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Vicariate Newsletter

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Dear Confreres,

This edition of the news letter begins by surrendering the Divine everyone to Providence and saluting all the heroes of humanity who the warriors in the are frontline against the corona pandemic. The virus situation we are experiencing due to the current health crisis can help us to see what our real needs are. Let us approach this unprecedented



situation as benefit finder than a fault finder as we are called to leave our normal routines and practices to a necessary pause, step back, and deal with the quite time and space that we suddenly have. Our voluntary social distancing can also help us to see how important relationships are in our life and sharpens our awareness of how we care for one another. We do not have a 'crystal ball' or a prediction meter to project into the future, but we do have the assurance that each of us is made in the image and likeness of a loving creator. Let us continue to be the agents of hope during this time and may every one keep safe looking out for one another.

- The IMV Administration

Formation Commissions Meeting:

The formation commission meeting was held at Jordan Philosophy Study house in Warangal from March 16-18, 2020. The meeting mainly focused on the evaluation of the formation program and the formandees of different stages of formation of the IMV. Based on the report of the formation commission and evaluation the IMV council made the following decisions:

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Renewal of the Vows and Minor Ministries:

- The regents namely, Cls. Jeberius Tirkey, Meshelmon Suja and Kornelius Murmu upon completing their regency are promoted to renew their vows on June 16, 2020 and will commence their theology program in Shillong.
- The scholastics, namely, Cls. Niju Josey, Aviral Kumar Minj, Johnson Bhengra and Sigeon Pradeep will renew their vows on June 16 and also will receive the ministries of Lector and Acolyte.

Regency and Novitiate:

- Candidates of final year philosophy, Naveen Teja Bellamkonda and Thomas Zou are promoted to the regency program; whereas Kyrshanlang Dkhar and Shankupar Lawren have decided to discontinue their formation. Naveen Teja will do the regency in Laitkynsew and Thomas Zou will do the regency in Carmelaram
- Regent **Sansingboy Lyngdoh**, who is promoted for the novitiate will do MSW in the academic year 2020-21 in Shillong if he cannot reach Philippines for the novitiate due to the travel restriction caused by corona virus.
- The candidates from Sri Lanka who are promoted to do the philosophy in Philippines in the academic year 2020-21, will continue their Spiritual Orientation program in Sri Lanka itself with an enhanced syllabus if they are unable to reach Philippines due to travel restrictions.
- Candidate **Diloshan Sebastian** (Sri Lanka) who is completing philosophy in Philippines is promoted to the Novitiate in Philippines.
- Candidate **Sulaxon Sebastiyampillai** (Sri Lanka) who is doing his final year philosophy in Philippines is demoted due to health reasons.

Annual Retreat:

The annual Salvatorian retreat of IMV was planned in two phases on July 2020 facilitated by Fr. Rafal Ziajka SDS (Poland). But due to the current situation of the corona virus pandemic, the common retreat is called off and each member is asked to organize the annual retreat individually.

The common felicitation of the silver Jubilarians (first profession) were planned during the annual retreat. However it would not be possible due to the corona crisis. They were already felicitated in their respective communities on the 1st of May 2020.

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Renewal/Spiritual Week for Priests:

As part of the ongoing formation program, renewal/refreshing courses are scheduled in July 2021 in two different groups. First group consist of 1 to 5 years of ordination and the second group consist of 6 years of ordination and above. Both groups will have preferably the program at the same venue animated by the same resource person.

Travel expenses of Members for different meetings:

Members attending different IMV meetings nationally are encouraged to meet their travel expenses from their own respective communities. Usually this expense is refunded from the unit account (Jordan Trust account). This is to minimize the huge travel expense from one account as recommended by the auditors.

The Visitation of General Formation Secretary:

The visit of Fr. Krzysztof Gasperowicz SDS is likely to be altered due to the current travel restrictions and the further update will be indicated to the concerned members in advance.

Update on Members:

Fr. Lessmon Nongtdu: Completed his MA in Formative Spirituality and Counseling in Dharmaram and will continue his M.Phil and Doctorate program in India.

Fr. Susairaj Antonysamy: Completed his Licentiate in Biblical Theology and will continue his doctorate program in India.

Congratulations and prayerful support dear fathers.

Mexico and Surinam Mission:

Frs. Anil Kumar and Donbosco Kharmawlong and Gervas Daimary: All the fathers appointed in Mexico and Surinam mission received their visas just before commencing the lock down and travel restrictions due to corona virus pandemic. As they are unable to travel to their mission stations as planned, they will be doing their ministry temporarily in IMV till the situation is safe for travel and stay. The IMV genuinely appreciates their patience and spirit of collaboration and praying that a favorable situation will arrive soon.

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Prayer Request:

- Vocations
- ❖ Beatification of Venerable Founder: Father Francis Jordan
- ❖ For the new missions and missionaries
- ❖ For the benefactors and well wishers
- ❖ For the deceased members
- ❖ For God's intervention and healing from the deadly virus

