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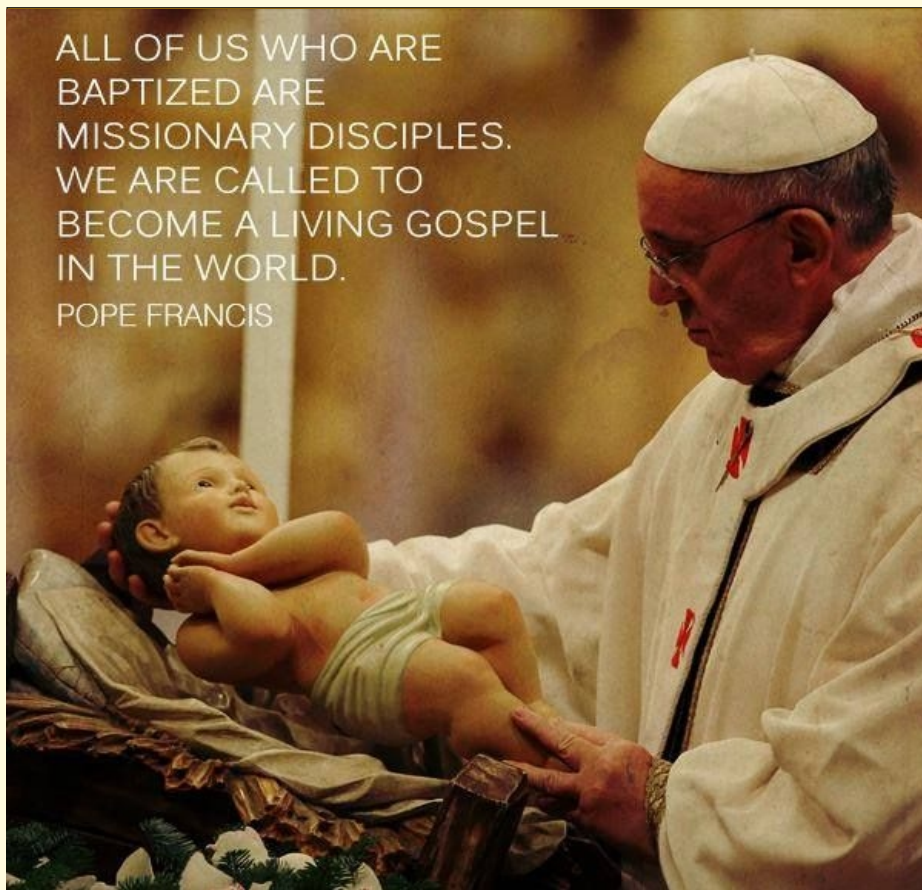
MERCY

is Born Today



ALL OF US WHO ARE
BAPTIZED ARE
MISSIONARY DISCIPLES.
WE ARE CALLED TO
BECOME A LIVING GOSPEL
IN THE WORLD.

POPE FRANCIS



May we bring the
Peace & Love
of our Saviour
to all we encounter.
Have a rejoicing season of
Christmas and a happy
New Year.
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Inviting articles for the next Bulletin issue
on **'THE PRECEPTS OF THE CHURCH'**
beginning with the first precept -

'To attend Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation, and resting from servile works'

Please send in your articles latest by 20th January 2016

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SNAPS
 HOTS

- Oct

Raigad Mission stalls were organized to help our adopted parish Christ the King at Rasayani.
- 18 Oct

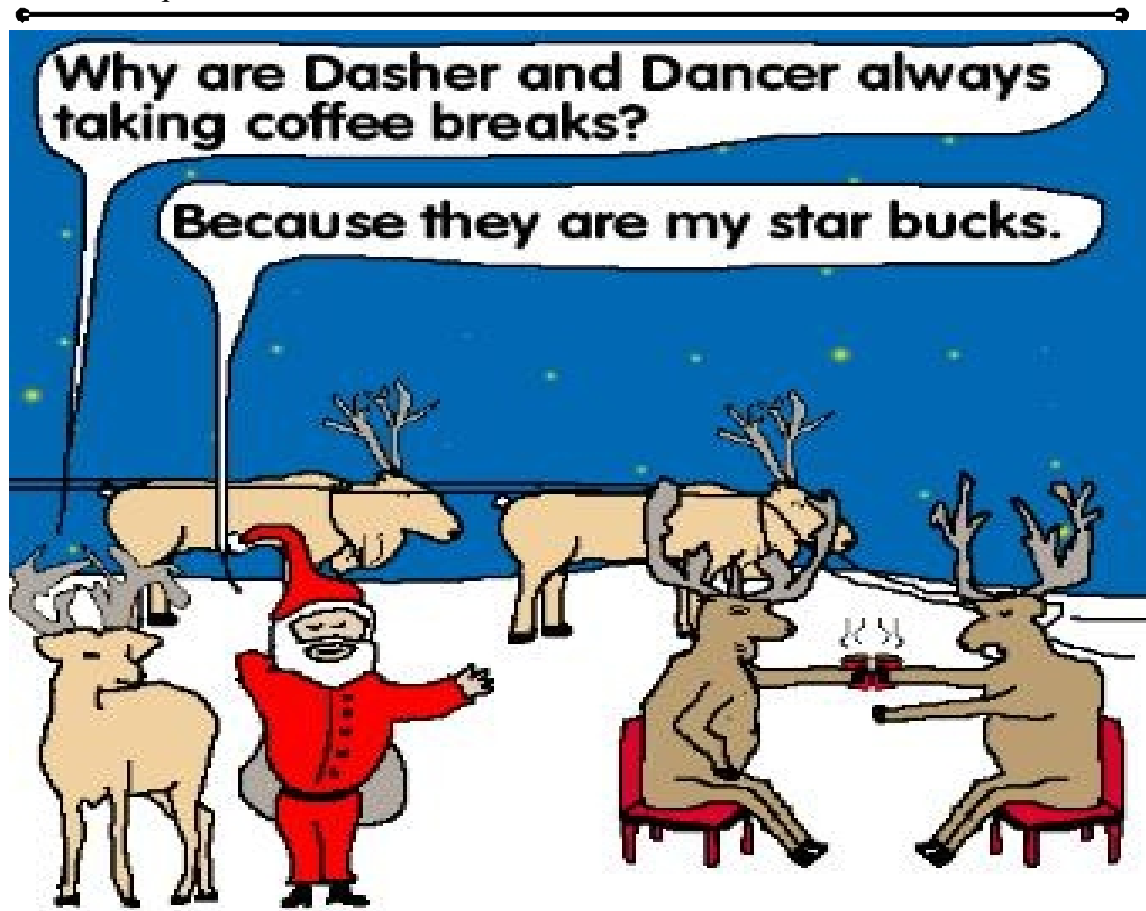
Doctors & Nurses Day was organized by SSVP to felicitate the Medical fraternity in our parish.
- 9-11 Nov

Parish Annual Sports ‘Blaze 2015’ was organized by the Youth and PYAT for parishioners of all age groups.
- 22 Nov

Solemnity of Christ the King was solemnly organized with a Eucharistic Procession from the Church to Military Road by the Parish Liturgy Team in coordination with the Ushers Ministry.
- 6 Dec

The Pallotti Women Alma successfully conducted a ‘Christmas Sweets - Cookery Session’ for women in our parish.
- 13 Dec

The Choir Recital ‘Swing into Christmas’ by the Parish Choir truly rang in the Spirit of Christmas.



From the Editor’s Desk



God is full of “rich in mercy.” (Eph. 2:4). The blessing of mercy is given and received in our life. The word Mercy and compassion derived from different Hebrew and Greek vocabularies. The verb *hamal* defines mercy as liberation. The verb *hus* defines mercy as looking with the eye of pity or the eye that spares the guilty. The term *hesed* explains mercy as steadfast, enduring love or loving kindness. *Rehem* defines mercy as womb compassion. Greek term *charis* explains mercy as grace or graciousness. The meaning of these terms can be seen in the Hebrew Bible, Gospels and Acts. God’s mercies are old. Ps 25: 6 “Remember, Lord, your great mercy and love, for they are from of old.” Right from the beginning God shows his mercy. In his steadfast love he renders action. As soon as he heard the cry of his children in Egypt .He showered his mercy upon Moses and the Israelites.

Words of Blessed Henry Suso assure that God shows his compassion all the time. “God is such an inexhaustible wellspring of boundless mercy and natural goodness that never was there a devoted mother who as willingly stretched out her hand to her own child that she had carried under her heart, seeing it in a raging fire, as God does to the penitent, even if it were possible that he had the sins of all men himself and committed them a thousand times every day.”

The abundance of mercy is revealed in the birth of Jesus. By taking human form Jesus brought mercy to entire humanity. Moreover, God chooses to show mercy according to his own will, and this fact reminds us to be grateful for what we have received. God hasn’t showered his mercy upon us because we deserved it, but because of his inscrutable grace. God has willed to share our human condition to the point of making himself one of us in the Person of Jesus, who is true man and true God. He showed his love for us by becoming part of our world, with all its conflicts, its suffering and its poverty.

In this way God shows that He is merciful towards humanity, and filled with love for us. “He is God-with-us. This feast reveals two things. The first is

that God reveals Himself not as one who remains on high and dominates the universe, but as one who humbles Himself. The second consideration is that, if Jesus has become one of us, than whatever we do for a brother or a sister, we do for Him.

The nature of mercy is always action oriented. As believers of God’s mercy we also need to give back. Thus exercises of mercy stated in the recent encyclical *Laudato si* by Pope Francis. Our planetary home, the home of all earthly beings is crying out for the healing which comes from compassion and mercy. Pollution, Climate change, the issue of water, loss of biodiversity, decline in the quality of human life and global inequality are the common factors that earth possesses now. The distress of our planet invites us to live mercy and to view earth’s diverse elements as potential agents of blessings of mercy. In the introduction of *Laudato si* Pope identifies earth as “among the most abandoned and maltreated of our poor”. (Ls 2)

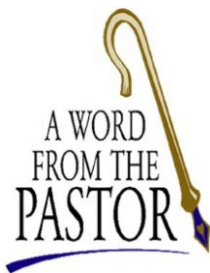
The first chapter of *Laudato si* “What is happening to our Common Home,” Pope says humans are aware of the pain of the planet. Human being’s self centeredness and concomitant destructive behaviour of our species calls everyone attention to impel mercy on mother earth. Thus, we need to have the attitude of St. Francis of Assisi calling every creature as Brother and Sister. In this way sense of Family can be attained wherein blessings of mercy can be given and received. As the Psalmist sings “trust in the mercy of God forever and ever” Ps 52: 8b, in his trust, let us show our mercy towards our mother earth as God always showed his mercy on us. By such nature, we can exercise act of mercy in a better way in this season of Christmas. Wish you all a

Merry Christmas



Fr. Stanislaus J.

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Jumbo is what we are amazed about and think that it is brainstorming of man and surveys. Remember Jumbo Jets (More Big), 3 BHK is a Jumbo home, a cola drink had as its jingle, “Yeh dil maange more” and this desire for more and therefore big, occupies the economics of our life. Advertising and Marketing teamed together and intending to draw more people to consume began the Jumbo Burger and even our own local Mumbai flavor picked up with the Jumbo Vada Pau. We believe in Jumbo things.

Pope Francis from the very beginning of his pontificate also decided to do a Jumbo in terms of offering a bigger, richer and fuller diet in the Church. In his very first encyclical **Evangelium Gaudium**, “**The Joy of the Gospel**” he offered us a sneak preview of the **Jumbo sized** diet that the Church must keep at its daily table and lives. He gives us one of the key ingredients that he wishes the Church to be imbued with, “**Mercy**”. He used the phrase in this encyclical about 32 times and believes it to be a Healthy diet for us as Christians, individually and also as communities. This then has led him to open the Jubilee year of Mercy, this December 8th, the Feast of the Immaculate Conception.

What a Great vision to Have the **Year of Mercy** begin at this liturgical time of the year as we await the coming of the **Face of Mercy** upon our Earth **Jesus of Nazareth**. God played the Original Idea of Jumbo.

When he saw humanity steeped into sin and a widening gap between God and Man, he hit upon the Jumbo Idea, “the Big idea”..... no more prophets, teachers, scribes but GOD Himself would come to the earth in flesh and blood in Jesus. He would then be a Jumbo God enfleshed in a little babe born in Bethlehem.

Thousands of Years later, we still run dry from being this visible image of love and mercy around us. In December we begin to experience the chill of the weather, it gets cold, but long before December we have become cold in our beliefs, faith, values, behavior. This probably prompted Pope Francis to comment, “A little bit of Mercy will make the world less cold and just”. Christ is the face of the Father and he lived the Mercy of the Father. Each of us therefore ought to believe that Mercy is present in our DNA by virtue of becoming sons and daughter through our baptism.

Let us then, more than our sweaters and Pullovers of clothing, wear on the fabric of Mercy so that we warm the world all year through. May our homes, our relationships, our communities, our neighborhood be living cribs of Mercy and forgiveness particularly when we have been wronged.

Fr. Charles Fernandes, sac.



THE POWER OF TOUCH



While giving a seminar for school children, I asked a teenager towards the end of the session: 'tell me the one moment of your life you remember and cherish most?' and he answered: 'it is my mother and father's hug before I leave for school'. This was the inspiration for me to pen these few thoughts.

When was the last hand-shake or hug you truly gave or received?

Willison and Masson comments: 'Therapeutic touch, as described in literature, ranges from simple hand contact to a full embrace'. However young or old, we know for sure this touch makes one feel worthwhile irrespective of the cultural ethos or daily ordeals we encounter. Kathleen Keating, the author of 'The hug therapy' says: 'We are suffering in our society from a sad condition best described as touch deprivation, skin hunger and hug inhibition. Touch is the primary way we contact and connect with each other. Touch is the experience of how I meet you and you meet me and we meet the world.'

May this Christmas remind us that God left heaven and His glory on that Christmas night (Phil 2:6ff). God incarnate Jesus himself. He is with us now to touch us, to heal us, to console us and to embrace us. Yes, he touched the blind and restored their sight, he lifted Peter when drowning, and he raised the dead to life. In his parable, when the younger son swallowed up the property and returned home, the father clasped him in his arms and kissed him. It was indeed, a

hug of acceptance, mercy and forgiveness. God's Mercy; the bridge that connects God and man, opening our hearts to a hope of being loved forever despite our sinfulness (Pope Francis)

May we experience this touch of acceptance and mercy of Jesus through sacraments, especially in confession, personal prayer and the Holy Eucharist. The power of the divine touch will motivate us to transcend, so that we may exclaim; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord. So, whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord (Rom 14:8).

This Jubilee Year of Mercy, commences in December on the solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. Pope Francis gives us a clarion call, to first repent in order to embrace God's mercy.

Let not our cares, worries, anxieties, fears, insecurities, lavish and careless life style take us away from Jesus. He is born for you and for me. In that little manger come and touch Him and He will touch you. Abide in Him and He will abide in you (Jn 15:4). Come with a repentant heart surely He will welcome you in His loving embrace and you will experience the power of His touch. You will be 'reborn' (Pope Francis)

Let the healing touch of acceptance and mercy reign not only in our families but also in our neighbourhood.

Fr. Beniz Gomes



WORKS OF MERCY - SPIRITUAL & CORPORAL

“But as for you, brethren, do not weary of doing good.” (2 Thessalonians 3:13)

One person who taught this way of life clearly, and who manifested it so beautifully in her apostolate, was Bl. Mother Teresa. She used to say that there are two kinds of "Real Presence" of our Lord in this world: the Lord's Real Presence in the Blessed Sacrament, where He fills us with His light, His life, and His love, and our Lord's real presence in the poor, both in those materially poor and those spiritually poor, where He is waiting for us to give Him back His light, His life, and His love. Living on the Bread of Life, we *receive* our Saviour's merciful love; sharing our bread with those who hunger physically and spiritually, we *return* that love back to Him, giving His compassionate Heart solace and joy.

The Catholic Church has traditionally encouraged her children to understand the practice of merciful love by dividing the works of mercy into two kinds: corporal (that is, bodily) and spiritual that is if I cannot show mercy by deeds or words, I can always do so by prayer because prayer reaches out even there where we cannot reach out physically.

What are the seven Corporal and Spiritual works of mercy? “The seven practices of charity, based on Christ's prediction of the Last Judgment (Matthew 5:3-10) that will determine each person's final destiny.

Corporal Works of Mercy:

1. To feed the hungry;
2. To give drink to the thirsty;
3. To clothe the naked;

4. To shelter the homeless;
5. To visit the sick;
6. To visit those in prison;
7. To bury the dead.



The Spiritual Works of Mercy are:

1. To instruct the ignorant;
2. To counsel the doubtful;
3. To admonish sinners;
4. To bear wrongs patiently;
5. To forgive offences willingly;
6. To comfort the afflicted;
7. To pray for the living and the dead

Mercy defines something of God's love, but it also directs us in how to love. Mercy is a moral virtue a habit of right action that Christians are called to do. Not only is mercy a call to action, but it can also become a disposition of soul. Someone who is merciful is generous in forgiving others and in attending to their physical and spiritual needs. This is a virtue we are called to develop. Our God is merciful. Jesus pours out to us his Divine Mercy. How are we to respond to this high call of mercy?

For Catholics, mercy is a call to action to help those in physical or spiritual want. Little do we realize that we already practice works of mercy in your everyday lives at home, in our community, at work and in our parish. In addition, we may also support the works of the prison ministry, work at a homeless shelter, visit patients at the local hospital and nursing home weekly. There are so many in need and it can seem overwhelming to live up to such heroic examples.

Our practice of corporal & spiritual works of mercy in our daily life:

Do you provide food, clothing to your family and practice hospitality to others in want or need? Do you try to save water?

Do you nurse family members back to health when they are ill? If someone in your family feels angry or depressed, do you try to work things out? Do you go to funerals? Do you guide your family to good Catholic living and teachings? Do you pray for the sick and those in need of prayers?

You already practice every single Corporal & spiritual Act of Mercy in your daily life and in every season of the year! Does that mean you should not reach beyond the needs of your family or parish? Of course not! However, if you are in a season of your life when you are scrambling just to care for your own family, know that what you do in the ordinary flow of your daily life is being an example and model for your children and the community. And what you model and encourage in your children, home and in others, is a way of teaching the Works of Mercy to all.

Practical hints of encouraging yourself and your family to do acts of mercy
Make a poster of the Acts of Mercy and hang it in your home. Encourage your children positively even a glass of water given to the thirsty, is a corporal act of mercy; When you are traveling and hear an ambulance pass by say a short prayer for the patient, his family, and the doctors attending to the patient; Try not to get angry and forgive the ones that hurt you.

Keep a 'GOOD DEED' jar on your dinning table and encourage your family to drop in chits. As the jar fills, this becomes a visible encouragement to growth of this virtue for the whole family. It provides a symbol for how the Body of Christ works to build up His Kingdom in the most ordinary sacrifices of our daily lives. Striving in this virtue enables us to form our will with the right habits. As we

perform Acts of Mercy we grow in Grace and become more merciful in our countenance.

God's Mercy is sufficient, we should co-operate with His Grace, and the fruits we yield both reflect and form us in God's Goodness. Growing in awareness of this virtue enables us to pay attention and strive everyday to work for the glory of God. Whether by deed, word or prayer, it is always possible for us to practice these basic corporal works of mercy.

Bernardine Boothello
Legion of Mary



Pallotti Bible Cell



GOD OF MERCY

Since we are celebrating this liturgical year as a Holy Year of Mercy, let's take a look at what the term Mercy means to us. Literally **Mercy** would mean not getting what we deserve/withheld punishment. In 1 Tim 1: 15-16 Paul realized that he was the worst of them all, and that because of this very fact God was particularly merciful to him. It was a demonstration of the patience towards the worst of men; to serve as an example to all who in the future should trust Him for eternal life.

Mercy is also synonymously used as '**Love**' and vice versa in the Bible. Let's examine: Eph. 2:3-5 "Like the rest, we were by nature, objects of wrath. But because of His love for us, God who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions...." Mercy triumphs over judgement.

Why does a Holy God pardon us and lets us get away with sin? The answer is our Father being a Merciful Loving God, is being patient, waiting all the time, to give you and me time and opportunities to return to Him. He is mighty in His kindness out of pure love! The fullness of his love is seen in Matthew 27 where Jesus is brutally beaten and murdered on our behalf. Jesus received our condemnation, and we received God's mercy plus righteousness.

Indeed we are blessed to have God's pardon, but can we take His mercy for granted? Here let's read St. Paul's words to the Romans 11:22 "You must try to appreciate both the kindness and the strict justice of God. Those who fell, experienced

The justice, while you are experiencing His kindness and will continue to do so as long as you do not abuse that kindness". In other words... we cannot get away with unrepentant sin. We must not want to obey God out of fear or bank on His generosity all the time; rather wish to abide by his plans just out of love for He loves us dearly.

What is expected out of us by God? In return He expects us to be merciful towards others. Remember the parable of the unforgiving servant in Matt 18:28-35. So what acts of mercy can we illustrate this Advent? A few examples: 1) forgive those who have offended us 2) feed the hungry/poor 3) pray for the living and the dead.

C'mon let's be **Merciful Like The Father**.....perhaps a wee bit for a start!

Sheril Cabral
Bible Cell



GOD'S MERCY-A TESTIMONY

My family and I have been experiencing God's mercy and love all the time, but, I experienced it in a big way in 2009, when I was diagnosed with heart problem. October is the time of Rosary and a time of merrymaking with snacks and soft drinks. As a diabetic, this affected me. I was working in Nariman Point and on my way to work, I was getting breathless, found it difficult to walk and had to stop in between to breathe normally.

I was due to retire by the end of December. On 30th October, when I was returning from Rosary and entered our compound premises, I just could not go forward. I asked my husband Joe to take me to Dr. Richard immediately. Dr. Richard on hearing my symptoms, sent me for an ECG test. He waited until I could get back to him with my result. At the ECG centre, Doctor was not available as it was late, the nurse assured us that it's normal but when we saw Dr. Richard, he was not at all happy, said there's something wrong and I must go to a hospital. He consulted his colleague on the phone, who also was of the same opinion. He advised us to rush to Holy Spirit Hospital out and out, without even going home.

I was in the ICU for observation and monitoring for two days, thereafter an angiography was done in Holy Family Hospital. I was detected with five blockages, three of them being above 90%. After consultations with two reputed Doctors, bypass surgery was done at Hinduja Hospital on 4th November. On the surgery table, I surrendered myself to the doctors, and in turn, surrendered them to the Lord. The surgery was successful and I recovered from it quickly. The surgeon and the cardiologist were happy with my



Progress and sent me home in a week's time. At home, with proper diet and rest, I was back to normal and running around within 3 months.

I owe my life to God and His mercy and to Dr. Richard for timely advice and to all my family, friends, Couples for Christ and also to our Priests and parishioners who prayed and some of them fasted specially for me. I am grateful to God for being merciful to me, as around the same time, I got the news that one of my office colleagues in Pune had died of Swine flu and a housekeeping person in my office staying at Belapur just collapsed and died of a heart attack on the way to the office.

The Lord kept me alive for some purpose of His, and I Thank and Praise the Lord. I give my service to the community in whatever way I can. I was in Couples for Christ earlier, but after my surgery and retirement, I also joined the SVP, I am an animator in SCC of my zone and also a member of Family Cell. Many times, Joe asks me from where I am getting so much stamina and I reply "He provides".

I rejoice in the Lord and enjoy doing whatever I am assigned with.

The Lord is my Shepherd and Protector.

Safira Fernandes
St. Paul Community



CHRISTMAS IS JOY, LOVE, PEACE!!!



Indeed Christmas is JOY.

The Angel said to the shepherds
“I come to proclaim good news to you....tidings of great joy...” This Christmas joy resounds in the Psalms: “Sing joyfully to the Lord...break into song....Sing praise the Lord with the harp and melodious song. With trumpet and the sound of the horn, sing joyfully before the King, the Lord”. JOY TO THE WORLD because Jesus Emmanuel is GOD WITH US.

Christmas is also LOVE. The Good News brought by the newborn Christ was redemption and salvation to all the ends of the earth. In the Old Testament days, God spoke to man in fragmentary ways through the prophets. God now speaks to us through His son. God so loved the world that He gave us His only Son...Christmas is also a visible expression the Son's love for mankind. He is filled with enduring love for us that by His life, death and resurrection He empowers us to become Children of God. From the Manger in Bethlehem to the Cross at Calvary, Jesus was all Love for sin-Laden mankind.

Peace on earth to men of goodwill was the angelic choir's song while giving glory to God on high at the birth of Jesus. This was and is and will ever be the core of the Christmas message. Today is born He who Isaiah calls the PRINCE OF PEACE and whose Kingdom is forever peaceful. Jesus greets the disciples: Peace be with you...My peace I give you, My peace I leave you...”The Eucharist, the summit of Christian worship, makes us enter in that spirit of peace that only Christ offers and invites us to share and make peace a reality

in our day-to-day lives. Christmas reminds us that NO CHRIST IS NO PEACE. Positively Christmas assures us KNOW CHRIST AND KNOW PEACE.

Jesus the LIGHT of the world dispels the darkness of hatred, war, tears etc., by giving us His JOY, LOVE AND PEACE. Jesus brings harmony between man and God; and man and man. Let us accept Christ in our hearts and walk in his footsteps and guided by the Holy Word (gospel), fearlessly proclaim the Good News of salvation in our homes, neighbourhoods, communities, parishes and our country that JESUS IS THE JOY OF LIVING!!!!

To one and all a very Happy Christmas. May the Child Jesus fill us with JOY, LOVE AND PEACE!

Lucy Rego

Bl. Mother Teresa Community



ANNUAL THANKSGIVING DAY CELEBRATIONS

The Sr. Citizens' Association celebrated their Annual Thanksgiving Day with a Eucharistic celebration followed by a Fellowship gathering in the Church Hall on 1st October 2015.

Plans for the great day were in progress two months in advance. Without participants how can we have a function? For three consecutive Sundays, braving the sudden rain spells, the committee members were present in the Church premises, making it convenient for all to register their names. Around 200 senior Citizens attended the Eucharistic celebration and the Fellowship. The Committee Members were very happy with the response.

We had a good start to our Annual Thanksgiving Day celebrations - The Family Feeling - at the Eucharist celebrated by Fr Charles and Fr Beniz. The broad smiles and the warm welcome by our priests at the start of the Eucharist put us in the appropriate frame of mind love, caring and concern for one another. Their cheerful faces reflected their happiness to celebrate the Eucharist with us. We express our heartfelt gratitude to them. Music livens up an occasion. The choir members sang beautiful hymns. Our special thanks to Lily D'Souza who accompanied the Sr. Citizens in the singing.

Excitement, happiness, and joy were expressed by so many after the Eucharistic celebration. And what made us so happy? The scene created by Fr. Charles in his homily was something that all of us at some time in our life have dealt with the moods and tantrums. He gave us a new approach to handle day-to-day situations in a cheerful and positive attitude. The homily given in Konkani and English would not have been easy but Fr Charles did a great job in capturing the attention of all present.

We then proceeded to the hall for the fellowship. The members were welcomed with cake and cold drinks. Within a few minutes everyone was seated comfortably, waiting for the programme to begin. Mr. Vipul Rodrigues was kind enough to sponsor the Sr. Citizens' Association banner which was put up in the hall and we express our grateful thanks to him. Mr. Stany Pereira welcomed the guests and requested Fr Charles to say a few words. Fr Charles expressed his happiness at seeing so many Sr. Citizens making the effort to join in the Fellowship in spite of some members having problems to climb up so many steps to reach the hall.

The volunteers for the game 'Placing the hat on the head,' had a tough time handling such

a huge crowd. Fr Stanislaus joined the volunteers in the centre and with quick movements from one group to the other they got the three hats moving. The game ended with cheers for the winners.

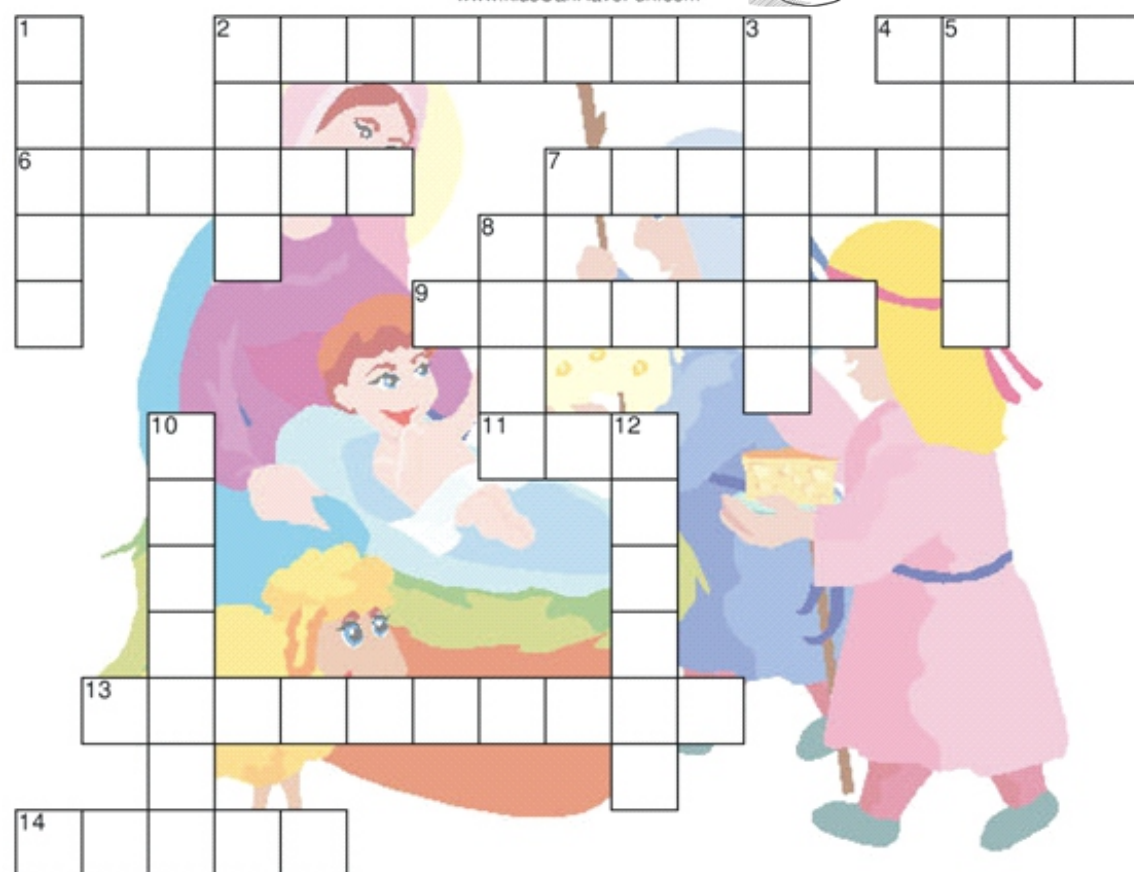
To accommodate those that had come to the Fellowship with their dancing shoes on, we had a dance session. Some took awhile to adjust to their dancing shoes and could just take a few steps on the dance floor as due to time constraint, we had to cut short the dancing session. While the guests were enjoying the snacks and cold drinks, Mr. Alex Mendonca entertained the members with a Konkani song.

Spot prizes were announced. All those who had the Associations' rubber stamp on the snack box got prizes. Prizes were also given to the senior most male and female members and to the youngest member. The oldest male was 87 years, female was 84 years and youngest member had just completed 60 in the month of August 2015. We also had a game of Housie and gifts were given to the lucky winners.

An announcement was made for those Sr. Citizens who were not members, to fill in the form and join the Association at the end of the function. The Committee Members were very happy to see so many come forward to collect the forms for registration. We invite all Sr. Citizens in the parish to contact Mr. Antony D'Mello (Mobile 9819195265) for registration of membership to the Sr. Citizens' Association.

As all good things come to an end, our fellowship also ended with smiling faces all around. The committee members left the hall content and with a proud feeling of achievement with TEAM spirit - **Together Everyone Achieves More.**

Lorraine Rasquinha
Sr. Citizens' Assn.



Across

2. The town where Baby Jesus was born.
 4. Jesus mother's name.
 6. The inn-keeper told Mary that she could stay in the _____ with the animals.
 7. There was a _____ star that lead the wise men to Baby Jesus.
 9. _____ brought Jesus gifts and travelled far.
 11. Baby Jesus was also the son of _____.
 13. The wise men _____ baby Jesus.
 14. The manger was filled with _____ to make it comfortable for baby Jesus.

Down

1. Mary was told by the angel to call the baby _____.
 2. An angel told Mary that she would have a very special _____.
 3. Jesus lay in a _____.
 5. An _____ told the Shepherds about Jesus birth.
 8. Jesus was also known as the newborn _____.
 10. Jesus would be our _____.
 12. Mary rode on a _____ to find a place to stay.

BIBLE CLASSES

YOUR *Friday* DATE at 8



8 Jan 16

More Qs from
Corinthians

15 Jan 16

Christian calling
to different
ministries

22 Jan 16

Paul
Defends
Ministry

18 Dec 15

Is there
Resurrection
from
the dead?

26 Feb 16

Holiness

12 Feb 16

Sin

19 Feb 16

Faith

29 Jan 16

Believer of
Gospel



NOVENA IN HONOUR OF OUR PATRON ST. VINCENT PALLOTTI

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| 15 th Jan 2016 | Pallotti as a young boy |
| 16 th Jan 2016 | Pallotti's devotion to Eucharist |
| 17 th Jan 2016 | Pallotti - imparter of Faith |
| 18 th Jan 2016 | Pallotti's life of Prayer |
| 19 th Jan 2016 | Pallotti's devotion to Mary |
| 20 th Jan 2016 | Pallotti - a man of charity |
| 21 st Jan 2016 | Pallotti's love for Youth |
| 22 nd Jan 2016 | Pallotti - Minister of the Word of God |
| 23 rd Jan 2016 | Influence of Family on Pallotti |
| 24 th Jan 2016 | Feast day - Pallotti a Merciful Servant of God |



A peek at the festive week(s) ahead !!
December 2015 - January 2016



18, 19 & 21 Dec	Fri, Sat, Mon	Confessions 7.30am to 8.30am 6pm to 7pm & 7.30pm to 9pm
19 & 20 Dec	Sat & Sun	Christmas bazaar after all masses
20 Dec	Sunday	Christmas Float in the parish from 6.30pm to 10.00pm
24 Dec 10pm	Thursday	7.00 pm evening mass stands cancelled. Christmas Tableau at 9.15pm followed by Solemn high mass at
25 Dec	Friday	Christmas Day. Morning masses at 7am, 8am & 9.15am in English & 10.30am in Tamil. No evening mass.
26 Dec	Saturday	Christmas Celebrations for Senior Citizens Eucharistic Celebration at 10.00am followed by get-together.
28 Dec	Monday	Feast of the Holy Innocents. Get-together for Special children at 4pm.
31 Dec	Thursday	Evening mass as usual at 7.00pm. Thanksgiving adoration from 10pm- 11.45pm followed by midnight mass in the church.
1 Jan	Friday	Solemnity of Mary Mother of God. Masses at 7am, 8am, 9.15am & 7p Tamil mass at 10.30am.
24 Jan	Sunday	Parish feast and Concert.

