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REGION SUPERIOR APPOINTS

Fr. Augustine Thomas Amakkatt
to St. Xavier's College and Campion House.

ANNOUNCEMENT

1. Pradeep Hembrom joined pre-novitiate on 9 September in Premanjali, Matigara, India. He is from Kolkata archdiocese.

2.Virtual Meeting of Vocation Promoters

on 8th October, organized by Assistant for Formation, General Curia, Rome.



ST. XAVIER'S SCHOOL, JAWALAKHEL



St. Xavier's School, Jawalakhel

Class one new admission process is complete now. After the admission, online orientation was conducted for class one in three shifts on 9th of September. Fr. Sanjay Ekka formally welcomed new students and parents by his welcome speech. The parents were familiarized with the system of the school through the orientation, and prepared their children for online classes. At the end of the orientation, Fr. George P.M. addressed the new parents and students. On 15th of September, online class commenced for class one.

This year the admission procedure for class 11 was slightly different than other years. Written entrance test was not conducted for class 11 because of the COVID 19. However, a shortlist was made on the basis of their GPA and the short-listed students had

to go through online interview cum eligibility test. The online interview cum eligibility test was conducted for two days separately for science and management students. The selected students completed their admission procedure and formally started the online classes after the virtual orientation program. Our community had to endure some health issues. Fr. George's ankle got sprained while playing lawn tennis and he is recovering fast. Fr. Ignatius too was not well due to his high blood pressure. He went through medical checkup and is following the doctor's advice. Fr. Bobby had stayed in St. Xavier's community for few months and on 26th of September left for Jamaica for a new mission.

Sanjay Ekka



Online class goes on

As the pandemic progresses, the school continues with remote learning. New regulations and guidelines from the Government and the ministry for Education have been issued about admission, but they seemed to be unclear and confusing. In the first week of September online admission test was held for class one. This was the first time in SXG history. The tiny tots were very smart in appearing for the test. In the second week of September class 11 admission test was conducted. In the fourth week, both classes and orientation were conducted for students and parents. Rest of the classes had online assessments. Fr. Samuel and his team worked very hard to organize all the tests and admission. Mr. Indira Gurung presented online seminar to teaching staff about stress management.

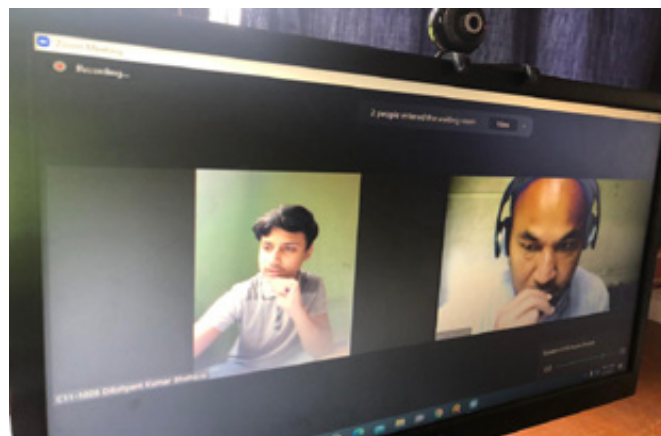
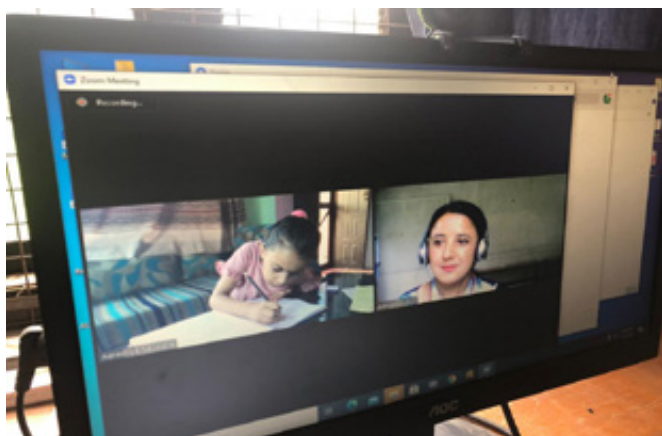
Mr. Babu Krishna Silwal and Mr. Dhurba Budhatho-

ki completed 30 years of service in Godavari Ashram. The community acknowledged their extraordinary contribution to the Ashram ministry and also gave thanksgiving dinner for them.

In spite of all the hurdles of pandemic finally, Sch. Deepak Jans joined the community with good health. The school continues to work on the level of preparedness to support the learning of students during the health crisis.

This is just a note, according to the United Nations International Children's Fund (UNICEF), "the COVID-19 pandemic has affected more than 91% of students worldwide, with approximately 1.6 billion children and youngsters unable to attend physical schools due to temporary closures and lockdowns."

SXG correspondent



ST. XAVIER'S COLLEGE, MAITIGHAR

Class 11 admission process is finally completed. This year we had less applicants but the process took longer than usual. Since everything was online for the first time, there was sufficient confusion and everyone involved had to upskill themselves. We hope to begin classes for them from October 1. The most challenging task online will be to orient and form them in our tradition as we would have done normally in the face-to-face situation.

Students in the other programs are having regular online classes and online examinations. Some departments have organized webinars and motivational programs for their respective departments.

The Literary Club conducted their annual storytelling and poem recitation competition successfully online on 20 and 21 September respectively.

James co-authored and published a review article in 'Nutrients', a peer-reviewed open access international scientific journal with Impact Factor: 4.546, titled 'Citrus Flavonoids as Promising Phytochemicals Targeting Diabetes and Related Complications:

A Systematic Review of In Vitro and In Vivo Studies'. The article deals with the multiple beneficial antidiabetic effects of various citrus fruits (orange family) for health promotion, especially concerning the prevention and management of chronic metabolic diseases. It is an outcome of collaborative scientific research and teamwork and additionally it provides greater visibility to St Xavier's College, Kathmandu. It also provided an exciting learning opportunity for Cap as he patiently proofread the text, time and again until he fell in love with 'Suntala'. The article is available for free download from <https://www.mdpi.com/2072-6643/12/10/2907>.

Jiju was one of the panelists on Jesuit education worldwide at the Cleveland Sister Cities Conference organized by Global Cleveland on 30 September.

Everyone in the community continues to keep themselves fit and healthy with positive and constructive activities and engagements.

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ST. XAVIER'S SCHOOL, DEONIA



Pandemic dry ration distribution

It was a joy to receive Sch. Gorakh Alphonse Rudum of Darjeeling Province in the Community as a new member. His appointment was already announced in the month of March but due to the restriction in crossing the border, he was unable to come. With his joining, now the Arrupe Niwas Jesuit community is complete. The community also was privileged to celebrate Sch. Gorakh's birthday with other Jesuits of Jhapa. Sch. Gorakh and Fr Nicolas Christuraj were warmly welcomed with Nepali khadas to Jhapa Jesuit Mission in Nepal.

The Arrupe Niwas community continues to reach out to our Catholic faithful at this time of pandemic. Masses for them are being celebrated in small numbers at different places. Fr. Arul and Fr. Boniface gave a day of recollection on different days to Carmel Missionary Sisters at Sadakbari and Faber House, Maheshpur respectively.

'Walking with the poor'- one of the Universal Apos-

tolic Preferences - has been constantly implemented by distributing dry ration to downtrodden and neglected people of our pastoral area and neighboring places with the assistance of people belonging to the respective localities.

Updating the activities of the school- the new admissions to classes 1 and 11 - the form distribution is still on and soon there will be entrance tests for both the classes. The mode of conducting these tests are being looked into. Fr Daniel Bara has been appointed as the new coordinator for Classes 11 and 12. He is busy meeting teachers virtually for the planning for the new academic year 2077 B.S.

Sch. Ravindar Bara, our beloved theologian, has been busy attending online classes on various courses in Theology and getting himself ready for the upcoming semester examination in the month of October.

Wilson Kandulna



Welcoming Sch. Gorakh Rudum to Arrupe Niwas



Welcoming Gorakh after a Saturday Eucharist with parishioners

MORAN MEMORIAL, MAHESHPUR



Fr. Norbert, P.P. distributing dry ration along with a Believers Church member.

One of the Catholics, Ms. Shanti Shrestha passed away in the morning of September 5 in Elam. Fr. Sanctius, Mr. Amar along with Br. Clarence went all the way for the funeral. After four hours of ride they had to park their vehicle at one place and travel for almost another hour by a tractor to reach the family. They came back on the same day by 8:30 pm. Br. Clarence gave Tridum talks to FC Sisters of Maheshpur in preparation for their feast. This month we shared dry food kit with 40 poor Christians of the 'Believer's church'. On September 9 our new Principal, Fr. Nicholas Christuraj along with Schs. Deepak and Gorakh arrived here through

the permission of Bhadrapur municipality. Ten days of home-isolation was prescribed to them; so they were kept in the church building. On the 8th day Covid-19 test was conducted and on the 10th day they came out of home-isolation with a clean report. On the 22nd of September Fr. Nicholas was formally welcomed by the staff and he had a short interaction with them.

Finally, Fr. Norbert managed to get the completion certificate of the church building from the municipality.

We had a day of recollection guided by Fr. Boniface.

Clarence Joseph



Members of Believers Church receive food supplies

ST. XAVIER'S SCHOOL, SADAKBARI



Fr. Amrit, Region Superior with school staff

School continues its “door to door” service offline classes. Teachers are doing their duties faithfully of visiting the students once a week. According to the evaluation it has got about 70% success rate, another 20 % students are trying their best but have almost zero guidance from their parents due to illiteracy, and another 7% are least bothered and 3% are out of touch because they have gone elsewhere. On September 18, we had staff meeting to work out our future strategy if we are allowed to open the class. We worked out the methodology to run the classes keeping in mind the Covid-19 guidelines from Government and WHO - a place at the gate for hand wash and seating arrangement in classrooms. We decided to divide a class in two group A & B and call one group for class on alternative days following the regular day cycle. Strict physical distance and strict monitoring at breaks will be implemented. We had a Parents meet of classes 4 to 7 on 27 September at 11 a.m. We conveyed our plans of running the classes if the Local Government allows. Parents body accept-



Fr. Amrit, having a meeting with school staff

ed our plan and expressed their support and commitment to the school family.

Fr. Amrit Rai, S.J. came for the visitation from September 28-29. He thanked staff for doing ‘door to door’ service and stressed on ‘Cura-Personalis and Cura-Apostolica’ the two-great characteristics of Jesuit education. He also advised to take care of our health. He visited Loyola School too.

On September 15th Fr. Arul our Local Superior was here for the Handing Over Ceremony of the Loyola School to the Carmelite Sisters. Good luck to Carmelite Sisters, Mary and Nirmala as they look after the school independently.

After a week’s heavy downpour, the weather is hot and humid. We continue to serve the faithful with two masses in Sadakbari at 6.30 a.m. and 8.30 a.m. and one in Simalburi at 8.30 a.m. In both the places faithful are getting together to pray family wise, it’s a combination of 3-4 families.

Vijay Pratap Toppo



1. Teachers taking body temperature of parents, 2. Washing hands with soap, 3. Teachers taking attendance of parents



Fr. Vijay Pratap Toppo addressing the parents meet

Nepal Jesuit Social Institute (NJSI)

The humanity is very badly affected by Covid-19 pandemic, yet Nepal Jesuit Social Institute (NJSI) continues to accompany the marginalized and downtrodden who are unable to find daily provision for their families. We extended our support to the landless workers of 50 families in Mandandeupur municipality of Kavrepalanchok, Bagmati province, with 50 sacks of Rice, Dal, Oil, Salt, and soaps. On 2 September Ms. Nirmala Shahi, Deputy Mayor brought municipality lorry to carry materials from Kathmandu and distributed them to Covid-19 victims in Dedi Devi women's community centre, Kunta. The list was recommended by the Vice Mayor.

On 5 September, in collaboration with Maiti Nepal and SCN Navajyoti Centre, NJSI provided with food support to 100 families of Entertainment Industry girls in Kathmandu. These girls have been rescued by Maiti Nepal.

On 13 September, NJSI distributed ten sacks of Rice, Salt, Chana, Dal, Oil to the Migrant workers who are living in Bhaishapati at Khokana Bus Park. On the same day food items were distributed to 20 blind students' families in collaboration with Bright Star Society in Lalitpur, Bhaktapur and Kathmandu districts.

Educational Support

On 18 September Audio pen drive with Radios for 80 Blind students were distributed. The students were recommended by Bright Star Society. The equipment will help the blind students to save and play back lectures and classes and attend radio based classes while remaining shut during lockdown. The students were also given a package of snacks for their

nutritional requirements. Twenty students came to Kamal Niwas to receive the materials.

On 21 September NJSI team travelled to Sindhupalchok and Banepa to distribute computers to Blind students in schools. Bandevi Secondary School in Chautara, Sindhupalchok received 4 computers,

REAL Nepal Banepa, received 2 computers, Trinetra Foundation, Gangapu received 2 computers, and Bright Star Society received 2 computers. The Bright Star Society received the computers from Fr. Thomas at Kamal Niwas. These computers are aimed at the education of Blind students with specific software designed for their use. Frs. Arul, Roy and Thomas travelled to Chautara for the distribution. Fr. Roy went to REAL Nepal Banepa and Fr. Arul went to Trinetra Foundation, Gangapu for the distribution.

NJSI community attended Jesuit Migrants Felicitation Network program which was organized

by Indian Social Institute (ISI), Delhi on 3rd of September. On 10 September NJSI team had a Skype meet with Ms. Pillar, Xavier Network representative regarding our project. She was very happy to hear from us. NJSI team also participated in the South Asian Assistancy level zoom meeting on Migration organized by ISI Delhi. NJSI board members had Management Committee meeting on 23 September. Fr. Roy and Fr. Amrit had Skype meeting with Fe Y Alegria Federation representative and Xavier Network for planning the future development of NJSI. Sr. Jemma SPC donated furniture to NJSI Regional centre, Kavre. Our heart-felt thanks to SPC community for their generous contribution.

S. Arulandam



Happy to receive something to eat



Fr. Thomas (pic1) Fr. Arul (pic 2) and Fr. Roy (pic 4) distribute food items in Lalitpur, Bhaktapur and Kathmandu districts

ST. XAVIER'S SOCIAL SERVICE CENTER



Foundation work started at SXSSC

In the midst of prevailing Covid-19 pandemic and lockdowns we have kept up ourselves lively and energetic. We engage in different physical and mental works: cleaning around house, gardening, reading and coming together as SXSSC family in order to encourage and support each other, and motivate ourselves emotionally and mentally to fight against the pandemic. It has been a good time for all us to develop our skills and build good relations among ourselves by spending time together.

On 14th September Diya Rai, one of the students from St. Xavier school,



Diya Rai celebrating her birthday with Aruna Bhawan girls

Jawalakhel came to Aruna Bhawan and celebrated her birthday with us. On the same day we celebrated children's day as well. The girls of Aruna Bhawan showed their talents on this day. They sang and danced. Construction work at Jawalakhel center is at full swing after a long break. On 20th September SXSSC decided to call back all children from their respective places turn by turn due to their on-line classes. The reason behind calling them back was poor internet connectivity in their respective places. Soon after their arrival they are kept in different rooms for home quarantine.

Ms. Margaret



Gafney Bhavan inmates prepare kitchen garden for vegetables



SXSSC boys engaged in online classes

ST. IGNATIUS CHURCH, BANIYATAR

In the month of August there were regular Masses for the faithful on their request for small groups.



Dry ration supplies to the needy

However, it got halted with the three weeks' lockdown as the parish priest was stuck in his community at Jawalakhel. After relaxation on the lockdown regular Masses have resumed for those who request for it. Convent Masses for Sisters also have recommenced.

The parish continues to help parishioners and needy neighborhood by providing food materials and



Mr. Chule, care taker disinfecting the church

medical supports. Until now about 250 families have been aided. In the month of September after the lockdown was partially lifted, many have begun to engage themselves in whatever works available. At this time other than helping with food materials, the church has been paying school fees for many students and also buying books and stationaries for them.

During 'Corona Kaal', the parish celebrated its patron Saint's feast day in a very special way. Masses were organized for each zone separately to cut down big gatherings. After the Mass each person received sweets and a packet of snacks to carry home. Since

Masses were organized for each zone separately after a long time, and being the parish feast celebration, faithful attended it in a good number.

Though free movements were curtailed, the parish priest visited a new born child and her parents for a simple prayer service.

Most of the parishioners have come back to the city after they for Tipling when first phase of lockdown began.



Fr. Anil with a new born

After a long wait of class 1 admission 6 out of 7 in the shortlist got admitted at St. Xavier's School Jawalakhel. From the parish 4 students had appeared for SLC and they successfully cleared it. One of them has taken admission at St. Xavier's Maitighar and the others at St. Xavier's Jawalakhel. A big thanks to Frs. Jiju and George for admitting them in their school and college.

Recently, the valley felt tremors of earthquake early in the morning. Consequently, one of our parishioners fractured her leg while trying to run out of the house. She has got plastered on her fractured leg and is recuperating. She is still scared of tremors. Therefore, the family decided to vacate the rented concrete house and have taken a rent in a tin-roof house.

Anil Beck



Needy neighbours receive food supplies

SHISHU BIKAS KENDRA – POKHARA



Holy Cros Sisters welcome Fr. Ayar

The Covid-19 has paralyzed the daily activities of Shishu Bikas Kendra (SBK) and of the city. However, children do fondly remember their temple of learning. Some even make phone calls occasionally and are seen in video chats with teachers. All our staff and children are well. The cleanliness of the compound, flower and vegetable gardens are kept well maintained. The downpour of rain not only spoils vegetables but provides thieves a chance to skulk around and collect the outdoor belongings when the owners are inside the house. The carpentry area has been reorganized. We have planted Kapoor trees in front of SBK gate. It has been highly appreciated by the local people.

The spiritual commitments to different convents is reduced during the lockdown. On Saturdays Fr. Amit makes sure to give Masses to requested

communities. Most of the faithful attend online Masses. Pastoral visit to Lamachowar family, a far flung village in this isolated situation, reinvigorates their faith. All our Catholic families are united in prayers especially in the evening hour and are in good health. The long awaited parish priest, Fr. Ayar Kujur finally reached Pokhara in good health after being held up for six months in Tipling in the lockdown. We welcomed him at SBK. He stays few weeks separately in isolation making use of the time in personal prayer and reflection. The faithful of our parish are eager to see and interact with him. Fr. Amit attends online classes regularly. Our aquarium is kept clean and fish in it becomes the desirability of a visiting cat. All the supporting staff are well and look forward for the normal days to have the SBK children back and see the compound full of life and laughter.

Amit Lakra



Anna Maria Church, Pokhara



Kapoor trees planted in front of SBK



Catholic family of Lamachowar village



Cleaning ahead of school reopening

GOOD SHEPHERD, TIPLING



Good Shepherd parishioners welcoming Fr. Anup and giving farewell to Fr. Ayar

This month saw the arrival of Fr Anup in Tipling and Fr Ayar's departure for Pokhra. The village -- not just the parishioners, note -- expressed their fond gratitude to both with a grand liturgy, song, dance and of course tea and snacks for all. Fr. Anup was the main celebrant with Frs. Ayar and Mike celebrating.

and also to the point, a peaceful burial. It has been known that in the past competing faiths would contend over the corpse for their respective burial rites. Potatoes are not the only harvest in Tipling. Ruby Valley is named such for a reason. Licensed businessmen make regular trips to this area to purchase semi-precious stones that our villagers have found.



Fr. Ayar outgoing PP sharing his thoughts



Children enthrall Fathers with their dance



A parishioner giving farewell speech

Earlier in the month Good Shepherd Parish held a simple graduation ceremony for Tipling's class ten graduates.

On the pastoral front, an elderly gentleman requested and received Catholic baptism. He convinced his 'ecumenical' relatives his desire was a peaceful death

A third party, youths, decided to get involved by 'taxing' a recent group of jewelry tradesmen. They 'taxed' them for Rs. 10,000 but were fined 50,000 when the police found out. They are now back to harvesting potatoes.

Jesuit Source, Tipling



Parish youths expressing gratitude through dances

Human Resource Development and Research Centre

In August Nepal Jesuit Society through the help of LCST Fathers distributed dry ration to Chemang families. They were accused of encroaching forest

pling villagers who accompanied him and carried his load of backpacks. They reached Jesuit community in the evening. After six months, Sch. Deepak Jans



Relief materials: food supplies, medicine distributed to evacuated Chepang community in Chitwan

land in Chitwan and were evicted from their houses. NJS also helped the residents of Kumarigal, Kathmandu with food supplies through Holy Cross Sisters.

Fr. Anup left for Tipling Mission on 17 September. Frs. Sanjay and Juel reached him till Galchi by house jeep at 6 in the morning. He then boarded a supply truck and reached Somdang at 7 in the evening. Next morning, he reached to Pangasng pass. A tractor was supposed to pick him up but the vehicle got busy in rescuing the truck which was stuck in deep sludgy mud. So, Anup had to walk downhill with two Ti-

reached Kathmandu on 22 September. He stayed with us for two days as he waited for his community to give him a ride to Godavari. On 24 September, we hosted a send-off dinner in honour of Fr. Bobby Joseph as he embarked a new mission in Jamaica. He left for Jamaica in the morning of 26 September. Fr. Jomon reached him to the Tribhuvan International Airport. Region Superior, Fr. Amrit Rai started his annual visitation of communities on 27 September and has gone to Jhapa Mission.

Juel Kispotta



Dry food ration arranged and distributed to residents of Kumarigal, Kathmandu

DIASPORA

PREMAL JYOTI, AHMEDABAD



Sch. Bipin Bara (front, centre) with other scholastics of Premal Jyoti

After spending more than two months I am back to Premal Jyoti with rich experiences. It was a golden opportunity for me to witness the works that the Gujarat province has done for the people of North Gujarat through education, preaching, social works and health care. We also went to different Jesuit communities in North Gujarat. While our stay there, we engaged ourselves in various activities such as doing manual works, helping the Fathers, taking English classes for the children, visiting houses, and teaching football to mention a few.

On 28th August we were back to Ahmedabad, because of online classes. Online classes are in full swing. Days are packed with lots of assignments,

tests and forthcoming Continuous Internal Assessment (CIA) examinations.

On 17th September First year students had their virtual orientation and 21st September onwards began their daily classes; but for few yet to begin.

On 27th September we had our monthly recollection and talk was given by Most Rev. Bishop Rethna Swamy of Ahmedabad Diocese.

I was also busy with my CIA examinations preparation that would be held on 29, 30 of September and 5, 6 of October. Please do remember me in your prayers.

Bipin Bara



Glimpse of scholastics visit to North Gujarat

DHYAN ASHRAM, KOLKATA

We felt privileged to partake in the funeral service of Fr Gaston Roberge, a great Jesuit who with his creativity and hard work inspired many people especially youngsters through his work on media studies. We were much inspired by his life style elucidated in the introduction and the eulogies.

On 5th of September, we celebrated the feast of St Teresa of Calcutta and the teacher's day. After a short felicitation program soon after the mass to honour our teachers and formators, we wished our Bengali Didimoni with a little song through mobile phone. We had an enthralling get-together at night when we wished Fr Sajeew and Fr Jinesh with a delicious dinner prepared by the novices.

On 8th of September we had a solemn Rosary procession from the Milanmela Chapel through the

cemetery to the statue of Mother Mary on the nativity of Mother Mary. It was commenced with an inspiring introduction by Fr Jothi on the significance of Rosary in our lives as Jesuits.

In between we were occupied with a Psychological course namely ABC Model by Fr Sajeew which immensely broadened our attitude of thinking positively. He helped us to recognize how we have to face the challenges in our lives by accepting our inabilities and dealing with our irrational beliefs.

We rejuvenated ourselves by having a campus picnic where we were able to tear the fears of the pandemic and much cherished the accompaniment of the staff and the support and collaboration among ourselves while we cooked and shared our joy.

Novice Ravi (CCU)

ST. PETER'S CHURCH, GAYAGANGA

Covid-19 pandemic has not dampened the enthusiasm and spiritual yearning of the faithful of Gayaganga. It was visible at various activities at the parish. The events kept Fr. Augustus busy throughout September. There were arrangements for village-wise Masses in the church for children, youth and men during weekdays. Fr. Augustus, along with parish catechists, took a two-week-long class for 103 children in preparation for the First Communion. The children received the sacrament in smaller groups during five different Masses. After training

altar servers for a week, he took marriage classes for the fourth group of seven couples. Now, he has started officiating their wedding on different days.

After a long wait and much effort, Sch. Deepak Jans managed to cross the border to Nepal on September 9. Sch. Lawrence Kerketta was admitted to Navjeevan Hospital, Gayaganga, for general observations. After his discharge, he stayed with us for a couple of days.

Augustus Ekka

LOYOLA PASTORAL CENTRE, MATIGARA

This month was a blessing as well as misery in the community with activities, celebrations and theft. Philosophy classes had just begun for the first years, Chennai; but due to the lack of students' attendance the classes stopped from 9th September till the end of the month. Some of the students had to appear for UG final semester exams. During these free days, I continued reading the notes and novels. For about a week, we had a hard time to manage the kitchen because the cook left unexpectedly. With God's grace, we were blessed with cooks who had been serving the Hathighisa Jesuit community. I had a bit hard time to cope up with my health. I was hospitalized on 18th September in Navjeevan hospital

till 22nd. Now I am fine and got back my healthiness. The birthday celebration always brings happiness and joy. We were glad to celebrate two birthdays in the community, Fr. Amid's on 3rd and Fr. John's, (Parish Priest) on 17th. We thanked God for these two abled and long visioned members to the community and prayed for their future missions and long life. We had many theft taking place in the community; the taps were found missing even inside the house.

At present, I am cautious and taking care of my health as well as looking forward for my philosophy classes to be resumed.

Lawrence Kerketta

GESÙ, ROME

The month of September was a blessed one. Some of the new comers arrived safely and were quarantined before the Corona test. Still we are waiting for the others, especially for those who yet to come from India. The deacons managed to get back to their countries. All those theologians who had gone to their provinces and for some program returned safely and healthily. We, the second-year theologians had our Arrupe Month, which is known as POP (Pre-Ordination Program) in Asian Conference. We usually have it at Loyola, but this year, due to this Covid-19, we had it in one of the Sisters' Convents, 'Casa Betania,' in Rome itself. We left our house on 2nd September for the program along with Fr. Cecil, who organizes the Arrupe Month every year. Different priests were assigned to give us the sessions on different topics. We ended the Arrupe Month with 8 days retreat. We were enriched by the sessions on various topics and at the same time we were nourished with the spiritual food during the retreat. We had also celebrated the birthdays of our two companions, Sch. Huy and Sch. Simone. The Sisters' convent was so beautiful and appropriate both for the sessions and for the retreat. Once we finished the retreat, we took a day off as the preparation to internalize the experience of the whole Arrupe Month. We returned to Collegio del Gesù on 27th September. As for now we are busy with the orientation program for the new comers and also for the new academic year 2020 - 21.

Devadhas

Guyana-Jamaica Region

Fr. Paul Chemparathy writes from British Guyana, "After 7 months, I flew back to the city from the Amazon for a week. I am living in the Amazon Rain forest area where there is no Wi-Fi and internet connectivity. I have 30 parishes to look after. I am alone. That keeps me busy on the mud roads and rough waters on the speed boat. I am sort of cut off from outside world. That explains why you do not hear from me. I will be in the town for a week before I fly back to my place.

Fr. Bobby Joseph writes from Jamaica, "It was a nice trip. The house Superior came to Kingston airport to fetch me. The British Airways was 2 hours late. Therefore, I reached Kingston only at 6 p.m. on 28 September (Nepal time around 4.30 a.m.). I had no problem in Kathmandu-Doha-London airports.

Immigration took a lot of time in Jamaica. Thank you very much for your love, concern and support. Please continue to pray for my health and mission in Caribbean.



07 October	Fr. Amit Lakra
22 October	Fr. Samuel Simick
26 October	Fr. Vijay Pratap Toppo

PRAYERS FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS



- * **Fr Joseph Thayil SJ**, (KER 90/70) died on 30.09.2020 in Nirmala Hospital, Kozhikode.
- * **Fr. Dionysius Rasquinha SJ**, (PAT 65/44) died on 24.09.2020 in Patna.
- * **Br. Nicholas Hernandez Blanco SJ**, (ESP 92/75) died on 20.09. 2020 in Spain.
- * **Fr. Erik Breyer SJ**, (RAN 80/61) died on 18.09.2020 in St. Albert's College, Ranchi.
- * **Fr James Thottakath SJ**, (KER 83/63) died on 15.09.2020 at Christ Hall, Kozhikode.
- * **Fr Vijay Kumar Prabhu SJ**, (KAR 80/61) died on 15.09. 2020 in Mangaluru.
- * **Fr. Jacob Carvalho SJ**, (GOA 75/57) died on 12.09.2020 in Belagavi, Karnataka.
- * **Fr. John Berchman Nag SJ**, (JAM 72/36) died on 10.09.2020 in Jamshedpur.
- * **Fr. Jayant Kumar Padival SJ**, (KAR 71/54) died on 08.09.2020 in Mangaluru.
- * **Fr. Kabamba Kalimbiriro Joseph SJ**, (ACE 53/33) died on 03.09.2020 in Chennai.

THOSE WHO SERVED IN NEPAL

17/10/2012	Joseph E. Kolb
20/10/1999	Allan B. Starr
29/10/2015	Akijiro Ooki