



MONTFORT BROTHERS of ST. GABRIEL

PROVINCE OF YERCAUD



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Authentic Leaders of Greater Brotherhood

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Dear Brothers in Christ,

Greetings!

After a year of hard work and toil, the academic year 2015-16 is coming to a close. You all deserve a well earned period of rest and relaxation. At the same time, as we are still in the Eastertide, we can join the Disciples and the Holy women who are earnestly searching for the 'Lord' in spite of doubts and disbelief. Whoever we are and whatever be our position, we are called upon to bring the joy and peace of Christ to everyone around us. The measure of our inner joy and peace is directly proportionate to the quantum of goodness we share with others.

The new Provincial Administration: The votes for the appointment of Provincial Councilors were counted by the Provincial Council along with Bro.George P.J on 15.04.2016 at St.Louis Villa, Yercaud.

The following Brothers are elected as Provincial Councilors for the term 2016-19.

1. Bro.Thomas Kalathilkottil
2. Bro.Joseph Thomas
3. Bro.John David
4. Bro.Thomas K.M
5. Bro.Soosai Alangaram

Once again, I take this opportunity to congratulate the new Provincial Superior, Bro.George P.J and his team of Councilors. I pray that they have a successful term of office at the service of Church and God! They will take over on 28th April 2016 during a simple ceremony.

Wisdom Montfort, Bangalore: The Wisdom Montfort School was officially blessed and inaugurated on 02nd April 2016 by Rt.Rev.Dr.Bernard Moras, Archbishop of Bangalore in the presence of the Provincial Superior and Brothers of the Province, parents and friends. The Archbishop appreciated the Brothers for their efforts in giving quality education to the children and youth. He wished the School all success. I take this opportunity to appreciate the Community of Montfort College for all the support and initiatives taken to make Wisdom Montfort a reality. My personal appreciation to Bro.Peter Rajan and Bro.Arputhraj.



Mary Mount Juniorate, Kolathur:

Rt.Rev.Dr.Singaroyan, Bishop of Salem blessed and inaugurated officially, the Mary Mount Juniorate on 10th April 2016 in the presence of Brother Provincial Superior and the Brothers of the Province. The Bishop appreciated the Brothers for having invested much for the formation and Vocation Promotion. Bro.MP Antony,



the Director of the Juniorate along with the Community Brothers and the Juniors had prepared the entire house and compound worthy of the occasion. The Brothers of Nirmala School Community rendered all the assistance for the blessing ceremony. Bro.Provincial Superior appreciated Bro.MP Antony for his pioneering service at Mary Mount Juniorate. He also thanked the Nirmala Community Brothers for their support and all the arrangement for the blessing ceremony. The programme ended with a tea party for all the guests and invitees.

First Profession at Sitagarha: Novices John Britto and John Joseph Leo will commit themselves to the Lord through their 'First Vows' on 25th April 2016 at St.Gabriel's Novitiate, Sitagarha. Let us continue to pray for these 2 youngsters and thank God for the gift of their Vocation. Our advance congratulations to them.

Montfortian Pilgrimage: After 15 days of preparatory programme at Montfort College Bangalore, Bros.Jim Thekkan, Joy Theckanath, Antony PJ and Shaji KP are leaving for Paris on 17th April, early morning. We wish them a fruitful and grace-filled pilgrimage - both in France and Italy. They will return to India on 08th

May and will continue with their Holy Land Pilgrimage. Bros.Francis Abraham, Joseph MK and Britto Lourdusamy will also join this group for the Holy Land visit as they had missed it earlier.

Various Summer camps: The Vocation Promotion team has been very active during the last academic year. They had visited a number of Parishes, Schools and Villages to identify and invite young men who are desirous to join us. Recently Bros.Sahayaraj, Louis Alex, Christuraja, Alex A, Anthony Sunil, Bosco, Robert and Joseph had spent nearly 10 days in this important work! I appreciate their efforts.

Sl. No.	Camps	Venue	Date	Brothers In-charge
1	Fresher's - Camp	Mary Mount Juniorate	Reporting on 23 rd Evening & departure on 29 th April	Bro. M.P. Antony Bro. Louis Alex (Leader) Bro. Arun Kumar
2	Present X & XII students		15 th May - till school reopens	Bro. Raghul Selvam
2	12 th completed & going to Pre-novitiate	Yercaud	29 th April - till 7 th June	Bro. Christuraja (Leader) Bro. Robert Bro. Binu Mathew Bro. John Joseph Leo
3	Pre Novices going to Novitiate	Anakkara	1 st May till Novitiate begins	Bro. Jenny Kuriakose(Leader) Bro. Sahayaraj Bro. Bosco Bro. Joseph A. Bro. John Britto
4	Odisha - Parents meeting & Recruitment	Cambridge School, Cuttack	17 th April	Bro. Markose Bro. Sahayaraj

Pre-Novices: All the Pre-Novices were brought to St.Louis Villa for a day of interaction with Bro.Provincial Superior and the Vocation Promotion team on 10th April prior to their annual holidays. The Odisha Pre-Novices and +2 passed Juniors will gather on 17th April at Cambridge School, Cuttack along with their parents for an interactive session with Bro.Markose and Bro.Sahayaraj. We thank the Provincial Superior of Ranchi and Bro.Markose for all their support and help rendered in recruiting candidates from Odisha.

Similarly, the Juniors who completed class XII also were brought to St.Louis Villa along with the parents of the Juniors from Tamil Nadu. Kindly pray specially for all these youngsters who are at the threshold of an important decision.

Inauguration of St.Louis Spirituality Centre: Rt.Rev.Dr.Singaroyan, Bishop of Salem, will bless the extension of St.Louis Villa christened, ‘St.Louis Spirituality Centre’ on 25th April 2016 at 10.00 a.m. Rev.Bro.John Kallarackal, the Superior General is unable to join us for this programme as he is busy with the Tercentenary Montfortian Pilgrimage in which all the 3 Superior Generals are participating.

Release of the postal stamp, special cover and special cancellation: To mark the Tercentenary of the death of St.Montfort, the Postal Department of India is releasing a ‘Special Stamp’ on 25th of April 2016 at Yercaud (St.Louis Spirituality Centre). We are also bringing out a first day cover and a special cancellation on the same day along with the release of the stamp. ***I take this opportunity to invite you all for the above mentioned programmes!***

Renewal of Vows: The Provincial Council that met at St.Louis Villa on 15th April 2016, admitted the following Junior Brothers to renew their Vows for one year.

1. Bro. Bosco
2. Bro. Binu Mathew
3. Bro. Robert
4. Bro. Joseph A
5. Bro. Antony Dinesh
6. Bro. Arputharaj
7. Bro. Arulalan
8. Bro. Arun Kumar
9. Bro. Rahul Selvam

Re-admission of Ex.Bro.Justin Selva Kumar:

After one year of separation from the Province, Bro. Justin Selva Kumar is back with us. All the formalities have been gone through as per the Canon law and Provincial’s Companion for re-admitting him to the Congregation/Province. On 15th April 2016, in the presence of the entire Provincial administration, Bro. Justin took the Vows in a simple ceremony at St. Louis Villa Chapel, Yercaud. Welcome back dear Bro. Justin Selva Kumar!



Final Vows - Preparatory Programme: Bros. Alexander A, Anthony Sunil, Joe Moeisan and Paul Joni Rajan have been admitted to make their Final Commitment. The preparatory programme will be organized in two phases. The first phase of the programme will take place at “The Foundain College,” Sundampatti, Sadhanapalli Post, Krishnagiri from 16th to 29th April 2016. The second phase of the programme will be at “Glass House”, Yercaud from 29th April to 14th May 2016. We wish these Brothers a serious preparatory session before they commit themselves to the Lord forever. We shall accompany them with our prayers and good wishes.

Permissions:

1. **St. Thomas Mount:** To avail a bank loan for the completion of the auditorium.
2. **Kolathur:** To sell the old Scorpio and the Bolero and to purchase a new Bolero.
3. **Belagola:** To black top the road from main gate to the CBSE School.
4. **Chinnakannal:** To purchase a 24 seater Bus through a Bank loan
5. **Lake Montfort, Bangalore:**
 - i. To fabricate 45 work stations for teachers
 - ii. To purchase a new four wheel vehicle
 - iii. To purchase a two wheeler
 - iv. To install Kids’ fun station and to install permanent signage with LED lights at the main gate
6. **Chinnakannal & Murickumthotty:** Permission granted to explore the possibility of starting Class 11 following the State syllabus.
7. **Kolathur:** Permission granted for Montfort Matriculation, Kolathur to upgrade the computer lab by adding 15 new computers.
8. **Montfort School, Yercaud:**
 - i. Permission granted to Montfort School, Yercaud for an Educational tour of Canada and USA with 80 students and 5 staff members for 20 days during the month of April and May 2016. Bro.Varghese KJ and Bro.Francis Xavier will accompany the students.
 - ii. Montfort School, Yercaud has been granted permission to lay a Basketball Court for Deshayes Mount School.
9. **Montfort College:** Permission granted for a bank loan to complete the ground and first floor of the building which is in progress to house the Martin Luther Christian University programmes and the Brothers’ Community.

Yours in Christ,



Bro. George Kalangod
Provincial Superior