinks of any kind to be admitted for any reason, as they do not constitute valid matter” (n. 50).
4. In its *Circular Letter to the Presidents of the Episcopal Conferences regarding legitimate variations in the use of bread with a small quantity of gluten and the use of mustum as Eucharistic matter* (24 July 2003, Prot. N. 89/78 – 17498), the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith published the norms for the celebration of the Eucharist by persons who, for varying and grave reasons, cannot consume bread made in the usual manner nor wine fermented in the normal manner:
- a) “Hosts that are completely gluten-free are invalid matter for the celebration of the Eucharist. Low-gluten hosts (partially gluten-free) are valid matter, provided they contain a sufficient amount of gluten to obtain the confection of bread without the addition of foreign materials and without the use of procedures that would alter the nature of bread” (A. 1-2).
 - b) “*Mustum*, which is grape juice that is either fresh or preserved by methods that suspend its fermentation without altering its nature (for example, freezing), is valid matter for the celebration of the Eucharist” (A. 3).
 - c) “The Ordinary is competent to give permission for an individual priest or layperson to use low-gluten hosts or mustum for the celebration of the Eucharist. Permission can be granted habitually, for as long as the situation continues which occasioned the granting of permission” (C. 1).
5. The same Congregation also decided that Eucharistic matter made with genetically modified organisms can be considered valid matter (cf. Letter to the Prefect of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, 9 December 2013, Prot. N. 89/78 – 44897).
6. Those who make bread and produce wine for use in the Mass must be aware that their work is directed towards the Eucharistic Sacrifice and that this demands their honesty, responsibility and competence.

7. In order to facilitate the observance of the general norms Ordinaries can usefully reach agreement at the level of the Episcopal Conference by establishing concrete regulations. Given the complexity of situations and circumstances, such as a decrease in respect for the sacred, it may be useful to mandate a competent authority to have oversight in actually guaranteeing the genuineness of the Eucharistic matter by producers as well as those responsible for its distribution and sale.

It is suggested, for example, that an Episcopal Conference could mandate one or more Religious Congregations or another body capable of carrying out the necessary checks on production, conservation and sale of the Eucharistic bread and wine in a given country and for other countries to which they are exported. It is recommended that the bread and wine to be used in the Eucharist be treated accordingly in the places where they are sold.

From the offices of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, 15 June 2017, Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ.

Robert Card. Sarah
Prefect

✠ **Arthur Roche**
Archbishop Secretary

ANNEXURE 2

To All the Parish Priests and the Priests in Charge of the Mass Centres

Dear Rev. Fathers,

Greetings from Archbishop Bernard Moras!

The General Instruction of the Roman Missal clearly states: "For the celebration of the Eucharist, the people of God normally are gathered together in a church or, if there is no church or if it is too small, then in another respectable place that is nonetheless worthy of so great a mystery. Churches, therefore, and other places should be suitable for carrying out the sacred action and for ensuring the active participation of the faithful. Sacred buildings and requisites for divine worship should, moreover, be truly worthy and beautiful and be signs and symbols of heavenly realities." (Nos. 108 and 288)

We know that in the absence of a parish church, a Centre is chosen with the permission of the local Ordinary to offer Sunday Services for the faithful; and, with his special permission, the Sacraments can also be administered to the faithful in that Centre. However, one should bear in mind that to establish such Centres, the Parish Priest/Superior of the Religious House should first obtain a written permission from the local Ordinary. In case of the Superior who wishes to make his/her Religious House a Mass Centre, his/her request should have the recommendation of the Parish Priest, in whose jurisdiction the Religious House exists.

The second reason for the establishment of the Mass Centres is for the convenience of the People who are unable to go to the Parish Church due to distance and non-availability of proper transportation facilities.

The third reason is, if a parish has different linguistic groups and the situation there is not conducive for the celebration, and also the time slots for the Holy Mass are not available for those groups, a Mass Centre can be established for such groups. Presently, there are about 120 Parishes and over 46 Mass Centres in our Archdiocese; of which, 12 Mass Centres are exclusively for the Migrants.

Unfortunately, we do not have the complete details of these Mass Centres and the modes of their functioning. In order to issue common directives, the Archdiocesan Curia needs particulars of these Mass Centres. Hence, I request the Parish Priests/ Priests in Charge of the Mass Centres to send the information to me by end of September, 2017.

May I thank you for your support and cooperation.

With every good wish and God's blessings,

Yours sincerely,

+ *Bernard*

✠ **Bernard Moras**

Archbishop of Bangalore

CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED IN THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2017

1) CLERGY SECURITY FUND

1	03.08.17	Fr. Therese Babu E	Dommasandra	9,000.00
2	07.08.17	Fr. N.C. Joseph	Clergy Home	20,500.00
3	24.08.17	Fr. Lourdu Xavier Santhosh	Kodathi	5,000.00
4	24.08.17	Fr. Deva Kumar I	Da Costa Layout	5,000.00

2) HUNGER AND DISEASE CAMPAIGN Dated 09.04.2017

(To be sent to Caritas, Delhi)

1	01.08.17	Mount Carmel Church	Mariapura	6,050.00
2	07.08.17	St. Anne's Convent	BEML Layout	5,000.00
3	24.08.17	St. Jude's Church	Naganapalya	7,410.00
4	28.08.17	Our Lady of Lourdes Church	Whitefield	65,280.00
5	29.08.17	Resurrection Church	Indiranagar	1,04,171.00

3) HOLY LANDS COLLECTIONS Dated 14.04.2017

(Towards Holy Land maintenance)

1	01.08.17	Mount Carmel Church	Mariapura	7,260.00
2	24.08.17	St. Jude's Church	Naganapalya	9,860.00
3	28.08.17	Our Lady of Lourdes Church	Whitefield	77,410.00
4	29.08.17	Resurrection Church	Indiranagar	1,17,985.00

4) EASTER SUNDAY COLLECTIONS Dated 16.04.2017

(Towards extension of Mission works in our Archdiocese)

1	01.08.17	Mount Carmel Church	Mariapura	8,600.00
2	24.08.17	St. Jude's Church	Naganapalya	9,470.00
3	28.08.17	Our Lady of Lourdes Church	Whitefield	62,210.00
4	29.08.17	Resurrection Church	Indiranagar	73,294.00

5) VOCATION SUNDAY COLLECTIONS Dated 07.05.2017

(For the Maintenance of Major and Minor Seminarians of our Archdiocese)

1	01.08.17	Mount Carmel Church	Mariapura	5820.00
2	18.08.17	St. Joseph church	Chinthamani	1,005.00
3	24.08.17	St. Jude's Church	Naganapalya	4,710.00

4	26.08.17	St. Anthony's Church	Uttarahalli	4,100.00
5	28.08.17	Our Lady of Lourdes Church	Whitefield	51,810.00
6	29.08.17	Resurrection Church	Indiranagar	68,740.00

6) SOCIETY OF ST PETER, APOSTLE Dated 27.06.2017

(Towards the up keep of Seminarians in the whole world)

1	01.08.17	Mount Carmel Church	Mariapura	5,375.00
2	03.08.17	Immaculate Conception Church	Doresanipalya	15,150.00
3	07.08.17	St. Theresa's Church	J C Road	3,460.00
4	07.08.17	Our Lady of Vailankanni Church	Yelahanka New Town	11,857.00
5	09.08.17	St. Anthony's Church	Kadisenahalli	260.00
6	11.08.17	Christha Prabhlaya Church	Jayanagar	36,840.00
7	11.08.17	St. Theresa's Church	Dommasandra	1,550.00
8	18.08.17	St. Josephs Church	Chinthamani	1,154.00
9	18.08.17	St. Patrick's Church	Brigade Road	1,24,880.00
10	24.08.17	St. Jude's Church	Naganapalya	5,400.00
11	26.08.17	St. Anthony's Church	Uttarahalli	3,300.00
12	28.08.17	Our Lady of Lourdes Church	Whitefield	50,230.00

7) CATHOLIC INFORMATION BUREAU (C.I.B) Dated 09.07.2017

(For the spread of Good News in the Archdiocese of Bangalore)

1	07.08.17	St. Anthony's Friary Church	Madiwala	2,02,922.00
2	03.08.17	Immaculate Conception Church	Doresanipalya	14,220.00
3	03.08.17	Holy Family Church	Ramamurthy Nagar	57,000.00
4	07.08.17	St. Anthony's Church	Guddadahalli	6,015.00
5	07.08.17	Our Lady of Vailankanni Church	Yelahanka New Town	12,819.00
6	07.08.17	St. Joseph's Church	Lingarajpuram	11,547.00
7	08.08.17	Our Lady of Fatima Church	Jalahalli	35,835.00
8	08.08.17	St. Anthony's Church	Kadisenahalli	240.00
9	09.08.17	St. Francis Xavier's Cathedral	Cleveland Town	95,845.00
10	09.08.17	Ascension Church	Dacosta Layout	60,495.00
11	11.08.17	St. Theresa Church	Dommasandra	1,580.00
12	11.08.17	St. Anthony's Church	Munnekolala	20,540.00
13	16.08.17	Infant Jesus Church	Viveknagar	1,22,075.00
14	17.08.17	St. Joseph's Church	Chinthamani	1,376.00

15	18.08.17	St. Jude's Church	Naganapalya	5,420.00
16	26.08.17	St. Anthony's Church	Uttarahalli	3,500.00
17	28.08.17	St. Anne's Church	Mestripalaya	2,215.00

8) AFRICAN MISSION Dated 20.08.2017

(Towards Mission work in Africa)

1	21.08.17	St. Paul the Hermit Church	V. Nagenahalli	4,708.00
2	21.08.17	St. Michael's Church	Shanthinagar	4,700.00
3	24.08.17	St. Theresa's Church	Robertsonpet, KGF	7,705.00
4	28.08.17	St. Anne's Church	Mestripalaya	900.00
5	29.08.17	Sacred Heart Church	Sidlaghatta	520.00
6	29.08.17	St. Anthony's Church	Gangondanahalli	300.00
7	31.08.17	Ss. Peter & Paul Church	Rayapuram	5000.00
