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People With Disabilities: Pilgrims Of Hope





*"You are not alone, for I am with you...
Do not fear, for I have redeemed you;
I have summoned you by name; you are mine."
- Isaiah 43:1, 5*

Third Death Anniversary

Nevaeh L. Fernandes

15th April 2022



*Today marks the 3rd anniversary of the day our shining star,
Nevaeh L. Fernandes, gained his wings.*

*You have gone away from us, but the memories, the laughter
and the love we shared will never be forgotten.*

*Nevaeh, your love, smile,
and legacy continue to inspire us.
We will carry you in our hearts forever.*

There will be a Eucharistic celebration for the soul of our most beloved **Nevaeh**, on **Tuesday 15th April 2025**, at **7.45a.m** at **St. Inez Church, Panaji Goa**. Followed by blessings at the grave offered by his sorrowful mother **Christina** and brother **Nestor**.

Family, relatives, and friends, kindly accept this as the only intimation





PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES: PILGRIMS OF HOPE

The Holy See will commemorate the ‘Jubilee of People with Disabilities’ on April 28-29, 2025, at St. Peter’s Basilica in Rome. This momentous occasion will feature a pilgrimage to the Holy Door, Confessions, and the Eucharist, followed by a meeting with the Holy Father and other scheduled events.

In our See Cathedral, while we observed a special day for the Jubilee of People with Disabilities on March 22, 2025 for some Pastoral reasons, (kindly read the report on this bulletin), we will also dedicate the month of April 2025 to this celebration. Throughout the month, we will honor the resilience and determination of individuals with disabilities, who inspire us with their unwavering faith, hope, and courage.

People with disabilities strengthen our faith, reinforce our hope and demonstrate to us the Gospel way of life. They accept their disabilities not as a curse but as a means to glorify God (see Jn. 9:3). In their disability, they imitate Jesus, who made himself vulnerable for our sake. Their disabilities/ “trouble produces endurance, endurance brings God’s approval, and His approval creates hope” (Rom. 5:3-4). And “this hope” says St. Paul “does not disappoint us”. So, basically, St. Paul speaks of the hope generated by troubles, sufferings and disabilities. In their life of faith and hope, people with disabilities demonstrate how to live a true Gospel life and be followers of (suffering) Jesus with joy.

The dignity of people with disabilities: The Holy See had published a document on the dignity of people with disabilities namely, *Dignitas infinita* (2024), A Declaration of the Dicastery for the Doctrine of the Faith on Human Dignity. Human dignity is a central theme in Christian thought, applying to all the faithful in the life of the Church, and maintaining “awareness of human dignity amid the complex historical moment in which we are living.” Physically abled people should avoid the temptation to make them (people with disability) feel that they are invalid, useless, and parasite draining the resources of the family and society. The people with disabilities are also created unto the image and likeness of God. Hence, we need to see in them the ‘disabled face of Christ’. Jesus always treated people, especially those with disabilities,

with dignity and respect, and eventually healed them (see Jn. 5:6).

The rightful place of the people with disabilities, in the Church and Society, must be acknowledged and upheld. Jesus gave people with disabilities and outcasts in the society, a place of honour and belonging (see Mk. 1:40-45). Jesus saw in them the goodness, which the other members of the society failed to perceive. We must look at such people through the eyes of Jesus that their life is equally precious. They must be considered as active members contributing towards the growth of the family, church and society (each according his/her state of life). They must be seen as contributors, evangelizers and proclaimers of the Good News. We need to make all forms of liturgy completely accessible to the persons with disabilities. It is not enough to make them recipient during the celebration and organise Mass or Prayer Service for them, but to make them active participants during the liturgy. Consequently, they must be allowed to exercise active role in the Holy Eucharist, to organise Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament exposed, in conducting the prayer services and so on.

People with disabilities are indispensable on the journey of “Pilgrims of Hope”. The Bible says, “...those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable...” (1Cor. 12:22). This reference to the Body of Christ and community of Christians implies that people with disabilities, who may appear outwardly weaker, are indispensable. Their life is not less important than the others. Hence, on the journey, they are equal companions. Physically, they may be a bit slower but the person is not consist of only body but also the soul and spirit. The body may be weak by the soul and spirit is willing (see Mt. 26:41). On this journey, we glorify God by service. Disability cannot be a hindrance to serve God and fellow pilgrims. One can glorify God by expressing thanks and gratitude instead of complaining or being bitter; if able to write, one can serve by writing words of expression and encouragements; if unable to speak, one can smile and express love and kindness; one can pray for others; one can visit others even on the wheel chair, with some assistance, that will encourage the sufferings and lonely; if unable to read, one can request others to read the Word of God; the list can go one. The last will be the first in the kingdom of God. Let us journey together whether abled or disabled as “Pilgrims of Hope”.

St. Catherine of Alexandria, pray for us all!

Parish Priest



(Rev. Can. Rosario Oliveira)

Pilgrimage of Hope: Overcoming Challenges with Faith in the Face of Disability



Sabrina Faia
St. Augustine Somudai

Disabilities come in many forms—mental or physical—and can be temporary or long-term, varying in severity. Regardless of the type, faith serves as the cornerstone of the Christian life. Believing in God empowers us to confront the seemingly impossible. We must place our complete trust in Him, allowing Him to guide us through our challenges. The saying “Faith can move mountains” rings true, as I have personally experienced in my own life.

To overcome challenges, here are a few suggestions:

Embrace Faith: Faith provides us with comfort and strength, especially when facing disabilities.

Trust in God: Believe that God is with you at all times, supporting you through every difficulty.

Start Each Day with Gratitude: In the morning, take a moment to thank God and ask for His help to improve upon yesterday.

Prioritize Happiness: Do your best to keep yourself joyful, always remembering that God is by your side.

Remove Worry and Doubt: Let go of fears and anxieties, as they can rob you of your peace of mind.

Seek Quiet Moments with God: Find a serene place to talk to Him and surrender your pain and worries.

Focus on Health: Be mindful of your diet, exercise as much as possible, and ensure you get restorative sleep.

Trusting in our Lord is the pathway to finding the peace and strength needed to overcome disabilities. Remember, God loves us all.



The Heart of Care: Family and Caregivers in the Lives of People with Disabilities

Zulema D'Mello
St. Augustine Somudai

Caring for a loved one with a disability is an act of love and strength. Family members and caregivers provide essential physical care, emotional support, and companionship. Their dedication brings comfort, dignity, and joy to those they care for.

The Daily Journey of Care

From assisting with dressing, meals, and bathing to managing medications and doctor visits, caregivers handle countless responsibilities. These acts require patience, love, and commitment. Though challenging, their care ensures the well-being of their loved ones.

The Power of Emotional Connection

Caregiving goes beyond physical needs—it nurtures the heart. A kind word, a shared smile, or a heartfelt conversation can make a world of difference. When caregivers offer love and companionship, they provide a priceless gift: the assurance that their loved one is not alone.

Navigating Challenges and Advocacy
Caregivers take on multiple roles—problem solvers, advocates, and decision-makers. They navigate healthcare systems, coordinate treatments, and help loved ones stay socially connected. Their efforts ensure dignity, independence, and a better quality of life.

The Strength of Family Support

Family is the foundation of care. Parents, siblings, and relatives provide love, education, and financial support, creating a secure environment for their loved ones with disabilities. A strong family support system enhances rehabilitation and overall well-being.

Honoring the Caregivers

Caregivers, whether family members, friends, or neighbors, dedicate their lives to others. Their kindness and sacrifices deserve recognition and appreciation. Every day, they touch lives in ways that truly matter, bringing hope, warmth, and love. As a community, let's support and uplift our caregivers, ensuring they too feel valued and cared for.

Saints with disabilities: Role Models of Hope



Carlos Rebello
St. Joseph Vaz Ward

“God chose what is weak in the world to shame the strong” (1 Corinthians 1:27)

Saints with disabilities are role models not because they were cured but because they lived with radical trust in God’s love amid their limitations. They redefine “victory” in faith: not as escape from suffering but as transformation through it, embodying Christ’s call to carry one’s cross. Their lives challenge the notion that disability is a tragedy, instead framing it as a sacred journey of surrender, service and sanctification.

Faith is often associated with healing. It’s primary purpose is to cure illnesses or disabilities. But in Christian faith, it’s more about how one lives with their condition rather than being cured. The saints with disabilities show that holiness is not about being physically whole but about one’s relationship with God and others. Saints with disabilities are revered not because they were cured but because they transformed their struggles into spiritual strength.

Several saints and role models with disabilities exemplify resilience, faith, and service, illustrating how physical or mental challenges can coexist with profound spiritual strength:

St. Margaret of Castello

Born blind and with a hunched back. She was abandoned by her family but dedicated her life to serving the poor, becoming a symbol of compassion and humility.

St. Lidwina of Schiedam

Patron saint of the chronically ill, she endured decades of pain after an injury, offering her suffering for spiritual renewal.

St Ignatius of Loyola

A leg injury from battle led to a spiritual awakening, prompting him to found the Jesuits and emphasize finding God in all circumstances.

St. Joseph Bakhita (enslaved, physically scarred)

Exemplified forgiveness and resilience, proving that trauma and disability do not define one's dignity.

St. Therese of Lisieux

She suffered from tuberculosis and emotional struggles. She became one of the most beloved saints through her "Little Way" of finding holiness in small, everyday acts of love.

Bible is filled with stories of individuals who faced physical challenges yet were used by God in extraordinary ways. For example:

Moses struggled with speech impediments but became a powerful leader and prophet.

Jacob, walked with a limp after wrestling with God, symbolizing his transformation and reliance on divine grace.

Modern Christian figures with disabilities can also offer relatable and contemporary examples of faith.

Nick Vujicic, born without limbs, who travels the world sharing his testimony and encouraging others to trust in God's plan.



Amy Carmichael, a missionary who suffered from chronic illness but dedicated her life to rescuing children from trafficking in India.

Christianity's ultimate hope is not bodily perfection in this life but resurrection and renewal in the next (Revelation 21:4) Saints with disabilities remind believers: To trust that God's plan transcends earthly suffering: *"We glory in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope"* (Romans 5:3-4)

पास्का पर्व



शशि बेक
रानी मरिया समुदाय

सम्पूर्ण कलीसिया पास्का पर्व को बड़े ही धूमधाम से मनाती है, क्योंकि हम सब परमेश्वर पर विश्वास करते हैं। पास्का पर्व एक बहुमूल्य आज्ञा है। यीशु हमारे विश्वास का आदर्श हैं। स्वयं उन्होंने हमें इस पर्व को मनाने की आज्ञा दी।

पास्का से पहले हम खजूर रविवार का त्योहार मनाते हैं। इस दिन प्रभु यीशु गधे पर सवार होकर यरूशलेम में प्रवेश करते हैं। तब यरूशलेम के लोगों ने खजूर की डालियाँ रास्ते पर बिछाकर प्रभु यीशु का स्वागत किया। इसके बाद पवित्र सप्ताह का आरंभ होता है। प्रभु यीशु ने नगर के एक व्यक्ति के पास जाकर कहा, ज़गुरु कहता है कि मेरा समय निकट है। मैं अपने चेलों के साथ तेरे यहाँ पर्व मनाऊँगा। तब चेलों ने येशु की आज्ञा मानी और भोज तैयार किया।

जब वे भोजन कर रहे थे, तब यीशु ने रोटी ली, आशीष माँगकर उसे तोड़ा और चेलों को देते हुए कहा, ज़लो, खाओ, यह मेरा शरीर है। फिर उसने कटोरा लेकर धन्यवाद किया और उन्हें देते हुए कहा, ज़तुम सब इसमें से पियो, क्योंकि यह मेरा लहू है, जो बहुतों के पापों की क्षमा के लिए बहाया जाता है।

बाद में यीशु ने अपने १२ चेलों के पैर धोए और उनसे कहा, ज़मैं तुम्हें एक नई आज्ञा देता हूँ। तुम एक-दूसरे को प्रेम करो, जैसे मैंने तुम्हें प्रेम किया है।

इसके बाद सिपाही यीशु को पकड़कर पिलातुस के पास ले जाते हैं, और पिलातुस उन्हें मृत्यु दंड देता है। दुःखभोग के दिन यीशु हमारे लिए प्राण त्याग देते हैं, और तीन दिन बाद पुनः जी उठते हैं। यीशु की माता मरियम और मगलदिनी कब्र पर जाती हैं, लेकिन कब्र खाली पाती हैं। तभी उन्हें प्रभु यीशु की कही हुई बातें याद आती हैं। तब मृत्यु दंड दिया जाएगा, लेकिन मैं तीसरे दिन फिर जी उठूँगा।

प्रभु यीशु हमारे पापों की क्षमा और उद्धार के लिए मरे, परंतु वे पुनः जीवित हो उठे। इसी आनंद में हम पास्का पर्व मनाते हैं।

ओल्ड गोवा के सभी माता-पिता, भाई-बहन, बच्चे-बच्चियाँ इस वर्ष पास्का पर्व की तैयारी अच्छे से करेंगे और २० अप्रैल २०२५ को हम सभी इसे बड़े धूमधाम से मनाएँगे।

आप सभी को जय येशु! खुशहाल पास्का पर्व!



Divine Mercy Sunday

Jayarani Cardozo
Divine Mercy Coordinator

Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated on the second Sunday of Easter. This year it's on April 27th. The Divine Mercy Novenas start on Good Friday, April 18th. Divine Mercy Sunday is very special as it's a day to reflect on the message Jesus conveyed to St. Faustina. Mercy is the greatest attribute of God.

On Divine Mercy Sunday, we venerate the Divine Mercy image. Our Lord appeared to St. Faustina and told her to have this appearance of Himself as the Merciful Savior and wanted to be venerated.

In this image Our Risen Savior has pale and red rays streaming from His sides. These rays symbolize the blood and water that flowed from His side while He was on the Cross. But in His appearance to St. Faustina, they had been transformed into glorious rays, revealing a fount of healing graces for sinners, who will turn to Him with trust.. That's why the image always bears the inscriptions, "Jesus I Trust You".



Jesus made promise about Divine Mercy Sunday.

On this day, the depth of His Mercy is available to humanity, a refuge and shelter for all souls and especially for poor sinners.

Divine Mercy Sunday is the day after the culmination of the Novena of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

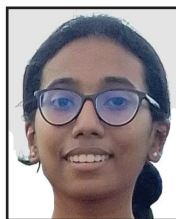
The Catholic Church offers plenary indulgence to those who participate in this devotion in honor of Divine Mercy.

To obtain Divine Mercy Sunday plenary indulgence, we have to be in a state of grace. We can participate in prayers and devotions in honor of Divine Mercy, and by reciting the Creed and Our Father in the presence of Blessed Sacrament, and then receive

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Journeying against the odds: People with disabilities as Pilgrims of Hope

Dyla Colaco
Parish Youth



For people with disabilities, their journey in life is often marked by their struggles in overcoming physical and/or societal barriers. People with disabilities can be pilgrims of hope by embracing their journey with resilience and faith. Despite facing physical or mental challenges, they demonstrate immense courage, inspiring others to persevere. People with disabilities embody the true spirit of pilgrimage, demonstrating that it is not physical strength that defines a pilgrim but the strength of spirit, the resilience in the face of adversity, and the hope that guides every step. Their pilgrimage is not defined by limitations but by the strength to rise above adversity. Through their experiences, they show that hope is not a destination but a continuous journey. They are a powerful reminder of how hope transcends physical limitations, and faith can move mountains. They are in every sense, pilgrims of hopes, showing the world that the transformative power of pilgrimage is not limited to those who can walk easily, but available to all who choose to embark on the journey with a willing heart.

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Divine Mercy Sunday

Holy Communion by saying Amen. Most importantly we have to make a good confession before partaking in this practice.

On Divine Mercy Sunday we also receive special graces besides the plenary indulgence which Jesus promised to those who receive Holy Communion worthily on that day with the state of grace and trust in Divine Mercy, which is originated from the vision and writings of St Faustina Kowaiska.

Through this devotion of Divine Mercy, may we all be filled with the special graces and obtain plenary indulgence as promised by our Lord Jesus, to save our souls and enjoy eternal glory!!!

Jesus we trust in You. Amen!



आशा की तीर्थ यात्रा

बिमल तिग्गा

रानी मरिया समुदाय

९ मार्च २०२५ को हम ओल्ड गोवा से संखवाल तीर्थ यात्रा गए थे। सभी विश्वासी गण १:३० बजे तक कैथेड्रल चर्च के पास जमा हुए थे। हमारे पत्नी पुरोहित फादर रोजारियो ने बस में चढ़कर सभी लोगों से मिले। ओल्ड गोवा चर्च से टोटल ५ बस ले कर गए थे। और ओल्ड गोवा से कुल संख्या १८८ थे। इसमें रानी मरिया समुदाय के लोग एक बस में थे। हम रानी मरिया समुदाय के टोटल ५० थे। इस में से चार छोटे बच्चे शामिल थे। स्नेहा बेक (८ वर्ष) आदित्य मुर्मू (५) आर्यन (६) और निकोडीम (७ वर्ष)। सभी बस १:४५ बजे नेवरा के लिए रवाना हुई। फिर ओल्ड गोवा से निकलते ही हम लोगों ने प्रार्थना शुरू किया। और २:०० बजे नेवरा पहुंचे। और वहां से हम आशा की तीर्थ यात्रा पैदल चलना शुरू किया। विश्वास के साथ और भक्ति के साथ तीर्थ यात्रा के लिए निकले। रास्ते दिखाने के लिए यूथ



के भाई बहन सभी जगह खड़े थे। फिर हम सभी लोग रोजरी बिनती करना शुरू किया। और बीच-बीच में गाना भी गाते थे। थोड़ा आगे चलकर अकसी जगह थोड़ी देर हम सभी रुके थे। वहां से

फिर से एकजुट होकर सभी लोग तीर्थ यात्रा करना शुरू किया। फिर से हम रोजरी बिनती और क्रूस रास्ता करना शुरू किया। लगभग हम ४:४५ बजे संखवाल पहुंच गए। करीब ३ घंटा का सफर हुआ हमारा। वहां पहुंचते ही हमें चाय और ब्रेड दिया गया। चाय पीने के बाद ५:०० बजे हमारा पवित्र साक्रामेंट का आराधना शुरू हुआ। करीब ४५ मिनट का आराधना चला। फिर ६:०० बजे पवित्र मिसा शुरू हुआ। पवित्र मिसा को कार्डिनल फिलिपि नेरी ने शुरू किए। और सहायक बिशप सीमाओं फर्नांडिस उपदेश दिए। वहां मिसा करके हमें बहुत अच्छा लगा। मिसा में लगभग २८००० विश्वासी गण शामिल थे।

Dotonicho Dis Bhagevont Catarinache Firgoent 02.03.2025

Sr. Ayres D'Souza
Catechist Co-ordinator



Marsache 2^{ter} 2025 Dotonicho Dis amche firgojent vhadoda dobajeam somorombhlo. Hi somorombhnni suru zali dhin'vasnechea Misa-bolidanant, sokallchea 7.30 vaztam. Misa uprant bhurgeank khaunk ani pieunk dilem.

Uprant sanjechea 6.00 vaztam sonskrutik kariavoll suru zali. He kariavollichio mukhel vixoi zaun aslo “Doton: Bhorvanxeachi Gaz”. “Catechesis: Echoes of Hope”. Utsovik vorsacho vixoi monant dhorun Dotonichea Sonskrutik Somitichea adharan hi kariavoll manddun haddli.

Pustoka pormonnem anik dha (10) lhan vixoi, mukhel vixoi-ak lagu zatat toxo, dotonichea dhavui vorgank dile. Te zaun asa he porim:

- Book 1 & AV class - Living in Hope.
- Book 2 - Hope is patient.
- Book 3 - Hope is rejoicing
- Book 4 - Hope lets you dream.
- Book 5 - Hope conquers fear.
- Book 6 A - Hope lifts you up.
- Book 6 B - Hope does not disappoint
- Book 7 - Hope is an anchor of the soul
- Book 8 - Hope does not surrender to evil.
- Catechists - Hope aims for heaven

He soglle vixoi ghevun soglleam dotonichea bhurgeanim veg-vegle toreche karyakrom mandun haddli. Hea somorombhachi Mukhel Soiri zaun asli Sr. Fatima Rodrigues, FMCK – zi zaun asa vkhoddil Franciscan Missionaries of Christ the King he sonvsthechi.

Sr. Ayres, dotonichi Co-ordinator, hinnem, Mukhel Soirek, Padr Vigarak, Padr Kurak, toxench Varadachea ACAZ vangddeank, firgozkarank, bhurgeank ani avoi-bapaink maie mogacho ievkar dilo ani uprant lhan bhurgeanchea hatantlean tankam ek fulancho vase hi lhan-xi bhett dili.

Akh'kho kariakrom, hea Dotonichea vorsak vorgant ghetlolo bhavarth bhurgeamnim Utsovik vorsachea vixoiacher manddun haddun machier porgottlo.

Toxench Dotonichea bhurgeank inam vanttle – dotonik sogllea Aitarank neman, chukoi nastanam hajir zal'leank (*Full Attendance*) ani zannim dotonichem pustok bore bhaxen sambhal'lam taka (*Best Book*), toxench Vorgachea soglleam bhurgeankui inam dile ani tanchea sondexkaram borobor photo kaddle.

Mukhel soiri – Sr. Fatima Rodrigues FMCK, hinnem, bore bhaxen ho kariakrom bhurgeanim machier haddlo dekhun ani zo bhavarth tannim ghetla toch tannim machier porgottlo mhunnun, apleam utrantlean tankam vak'khannlim. Ho bhavarth ghetla to bhurgeamnim dor disa aplea jivitant porgottunk vavurcho – oxem tinnem sanglem. Ho tancho kariakrom polleun tika khub anond bhoglo – hem tinnem apleam utrantlean sanglem. Toxench Padr Vigarani bhurgeanchi ani Sondexkaranchi toknnai keli. Khoreaninch bhurgeamnim mannsugen ani ikmotin aplea bhavarthachi porgottni machier keli – oxem tannem kuxalkaien aplim bhavnam udgarlim.



Mukhel Soiri, Sr. Fatima Fernandes, aplim bhavnam porgot'tanam

Sondexkar Jewella-hinnem Vorsavollichcho Vakho vachlo ani sorv xevttim Sondexkar Doris-hinnem ho kariakrom bore bhaxen machier haddunk, toyar kel'leank ani kariakromant vantto ghetloleank upkarachea utramnim dhinvaslim.



Sondexkaram, Odheox- Padr Vigar, Mukhel Soiri ani Padr Kur, hanchea sangata

Walking Pilgrimage 2025: A Spiritual Journey to Sancoale, Goa



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St. Ignatius Ward

On the 9th of March 2025, thousands of faithful from different parishes across North and South Goa came together for the annual Walking Pilgrimage to Sancoale, a spiritual journey of faith, hope, and renewal. This pilgrimage was undertaken as “Pilgrims of Hope,” to proclaim the Good News and strengthen our faith in the Lord.

Journey Begins

Our parish, Old Goa, actively participated in this pilgrimage. Parishioners gathered near the Old Goa Church, and at 1:45 AM, we departed by bus towards Neura. Upon reaching near Neura Village Panchayat at 2:00 AM, we disembarked and commenced our spiritual walk towards Sancoale.

As we walked, we engaged in continuous prayer, reciting the Rosary and singing hymns, reflecting on the presence of God in our lives. Other parish groups also walked alongside, uniting in prayer and faith.

Unity in Faith

One of the most profound moments of the pilgrimage was at Cortalim Junction, where pilgrims from both North Goa and South Goa converged, symbolizing unity in faith. Together, we continued our journey, strengthened by the collective spirit of devotion.

Arrival at Sancoale

Upon reaching Sancoale, pilgrims were warmly welcomed with black tea and sweet buns, which provided much-needed refreshment after the long walk. The sight at the frontispiece of Sancoale Church was awe-inspiring—thousands of faithful had gathered in prayer and worship. The arrangements were well-organized, ensuring a peaceful and spiritually enriching experience for all.

Adoration and Eucharistic Celebration

At 5:00 a.m., the solemn Adoration began, creating a deeply meditative atmosphere as we prepared our hearts for the Eucharistic Celebration.

At 6:00 a.m., the Holy Eucharist was celebrated by His Eminence Cardinal Filipe Neri Ferrão, along with Rt. Rev. Simiao Purificação Fernandes (Auxiliary Bishop of Goa) and other priests. Before the Mass, Cardinal Filipe Neri Ferrão led a special moment of prayer, offering the intentions of all the faithful to the Lord and symbolically burning them as an act of surrender and faith.

Bishop Simiao Purificação Fernandes delivered a powerful homily, reflecting on the theme of the pilgrimage — “Pilgrims of Hope, Let Us Proclaim the Good News.” He emphasized Pope Francis message to meditate on:

The journey within ourselves – Seeking spiritual growth and inner transformation.

The journey with others – Walking together in faith, love, and unity.

The journey with hope – Trusting in God’s providence and carrying His message to the world.

Addressing the youth, he echoed the Pope’s words: “In you, I see the hope of the Church.” This was a call to young people to be active participants in the faith and to continue the mission of the Church.

Conclusion

The Eucharistic celebration concluded with a special blessing from Cardinal Filipe Neri Ferrão, marking the end of a spiritually fulfilling journey. By around 7:45 AM, the pilgrims departed, enriched by the experience of prayer, unity, and deepened faith.

This Walking Pilgrimage to Sancoale was more than just a physical journey—it was a journey of faith, hope, and transformation. It reminded us of our role as disciples of Christ, called to proclaim the Good News and walk together in His light.

As we return to our daily lives, may this pilgrimage inspire us to continue our spiritual journey with renewed faith and a heart full of hope.



Pilgrims of Hope: Old Goa parishioners walk the Solemn Pilgrimage along with their Parish Priest

Poilea Komuneanvacho Somarombh – Vaako

Sondexkar Blanche Menezes



Fevrerachi 16 tarik, amchea firgozkarank, ek bhov mhotvacho dis aslo karonn amchea firgojechea 15 supurlea bhurgeamnim, poilech pavtt Jezuk aplea kallzant, masa-rogtachea jevnant, unddea-sorea rupant onnbhovlo. Otmik toiari zori tor Junachea mhoineant survat kel'li punn somarombhnechi toiari Janerachea mhoineant zali. Janerachea 26ver, tharailolea vellar, bhurgeanchi ani avoi-bapainchi doton gheun, hea somarombhnechea otmik toyaren ami tankam adar dilo.

Poilea Komuneanvacho somarombh mhol'lear nhoich fokot ek, punn don sacramentanchi toiari: Kumsaracho vo Sondhanacho sacrament toxench Komuneanvacho sacrament. Hea Sondhan sonvskaracho hetu bhurgeank kollun ieunk ho sonvskar Komunheavachea eka sumana adim, Fevrerachea 1tarker dovorlo. Sogllea bhurgeamnim hea sonvskarant bore bhaxen vantto gheun aplea patkanchem bhogsonnem maglem.



Eka Burgeak poilech pavtt Jezu ditana

Bhurgeancho photoshoot zal'lo Fevrerache 2 tarker, zacho mukhel hetu zaun aslo tanchea Poilea Komuneanvachea disa tanchem chitr ghalun ek memento tanchea ugdassak tankam bhett diunk. Dusrem mhol'lear hench chitr tankam ditolea promanpotracher xapunk.

Fevrerache 5-ver – 8-ver bhurgeanchea lagxili toyarent tankam misant aslolea unddea-soreacho orth spoxtt kelo, tankam zanteanchea ghora veli ani firgozechea veg-veglla altaranchim

mahiti dili. Fevruerachea 10-ver – 12-ver Poilea Komuneanvachea Missachi toiaru suru zali. Missant koxe porim ubem ravchem, kednam boschem, kednam dimbi ghalchi, missant pursanv-ant ietanam koxem ieamchem, missant udgarlole zobab koxe toren mhonnchem, hem sogllem Dev-sondexkaramni ani Padr Vigar Fr. Rosario Oliveira-n bhurgeank xikoilem. Bhurgeanchea avoi-bapain thokos gheun vachpachi, toxench bhurgeanim zobab bore toren vachunk toiaru keli. Fevruerache 14-ver, Padr Vigar Fr. Rosario Oliveira – n bhurgeank otmik vatten vadoupak, tanchea avoi-bapaik ani bhavam-bhoinnim vangdda, Povitr Vor kelem. Hea Povitr Voran avoi-bapainim, Devak aplea bhurgeancheam denneam khatir dhinvaslo ani bhurgeank Devak bhettoilim.

Padr Vigar Rosario Oliveira-n Poilea Komuneanvachea Missachea bolidanant yezmanponn choloilem. Misacho vixoi aslo “*Jezu mhojea kallzant ie, mhaka Tuzo porgottnar kor.*” Bhurgeanim poilech pavtt Jezuk kallzant gheun, gaion korun Bapak dhinvaslo. Padr Kur Fr. Seby Vaz-an, dotonichea bhurgeank sangata gheun vhadde umedin and sobit tallean gaionam gailim ani Miss orthabhorit kelem.

Missa uprant, bhurgeanim, Padr Vigar, Pad Kur ani son’dexkaram borabor ravun fottu kadlle ani uprant Igorjechea vosreant, sogllea son’dexkaranim hea bhurgeank ek lhanxi somarombhnni keli. Xekim, son’dexkaranim Poilea Komuneanv ghetlolea eka bhurgeachea ghora vochun, tankam bhett dilli ani tanchea somarombhnnent vantto ghetlo.



Jubilee Celebrations, Reflections and Spiritual Journey



Husbands and Fathers

The Feast of St. Joseph, the Husband of Mary and the Foster Father of Jesus is on Wednesday, March 19, 2025. But 16th March 2025 being a Sunday the Jubilee Celebration of Husbands' and Fathers' day was celebrated at the 7.30 a.m. mass. The Holy mass was celebrated by Rev. Fr. Rosario Oliveira along with Rev. Fr. Seby Vaz for the parishioners of Se Cathedral especially for the Husbands and the Fathers.



Christopher D'Cunha
SFX Ward

The liturgy of the mass was well prepared. Fr. Rosario Oliviera reflected on the life of St. Joseph who is considered as an exemplar of fatherhood, a righteous man, hardworking, understanding, God loving who acted as a protector and provider for Jesus and Mary. The Parish Priest in the gospel teaching explained that being a good husband is very important. A man cannot be a good father if he cannot be a good husband. He should love his wife in good times and in bad times, share responsibilities and also gave many more examples to follow to make a family complete and keep it together always happy. Further in his homily, he gave the example of Abraham who was a responsible father whereas King David was the opposite.

The Holy mass was followed by a short program meant for the Husbands and Fathers. Catechist Jemima compered the program in a beautiful way. The program was performed by the catechism children along with the catechists. The program started with an Action song followed by a Mime reflecting



Husbands/Fathers,
we celebrate you!

the role of a husband in a family, his action of putting his family needs and happiness before his own. In doing so he receives blessing from God.

The Parish Priest gave a short talk on how all the fathers and husbands should be role models to their families. This year we had a twist, instead of a husband or a father, a mother was chosen to speak about her husband. Mrs. Queency D'souza gave us a description about her husband and his role as her husband, father to their children and to everyone around him as to how he always strives to keep everyone around him happy.

Vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Francis Mathew and the program came to an end. All the husbands and fathers were given a prayer leaflet by both the priests wishing them. From here they were guided to the hall where the celebration cake was cut. It was a nice get together having all the husbands and fathers in one place. Snacks and tea was served at the end that was very refreshing.

Pray that all the husbands and fathers in our parish be role models to their families and their wives and children and look up to the husbands and fathers with pride.

Elderly

The “Conference of St. Catherine” of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SSVP) marked the Jubilee 2025 with a heartfelt event dedicated to the elderly on March 22nd, the eve of “The Sick and Physically Disabled.” Held at See Cathedral Church, the gathering provided spiritual and emotional nourishment through Confession, Mass, and the Holy Anointing of the Sick. The event commenced with Confession, allowing the elderly to reflect and seek forgiveness, followed by a Mass celebrated by Rev. Can. Rosario Oliveira and other clergy, where the homily emphasized aging as a divine blessing.



Francis Mathew
Conference of St
Catherine-SSVP

The homily reflected on the precious gift of aging, encouraging the elderly that getting older is not a burden but rather a blessing from God. During the



reflection Fr. Rosario, shared that the journey of aging is a gift from God that can help deepen one’s faith and spiritual strength. As people grow older, they are given more time to reflect, pray, and build closer relationships with their families and faith communities. The parish priest highlighted that through aging, the elderly have the opportunity to pass on their wisdom, strengthen their relationship with God, and become even more spiritually connected within their families.

A deeply moving moment came with the Anointing of the Sick, offering strength and healing to those grappling with illness and age-related challenges. The event concluded with a hearty breakfast, fostering a sense of community and companionship among the elderly attendees.

Beyond this special occasion, the church’s ongoing commitment to serving the homebound and sick elderly remains steadfast, with regular Sunday Communion services and monthly pastoral visits. During these visits, priests offer spiritual guidance, companionship, and Confession, ensuring the elderly remain connected to their faith community. The success of this event was made possible through the tireless efforts of volunteers, PPC EXCO, Somudai leaders, and choir members, with special gratitude extended to the clergy. This initiative not only reinforced the mission of SSVP, inspired by St. Vincent de Paul and Blessed Frédéric Ozanam, but also highlighted the church’s dedication to uplifting and supporting the elderly, ensuring they feel valued, included, and spiritually enriched.

During the interaction time, many elderly participants seized the opportunity to share their life experiences with the Parish priest, other clergy present, and with the organising volunteers. They spoke fondly of their personal journeys, offering reflections on how their faith had shaped their lives over the years. These conversations were not only a moment of connection but also a testament to the profound faith and wisdom that the elderly have to share.

The members of the “Conference of St. Catherine” SSVP worked diligently to prepare the liturgy, coordinate transport, and organize the breakfast, ensuring that every attendee had a meaningful and enriching experience.

God bless us All.

Parish Youth

A pilgrimage was organized as part of a spiritual event for the youth, with the aim of helping them gain indulgences. To receive indulgences, the youth needed to:

- Go to confession
- Enter through the designated church
- Take part in the Eucharist
- Pray for the Pope’s intentions
- Pray for the remission of sins after confession



Alice Pearl Gonsalves-
Parish Youth

The spiritual event took place on the weekend of March 15-16, 2025, which included confessions on Saturday, March 15, and the pilgrimage the following day, Sunday, March 16. A total of 20 youth, accompanied by Assistant Parish Priest Fr. Seby Vaz, participated in the event.

The pilgrimage began with the group entering the Se Cathedral in Old Goa for Adoration and the celebration of the Eucharist. Following Mass, the group visited several significant religious sites in the area.

The first stop was the Bom Jesus Basilica in Old Goa, where participants took time for personal prayer. The group then proceeded to the Holy Cross Shrine in Bambolim, where most of the youth engaged in personal prayers.

Next, the group visited the Monastery at Pilar. Here, each individual prayed for their personal intentions, and they took a short break, enjoying watermelon before continuing their journey. The group then proceeded to the Old Church at Sancoale, where they gathered to collectively recite the Divine Mercy Prayer.

The final destination was St. Anthony's Chapel in Deussua, where the group prayed to St. Anthony before entering the chapel for individual prayers.

The pilgrimage concluded with a fellowship gathering by the seashore, where participants shared their experiences and reflections from the day.

This experience was truly uplifting, as it was inspiring to see everyone come together in prayer, reflection, and fellowship. It strengthened our faith, deepened our bond as a parish, and renewed our spiritual commitment.

As pilgrims of hope, we united on this spiritual journey, seeking renewal in our faith. Through prayer, reflection, and fellowship, we grew closer to God and one another. This event reminded us that, as young people, we are never alone on this journey. With courage and trust, we embraced both the challenges and blessings, carrying forward the hope that will continue to guide and transform us.



Jubilee Lenten Recollections in Somudai's – A Report



This year the Lenten Recollection was held in Somudais with an intention to reach out to a larger people of God in the Parish. A detailed plan of dates and time was circulated in the parish groups for maximum participation. The Team for SSC along with the Parish Priest and Asst. to Parish Priest planned the whole recollection keeping in mind that this was a JUBILEE YEAR and therefore it has special significance as it is a year of God's Grace and Gods Favour.

A session would begin with an opening prayer, followed by the proclamation of the Word of God. Fr. Rosario introducing the theme of the recollection - **Live The Best Life, Live A Life Of Fullness** – by emphasizing the importance of God's grace in our daily lives and how God's grace manifests in different forms, namely, habitual grace, sacramental grace and special grace (charism).

The participants were divided into small groups to read and discuss the text Jn. 10:10. The members were asked to answer three simple questions viz (i) Who takes away life of the sheep? (ii) Who gives life to the sheep; and (iii) How the sheep responds to the offer made? It was discovered that the sheep were unable to respond positively to the offer made by Jesus, 'the fullness of life', because of their spiritual blindness. When the sheep is spiritually blind, it cannot recognize the good shepherd and fails to understand the meaning of fullness of life. The priest invited the assembly to overcome the spiritual blindness during this lent season by using the three 'S' viz, **Surrender, Separate, Service**. Reflecting on Rom. 12: 1, he emphasized the need to **surrender** to God our bodies, souls and spirits as a living, holy and acceptable sacrifice. Once the person surrenders him/herself to God and allows him/herself to be transformed from within, he/she gets **separated** from the world (Rom. 12:2). The preacher explained how the separation from the worldly patterns takes place by explaining the need to overcome (i) Lust of the flesh; (ii) Lust of the eyes; and (iii) pride of life. Once a person is separated from the world and conforms to the pattern of God,

then that person demonstrates the conversion through dedicated and selfless Christian **service**, service towards God, Service towards state and service towards community. At this stage, the person lives the best life, the life in fullness on earth.

The Lenten retreat for **St. Alex Somudai** was held on 18th March in the courtyard of House of Bom Jesus complex. A total of 38 members, a noticeable presence of all the youth, of the somudai attended the spiritual recollection. The session began with a prayer and at the end the vote of thanks was proposed by Mr. Aaron Mascarenhas the youth co-ordinator. Subsequent to the recollection the members had a small felicitation programme for all the husbands and fathers of the ward wherein there was cutting of the cake and refreshments served to all those present for the recollection.

On the 19th of March 2025, members of the wards—**Our Lady of Light, St. Joseph Vaz, and Our Lady of Three Necessities**—gathered for a Lenten Recollection at the residence of Dr. Salvador Vaz. The session was led by Rev. Fr. Rosario Oliveira. The warm and welcoming atmosphere was set when little Zion greeted all with the sweetest smile. The Lenten Recollection was a deeply enriching experience, guiding participants toward a fuller understanding of God’s grace and spiritual journey.

The Lenten recollection at **St. Ignatius ward** started at 6.45 pm on the 22nd of March and after the opening prayer by Marceline Pereira, the proceedings were taken over by Fr. Rosario Oliveira,



our Parish Priest. After the session there was a small celebration for Father's day with cake cutting followed by dinner to all present.

St. Doming Somudai had their recollection on 25th of March at 5:30pm. It was very enriching talk by Fr. Rosario, the topic being 'Life in fullness'. It was overwhelming to see the response of the ward members. As many as 30 members were present for the session. Members seemed happy with the way Fr. explained the whole concept with proper examples. What was more overwhelming was the ward members showing willingness in having more such sessions.

The Lenten Recollection Retreat for **St. Francis Xavier Somudai, St. Paul Somudai, and Our Lady of Piety Somudais** was jointly held on 23rd March 2025 at 6:30 PM at St. Francis Xavier Hall. The retreat began with an opening prayer, led by Ms. Ruzaria from St. Paul Somudai, followed by a reading of the Word of God by Mr Christopher from SFX Somudai. Fr. Seby then delivered a talk on Moses and the Red Sea, drawing a powerful parallel between the parting of the Red Sea and spiritual liberation. He explained how God, through Moses, delivered the Israelites from slavery in Egypt by miraculously parting the Red Sea. This event symbolizes:

Freedom from sin: Just as the Israelites were freed from bondage, we, too, are called to free ourselves from the chains of sin.

Faith and trust in God: The Israelites had to trust Moses and step forward in faith. Likewise, we must trust God in times of struggle

Baptism and renewal: Passing through the Red Sea can be seen as a foreshadowing of baptism, where we leave behind our old



St. Francis Xavier Somudai,
St. Paul Somudai, and Our
Lady of Piety Somudais

selves and emerge renewed in Christ.

He further explained the Jubilee Year of Indulgence 2025, emphasizing the importance of The Holy Door as a symbol of grace and renewal, Confession as a means of cleansing the soul and

Seeking forgiveness to receive God's mercy and be spiritually renewed. The vote of thanks was proposed by Ms. Jayarani from Our lady of Piety Somudai and closing prayer by Sangeeta from St. Paul Somudai. Finally, refreshments were served to all attendees.

St. Catherine and Khuris Milagr Ward

The Lenten recollection of St. Catherine and Khuris Milagr wards was jointly held on Thursday 20th March in the Angels Convent. The main spokesperson was our Parish priest Rev. Can. Fr. Rosario Oliveira. The recollection began in the evening 7:00pm. The faithful who attended were about of 40 people. The session ended with the vote of thanks given by Mrs. Aplonia and final blessing from the parish priest

St John Facundo somudai had their Lenten Recollection on 19th March at 7 pm presided by a Franciscan priest. The recollection began with a prayer by Lucy Rodrigues. Fr. Francis Rosario introduced himself to the Somudai, said a prayer invoking the Holy Spirit to be amongst us followed by a welcome song and a little exercise in form of welcoming Fr. Francis, to which all small children, adults and Senior Citizens participated. He then shared testimonies from his life, which were so interesting. A bouquet of flowers was then presented to Fr. Francis by a Sr. Citizen Somudai member. 19th being father's day, a small programme was held in honor of celebrating Father's Day. The little children sang and performed a small dance to celebrate the significance of fathers and father figures, their love, support and guidance. Followed by 3 teenagers who also performed a dance. This was followed by cutting of the cake by all the Fathers along with Fr. Francis, followed by snacks and dinner. It was rich spiritual experience by the end of the session with all smiles around. We thank our parish priest Fr. Rosario, asst parish priest Fr. Seby for uniting us as one family in all the respective Somudais.

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PASKAM KALLAR GHORABEANCHER AXIRVAD

(Iadnik Povitr Udok xivraita ani Mhonnntta)

- Iadnik:** Xanti hea ghorak ani tantunt rautelea somestank.
Lok: Amen.
- Iadnik:** Dev-mondirache uzve vatten udok vhanvta tem hanvem pollelem, Sorvesporak zoi zoi.
Lok: Ani zankam hem udok paulem tankam taronn mell'lem ani tim mhunnntat Soresporak zoi-zoi.
- Iadnik:** Sorvespor kitlo boro, Tacho maiemog mitmer naslolo...
Lok: Dekun Taka dhinvasum-ia.
Sogllim: Mhoima Bapak ani Putak ani Povitr Atmeak. Adim, atam ani sodam sodamkal. Amen.

DEVACHEM UTOR: *(Bhag. Matevachea Xubhvortomanavelem vachop, Ch. 7: 24 - 28)*

“Dekhun, him Mhojim utram aikotat ani tanche pormannem choltat tim aplem ghor khodddpar bandlolea eka xannea mon'xa sarkim. Paus poddlo, udkache lott aile, vadoll suttlem ani tea ghorar marlem, tori tem moddlem na, kiteak tem khodddpar bandlolem. Punn him Mhojim utram aikun, tanche pormannem cholonant tim aplem ghor renver bandlolea eka pisatt mon'xa sarkim. Paus poddlo, udkache lott aile, vadoll suttlem ani tea ghorar marlem, ani tem moddlem, ani tachem sarkem ghorttann zalem!

Jezun Aplem ulovop sompoilem ani Tachi xikovnn aikun lok zobor ojap zatalo, kiteak tanchea xastriam bhaxen nhoi, punn odhikaran To tankam xikovnn ditalo.”

Devachem Utor hem!

- Sogllim:** Devache vhodd upkar.
- Iadnik:** (Prarthum-ia): Pormesvora, Sorvpodvedar Bapa, sasnahecha Deva, Egiptantlim bhair sortoleam Hebrevamchim ghoram, menddreacha rogtan makhun, khast laitolea dutachea hatantlim Tuvem vattailim ani hi ghoddnni Kristachi, amchea Paskanche bollichechi khunna korun dovori. Tech porim Sorginchea Tujea dutak pattoi ani hea ghorant ravtoleam somestank bhett kor, tankam samball, ghoitai dhi, rakh ani soglleam vaittantlim nivar. Teach Krista amchea Somia vorvim.
- Lok:** Amen.
- Iadnik:** Sorvespor tumche sovem asum.
Lok: Tumche-i sovem asum.
- Iadnik:** Sorvpodvedar Dev, Bap ani Put ani Povitr Atmo tumcher, tumchea kuttumbacher ani hea ghoracher aplo axirvad ghalum.
Sogllim: Amen.

PASCHAL BLESSING ON FAMILIES

(The priest sprinkles Holy water in the house)

Priest: Peace be to this house and all who abide here.

People: Amen.

Priest: I saw the springs of the living water gushing from the right side of the temple.
Alleluia Alleluia!

People: Wherever this water reached it brought salvation. Alleluia Alleluia.

GOD'S WORD: (A reading from the Gospel of St. Mathew. Ch. 7: 24 - 28)

“So then, anyone who hears these words of mine and obeys them is like a wise man who built his house on rock. The rain poured down, the rivers flooded over, and the wind blew hard against that house. But it did not fall, because it was built on rock. But anyone who hears these words of mine and does not obey them is like a foolish man who built his house on sand. The rain poured down, the rivers flooded over, the wind blew hard against that house, and it fell. And what a terrible fall that was!

When Jesus finished saying these things, the crowd was amazed at the way he taught.”

The Word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

Priest: Let us pray: “Blessed are you, O Lord, in the Passover of the old testament You kept unharmed the houses of your people that were sprinkled with the blood of the Lamb. The fulfilment of your signs is the true paschal Lamb, the Son you gave to us. He was crucified for us and raised from the dead, so that we might all be filled with the grace of the Holy Spirit. We ask you to visit this family, be with them, watch over them, guide and direct them and protect them from all evils. Bless this family and this home so that the joy of Your love may gladden the hearts of all who live here. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your spirit.

Priest: May Almighty God bless you all in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

पास्का अवधि में घर की आशिष

याजक : इस घर को शांति।

सब : इसके सब निवासियों को भी।

याजक : मैं ने मंदिर की दाहिनी ओर से जल निकलता हुआ देखा। अल्लेलूया।

सब : और जिनके पास यह जल पहुँचा उनकी मुक्ति हुई। वे कहते रहेंगे : अल्लेलूया, अल्लेलूया।

याजक : प्रभु का गुणगान करो क्योंकि वह दयालू है और उसकी करुणा अनन्त काल तक बनी रहती है। पिता और पुत्र और पवित्र आत्मा की महिमा हो।

सब : जैसे वह आदि में थी, अब है और अनन्त काल तक सदा रहेगी। आमेन।

संत मती के अनुसार सुसमाचार, अध्याय ७ : २४ - २७

जो मेरी ये बातें सुनता और उन पर चलता है, वह उस समझदार मनुष्य के सदृश है। जिसने चट्टान पर अपना घर बनवाया था। पानी बरसा, नदियों में बाढ़ आई, आंधियां चली और उस घर से टकराई। तब भी वह घर नहीं ढहा, क्योंकि उसकी नींव चट्टान पर डाली गई थी। जो मेरी ये बातें सुनता है, किंतु उन पर नहीं चलता, वह उस मूर्ख के सदृश है, जिसने बालू पर अपना घर बनवाया। पानी बरसा, नदियों में बाढ़ आई, आंधियां चली और उस घर से टकराई। वह घर ढह गया और उसका सर्वनाश हो गया।

यह प्रभु की वाणी है।

सब लोग - ईश्वर को धन्यवाद।

याजक : हे प्रभु, हम पर अपनी दया प्रदर्शित कर। अल्लेलूया।

सब : और हमें अपनी मुक्ति प्रदान कर। अल्लेलूया।

याजक : हे प्रभु, मेरी प्रार्थना सुन ले।

सब : मेरी प्रार्थना तेरे पास पहुँचे।

याजक : प्राभु आप लोगों के साथ हो।

सब : और आप के साथ भी।

याजक: हम प्रार्थना करें। हे पूज्य प्रभु सर्वशक्तिमान पिता, शाश्वत ईश्वर, हमारी यह प्रार्थना पूर्ण कर। जब इब्रानी लोग मिस्र देश से निकलने पर थे, तब तूने मेमने के रक्त से पुते इब्रानी घरों को दूत की तलवार से बचाया था। यह हमारे पास्का का चिन्ह था जब ख्रीस्त क्रूस पर चढ़ाये गये थे। इसी तरह कृपा कर के स्वर्ग से अपने पवित्र दूत को भेज दे। वह इस घर के सब निवासियों की शरण हो, उनका पालन-पोषण करे, उनको संभाले, उनके साथ रहे और उनकी रक्षा करे। उन्हीं प्रभु ख्रीस्त के द्वारा।

सब : आमेन।

PRACHIT SONVSKARACHI SOMAROMBHNNI

(Kumsar zaupi bhavarti Igorjent ieun Povitr Sonvs kara fuddeant dimbi ghalta ani kumsarachea sonvs karak toiar zata).

- Kumsar korunk sondi dilolea khatir Devak dhinvasta;
- Devacho Mog aplea jivitant niall'tta;
- Devachea ani peleasea mogacher toxench apleach jivacher keloleam patkancho ugddas korta;
- Apunn patki mhunn ollkun ghetta ani 'Hanv Patki' mhunn'tta;
- Devachem Utor vachta vo Povitr Pustok na zalear Devache kaklutichi/mogachi/bhogsonneachi khobor sangtolem Devachea Utracho ugddas korta;
- Patkanchi dukh dorta ani novena patok korina zaunk nichev korta;
- Iadnikaxi vochunk toiar zata.

(Iadnikaxi vetoch, dimbi ghalta (khalitakai dakoita) vo (dimbi ghalunk zaina zalear) kodelicher bosom-ieta)

Kumsar zaupi: *(Khursachi kuru kadd'tta)*

Iadnik: *(Lhan magnnem korta ani tujem kumsar bore bhaxen korunk tuka Devacho adar magta ani axirvad dita).*

Kumsar zaupi: (i) **“Bapa, hanvem patok kelam, mhaka bogos”.**

(ii) **“Hanven nimannem kumsar kelear ek mhoino vo ...”** *(kitlo kall zalo tem sang, ugddas na zalear sumaran sang).* (iii) **“Him asant mhojim patkam...”** *(sogllim tujim patkam sang ani uprant...).* **“Jea patkancho mhaka hea vella ugddas zaina team-i patkanchem hanv bhogsonnem magtam”.**

Iadnik: *(Patkam pormonnem budh dita ani prachit formaita. Chintan aik).*

Kumsar zaupi: *(Dukhichi uncharnni mhunn'ta)* **“Deva mhojea Bapa, Tum chodd boro ani mogall astana, Tujer ani mhojea bhavam-bhoinnicher, hanvem chuk keli. Dekhun mhaka vhodd khont bogta, ani khaltea kallzan mhaka bhogos mhunn magtam. Tujeach adharacher patieun, novena patok korinam**

zauncheak vavrunk hanv bhas ditam”.

Iadnik: (*Bhogsonnem dita*) “Aplea Putachea koxttam, mornna ani punorjivontponna vorvi, Sorginchea Kaklutsara Bapan sonvsar Apnnaxim portun zhoddun ghetlo ani patkanchea bhogsonnea khatir Povitr Atmo otlo/daddlo. Toch kaklutsar Dev, Bap, Povitr Sobhechea mhunnearponnam vorvim tujim patkam bhogsum ani tuka xanti dium, ani hanv tujim patkam bhogxitam; Bapache ani Putache ani Povitr Atmeache nanvim +”.

Kumsar zaupi: “Amen”.

Iadnik: “Somian tujim patkam bhogxilim, khuxal za ani xantin voch”!

Kumsar zaupi: “Devache vhodd upkar”!

(Kumsar zatoch portun Povitr Sonvskara fuddeant dimbi ghalun Devak argam dita, prachitak magnnem formailam vo Devachem Utor vachunk formailam zalear tem pall'ta. Devak argam dita ani novem jivit jieunk Devacho adar magta. Khuxalkain porot ghara veta).

EASTER BLESSING OF HOMES

DATE / DAY	TIME	SOMUDAI
21.04.2025 MONDAY	3.30pm	St. Paul St. Joao Facundo St. Ignatius
22.04.2025 TUESDAY	3.30pm	St. Catherine St. Joseph Vaz Our Lady of Piety
23.04.2025 WEDNESDAY	3.30pm	San Domingo St. Alex St. Francis Xavier
24.04.2025 THURSDAY	3.30pm	Khuris Milagre Our Lady of Light Our Lady of Three Necessities
25.04.2025 FRIDAY	3.30pm	St. Augustine
27.04.2025 SUNDAY	11.15am to 01.15pm & 03.30pm	Blessed Rani Maria

CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

(The penitent enters the Church; goes to the Blessed Sacrament Chapel and by kneeling before the Lord and prepares him/herself to celebrate the Sacrament).

- Penitent thanks the Lord for the occasion given to celebrate the Sacrament;
- Meditates on/recalls God's love in his/her life;
- Brings to mind the offences committed against God's love and that of the neighbour's as well as wrongdoings against self;
- *Acknowledges one's transgressions and says "I confess...";*
- Reads pertinent Word of God or, if there is no Bible available, then recalls some Biblical texts on the subject of God's love, God's mercy, God's compassion/forgiveness, Jesus forgiving sinners;
- In the light of the Word of God, repents for the sins committed and resolves not to commit sins;
- Gets ready to go for confession to the priests, joins the queue (if need be) and remains silent all through.

(When turn to make confession arrives, goes to the priest, kneels (as a sign of penance and humility) or sits (if not possible to kneel) on the chair available).

Penitent: "By the sign of the cross..." (Makes sign of the cross...).

Priest: *(says a short prayer and asks God's help/grace for both the penitent and for himself to celebrate the Sacrament worthily and fruitfully).*

Penitent: (i) "Father forgive me for I have sinned"; (ii) "I made my last confession ..." (one month ago or ____); (iii) "These are my sins..." (Confession all your sins); (iv) "I also asked forgiveness of those sins which I don't remember at this moment".

Priest: *(Gives counsel keeping in mind your sins and gives necessary penance).*

Penitent: (*Recites the Act of Contrition*) “O my God, I am heartily sorry for having offended you, and I detest all my sins, because of your just punishment, but most of all, because they offend you, my God, who are all good and worthy of all my love. I firmly resolve, with the help of Your grace, to sin no more and to avoid the near occasions of sin”.

Priest: (*Grants absolution by saying the following prayer*): “God, the Father of mercies, through the death and resurrection of His Son, has reconciled the world to Himself and sent the Holy Spirit among us for the forgiveness of sins; through the ministry of the Church, may God give you pardon and peace, and I absolve you from your sins, in the name of the + Father; and of the Son; and of the Holy Spirit”.

Penitent: “Amen”.

Priest: “God has forgiven you, go in peace and joy”!

Penitent: “Thanks be to God”.

(Penitent joyfully goes back to the Blessed Sacrament Chapel and kneels down thanking God for his grace and forgiveness. If the priest has prescribed prayer, reading of the Word of God, etc fulfils the penance before the Lord. Thereafter makes personal prayer and seeks God’s help to lead a graceful life and goes back home thanking the Lord).

FAMILY LENTEN CONTRIBUTION

As we journey through the sacred season of Lent, our families are committed to making a meaningful contribution to our parish community. This year we have chosen to donate to the Good Samaritan Fund of the Parish (GSFP) which works in collaboration with the fund at the Archdiocese of Goa and Daman (GSFD) level with a mission to initiate a fund for helping needy parishioners.

Lent is a time of reflection, sacrifice and giving and we invite parish families to join us in sharing God’s love through acts of charity. Please feel called to contribute or learn more about this meaningful cause, please contribute through the Family Lenten Contribution envelopes send through your parish pastoral council members.

May this Lenten season bring renewal, peace and blessings to all.

May St. Catherine of Alexandria pray for us.

With gratitude,
Members of GSFP
St. Catherine of Alexandria Parish.

PASTORAL PLANNER FOR APRIL 2025

(Including Sunday Mass)

Date / Day	Celebration	Time	Responsibility
02.04.2025 / Wednesday	PPC / Assembly Meeting	06.30 pm	All the members
04.04.2025 / Friday	Sacraments for the sick and elderly	09.00 am	Priests
	Stations of the cross followed by Mass	05.00 pm	Our Lady of Three Necessities/ Our Lady of Light
05.04.2025 / Saturday	1 st Saturday Devotion	06.00 am	Members
06.04.2025/ Sunday	5 th Sunday of Lent Day of Solidarity against Hunger and Disease	07.30 am	St Paul
		10.00 am	St Ignatius
		11.00am (Lenten Recollection/ Confessions/ Mass)	Bl. Ranni Maria
		04.00 pm	St Catherine
10.04.2025 / Thursday	Anticipated CHRISM MASS and Blessing of the Holy Oils	10.00 am	Se' Catedral Volunteers
11.04.2025 / Friday	Stations of the Cross followed by Mass	05.00 pm	San Domingo/ St. John Facundo
	HOLY WEEK		
13.04.2025 / Sunday	Palm Sunday of The Passion of The Lord (Blessing of Palms and Mass)	07.15 am	St. Alex
		10.00 am	St. John Facundo
	Mass in Hindi	11.00 am	Blessed Rani Maria
	Santos Passos	04.00 pm	Confraria *
14.04.2025 / Monday	Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions) for all the Parishioners	05.00 pm	Liturgy Committee

17.04.2025 / Thursday	MAUNDY THURSDAY MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER	05.00 pm	Liturgical Animators and Lectors
	AN HOUR WITH THE LORD IN ADORATION	07.00-08.00 pm	St. John Facundo St. Ignatius Khuris Milagr St. Joseph
		08.00 -09.00 pm	O.L. of Three necessities O.L. of Light St. Augustine
		09.00 -10.00 pm	St. Paul Our Lady of Piety St. Francis Xavier
		10.00 -11.00 pm	San Domingo St. Alex St. Catherine
		11.00 - 12.00 am	All parishioners, Novitiate of Christ The King.
18.04.2025 / Friday	Way Of The Cross Service	07.00 am	Parish Youth / Altar Servers
	GOOD FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD	03.30 pm	PPC and Confraria *
19.04.2025 / Saturday	HOLY SATURDAY EASTER VIGIL	07.00 am	Catechists (Reflection on Bl. V. Mary, Pilgrim of Hope)
		11.00 pm	Parish Pastoral Council *
20.04.2025 / Sunday	EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD Mass in Hindi	08.00 am	Our Lady of Three Necessities
		10.00 am	San Domingo
		11.00 am	Blessed Rani Maria
27.04.2025/ Sunday	2nd Sunday of Easter or Divine Mercy Sunday	07.30 am	Divine Mercy Group
		10.00 am	O.L. of Light
		04.00 pm	O.L. of Piety

*NOTE: The responsible Somudai/ Associations have to make the necessary arrangements for the due celebrations. Lectors will be appointed.

DAILY READINGS FOR APRIL 2025

Intentions of the Apostleship of Prayer

Intention: For the use of the new technologies

Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crisis of our times.

Date	Readings	Date	Readings
01 Tue.	Psalter Week IV 4 th Week of Lent Rd: Ez. 47:1-9. 12; Ps. 45: 2-3. 5-6. 8-9; Jn. 5:1-16	16 Wed.	Rd: Is. 50 : 4-9a; Ps. 68: 8-10. 21bcd-22. 31+33-34; Mt. 26:14-25.
02 Wed.	Rd: Is. 49 : 8-15; Ps. 144: 8-9. 13cd-14. 17-18; Jn. 5:17-30	17 Thu.	MAUNDY THURSDAY Rd: Ex. 12:1-8. 11-14; Ps. 115: 12-13. 15+16bc. 17-18; 1Cor. 11:23 - 26; Jn. 13: 1-15.
03 Thu.	Rd: Ex. 32:7-14; Ps. 105: 19-20. 21-22. 23; Jn. 5:31-47.	18 Fri.	GOOD FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Is. 52: 13-53:12; Ps. 30: 2+6. 12-13. 15-16. 17+25; Heb. 4:14-16, 5:7-9 Jn. 18: 1-19: 42.
04 Fri	Rd: Wis. 2:1a. 12-22; Ps. 33: 17-18. 19-20. 21+23; Jn.7: 1-2. 10. 25-30.	19 Sat.	HOLY SATURDAY
05 Sat.	Rd: Jer. 11: 18-20; Ps. 7: 2-3.9bc-10. 11-12; Jn. 7:40-53.	20 Sun.	EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD Rd: Ac. 10:34a. 37-43; Ps. 117: 1-2. 16ab-17. 22-23; Col. 3:1-4 or 1Cor. 5:6b-8; Jn. 20:1-9.
06 Sun.	Psalter Week I 5 th Sunday of Lent Rd: Is. 43: 16-21; Ps. 125: 1-2ab. 2cd-3. 4-5. 6; Phil. 3:8-14; Jn. 8:1-11.	21 Mon.	Rd: Ac. 2:14. 22-33; Ps. 15: 1-2a+5. 7-8. 9-10. 11; Mt. 28:8-15.

07 Mon.	Rd: Dan. 13:1-9. 15-17. 19-30. 33-62 Ps. 22: 1-3a. 3b-4. 5. 6; Jn. 8:12-20	22 Tue.	Rd: Ac. 2:36:41; Ps. 32: 4-5. 18-19. 20+22; Jn. 20:11-18.
08 Tue.	Rd: Number. 21:4-9; Ps. 101: 2-3. 16-18. 19-21; Jn. 8:21-30.	23 Wed.	Rd: Ac. 3:1-10; Ps. 104: 1-2. 3-4. 6-7. 8-9; Lk. 24: 13-35.
09 Wed.	Rd: Dan. 3: 14-20. 91-92. 95; Ps. Dan. 3:52. 53. 54. 55. 56; Jn. 8:31-42.	24 Thu.	Rd: Ac. 3:11-26; Ps. 8:2a+5. 6-7. 8-9; Lk. 24:35-48.
10 Thu.	Rd: Gen. 17:3-9; Ps. 104: 4-5. 6-7. 8-9; Jn. 8:51-59.	25 Fri.	Rd: Ac. 4:1-12; Ps. 117: 1-2+4. 22-24. 25-27a; Jn. 21:1-14.
11 Fri.	Rd: Jer. 20:10-13; Ps. 17:2-3a. 3bc-4. 5-6. 7; Jn. 10:31-42.	26 Sat.	Rd: Ac. 4:13-21; Ps. 117:1+4-15. 16ab-18. 19-21; Mk. 16:9-15.
12 Sat.	Rd: Ez. 37:21-28; Ps. Jer. 31:10. 11-12ab. 13; Jn. 11:45-57.	27 Sun.	DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY Rd: Ac. 5:12-16; Ps. 117: 2-4. 22-24. 25-27a; Rev. 1:9-11a. 12-13. 17-19; Jn. 20:19-31.
13 Sun.	Psalter Week II Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Rd: Before Procession Lk. 19:28-40. Rd: Is. 50:4-7; Ps. 21:8-9. 17-18a. 19-20. 23-24; Phil. 2:6-11; Lk. 22:14-23:56.	28 Mon.	Psalter Week II Rd.: Ac. 4: 23-31; Ps. 2:1-3. 4-6. 7-9; Jn. 3:1-8.
14 Mon.	Rd: Is. 42: 1-7; Ps. 26: 1. 2. 3. 13-14; Jn. 12: 1-11.	29 Tue.	Rd: Ac. 4:32-37; Ps. 92:1ab. 1c-2. 5; Jn. 3:7b-15.
15 Tue.	Rd: Is. 49: 1-6; Ps. 70: 1-2. 3-4a. 5-6ab. 15+17; Jn. 13: 21-33. 36-38.	30 Wed.	Rd: Ac. 5:17-26; Ps. 33:2-3. 4-5. 6-7. 8-9; Jn. 3: 16-21.

List of Winners (March ULO 2025)

Quiz - Pustok 5-7

Aiden Gomes, Zomo: Mt. Tabor

FIRGOZ MAHITI

TUMCHE SEVEK

CANON ROSARIO OLIVEIRA

Padr Vigar

PRI. SEBY B. VAZ

Adhari Padri

MS. DAPHNY PICARDO

Kocherint vavr korpi

MS. PRISCILLA SILVEIRA

Igorjent xist sambhallpi

ORVIL CABRAL

Paryavekshak

MONICA BECK

Vavradi

MHOINEACHEA POILEA

SONVARA FATIMA

SAIBINNICHEM DEVOSANV

Sokallchea 6.00 vaztam kumsaram, 6.30 vaztam Fatima Saibinnichem Poilea Sonvarachem Devosanv, thodo vell niall ani tea uprant Povitr Misachi bhett.

VEG-VEGLLEO ZOMATI

- Firgoz Gonvllik Sobha - Poilea Budvarak Sanje 6.30 vaztam
- Firgoz Gonvllik Assembly - Tin mhonneank ek pautt, poilea Aitara, sokallchea 7.30 vaztanchea Misa Uprant
- Firgoz Tornatteeanchi Zomo - Choutea Aitarak
- Vedi-Sevokancho Zomo- Sonvara sanje 4 vaztam
- Dev Sondexkarancho Zomo - Tisrea Sonvara sanje 7.00 vaztam
- Devachem Utor Vachpi(Lectors) - Tin mhoineank ek pautt, poilea Sonvara sanje 7.00 vaztam
- Sevadhormik Sevok (Liturgical Animators) - Tin mhoineank ek pautt, dusrea Sonvara sanje 7.00 vaztam
- Bautizm ani Kazara vhoir xikovnn - Mungllara sokallchea 10.00 - 12.00
- Gonvllik Bhett (Pastoral Visits) - Mungllar (Tue.), Brestar (Thurs.) ani Sukrar (Fri.) sanje 5.00 vaztam thaun.



IGORJENT DISPOT'TIM ANI AITARACHIM MISSAM

Somar tem Sonvar : Sokallche 7:00 vaztam

Sonvar : Sanje 6.00 vaztam (Inglez bhaxen,

Aitarachem(anticipated) Mis.

Aitar:

- Sokallim 7.30 vaztam
- 8:45 vaztam Dotonichea Bhurgeanchem Mis
- 10.00 vaztam (by Canons)
- Sanje 4.00 vaztam (Tin Gorzanche Saibinnichea Manank)
- Mhoineachea Dusrea Aitara : Sokallchea 11.00 vaztam (Hindi bhaxen)

KUMSARAM

Somar tem Sonvar sokallchea 6.00 vaztam

Missa adim ani uprant

POVITR SONSKARAK BHOZONN

Sukrar, Sokallchea 6.30 vaztam, Missa adim

DEVACHI OLOKHX VO DOTON

Aitar Sokallim 7:25 vaztam

KOCHERICHIO VELL

Somar tem Sonvar

Abril ani Mai:

Sokallchim 8:30 tem donparchim 1:00

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