

INDIAN MISSION VICARIATE



NEWSLETTER

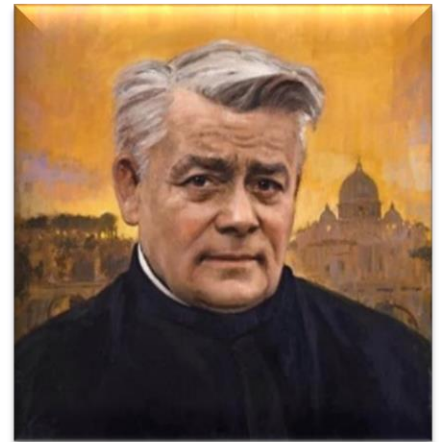


Vicariate Newsletter

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INTRODUCTION

“We intend to strengthen our Society in the spirit of the Saviour of the world, in the spirit of Jesus Christ crucified, which is opposite of the spirit of the world. Let the spirit of the world – arrogance, frivolity, vanity, inflated freedom-would leave our Society. The spirit of Jesus Christ, which is the spirit of humility, mortification, prayer and obedience fulfil us. May no one dare to reduce this spirit of Christ. May no one dare to introduce the spirit of the world into the Society and that would mean pulling the Society to the ground for people to trample on it. The more the spirit of the world is introduced into the Society and the less the spirit of Christ crucified prevails in it, the less it will bloom, the less fruit it will bear, the more it will be punished by the lack of vocations and forfeit heavenly blessings.”



-Talks of Father Francis Mary of the Cross Jordan: 1902/10/06.

As we are all joyfully preparing for the Beatification of our beloved Founder, let these words of admonitions of him help us to live our vocation and responsibility in a meaningful way. With our current situation of pandemic when we find it difficult in planning as we face the rapid spread of Corona virus, we pray that the preparations and the ceremony of the beatification of our Founder will go as planned. We are together in prayer!

As Salvatorians let us be proud of our Founder: His faith, His miracle, His inspiration, His fire and love, His goodness and kindness, His universality and inclusivity, His tireless apostolic mission etc.

- IMV Administration.

BEATIFICATION FUNCTION OF FATHER FRANCIS JORDAN

The IMV will virtually participate the ceremony of the beatification of our Founder on May 15, 2021 livestreaming. The communities of each region with Salvatorian Sisters and Lay Salvatorians have made arrangement to come together on May 15 as far as possible for the ceremony. The celebration of thanksgiving Eucharist presided over by Bishop/representative of Bishop in honouring the gift of Blessed Francis Jordan will be organised by communities of each region with the collaboration of Salvatorians sisters and Lay preferably on July 21 or the days convenient adhering to the Government Covid protocols.

INFORMATION ON THE BEATIFICATION



In 1942, the cause for the Beatification of Father Francis Jordan was opened. In January 2011, the Holy Father, Pope Benedict XVI, signed the Decree of Venerability. During the ordinary session of the Cardinals and Bishops of the Congregation for the Causes of Saints on 19 June 2020, the miracle attributed to the intercession of Father Francis Jordan was recognized, approved and promulgated by the Holy Father, Pope Francis. This act defined the beatification of Father Francis Jordan setting the date for the celebration as 15 May 2021.

Finally, the day long awaited by all members of the Salvatorian Family has arrived: The Beatification of Father Francis Jordan. His charism is to help the Church to know, love and proclaim the one God manifested in Jesus Christ, the Divine Saviour. Today, this is the true inspiration for many Salvatorian women and men, religious and lay, who work following the example of the apostles in more than 50 countries, scattered in the different continents: Europe, America, Asia, Australia and Africa working in the field of education, evangelization, human and spiritual promotion, in missions and parish ministry.

THE SOLEMN CELEBRATION IN ROME
WILL TAKE PLACE IN TWO STAGES:



◆ **15 May 2021 at 10.30 am (Italian time),
2 pm IST**

**Basilica of St. John Lateran:
Rite of Beatification**

◆ **16 May 2021 at 3 pm (Italian time),
6.30 pm IST**

**St. Peter's Basilica: Mass of thanksgiving
for the new Blessed Francis Jordan.**

Live Streaming:

<https://telepacenews/diretta>

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YEAR OF THANKSGIVING FOR BLESSED FRANCIS JORDAN 2021-21JULY-2022

It is clear that the beatification of our Founder is a celebration of the entire Church that goes beyond the scope of our Salvatorian Family. It is the recognition of the witness of apostolic holiness for all the People of God on the way. However, we cannot deny that the life of our Founder and his Beatification are for us an event of the Spirit of God that has become a way of life and mission. Precisely in this festive setting and as a way of giving thanks for the witness of apostolic holiness of our spiritual Father, the Three branches of the

Salvatorian Family announced a “**Year of Thanksgiving for Blessed Francis Jordan**” that will begin on **July 21, 2021** and will last until **July 21, 2022**. It will be a time of grace for Salvatorians of all ages, states of life and cultures. We invite you all to be united in a diversity of initiatives that will lead us to deepen our precious apostolic vocation, strengthen our ties of indispensable collaboration and revitalize our humble but firm missionary service in the Church.

PROMULGATION OF THE RATIO INSTITUTIONIS SALVATORIANAE

Having passed a long process of discernment, study, writing and rewriting, it was with joy that our General Superior, Fr. Milton Zonta, signed and promulgated, after having obtained the unanimous consent of the General Council, the new version of the “**Ratio Formationis Salvatorianae - called to be Apostles of the Divine Saviour**”. The promulgation took place during the celebration of the First Vespers of the Solemnity of Saint Joseph at the Motherhouse of the Society in Rome. The English version of **the Ratio is already available on sds.org publications**.



In his reflection on this occasion, Fr. Milton explained that the name of this important document regarding our Salvatorian Formation clearly indicates the formative itinerary proposed much more in a charismatic than in a legal way. It is therefore a matter of showing what the foundation is, the guiding principle of the life and formation of each Salvatorian religious. In this way, this document has a profoundly Salvatorian character, indicating the methodology and content that constitute the identity of the charism of Fr. Francis Jordan, as our model of following Jesus Christ, in the style of the Apostles.

WEBINAR ON NEW AMENDMENTS OF FCRA

The IMV along with our auditor’s team (Simon Rodrigues & Associates - SRA) organised a Webinar on the 16 March 2021, in order to get updated about the Amendments of FCRA 2020, 12A and other related topics on Finance. The FCRA Amendment Act 2020, has been notified and became effective

from 29 September 2020. Since then, the FCRA department also issued notifications and circulars to give effect to the provision under the amended Act. This will have massive impact on existing functioning of the administration: its structural, operational and even existential areas.

This Webinar helped the members to a great extent to decode and unravel the bill-what the changes could mean to our administration and how we could respond and to be prepared.

FORMATION UPDATES

▪ **Philosophy program with Secular Degree in India:**

In a context the Don Bosco philosophy College in Warangal decided to provide only two years of philosophy and as a result, for the Secular degree, the candidates will avail the distance education program of IGNO University. Since the university degree is three years, the candidates will begin the academic year during the Spiritual Orientation and complete the degree along with the philosophy. As distance education, the university doesn't have regular classes except for few days of cluster classes, it is expected not to have further complications. For the batch of 2021-22, the candidates will begin both philosophy (two years' program) and secular degree together and they will complete the final year of the degree after the novitiate during the regency.

▪ **Philosophy program in Sri Lanka:**

Due to the travel restrictions and the uncertainty prevailing with the travel plans, the Generalate approved to arrange the philosophy program for the candidates from Sri Lanka for the academic year 2021-22 in Kandy National seminary with the accommodation of the candidates at OMI formation house.

▪ **Evaluations:**

Regents - Promoted to Novitiate:

1. Thomas Zou
2. Bellamkonda Naveen

Philosophy Students - Promoted to Novitiate:

1. Abhay Ekka
2. Firstkyson Lyngdoh
3. Iophiyos Khongsya
4. Josen Toppo
5. Richard Banjop Pde
6. Tlogi Khongjoh

Names of the students who decided to discontinue:

III year

1. Teibok Lawai
2. Wankynsai Ferdinand Shati
3. Wilson Swer

1st year

4. Johnkalbet Wanniang.

▪ Scholastics:

Promoted to Perpetual Profession and Diaconate Ordination:

1. Aviral Kumar Minj,
2. Johnson Bhengra and
3. Sigeon Pradeep

Perpetual Profession: **16th June 2021** at Otto Hopfenmuller Theology Study House, Shillong.

Diaconate Ordination: **19th June 2021** at the Oriens Theology College, Shillong.

Promoted to Renewal of Vows and ministry of Acolyte:

1. Niju Josey

Promoted to Renewal of Vows and ministry of Lector:

1. Jeberius Tirkey,
2. Karnelius Murmu
3. Meshelmon Suja.

▪ Novitiate:

The Generalate approved the novitiate program for the candidates of India for 2021-22 in Bangalore and appointed **Fr. Peter Kordor Nengnong** as the Novice Master and **Fr. Vinoy Joseph** as the assistant Novice Master. The novitiate is scheduled to begin on June 16, 2021 in Bangalore. Fr. Susai Raj will facilitate the retreat for the novitiate candidates prior to their Novitiate program in Bangalore.

MEMBERS UPDATES

- ❖ **Fr. Peter K Nengnong:** Novice Master and will continue as the superior of the community.
- ❖ **Fr. Donbosco Kharmawlong:** Formator in-charge of the Aspirants in Bangalore Community.
- ❖ **Fr. Movin Rickson:** He will enrol for the MSW at St. Edmund's College in Shillong for the AY 2021-22. He completes his pastoral ministry at the St Michael parish, Tamil Nadu by 30/05/2021.
- ❖ **Mexico Missionaries:** Due to the restrictions caused by the Covid pandemic, visa procedures are still pending for Frs. Anil Perekala and Gervas Daimary. Fr. Anil will complete his ministry at the Cathedral Parish in Warangal Diocese as Assistant Pastor by 30/05/2021 and both of them will receive a new assignment at the earliest if visa procedures delay indefinitely.

PRAYER REQUESTS

- ❖ For Vocations
- ❖ For the preparation and the celebration of the beatification of Francis Jordan
- ❖ For the new missions and missionaries
- ❖ For the benefactors and well wishers
- ❖ For Medical doctors, nurses and frontline warriors
- ❖ For God's intervention for healing from the deadly virus
- ❖ For the deceased members.



CONGRATULATIONS TO THE JUBILARIANS



(01/05/1996 – 01/05/2021)

Frs. Alexis Aseervatham SDS and Peter K Nengnong SDS, celebrated their Silver Jubilee of Religious Profession in the Society of the Divine Saviour on 1 May 2021. On the auspicious and memorable occasion of their Silver Jubilee, the IMV congratulates them for their dedicated service and commitment in different capacities and continues to pray for them.

