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Greek: The journey of changing  
one's mind, heart, self or way of life



Dear Fr. Agnelo, and Parish Fathers,  
Members of the PPC,  
Daya Sagar Prathana Sangh,  
& all our beloved parishioners,

We, the Sisters of the four religious congregations assigned to pastoral ministry in St. Anthony's parish, Malwani, wish to thank you for the appreciation and love you show us in so many ways throughout the year, but especially on the "World Day for Consecrated Life" every Feb 2nd.

We may have left our homes and families, but we find here in Malwani, a thousand homes and a million families to which we feel blessed to belong.

We assure you of our prayer and willingness to serve at all times

**Thank you once again for the special celebration "2020"**

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THEME FOR THE NEXT ISSUE:

**Health is Wealth**

*(Holistic Health in the time of Covid-19!)*



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## FROM THE DESK of our Parish Priest

Fr. Agnelo Fernandes

*Dear Friends,*

When the Editorial Board selected "**METANOIA**" (the Greek word for "repent") as the theme for this issue of our parish bulletin, we had the liturgical season of Lent in mind - a time when the Church calls us to **Repent and believe the Good News (Mk. 1,15)**.

Little did we realise the stark reality behind the theme which we would soon have to face!

We began with our parish activities, the most important being Confirmation Day, when Bishop Dominic Savio Fernandes laid his hands on 110 young confirmands after eight months of preparation and sent them forth, like the first Apostles at Pentecost.

Next, the training session for Animators focussed on the importance of "Clusters", which our SCCs have taken very seriously this year. In fact, the section "Clusters Ahoy" highlights many ways in which you have worked together, so that *no one should be in want (Acts 4, 34)*. Congratulations, also, on your much appreciated "Outreach" to your home-helpers.

The Bible Cell and Women's Cell organised their annual *Bible Quiz and Women's Day* functions, which were well attended. We also arranged a picnic for all those who helped to make **Parish Day 2019** such a unique and splendid occasion.

On 23rd Feb. we rejoiced with members of our Parish Bombay Catholic Sabha (BCS) unit who received the **BCS Star Unit award** in the Borivali Deanery. **CONGRATULATIONS!**

And, then, the Corona Virus rumblings grew louder, and, on 25th March, a tiny, invisible particle invaded our country, turned it topsy-turvy overnight, and forced us to experience the deeper meaning of **METANOIA**, especially with respect to the environment.

**METANOIA** does not simply mean sorrow for sin. It means literally to turn around and go in the opposite direction, to **make a 180 - degree turn in our lives**, if the direction in which we are traveling leads us away from God. And, after changing our direction (*i.e. Reforming our lives*) we must move from darkness to light, from slavery to freedom, from death to life (*i.e. Believe in the Gospel*).

"**Repent and believe the Good News**" involves two calls. **Repent** - a call to enter into communion with God. **Believe the Good News** - accept the Word of God with joy, treasure it, ponder over it, and put it into practice, with complete faith and trust in God

What is the Lord trying to tell us in these testing times when the whole world is reeling under the dreaded Covid 19? Much of the world is under **LOCKDOWN**. Certainly it is a time to:

**L** - isten to God's voice and reflect

**O** - bey his word and his teachings

**C** - all on Jesus' name and be calmed

**K** - now what is the purpose of all this

**D** - well in his presence. Do not panic.

**O** - ffer a prayer for everyone's safety

**W** - ait and be patient; this too shall pass

**N** - uture your personal relationship with God

**MAY THIS TIME OF COVID 19 BE A TIME OF TRUE METANOIA!**

# ..... CELEBRATING *Saints* .....



## *St. Catherine of Siena*

Feast day: April 29

**Patron Saint against fire, bodily ills, miscarriages and temptations**

Born in 1347 in Siena into a large family, St. Catherine from a young age refused worldly pleasures and committed her life completely to God. Motivated by a vision at the age of 16, she entered the Third Order of the Dominicans and dedicated herself to prayer, penance and works of charity. A mystic, she often encountered Christ and was guided by Him through divine visions. Courageous, she played a significant role in ending the Avignon papacy and convinced Pope Gregory XI to return back to Rome. Like her beloved Bridegroom, she underwent tremendous suffering and died at the age of thirty-three. Canonized in 1461, she is also the Doctor of the Church.

*Be who God meant you to be  
and you will set the world on fire*



## *St. Philip Neri*

Feast Day: May 26

**Patron Saint of religious, laughter, humour and joy**

St. Philip Neri was born in Florence in 1515 and was educated by the Dominicans. He experienced conversion at the age of 18 and left for Rome where he began to work with the poor and the young among whom he fostered Christian life and re-evangelized them. Ordained to the priesthood in 1551, he founded the Congregation of the Oratory where spiritual reading, singing, and works of charity were practiced. He excelled in love of neighbour and in evangelical simplicity along with a joyous service to God. His life was centred on his complete surrender to God, praying 'Lord, don't trust Philip!' He died at the age of 80; much loved and respected, he is still known as the 'Apostle of Rome'.

*The Lord grants in a moment  
what we may have been unable  
to obtain in dozen of years*



## *St. John the Baptist*

Feast Day: June 24

**Patron Saint of new-borns, sick, nurses, printers, converts and hailstorms**

St. John the Baptist is mentioned in all the four canonical Gospels with a detailed account in the Gospel of Luke. John was a cousin and contemporary of Jesus. He was born through Divine Providence to Zechariah and Elizabeth in their old age. John began his public ministry around 30 AD, after living an ascetic life in the desert. He is best known for preaching, preparing the way and baptizing Christ around the river Jordan. He called Jesus the 'Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world'. John's popularity alarmed King Herod who had John arrested as the Baptist had earlier condemned the King's scandalous marriage to his brother's wife. A victim of vengeance, persuaded by his stepdaughter's wish at his birthday party, Herod reluctantly had the Baptist beheaded.

*He must increase,  
I must decrease*

# COMMUNITY *Collaboration*

## Clusters Ahoy



### **“Our Lady of Mount Carmel” community** *Retrieving Unity through each ‘Station’*

The Clusters of our community organised the *Way of the Cross* in a unique way this year. Each cluster invited the whole community to walk with them from one home to another, where one or two stations were reflected on, depending on the number of families in the cluster. We warmly welcomed our new addition of “Takshashila Co-op Hsg Society” into this devout activity.

Our *Way of the Cross* thus spanned across all homes of the members in our community. As we followed the cross-and-candle bearers up and down staircases, balcony corridors and even roads, singing the Lenten hymns, we truly felt we were with the Lord on the way to Calvary.

This 'personal touch' had a unifying effect, binding us together as community with an even greater fondness for each other.

- Zenaida Gracias, member



### **Our Lady of Fatima Community -** **Rathodi, Zone 4**

On 10th Feb. we had a get-together for two of our Clusters - a total of 16 members with a few animators. We had a game of Housie, followed by refreshments, and ended with music and dance. Everyone was happy and felt that we should have more such functions for all Clusters.

- Luiza Hendricks, Co-ordinator



### **Nativity of Our Lady Community** *A Glimpse into the life of Pope Francis*

On 15th February, one of the six Clusters of our community met to view a documentary on the life of Pope Francis. We learned so much about our generous and humble Pope. He truly is an inspiration for us all. An inter-active session followed, snacks and coffee were served, and the evening ended with prayer. It was a very enriching experience. We thank Anita D'Souza,



our co-ordinator, the Sacred Heart sisters, and Mr Rao for facilitating this fellowship meet.

- Christine Monteiro, member





## Highlights of Marian Community, Zone VIII



### Cluster 1: 13th March: Way of the Cross at Rose Building:

All eight families participated actively, with sixteen members singing and leading at least one station each. The eldest and youngest carried the crucifix and candles, while the enthusiastic children excitedly joined in.

*Philomena Fernandes*

### Clusters 2 & 3: Way of the Cross at different locations followed by varying activities:

- **28th February:** Siddhivinayak Garden CHS premises, with 13 members present.
- **6th March:** followed by a talk on the "Corona Virus" by Mr. Stanley Fernandes; eleven members appreciated this interaction.
- **13th March,** followed by a discussion on the "Way of the Cross" by Mr. John Coutinho; at which the eleven members present, (both young and not so young) enjoyed the discussion.



We look forward to more members from our clusters participating, and thank our Coordinator, Mrs. Renita Menezes, for encouraging us.

*Alvina D'cruz & Tracyann Fernandes*



**Clusters 4 & 5 made International Women's day 2020** a meaningful and memorable one, by felicitating our own home helpers with gifts from cash sacrificed during Lent. Their joy and gratitude overwhelmed us; they couldn't believe that we thought of them! The joy of giving little gifts that matter to someone!!

*Renita Menezes*

## Our Lady of the Sea, Zone 2

### *Communitarian spirit renewed*

Our Community met to reverently pray the Way of the Cross every Thursday in Lent at 6.00 pm. We covered 7 destinations within the community, reflecting on two stations at each place. The solemn atmosphere reminded us of the stations on Jesus' first journey carrying the Cross that ultimately brought us redemption. The service helped deepen communitarian spirit within us

**- Juliana D'souza, Coordinator**



## St Anne's Community

### *Children Lead the Lenten Way*

This Lent, the children began practising before Ash Wednesday so that they could take turns with the adults in conducting the Stations of the Cross in the homes of our community every alternate Friday.

A two-day training session was conducted, explaining the meaning of Lent in simple terms, encouraging them to enter into moments of the life of Jesus, to be better Christians, to pray, not only for themselves, but for others too, and preparing each child to read a special prayer as they led the service. Thus all gained confidence to participate.

Two stations were prayed in each home. The experience was spiritually uplifting, nourishing our faith and helping reflection on our inner side. The most touching part was to see the children and families waiting eagerly for the next week's Stations of the Cross.

Lent is a new beginning leading to the certain goal of Easter. It is also a season for deepening our Spiritual life through the means of "PRAYER, FASTING, ALMSGIVING and REFLECTION". And no better way to deepen our faith than by rejoicing in the victory over death by "CHRIST Our King".

**- Gwen, Vanessa, Diana, Athena, Joyce, Nisha and Warren - Animators**



## Our Lady of Velankani – Zone 2

### *Station of the cross*

Every family in our community actively participated in the Stations of the Cross conducted every Sunday during the season of Lent.

**- Maria Fernandes, Coordinator**







## St. Joseph's Community, Marve Village, Zone

### 1 - *In the footsteps of our Ancestors*

For over 25 years the people of Marve Village have ensured that the tradition of the Stations of the Cross on all Sundays of Lent, upto Palm Sunday, has been maintained, unbroken.

We stop at every grotto and cross in both the lanes of the village, remembering the 14 times Jesus stopped on the road to Calvary. At the end, we pray for various intentions and for the community.

Our Coordinator and animators play an important role of bringing the community

together when they organise this walk year after year. We are grateful to our ancestors for this initiative and thank all our animators, past and present, for carrying on this sacred Lenten tradition.

- **Malrina Ferreira, Animator**



## St. Francis Xavier Community, Kharodi

### *Clusters organize Stations of the Cross*

Since our destination during Lent is the foot of the Cross, we organised the Stations of the Cross at different Crosses every Monday evening at 8.00 pm.

We began on 2nd March at the Cross near 1 No. bus stop, between two shops on Marve Road. In the midst of disturbance and distraction, the Spirit leading us, we prayed and sang prayerfully. It was a delight to have mums with tiny tots and a few unexpected members join us.

In the 2nd week, 9th March, we met at Moonlight Apartment behind Sagar Restaurant. The children recited the Stations, while everyone attentively participated in the prayers and hymns.

The third week, 16th March, was at Alitalao Road, although there were fewer people because of the sad demise of one of our community members, Mrs. Meena J. Rosario. One hour before the Stations,



we recited the Rosary in the departed member's cluster, praying for her and the family.

Generally, we prayed for different intentions every week and sang hymns in Marathi and English consecutively. We felt we were walking the Stations alongside with Jesus.

I thank my animators and pray that God bless them and our community members for their constant, whole-hearted support. May we experience CONVERSION in our lives, not only during Lent, but Always!

- **Ophelia Godfrey Patel, Coordinator**

## Divine Mercy Community, Kharodi Village, Zone 5

### *"Projecting the Stations of the Cross"*

This year, for the first time, we conducted the Stations of the Cross near the St. Anthony's Grotto at Kharodi Village, using a projector and screen, so that we could focus on each station. Our Co-





ordinator, Ms. Benita Anthony Patel, and her amazing team worked hard to ensure that there would be no hitch in the technology. A generous member from our community sponsored the projector and screen; one animator was in charge of the projection, while the prayers and hymns were led in Marathi by another senior animator to ensure maximum participation. Other members helped in arranging the chairs and benches for the sick and elderly.



The response was very positive especially from our senior members as they could attend the Way of the Cross peacefully. This service strengthened everyone spiritually, helping to make Lent prayerful.

- Jake J. Gonsalves, member

## Divine Mercy Community, Zone 7

### *"Walking the Stations of the Cross"*

During Lent we walked the 'Stations of the Cross' in our society complex, at 8.00 pm every Sunday, reflecting on the insults, moments of support, and intense suffering Jesus endured for our salvation. 'Walking the Stations' provides a devotional path of reflection and repentance, creatively adapted as a form of spiritual pilgrimage which brings the community closer together.



Each station is recited at a building and Lenten hymns are sung as we walk between buildings.

As we process, our sisters and brothers of other faiths always maintain silence as a mark of respect.

- Rochelle Fernandes, member



## Holy Spirit Community, Bafhira Nagar - Zone 7

### *Unifying Moments on the Way of the Cross*

At our core group meeting, we, the animators, decided to pray the Way of the Cross on Mondays at each of the four Housing Societies in our community, with a repeat at the first one in the fifth week. Accordingly, the dates, times and venues were fixed, and all families informed with a handout well in advance and a reminder on the proper day. The animators in each Society were responsible for arranging the setup with reverence, and choosing appropriate, meaningful hymns.

This year we prayed for various intentions - Vocations, Life, Children, and the Sick - during the Stations of the Cross. We also displayed posters of each Station to focus attention. Around 15-20 people of varying ages attended.

Some animators prayed the Stations of the Cross with home-bound members of our community.

- Annie Lemos, Coordinator

# Other Events

## Community of Our Lady of Mt Carmel

### *Fat Sunday, just got Better!*

The tiny yet amiable community of Our Lady of Mount Carmel celebrated 'Introz' - the Sunday before Ash Wednesday - by uniting for a small 'Pound Party'. Each family spiced up the event, with a special, home -cooked meal, drizzled with love. The night was made more special, by our Spiritual Director, Sr. Daphne, delivering a few words of spiritual wisdom.

This event marked a perfect beginning to our Lenten journey of prayer, penance and almsgiving.



*Zeenaida Gracias, Member*

## Our Lady of Fatima Community, Rathodi

### *OUTREACH to Domestic Helpers*

In January, twenty-five of our members held a celebratory get-together for the domestic helpers of our community. It was our way of reaching-out, which surprised, even as it delighted our helpers and touched them deeply.



*Luiza Hendricks, Coordinator*

## Divine Mercy Community, Kharodi - Zone 5

### *Women's Day Felicitation*

On the occasion of International Women's Day, Sunday, March 8th, 2020, the youth and children of our community visited all the women in our community, as well as those who have recently been relocated to 'Royal Nest Apartment', Bhoomi Park, due to the recent road-widening project. They presented each one with a rose as a token of love and appreciation.



This beautiful gesture surprised everyone and was much appreciated. The youth and children were welcomed, offered refreshments, and encouraged to continue such initiatives for our community.

*Astrid J. Gonsalves*



## Holy Family Community - Zone VII

### *Feast Day Celebration (Sunday 19th January)*

We started our celebration with the Eucharist at 6.30 pm in the Infant Jesus Chapel, thanking God and asking for continued showers of love and grace to help us fulfil our parish mission.

Around 40 members then joined as one family to spread cheer and a spirit of bonhomie at the get-together which followed. A brief prayer, hymn and welcome speech by the youth set the mood, followed by two hours of sheer entertainment which included items by children, youth and adults in different languages. We wound up the lovely evening with delicious home-cooked dinner and an eagerness to meet again soon.

A big 'THANK YOU' to our coordinator, Jane Pereira, and her team of efficient animators, who helped organise this memorable evening. God bless all the SCCs of our vibrant parish.

*Bibiana Fernandes, Member*





# METANOIA

## **METANOIA...SOUNDS SCARY?**

*Metanoia* is a heavy word. It has a medical ring to it. Perhaps a heavy metal punk band. Even a fancy word emblazoned in funky letters on a Tee. Alas, NO!

It is a word with a wealth of meaning. With a Greek etymology, it denotes “change of mind.” A change in one’s life resulting from a spiritual conversion. *Metanoia* is more lasting than a momentary epiphany, more active than an intellectual revelation. *Metanoia* is a sweeping change of heart, compelling an in-depth radical change. It is a prayer answered, but it necessitates going beyond.

It has an impending effect: To change, to see with a new vision. It has the potential to fire the imagination, energize the visionary and even perhaps, change the world!

Stop for a moment to review a miniscule percentage of the power of *Metanoia* –it could be refraining from being the wild one during Lent. Perhaps abstaining from chocolates, alcohol or wild partying. On a deeper level, radical *Metanoia* from the likes of St. Paul - Saul’s conversion to Paul - from a persecutor of Christians to one of the greatest believers who ever lived. Or perhaps, St. Augustine for a life-altering change- his conversion from a former life of loose living, which included parties, entertainment, and worldly ambitions to a complete turnaround and conversion to becoming one of the greatest scholars of the church.

Change can be exceedingly challenging; it is both possible and not so possible! Haven’t we read the story of the disciples on the road to Emmaus, who experienced *Metanoia* in the disguised presence of the Risen Lord? Yes, we can identify with that incident. We have all experienced those moments when our hearts burned within us, infused with the possibility and the consuming desire to be more. To reach beyond ourselves!

Let us look at what *Metanoia* could imply in the present times. The coronavirus pandemic is scary to say the least! It has treated everyone - monarchs, ministers and the common man with equality. No discrimination! Amidst this mayhem, many of us have turned positively to make a



difference in our own lives and the world around us. This for me is *Metanoia*. A conversion. A change.

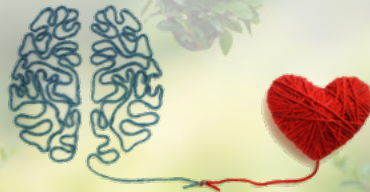
- To rediscover the importance of prayer in our personal and family lives. To start the revival in our homes. No audience. No technology involved....It is just you seeking the Lord and making the family the core of our lives.
- To thank God for his numerous blessings. Said a 93 year old Grandpa, recovering from the virus: "I don't cry because of the money I have to pay to use a ventilator in a hospital for one day. I cry because I have been breathing God's air for 93 years, and I never paid for it. I did not thank God even once for that before."
- To start believing in a Creator. To take time to listen to Mother Earth and all her creatures. To stop polluting the earth. To stop quarrelling with each other. To start loving our neighbours and making them feel that they exist next door. To listen to our soul.

All these positive changes will bring about *Metanoia* in our own lives and in the world around!

As Christos Yannaras, in his learned 'Variations on the Song of Songs' writes: "To share out your soul freely, that is what *Metanoia* (a change of mind, or repentance) really refers to: a mental product of love. A change of mind and heart."

Indeed, the Lord awakens us ...so as to reawaken and revive our Easter faith!

Rudyard Gomes,  
Our Lady of Fatima Community, Rathodi



## 2020 - A year of “Environment” Anniversaries And counting ...



April 22nd, 2020, marked the 50th anniversary of *Earth Day*, celebrated globally with festivities in over 200 countries. The theme was “Climate Action” and Pope Francis reminded us that “we have failed to care for the earth, our garden home” ... “And how does the earth react?” “There is a Spanish saying which is very clear”, he went on, ‘*God forgives always; we humans forgive sometimes; the earth never forgives.*’ The earth never forgives. If we have despoiled the earth, the response will be very bad”.

May 24th, 2020 occasions the 5th anniversary of “*Laudato Si*”, Pope Francis’ encyclical on *Care of our Common Home*. In a video release the Holy Father invited the whole Church to celebrate “*Laudato Si*” week from May 16th - 24th, with the theme, “Everything is Connected”. “It is a global campaign on the occasion of the fifth anniversary of *Laudato Si*”, the Pope said, “and I renew my urgent call to respond to the ecological crisis; the cry of the Earth and the cry of the poor cannot continue. Let’s take care of creation, a gift of our good Creator, God. Let’s celebrate “*Laudato Si*” Week together. May God bless you and do not forget to pray for me.”

The “*Laudato Si*” anniversary coincides with two other significant environmental events which may now have to be postponed. November 2020 (during the 26th United Nations climate change conference) is the deadline for countries to announce their plans to meet the goals of the *Paris Climate Agreement*, 2015, when they agreed to decrease their carbon emissions and limit temperature increase to 1.5 Celsius; and, in October 2020, the 15th UN *Biodiversity Convention*.

In our Archdiocese, September 1st, 2020, will herald the 2nd anniversary of the “*Green Diocese*” Initiative launched by Cardinal Gracias, with the formation of the Archdiocesan Office for the Environment (AOE). And, in our parish, over the last year, “*Waste Management*” awareness programmes have been organised by the BCS and some Housing Societies, and our parish bulletin has concentrated on Environmental themes. But, we still have a long way to go.

Finally, on June 5th, 2020, the 46th *World Environment Day* (WED) is to be celebrated in Columbia; with the theme *Biodiversity*. India has hosted the WED twice - in 2011, with the theme: “*Forests - Nature at your service*”, and, again, in 2018, with the theme: “*Beat Plastic Pollution*”, when we pledged to ban single-use plastic by 2022. Today, in 2020, half-way through our allotted time-frame, we have not made much progress, in spite of reminders, strict supervision, and imposition of fines. The cry of *Mother Earth* does not seem to touch our hearts.

**What If We Humans Are Virus To This Earth And Corona Is The Vaccine?**

At the start of this year, we visualised 2020 as the Year of *Perfect Vision*, but, in just three months, Covid 19 and the global LOCKDOWN have forced us to take another hard look ...back to the Spanish ‘*Flu* epidemic a century ago. How will 2020 be remembered a century from now?

Sr. Daphne, rscj



**Special Event**  
**Confirmation Day at St. Anthony Church**  
**Friday, February 21st, 2020**



**The most Awaited, Blessed Day in the lives of 110 Confirmands finally arrived!**

Were we prepared? Yes, we were, or so we animators thought, as the entire ceremony had been thoroughly rehearsed the evening before,. But, our hearts were still beating fast when the actual Confirmation began at 7 pm. His Grace, Bishop Dominic Savio Fernandes, concelebrated the Mass with our Confirmation Director, Fr Vinay Kamath. The young confirmands, draped in white capes emblazoned with a red cross, assembled with their parents and animators, ready to enter the Church in a glorious march towards the Altar.



And, from then onwards, everything was so beautiful and smooth-sailing!

The theme of the Mass was - **“Life in its Fulness”**- and the church was beautifully decorated with banners of the fruits of the Holy Spirit - Love, Joy, Peace, Patience, Kindness, Goodness, Generosity, Gentleness, Faithfulness, Modesty, Self Control and Chastity displayed all around.

It was a sight to behold! Not just the physical appearance of enthusiastic, young adults, but their being spiritually united with the Holy Spirit - an experience which we hope they will always remember as the most significant event in their lives.

The homily by Bishop Domnic Savio Fernandes stressed that the Sacrament of Confirmation is a special outpouring of the Holy Spirit like the one granted to the apostles on the day of Pentecost, strengthening each confirmand to witness to Christ as they journey through the phases of life.

His Grace, smilingly and lovingly anointed and confirmed each one by name, as they were presented by their animators, saying "Be sealed with the Holy Spirit" and "Peace be with you", with an earnest prayer that they would pass on what they had received to the next generation.



The lectors read superbly and Psalm 91 was sung beautifully too; the highlight was the Choir, led by Candida Lobo - voices blending in harmony and resounding throughout the church.

The atmosphere was mystical; the presence of the Holy Spirit very evident.

As our confirmands step out on life's journey, we pray that the Spirit guides their every step.

**Santosh GK Minz, Animator**

## Appreciation

(Cwen Fernandes, on behalf of the Chapel Batch)



*I look back and wonder about how we started and where we have reached now.*

*We were challenged to become the 'best version of ourselves' - all of us will always remember that, and apply it now as well as in the years ahead.*

*In our OUTREACH, we met people less fortunate, who touched our hearts and made us ashamed of how we complain when we have so much to thank for.*

*Deep inside us we know that all our activities were not just for 'completing hours' but to help us come closer to Abba Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit.*

*I learned to face my fears and lay them in the hands of the Lord, how to be true to my 'Inner Self' at all times, and so be blessed.*

*Thank you to each of our Animators - and Fr. Vinay - who accompanied us. You were always there for us, and we are very grateful*

### Appreciation by a Parent

As a parent of one of the confirmands of the "2019-2020" batch, I write in appreciation of all that our children received from their excellent faculty<sup>(\*\*)</sup> under the able leadership of Fr. Vinay Kamath, during the eight-month preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation.

The 110 confirmands (55 each from the Church and Chapel batches) were divided into groups of about 10 -12, with a mentor, who personally supervised their work, visited the homes, and, generally, accompanied them, ensuring 100% involvement.. The classroom sessions were interactive, and the confirmands well-motivated and spiritually-attuned.

Their many activities included attendance at the Shalom Youth prayer group, Crib-making in both Church and Chapel, Outreach through food distribution with Sr. Martha or visits to orphanages, and a residential retreat at Karjat or Vinalaya, which, literally, changed lives.

**(\*\*) Faculty: Church: Bro. Anish, Fiona and Alvito Pereira, Lancy Dmello.**

**Chapel: Srs. Daphne and Manisha, Savie and Santosh Minz, Savio Nunes**

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## Appreciation

*(Shaun Pereira, on behalf of the “Church” Batch)*



*I remember our first day as young, unassuming teenagers on the brink of adulthood, completely oblivious of what confirmation was, or what “being confirmed” would feel like.*

*Slowly, we learned that ‘Confirmation’ marked our entry into maturity and adulthood in the community of the Catholic Church, being ‘sent forth’ on a mission of love and service to our world today, just as the apostles were at the first Pentecost.*

*Time flew by faster than we imagined and today I thank our Animators in the Church batch, and Fr. Vinay, for making an indelible impact on our lives.*

*And to everyone who worked tirelessly behind the curtains, ‘Thank You’ for making our journey a memorable and meaningful one.*



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On Jan 5th the Family Cell organised a well-received programme, conducted by Deacon Jaime and his wife Ligia, to help develop better communication between confirmands and parents.

As D-day approached, Fr. Vinay and team organised every detail, from beautiful capes and an official photographer, to well-trained lectors and melodious choir, perfect seating arrangements and thorough rehearsal of Mass and entrance procession for both parents and confirmands, lending to decorum on Feb. 11th, when Bishop Dominic Savio finally laid his hands on each one.

On behalf of all the parents, I would like to thank Fr. Vinay, and the entire team for preparing our children for their Confirmation Day and for life ahead. God Bless each one.

***Shaila Fernandez, Parent***



## HEART-SONGS

**The Feast of the Sacred Heart**, celebrated in June each year, calls us to stop our frenetic “business” for a while, to turn on the “silent” mode of our beings in order to awaken precious faculties / “channels” within us that were hitherto unknown or unexplored. This Feast invites us to direct the inner “listening” ear of our aching hearts to pick up Jesus’ Heartbeats of Love expressed through soothing, strengthening Heart-Songs composed uniquely for each one of us when we seek to make **His Heart our Home**.

I tend to think that God “customizes” His mode of communication to suit each one’s personality, temperament, needs and longings. How He connects to a scientist would be different with a playful child; His messages to a tiller of the soil would be different from those addressed to a devoted housewife, an artist, or the CEO of a firm. Hence, to connect to the music / song played by Jesus in our hearts 24x7 we need special “ear-phones”. In the context of Jesus’ values, the 2 **essential** ones through which **we can unblock the “ears” of the heart**, to be attuned to the Jesus channel within, are His basic commands: “Love one another as I have loved you” AND “Forgive seventy times seven...” Without employing these 2 earphones in our lives, Jesus’ Heart-Songs would fall on deaf ears!

These short Heart-Songs are like *Love-SMSes* for every person for every season. Here are some appealing ones that can transform the cacophony in our hearts to sweet, Divine Symphony!

*“I have called you my friends...”* (Jn. 15:15)

*“Come to Me all you who are burdened, and I will give you rest.”* (Mt. 11:28)

*“Do not be afraid; I have called you by your name, you are mine.”* (Isaiah 43:1)

*“I will never forget you; see I have carved you on the palm of my hand.”* (Isaiah 49:15-16)

*“Peace is what I leave with you; my own peace I give to you; do not be worried and upset.”* (Jn. 14:27)

*“I have told you this so that my joy may be in you and your joy be complete.”* (Jn.15:11)

*“I LOVE YOU just as the Father loves me; REMAIN IN MY LOVE.”* (Jn. 15:9)

**May the Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus peal bells of Hope, Joy, Peace, Love in every heart, in every home!**

**Sr. Manisha Gonsalves, rscj**



## Bible Quiz at St. Anthony's, Malwani | 23rd February, 2020

For the first time this year the Bible Cell organised the annual Bible Quiz primarily for couples of the parish. The topic was the book of *Exodus* and one could sense the excitement as participants and audience began to fill the 'Annexe'. The Bible Cell members, dressed in black and white, calmly managed their allotted jobs with poise and confidence.

As per tradition, the Enthronement of the Bible was followed by an opening prayer. Compering the event was Ms Yucca Gomes, who gelled perfectly with Ms. Ludovica Quadros as the quiz coordinator. Technical support by Richard Lasrado, timekeeping by Anna D'Souza, scoreboard accuracy by Minino and Evelyn, and hospitality by Myra, Magdalin and Martina ensured that the event moved flawlessly. Not forgetting our Bible Cell Coordinator, Mrs. Malrina Ferreira, who spear-headed the event, and our Spiritual Director, Fr. Vinay Kamath, whose support



and blessings we are always sure of. And, yes, every Bible cell member worked to make this event a success.

Seven zones participated, each team consisting of 3 couples, or 6 adults. There were 7 well-planned rounds of innovative questioning and the teams participated honourably. The audience round of ten questions, conducted by Nisha Drego, thrilled the audience. The evening ended with Malrina thanking everyone, and Nisha's closing prayer. Truly, a spiritual and educational experience for all!

The winners were: 1<sup>st</sup> place: Zone 8; 2<sup>nd</sup> place: Zone 2; 3<sup>rd</sup> place: Zones 1 & 4

- Nisha and Warren Drego

## ..... TESTIMONY ..... My love for the Bible

*At the Bible Quiz, 14-year old Sharon Dias kept responding enthusiastically to each question, even though she did not belong to any team. When questioned, she explained as follows:*

At a very young age, I was deeply rooted by my family in the Word of God. I started reading the Kid's Bible when I was 6 years old and, at 8, began learning a few psalms and scripture passages. I feel I was led to Jesus by Divine intervention like the shepherds in Luke 2, 20.

In 2014, our Church Vacation Bible Joy (VBj) introduced us to Hebrews 4:12 - *The word of God is living and active, sharper than any two-edged sword, piercing to the division of soul and of spirit, of joints and marrow, and discerning the thoughts and intentions of the heart.*

At that moment the text touched me deeply and I even put it up on the door of our house where it's been for the last five years.

I use the Scriptures as a weapon in difficult moments. Especially when I opted for French with no possibility of classes, as if by a miracle, I was sent the best tuitions, and today French has become a blessing in my life.

I always remember these words: *You grow when the Word of GOD means more to you than the word of people! Therefore, do not permit anyone to stop you from going where you are supposed to be in Christ Jesus!*

I conclude with 2 Timothy 3:16-17, which shows the importance of God's Word. *All Scripture is inspired by God and teaches us what is true and wrong in our lives; it straightens us out and helps us do what is right. It is God's way of making us well prepared at every point, fully equipped to do good to everyone.*

Sharon Dias, (Std. IX), Sacred Heart Community

## "Women's Day" at St. Anthony's, Malwani | *Rejuvenating* 8th March 2020

A woman's worth cannot be described by words, nor can it be measured by her many hidden sacrifices! We are blessed to have some important women in our lives as mother, sister, daughter, teacher, mentor and friend.

International "Women's Day" gives every woman time to realise and celebrate *Being A Woman*.

The Women's Cell of St. Anthony's Church, Malwani, led by our dynamic leader, Ms. Irene Rodricks, acknowledged the women in our parish by organising an evening of fun, dance, and frolic on Sunday March 8th, International "Women's Day". Fr. Michael, our Spiritual Director, Frs. Agnelo and Vinay, and Srs. Manisha and Reethamma graced the occasion with their presence and inspiring messages.

We were also privileged to have Ms. Veera Davies, Deanery Coordinator of the Women's Cell address us. Our compere, Ms. Luiza Hendricks, kept us going, from the Grand March-Past entry of all participants into the venue, right through the evening, with skill and humour.

The dance performances by several women, irrespective of age, were spectacular, putting Bollywood in the shade!

Kudos to the well-organized celebration especially to those behind the scenes!

**- Maria Hickey, member "Women's Cell"**





## Animators' Training, Guest Speaker: Mr. Adrian Rosario | 16th February, 2020

A training programme for Animators was organised on 16th February 2020, at which the guest speaker was Mr. Adrian Rosario, a member of Bishop Barthol's group of SCC trainers for the Archdiocese. He spoke on the importance of reaching out to families and individuals in our communities, so that, in the spirit of the first Christians, *No one should be in want (Acts 4:34)*.

It was a lively and interesting morning as the speaker brought a wealth of knowledge and personal experience, from having worked in various parishes over the years. The startling examples he gave helped us understand the importance of reaching out to the loneliest and poorest in our communities. Since we are already concentrating on "Clusters" this year, the input stimulated us to strengthen our efforts.

Each animator was also asked to identify two of the neediest members in their clusters and two members who could always be relied upon to help in moments of distress. This was to help towards a good start in our communities after the training session was done.

The discussion brought in many ideas from Adrian's end and also from the other small groups. The insights complemented those of our earlier speakers, Bp. Barthol and Ms. Vanessa Essaki, and we have started implementing them, emphasising more on the families in our clusters.

***"Do the best you can, with what you have, where you are".*** This is the quote we carry away from the training by speaker Adrian, and this is what we are trying to implement in our clusters.



- Agatha Baptista (Animator); Glenda Rebello (Assistant Cordinator)  
Our Lady of Mount Carmel Community, Zone 4, Rathodi

## GETTING “ENVIRONMENT” FRIENDLY! | *Children's Council*

We, the Children’s Council, met on 29th February 2020, to discuss “The Environmental Crisis”. At the start, we shared our common experiences of global warming and the ill-effects of pollution, which make us aware of the crisis, and realised that one of the reasons for this crisis was the cutting down of trees.

I, Celeste, with friends, Tia, Carissa, and Assumption, then shared our study about the great worth of trees, emphasising the seven basic uses of trees and how necessary it is to save trees.

Everyone appreciated our poster presentation of the many new facts we had picked up, and realised that saving trees is the need of the hour. We decided on very small, concrete steps that we, children, can take to save our environment, like using the back of a bus ticket or small bits of paper to write a few words instead of wasting a whole page. Or if we have used a whole page then we may have the back of it clean to write something more! We realise that, for paper to be “born”, a tree must die!

In the second part of our session, Sr. Daphne spoke on “Carbon Footprints”, using simple examples to show how the carbon dioxide and other gases released into the atmosphere by our daily activities trap the radiant heat of the sun and cause global warming in the absence of trees. She explained how important it is to decrease our “carbon footprints”, and suggested ways to do so. We realize it’s all in our hands how we want our planet Earth to look!



We thank the parents who sponsored snacks, cakes and drinks and are grateful for the venue- the home of one of our Society members. I would especially like to thank Sr. Manisha for conducting this meeting, Sr. Daphne for her talk, and my study team for working hard with me to collect the information and present it so well.

- Celeste, Tia, Nikita. (Std. 9)  
Neighbourhood Children’s Council, Nazarene Apts



## “Bob Soccer Cubs” Football Coaching Camp

*Beginnings at St. Anthony Church, Malwani*

One day a friend gifted me a movie titled "Our Lady of Fatima". As I watched with my family my tears began to flow; I kept wondering how our Lady could entrust heaven's plans to three uneducated children.

At the same time the Holy Spirit gave me a deep revelation of the power of God invested in the Rosary. I clearly heard: *The Rosary is not our Lady's idea...it was The Triune God's idea.*

I kept all these things in my heart and began to pray the Rosary and attend Mass everyday.

I am a licensed football coach who follows FIFA coaching guidelines. I realised that I was being touched at the deep level of my passion, just as the three children at Fatima were, and it changed my approach to life. I felt a strong desire to impart the game especially to poor children who could easily learn to play.

Almost a year later I met Fr. Vinay Kamat. He mentioned that he was praying for a football “spiritual” coach. I shared what our Lady had put in my heart. The parish priest Fr. Angelo was happy to know that our coaching was free for the genuinely poor, and that rich and poor would be treated equally with love and firmness. He gave me the required permissions.

Thus was born the first Bob Soccer Cubs Football Coaching Camp in Malwani & Jankalyan!

Just as Our Lady instructed the three children at Fatima, all of us, children & coach, kneel on the ground (whether in sun or rain) and pray the entire Rosary before starting to play. The coaching then follows for an hour. After the game, all of us go to the chapel again, and kneel to thank our Eucharistic Lord.

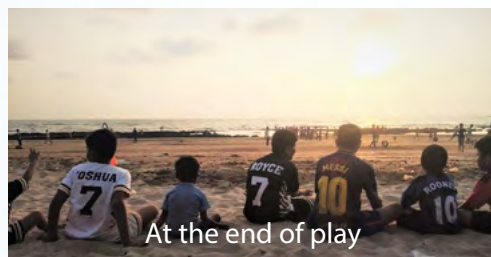
The training is tough and relevant. It is complemented with healthy eating habits and includes repetitive exercises for the chest, stomach and lower limbs.

The children also love dancing to the strains of *Jesus you're my super hero*. Some of the physical exercises are done as homework and the training includes helping with household chores.

This experience of our Lady and her Son in the Eucharist changes us. The Holy Spirit teaches us daily to carry our cross with joy and wisdom. We make honoring our parents / elders and serving at home a priority. I enjoy imparting this Agape love with my students.



Footballers exercising



At the end of play

**- Robert James Leo, (alias Coach Bob)**

## मुखपृष्ठकथा

## परिवर्तनाची संधी

उपवासकाळामध्येच कोरोना विषाणूचा फैलाव भारतात होऊ लागल्यामुळे आपल्यावर अनेक गोष्टींचे निर्बंध लागू झाले. हा अंक हातात पडेल त्यावेळेस आपण कोरोनावर मात केली असेल अशी आशा धरायला हरकत नाही. कारण जोपर्यंत टाळेबंदी उठून संचार करायला जमत नाही तोपर्यंत अंकाचे काम आपण पुढे नेऊ शकणार नाही. असो...

‘हृदयाचे परिवर्तन’ अशी मुख्य संकल्पना या अंकासाठी निवडली आहे. उपवासकाळ हा ख्रिस्ती बांधवांना परिवर्तनाची संधी घेऊन येत असतो. उपवास, प्रार्थना दानधर्म या त्रिसूतीं कार्यक्रमांमधून व्यक्तींची जीवनपद्धती बदलण्यास मोठा वाव असतो. ही जीवनपद्धती अंतःकरणातून बदलल्यास व्यक्तिच्या चेहऱ्यावर तेजस्वीयता दिसून येते तर चारित्र्यामध्ये पावित्र्याच्या खुणा उमटू लागतात.

उपवासकाळामध्ये कोरोनामळे लागलेल्या टाळेबंदीत माणसांना भरपूर वेळ मिळू लागला आहे. कुठलीही धावपळ, दगदग, घाई-गडबड नाही की स्पर्धा नाही. (कष्टकरी वर्ग, धान्य-भाजीपाला विकणारे मात्र याला अपवाद. त्यांच्या अहोरात्र मेहनतीमुळे आपल्या पोटात दोन घास गेले हे विसरून चालणार नाही.) नाहीतर आपल्या बरोबरीचा धावतो म्हणून आपल्यालासुद्धा धावावे लागते. अन्यथा आपण मागे पडू ही भीती असते. तर असा हा निवांतपणा आपल्याला लाभला आहे.

चर्चमधील मिस्सा व इतर सर्व धार्मिक, सामाजिक उपक्रम बंद असल्यामुळे या वेळेचं करायचं काय असा प्रश्न अनेकांना पडला आहे. बरेच जण युट्युबवरील ठिकठिकाणच्या मिस्सा घरामध्ये वेदी वगैरे सजवून सहभागी होत आहेत व एकमेकांना सांगत आहेत. हे सांगताना बहुतेकांच्या तोंडून दोन अर्थ निघत आहेत. एक साधा सरळ अर्थ मी किंवा आम्ही कुटुंबीय कसे सहभागी झालो ते व दुसरा अर्थ ‘आम्हीच’ कसे सहभागी झालो ते.

अर्थात चर्चमध्ये होणारे धार्मिक विधी हे माणसाच्या परिवर्तनासाठी असतात. म्हणून ती एकप्रकारचे साधन आहेत. साध्य नव्हे. ह्या साधनांमधून ईश्वराशी संवाद साधायचा असतो. परंतु समजा अकस्मातपणे एखादे वेळेस आणीबाणीसारखी परिस्थिती उद्भवली व ही साधने वापरता आली नाही तरी ईश्वराशी संवाद व्हायला हवा. ध्यानसाधना किंवा मेडीटेशन हा त्यावरील सोपा मार्ग. ह्यामुळे माणसाला, अधिकाधिक स्वतःच्या अंतर्मनाच्या तळाशी पोहचता येते. मनात असणारा नकारात्मकतेचा एकेक थर अलगद वेगळा करता येणं महत्वाचं आहे. भीती, राग, द्वेष, अज्ञान ह्या नकारात्मक भावना आहेत का याचे प्रश्न स्वमनाला विचारायला हवेत. ह्यातूनच हृदयाचं परिवर्तन घडायला मदत होईल.

शेखर पारवे

## परिवर्तन

धृ. काळ बदलत आहे

आता तू हि रे बदल...

पहाटे घड्याळ वाजे तेथे माझे लक्ष लागे

वेळ सांगे मजला काळ बदलत आहे...

पावसाळी थेंब दवात बदले

दवांचे थेंब बाष्पी जाहले

कोवळी किरणे अग्रीत बदले

अंतःकरणी मम आवाज येई

काळ बदलत आहे...

परिवर्तन हा नियम निसर्गाचा

बदल हा जीवनाचा संगम रे

बदला हे... विश्वासाने पुढे चला

कर्म करण्या चांगले

परिवर्तन तुम्हांत आहे...

काळ बदलत आहे

आता तू हि रे बदल...

काही मैल चाले व्यथा सर्व विसरे

मन आपले हर्षे भार दुर सारे

प्रगती बदले कर्म आपले

जर हा निसर्गाचा नियम आहे

तर... आता तू हि रे बदल...

काळ बदलत आहे

आता तू हि रे बदल...

स्टीफन पटेल – रातोडी



## उंबराचा पानी

## बॅटन बीजेचे हातान कवं देनार?

अॅथलेटिक्समध्ये रिले नावाचा शर्यतीचा एक प्रकार आहे. युवावर्ग आणि जाणकारांना याची माहिती असेल. यामध्ये चार खेळाडूंचा एक संघ असतो. ४०० मीटर पर्यंत धावयचे असते. संघातील प्रत्येक धावपटू १०० मीटर पर्यंत धावत जाऊन आपल्या सहकाऱ्याला आपल्या हातातील बॅटन म्हणजे वस्तू पास करत असतो. त्याने ती पुढच्या खेळाडूच्या हाती द्यायची असते. या खेळाचा मुख्य उद्देश हाच की संघ म्हणून आपली कामगिरी कशी असावयास हवी ह्याची जाणीव आपल्याला येते. बरेच जण वस्तू देताना/घेताना धडपडतात व येथेच चूक होते. देणाऱ्याने व घेणाऱ्याने जबाबदारीने कामगिरी पार पाडली की संघ जिंकण्याची संधी अधिक.

ख्रिस्तसभासुद्धा आपणा सर्वांना रिलेशर्यतीप्रमाणे धावायला सांगत आहे. आपल्या हातातील बॅटन म्हणजे जबाबदारी एका ठराविक वयापर्यंत पार पाडली की, दुसऱ्याच्या हातात देण्यास सांगत असते. पोपमहाशय फक्त या पदाला अपवाद आहे. त्यांच्या व्यतिरिक्त ख्रिस्तसभेतील सर्व लहान-मोठे अधिकारी, कार्डिनल, आर्चबिशप, बिशप, धर्मगुरू-धर्मभगिनी हे सर्वजण आपल्या हातातील बॅटन दुसऱ्याकडे सोपवत असतात. प्रत्येकाची भूमिका फक्त आपली जबाबदारी व्यवस्थितपणे पार पाडून दुसऱ्याच्या हातात देण्या इतपत. दुसरा ती व्यवस्थित पार पाडेल की नाही याबद्दल शंका व्यक्त करणं चुकीचं. यामध्ये आपण इतरांना संधी नाकारणे, त्यांच्यावर अविश्वास दाखविणे, त्यांच्यातील कलागुणांना वाव न देता त्यांचे नेतृत्व नाकारणे व मुख्य म्हणजे 'मी करत आहे तेच योग्य' ही भूमिका ठेवणे ख्रिस्तसभेच्या हिताची नाही. हे ख्रिस्तसभेच्या ध्येयधोरणाविरुद्ध आहे. ख्रिस्तसभा एक प्रवाह आहे तो वाहता राहायला हवा अन्यथा तिचं डबक्यात रूपांतर होऊ शकेल.

मुख्य म्हणजे आपलं दुर्दैव असं की चर्चमधील काही संघटनांमध्ये नवे सभासद येण्यास उत्सुक नसतात. तर काही संघटनांमधून जुने जाण्यास तयार नसतात.

युवावस्थेत आपल्या कार्याला सुरुवात केलेल्यांनी आजी-आजोबा होईपर्यंत जाण्यास तयार नसल्यामुळे नव्यांना संधी मिळणार कशी?

आपले हातान असलेलं बॅटन आपून बीजेन कवं देणार?

कुपायरी

## वर्धापन दिन

दयासागर प्रार्थना संघाचा ८ वा वर्धापन दिन गुरुवार, दि. २० फेब्रुवारी ते शनिवार, दि. २२ फेब्रुवारी २०२० संध्याकाळी ६-३० ते ९ दरम्यान बाळ येशु चॅपलमध्ये साजरा झाला. पवित्र आत्म्यामध्ये नवजीवन धना प्रार्थना, आंतरिक चंगाई, वर्धापन सोहळा व फेलोशिप अशाप्रकारे सोहळ्याची आखणी व मांडणी करण्यात आली होती.

फा. ऑल्विन मिस्कीटा सोहळ्याचे प्रमुख धर्मगुरू होते. तसेच ब्र. प्रशांत आल्हाद व दयासागर संगीतमंडळाने सुमधुर संगीताची साथ दिली. फादरांनी आपल्या मंथनात भाविकांना नेहमी देवाने केलेल्या उपकाराबद्दल कृतज्ञ राहून देवाची कृपा अनुभवून पावित्र्यात व आत्म्यामध्ये जीवन जगण्यासाठी अनेक उदाहरणाद्वारे मनाची मशागत करून सुपीक जमीन निर्माण केली.

सोहळ्याचा अलौकिक, अद्भुतद्वितीय व अविस्मरणीय क्षण म्हणजे बिशप डॉमिनिक सॅवियो ह्यांची उपस्थिती प्रार्थना, संदेश व आशिर्वाद. प्रमुख धर्मगुरू फा. अँग्रेलो फर्नांडिस यांच्या सदोदित प्रार्थना, आशिर्वाद व सहकार्याबद्दल शतशः धन्यवाद तसेच फा. विनय कामत यांनी बिशपांचे आयोजन केल्याबद्दल प्रार्थना संघ त्यांचा ऋणी आहे.

मराठी, इंग्रजी, हिंदी व कोंकणी अशा संमिश्र भाषेत ५०० भाविकांच्या उपस्थितीत प्रार्थनामय वातावरणात सोहळा संपन्न झाला.

हेलन केणी (सेक्रेटरी), दया सागर प्रार्थना संघ

## त्यांनी राखला तिच्या इच्छेचा मान

बहुतेकवेळा मृत व्यक्तीच्या इच्छा आणि समाजाच्या चालीरीती यामध्ये दोन टोकाचे अंतर असते. अशा वेळेस समाजाच्या दडपणाला बळी पडून मृत व्यक्तीच्या कुटुंबियांना प्रवाहाविरुद्धचे निर्णय घेता येत नाहीत. जे घेतात ते टीका आणि कौतुक अशा दोन्हीचे धनी होतात. यामुळेच एक वेळ कौतुकाची थाप पाठीवर नाही पडली तरी चालेल परंतु टीकेला सामोरे जाण्याचं धैर्य कित्येकांमध्ये नसते.

खारोडीमधील पहिला नैसर्गिक विधी म्हणजे श्राऊड बरीयल २८ मार्च रोजी मेरी डायस यांचा झाला. त्या मूळच्या वसईच्या. वसईमध्ये नैसर्गिक पद्धतीनेच अंत्यविधी सार्वत्रिक होत असतात, जीवंत असताना मेरी डायस यांनी आपलासुद्धा अंत्यसंस्कार ख्रिस्तासारखा वस्त्राध्ये गुंडाळून व्हावा अशी इच्छा व्यक्त केली होती.

पर्यावरण रक्षण, कमी पडणारी दफनभूमी, गरीब-श्रीमंत सर्वांना समपातळीवर आणणारा विधी हे श्राऊड बरीयलचे फायदे मेरी डायस यांनी ओळखले होते. अर्थात कुटुंबियांनी त्यांची इच्छापूती केली हे सुद्धा विशेष: समाजाच्या जुन्या चालीरितीमध्ये अडकून न पडल्यामुळे एका नव्या प्रथेचा उदय आपल्या परिसरात होईल व पोप फ्रान्सिस यांच्या हाकेला प्रतिसाद दिल्यासारखे वाटेल.

हेच आहे परिवर्तन! समाजाचे व संस्कृतीचे!

प्रतिनिधी

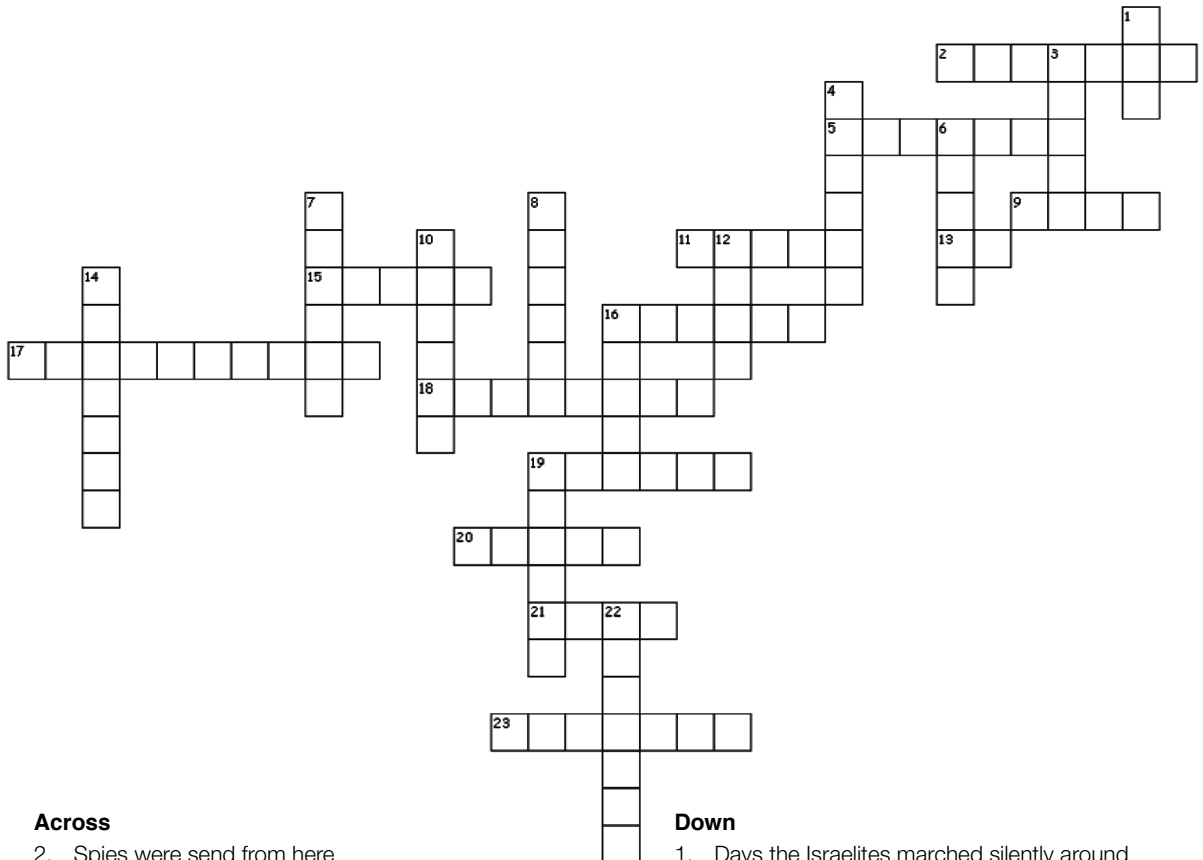


(होप आणि लाईफ संस्थेची १० मार्च रोजी अवर लेडी ऑफ फोरसेकन चर्च येथे झालेली कुसाची वाट.)



# Adult Quiz

Read the book of Joshua and fill in the crossword with the help of the clues.



## Across

2. Spies were send from here
5. Son of Aaron
9. This tribe carried the Ark of the Covenant
11. This fell In Jericho when the Israelites blew their trumpets
13. The Lord told Joshua to stretch is hand with a javelin to win this place
15. One of the Amorite kings
16. This was one of the tribes who received their land from Moses
17. Number of Chapters in this book
18. The priest
19. The people from this place deceived Joshua
20. Had reported honestly to Moses
21. The water formed a dam here
23. A mountain to the north of the land which was promised to the Israelites

## Down

1. Days the Israelites marched silently around Jericho
3. Number of days that the spies hid in the mountains
4. This was a city of refuge in Galilee
6. No iron tool and uncut stones were used to build this
7. Attendant of Moses
8. This river was to be crossed
10. His bones were carried from Egypt
12. Greatest man of the Anakim
14. Joshua gave his final address here and recollected the history of Israel
16. The spies lived in her house
19. The Israelites encamped here and also celebrated the Passover
22. Moon stopped here

Kindly **1.** Take a screenshot of your responnses. **2.** Whatspp to the following cell number: **+91 98207 48229**  
**3.** Mention your name, community **4.** Send by 10th June, 2020 Names of those with correct entrieswill be published in the next issue.

# Kiddies Quiz

## Complete these families

Hello children, with the help of the Bible and your parents complete this table.

Mother	Father	Child
Mary		Jesus
		Easu
Eve		
	Abraham	
Rachel		Joseph
	Moses	
Hannah		
	David	
		Samsom
	Tobit	
	Jacob	
		Ruth(daughter in law)
Elizabeth		
		Mother Mary
	Judah	
Rahab		
	Phanuel	

Kindly 1. Take a screenshot of your responses

2. WhatsApp to the following cell number: +91 98207 48229

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## WINNERS OF LAST QUIZ

Sr No	Name	Std	Zone
1	Rickson Alva	VII	2
2	Reyanna Dsouza	V	3
3	Joel Fernandes	VI	7
4	Crishelle Dsouza	VII	3
5	Daniella Barretto	IV	5
6	Jasmine Menezes	V	3
7	Angel Lasrado	VI	2
8	Jayden Mendes	VI	3



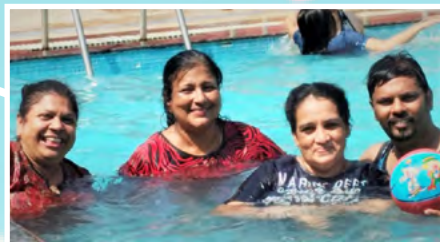


## Called to Eternal Life

	Name	Date	Age	Relation	Area
1	<b>Hanuman S Sabana</b>	01/01/2020	75	H/o Margaret Sabana	Lower Kharodi
2	<b>Santu Fernandes</b>	30/12/2019	87	H/o Andrea Fernandes	Malwani
3	<b>Santan Carvalho Fernandes</b>	23/01/2020	61	H/o Shirley Fernandes	Malwani
4	<b>Jerome Gregory D'costa</b>	25/01/2020	54	H/o Juliet D'costa	Malwani
5	<b>Joseph Felix D'souza</b>	25/01/2020	64	S/o Felix D'souza	Baf Hira Nagar
6	<b>Florie Alex Vaz</b>	06/02/2020	81	W/o Alex Vaz	Malwani
7	<b>Neil D'lima</b>	10/02/2020		H/o Andrea D'lima	Marve Village
8	<b>Rosa Piedade Fernandes</b>	13/02/2020	74	M/o Sebastian, Wilma, Nancy	Rathodi
9	<b>Randall Simon Vessaoker</b>	18/02/2020	41	H/o Cheryl D'souza	Jankalyan
10	<b>Anthony Pinto</b>	19/02/2020	76	S/o Mathias Pinto	Jankalyan
11	<b>Francis Anthony Aaseson</b>	21/02/2020	60	S/o Anthony John Aaseson	Malwani
12	<b>Mariquinha Fernandes</b>	02/03/2020	89	S/o Manual Fernandes	Jankalyan
13	<b>Francis Correia</b>	05/03/2020	73	H/o Purity Correia	Malwani
14	<b>Emelia Mario Fernandes</b>	06/03/2020	80	W/o Mario Fernandes	Jankalyan
15	<b>Cleophas Clement Valladares</b>	09/03/2020	59	S/o John Valladares	Kharodi
16	<b>Austin Gabriel Mendes</b>	10/03/2020	75	S/o Gabriel Mendes	Kharodi
17	<b>Michael Savanimuthu Chetty</b>	14/03/2020	58	H/o Alphonca Chetty	Kharodi
18	<b>Louis Deigo Fernandes</b>	15/03/2020	58	H/o Merisian Fernandes	Malwani
19	<b>Meena Joseph Razario</b>	15/03/2020	61	W/o Joseph Razario	Kharodi
20	<b>Mary Anthony Dias</b>	27/03/2020	72	W/o Anthony Dias	Kharodi
21	<b>Manohar Tikamdas Rohra</b>	27/03/2020	77	S/o Tikamdas Rohra	Jankalyan

# Parish PICNIC

Kinny Farm Resorts





# Forthcoming EVENTS

MAY	
1 <sup>st</sup>	Feast of St. Joseph the Worker Maharashtra Day
13 <sup>th</sup>	Feast of Our Lady of Fatima
24 <sup>th</sup>	Ascension of the Lord Feast of Mary Help of Christians World Communication Day
31 <sup>st</sup>	Pentecost
31 <sup>st</sup>	Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

JUNE	
14 <sup>th</sup>	<b>St. Anthony of Padua Parish Feast</b>
	The Body and Blood of Christ
19 <sup>th</sup>	Feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
24 <sup>th</sup>	Nativity of John the Baptist
28 <sup>th</sup>	Laity Sunday
29 <sup>th</sup>	Feast of Saints Peter and Paul

JULY	
5 <sup>th</sup>	Faith Formation Sunday
7 <sup>th</sup>	PPC Meeting
16 <sup>th</sup>	Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel
25 <sup>th</sup>	Feast of St. James, Apostle
26 <sup>th</sup>	Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne (Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary)
31 <sup>st</sup>	Feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola



## NOVENA TO ST. ANTHONY (5<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2020 TO 13<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2020) THEMES FOR EACH DAY RELATED TO SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES (SCCs) [Overall theme] RENEWING SCCs IN OUR PARISH FAMILY

### Friday, 5th June

WORD OF GOD:

Basis of our Faith Formation in SCCs

1st Reading (of the day) 2 Tim. 3.: 10-17;

GOSPEL: John 14:23-26

### Saturday, 6th June

"NO ONE IN NEED":

A challenging goal of the SCC

1st Reading : Acts of the Apostles 4:32-37;

GOSPEL (of the day) Mark 12: 38-44

### SUNDAY, 7th June

"WE ARE SISTERS AND BROTHERS IN THE  
TRINITARIAN FAMILY OF GOD"

Feast of the Holy Trinity [Readings of the Day]

### Monday, 8th June

RECONCILIATION AND HARMONY IN SCCS.

1st Reading: Colossians 3:12-17;

GOSPEL: Matthew 5: 1-12 [of the day]

### Tuesday, 9th June

SCCs INTEGRATING YOUTH AND CHILDREN

1st Reading: Ephesians 4:1-7; 13-16;

GOSPEL: Luke 18:15-17

### Wednesday, 10th June

CLUSTERS REACHING OUT TO EACH AND  
EVERY FAMILY

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47;

GOSPEL: Luke 9:10-17

### Thursday, 11th June

JESUS: MODEL OF SERVANT LEADERSHIP

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 11:21b-26 [of  
the day]; GOSPEL: John 13:2b-17

### Friday, 12th June BONDING WITH PEOPLE OF ALL FAITHS

1st Reading: Acts of the Apostles 11:1-18;

GOSPEL: Luke 19: 1-10

### Saturday, 13th June

"CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME"

1st Reading: Romans 8:18-25;

GOSPEL: John 4: 35-38

### SUNDAY, 14TH JUNE:

**FEAST OF THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST  
/ FEAST OF ST. ANTHONY 'THE EUCHARIST:**

**THE LIFE-SOURCE OF SCCs'**

Readings of the Day.

### Confirmation Day

Bishop Savio, priests and mentors



### BCS Star Unit Award



### Training of Animators

Guest speaker: Adrian Rosario



### Bible Cell members



### Women's Day 2020



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