

CALABRIAN WAVES: 2023

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“Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word.”

Luke 1:38

Jesus says, "Whoever hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He does not come into judgment, but has passed from death to life!"

John 5:24

Benedict XVI
1927 - 2022



Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,
and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May the souls of all the faithful departed,
through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

~Amen~

EDITORIAL

Birth of a New Mother

Christmas season is not only just a celebration on the birth of Jesus our God. It is also a celebration of the birth of a mother. Mary's call to be the mother of God is insuperable to her call to become the mother of all human kind. She becomes a beacon of fruitful virginity through her commitment and response to the call of motherhood. Being the mother of God, she stands out as the best and shortest way for human towards God. The virgin birth of Jesus gave also birth to the mother of God is a humble representation of God's Love for humanity. By these acts of God we became the recipients of God's lovely gifts of a mother and a saviour to whole humanity.

As we today celebrate the solemnity of Mary the mother of God, let's experience her intercessions in our day today life. May the fruitful virginity of Mary the mother God bestow on us the graces to experience the author of our life in our call to religious life.

Fr Vipin Akkaraparambil PSDP

DELEGATE SPEAKS...

Dear Brothers in Christ Jesus,

The Peace and joy of the Holy Spirit be with you! Today we celebrate Christmas, the Birth of our saviour Jesus Christ. Through the incarnation God enters into our history. We were in need of a saviour who can deliver us from the clutches of evil and darkness. And there is no better person than Jesus Christ, the Son Of God. In Jesus, God shows us the truth about our life. The more we welcome him into our life the more we embrace the truth about our life. Once we know the truth we find in him the way to embrace the truth. My dear Brothers, let us contemplate the mystery of incarnation in our life. Let us go in front of the cribs and contemplate and listen Child Jesus. He wants to tell us something special to each one of us in this Christmas. If we are able to do it we will find in him our joy and solace that we may able to live in hope and in faith. Because whatever God wants to communicates to us he communicates to us through Jesus. Whatever God communicates through Jesus is a communication of our salvation.

Wish you all a Merry Christmas and happy new year! May the child Jesus bless you all abundantly!

In the love of Christ

Fr Manoj Ethirvelil

DIVINE PROVIDENCE SEMINARY

MANATHAVADY

ARRIVAL OF NEW COMERS:-

On 12th of July we welcomed our new seminarians to our community. Among 14 brothers, five are from Odisha, three from Andhra Pradesh, one from Assam and five from Kerala. On this occasion, senior aspirants welcomed them with cultural programme in the seminary.

INNAGURATION OF NEW ACCADEMIC YEAR 2022 -23

On 20th of July we inaugurated the new Academic year.

INDEPENDENCE DAY AND THE ASSUMPTION OF OUR BLESSED MOTHER

On 15 August, the twosome solemn celebrations of the Assumption of our Blessed Mother and the Independence of our Mother Nation was so jovially celebrated with a solemn Eucharistic celebration presided over by Fr. Danny and thereafter, the flag-hoisting outside. The brothers brought a feeling of nationalism and patriotism through vigorous speeches on Independence Day.

ONAM CELEBRATION

On 8th September, the community of DPS celebrated the most popular local festival, Onam with variety of activities: Solemn Mass, preparing flower-carpet, competitions for the Seminarians followed by traditional Onna Sadhya.

CALABRIAN FEAST

On 8th of October, our community celebrated the feast day of our founder St. John Calabria. The holy mass was celebrated by Rev Fr. Tijish, followed by fellowship lunch and cultural programmes.

VISIT OF CASSANTE

We were blessed with the visit of our new cassante Rev. Fr. Max. Besides celebrating the Holy Mass for the whole community, he also met the religious and brothers giving the necessary guidelines and plans for a better growth. Thank you, Fr. Max for your visit and encouragement to all of us.



Divine Providence Community Hahim:

The Installation of New Parish Priest was officiated by Rev. John Moolachira the Archbishop of Guwahati on 16th Dec 2022. Hearty Congratulations Dear Fr. Vincent Kispotta and best wishes for your ministry at St. John Calabria Parish Hahim. Sincere thanks to Rev. Fr. Alex Koonthanam former parish priest for rendering service to the parish. We wish you very best for your future ministry.



Mother of Divine Providence Delegation

We had the **ASSEMBLY FROM 1-2** of October, 2022 in our delegation. We are grateful for all resources persons (sisters and brothers PSDP) who helped us to understand and deepen the final document "Start".

THE FIRST ANNUAL RENEWAL: Sr. Sumita and Sr. Sony renewed their annual vows on 15th of September in Fetri and Sr. Rajni and Sr. Prabha renewed their first triennial vows at Dhenkanal.

On 1st November, the Solemnity of all Saints there was first annual renewal of Sr. Sumoti and Sr. Nomita in the presence of Mother Lucia Bressan in Thana. The evening was graceful with the very presence of Fr. Massimiliano the Casante who presided the Holy Eucharist, Fr. Bineesh, Fr. Evilazio and Fr. Mathew.

RECOLLECTION: On 3rd November we had monthly recollection in Fetri, animated by our Casante where he has explained his first letter called "Artisan of Providence". We are grateful to him and to Fr Evilazio for translation.

ISH-KRIPA SADAN: MAJOR SEMINARY

15 JULY NEWCOMERS DAY IN ST CHARLS

St. Charles seminary celebrated the newcomer's day in the auditorium with colorful cultural events and their talents were shown on the stage. Our P. S. D.P. brothers also put up a mime on this occasion.

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JULY 16 THE NEW DELEGATE

We the delegation of ish Kripa India happy to hear the news about the elected new delegate Fr. Manoj Etirveli. We congratulated him and prayed for him for his new journey in the Ish Kripa Sadan. And assured our prayers and support.

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AUGUST 4 DAY OF THE PRIEST

On the day of St. John Maria Vianny, we are happy to celebrate the feast of the patron of the priesthood. On this occasion, we the Ish Kripa community prayed for all our P. S. D. P priests and we also had a wonderful celebration Eucharist and sharing of the sweet.

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AUGUST 15 INDEPENDENCE DAY

We celebrated the independence of the nation in the community with a parade and thereafter hosting of the flag. On this auspicious occasion, we also participated in nations Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav by keeping the flag on the top for three days. It is an initiative of the Government of India to celebrate and commemorate 75 years of independence and the glorious history of its people, culture, and achievements

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20 AUGUST INAUGURATION OF SPORTS DAY

Sportsmanship comes in many forms and helps make competitive games fun and enjoyable. Being a good sport fosters good habits and positive life skills both in and out of sports games, and is an important life skill for people of all ages. We the Ish Kripa Community inaugurated our sports day with a small function. Our chief guest was Fr. Joseph M. J. he inspired us with his beautiful thoughts

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28 AUGUST BIRTHDAY OF FR. IVAN LOBO

This day we have added another candle of happiness and joy to our life by celebrating the birthday of fr. Ivan Lobo. On his birthday, we the community wished him happy birthday by singing a birthday song and cutting the cake. He thanked us for remembering him in our prayers and birthday wishes.

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26 SEPTEMBER 11 OCTOBER BIRTHDAY OF BRO. JOSEPH AND BRO. ASHISH

Birthdays are inevitable, beautiful, and very particular moments in our lives. Moments that bring precious memories back, celebrate the present times, and give hope for the future. On the memorable days of 26th September and 11th October. On these days Ish Kripa Community celebrated the Birthday of Bro. Joseph J Attupuram and Bro. Ashish V George. We had the presence of fathers and brothers from other communities to make this day memorable. We had a wonderful celebration of birthday and cake cutting.

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30 SEPTEMBER INTER HOUSE ELOCUTION COMPETITION

On this day St. chars conducted inter house elocution competition where two of our brothers participated, Bro. Shajo and Bro. Marian, where Bro. Marian secured 3rd prize in the competition and Bro Shajo received a consolation prize. We congratulate them for their hard work.

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1 OCTOBER BIRTHDAY OF FR. ANIL

When someone near and dear to you turns another year older, we all want to do everything we can to make their day extra memorable. We celebrated the birthday of fr. Anil the superior and rector of our community. We had a beautiful celebration.

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5TH OCTOBER RECOLLECTION DAY IN PREPARATION FOR THE FEAST OF ST JOHN CALABRIA

All Calabrian family both sisters and brothers came together for the recollection. Fr. Biju Pathazhinkal gave the recollection talk.

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8TH OCTOBER FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

In the sister's community of Fetry, we celebrated the feast day of our founder St. John Calabria. Prior to this, we had nine days of Novena in our community to prepare mentally and spiritually for the feast day celebration. Our fathers and brothers from various seminaries visited us in the morning hour in the Ish Kripa community to wish us a good Happy Feast. Fr. Sebastian Antony was the main celebrant for the Eucharist and after we had a cultural programme at the sisters' community in Fetry.

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24TH OCTOBER DIWALI CELEBRATION

Diwali, the festival of lights, was celebrated in our Ish Kripa Community in a fantastic way. By lighting the dia and praying for the nation and everyone participating in the celebration, we observed this feast in the evening.

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1ST NOVEMBER VISIT OF NEW CASANTE

The day was amazing for our Calabrian family in India. Our dear Casante, the Superior General of the P. S. D. P. Congregation, made a visit to our community, and his presence was significant. After starting his new position as Casante, he made his first trip to India to spend a lovely day in our communities to know us closely and to have friendly chat with us all.

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13 NOVEMBER ONE-DAY PICNIC

Some people bring joy everywhere they go, while others bring joy whenever they go to some places. This happiness was evident as we took a one-day outing to the Rama (Wunna) dam after concluding the first semester's busy schedule of classes and exams. <https://photos.app.goo.gl/YyuyBkM6FrDTsv739>

24 NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY OF BRO. SAGMA

We celebrate the birthday of our dear Bro. Prodesh Sagma, and he brought us joy by cutting off his birthday cake and singing the birthday song to him.,

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5TH DECEMBER BIRTHDAY OF FR. PRASANTH

Fr. Prasanth, our community's administrator, had a birthday party. We held a fantastic celebration that evening, and the entire neighboring P. S. D. P. community members come and shared in his joy. In addition, Marian Bhavan (Palloti's fathers and Brothers) was present and visited our home to wish him a happy birthday.

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24TH DECEMBER VIGIL MASS CHRISTMAS

Let Jesus Christ be born in our hearts to see the richness of simplicity, the treasures of calm, and the sweetness of grace, throw open your soul and the depths of your heart. Run to meet the Sun of eternal brightness that shines on all men with an open heart.

We had a wonderful day of celebration. adding to it we exchanged gifts with our Christmas friend for whom we had been praying for the past 25 days, we also opened our hearts and minds to the celebration of Christmas, beginning with the vigil mass celebrated by Fr. Alex and some cultural events.

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25TH DECEMBER CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Christmas day is a day of joy and charity and is the perfect time to celebrate the love of God and family and to create memories that will last forever. We the Calabrian family Nagpur zonal had a Christmas celebration where we all came together to celebrate the birthday of Jesus. Also a memorable night of fun and dance.

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28TH DECEMBER ANNUAL ASSEMBLY

After two years of a break, because of the corona, we had our annual delegation assembly in Ish Kripa Sadan House. We had the presence of all the fathers and brothers from different parts of India in our community. We had a wonderful meeting to discuss the future of the Indian Delegation. We also had the message from the Superior General of our congregation Fr. Massimiliano Parrella and Mother Superior of P. S. D. P. Sisters.

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DPS FETRI

1. SCHOOL REOPENING

School reopened for Primary session after summer vacations on 27th June 2022 and for Pre-primary on 6th July 2022. The children came to school with a smile after two years Pandemic. Thanks be to God for keeping the students and staff safe and sound during the years Pandemic.

2. THANK YOU FR. BINEESH

We congratulated Fr. Bineesh on his election as one of the general councilors of our congregation and thanked his for all his services towards the community as superior of the community and manager of the school. Thank you Father.

3. INDEPENDENCE DAY

We celebrated the Independence day of the nation on 15th August 2022. Fr. Nidheesh PSDP was our chief guest on that day. He inspired the students to be loyal to the nation and work towards the prosperity of the nation.

4. PATRON'S DAY

We honoured the Patron of our school St. John Calabria on 8th October 2022. We had some colourful celebrations and inspiration thoughts shared on that day. Our staff and students made that day a memorable one. May St. John Calabria bless us all.

5. COMPETITIONS AND CELEBRATIONS

The school organized various competitions like singing, elocution, drawing, dance etc. a number of celebrations like green colour day, pink colour day, black colour day etc. The students made those memorable with their enthusiastic participation.

6. VISIT OF CASANTE AND FR. BINEESH

Our casante Fr. Maxmilliano visited our community and the school on 3rd November 2022. We were blessed with his gracious presence with us. We were also so happy to see Fr. Bineesh as well. We thank his for the love and concern that he has towards our community.

7. BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

We joyfully celebrated the birthday of our dear Fr. Joseph M J on 18th December 2022. Thank you father for your commitment towards the community and the congregation as a whole.



DPS THANA SCHOOL COMMUNITY, PADRI THANA

15TH AUGUST 2022

Fr Manoj visited the novitiate house. He was the chief guest in the school program for the Independence Day.

OCTOBER 10TH 2022

Fr Sebastian Veliyapallyil the counsilar of the delegation visited our community. He was having meeting with school management and later he was available to give class for novices. He also helped the novices and novice master with some suggestions to improve the program of novitiate.

13TH OCTBER

Assisi fathers from Umred came to the community for monthly recollection. The group was consisted of Fr Thadheus Superior, Fr Vinod rector and Fr John. Fr Nidhish PSDP gave the talk. They went back to their community after the lunch.

24TH OCTOBER

Fr Prasanth visited the community. Since he is the adoption incharge of the Delegation, he came to visit the school in order to collect biodata and other information from the students of our school.

4TH NOVEMBER

We were highly delighted by the presence of our Casante Rev Fr Massimiliano. After becoming casante of our Congregation it was his first visit to our community. He was accompanied by Fr Bineesh Manjeriyil our General counsilar, Fr Manoj Ethirvelil the delegate and Fr Evilatio. They reached in the community at 7am for the Holy Eucharist. Fr Bineesh Majeriyil presided over the Mass and shared the Word of God. After the breakfast, they attended the welcoming and assembly in the school. They spent some times also with the staff in the school and with the students. Casante was kind enough to give class for Novices on Charism of our Congregation. After the class we were having a community meeting with Casante. It was the time he studied about our community, our activities, mission and various situations that we face here at present. They departed from the community around 3.00 pm after the lunch.

13TH NOVEMBER

On this day we were happy to welcome our fathers, brothers and postulants from IKS Nagpur. They came to our community around 2pm. We prepared lunch for them. After the meals they refreshed themselves with some games and sports and left for Nagpur around 5pm.

21ST NOVEMBER

Visit of Fr Bineesh Manjeriyil and Fr Prasanth to our community. They visited the community for collecting more information to help our adoption program in the delegation.

26TH NOVEMBER

It was the farewell day for Fr Vincent Kispotta who went to Assam for his new ministry as Parish priest after serving our community almost one and half years. We were taken up by the presence of brothers from IKS, Fetri, Thana Parish, ASMI sisters and PSDP sisters.

4TH DECEMBER

Fr Shinoj Peechapally, our new community member reached to our community. Hearty welcome father.

6TH DECEMBER

We celebrated the birthday of Fr Vipin As. We were happy to have the presence of our Fathers and brothers from IKS, Fetri, Thana and sisters and postulants of PSDP sisters.

23RD DECEMBER

We celebrated birthday of Fr. Josephraj. We were happy to have the presence of Fr. Manoj our delegate and our SD sisters. It was a wonderful day of celebration of fun and joy.

25TH DECEMBER

We had a solemn Christmas celebration on 25th December in IKS community together with our fathers, brothers and sisters from Nagpur Zone. We had a fun filled day of celebration and indeed had a joyous moment together.