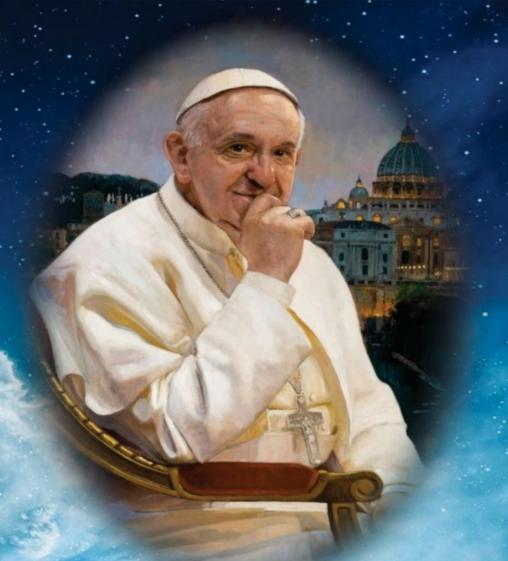


COIMBATORE NEWS LETTER

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His Holiness Pope Francis

17 Dec 1936 - 21 April 2025

Highlights of previous Mouth



Acies Function - Diocesan Legion of Mary, St. Michael's Cathedral, Coimbatore.



Annual Day, Christ the King Polytechnic College, Othakalmandapam



Easter Sunday Mass, St. Francis Xavier's Church, Sowripalayam



Fourth Friday of Lent Mass & Way of the Cross, St. Joseph's Church, Kumar Nagar, Tiruppur



Good Friday Way of the Cross, St. Michael's Cathedral, Coimbatore



Jubilee Mass for Doctors and Nurses, CMSSS Bishop's House, Coimbatore



Jubilee Mass for the Pilgrims, Rosary Retreat Centre, Karumathampatti



Laying the Foundation for new class rooms, Carmel Garden CBSE School, Coimbatore

Silent procession and Requiem Mass for the repose of the soul of His Holiness Pope Francis





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Fr. Secretary

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Condolence

"I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he dies, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die."

- John 11:25-26

It is with the deep sorrow and sadness that we render our prayerful condolence to one another. As a sign of solidarity with the universal Church, we shall pray for the repose of the soul of our Holy Father. We priests are requested to celebrate a mass for the repose of the soul of the Holy Father. When praying the Eucharistic prayer, please do not say "Francis our Pope" in the section of the living. You do include his name in the commemoration of the dead during this period.

As a sign of gratitude and solidarity, we had a silent procession from St. Mary's School, FMM Convent to St. Michael's Cathedral. We had a requiem Mass at the Cathedral for the repose of the soul of His Holiness Pope Francis on the day of the Funeral Mass at Vatican (26.04.2025). From Coimbatore and Mettupalayam Vicariates people guided by their parish priests with the placards bearing the image of Pope Francis took part in it. Our Diocesan Bishop Most Rev. Dr. Thomas Aquinas led the procession and celebrated the requiem Mass.

May the soul of Pope Francis rest in peace and rise in glory.

With Prayers,

Bishop, Clergy, Religious and Laity Diocese of Coimbatore



Bishop's Message

Dear Rev. Fathers, Religious and People of God,

On 4th of May, our deacon Naveen Rosario will be ordained a priest for our diocese. While congratulating him and offering our prayers, we thank the Lord for the gift of deacon Rosario. The fourth Sunday of Easter is the vocation Sunday, on that day the Church wants us to pray for vocations, and in a special way, to pray that many and good priests may come up from among our own children. The present scenario is the paucity of vocations to the priesthood, even across the globe. In our diocese, too, we are very much in demand for priestly vocations. The best place to nurture vocation to priesthood is the family. The parents, the elders, through their exemplary lives will be the source of vocations among their children. Dear Fathers, it our primary duty and responsibility to promote vocations in your parishes. In words of St. Mother Teresa, we need priests in the Church to obtain God's blessings through the celebration of the sacraments.

The month of May is dedicated to the devotion of Our Blessed Mother Mary. I earnestly request you to propagate the devotion of reciting rosary individually and as a family at home. The recital of rosary is old aged piety of our Church. St. Alphonse De Ligouri says, "Never will anyone who prays rosary be led astray". In the words of many saints, the family that recites rosary will live together and never be divided. It is a mandatory responsibility to spread the devotion to Our Blessed Mother who favors the recital of rosary wherever she made her apparitions.

In this month you are called to organize VBS in your parishes. As our children are on holidays, kindly teach them the Word of God. The Word of God should play a vital role in the lives of the catholic, much mor in the lives of the children. Through VBS, you may inculcate into the minds of the children the importance of the Word of God and make them develop the habit of reading the Bible daily. While appreciating your Bible apostolate in your parishes, I earnestly exhort you to give the utmost importance to VBS and make it obligatory for all the children to participate actively and enthusiastically in the VBS. May the Risen Lord bless you and your Bible apostolate.

Yours devotedly in Risen Lord

+L. Thomas Aquinas Bishop of Coimbatore



Bishop's Engagements

Date/Time	Programme	Place
01.05.2025	Feast Mass, Sacraments of	St. Joseph's Church,
Thu / Mor	Holy Communion,	Kumar Nagar, Tirupur.
	Confirmation and Blessing	
	of Adoration Chapel.	
03.05.2025	First Profession Mass	Cottolengo Convent,
Sat / Mor		Sowripalayam.
04.05.2025	Diocesan Priestly Ordination	St. Michael's Cathedral,
Sun / Eve	Mass	Coimbatore.
08.05.2025	Priestly Ordination Mass of	St. Ignatius' Church,
Thu / Eve	Dn. Infant Jerald MSFS	Somanur.
10.05.2025	Catechism Annual Day	St. Michael's Cathedral,
Sat / Eve	1900	Coimbatore.
11.05.2025	Feast Mass, Sacraments of	St. Catherin's Church,
Sun / Mor	Holy Communion and	Tirupur Town.
	Confirmation	
Eve	Sacraments of Holy	St. Paul's Church,
	Communion and	Rathinapuri.
	Confirmation	
12.05.2025	Priestly Ordination Mass of	St. Mary's Church,
Mon / Eve	Dn. Donald, Archdiocese of	Udumalpet.
	Gandhinagar.	
17.05.2025	Sacraments of Holy	Arokia Annai Church,
Sat / Mor	Communion, Confirmation	Anamalai.
	and Blessing of Grotto.	
18.05.2025	Feast Mass, Sacraments of	St. Joseph's Church,
Sun / Mor	Holy Communion and	Podanur.
	Confirmation	
Eve	Feast Mass, Sacrament of	Our Lady of Fatima
	Confirmation	Church, Gandhipuram.

Date/Time	Programme	Place
24.05.2025	General Body Meeting	CMSSS,
Sat / Mor		Bishop House.
25.05.2025	Sacraments of Holy	St. John Bosco's Church,
Sun / Mor	Communion and Confirmation	Goundampalayam.
28.05.2025 Wed / Mor	Nuptial Mass	Our Lady of Fatima Church, Gandhipuram.

From Vicar General's Desk

MEDICAL FUND PAID FROM 26.03.2025 TO 25.04.2025		
S.No	PARISH	AMOUNT
1	KATTOR PARISH	10,000.00
2	PULIAKULAM PARISH	10,000.00
	TOTAL	20,000.00

Yours fraternally, V.Rev.Fr. John Joseph Stanis Secretary to the Trust



ஜீவஜோதி அருப்பணி மைய செய்திகள்

யூபிலி ஆண்டில் நம்பிக்கையின் வேர்களைத் தேடி..... கோவை மறைமாவட்ட தவக்கால திருப்பயணம்

கோவை மறைமாவட்டம் கருமத்தம்பட்டி புனித செபமாலை அன்னை பசிலிக்கா மற்றும் செபமாலை தியான மையத்தில் யூபிலி ஆண்டை முன்னிட்டு தவக்கால திருப்பயணமானது ஏற்பாடு செய்யப்பட்டது. திருத்தந்தையின் அறைகூவலை ஏற்று அனைத்து பங்குகளிலிருந்தும் திருப்பயணமாக கருமத்தம்பட்டியை நோக்கி வந்தார்கள். கி.பி. 1846-ம் ஆண்டு அக்டோபர் 4-ம் தேதி கருமத்தம்பட்டியில் இறைநம்பிக்கை உதயமாகியது. பின் நாட்களில் மறைமாவட்டமாக உயர்த்தப்பட்டது. எனவே அந்தப் புண்ணிய பூமியை நோக்கி மார்ச் 29 & 30 (சனி, ஞாயிறு) ஆகிய இரண்டு தினங்களில் 6 மறைவட்டங்களிலிருந்தும் 27 பங்குகளிலிருந்தும் திருப்பயணமாக இறைமக்கள் பங்கேற்றார்கள். இந்த திருப்பயணத்தில் எதிர்நோக்கைப் பற்றிய மறையுரை சிந்தனையும் தொடர்ந்து ஒப்புரவு அருட்சாதனமும் தியான மையத்தில் வழங்கப்பட்டது. பின்பு அங்கிருந்து மறைமாவட்ட யூபிலி சிலுவையோடு பசிலிக்காவை நோக்கி புனிதர்கள் மன்றாட்டு மாலை இசைக்க பவனியாக சென்றார்கள். பின்பு திருத்தலத்தில் வட்டார முதன்மை குருக்கள் தலைமையில் கூட்டுப்பாடற் திருப்பலியில் மக்கள் பங்கேற்றார்கள். திருப்பலியின் இறுதியில் நம்பிக்கையை உறுதிப்படுத்துகிற கண்காட்சி அரங்குகளும் மற்றும் ஒளி ஒலி காட்சிகளும் இறைமக்களுக்கு ஏற்பாடு செய்யப்பட்டது. முக்கிய நிகழ்வாக ஞாயிறு மாலை மேதகு ஆயர் லெ. தாமஸ் அக்குவினாஸ் அவர்களின் தலைமையில் முதன்மை குரு பேரருட்தந்தை ஜான் ஜோசப் ஸ்டனிஸ் அவர்கள், பொருளர் தந்தை அருட்பணி அந்தோணி செல்வராஜ் அவர்கள் மற்றும் மறைமாவட்ட குருக்களோடு இணைந்து கூட்டுப் பாடற்பலி நிறைவேற்றப்பட்டது. அதனைத் தொடர்ந்து ஒளி ஒலி காட்சியும் இறுதியில் ஆயர் அவர்கள் நற்கருணை ஆசீர் வழங்கி நிறைவு செய்தார்கள். இதில் பல்லாயிரக்கணக்கான இறைமக்கள் கலந்து கொண்டு இறையாசீரோடு திரும்பிச் சென்றார்கள். இந்த நிகழ்வுகளை மறைமாவட்ட மேய்ப்புப் பணி நிலைய இயக்குநர் அருட்பணி அந்தோணி இயேசுராஜ் அவர்கள் மிக சிறப்பாக ஏற்பாடு செய்திருந்தார். இதற்கு பேருதவியாக இருந்த பசிலிக்கா பங்குத்தந்தை மற்றும் மறைவட்ட அதிபர் பேரருட்திரு K.M.C. அருண் அவர்கள் மற்றும் தியான மைய இயக்குநர் அருட்பணி அலெக்ஸ் அந்தோணிசாமி அவர்களுக்கும் சிறப்பான நன்றிகளும் பாராட்டுக்களும். அதோடு உதவி செய்த மறையுரையாளர்கள் அருட்பணி கிறிஸ்டோபர் ரோச், அருட்பணி இராயப்பதாஸ் மற்றும் உதவிப் பங்குத்தந்தை அருட்பணி ஆன்ட்ரு அவர்களுக்கும் மனமார்ந்த நன்றிகள். பொருளாதார உதவிகள் செய்த அருட்தந்தையர்கள் Fr. ஆரோக்கிய யூதா ததேயுஸ், Fr. கிருபாகரன், Fr. எட்வர்ட் ஞானசேகர் மற்றும் Fr. அருள் ஜெபமாலை அவர்களுக்கும் சிறப்பான நன்றிகள். மேலும் ஒப்புரவு அருட்சாதனம் வழங்கிய அருட்தந்தையர்கள், களப்பணி சகோதரர் ஜேக் ஆன்டனி மற்றும் தன்னார்வ உள்ளத்தினர் அனைவருக்கும் நன்றிகள்.

விடுமுறை விவிலிய வகுப்பு

பங்குகளில் கோடை விடுமுறையில் நமது மாணவச் செல்வங்கள் விவிலிய அறிவை வளர்த்து இறை நம்பிக்கையில் வாழ V.B.S வகுப்பிற்கு தேவையான புத்தகங்கள் அருட்பணி மையத்திலிருந்து 20 பங்குகள் பெற்று மாணவர்களுக்கு கோடை விடுமுறை பள்ளி நடைபெற ஏற்பாடு செய்துள்ளனர். திருமணத் தயாரிப்பு வகுப்பு:

கடந்த ஏப்ரல் மாதம் முதல் சனி மற்றும் ஞாயிறு (05.04.2025 & 06.04.2025) அன்று திருமணத் தயாரிப்பு கருத்தரங்கு வகுப்பானது ஜீவஜோதி ஆசிரமத்தில் நடைபெற்றது. இதில் 120 பேர் கலந்து கொண்டு பயனடைந்தனர். மேலும் முதல் ஞாயிறு பெற்றோருக்கான கருத்தரங்கு நடைபெற்றது. இதில் 150 பேர் கலந்து கொண்டு பயனடைந்தனர்.

மே மாதம் திருமண வகுப்பு நடைபெறாது.

ஜுன் மாதம் திருமண கருத்தரங்கு வகுப்பானது இரண்டாம் சனிக்கிழமை மற்றும் ஞாயிற்றுக்கிழமை (14.06.25 & 15.06.25) அன்று ஜீவஜோதி அருட்பணி மையத்தில் நடைபெறும்.

ஞாயிறு (15.06.25) பெற்றோருக்கான கருத்தரங்கு நடைபெறும். அடுத்த மாதங்கள் நடைபெறும் நாட்கள்:

ஜுன்	14.06.2025 & 15.06.2025	
ജൗതെ	12.07.2025 & 13.07.2025	
ஆகஸ்டு	09.08.2025 & 10.08.2025	

இடம்: ஜீவஜோதி அருட்பணி மையம்

நேரம்: காலை 9.00 மணிமுதல் மாலை 4.30 மணிவரை

கட்டணம்: ரு.800

பங்குத்தந்தையின் கனிவான கவனத்திற்கு:

- திருமண கருத்தரங்கு காலை 9.30 மணிக்கு ஆரம்பமாகிறது. எனவே பங்கேற்பாளர்கள் சரியாக 9.00 மணிக்கு இங்கு இருக்கும்படி வலியுறுத்தவும். ஒருசிலர் காலதாமதமாக 10.00 (அ) 10.30 மணிக்கு வருகை தருகின்றார்கள்.
- எனவே நீங்கள் அறிவிக்கும் போது நேரத்தையும் அறிவிக்கவும்.
- பெற்றோர் கருத்தமர்வு ஞாயிறு நடைபெறுகிறது. அதற்கும் நீங்கள் வலியுறுத்தும்படி கேட்டுக்கொள்கிறோம். அவர்களுக்கும் நாங்கள் சான்றிதழ் வழங்குகிறோம். எனவே அதை கொண்டு வரச்சொல்லி சரிபார்க்கவும்.

உங்களின் ஒத்துழைப்புக்கு நன்றி









அருப்பணி **D. ஆண்டனி ஜேசுராஜ்,** அருப்பணி மைய இயக்குநர்

வெண்கள் பணிக்குழு:

யூபிலி ஆண்டில் நம்பிக்கையின் வேர்களைத் தேடி...... கோவை மறைமாவட்ட தவக்கால திருப்பயணம்

கோவை மறைமாவட்டம் கருமத்தம்பட்டி புனித செபமாலை அன்னை பசிலிக்கா மற்றம் செபமாலை தியான மையத்தில் யூபிலி ஆண்டை முன்னிட்டு தவக்கால திருப்பயணமானது கடந்த மார்ச் மாதம் 29 மற்றம் 30 ம் தேதிகளில் ஏற்பாடு செய்யப்பட்டது. இதற்காக நற்செய்தி பணி மையம் சார்பாக கண்காட்சி அரங்கம் அமைக்கப்பட்டது. தினங்களிலம் கோவை இந்த இரு மறைமாவட்ட நற்செய்திப் பணி மையம் சார்பாக வந்திருந்த மககளுக்கு ஏறக்குறைய வழங்கப்பட்டது. அம்முட் 5000 கைப்பிரதிகள் ஜெப ஆந்றுப்படுத்தல், ஆலோசனைகளும் அளிக்கப்பட்டது.



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News from CRI

Pilgrimage of Hope: A Spiritual Enriching Experience

As part of the Year of jubilee we, as religious men and women, had the privilege of participating in the Pilgrimage of Hope at Our Lady of Holy Rosary basilica at karmathampatty, Coimbatore diocese level. This sacred event took place on March 30th, from 7:00 AM to 9:00 AM, beginning with Adoration, followed by a Talk, Confession, and Silent Prayers. Beginning the Sacred Journey.

The Hearts of Jesus and Mary are the safest place where we can take refuge, and experience immense love and abundant mercy. Keeping them close in our spiritual journey strengthens us. As we encounter the Lord our hearts and souls expand, radiating joy and love to others. This was the central theme of the Adoration experience, inspiring a deeper spiritual renewal and commitment to Christ.

Embracing God's Mercy in the Jubilee Year

As religious men and women, we had the profound opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation during our Pilgrimage of Hope in this Jubilee Year. In the sacred space of our lady of Rosary Basilica, we experienced God's abundant

mercy and His loving embrace, reminding us of His infinite compassion. To fully receive the indulgence of this Jubilee Year, we were called to sincere preparation, an open heart, and a good confession. The Sacrament of Reconciliation was not just an obligation but a grace-filled encounter with God's love, renewing our spirits and deepening our faith.

Standing before the throne of mercy, we were reminded that confession is a pathway to healing, peace, and spiritual renewal. Through this pilgrimage, we not only sought forgiveness but also reaffirmed our commitment to live as witnesses of mercy and hope.

The Procession of the Jubilee Cross

The procession led us from Our Lady of Rosary retreat Centre to the church with the jubilee cross carried by the religious. Along the way, the Litany of Saints was sung,, it was creating a profoundly moving spiritual experience. The presence of the Jubilee Cross symbolized a time of grace, renewal, allowing us to receive indulgence and immerse ourselves in the depth of God's unconditional love and mercy. Holy Eucharistic Celebration

We participated in the Holy Eucharistic Celebration, during which the liturgy was led by the religious. We felt the river of grace flowing to us and we were enveloped by the mercy of God as we received the indulgence and final blessing from the preiest.it was a moment of spiritual enriching experience.

Exploring Faith and Reflection

Following the Eucharistic Celebration, we explored the various stalls set up by different vicariate levels, each offering insights and experiences of faith. One of the most impactful moments of the day was watching the life of Jesus, acted out by the karmathampatty vicariate. Which served as the highlight of the pilgrimage. It deepened our connection with Christ's journey and reinforced our hope and faith.

A Grace-Filled Experience

The entire pilgrimage was like walking on the holy ground, a truly grace-filled and transformative experience. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our Bishop, Rev..Dr.Thomas

Aquinas, the parish priest, and the dedicated team of Our Lady of the Holy Rosary basilica, who meticulously organized this sacred event for both the religious and the faithful. Their efforts made this pilgrimage a unique and unforgettable experience, drawing us closer to God's infinite love and mercy.

Sr. Thenmozhi SCCG Marianivas - Erode

From Education Commission

St. Marys high school, Karumathampatti

St. Mary's High School, Karumathampatti was renovated recently. A charitable and altruistic sponsors Velan Valves, Arasur had replaced the tiled roofs into galvanized roofs with aluminium silver heat resistant sheet for the entire campus. The working staff of this institution contributed themselves for the special needs like electrical wiring and installation of fans and lights in the classroom. We, the education commission appreciate the Correspondent, the Headmaster and the staff for their initiative for this noble cause. We thank the donors.

Bishop Ambrose College

We are glad to inform you that Dr. I. Maria Yesuraja, M.A., (S.W.)., M.Sc. (Psy.)., M.A. (Eng.)., MBA., M.Phil., PhD., has been appointed as Principal of Bishop Ambrose College from 3rd April 2025 onwards, in the place of Dr. A. Peter Raj, M.A., M.Phil., B.Ed., D.G.T., Ph.D., whose tenure has come to an end. Dr. I. Maria Yesuraja has worked in an Arts and Science College, in Coimbatore, for more than two decades under various capacities. The governing body of Bishop Ambrose College places on record the dedicated service rendered by Dr. A. Peter Raj during his tenure and thank him wholeheartedly. It also welcomes the new Principal and wishes him every success in all his endeavours in the coming years.

The Management and Members of the Governing Body is Greeting him for the strevenour service in our college. Our Management and Members of the Governing Body Appointed a New Principal, Dr. I. Maria Yesuraja, M.A., (S.W.)., M.Sc. (Psy.)., M.A. (Eng.)., MBA., M.Phil., PhD., from 3rd April 2025 onwards.

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Bible Commission

Bible Seminar Held at the Church of Christ the King, Kattoor

In preparation for Lenten preaching, a half-day Bible Seminar was organized at the Church of Christ the King, Kattoor, on Sunday, March 30, 2025. The seminar was attended by approximately 60 participants and was led in its entirety by Fr. C. Lawrence. He began the session with a comprehensive introduction to the Holy Bible, emphasizing the importance of viewing it through the lens of Salvation History. He stressed that the Bible is not to be regarded as a scientific or purely historical text, but rather as the inspired Word of God—sacred Scripture that forms the foundation of the Church's teachings, liturgy, and Christian life.

He also explained that the Bible is divinely inspired, written by human authors under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. It is essential for anyone seeking a deeper relationship with God. The Bible consists of two main sections: 1. The Old Testament, which prepares for the coming of Christ and includes the Law (Torah), the Prophets, and the Writings. 2. The New Testament, which centers on the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ, and the early development of the Church.

He also noted that the Catholic Bible contains 73 books—46 in the Old Testament and 27 in the New Testament. This includes the Deuterocanonical books (such as Tobit, Judith, Wisdom, Sirach, Baruch, and 1 & 2 Maccabees), which are not present in Protestant Bibles but are recognized by the Catholic Church as part of Sacred Scripture. He outlined several key reasons why the Bible is important: (i) It reveals God's plan of salvation. (ii) It nourishes faith through God's promises and teachings. (iii) It plays a central role in the Church's liturgy, especially during the Liturgy of the Word at Mass. (iv) It provides moral and spiritual guidance for daily life.

Participants were encouraged to read the Bible with: (i) Faith and reverence. (ii) Unity with the Church. (iii) A prayerful attitude (iv) A sincere desire to seek Christ (v) The help of reliable Catholic resources. (vi) Active participation in the liturgy. He also clarified that Genesis chapters 1–11 are not to be understood as literal history, but rather as conveying profound spiritual and moral truths. These early chapters set the stage for salvation history, introducing the reality of sin and God's enduring faithfulness in His plan to redeem humanity.

He concluded by reminding the faithful that the Bible must be read as the inspired Word of God, interpreted in light of Sacred Tradition and the teachings of the Church. It should be approached with humility, prayer, and a deep desire to encounter Christ.

One could clearly see the zeal, enthusiasm, and deep interest of the participants in reading and understanding the Holy Bible. Sincere thanks and heartfelt appreciation are extended to Fr. Thadeus Amaladoss for his meticulous planning and thoughtful organization of the seminar. Participants were also treated to delicious refreshments, including tea, snacks, and a well-prepared lunch, adding to the warmth and fellowship of the event. Glory to God.

Rev. Fr. C. Lawrence Secretary, Bible Commission



News from CDYC

Dear fathers.

Greetings from Youth Commission.

I, hereby thank His Excellency beloved Bishop, Msgr. Vicar General, Very. Rev. Fr. Procurator, all Very. Rev. Vicar foranes

and you dear fathers for all the support, love and guidance towards the youth and youth commission. We are happy to bring the important activities that took place in our diocesan youth commission in the months of end of



March and April 2025. The following activities motivated our youth to be active in the ministry.

We CDYC, joyfully presented the exhibition on the Eucharistic miracles which were categorized in the website by



Blessed Carlo Acutis, in Diocesan Lenten pilgrimage program held in Holy Rosary Basilica, Karumathampatti on 29 & 30.03.2025.

Our youth explained the miracles of Eucharist to

the lay faithful, sisters and fathers who visited the exhibition. It was a great help to enhance them in their faith. We thank Rev. Fr. Antony Jesuraj, Director, Pastoral Centre who gave us this opportunity, Rev. Fr.



K.M.C. Arun, VF and Parish Priest, Rev. Fr. Andrew Asst.



Parish Priest, Bro. Jack Regent who helped us in all the way possible for the success of the program.

Youth Mass and Youth Retreat in St. Joseph's Church, Kumar Nagar, Tirupur on 30.03.2025. Our Sincere thanks to Rev.

Fr. Philip, Parish priest, youth Representatives and all the youth Who Participated in it.

Way of the Cross was conducted in live acting at St. Thomas Church, Avinashi by our Youth on 30.03.2025. Hearty wishes and thanks dear youth Representatives and youth members. I



thank sincerely Rev. Fr. A Maria Joseph, Parish Priest for his ample guidance for our Youth.

On 30.03.2025, Teens of Divine, Youth of Divine Mercy



Church, Kuniyamuthur arranged a foot care camp in the parish and washed the feet of the elders of the parish and received their blessings on the occasion of Elders' Day. It was emotional touch for both youngsters

and the elders. We sincerely thank Rev. Fr. Alexis, Parish Priest for the apt guidance on the Youth to love the elders. We thank sincerely all the youth members and youth representatives for arranging the program.

Blood camp and Youth Meet were arranged in Annai Velankanni Church, Palladam. On 13.04.2025. I thank youth Representatives and all the youth members for actively participating in it.

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We sincerely thank Rev. Fr. Antony Gnanaprakasam, Parish Priest, Rev. Sr. Kavitha, youth Coordinator of the Parish for their ample guidance, love and concern on youth and Youth Commission.



Blood Camp was arranged by the youth of Adaikala Madha Church, Kannampalayam. On 13.04.2025. This is the 6th Blood Camp consecutively from 2019. We share our joy and wishes to all the youth who arranged

and participated in it. We sincerely thank Rev. Fr. Arul

Oubagaram, Parish Priest for the help and guidance that he renders to the Youth and Youth Commission.



Youth Meeting was held at St. Mary's Church, Udumalaipet on 13.04.2025. They have discussed various plans to be executed in the holy week.

The youth of Annai

ArokiaMadha Church, Vellakoil portrayed the live way of the cross on 18.04.2025, which was effective for the meditation of

the passion of the Lord on the eve of Good Friday. We share our joy of gratitude to Rev. Fr. Ranjithkumar, Parish Priest who expresses his concern and love towards the good of the youth and



youth commission. We thank all the youth representatives and all the youth members who participated in it actively.



The Youth of St. Francis of Assisi Church, Ganapathi, acted the live way of the cross which helped many people to contemplate over the passion of the Lord Jesus Christ on 18.04.2025. We sincerely thank Rev. Fr. John Paul Vincent, Parish Priest for his guidance and love towards

the spiritual welfare of the youth. We thank all the representatives and all the youth members who participated actively in it.

On the sad demise of our beloved Pope Francis on 21.04.2025, the Youth of CDYC prayed Rosary for Pope Francis. Our Youth of St. Francis Xavier's Church, Sowripalayam was praying Rosary in the Church coming together. Our sincere thanks to Rev. Fr. P. Maria Joseph, Parish Priest, Rev. Fr. Naveen Antony Asst. Parish Priest for their guidance.

I request the Parish priests to give our Youth a chance to make the exhibition in your parish. With the help of Parish youth and our DEXCO Members, we will come to your parish and exhibit the Eucharistic miracles and the youth will explain the miracles to the lay faithful, which in fact enhance the faith of both the youth and lay faithful. We have received the relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis from Rome for our Youth Commission with the help of our beloved Bishop. This relic also will be brought to the parishes and will be kept for the veneration of the people. Hereby, I request you to cooperate in this regard.

I hereby thank all the parish priests who take initiatives on the welfare of the youth.

Some Glimpses of Eucharistic Miracle Exhibition.



Rev. Fr. S. Gnana Pragasam, Director, CDYC



News from CMSSS

MICHAEL FOY PROGRAM:

Dear Fathers

Michael Foy's charitable initiative provided essential aid to 20 impoverished individuals and widows across the Pollachi and

Anaimalai regions. The program distributed vital supplies, including food staples, clothing, and hygiene kits, addressing immediate needs while fostering long-term stability.



In Pollachi, the effort focused on marginalized families, with Foy's team collaborating with local leaders to identify beneficiaries.



Similarly, in Anaimalai, the program extended support to widows facing economic hardship, offering not just material aid but also emotional solidarity.

The initiative emphasized dignity and empowerment. Future

plans include expanding to nearby villages and introducing skilldevelopment workshops to promote self-reliance. Community feedback highlighted the program's transformative impact, with many expressing gratitude for the timely assistance.

Foy's commitment to uplifting vulnerable groups continues to inspire, blending compassion with actionable solutions. This outreach underscores the power of localized aid in creating meaningful change.

Ed Crescio Program for the Poor and Lonely Women in Coimbatore

Under the leadership of Bishop Thomas Aquinas, the Diocese of Coimbatore has launched the Ed Crescio Program, a compassionate initiative aimed at supporting impoverished and lonely women in the region. The program recently provided essential aid—including food supplies, hygiene kits, and financial assistance—to 20 vulnerable women, offering both material and emotional relief.

The initiative aligns with the diocese's broader mission of social outreach, reflecting Catholic teachings on the "preferential option for the poor and vulnerable. The program emphasized the goal of

restoring dignity and hope to marginalized women, many of whom face isolation due to widowhood or economic hardship.



Distributed through the

Pollachi Vicariate and other local church networks, the program also connects beneficiaries with community support systems. Future plans include expanding services to neighbouring regions like Anaimalai, reinforcing the diocese's commitment to holistic care.

This effort underscores the Church's role in addressing societal inequities, blending charity with empowerment.

IBC PROGRAM STRENGTHENS WSHGS IN POLLACHI REGION

Under the leadership of Director Fr. Tellis Roch, the IBC (Italian Bishop's Conference) program recently conducted a motivational visit to Women's Self-Help Groups (WSHGs) in the Pollachi region, emphasizing financial empowerment and community growth. Accompanied by regional coordinators, the team engaged with members to reinforce the importance of collective savings, skill development, and entrepreneurship in uplifting family incomes.

Key Highlights:

Motivational Sessions: Fr. Roch and coordinators highlighted the transformative role of WSHGs in breaking poverty cycles, urging members to leverage government schemes and microfinance opportunities.

Financial Literacy: Workshops were conducted to enhance understanding of budgeting, credit management, and market linkages, aligning with Mission Shakti's successful models in Odisha.

Community Impact: The visit underscored how WSHGs foster solidarity, enabling families to invest in education, healthcare, and small businesses.

Outcome:

The program reinforced Pollachi's WSHGs as catalysts for sustainable development, with plans to expand training in digital literacy and gender-sensitive practices. Fr. Roch commended the groups' resilience, noting, "Unity and financial discipline are pillars of progress".

Future visits will track progress and introduce advanced livelihood modules.

IBC Program Beneficiary SHGs in Pollachi Region

The following Women's Self-Help Groups (WSHGs) were visited and supported under the IBC Program in Pollachi:

Kurinchi SHG

Roja SHG

Gandhi SHG

Magilampoo SHG





These groups received motivational training, financial literacy workshops, and guidance on income-generating activities from Director Fr. Tellis Roch and the IBC regional coordinators. The program

emphasized community-driven growth, savings discipline, and entrepreneurship to improve family livelihoods.

IBC Awareness Program on Alcoholism in Pollachi and Anaimalai

The IBC Program recently conducted an awareness initiative on alcoholism in the Pollachi and Anaimalai regions, focusing on educating communities about the risks of alcohol abuse and strategies to support affected individuals. Led by Director Fr. Tellis Roch and regional coordinators, the program included:

Guidance Sessions: Practical advice was provided to families on managing alcohol-dependent members,



emphasizing compassionate care and local treatment resources.

Pamphlet Distribution: Informational pamphlets highlighting health risks, addiction signs, and de-addiction services were distributed to five local groups, reinforcing community-level awareness.

Interactive Discussions: The team addressed stigma reduction and encouraged early intervention, aligning with evidence-based

approaches from global health guidelines

Impact: Over 200 pamphlets were disseminated, with plans for follow-up workshops to strengthen long-term behavioural change. The initiative reflects IBC's commitment to holistic health interventions in rural Tamil Nadu.

IBC Awareness Program on Government Schemes in Pollachi

The IBC Program recently organized an awareness campaign on Government welfare schemes in Pollachi, targeting women from



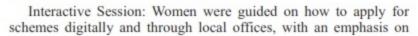
marginalized communities. Led by Director Fr. Tellis Roch and regional coordinators, the initiative aimed to empower families with knowledge about beneficial government programs.

Key Activities:

Scheme Introduction: Detailed explanations of recent state and central government schemes (e.g., housing, healthcare, and livelihood

support) were provided to three women's groups, helping them access financial and social benefits.

Pamphlet Distribution: Informational pamphlets listing scheme details, eligibility criteria, and application processes were distributed to over 150 community members.



overcoming literacy and bureaucratic barriers.

Impact: The program directly benefited 60+ families, improving their awareness of entitlements. Future sessions will focus on skill-building linkages under these schemes.

IBC Awareness Program on Women's Rights in Pollachi

The IBC Program conducted an awareness training on women's rights in Pollachi, focusing on empowering women to understand their legal and social entitlements. The session was led by Director Fr. Tellis Roch and regional coordinators, engaging two women's groups from the local community.

Key Activities:

Rights Education: Women were informed about their legal rights, including protection against domestic violence, inheritance laws, and workplace equality.

Social Role Discussion: The program highlighted the importance of women's participation in family and community decision-making.



Real-Life Examples: Inspirational case studies of women overcoming challenges were shared to motivate participants.

Impact: The training equipped 50+ women with knowledge to advocate for themselves and their families. Interactive discussions fostered confidence and solidarity among participants.

IBC AWARENESS PROGRAM ON HEALTH & HYGIENE FOR ADOLESCENT GIRLS IN KINATHUKADAVU

The IBC conducted a special awareness session on health and hygiene for adolescent girls in Kinathukadavu, attended by two groups of young girls from the local community. The program was facilitated by IBC regional coordinators.

Key Highlights:

Hygiene Education: Girls received practical guidance on personal hygiene, menstrual health management, and sanitation practices.

Health Tips: Essential daily care routines, nutritional advice, and preventive healthcare measures were shared.

Interactive Session: The coordinators addressed questions and concerns in a supportive environment to promote open discussion.

Impact: Over 40 adolescent girls gained valuable knowledge to improve their health and well-being. The session also emphasized the importance of breaking taboos around menstrual health.

Location: Kinathukadavu

Beneficiaries: 2 groups of adolescent girls Focus Areas: Health, hygiene, menstrual care Conducted by: IBC Regional Coordinators

Future Plan: Advanced health awareness sessions

COMBATING HUNGER AND DISEASE THROUGH PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

Title: "Nourishing Bodies, Healing Communities"

The Hunger and Disease Alleviation Program is a collaborative initiative by the Diocese of Coimbatore and Coimbatore Multipurpose Social Service Society to address food insecurity and preventable illnesses in marginalized communities. This effort brings together the collective strength of our parishes to make a tangible

S.NO	PARISH	AMOUNT
1.	Sagayamatha church, Sulur	29,419
2.	St. Sebastian's church, Sitra	37,530
3.	Divine Mercy Church, Kuniamuthur	31,000
4.	Little Sisters of the Poor	16,670
5.	St. Mary's church, Sirumugai	3000
6.	Holy rosary Basilica, Karunathampatty	21,170/-
7.	St. Antony's church, mudis	864/-
8.	St. Aloysius church, dharapuram	20,480/-
9.	Christ the King Church kaattor	20,500
10.	Infant Jesus shrine, kovaipudur	55,840

difference in Christ's name. The Contribution details are given below in the table. I thank all the parish priests and the parishioners who had contributed for this noble cause.

UDHAYAM WOMEN FEDARATON TRUST LOAN DISBURSEMENT DETAILS

We have given checks to women who work in small-scale industries. They obtain the Udhayam Women Federation Trust loan to use for the work they have started so they may sustain themselves. In a similar vein, fifteen members have received their debt back from the

SL.NO	BENEFICIARY NAME	REGION NAME	Amount
1	Annapoorani	Pollachi	45000
2	Gopika	Pollachi	45000
3	Manimegalai	Pollachi	45000
4	vijayamani	Pollachi	45000
5	Kamalam	Pollachi	45000
3	Ramya Vinothini	Pollachi	45000
7	Dhanalakshmi	Pollachi	45000
3	Shanthi	Pollachi	22500
9	Philomina	Aanaimalai	45000
10	Antony Cruz	Coimbatore	45000
11	Sagayamary	Coimbatore	45000
		TOTAL	472500



areas of Coimbatore, Annamalai, Kinathukadavu, and Pollachi. Some of the groups are currently being evaluated in order to receive their cheques and loans for the next month.

KOLPING

TERRACE GARDENING TRAINING

On April 5th, Saturday, we had a Terrace Gardening training program at Udumelpettai, Mother of Nativity Church all area people had registered their names and participated in the training program on the day, there were 35 members who participated in the training program. The training was conducted by Mr. Singaravel & Diveweashwaran the program designed to each individual how to grow plants-vegetables, fruits, herbs, and even flowers on rooftops or terraces, especially in urban areas. These trainings are becoming increasingly popular as more people are interested in sustainable living, organic food, and making the best use of small spaces outcome of the training Ability to grow your own chemical-free vegetables and herbs. Educed grocery expenses. Greener lifestyle with improved mental well-being. Potential to start a side business or community project, we express our gratitude to each and every member who participated in the group. Their enthusiasm and commitment to learning were truly inspiring, and they were confident that the skills they gained will benefit their respective groups immensely, they look



forward to seeing how they implement these new techniques and collaborate to strengthen their Kolping family communities. the members want to thank all of them for their patience and time.

Motivational Training on Kolping Family Values

On 10th April Kolping Coordinator Visited Coimbatore Region Puliyakulam along with Mrs. Mercy Amalie and met Poondimatha, Pousthina Kolping families. were 30 members, the training was one day training, on the training we shared about the objectives of Kolping family values Inspire participants to embody Kolping values in their daily lives. Reflect on the importance of faith, family, and community in personal development, Encourage social responsibility, solidarity, and self-improvement. Strengthen team bonds through shared vision and values. Then talked about Kolping Core Values such as "Helping people help themselves."—Adolph Kolping,

- · Faith in Action: Living out Christian values.
- Family as the Foundation: Strengthening and supporting the family unit.
- · Dignity of Work: Valuing honest labor and lifelong learning.
- Community Spirit: Commitment to social justice and community service.

Self-Reliance & Responsibility: Encouraging initiative and integrity.

To the participation in the training program we gave "Every small act of love, work, or service done in faith becomes a thread in the beautiful fabric of community that Adolph Kolping envisioned." to the members and had an interaction with all the members.

Training on Government Schemes to Kolping Family Members

On 10th April, Kolping Coordinator visited Coimbatore region Puliyakulam. St. Antony, Jonsha Kolping Family members, where 25 members were participated, the program was to create awareness and understanding among Kolping family members about various government welfare schemes and how to avail them, thereby empowering them socially and economically. State Government Schemes - Scholarships for students, Widow and senior citizen pensions, Rural employment schemes, Women empowerment and self-employment programs. How to apply all we shared to members as valid required documents, photo copies, etc. outcome expected

Increased awareness of schemes among Kolping families

More members availing welfare benefits

Enhanced livelihood and quality of life

Formation of support groups to spread knowledge in the community





FORMATION OF KOLPING FAMILY ASSOCIATION

Drug Awareness Program to Kolping Family Members

On 15th April, Kolping Coordinator visited Coimbatore region Avinashi. with 26 members. The coordinator shared Kolping values, concepts and practices to the members and also taught about savings and internal revolving within the group. We gave an Awareness Program on Drugs and its negative effects to Kolping family members at CMSSS Office Avinashi. Totally 26 members participated in this program. we gave an awareness on the drug abuse among school students and youth communities. He also motivated the parents to engage their children in extracurricular activities and other skill development courses. Has also stated the negative effects of alcohol consumption and drug and other substance abuse.





NEW GROUP ORIENTATION

On April 15th, Kolping Coordinator formed a new group with 10 members at Avinashi. Group's representatives were elected, monthly savings of the groups and bank account opening, we gave an orientation about Kolping Family's concepts, values and practices. The members were encouraged and led to join as a group in their community after raising concerns about the Kolping's internal loans and savings as well as its membership norms. After an hour discussion, we had general conversation and discussion asking questions regarding the internal operations of Kolping with members after the meeting, also discussed and finalised on a whole in the meeting.

KOLPING MEETING

The Kolping Group Meeting will be held on month of April 2025. There will be a monthly meeting on every month evening at 6 pm for 1 hour roughly. The meeting started with prayer, the amount was collected, and the secretary and treasurer's notebooks and individual account books were recorded. Previous month decisions taken were read and sought for members' approval. The skill training attended by members was appreciated. Members seeking loans asked about the document details. The meeting ended with prayer.

COIMBATORE DIOCESE HEALTH COMMISSION

S_NO	KOLPING NAME	PLACE	DATE
1.	Pousthina Kolping Family	Puliyakulam	09.04.2025
2.	Jonsha kolping Family	Puliyakulam	20.04.2025
3.	Winner Kolping Family	Rathinapuri	15.04.2025
4.	Punitha Maxi Millian Maria Kolping Family	Visuvasapuram	09.04.2025
5.	Sagaya Annai Kolping Family	Jothipuram	10.04.2025
6.	Lourdh matha kolping Family	Sitra	19.04.2025
7.	St. Fathima Annai Kolping Family	OG Palayam	09.04.2025
8.	Annai Velankanni Kolping Family	Palladam	10.04.2025
9.	Loyola Kolping Family	Somanur	12.04.2025

Jubilee Celebration Honouring Healthcare Heroes April 5, 2025 CMSSS, Coimbatore

The Coimbatore Multipurpose Social Service Society (CMSSS) and Coimbatore Diocese Health Commission hosted a grand Jubilee Celebration on April 5, 2025 to honour the selfless service of doctors, nurses, and caregivers from across the region. The three-hour program saw participation from 130 healthcare professionals who gathered for this special recognition event.

The celebration commenced with a solemn Eucharistic Celebration presided over by Bishop Thomas Aquinas. In his homily, the Bishop reflected on the Gospel passage of the Good Samaritan, drawing parallels to the compassionate service of medical professionals. He emphasized that "every act of healing is a participation in God's divine mercy.

The spiritual ceremony was followed by an insightful input session conducted by Mrs. Sherin Asha, noted healthcare motivational speaker. Her presentation, titled "Healing Hands, Caring Hearts," highlighted the psychological and emotional challenges faced by medical personnel. Through powerful anecdotes and practical strategies, she equipped attendees with tools for maintaining resilience and preventing burnout in their demanding profession.

The celebratory luncheon that followed became a vibrant networking opportunity, with professionals from various hospitals and care centers exchanging experiences. Each participant received a commemorative gift package containing a personalized certificate of appreciation, wellness products, and spiritual literature.

The event concluded with a pledge-taking ceremony where attendees reaffirmed their commitment to ethical medical practice and compassionate patient care. Bishop Aquinas blessed the gathering, invoking divine guidance for their continued service. The celebration not only honoured these frontline workers but also strengthened the bonds within Coimbatore's healthcare community, leaving all participants deeply touched and reinvigorated for their noble vocation

FORMATION OF PARISH PRAYER HEALTH GROUPS

The Health Commission of Coimbatore Diocese has launched a new spiritual initiative by forming two dedicated Prayer Health





Groups in Puliakulam and Vedapatti parishes. These groups will focus on intercessory prayers for the most vulnerable members of the community—the disabled, the bedridden, the sick, and the elderly—seeking God's healing, comfort, and strength for them.

Key Details of the Initiative:

Objective: To offer spiritual solidarity through organized prayer for those suffering from illness, disability, or old age

Activities:

Special intentions during parish Masses

Prayer chains for urgent needs

Collaboration with parish health ministries to identify individuals in need of prayers

Volunteer Participation: Faithful from all parishes are invited to join this noble cause, either by participating in prayers or by helping coordinate requests. This initiative is rooted in the biblical call: "Pray for one another, that you may be healed" (James 5:16). By uniting in prayer, the diocesan commission aims to bring divine grace and hope to those facing physical and emotional struggles.

Parishioners interested in joining or submitting prayer intentions may contact the Diocesan Health Commission (7358658627).

Rev. Fr. Tellis Roch Director, CMSSS

May God grant them eternal rest

01-05-1973	Rev.Fr. M.Lazare
04-05-1916	Rev.Fr. Pageault
05-05-1975	Rev.Fr.Maria Ambrose
06-05-1896	Rev.Fr. E.C.Bouchard
06-05-1934	Rev.Fr. G.Boulanger
06 -05-1996	Rev.Fr.S.Joseph Pragasam
07-05-2019	Very Rev. Fr. Kulandai Raj
09-05-1926	Very Rev.Fr. L.De Gelis, V.G
09-05-1995	Rev.Fr.Patrick D' Rosario
10-05-1891	Rev.Fr. T. Le Bonzec
12-05-2010	Rev. Fr. Maria Selvam
13-05-1876	Rev.Fr. Bochaton (Paul)
13-05-1986	Rev.Fr. Saveriar
14-05-1952	Rev.Fr.N.Madalainathar
16-05-1910	Rev.Fr. M.Ligier
18-05-1938	Most Rev.Fr. Maria Tournier
21-05-2018	Rev. Fr. C.S. Madalaimuthu
27-05-1882	Rev.Fr.Xavier
28-05-1922	Rev.Fr. P.P.Briand
30-05-1915	Rev.Fr. J.H.Blanchard



"Let us pray for peace: peace in the world and in each of our hearts."

"Peace is not a product that is bought; it is built day by day with justice, forgiveness, and love."

"Forgive us our trespasses, grant us your peace."

"It is impossible for peace to exist without dialogue."

"Now, Lord, come to our aid! Grant us peace, teach us peace; guide our steps in the way of peace."

Highlights of previous Wouth



Palm Sunday, St. Michael's Cathedral, Coimbatore



Priests' Sanctification Day & Chrism Mass, St. Michael's Cathedral, Coimbatore.







Easter Vigil Mass



Holy Trinity Church, SIDCO



Third Friday of Lent Mass & Way of the Cross, Priestly Ordination Mass of Dn. Kuzhandai Xavier SAC, Our Lady of Velankanni Church, Palladam

Wish You a Long Life and Good Health on Your Birth Day



On 3rd Fr.Alex Antonysamy



on 4th Fr. Lourdu Irudayaraj



on 15th Fr.A.M.A.Lawrence



on 16th Fr.Prince Robert Bellarmine



on 18th Fr.Maria Joseph. A



on 29th Fr.George Sagayaraj



On 29th Fr. John Yesu Shiju



On 29th Fr. Jeraldin

May God Bless You on Your Feast Day



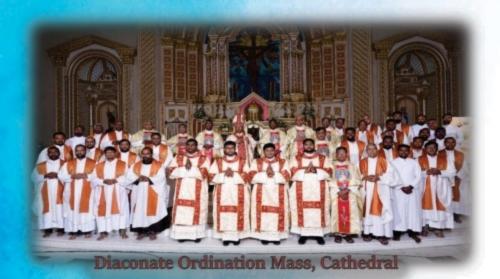
On 3rd Fr. Philip



On 12th Fr. Pancras



On 24th Fr. Jony Sagayaraj





Dn. Ajitto Xavie:



Dn. Francis Xavier



Dn. Infant Deepak



Dn. Durai Vasanth Ra



Congratulation to you dear Deacons. The Newly Ordained Deacons of our Diocese

புனித கத்தினம்மாள் ஆயைம்



தேற்குகுகிறா 11.05.2025 - ஞாமிறு

காலை 8.00 மணிக்கு

மேத்த ஆய்நீ

அவர்களின் தலைமையில்

முதல் நற்கருணை மற்றும் உறுதீப்பூசுதல் திருவருடசாதனக் கொண்டாட்டம்

மற்றும் <mark>தீருவிழாத் தீருப்பலி</mark> நடைபெறும்.

மாலை 05:30 மணிக்கு தருவிழாத் தருப்பல்

தணை அருபணி ஆண்டனி செல்வராஜ்

<u>மற்றும்மறைவட் குருக்கள், கோழமை குருக்களி</u>

அலங்காரத்தேர்பவனி ஷாட்டித்த நற்கருணை ஆசீர் வழங்கப்படும்,

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அருபாகிவேர்க்கைகாயாஜ

யிக்கிக்கிகையி அரு சகோதர்கள் யிக்கியோவைன்றி அளியிலாம்பியாளிகள் மகையியக்கைக்கி

<u> அவைவரும் வாருகிகள்] புனிவதமின் ஆசியையும் அருவளயும் பெற்றுச்செல்லுகிகள்]]</u>