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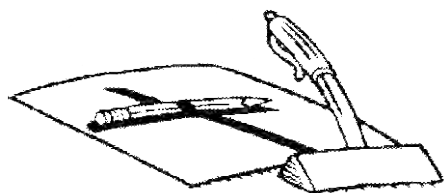
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The Tidings team wishes you a
 very Happy and Blessed Easter

Easter the Birthday of Eternal Hope

Dear friends, Easter is the greatest feast in the Catholic Church. It marks the birthday of our eternal hope. "Easter" literally means "the feast of fresh flowers." We celebrate it with pride and jubilation for three reasons:

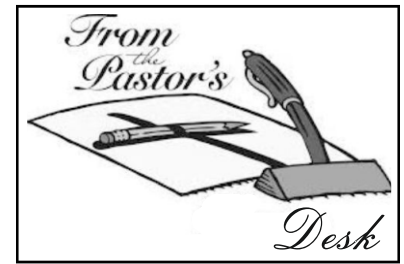
- 1) ***The Resurrection of Christ is the basis of our Christian Faith***, for it proves that Jesus is God. That is why St. Paul writes: *"If Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain; and your Faith is in vain... And if Christ has not been raised, then your Faith is a delusion, and you are still lost in your sins... But in fact, Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep"* (1Cor 15:14,17,20). *"Jesus is Lord; He is risen!"* (Rom 10:9) was the central theme of the kerygma (or "preaching"), of the apostles. It is the crowning truth of our Faith in Christ, a Faith believed and lived as the central truth by the first Christian community.
- 2) ***Easter is the guarantee of our own resurrection***. Jesus assured Martha at the tomb of Lazarus: "I am the Resurrection and the Life; whoever believes in Me will live even though he dies" (Jn 11:25-26). By virtue of the Holy Spirit, our Christian life is already a participation in the death and Resurrection of Christ.
- 3) ***Easter is a feast which gives us hope and encouragement*** in this world of pain, sorrows, and tears. It reminds us that life is worth living. It is our belief in the Real Presence of the Risen Jesus, in our souls, in His Church, in the Blessed Sacrament, and in Heaven that gives meaning to our personal, as well as to our common, prayers. Our trust in the all-pervading presence of the Risen Lord gives us strength to fight against temptations and freedom from unnecessary worries and fears.

There are few reasons why we should believe in the Resurrection of Jesus:

- (a) Jesus himself testified to his Resurrection from the dead (Mk 8:31; Mt 17:22; Lk 9:22).



- (b) The tomb was empty on Easter Sunday (Lk 24:3). Although the guards claimed (Mt 28:13) that the disciples of Jesus had stolen the body, every sensible Jew knew that it was impossible for the terrified disciples of Jesus to steal the body of Jesus from a tomb guarded by a sixteen-member team of armed Roman soldiers.
- (c) The initial disbelief of Jesus' own disciples in his Resurrection, despite his repeated apparitions. This serves as a strong proof of his Resurrection. It explains why the apostles started preaching the resurrected Christ only after receiving the anointing of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost.
- (d) The transformation of Jesus' disciples: The disciples of Jesus were almost immediately transformed from men who were hopeless and fearful after the crucifixion (Lk 24:21, Jn 20:19) into men who were confident and bold witnesses of the Resurrection (Acts 2:24; 3:15; 4:2).
- (e) The Jews and the Romans could not disprove Jesus' Resurrection by presenting the dead body of Jesus.
- (f) The apostles and early Christians would not have faced martyrdom if they were not absolutely sure of Jesus' Resurrection.
- (g) The Apostle Paul's conversion from a persecutor of Christians into a zealous apostle, preaching the Good News of Jesus throughout much of the Gentile world supports the truth of Jesus' Resurrection (Gal 1:11-17, Acts 9:1; 9:24-25; Acts 26:15-18).
- (h) The sheer existence of a thriving, empire-conquering early Christian Church, bravely facing three centuries of persecution, supports the truth of the Resurrection claim.
- (i) The New Testament witnesses do not bear the stamp of dupes or deceivers. The apostles and the early Christians were absolutely sure about the Resurrection of Jesus.



As a parish we are invited to strengthen our faith in the risen Lord and conquer ourselves, the other and attain the eternal life in Christ. Let us overcome our differences by learning the truth about Jesus how he washed their feet saying, *"If I, therefore, the master and teacher, have washed your feet, you ought to wash one another's feet. I have given you a model to follow, so that as I have done for you, you should also do."* (Jn 13:12-15). Let us sit together as a family as Jesus sat for the Last Supper, and invited his disciples by giving the bread saying,

"Take and eat; this is my body." By giving the cup to them saying, *"Drink from it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed on behalf of many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, from now on I shall not drink this fruit of the vine until the day when I drink it with you new in the kingdom of my Father."* (Mt 26:26-29). Jesus died on the cross to raise us all to experience the glory of God. May this Easter be an experience of the risen Lord walking with us to renewed faith and hope.

Holy Week

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Distribution of Palms

<u>Saturday, April 12</u>	<u>Sunday, April 13</u>
5.00 pm - English Mass	6.45 am - Konkani Mass; 8.00 am - Palm Procession
6.15 pm - English Mass	9.00 am - English Mass at Church & Hall
	11.15 am & 5.00 pm - English Mass at Church

MAUNDY THURSDAY	GOOD FRIDAY	<u>April 18</u>
<u>April 17</u>	<u>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</u>	
AT CHURCH GROUNDS	7.00 am - in Konkani	3.00 pm - Divine Mercy Novena
5.30 pm - English Service	8.00 am - by Youth	
8.00 pm - English Service	9.30 am - Passion	
	11.00 am - in Malayalam	AT CHURCH GROUNDS
ADORATION	12.00 pm - in Marathi	5.00 pm - English Service
10.00 pm - At Church	1.00 pm - in Hindi	7.30 pm - English Service
	2.00 pm - in Tamil	

Easter Sunday

THE LORD'S RESURRECTION

<u>Saturday, April 19</u>
AT CHURCH GROUNDS
8.00 pm - Easter Vigil
<u>Sunday, April 20</u>
AT CHURCH
8.00 am - Konkani Mass
9.30 am - English Mass
11.00 am - English Mass

Are We Pilgrims of Hope or Hopeless Pilgrims?

Life is a pilgrimage—an uncharted journey filled with trials, triumphs, and the unknown. As Catholics, we walk by faith, but what happens when the road ahead is covered in shadows? Do we press forward with hope, trusting in God's plan, or do we sink into despair, convinced we are lost? This question is not just philosophical; it is spiritual. It defines how we live, how we endure suffering, and ultimately, where we are headed.

Hope is not a fleeting emotion; it is a force. It is what drives the weary forward, lifts the broken, and rekindles the fire in a soul dimmed by sorrow. It is the anchor that holds firm even when the waves of life rage around us: "We have this hope as an anchor of the soul, firm and secure." (Hebrews 6:19). History proves that God's people have always walked by this unshakable hope. The Israelites wandered the desert but never lost sight of the Promised Land. The early Christians faced persecution but held onto the promise of eternal life. They knew what we must remember today—God never abandons His people. Hope is like a rocket—it propels us beyond our struggles, defying gravity, breaking through the barriers of doubt and fear. Scripture tells us: "But those who hope in the Lord will renew their strength; they will soar on wings like eagles." (Isaiah 40:31). Hope is our fuel, our power source. It gets us off the ground, carries us through uncertainty, and gives us the strength to take the leap of faith toward God's promise.

But what if we let go of hope? What if the weight of our fears, failures, and doubts drags us down? **Hopelessness** is not just sadness—it is spiritual blindness. It makes us believe that God is absent, that our suffering is pointless, that there is no way forward. This is a dangerous path, one the Catechism of the Catholic Church warns against (CCC 2091). But Scripture reminds us: "We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair." (2 Corinthians 4:8). Judas Iscariot lost himself in despair, believing his betrayal of Christ was unforgivable. Peter, too, failed Jesus—but he chose hope, sought mercy, and became the rock on which Christ built



His Church (Matthew 16:18). The difference between them was not the weight of their sin, but the presence—or absence—of hope. Let us choose to walk in hope. As Pope Francis boldly proclaims, "Hope is bold." It does not shrink back; it steps forward. It does not whisper; it declares. We are not alone—God walks with us: "For I know

the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope." (Jeremiah 29:11)

Hope is a choice. It is found in prayer, strengthened through the sacraments, and lived out in acts of love. It is the light we carry, not just for ourselves, but for the world.

In conclusion: **Hope or Hopelessness? The Choice is Ours.** Every journey has a direction. Every heart has a compass. Every soul must choose. Are we pilgrims of hope, pressing on with faith? Or are we hopeless wanderers, losing ourselves in despair?

The answer is in Christ. If we anchor ourselves in Him, we will never be lost. If we hold onto hope, we will always find our way. "Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer." (Romans 12:12)

Now, ask yourself—what kind of pilgrim are you?

On this note, we wish you a blessed holy week and Happy Easter. God bless!

"Hope is the last thing ever lost."

—ITALIAN PROVERB

THE JUBILEE YEAR 2025

The Jubilee 2025, with its theme “Pilgrims of Hope”, is a significant spiritual event rooted in ancient traditions. It offers an opportunity for profound personal and collective renewal through pilgrimage, the symbolic act of crossing the Holy Door, the reception of plenary indulgence, and the active practice of Works of Mercy. The theme “Pilgrims of Hope” is particularly relevant in a world facing war, the ongoing impacts of the pandemic, and climate change. The Jubilee is presented as a time for hope and trust in God.

Pope Francis calls on all believers to embrace this time of grace, embark on a journey of conversion, and become authentic witnesses of hope in the world. He further emphasizes the importance of **“Works of Mercy as an integral part of the Jubilee experience.”** These include both corporal and spiritual works, inviting believers to “reach out to our brothers and sisters in difficulty bearing witness to Divine Mercy with concrete gestures.” Examples include helping the hungry, welcoming those in difficulty, consoling the suffering, and forgiving those who have hurt us. He describes the Jubilee as **“a special time to let our hearts Be touched by Grace, to open ourselves to hope and trust in God who never disappoints.”** It is a “powerful invitation to rediscover the deepest meaning of our faith and to become witnesses of hope in a world often marked by conflict, fear and confusion.” He reminds us, **“we are not men and women of fear but of Hope.”** The Jubilee began on **December 24th, 2024 (Christmas Eve)** with



the solemn opening of the Holy Door of St. Peter’s Basilica by Pope Francis. The Holy Year will end exactly one year later on **December 24th, 2025**. The concept of the Jubilee has ancient

roots in Jewish tradition, where every 50 years was dedicated to the “rest of the earth and the renewal of society.” This involved the resting of the land, cancellation of debts, freeing of slaves, and the return of expropriated lands, signifying a time of great joy and celebration but also of deep reflection focused on justice, mercy, and solidarity. The first official Christian Jubilee was proclaimed in 1300 by Pope Boniface VIII, initially intended to be celebrated every hundred years. The frequency of Jubilees was later revised to every 50 years, aligning with the Jewish tradition and eventually settled at ordinary Jubilees every 25 years. This aims to allow each generation to experience this event at least once.

Pope Francis has asked us to prepare for this Jubilee year by studying four documents of the Second Vatican Council (*Sacrosanctum Concilium*, *Lumen Gentium*, *Dei Verbum*, and *Gaudium et Spes*) and praying for this Jubilee year. The Jubilee is a call for believers to return to the Lord with all their heart through prayer, listening to the Gospel and spiritual formation. We are called to a journey of conversion which means returning to the Lord with all our heart. We can do this through concrete gestures such as daily prayer, attentive listening to the gospel and a deeper spiritual formation.

Fr. Ivo Dias, OCD



LIGHT (LUCE) in the EYES represents the vision of the Light of God and the journey toward it. Light is a symbol of hope.



Red represents love, action, and sharing; yellow/orange signifies human warmth; green evokes peace and balance; blue recalls security and protection.

LIGHT in the EYES

The shape of the design resembles a shell, a symbol of perseverance in faith.

The **ANGEL** represents the union between earthly experience and the presence of God in life, offering courage in moments of solitary suffering.

It symbolizes God's presence, accompanying each person's journey. A guardian angel as a companion throughout life.



The **SAILOR'S RAINCOAT**. A symbol of journeying through the storm.

As indicated by the waves in the logo, it shows that life's pilgrimage doesn't always navigate calm waters. Like the "sanrocchino," the short canvas cloak that served to protect pilgrims from the elements, it symbolizes divine protection on the pilgrimage towards eternity.



The iconic yellow of the sailor's raincoat recalls the colors of the flag of the **HOLY SEE**, while also representing one of the pilgrims in the Jubilee logo.



The **DOVE** (symbol of the Holy Spirit) as a companion on the journey. The dove is also a symbol of purity, the search for God, freedom, and a messenger of peace.

ANCHOR – symbol of hope –

The **"BORDONE"** – walking stick – evokes the arduous journey of the pilgrim. It symbolizes the pilgrimage of life, a journey toward eternity.

The **ROSARY BEADS** represent a life filled with deep prayer.

They symbolize simple, daily Christian prayer.



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ST. THERESE - A CLOISTERED MISSIONARY.

St Therese of the Child Jesus popularly known as the “**LITTLE FLOWER OF JESUS**” and is fondly loved by all those who invoke her intercession. She bloomed into a great missionary inside the four walls of the Carmelite Monastery of Lisieux, France.



This year 2025, marks the Jubilee year of Jesus birth, and the Centenary year of the Canonisation of St. Therese on 17th May 1925. Though she was a Cloistered Nun, she was declared **Patroness of Missions** along with St. Francis Xavier. She is considered one of the greatest saints of modern times. Countless women, men, priests, religious, youth, believers and non-believers of all ages and generations have experienced the power of her intercession. The spirituality of St. Therese is very simple and can be embraced by one and all, that is **total trust and confidence in God the Father**.

St. Therese was the youngest daughter of the Martin family of Louis and Zélie. They had nine children: Louise, Pauline, Leonie, Helen (died at 5 years), Marie Joseph Louis (died at 5 months), Marie Joseph Baptiste (died at 9 months), Celine, Melanie Therese (died at 3 months), and lastly Therese, who was born on 2nd January 1873 in Alençon (France). Louise and Pauline joined the Carmel of Lisieux. They were also the source of inspiration for Therese to join Carmel. At the age of fifteen, St. Therese joined Carmel while her older sister Celine stayed back to look after their aged and sick father. Later after his death, she too joined Carmel at Lisieux. Marie Leonie, her older sister joined the Visitation sisters, another Congregation.

The parents of St. Therese, Louis and Zélie were canonised on 15th October 2015 in Rome by Pope Francis during the World Synod of Bishops on the Family. The Pope said that they are the Models for our parents today.

St. Therese was not a born Saint. She was like most of us with all her faults, weakness, and human infirmities (psychological, emotional, spiritual and physical). But in all her brokenness, God granted her grace to soar high through a life of virtue and sacrifice.

* Therese had intestinal troubles after two weeks of her birth. Her condition became worse, and the mother

thought she would lose this child also. But through the intercession of St. Francis de Sales, she was healed. Hence the name Marie Françoise Therese.

* When Therese was four years old, her beloved mother died to breast cancer. She tightly embraced her sister Pauline, saying, “you will be my mother”. However, Pauline left home to join Carmel when Therese was nine years old, after she received her first Holy Communion. Therese suffered very much emotionally, and this affected her physical health too, with severe headaches. She expresses her sorrow in her Autobiography, “STORY OF A SOUL”.

* Her father Mr. Martin loved his youngest daughter very much. He called Therese his queen. Yet silently, she separated from him to join Carmel and dedicate her life entirely to God.

* St. Therese joined Carmel at the age of fifteen and as she was being clothed with the Carmelite Habit after one year, her beloved father fell seriously ill. Therese suffered very much. But she offered her pain and sorrow to the Heavenly Father in a spirit of faith, and surrendered her beloved Papa into God’s loving embrace. After three years of intense suffering, he died. Her older sister Celine joined the Carmel of Lisieux.

These are a few instances of how, a great Saint, despite her many difficulties, trials and challenges of life, kept the flame of her faith burning. Therese lived a child-like spirituality and offered her life of prayer, sacrifice, silence and solitude, all out of great love for God, in the Cloister of Carmel for the salvation of souls. Jesus while hanging on the cross said, “I THIRST”. Therese understood this as, Jesus thirsting for souls. So, today, St. Therese invites all of us, both young and old to join in her mission to save souls and to quench the thirst of Jesus.

In the Archdiocese of Mumbai, the Carmelite sisters have a cloistered convent at Andheri. If St. Therese (the little Flower of Jesus), could answer the call of God at such a tender age of 15 years, WHY NOT YOU? The call of Jesus is always there. 2025 years ago, when Jesus called his first disciples, Simon Peter, Andrew, and others,

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DARE TO DREAM WITH SAINT JOSEPH

In the Year 2013, Fr. Dominic Vas built an Infant Jesus Shrine to promote the devotion of Infant Jesus of Prague and it was inaugurated by Bishop Bosco Penna. In the same year **Fr. Roshan D Souza** joined the Parish team as assistant priest and **Fr. Agnelo** who served as an assistant priest left for Prague for his further mission.

In the year 2014, after the Provincial Chapter, Fr. Michael Morris and Fr. Ivo left for the Margao community for their further mission. Fr. Dominic Vas, who was the Parish Priest, was transferred to Mysore, to Dhyavanava Spirituality centre. Fr. Ivan went to Shivamogga for his new assignment. A new community was formed in Mira Road under the leadership of **Fr. Diogo Proenca**. **Fr. Nelson Pinto** who was appointed as the Parish priest took charge of St. Joseph Church, Mira Road. **Fr. Lancy Mendonca**, **Fr. Denis Misquith** and Newly ordained priest **Fr. Daniel Christian** joined the Parish Team as assistant priests. In the year 2015 Fr. Roshan who served as the assistant priest left for Canada for his new mission.

In the year 2015 in May Fr. Nelson who served as a Parish Priest left for Gulbarga for his new assignment, and **Fr. Melvin D Cunha** took the reins of St. Joseph Church Mira Road from Fr. Nelson. In the same year, **Fr. Joachim Rodrigues** too joined the Parish community as an assistant Priest. In January 2016, 3 Deacons namely **Antony Stephen**, **Kevin Fernandes**, **Prakash Rebello** came to St. Joseph Church Mira Road to assist in the pastoral ministry. They continued their ministry till April 2016.

On July 17, 2016, the **Mount Carmel School** came into existence with the permission Maharashtra Education Board and Diocese of Mumbai. **Fr. Victor Vijay Pais** was appointed as the first principal of Mount Carmel School.

In 2017 after the provincial Chapter, a New community at Krista Shanti Dham, Mira road was formed under the leadership of **Fr. Lawrence D'Cunha**, **Frs. Walter D Souza**, **Cannio Cardoza** and **Pawan Saldanha** joined the Parish team. **Fr. Pawan** was also appointed as the Principal of Mount Carmel School. Fr. Diogo was transferred to Rajodi. Fr. Victor for Dhyavanava Spirituality Centre. Fr. Joachim who was appointed as the Education secretary, and left for Bangalore. Father Daniel Christian left for Rome for his higher studies. Fr. Dennis Misquith left for Londa as the Principal of Mount Carmel School Ramnagar. In October, **Deacon Antony Souza** came to Mira Road for the diaconate ministry and served in the parish for six months.

In the year 2017, Fr. Melvin the parish priest along with Finance committee and the priest's team took up many tasks like tiling the entire staircase, tiling the Avila Room, Little flower Room and T.V. Room. The church and the whole building were painted and were given a new look. Two jumbo fans were installed in the church. In the same year, we demolished the old grotto which was beyond repair and was causing inconvenience at the entrance gate. We also built a new grotto. Meanwhile, St. Anthony's grotto was renovated and a face lift was given to the entrance of the parish office.

In 2018 Bishop Barthol Ordained Dn. Nelson Cardoza OCD on 17th of April. After his Priestly Ordination Fr. Nelson was given the conventuality in the same community that is Krista Shanti Dham. He simultaneously served in the parish as an assistant priest and pursued his B. Ed studies. In February Fr. Melvin began the long pending project of building New Block (Toilet Block). Besides that, old the water proofing of the church terrace was removed and replaced by tiles to lighten the weight. A synthetic Badminton court was

made on the terrace. The entire church ground was given a facelift by putting interlocks and the roof for the stage was installed. We also installed 2 big fans in the St. Joseph Hall.

In February 2019 Fr. Julius Gonsalves a newly ordained priest was sent to Mira Road to serve in the St. Joseph Church. In May 2019 Fr. Cannio went to Canada for his further mission. In October deacon Roshan arrived for his diaconate ministry in the Parish.

In the year 2020 after the provincial chapter, Fr. Lancy Mendonca who had served in the parish for nearly six years was transferred to Ryshivana Mangalore. Fr. Julius who served as a youth director for a year was transferred to Tapovana Kushalnagar. At the same time, two young priests namely **Fr Roshan Monteiro** who had served in the same parish as a deacon and **Fr Ashwin Prashanth D Souza** who were ordained in July arrived at Mira Road as assistant Priests.

In May 2022, Fr Roshan Monteiro left for Bangalore to pursue theological studies. In November 2022, Deacon Nikesh D'Souza joined the community for his

diaconate Ministry. He was ordained in January 2023, and remained in the community till May 2023, later being appointed to the Nagpur Community.

In May 2023, after the Provincial Chapter of Karnataka - Goa Province a New community at Krista Shanti Dham, Mira road was formed under the leadership of

Fr. Regan Paul D'Souza (Superior), Fr. Lawrence D Cunha (Parish Priest), Frs. Walter D Souza, Pawan Saldanha, Ashwin D Silva, Nelson Krist Cardoza and Ashwin D Souza. We bid farewell to Fr. Melwin, who was elected Superior of our Mangalore Monastery.

In October 2023, Deacon Santosh Menezes came to our community for his diaconal ministry. He left the community after completing his ministry in January 2024.

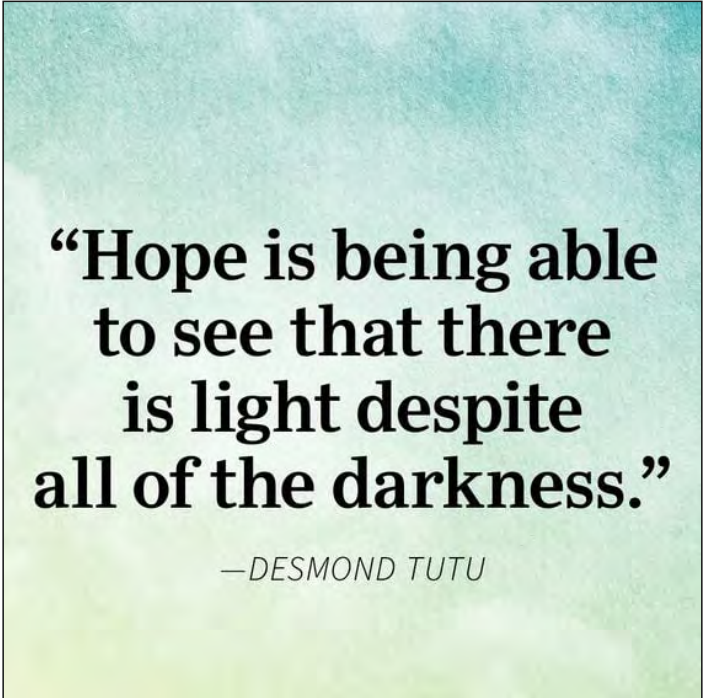
In June 2024, Fr Ivo Dias joined the community, and Fr Walter D Souza left for the Mangalore community. Later Deacon Jeswin Tom Benoy came here for his diaconate ministry,

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“COME FOLLOW ME”, they left their fishing nets and followed Jesus. Can we not leave our nets too? Our nets of comfort, ambitions, attachments to follow this call? If you would like to know about the Cloistered Carmelite sisters residing in Andheri, Mumbai, who spend their life hidden in prayer, silence and solitude, sacrifice and separation from the world, you can contact us on the address below. The Carmelite Priests serve at Mira Road, Rajodi,

Talegaon. Also the OCDS, a Secular Order for the laity are also present at St. Joseph's Church, Mira Road. If you wish to know about the Carmelite Priesthood and the OCDS, feel free to speak to Fr. Regan D'Souza.

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Mahakali Caves Rd., Andheri (East). Mob: 8433793575.***



**“Hope is being able
to see that there
is light despite
all of the darkness.”**

—DESMOND TUTU

Interview with Deacon Jesvin : My Life, My Journey

I am Deacon Jesvin Tom Benoy, and I am a Carmelite.

Tom is my middle name; it stands for St. Thomas, my dad is Benoy and my Mum is Gigi. I was born in Kerala and I belong to the Syro-Malabar Rite of the Catholic Church. My family is originally from Alleppey, Kerala, but we are now settled in Kottayam. In 2006 my family moved to Delhi.



stood beside me and are my great supporters along the journey towards the priesthood.

Why Carmelites?

The first Carmelites I encountered were the Cloistered Nuns of the Delhi Carmel. I met the Carmelite sisters - their long scapulars, their robes, their silent prayerful life, and this told me of the joy and peace they cherish within them. I met the nuns when I was still studying, but when I considered joining seminary seriously, I

Faith and calling:

My faith, I learnt from my grandparents, whom I have seen praying for souls in purgatory, forgotten souls for whom they prayed the Divine Mercy Chaplet. They inculcated in me a deep calling for prayer. The journey of faith continued as I prepared for my Holy Communion at age 7. I observed the priests at the altar, celebrating the Holy Eucharist and saying various prayers. Once I reached Delhi, all this subsided, I deliberately turned a blind eye to the spiritual side of life, I was like any other Delhi boy. After studying commerce in 11th and 12th, I ventured into the professional course, cleared the entrance and while I was at the second IPCC stage of Chartered Accountancy, something happened that triggered my spiritual journey!

Turning point in my life:

Once at class, we were told that the Institute of CA was established by a law of the Parliament. This made me very proud. I came home and declared the same to everyone gleefully. One of our family friends, an uncle, happened to be home that day, and he retorted, "There is nothing greater that you can do with your life than what the priest does on the Altar." These words created a storm within me and made me introspect. I remember lying on the bed and deeply thinking over what I should do with my life. Then the entire dream I had as a child returned to me, and I decided that I should be a priest. I shared the matter with my Mum, who in turn spoke to my Dad about the same. I needed their support, and they have

tried the MCBS and the SVDs, but somehow, it didn't work out. I then called Rev. Fr. Joe Tauro, OCD, Former Provincial of the KG Province of the Discalced Carmelites. He was then the Rector of Pushpashrama, the Province's Philosophy College at Mysore. He invited me to spend a week there in the company of the community and the brothers. Since my brother was already studying in Mysore, it made me comfortable.

That week, I read the autobiography of St Therese of Lisieux – the Story of a Soul – which deeply impacted me. If she could embrace sanctity doing lowly, through simple tasks, then why not I, was the question that hung over me. Also, the brothers in the seminary, with their religious attire and grace, did captivate me! Hence, I chose to join the Carmelites.

Formative years:

I joined the seminary in 2014; this is my 11th year as a formee. But the journey is almost over, as I am preparing for my ordination. I must admit, years in formation has its own joys and pains. There is a shift that takes place in you, from being a young adult, a family person, you evolve into a community individual. That shift, I'd say, isn't something very easy. There are lessons learnt in the process. But there is always growth. But God has been really good, kind and benevolent.

I am earnestly happy to be ordained and to start my priestly ministry at the age of 30. I keep in mind that Jesus started his ministry at the age of 30. I wish and

pray that as many years as the good Lord would give me, I may resemble the life of Christ and embrace it with depth and conviction!

My Priestly Ordination is planned to be held on the 19th of May 2025, at Pushpashrama, Mysore – at the very place where I chose to become a Carmelite. It is like I am preparing for my wedding, my vows to be faithful to Jesus, his teachings and to be faithful to the Church.

Thoughts for the Youngsters:

I see that the world is changing, and a lot of its impact will be borne by the youngsters. Technological advancement, social media and other developments of the time come with benefits as well as downsides. It calls for us to be careful in indulging in it, and to be masters of ourselves rather than becoming slaves to these. My prayers are for the youngsters that in the changing times they may be held strong in faith and their convictions. I pray that they may find favour in the eyes of the Lord!

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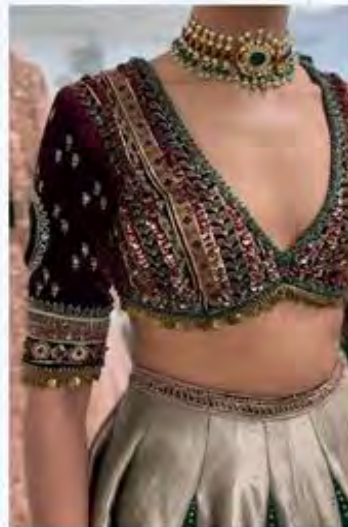
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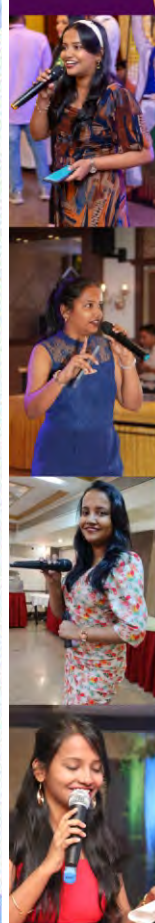
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St Joseph's - Sunday School Activity Report for 2024-2025

1 Corinthians 3:5-7:

"I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth. So neither he who plants nor he who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth"

The SS inaugural Eucharistic celebration began with a procession with a Catechist and student walking in procession towards an empty planter. Sowing mustard seeds and watering it. Followed by Catechists who in turns watered the seeds. This gesture symbolizing a Catechists role to sow and nurture seeds of faith in their students, while it is God who finally gives the growth.

Catechists lit their candles from the Paschal candle while the celebrant made the commissioning prayer.

The SS team consists of :

Spiritual director: **Rev Fr Pawan Saldanha**

Main Coordinator: **Mrs Vanessa Dsouza**

Primary coordinator: **Mrs Jovita Barboza**

Secondary coordinator: **Mrs Vanessa Dsouza**

Coordinator for std 10th: **Mr Christy Leitao**

Coordinator for confirmation: **Mr Jerald Dsouza**

SS liturgy & Deanery coordinator : **Ms Sabina Correa**

Support was received from pastoral helpers, AV & LCD teams for smooth functioning of SS activities, not forgetting Darryl who was very prompt with all our venue bookings.

Various activities conducted at Sunday school this year 2024-2025

For the teachers:

- 1) Recollections at a Deanery level in coordination with the DCC team. We had 2 Recollections this year both on the topic of prayer & both conducted by Rev Fr Regan Dsouza in July 2024 & Jan 2025.
- 2) Training for new and current Catechists by Mr Avil Noronha on how to conduct the class & lesson on 23rd June 2024.
- 3) FHC & confirmation Catechists attended a training on "How to make disciples" on 14th July, 2024 at St Michael's Church, Mahim
- 4) Teachers day celebration with wonderful entertainment by the SS students & a sumptuous lunch to appreciate teachers from SS, RCIA, MOW, PreBap ministries.
- 5) Teachers evaluation meeting to understand the working of the group with feedback to improve.

For students :

- 1) **Bible quiz:** the online Bible quiz was conducted on the Gospel of John, in Aug 2024 for Std 4th to Confirmation almost 700+ students participation. the finale offline quiz was conducted in Dec. Online winners were felicitated in

their classrooms while the Winners of the offline finale were felicitated with trophies. Confirmation students were felicitated during the confirmation mass and std 4-10th during the SS closing Thanksgiving mass.

- 2) **Faith Celebration day (FCD)** for 5-6th, 7-8th, 9th & 10th. The FCD for 5 & 6-7-8 was an inter parish event with 300+ students participation at each event including students from our and Neighbouring parishes. FCD for 9 & 10th was only for our parish. This event as usual helps bring students together with their teachers to experience, explore and exhibit their Faith experiences through song, dance, skits, posters etc. this year's topic for all sections was on prayer.
- 3) **Parents day celebration** on 28th July 2024. SS children have put up various performances guided & trained by their teachers.
- 4) **Nativity novenas** for SS students with offering of various gifts on all days of the novenas to infant Mary.
- 5) **Christmas day** celebration for SS students At Anubhav tuff, hall and terrace.
- 6) **Way of the cross** to be conducted by SS children on Thursdays.
- 7) **Common AV sessions** by SS teacher's and guest speakers. We've had Fr Regan, Deacon Jeswin and Benno conduct these common sessions on very interesting topics for the students from different classes. Topics like The Eucharist, Everyday with Jesus, Theology of the body were covered by them.
- 8) **SS quiz Final quiz** conducted in Feb 2025 with winners being felicitated at the closing mass.
- 9) **Confirmation students one-day retreat** on 7th July, 2024, conducted by YU4C.
- 10) Retreat for confirmation students and their parents by Fr Regan.

For parents :

- 1) FHC and Confo PTA to understand the expectations from the team.

Vigils for FHC & Confo were conducted in their communities.

One of the highlights this year was the Jubilee celebrations in Nov 2024 where there was wonderful and well appreciated cultural programme put up by SS students, teachers and even our beloved priests along with creative game stalls handled by students and teachers too.

This year like every year came with new experiences, feedback & opportunities for us to serve the Lord and Thank Him for His countless blessings.

“Our Guardian Angels: Celebrating the Pastoral Helpers of St. Joseph’s Church, Mira Road”



In the heart of Mira Road, a beacon of faith and community stands tall – St. Joseph’s Church. Nestled within its walls are not only the echoes of prayers but also the silent, tireless efforts of the unsung heroes who play a pivotal role in helping the smooth spiritual journey of the parishioners – the Pastoral Helpers.

St. Joseph’s Church is more than just a physical space for worship; it is a vibrant community where the faithful come together to share their joys, sorrows, and, most importantly, their faith. The Pastoral Helpers, often working behind the scenes, embody the true spirit of selfless service and devotion. One of the key aspects of their role is to assist the parishioners in directing their way along the church premises for their religious duties. Whether it’s organizing special religious events, assisting with sacraments, be it Christmas, Holy week, or just the regular Sunday and weekday masses these dedicated individuals are the pillars that uphold the religious fabric of St. Joseph’s Church.

The pastoral helpers at St. Joseph’s Church bring a unique blend of compassion and commitment to their roles. They understand the diverse needs of the parishioners and go above and beyond to ensure that everyone feels welcomed and supported in their faith journey. From helping with the preparation of religious ceremonies to organising the movement and parking of various vehicles, guiding the parishioners to their respective seats, helping the handicapped and elderly to find places in the church and ensuring smooth movement during Holy Communion,

entry and exit of the church premises also comforting and helping the sick and disabled during difficult times, this group is the embodiment of Christian love in action.

Be it Winter, Hot Summer or Pouring Rain they are present guiding the faithful so that there is a smooth movement of vehicles, people and small children in the premises of the church. Even though they are stressed out in many ways they are always smiling and ready to give a helping hand to those in need of help. They also face at times the rude and irate reaction of some people, when they try to enforce the discipline required for the smooth functioning of events. Their meticulous attention to detail ensures that every religious service is conducted seamlessly, allowing the parishioners to immerse themselves in the spiritual experience without any distractions. Through their dedication, they create an atmosphere that fosters a deeper connection with the divine.

One cannot overlook the humility with which these pastoral helpers carry out their duties. Their work is not driven by a desire for recognition or praise but by a genuine love for their fellow parishioners and a profound commitment to serving God through service to others. Their selflessness is a shining example for the entire community, inspiring others to contribute to the well-being of the Church and its members.

In conclusion, the pastoral helpers of St. Joseph’s Church, Mira Road, are one of the unsung heroes who play a

vital role in enriching the religious experience of the parishioners. Their tireless efforts, compassionate hearts, and unwavering commitment to the community make them true angels in disguise. As we celebrate the vibrant spirit of St. Joseph's Church, let us take a moment to

recognize and appreciate the invaluable contributions of these pastoral helpers who continue to shape the spiritual landscape of Mira Road. Let us salute their dedication and commitment and offer a word of praise, a thank you or a silent prayer for them, as we pass them by.

John S Pinto (Queen Of Apostles Community.)

MEANING OF THE JUBILEE LOGO

THE FOUR FIGURES

The logo shows four stylized figures, representing all of humanity, coming from the four corners of the earth. They embrace each other to indicate the solidarity and fraternity which should unite all peoples. The figure at the front is holding onto the cross. It is not only the sign of the faith which this lead figure embraces, but also of hope, which can never be abandoned, because we are always in need of hope, especially in our moments of greatest need.

THE WAVES

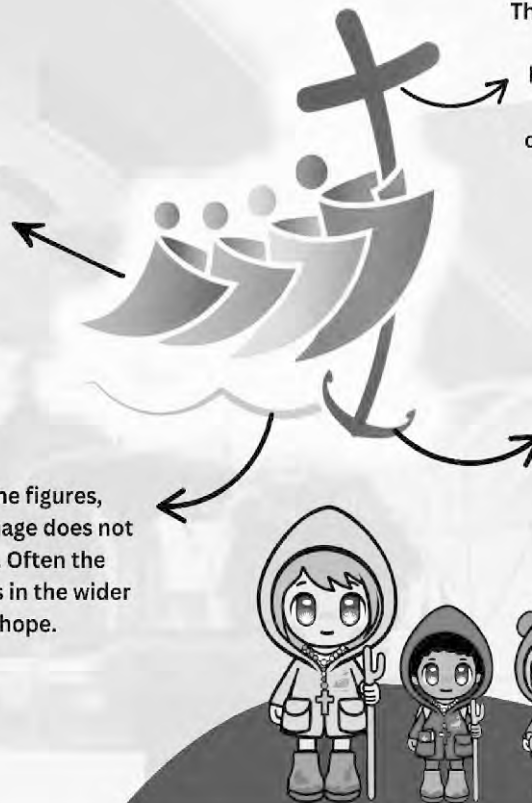
There are the rough waves under the figures, symbolising the fact that life's pilgrimage does not always go smoothly in calm waters. Often the circumstances of daily life and events in the wider world require a greater call to hope.

THE CROSS

The cross in the logo is by no means static, but it is also dynamic. It bends down towards humanity, not leaving human beings alone, but stretching out to them to offer the certainty of its presence and the security of hope.

THE ANCHOR

The anchor is well known as a symbol of hope. In maritime jargon the 'anchor of hope' refers to the reserve anchor used by vessels involved in emergency manoeuvres to stabilise the ship during storms. It is worth noting that the image illustrates the pilgrim's journey not as an individual undertaking, but rather as something communal, marked by an increasing dynamism leading one ever closer to the cross.





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Report of all PYC events since June 2024

In the month of June with the new academic year PYC began its youth activities and NYG meetings. In this report We would like present few glimpses of the events which were conducted for the youth of our Parish.

14th July - PYC Trek: On 14th July, the PYC Trek took adventurers on a fun and exciting journey. The trail was refreshing, with beautiful views and peaceful nature all around. Everyone enjoyed walking together, sharing laughs, and making memories. It was a perfect day for a simple and joyful outdoor escape.

28th July - Parents day Celebration: On 28th July, Parents' Day was celebrated in collaboration with Sunday school with love and joy. Children showed their love for their parents through songs, dances, and special messages. The event was filled with smiles, laughter, and happy moments. Parents felt proud and touched by the efforts of their children. It was a beautiful day to thank parents for their care and support.

15th, 17th and 18th Aug - D2D drama: The Dare 2 Dream (D2D) drama took place on 15th, 17th, and 18th August. It was a well-planned stage performance with months of rehearsals. The story of Joseph from the Old Testament was reenacted in a musical. The actors, singers, dancers and crew worked hard to bring the story to life. The drama was full of emotions, excitement, and a powerful message. The audience enjoyed the performances and felt connected to the story. The teamwork among the cast and crew made the event successful. Every scene was performed with passion and dedication. The mentors guided the team and helped them improve. The experience taught valuable lessons about patience and hard work. It was a memorable event for everyone involved.

15th Sept - DYD: Deanery Youth Day on 15th September is a special event for the youth to come together. It is a day filled with fun dance, music, and meaningful topics/dramas. Youth from the 4 Bhayander deanery parishes

joined to grow in faith and friendship. This event helps them feel inspired and connected.

29th Sept - Mega Rosary: The Mega Rosary on 29th September is a special prayer event where the parishioners come together to pray the Rosary. It is a time for unity, faith, and seeking blessings from God. The youth joined in conducting the prayer event where they prevailed in choir, reading, candle bearers and lifting of palkhi of our dear Mother Mary.



4th Saturday of every month - Alabare: On the fourth Saturday of every month, Alabare takes place. It is a special gathering where youth come together for prayer, worship and adoration. The event brings peace, joy, and a sense of community. Everyone comes to join and experience the blessings.

1st to 9th November - Parish Games: The Parish Games took place from the 1st to the 9th of November. It was a fun and exciting event where parishioners came together to play different sports and games. Participants showed great energy, teamwork, and sportsmanship. There were many sports such as football, cricket, volleyball, throw ball, badminton and carrom. Each team played with enthusiasm, hoping to win for their community. The audience cheered loudly, making the atmosphere lively and joyful. Volunteers worked hard to organize everything smoothly. Players not only competed but also made new friends. The event brought people closer and created happy memories. In the end, it was a celebration of sports, unity, and togetherness.

15th Dec- Christmas Footloose: A Jive workshop which was held in the season of Christmas giving out an exciting, high-energy dance experience where the youth learned to groove to lively, upbeat rhythms. It was fun, with easy-to-follow steps. The atmosphere with the instructors and our fellow partners was friendly and supportive, perfect for anyone looking to have a blast while dancing!

26th January -

FAITHCON: Faithcon adds a thrilling twist with two sections of A Quiz and an escape room challenge, blending faith with adventure. Participants solved scripture-based questions in the first section and found clues to “escape” within a set time in the second section all while

deepening their biblical knowledge. It was an interactive, team-oriented experience that makes learning fun and engaging while enjoying a unique, collaborative activity!

23rd February - PYC outdoor meeting: The outdoor meeting kept in Rajodi kicked off with an early morning bus trip where the animators kept the spirits high and as soon as the group approached the place, they were introduced with the tastiest of morning breakfast. Then the group participated in beach volleyball and many other sports activities. Everyone gathered for a brief devotional session, lunch and then for Holy Eucharist followed by the Last PYC meeting of the term. The event wrapped up with a sunset tea break and a bus ride finally heading home.

Weekly WOTC- 7th March to 11th April: The weekly Stations of the Cross conducted by the youth provided a powerful and reflective journey through the passion of Christ. Each station was a moment for prayer, reflection, and meditation, with the youth actively participating by leading the stations. The youth interpreted different variations of stories related to human society but with the same lesson each station teaches us. This weekly event also fostered a sense of community as they share in the sacred tradition. Through this service, they connect with the historical and spiritual significance of Good Friday.

18th April- Way of the cross: On Good Friday, the youth led the solemn and moving Way of the Cross, walking through the traditional 14 stations that commemorate Christ’s journey to His crucifixion. Each station was marked by prayer, song, and reflective meditation, with the youth displaying an powerful enactment of the events from After the Last Supper till resting Jesus body in the



Tomb. The somber atmosphere was enhanced by the sharing of personal reflections and the carrying of the cross, symbolizing the weight of Christ’s suffering. The community gathered in unity, drawn into the significance of Christ’s sacrifice and love. The youth’s participation

deepened their connection to the passion of Christ, as they honored this sacred tradition. The service served as a powerful reminder of faith, reflection, and the hope of Easter.

20th April -Easter Ball: The Easter Ball will be a joyful celebration that marks the conclusion of the Lenten season and the beginning of the Easter festivities. It will be a formal event where the community gathers for an evening of dancing, music, and fellowship. The atmosphere will be filled with excitement and celebration and The Ball will serve as a time of unity, where friends come together to share in the joy of the season. It’s a vibrant way to new life, hope, and the promise of renewal.

21st to 25th April- Summer Bash: Right after Easter, a fun event will be conducted for children to have an indoor summer camp type feeling and have a sense of team bonding along with the fun activities planned by the organizers with additional help from the youth of the church. This event will hold various activities for the different age groups helping them to build their skill sets and deepening their faith towards the Lord.

3rd to 4th May- Overnight picnic: The long awaited overnight picnic which the youth await which will take place at Khandala. It will be a day of enjoyment and relaxation where youth come together and enjoy together and have a wonderful time with friends and groups made there along with food and prayer. This event is not just long awaited, it’s also the last event planned before the new term itself. Youth look forward to this day of relaxation cause it follows right after their exams making it even more enjoyable.

*Yohann Lobo, Roseanne D souza, Jhoshua Alphonso
PYC Office bearers - 2024 -25*



Recipe: ASIAN STYLED CRUNCHY SALAD

Healthy and delicious.

Ready within 15 mins!

Ingredients:

Carrots 1 cup, finely sliced * Cabbage 1 cup, finely sliced

Half Red bell pepper, finely sliced

Coriander leaves, half cup finely chopped

Pomegranate arils, 1 cup

Roasted peanuts 1.5 tbsps

Roasted sesame seeds 1.5 tbsps

Lime juice 2 tbsps * Honey 1 tbsp

Red/ white vinegar 1 tsp * Salt to taste

Add The carrots, cabbage, bell peppers, coriander leaves and pomegranate arils in a bowl.

Lightly pound the peanuts and add to the veggies. Add toasted sesame.

Mix lime juice, honey, vinegar and salt to prepare the salad dressing.

Add the salad dressing to the veggies.

Serve immediately.

(Anonymous)

Poem: LOVING FRIEND

When things go wrong

And sadness fills your heart

When you feel so helpless

'Coz your worlds falling apart

When you think life is unfair

And no one seems to care

When your troubles are so much

And with no one you can share

Just close your eyes and say a prayer

To ease your burdens, God is always there

But there is one thing you should know

Faith in HIM, He wants you to show

Never mind if you've messed up badly

Just apologize sincerely

And in His time, He'll set everything right

But against temptations, you'll have to fight

No matter what you're going through

Know that He has a plan for you

All your troubles will come to an end

Just tell Him about it...

He's a very LOVING FRIEND !!

(Renita Correa - Our Lady of Lourdes Community)

Recipe: GOAN FISH CURRY - AMBOT-TIK

The bright red Goan Ambot-Tik Curry (literally, sour-n-hot or sour-n-spicy) is an easy, sense-tingling dish - the very thought of it brings back the memory of the aroma and the consequent awakening of the taste buds, no matter how many days or years ago you last tasted it! Though famously known to be cooked with Mori (Shark fish), this can be made with your preferred fish.

Clean, rinse and cut the fish into 1 cm thick pieces. Rub generously with Salt, set aside for 20-30 minutes and then rinse well.

The best part of Goan non-coconut based curry pastes is that they can be made in advance and refrigerated for few weeks.

Ingredients for the Ambot-Tik Curry Paste:

(Grind into a fine, paste with tamarind soaked in water, vinegar and little water)

4 Garlic cloves

1" Ginger

1/4 teaspoon Turmeric powder

1 (flat) teaspoon Cumin Seeds

8 Black Peppercorns

2 Cloves, 1/2" Cinnamon

4 dried Red Bedki Chilies

4 dried Red Kashmiri Chilies

Tamarind (lemon-sized amount) soaked in water

For the Curry:

1 Medium-sized Onion, finely chopped

The Ambot-Tik Curry Paste

Fish (here, I used about 12 pieces of Shark)

5 Kokum rinds

2 slit Green Chilies

2-3 Tablespoons Oil

Salt to taste

1/2 (+/-) teaspoon Sugar

In a pan (Keep the gas on medium flame) add the oil, add the finely cut onions and let it fry for sometime till its pink and soft...add the masala paste (depending on how much gravy is required). Bring it to a boil..add the slit Green Chilies, kokum and salt to taste along with the sugar. Add the fish after giving a good wash. Let it cook for 8 to 10 mins on slow fire.

Top it with finely cut Coriander....

(Bernadine Dias- St. Teresa of Avila Community)



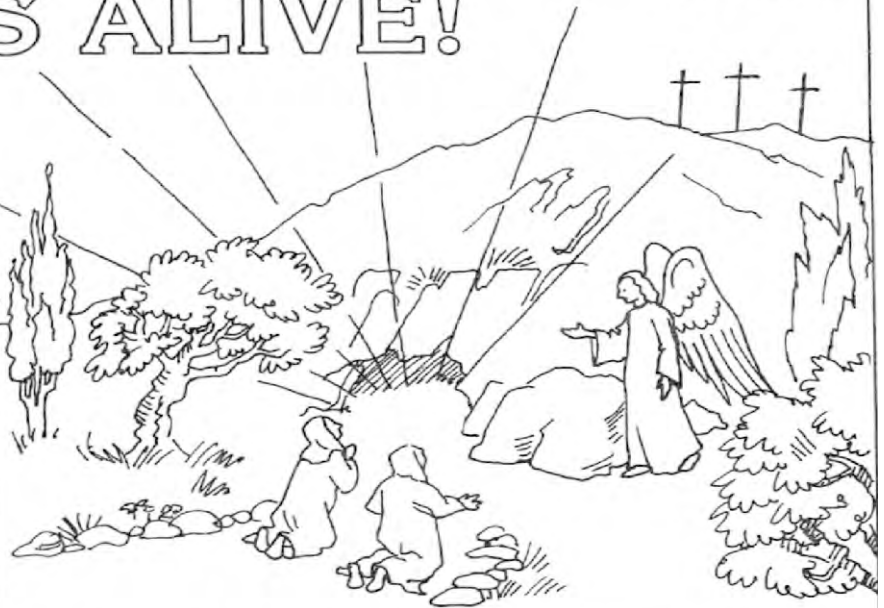


PUZZLES

JESUS IS ALIVE!

Luke 24:33-34

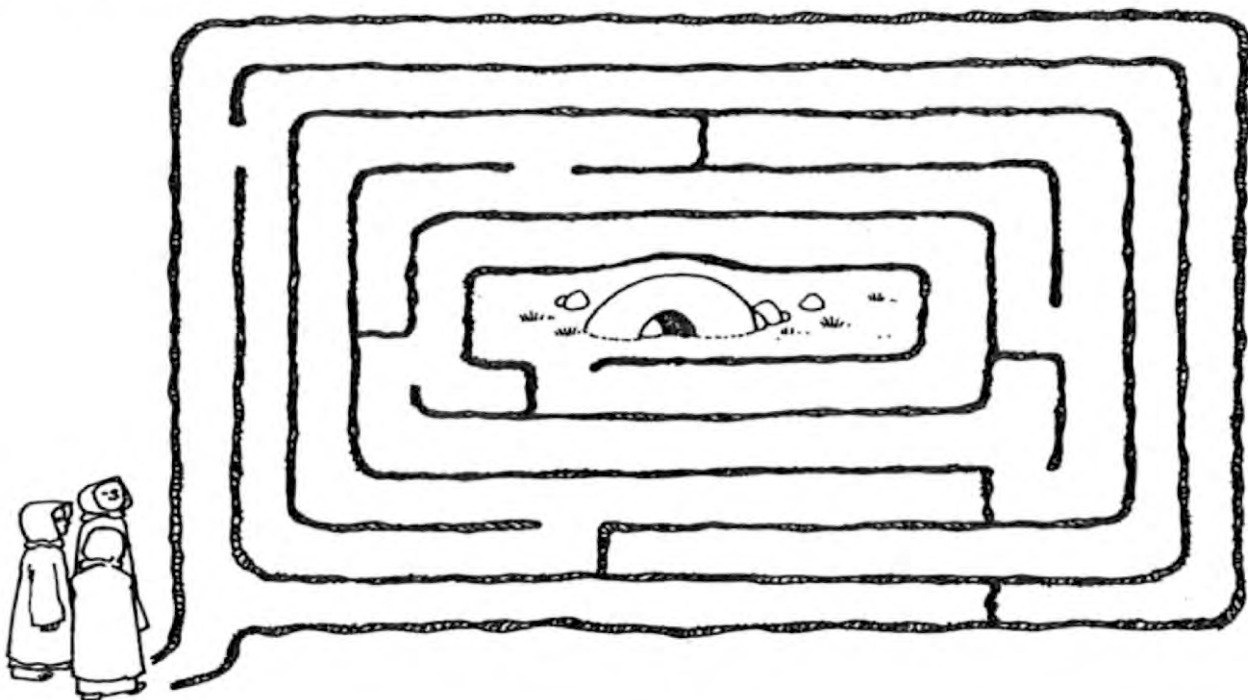
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EARLY on SUNDAY MORNING the WOMEN went to the TOMB. They found the STONE had been ROLLED AWAY. An ANGEL told them that JESUS was ALIVE again, just as he had PROMISED! Mark 16:1-8

God gives life

Help the women find the tomb.



CHURCH DIARY



BAPTISMS



Date	Name	Born to
25-03-2024	Ryan Dantis	Merwyn & Mugdha
25-03-2024	Sherlyn Manickam	Bernet & Christina
25-03-2024	Manvil Manickam	Berney & Christina
31-03-2024	Kiaan Mendonca	Savio & Preeti
31-03-2024	Rani Das	Sunil & Chaya
31-03-2024	Abhijay Leo Lobo	Lawrence & Rani
31-03-2024	Kaveri Nair	Jaychandra & Sanjana
31-03-2024	Tanushree Bhowmik	Amita & Sumita
31-03-2024	Sumita Bhowmik	R. N. Biswas & Meera
31-03-2024	Mamta Chauhan	Shriram & Sharda
31-03-2024	Karan Sharma	Sunil & Lalita
31-03-2024	Harshada Chawhan	Late Litesh & Neeta
31-03-2024	Jumera Shaikh	Mohd Amin & Amina
31-03-2024	Habiba Soares	Fuzlur & Shameen
31-03-2024	Faiyaz Khan	Achchan & Akila
31-03-2024	Dharti Mistry	Mahendra & Heena
31-03-2024	Manali Shinde	Prakash & Meena
31-03-2024	Muttumari Kumar Tevar	Kumar & Vimal
31-03-2024	Arati Mane	Vishnu & Saraswati
31-03-2024	Angel Rana	Selven & Sylvia
02-04-2024	Nigel Pereira	Nelson & Angel
06-04-2024	Skyler Chettiar	Regan & Quency
13-04-2024	Kriva Rondiya	Vikram & Jayshree
13-04-2024	Shelby Stanley Dias	Stanley & Babita
13-04-2024	Izack Noel soares	Noel & Lovin
21-04-2024	Kiara Aditya Vaish	Aditya & Renita
21-04-2024	Iris Philip Fernandes	Philip & Jacinta
28-04-2024	Sheldon Donald Dsouza	Donald & Sneha
04-05-2024	Kiara Aurelia Lasrado	Kennen & Simran
05-05-2024	Sarah Thomas	Mark & Smriti
14-05-2024	Kiaan Bhadange	Akash & Sharon
19-05-2024	Oaken Mascarenhas	Osdan & Rochelle
19-05-2024	Evana Sequeira	Ivan & Charlotte
23-05-2024	Anisha Pagare	Sanjay & Minal
25-05-2024	Ezrela Ineisha Menezes	Jason & Prameela
07-06-2024	Alena Koval	Olegovna & Liudmila
09-06-2024	Kiana Rodrigues	Kevin & Natasha
16-06-2024	Avner Dsouza	Francis & Merlyn
30-06-2024	Elvia Lobo	Edwin & Vilma
30-06-2024	Erisha Christopher Joel D'Souza	Christopher & Snehal
30-06-2024	Chrysa Christopher Joel D'Souza	Christopher & Snehal
30-06-2024	Rishin Christopher Joel D'Souza	Christopher & Snehal
06-07-2024	Skylaar Louis	Sergius & Rufina
06-07-2024	Joyston Menezes	John & Gizelle
14-07-2024	Travis Xavier D'Souza	Xavier & Angel
20-07-2024	Maria Khan	Majid & Flevy

BAPTISMS



Date	Name	Born to
20-07-2024	Bethany Menezes	Ajith & Princia
03-08-2024	Rachel fernandes	Roger & Sandriya
03-08-2024	Jaden Jones	Mark & Aarti
11-08-2024	Luke Britto	Patrick & Vanessa
17-08-2024	Jason Almeida	Ronnie & Jacinta
25-08-2024	Deeann Grace Travasso	John & Divya
25-08-2024	AsherLavina Agnello Rebeiro	Agnello & Lavina
01-09-2024	Leticia Belinda Valentina Lugar Velho	Lugar & Valentina
10-09-2024	Mary David Bommani	David & Nilamma
28-09-2024	Liam Ethan Chettiar	Wilfred & Sneha
28-09-2024	Kian Martis	Clinton & Minal
29-09-2024	Chrisann Christopher Noronha	Christopher & Caran
29-09-2024	Jaden Santosh Kamble	Santosh & Riya
05-10-2024	Chelsea Jessica Socrates Britto	Socrates & Jessica
12-10-2024	Sierra Sharon Robin D'Souza	Robin & Sharon
20-10-2024	Aiden Afonso	Samuel & Hazel
20-10-2024	Aiden Fernands	Oswald & Andrea
25-10-2024	Shimon Vaz	Stany & Priyanka
27-10-2024	Zayn Lobo	Roshan & Sumeela
27-10-2024	Keith Menezes	Kevin & Roshni
09-11-2024	Zoe Emilia Roosevelt D'Souza	Roosevelt & Emilia
10-11-2024	Kiara Dutraj	Shiva & lianne
17-11-2024	Riona Pinto	Rohan & Edna
24-11-2024	Eleanor Nadar	Joe & Joslita
30-11-2024	Thea Fernandes	Clement & Kavita
01-12-2024	Chloe Aranha	Ryan & Susan
01-12-2024	Reuven Dolly Alfred Anthony	Alfred & Dolly
07-12-2024	Tatiana Fernandes	Prakash & Reema
07-12-2024	Hailey Mckinley	Nigl & Shantel
08-12-2024	Steve Marion Dsa	Brian & Harsha
14-12-2024	Sian Lobo	Steven & Sadaf
15-12-2024	Mikayla Gabriella D'Souza	Clintius & Priyatama
11-01-2025	Athena Leslie D'Souza	Leslie & Anisha
11-01-2025	Tianna D'Almeida	Melwin D'Almeida
11-01-2025	Leo Franklin Aniesha	Franklin & Aniesha
12-01-2025	Abigail Fernandes	Franky & Jolene
18-01-2025	Mikhail D'Souza	Kiran & Rutuja
19-01-2025	Jazlyn Ziva D'Cruz	Merwyn & Wizy
25-01-2025	Zayn Donna Agnel Rodrigues	Agnel & Donna
28-01-2025	Kenneth Savio Jois	Savio & Tejeshree
02-02-2025	Grizelle Sushant Kandalgaonkar	Sushant & Neeta
08-02-2025	Priya Parayan	Kalidas & Sushila
08-02-2025	Yuven Rousell Sequeira	Rousell & Pooja
09-02-2025	Davian Das Dolly Vijindas Mariadasan	Vijindas & Dolly
15-02-2025	Naysa Kyra Pramitha Marwin Mendonca	Marwin & Pramitha
02-03-2025	Grace D'Souza	Gladson & Lavita
02-03-2025	Nathan Cynthia John Castelino	John & Cynthia
16-03-2025	Ivania D'Souza	Rohan & Cecilia

MARRIAGES



Date	Bridegroom	Bride
25-03-2024	Bernet	Christina Manickam
06-04-2024	Sinclare Jude Rogers	Sylvia Danthy
14-04-2024	David Mahesh Fernandes	Priyanka Suvarna
25-04-2024	Ashutosh Singh	Carol shalet Andrade
28-04-2024	Sadik Noorani	Mary Meela
01-06-2024	Rosewell D'Silva	Ayesha Tari
04-06-2024	Tyrrel Pinto	Teena D'Souza
30-06-2024	Paras Gill	Aidaphi Biam
30-06-2024	Christopher Joel D'Souza	Snehal Adate
20-07-2024	Kevin Pandya	Anita Sharma
11-08-2024	Royston Rufus Coutinho	Catherina Sreoshi Gomes
09-11-2024	Sanjay Pillai	Joanna Peris
10-11-2024	Rohit Daroch	Nicole Queenie Abel
10-11-2024	Reckson Malcolm Fernandes	Janet Ryna D'Costa
16-11-2024	Joel Pinto	Alisha Pereira
23-11-2024	Michael Menin Gomes	Donishka Fernandes
30-11-2024	Calvin Anthony Andrade	Beulah Savianne Coelho
30-11-2024	Julius Desmond Stanislaus	Christabell Luxa
06-12-2024	Rony Ras	Kajal Dharmendra Jaiswal
07-12-2024	Pranay Hillary Billava	Preethi D'souza
07-12-2024	Bonny Cardoza	Prachi R Patel
14-12-2024	Daniel D'Souza	Dipa Mallik
21-12-2024	Kastubh Mahesh Shiralkar	Karen Carmin D'Souza
23-12-2024	Elvise Mondal	Chandani Shaikh
27-12-2024	Honey Reddy	Anusha Madhar
28-12-2024	Chris D'Souza	Carol Rebeiro
28-12-2024	Allan Mark Banis	Cindy Rosy Coutinho
28-12-2024	Craig Jude Alexander	Kerrin kim Gonsalves
28-12-2024	Darren Adrian Gomes	Carol Jessy Coelho
29-12-2024	Addison Michael D'Souza	Nikita Gladys Cardoz
29-12-2024	John Fernandes	Julie Pawar
29-12-2024	Wilfred Nunes	Svetlana Justina Fernandes
04-01-2025	Levi Fernandes	Savina Santana Fernandes
04-01-2025	Winston noronha	Carolynn Prisca Soares
04-01-2025	Sean Cortez	Vallerina Fernandes
05-01-2025	Muffaddal Shabbir Raja	Priya Solanki
05-01-2025	Sunny Arnold Monteiro	Sharine Chettiar
06-01-2025	Moses Kannan	Rachael Fatima Noronha
12-01-2025	Noel Fernandes	Malissa D'Cunha
13-01-2025	Keagan Ansley Fernandes	Rochelle Almeida
18-01-2025	Hayden Merwyn Machado	Reema Jennifer D'Almaieda
18-01-2025	Alden Dsouza	Riya Dsouza
19-01-2025	Regan Avian Misquitta	Sheron Deyana D'Silva
25-01-2025	Waylen Xavier D'Sa	Gandhali Bidaye
25-01-2025	Malcolm Raphael Portugal	Michelle Fernandes
25-01-2025	Harold Dsouza	Jasmine Lopes

MARRIAGES



Date	Bridegroom	Bride
26-01-2025	Savio Lobo	Clarissa D'Llima
31-01-2025	Claude Rodney D'Souza	Francina Annie Fernandes
01-02-2025	Ian Ricky Pinto	Venissa Rego
02-02-2025	Calvin Sequeira	Cheslyn Lobo
14-02-2025	Sairaj Parab	Nicole Elizabeth Varghese
15-02-2025	Elston Ebimeowel Okidi	Simonne (Maria) D'Costa
15-02-2025	David Das	Emilia Philomena Gracias
16-02-2025	Ilwin Joey D'Cunha	Anita Saures
22-02-2025	Rakesh Kumar Ashappa	Lavitha D'Souza
22-02-2025	Maurice Theron Fernandes	Christina Castelino
23-02-2025	Nikhil Vaz	Rachel Priya Lewis
23-02-2025	Ronson Mervin Mascarenhas	Carol D'Souza
01-03-2025	Dion Lawrence Rodrigues	Lyzandra Nicola Rebello

BURIALS

Date	Name	Age	Date	Name	Age
06-03-2024	Neville Saluzine Soures	49	17-05-2024	Wilson Lopes	34
08-03-2024	Kenny Melvin Gomes	56	19-05-2024	Victor Prabhakar Vanjare	73
15-03-2024	Maria Antonette Fernandes	91	21-05-2024	Felcy W Gomes	85
16-03-2024	Athaneuas Sunny Mascrenhas	61	25-05-2024	Agnes Simon Saldanha	84
19-03-2024	Clifford Iyor Rose	63	26-05-2024	Joseph F Fernandes	75
27-03-2024	Mary Wilson	84	27-05-2024	Dilip Fernandes	76
30-03-2024	Sebastian Doraiswamy	85	01-06-2024	Idalina Stafford pinto	65
01-04-2024	Hyacinth Ann Knight	61	03-06-2024	David Lawrence D'Souza	87
01-04-2024	Joseph S Anthony	57	05-06-2024	Arthur Sebastian Martins	67
02-04-2024	Tangavelu Arunacheuamtangraj	74	06-06-2024	Ida Dominic Castelino	74
03-04-2024	Precilla Gabriel DeSouza	67	09-06-2024	Mumtaz Ahmed Khan	67
07-04-2024	Jobby K Joseph	62	10-06-2024	Agnes L Rodrigues	86
10-04-2024	Virgin Anthony Mascarenhas	56	14-06-2024	Gabriel Joseph D'Souza	77
14-04-2024	Cynthia D'Souza	62	16-06-2024	Paciano D'Costa	79
15-04-2024	Cornelus Joseph Dsouza	68	17-06-2024	David Saldanha	71
15-04-2024	Ursula Rajesh Pawar	58	18-06-2024	Philomena Dominic Vaz	85
16-04-2024	Alfred Castelino	75	19-06-2024	Calvin D'Souza	37
21-04-2024	Celestine Alfred Castelino	62	19-06-2024	Peter Leslie Barnes	80
24-04-2024	Mary Lobo	66	21-06-2024	Pauline Santan D'Souza	56
29-04-2024	Wilfred Ellar D'Souza	46	23-06-2024	Philomena Saldanha	66
29-04-2024	Alice Arokiaswamy Dass	66	27-06-2024	Albert D'Souza	81
02-05-2024	Reynold Olivera	60	29-06-2024	Lousia D'Souza	93
05-05-2024	Valerin Dalmeida	81	01-07-2024	Edward D'Souza	61
05-05-2024	Martha D Fernandes	71	04-07-2024	Natalena Sebastian D'Silva	71
05-05-2024	Severine Bona Banis	82	04-07-2024	Francis Rosario	65
05-05-2024	Philip Peter Salve	54	05-07-2024	Felcin D'Souza	82
09-05-2024	Benjamin Robert Mendonsa	83	06-07-2024	Virjin D'Souza	88
11-05-2024	Patrick Anthony Quadros	74	07-07-2024	Rufina Kanchan	57
11-05-2024	Jospin D'Souza	70	07-07-2024	Celine Miranda	74
16-05-2024	Precila Agnelo Fernandes	50	09-07-2024	Michael Solanki	56



Date	Name	Age	Date	Name	Age
09-07-2024	Michael D'Souza	77	22-10-2024	David Kovathur	74
09-07-2024	Kevin Santhosh Castelino	53	24-10-2024	Louis D'Souza	75
10-07-2024	Carmine Fernandes	79	25-10-2024	Augustine Pinto	82
11-07-2024	Robert Regis Simon	64	27-10-2024	Philomena Tixeria	65
11-07-2024	Clifton Dias	40	28-10-2024	Albert D'Silva	68
12-07-2024	Judith Florie Dias	65	29-10-2024	Manuel S Lawrence D'Souza	63
13-07-2024	Baptist John Pereira	79	31-10-2024	Martha Gomes	79
13-07-2024	John Anthony David	83	04-11-2024	Marcel Fernandes	94
16-07-2024	Beryl Jai menon	72	14-11-2024	Selma Grace Gomes	48
16-07-2024	Brian Edward Fernandes	51	16-11-2024	Jack Francis D'Souza	82
17-07-2024	Maria Dominga Henriqueta Dias	88	20-11-2024	Albert John Sequeira	69
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