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DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS: Oct 30th St. Alphonsus Rodriquez, who watched the door.

FR. PROVINCIAL'S PROGRAM

OCTOBER-2018

08-09 St. Roberts Visitation
 19-28 JCSA-Darjeeling
 29-30 Bhurkunda Visitation

NOVEMBER 2018

04 Province Consult, Hazaribag
 07-08 Chennai, Satya Nilayam Visitation
 09-10 Trichy, Clives' House Visitation
 11-12 Bangalore, St. Joseph's Visitation
 13-18 Pune, DNC Visitation
 19-20 Arrupe Niwas Visitation
 23-25 PDD Meeting at Arrupe Niwas

DECEMBER 2018

01-03 Vidyajyoti Delhi, Visitation
 08-09 Young Priests' Meeting

10 Pakripath
 11 Mahuadanr
 12 Tundtoli
 13 Daltonganj
 14 Jamuniatanr
 15 Churadohar
 27 Jubilee Mass-Arrupe Niwas

PCF's Program 2018

SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER

30 Sept. - 4 Oct. Mumbai for PCF's Meeting
 04 -05 Pune visit
 06 - 12 Kathmandu CJI meeting
 12 – Afternoon back to Delhi
 12-14 Vidyajyoti, Delhi
 15-16 Mangalore
 17-18 Bangalore
 19-20 Ahmedabad

COMING EVENTS:

- **Fr. Pradeep Shail's** brother, **Dr. Ranjit Shail** and his family members are coming to Hazaribag on 17 October, 2018 to mark the first death anniversary of **Fr. Pradeep Shail SJ**.
1st death Anniversary Mass: on 17 October, 2018 at 05.00 PM, in the Hazaribag Cathedral.
Main celebrant is: Most Rev. Bishop Anand Jojo, DD., the Bishop of Hazaribag Diocese.

SHAHID DIWAS

- Shahid Diwas program in memory of **Fr. A.T. Thomas** will be held on 23 October, 2018, at 09.00 AM, in Babupara School. **Chief guest is: Fr. George Monipally** of Daltonganj Diocese.
- There will be a Holy Mass on 24 October, 2018 at 09.00 AM, on the spot of **Fr. A.T. Thomas'** Martyrdom, Sirka Jungal. **Main Celebrant is : Most Rev. Bishop Felix Toppo SJ, DD.,** the Arch Bishop of Ranchi.

FROM AROUND THE PROVINCE

BOKARO, ST. XAVIER'S

We celebrated the Teacher's Day on 5th September. On 7th we began the First Semester Exams. Five Regents came to Bokaro for a recollection. Fr. **Tom Keogh** guided them. Fr. **Saju** went to Holy Cross for their Feast Day Recollection. Fr. **Arun** joined the Patki Managing Committee meeting. Fr. **Raska** is happy about the progress of the construction of wall in Jainamor. One fourth of construction is over. Along with FCC sisters, Grace, Rosy and Preeti, **Saju** joined their Province Golden Jubilee celebration at Hazaribag. We began the Prep admission process for the next academic year. This year 300 more forms are taken and we will have to invest more days and time for the interaction and selection process. Christian student's first interaction is over. Fr. **George** came for the Managing Committee Meeting on 28th. Our Pre-school plan is approved by the BSL. **Tom** attended the formation commission meeting on 29th. *Fr. Saju sj*

CHARHI

Fr. **Nicholas Topno** participated in the annual JEPASA meeting 2018 in Dumka along with Fr. **Gyan Hembrom**. He returned to Charhi on 3rd of September.

The school football team represented the district level game from Hazaribag for Subrato Mukherjee football tournament in Bokaro from 4th September onwards, in which we were the runners up under 14 boy's category. Congratulation to the coach and team members.

On 14th of September we celebrated Holy Cross feast in the school. We had Holy Eucharistic celebration in morning offered by Frs. **Emile** and **Nicholas** followed by a short facilitation program in the school. Frs. **Gregory** and **Birendra** went to Ghato and Kuju respectively to celebrate the Holy Cross Feast.

Our school represented the vicariate essay writing competition organized by St. Robert's boy's school (Ashram) in Hazaribag on 15th of September. Our school received first and second prize in 'fourth class' category and other consolation prizes. Congratulate to our students,.

On 15th of September Sch. **Arockia Sasi** along with other Regents went to Bokaro Jesuit community for a day recollection. The school conducted the first terminal exams and result was distributed on 19th of September. The School was

closed for Karma Puja from 20th of September to 23rd September.

Charhi and Ghato Parishes organized special Holy Eucharist for the youth, followed by meeting for upcoming Diocese level youth gathering in Hazaribag. Frs. **Nicholas** and **Emile** meticulously planned for the mass and meetings.

We conducted the quiz competition between different houses on 29th of September. We celebrated Fr. **Emile's** birth day on 26th of September. We had 3 Staff and 10 Students from John the 23rd school Perth, Australia. They spent half a day interacting with our school students. Fr. Bob Billings accompanied them to Charhi.

CHIROPATH, CATHOLIC ASHRAM

On 13th Sept. Bro. David came back to Chiropath after attending the meeting in Bhubaneshwar. On 26th Sept. Fr. **Barnabas** went to Daltonganj to attend a meeting of hostel in-charges in Sahodaya. The students of St. Mary's school participated in a Vicariate football tournament in St. Joseph's and St. Tresa school respectively Mahuadanr. The junior girls' team was the runners up. On 30th Sept. the Mahila sangh and the catholic sabha members went for a pilgrimage to Ratasili parish. Fr. **Barnabas** and Srs. Lalita and Bimla accompanied them.

HAZARIBAG, ARRUPPE NIWAS

Fr. **Provincial** made his first visit to Australia on 09 September and returned to Hazaribag on 24 September. He attended the Indian Bazar in Sydney and had several meetings with the donors and Jesuits. Fr. **Bob Slattery** accompanied him and now he is visiting his relatives, friends and donors. Even during his holidays he continues to do his PDD work.

Fr. **P. O. Chacko** visits his doctor concerning his nerve pain at the back below the neck. Now, he wears cervical collar on his neck to relieve the pain. Fr. **Rajendra** went to Mahuadanr on 30th September for the PF related work of some staffs in Mahuadanr. He also attended the golden jubilee program of CMC sisters. He went to Jamshedpur on 10th Oct. to attend the COJET Meeting. Fr. **P.J. James** is one of the resource persons to animate the REGAE -II programs. So far he conducted two programs, one from 02 Oct. to 04 Oct. and the other from 12 Oct. to 14th Oct. at Jharna, Ranchi.

Fr. Tony Herbert remains well occupied with his social –pastoral work in Simaria and Chatra town areas. Of late he has been involved in a training program for NF teachers, a workshop on Media & Communication, and a workshop in Mandair Parish for villagers to be displaced by mining.

HAZARIBAG, ST. XAVIER'S

Fr. Bill Dwyer was admitted in Holy Family Hospital, Patna. He is expected to undergo a surgery on his upper arm of left hand. This is meant to correct the broken humerus bone that had joined badly. The present surgery involves grafting a piece of bone extracted from the hip bone and fixing the broken bones with nuts and bolts. **Bill's** age and health condition makes the surgery a bit serious. But the doctors are very hopeful. **Fr. Manoj Roshan** visited his mother in Balidih who was unwell for some time. Perth Immersion group(John XXIII College) consisting of 10 students and 3 staff members were guests of the community for six days. During their stay they visited many places in the province which enabled them to have some knowledge of our ministries.

The School semester examinations are over. Principal **Fr. Rosner** and **Fr. Manoj** are busy preparing for the Vicariate tournaments that would take place in the second week of October after which the school will close for Dussehra holidays. **Bishop Gabriel** is currently in Guwahati, Assam. He gave this news that soon he would be travelling to Arunachal Pradesh and would be working in a parish for some time. The other members of the community **Fr. Suleman**, **Bro. Francis** and **Fr. George** are keeping well.

PATKI, MASI MARSAL

Now the middle school looks brand new after the painting and repairs. **Frs. Gyan and Nicholas** went to Dumka for a JEPASA meeting on 28- 31 Aug. On the way back he brought Santhali text books for the school.

On 4th Sept. **Gyan** met with an accident near Bahadurpur on the way back from Bokaro. This happened as he tried to save two women crossing the road. He slightly hit one older lady and she fell down on the road. As a Good Samaritan he stopped his bike and took her to Jainamore Sadar hospital. She had head and waist injury. **Fr. Gyan** and his bike were unhurt. After three days **Gyan** and **Tintus** took her to Bokaro Co-operative and the Doctor told that there is no

serious injury.

On 1st Sept. at Sonhor village a non-Christian old woman died who was looked after by a Christian family. On 2nd evening, the family members and the local Catholics buried her with the confirmation by the Mukhia of the Panchayat. In the same evening suddenly, the villagers who are non-Christians, came with clubs and sticks and threatened the Catholics and asked them to remove the corpse out. Frightened by them the Catholics took out the body and brought it in the house. The next day the police was informed and the body was buried in another place. **Gyan, Tintus** and a catechist also went to see and support the Catholics. The Catholics who are minority in the village continue to experience hardships. Even in such situation they are strong in faith and spiritual life, which is amazing.

Now we have Solar Water Heating System at Patki. After a year and half finally, we got the DC's permission to transfer the land to the school. We have to register the land for the school and then send it to JAC office in Ranchi for recognition. One day we had a surprise visit of **Frs. Shyam and Vincent**.

PRERANA RESOURCE CENTRE

Fr. Thomas Joseph has been diagnosed to have developed a non-contractile bladder (weakness of the bladder) which causes urine retention and allied problems. He had to go through very painful medical investigations at Ranchi Urology Centre and is now fitted with a catheter and a portable urine bag. Three weeks of medication is to be followed by further procedures. Prior to his own treatment he has been accompanying **Fr. Tony Ryan** to the same doctor for similar treatments.

Fr. Christopher conducted a programme of social awareness and entitlements for the Dalit Vikas Samiti group in Bihar Sharif. He has gone to Bangalore with two of his lay collaborators to take part in the annual Lok Manch Meeting.

Fr. Shyju took time off from his busy schedule for a home visit. He is back to his daily routine in the court and out-of-court legal consultations for which there are always people knocking at his door.

Fr. R.C. Chacko was in Pune for classes, Bangalore and Ranchi for REGAE, Delhi for Seminar on Ignatian Spirituality and Patra and Tarwa for community matters.

SAHODAYA, SHAHPUR

The students wrote their half yearly examination and also took part in Subrato Mukherji foot ball tournament. The girls team became district champion and the boys were satisfied with runners up. The students did well in vicariate level competitions especially in speech and painting. After all these hectic works the teachers had motivational programme led by **Frs. Lawrence Tirkey** and **Arvind Beck**. **Fr. Moris Ekka**, the principal of the school attended another education workshop in Kathmandu. **Sch. Amit Xalxo** guided the hostel boys in agriculture. They had very good monsoon crop of vegetable and are trying their skill in winter crop. Wish them all the best. The students are enthused by Swachhta mission and the campus looks clean and eco-friendly.

Prabhu Prakash School Jamuniatanr hosted the deanery level competitions. All went well but they missed their former teacher Benjamin Dhan. On the health front **Fr. Rajesh Kispotta** is improving day by day thanks to the doctors in Koderma. The parish priest **Fr. Frederic Gidh** is as usual taking good care of his flock by regular visit. He is even going to the new villages.

Fr. Tom Rodrigues in Churadohar had to take doctor's help to fight certain allergy which gave him itching in whole body. The headmistress Sr. Bindu is recovering from malaria in Koderma. Hope to see her back soon. **Fr. Marianus Kujur** the secretary of the school also present when **Fr. Lawrence Tirkey** gave tips to the school staff on how to become an effective teacher.

SITAGARH, P.T.E.C.

September got off to a flying start with a happy celebration of Teacher's Day on 5th September when the students of the college as well as the middle school entertained all with a well-prepared variety of cultural programme.

Needless to say that the college broke up for puja holidays on 24th September. The trainees were very happy to make their way homewards. Now there is a plenty of peace around the place. However, during these holidays, a good number of hectic activities on card, especially, the repair works in the college, house and hostel. These works have to be finished well before the resumption of the classes. The college reopens on 22nd of October. Due to lack of water, the fields are getting dried up and therefore; we are compelled to pump water from our ponds, which are in near

vicinity. Before going to Ranchi, Jharna for REGAE II programme, **Frs. Vincent** and **Shyam** made a quick dash to Patki to see their ailing friend, **Fr. Gyan**. **Fr. Sebastian** did a good job by representing the community on the occasion of FCC and CMC community on the Golden Jubilee of their congregations. **Fr. Silas'** birthday on 20th of September was a very happy and joyful day. It was celebrated with pomp and excitement. The SSC community happily attended the celebration. As the day for the vicariate tournament is fast approaching, **Fr. Silas** is getting his school children well prepared and trained for the event. **Fr. Lopez** suffered very badly from the huffing cough. He was then rushed to the Holy Family Hospital, Koderma and after a week of medication, he is back home and normal.

St. Xavier's high school conducted football tournament for boys and valley ball tournament for girls. These games have helped the school children to get rid of tensions, which were built up by the First Terminal examinations.

SITAGARH, ST. STANISLAUS COLLEGE

The tertians ended their Long Retreat and after the cooling off period they were very warmly welcomed back to the community on the evening of 5th September. The tertians were grateful to God for having allowed them to experience the graces of the retreat and to the community that created conducive atmosphere for them. The Instructors' gratefulness was manifold: for the successful completion of the retreat and that no tertians had any illness during the Long Retreat!! The community on its part was edified by the meaningful and serious conduct of the tertians during the Long Retreat.

The tertians went for a three-day pilgrimage to the places where Constant Leavens worked. They came back enriching their experiences of the place and also realization what working in those places that time meant!

The house was quietly busy in its daily routine during the month. **Fr. Prabodh**, Socius to the Novice Master had to rush home to attend a funeral of one of his cousins who died of a heart attack while working in the fields. **Fr. Tony Ryan** joined the community in the infirmary. He had to undergo a successful operation for his urinary problem that he was experiencing. **Fr. Gavin** had to be under special care after he had a minor fall while he was getting up in the morning. He is okay now and doing well.

TARWA

Fr Yugal went to 'Jharna' Ranchi to attend the second round of REAGE program. He came back much rejuvenated as he said it was very good.

For a month, **Sch. Jeevan** has left for Mangalore on Gandhi Jayanti. His Whatsup sent message says he has landed there safely. He is expected by to be back on All Souls Day next month.

The work director, **Fr. Maria Louis** has gone for home visit from there he will proceed to Pune to attend a social meeting.

Our Transformer which had conked out about a month back, has been replaced with a new one. its health seems to be good and chugging right along. Thanks to **Yugal** for his keen interest and expertise to expedite the process in getting a replacement without further ado.

The School girls Kho-kho team went to Kajarkilo to have a friendly match there. It was not less than a inter-vicariate kho-kho match since both the schools belong to two different vicariates. The team was happy to interact with the students of another Jesuit run schools.

VIVEK SADAN, SHAHPUR

The pre-novices burnt the midnight oil preparing for their exams at the end of the month. All have done well. Prior to that we spent Teachers' Day in Vianney Bhawan with the minor seminary community plus the fathers from the Bishop's House. The volleyball honours were shared! Afterwards we all enjoyed a swim and a delicious lunch. October opened with the appointment of a new team to serve the Vivek Sadan family. Congrats to the outgoing team under Sachin and the new team headed by Gulshan. **Fr. Arbind** attended a REGAE organisers' meet in Ranchi and a few days afterwards our Sahodaya Community had a very fruitful PAP [Province Apostolic Planning] sharing. Prayers are asked for **Fr. Victor** who is rather unwell. We farewelled 2 of our pre-novices, Niroj from Simdega and Anil from Gumla. Our number now stands at 22.

Fr. Geoff has been running from pillar to post for his visa work. He got his Visa and will leave for Australia on 19 October.

HEALTH BULLETIN: On Tony Ryan – a case of troublesome prostate- part 2

... There has been much happenings since our last report when we left **Fr. Tony Ryan** at the Ranchi Specialty Hospital awaiting surgical procedures!

On 20th September, after due day long preparation, including procedures to strengthen his lungs, Dr. Prem Kumar, Dr. Somesh and their team entertained Tony to a visible spectacle of how his offending prostate gland was smocked out. **Tony** himself is very vocal in his" sweep by sweep" description of the Thulium Laser sweep that in over an hour smoked out his offending Prostate gland.

That **Tony's** overburdened lungs bore out this ordeal is the marvel of modern medicine and the skilled hands of caring Doctors

Tony spent the next day in the hospital recovering from the after effects of surgery and on 23rd Sept. he was back in SSC, which has been **Tony's** home after moving out of Tarwa in the second week of September.

Then on 27th Sept. we were back in Ranchi again, to review and assess the outcome of surgery, and the possibility of doing away with the urine bag. All the tests were indicative of the tremendous success of the procedures - that there was no leakage, nor any retention.

When last heard from contacts in and around Sitagarha, - that is this morning of 28th **Tony** was seen on his moped heading towards Holy Cross kitchen, to raid Sr. Elsie's' chicken cutlets and other savories.

Fr. Packiam was asked by his doctor to stand and walk. One day as he attempted to walk, he got new cracks on the bone above the ankle. Now he got new plaster from the foot to thigh, which means he has to be at bed for another two months. Please Pray for **Fr. Packiam**. **Fr. Barry** is doing well. He may be back to Hazaribag by the first week of November. **Fr. Augustine** is awaiting the report of his tests. **Fr. Thomas Joseph** is admitted in Tarwa, Holy Cross Hospital, as he is diagnosed for a non-contractile bladder (weakness of the bladder) which causes urine retention and allied problems. **Fr. Bill Dwyer** had a successful surgery on his left arm in the Holy family, Kurji Hospital Patna.

FROM DIASPORA

CHENNAI, SATYA NILAYAM

We the scholastics of Satya Nilayam are enjoying our life, learning many things and getting enriched in quite many areas. There is much love, care and concern among. We had two major events in this month. We had “Chennai Inter Philosophy Student’s Seminar” held in our campus. More than two hundred students participated in the seminar. The theme of the seminar was “Search for the dignity.” The main aim of the seminar was- to organize by the students and for the students. It was a fruitful event. Satya Nilayam scholastics had organized the whole event. We all got chance to participate and had meaningful discussion on the topics with students from different colleges.

Sch. Prashant and his team members decorated the backdrop of seminar hall. He was well praised and appreciated for his hidden skills and talents. We also had beautiful *Karam* feast celebration. And at present we are getting ready for the CIA second which will start from 8th of October. *Sch. Praful Bage, sj*

DNC, PUNE

The month of September was full of events to celebrate and to learn from. On 16th **Frs. John Xaxa** and **Sibrus** after having spent a fruitful time of almost three months, left for the Province. We thank them for their valuable stay over here and wish them well for their further ministry. **Fr. Edward**, the Rector made a quick visit to his family members in Kerala. After having spent a quality time with all his dear ones he came back to DNC carrying a sense of joy and contentment.

The feast of “Karam” was celebrated with much delight on 14th and 16th at DNC and at the Pune level consequently. The Fathers and Scholastics of the Central Zone Provinces participated whole heartedly involving the entire community. On 23rd **Fr. Arun Manjit** along with the group left for study tour to the Northern India. Due to sudden changes in the weather, **Schs. Dilip** and **Anish** were down with a mild cold and cough for a few days. Now they keep themselves busy attending the classes and preparing for the semester examination. On 22nd **Sch. Anish** went for a vocation promotion, which was organized at the Pune level in collaboration with fourteen other religious congregations. He had a rich experience of interacting with the boys of different high schools of Pune. *Sch. Anish Hansdak, sj.*

JRS-SA DELHI (Dindigul)

In the month of July I made a couple of visits to Chennai to have a discussions with the LISSTAR on-going research programme and visit Afghan students at Loyola college and Madras School Social Work college. From July 21-30, and August 3-6, Sr. Roslin CIC, the finance officer of JRS-TN and I, participated Tally Class organised by Madurai Province at Loyola College, Chennai. We had cluster level teachers Training and peace building workshop for our CEC staffs and youth leadership programme for Srilankan refugees. On 26th from Beschi community, we made a pilgrimage to Anumantharayan kottai, St. Ignatius Church as part of our novena prayer and pilgrimage ended with a mass.

August 27 we had advisory council meeting at JRS-TN country office, Dindigul to discuss over the current situation of JRS-TN project and what are the steps needed to be taken to strength the JRS work at Tamil Nadu. I made a couple of visits to our LSE training centre at Mullaikudi, to supervise ongoing renovation work.

On 7th September I gave recollection to Beschi Campus fathers and brothers. In the end of September along with my finance team I participated at the Zonal level review meeting in different place to assess the progress of the project activities. On 29th I made a quick visit to home to be with my ailing parents. I spent two days at home. At present I am busy with preparing six months consolidated audit report. *Fr. Jeyakumar, sj*

KERALA, VIDYA NIKETAN JUNIARATE

A lot of rebuilding took place in the aftermath of the floods in Kerala. Some of us took part in helping the victims around, especially in the Novitiate at Aluva. It was an opportunity to render our little contribution to the needy and to spread the love of Jesus.

We began our 1st term examination on September 17th and ended on 24th. It was the time to know our strength and weaknesses, and to march towards magis.

Soon after the exam all of us departed for the Cultural Tour to the central Kerala from 25th to 27th September. **Fr Williams** the Dean and **Fr. Antony** guided us on those days. The tour strengthened our companionship in the Society.

FROM OVERSEAS

CAMBODIA

The month of September brought full of excitement, happiness and the entire month had a series of events. Here I observe that every week, we have so much sharing and evaluation of our mission, which help us so much to cherish and plan out for our service. In one of the provinces **Bishop Oliver** organized 3 days vocation camp for those who are in standard 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th. It was for both girls and boys. It was amazing to see over 380 students from various provinces (States) participated in this vocation camp. It is held every year. In this camp the priests, brothers and nuns from different congregations come and share their vocation story and introduce to them about their congregation and invite them to join them. We three scholastics too got opportunity to share with them representing Jesuits. This camp really helps young boys and girls to discern about their vocation in following Christ. Overall I was happy and I recalled my own vocation story, how God called me. On 15th of September along with my spiritual guide, as a part of monthly recollection, I went to be with the nature. We went to one of the mission stations by cycling about 60 kms. It was a good experience for me to see around in the rainy season the green paddy fields, all around green, people fishing, and some areas flooded. Truly nature heals. Long awaited good news, I got from **Fr. Indon** the delegate of Korea Provincial. He officially announced my appointment. I was so glad and excited to know the place as I am assigned to be the part of school family in St. Xavier's School Sisophon. I will be teaching Mathematics and do the vocation promotion. I joined my new community on 3rd of October. As part of visitation **Fr. Indon** the delegate of Korea provincial, met me. It was a graceful moment to share with him my life, my vocation and my love for the Society of Jesus. **Fr. General** has extended the term of **Fr. Indon**, for three more years, till 2021. It continues to rain here so the weather is very conducive. I totally depend on your prayerful support; please continue to pray for me, I do assure you all of my prayers and wishes. *Sch. Deepak Lakra,*

FRANCE, PARIS

After a month of language class in Lyon, we are back to Paris. We spent to two weeks of holidays relaxing and going around Paris. On 19th September, we wrote a language placement test in the Institute Catholic Paris for another level of

language classes. On 17th September, Centre Serve reopens for the new academic year 2018-19. We were officially welcomed and introduced to various courses and faculties. On 24th September, we started our classes in Institute Catholic Paris. The scholastics of Central zone provinces gathered in Bios de Vincennes for faith sharing and supper together on 29th September 2018.

Schs. Amit & George, sj

SRI LANKA

I am keeping well. Hope you are fine. The month of September has been a great time for the Tertains in Kandy as we had a thorough reading, reflection and discussions on the Autobiography, the Spiritual Exercises and the Spiritual Diary of St. Ignatius of Loyola by way of our preparation for the long retreat which began on 29th September. Prior to the long retreat we made a pilgrimage to Fatima Shrine in Kandy on 28th September. We had a prayerful vigil from 6.00 p.m. followed by Eucharistic Celebration at 12.00 midnight. Our retreat will end with a pilgrimage and a Eucharistic Celebration at Fatima Shrine on 31st October.

We also had an opportunity to visit and pray at a few more religious places including the Cathedral of the Archdiocese of Colombo and the Basilica of Our Lady of Lanka (National Basilica of Sri Lanka) in Colombo on 9th September. Prof. Anton Meemana, one of the highly qualified catholic scripture scholars of Sri Lanka, was with us on 12th September. He explained to us the overall picture of the religious context of Sri Lanka through the sessions we had with him. Nine Tertains including myself participated in the Vespers cum Benediction which is an annual spiritual celebration in the Jesuit Parish, Deraniyagala which is about 100 kms far from Kandy in the midst of Tea Gardens on 15th September. I felt very glad to meet **James Suresh, SJ** (MDU) who is the parish priest of Deraniyagala Parish. **James** is one of those with whom I was ordained on 8th October 2011 in Madurai, Tamil Nadu. Let us continue keep one another in our prayers as I will specially remember you all during the long retreat. May God bless us! *Leo Saravi, sj*

SOUTH AFRICA

On 10th September I started my journey from Birsa Munda Airport, Ranchi for South Africa. Thank you **Sch. Praveen Vikas Xalxo** for

joining me up to airport. The flight was on time and landed Delhi at 10.15 P.M. I had to wait for the next flight from there to Dubai. I.G. Airport was very fascinating and entertaining, so passing the time was not a problem. I felt happy getting the phone and enquiring about me at midnight by **Fr. Sushil Lakra** in Delhi. Early morning at 4:15 a.m. the flight flew and it took almost four hours to get to Dubai. I had just two hours for checking-in etc and took the next flight at 8.50 a.m. for Cape Town, South Africa. It was a long travelling for 9.50 hrs and reached on time i.e. 4:30 p.m. of South African time. **Frs. Jim McGloin** and **John** were at the airport to receive me. I stayed at Cape Town for a week where **Fr. Mike** and **Jim** the tertian instructors took good care and guided me around to Cape Town darshan. **Fr. Shepherd** who is studying in Cape Town University took me for site seeing. This university is located just at the foot of Table Mountain, one of the very old and known for its excellence in terms of infrastructure and studies. On 17th Sept. left for Stellenbosch, our tertianship place. It is Christian Brother's Spirituality Centre and the Jesuits have hired the facility for three years for the tertianship. The facility and accommodation is exceptionally conducive for the course. Other companions from different provinces joined on 17 and 18th Sept. The Congolish friends had difficulties in getting their visa so they joined us on 22nd Sept. Thus we are 10 of us for this batch of tertianship, our names are as in the photo from Left first row: Philemon Haz, Kevin Nigeriya, Simon Congo, Patrick-Madagascar, Bernard –Burundi; Standing from left: Michael-South Africa, Fidel-Burundi, Cyril-Congo, James Sylbester-Nigeriya, Boloka - Zambia, Ms. Katty she came to lead us into transition of life, Gilbert-Zimbabwe, James McGloin second instructor-Zambia.



On 18th Sept. ceremoniously and solemnly the Tertianship began, **Fr. David Rowan** the Provincial of SA presided the mass and Jesuits of Cape Town joined us. **Fr. Rowan** himself took the session of in-culturation and introduced to variety of wine and we all had a memorable evening.

The tertianship programme is organized well. Every break day and Sundays we have outing for site seeing collectively. On Sunday 23rd Sept. we all were introduced to Nyanga Jesuit parish and had lunch in St. Xavier's Seminary where the rector is a Jesuit. He is a historian and gave excellent history and took us to all the historical places of Cape Town, memorable one. On 28th we visited Stellenbosch University and marveled for its magnificent organization. On 30th Sept. we headed for Cape Point two hrs drive, where the Indian and Atlantic oceans meet, and a big attraction for tourists.

I am having good time and course with my friends. Each and every day programme is planned systematically and meticulously. I am confident of getting the expected grace of tertianship here. I remain grateful to you all for your prayers and wishes. I feel more united with the province and assure you of my prayers. **Fr. Philemon, sj**

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KINDLY REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

FR. EGERTON PERERA, S.J., (SRI) passed away on 30/09/ 2018 in Kandy. (83/52)

Sch. Sanjay Martin Kujur's father, Mr. Silas Kujur passed away on 11/10/2018, (72)

OCTOBER DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

02/1983 John Moore

04/2000 Ian Travers-Ball (Bro. Andrew MC)

05/2010 Angelus Tudu

08/2007 Kevin Cronin

11/1978 Austin Kelly

11/2017 Ken McNamara

12/1995 Joseph Depypere

17/1983 Edward De Meulder

19/2017 Pradeep Shail

20/1991 Louis Defrijn

22/2012 Oswald Summerton

24/1997 A.T.Thomas

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