

இறையரசு மலர்



“அவர் உங்களுக்குச்  
சொல்வதெல்லாம் செய்யுங்கள் யோவான்” 2:5

# DIOCESAN NEWS LETTER VELLORE

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Dear Fathers, Brothers and Sisters,

Month of September reminds us the feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary which is popularly known as Our Lady of Velanganny in Tamil Nadu and Arokya Annai in South India as well. Everyone's birth is a joy of a new arrival to the world also a joy to the family and the society. Yes, indeed it is a gift of God to be cherished and live meaningfully. The birth of the Blessed Virgin Mary too is a gift of God to the whole of humanity through whom the Savior was born and thereby the salvation came to the world. Purity of her heart reflected on her whole life that gives the meaning to her as the Mother of good health. Let us also keep up the purity of our life so that we may enjoy the good health. In this Covid-19 pandemic situation let the Mother of good health intercede for us and bring us good health of mind and body.



On the 5 Sep. we commemorate the memorial of St. Teresa of Kolkata which is the feast of Missionaries of Charity. She is a gift of God to the humanity who through her simple life taught the world the love of God to the orphaned, the abandoned, the marginalized and the least in the society. Let her life be edification to all of us to exhibit the face of God to the people who have lost their face in the society. I take this opportunity to congratulate all the sisters of Missionaries of Charity especially those who are working in our diocese.

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross that we celebrate on 14 Sep. gives us the hope that Christ who died on the Cross will exalt our life when we follow his footsteps. Let us bring a new meaning to the Cross by bearing one another's suffering (shame, humiliation, disappointments, and failures) and sharing our joy and happiness (glory and success) with others. I wish all the sisters of Holy Cross congregation all God's blessings specially those who are working in our diocese.

We all are well aware of the New Education Policy that the Central Government is going to impose on us. The New Education Policy is a saffronized in nature. We have to oppose it. To express our solidarity in opposing this policy Chennai Arch-bishop Most Rev. Dr. George Antonysamy , Madras-Mylapore has sent a circular which is given in this news letter. Kindly follow it.



Regarding priests' monthly recollection I learnt from all the Vicars Forane that they have conducted the recollection for their Vicariate fathers. I do appreciate all our priests especially all the Vicars Forane for their wonderful effort and I ask all the VFs to continue the same for the forthcoming months till further information comes.

I would like to send a special note to the parish priests that kindly help your parish children when they come for any recommendation letter to join in the schools and colleges. Tell the parents to apply early and not to go at the last moment.

At this juncture I would like to remind all the fathers to take care of your health because the Corona virus is going to take its zenith in the forthcoming months. There is already couple of our priests affected by the virus and admitted in the hospital. For your kind information there are no beds available in the CMC for further admission and also the expense is very high. So fathers kindly stay in your presbytery and don't go out unless and otherwise there is any emergency. Stay hale and healthy.

God bless,

Yours in Christ

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