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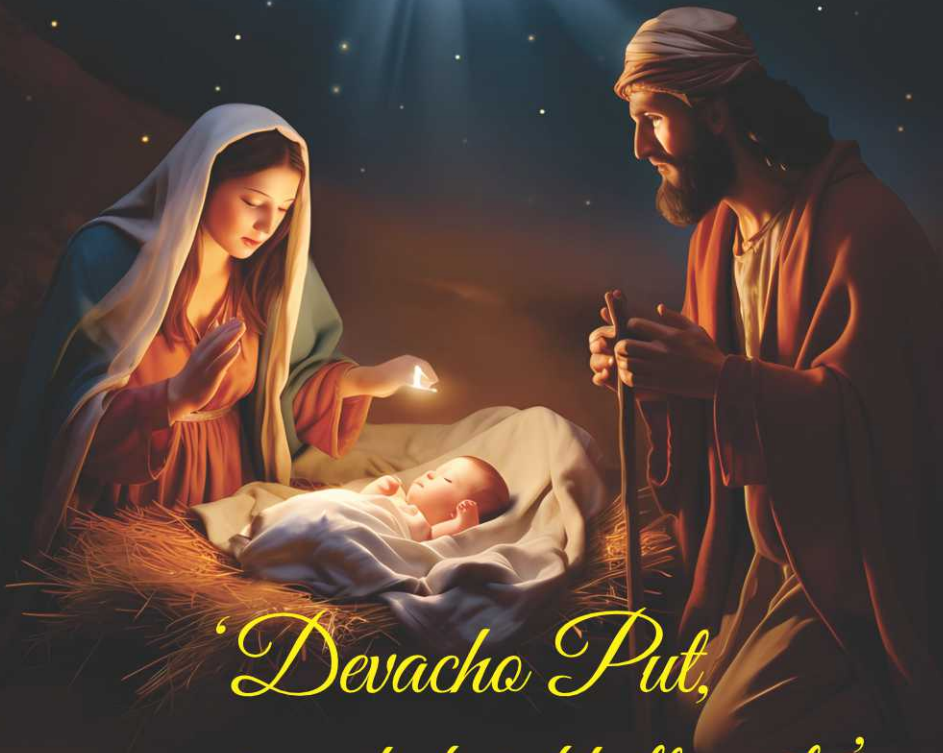


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*'Devacho Put,  
sonvsara mhukar khalto zalo'*

# Third Death Anniversary



*In Loving Memory of*

## **Carmelino Fabio Ferreira**

*"The world changes from year to year, our lives from day to day; but the love and memory of you shall never pass away."*

There will be an Eucharistic Celebration for his soul on **Saturday, 30 December 2023** at **8.00 am** at **Se Cathedral, Old Goa.**

Offered by his loving Wife **Regina**, Daughter **Vylanky**, Son **Kevin** and **Family**





## Vigaracho Sondex



Fr Rosario Oliveira



**M**ogall Firgozkaramno, Dezembracho mhoino amkam Jezuecha zolmache porbecho ugddas haddtta ani mhoinache survatek thaun natalanchi toiari ami suru kortanv. 2025 vorsak, Jezuecha zolmachi “Jubilee year” ami somarombhtoleanv. He somarombhnnnek don vorsanchi toiari korunk Pap Saiban ulo marla. Novembrache 26ver, 2023, Jezu Krist Sogttam-Sorvancho Raia he porbe somoiar, amchea Goyant ani Bharatant hi toiari suru kelea. Hea “Jubilee” vorsacho vixoi: “Pilgrims of Hope” (Bhorovonxeachim Yatrekaram Ami). He donui somarombh (Krist Raiachi porob ani “Jubilee Year 2025”) amkam bhorvonso ditat.

Jezu Krist Sogttam-Sorvancho Rai hi porob ak’khea sonvsarak Pap Saib Pius XIvo hannem suru kel’li 1925 hea vorsak. Hi porob Povitr Sobhek porgottche adim toch Pap Saib, ek iadnik koso Polant desant vavurtalo poilem vixv zuz somplea uprant (after the First World War). Tea zuzant Polant desachem ani ak’kea sonvsarachem nisonntton zalolem. Sonvsarant xanti nasli, monxeamchea jivitat mol naslem, hozaramnim lokak marun uddoilole, vanchloleam bhurgeank avoi-bapui naslim zalear zantteam avoi-bapainchim bhurgim uronk nant. Zednam Pap Saiban, Benedict XV vean Msgr. Ambrose Ratti hea Italia-chea iadnikak Poland desant pattoilo tednam tea desachem nisonntton polleun ani uprant Russian Revolution 1917 haddlolo dumallo onbhvun Msgr Ratti zaito vavurlo. Jednam toddeach vorsannim taka Devan Pap Saib zaunk vinchun kaddlo tednam Msgr. Ratti hannem Pius XI hem nanv ghetlem ani rokddench 1925 hea vorsak ak’ke Povitr Sobhent Jezu Krist Sogtta-Sorvancho Rai hi porob korchem mhunn formailem. Kiteak nhoich fokot Poland desant xantichi goroz asli punn ak’kho sonvsar nitik ani xantik bukelolo-tanelolo to fokot Jezuechanuch bagounk zata mhunn taka visvas aslo. Hi porob sthaplear 2025 hea Jubilee vorsak 100 vorsam bhortat. Hem niallun Jezu Raiacher amcho bhorvonso odik vaddounk zai.

“Jubille Year 2025” hea somarombhachi toiari kortana, hea vorsachim natalam ani yeta tea vorsachi Sant Francis Xavier-ache relikechi dakounni amkam adar kortat. Hea gonvllik vorsacho vixoi monant dourun natalam somoiar Jezu Raiak amchea jivitant, kuttumbant ani somazant ghevunk ani Tannem kelem toxem ami korunk amkam ut’tezonn mell’ta. Natalam somoiar Jezun kitem kelem? Kitem somarombhtanv ami? Devan appnak



monxeanchea adhin kelo, Raza durboll zalo, rochnnar gorvanchea ghotteant dixtti poddlo, ani ek rinnkari aplea dhonia fuddeant khalto zata toso Jezu, Devacho Put, sonvsara mhukar khalto zalo. (*In His birth, Jesus was demoted from everything to nothing*). Osle poristitint Jezuchea zolmache porbek khuxal zaupak kitem karann? Jezuchea zolmache porbek nhoich fokot sonvsar khuxal zata punn sorg sontostat. Kiteak zait?

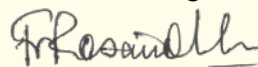
**Poile suvater,** Jezu amche poristitint amkam bhettounk ieta. Je poristitint Jezu zolmolo ti amam monxeanchi poristiti. Zoxe porim poilem vixv zuz somplea uprant sonvsarachi poristiti Msgr. Ambrose Ratti uprantlo Pap Saib Pius XI hannem onbhovli toslich poristiti sonvsar hea kallar onbhovtat. Nhoich fokot Russia-Ukraine, Syria ani sonvsarachea dusream desannim zuzancho lot ami polletanv punn Jezuchea zolmachea desant nisonntton zal'lem ami dekhtanv. Osle poristitint jietoleam monxeank Devak bhettunk tank na dekhun Jezu Apunnuch monxeak bhettunk yeta, taka uklunk, taka xantin bhorunk, taka bhorvonso diunk, taka Devacho put-dhuv korunk. Dekhun ami khuxal zaunk zai ani amche poristitint Jezuk bhettunk toiar zaunk goroz.

**Dusre suvater,** Jezu amchem rinn farik korunk yeta. Dev amchea rinnant asa? Na kim na. Punn Dev apnnakuch amchea rinnat ghalta ani appunn amchea patkachem rinn farik korta. Oxem korunk To nhoich fokot sonvsara mhukar khalto zata punn devchara mhukar lhan zata kiteak amchea patka vorvim ami devcharache rinnkari. Tea bhair Aplea korarak Dev rinnkari koso vagta. Tannem amchea moga pasot monxeam laguim kelolea korarak Dev visvaxi ravta ani eke bhaxen amchea mogachem rinn aslolea porim monxeam mhukar khalto zata. Kedo vorto Mog amchea Devacho!

Tea pasot Tachea zolmachi porob somarombhun ami zhor amchea jivitachi novsornni korinant zalear amkam kosloch odhikar nam khuxal zaunk. Amchea patki jivita vorvim ami odikuch devcharache gulam zaunk sodtanv zalear vo dusream monxeamchem ami nisonnttonn korunk yeujitanv zalear ami devchara bhaxen Jezuk khalto korun khuxal zatanv. Hea natalam somoiar ami Devacho mog bhogum-ia, amche poristitinch mellunk yetolea Jezuk jivitant ghevum-ia, Tachi soddvonn onbhovum-ia ani novsorlolea jinnent khuxalkaien natalam somarombhum-ia.

Soglleank Tumkam Sontosbhorit Natalam Anvddetam. Alexandriache Santa Katarina, amche pasot vinonti kor.

Tumcho Vigar



(Rev. Can. Rosario Oliveira)



# The Advent Season


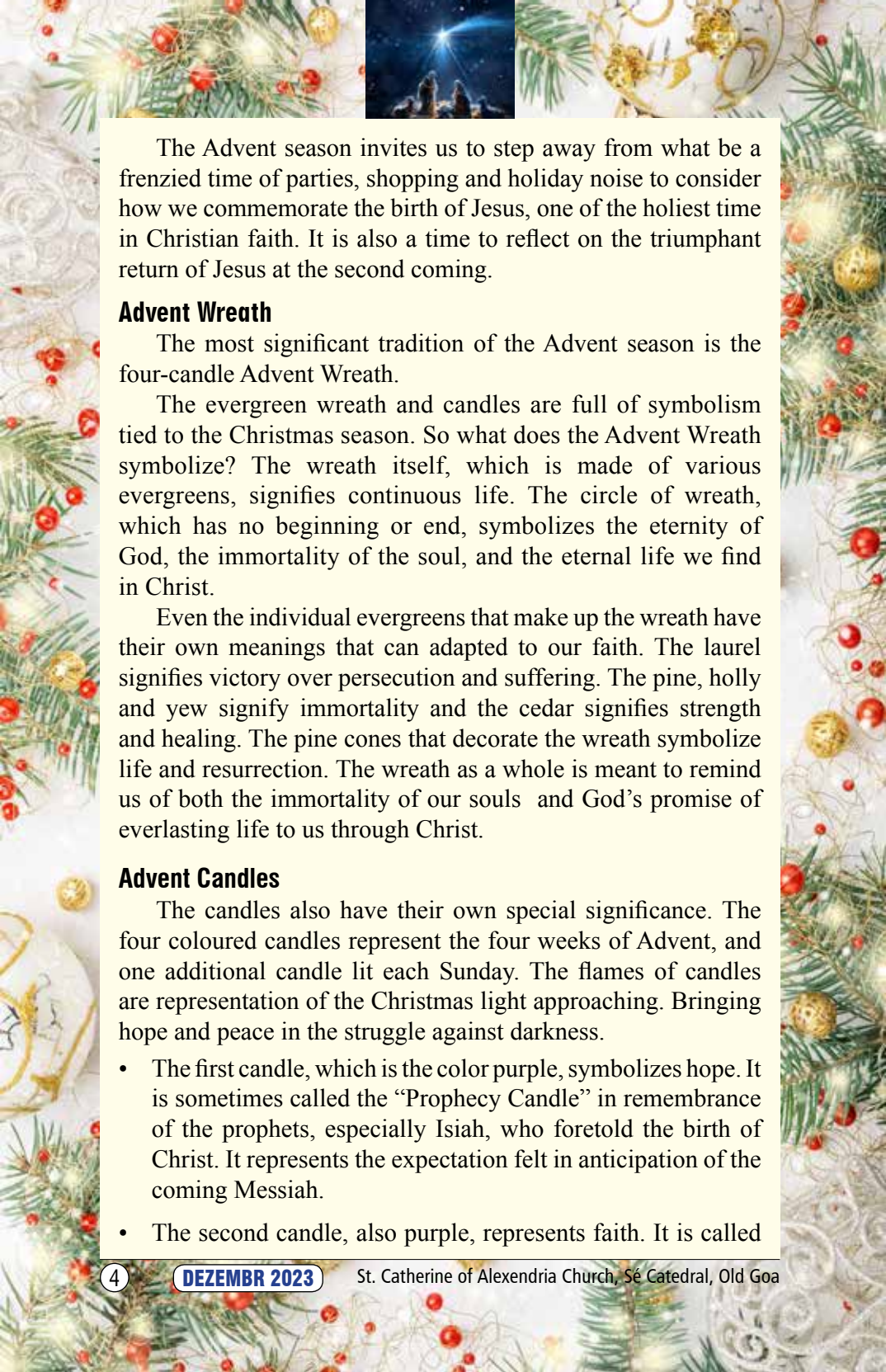
Janessa D'Souza

The word Advent is from the Latin *Adventus* for “Arrival” and is associated with the four weeks of time of preparation for Christmas.

Advent Season is a very special time of year that sometimes gets lost in the bright lights of the Christmas season it precedes. The first day of Advent is the first day of a new liturgical (or Church) calendar year and begins a four-week period of preparation for the nativity of Jesus Christ at Christmas.



The Advent Season is all about reflecting on how we can prepare our hearts and homes for Christ’s birth in the world as it is today. It is a time for faith communities and families to remember, through prayer, reflections, special music and good deeds what the true meaning of Jesus’ birth is. There are many different Christian traditions associated with the four weeks of Advent.



The Advent season invites us to step away from what be a frenzied time of parties, shopping and holiday noise to consider how we commemorate the birth of Jesus, one of the holiest time in Christian faith. It is also a time to reflect on the triumphant return of Jesus at the second coming.

### **Advent Wreath**

The most significant tradition of the Advent season is the four-candle Advent Wreath.

The evergreen wreath and candles are full of symbolism tied to the Christmas season. So what does the Advent Wreath symbolize? The wreath itself, which is made of various evergreens, signifies continuous life. The circle of wreath, which has no beginning or end, symbolizes the eternity of God, the immortality of the soul, and the eternal life we find in Christ.

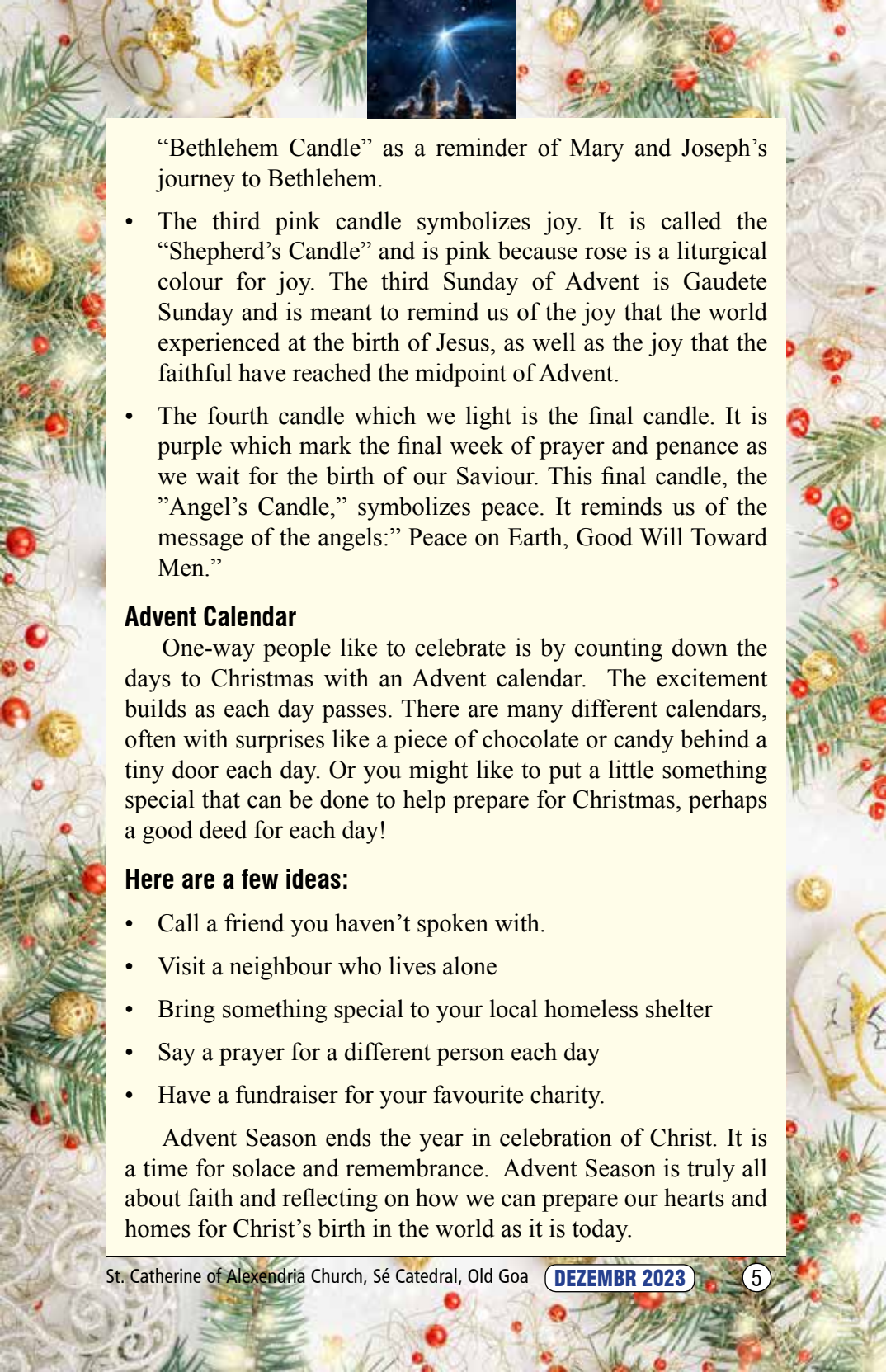
Even the individual evergreens that make up the wreath have their own meanings that can adapted to our faith. The laurel signifies victory over persecution and suffering. The pine, holly and yew signify immortality and the cedar signifies strength and healing. The pine cones that decorate the wreath symbolize life and resurrection. The wreath as a whole is meant to remind us of both the immortality of our souls and God's promise of everlasting life to us through Christ.

### **Advent Candles**

The candles also have their own special significance. The four coloured candles represent the four weeks of Advent, and one additional candle lit each Sunday. The flames of candles are representation of the Christmas light approaching. Bringing hope and peace in the struggle against darkness.

- The first candle, which is the color purple, symbolizes hope. It is sometimes called the “Prophecy Candle” in remembrance of the prophets, especially Isaiah, who foretold the birth of Christ. It represents the expectation felt in anticipation of the coming Messiah.
- The second candle, also purple, represents faith. It is called





“Bethlehem Candle” as a reminder of Mary and Joseph’s journey to Bethlehem.

- The third pink candle symbolizes joy. It is called the “Shepherd’s Candle” and is pink because rose is a liturgical colour for joy. The third Sunday of Advent is Gaudete Sunday and is meant to remind us of the joy that the world experienced at the birth of Jesus, as well as the joy that the faithful have reached the midpoint of Advent.
- The fourth candle which we light is the final candle. It is purple which mark the final week of prayer and penance as we wait for the birth of our Saviour. This final candle, the “Angel’s Candle,” symbolizes peace. It reminds us of the message of the angels:” Peace on Earth, Good Will Toward Men.”

### **Advent Calendar**

One-way people like to celebrate is by counting down the days to Christmas with an Advent calendar. The excitement builds as each day passes. There are many different calendars, often with surprises like a piece of chocolate or candy behind a tiny door each day. Or you might like to put a little something special that can be done to help prepare for Christmas, perhaps a good deed for each day!

### **Here are a few ideas:**

- Call a friend you haven’t spoken with.
- Visit a neighbour who lives alone
- Bring something special to your local homeless shelter
- Say a prayer for a different person each day
- Have a fundraiser for your favourite charity.

Advent Season ends the year in celebration of Christ. It is a time for solace and remembrance. Advent Season is truly all about faith and reflecting on how we can prepare our hearts and homes for Christ’s birth in the world as it is today.

# Love and Responsibility

Christopher D'Cunha



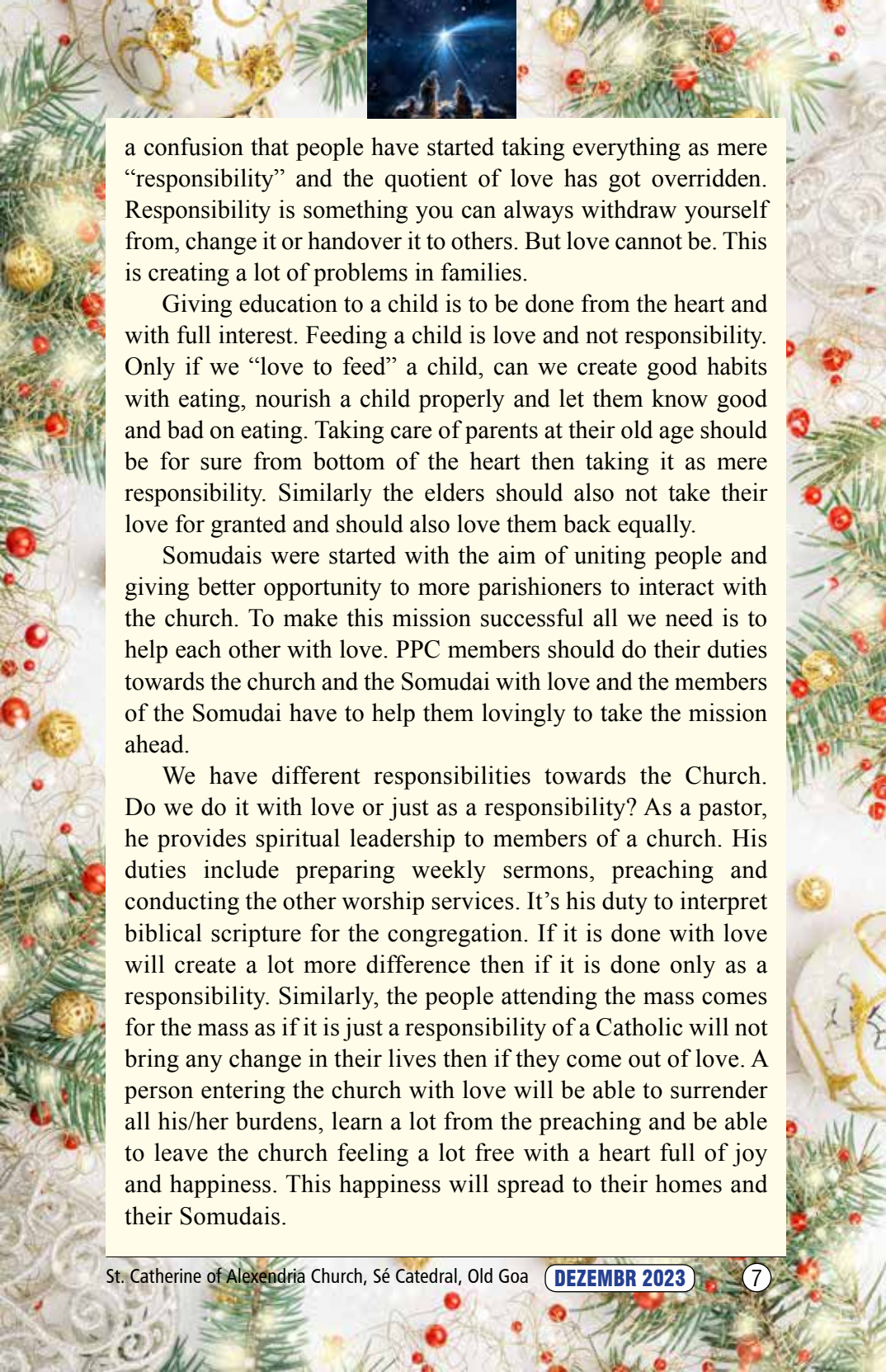
Jesus said “I am giving you a new commandment, that you love one another, just as I have loved you. By this all will know that you are my disciples”. One can always choose to do things with love or responsibility. When there is ‘love for the sake of responsibility’, then it is a fake. Instead, if we love responsibly or do our responsibilities with full of love, then it creates nothing but happiness everywhere.

Love and responsibility are woven together by the authentic desire to take care, be good and protect the ones you love. Love is an undefinable or immeasurable care for by a person upon another. Be it by a parent to child or child to parent, among neighbours, within lovers or among friends.

As a wife, she has to serve her husband, prepare food and to take care of other personal needs. As a mother, she has to take care of the children and their needs. How should she take these duties of her? Just as a responsibility or do it with love? Similarly if the husband thinks that only earning for his family is his responsibility then he will never end up helping his wife and appreciating her for all what she does for the family? Only love for his wife will make a change.

We often get to hear this statement, “it’s my responsibility to get you educated”, “it’s my responsibility to have you taken care of“, by any or all grown-up person. And it has resulted in





a confusion that people have started taking everything as mere “responsibility” and the quotient of love has got overridden. Responsibility is something you can always withdraw yourself from, change it or handover it to others. But love cannot be. This is creating a lot of problems in families.

Giving education to a child is to be done from the heart and with full interest. Feeding a child is love and not responsibility. Only if we “love to feed” a child, can we create good habits with eating, nourish a child properly and let them know good and bad on eating. Taking care of parents at their old age should be for sure from bottom of the heart then taking it as mere responsibility. Similarly the elders should also not take their love for granted and should also love them back equally.

Somodais were started with the aim of uniting people and giving better opportunity to more parishioners to interact with the church. To make this mission successful all we need is to help each other with love. PPC members should do their duties towards the church and the Somudai with love and the members of the Somudai have to help them lovingly to take the mission ahead.

We have different responsibilities towards the Church. Do we do it with love or just as a responsibility? As a pastor, he provides spiritual leadership to members of a church. His duties include preparing weekly sermons, preaching and conducting the other worship services. It’s his duty to interpret biblical scripture for the congregation. If it is done with love will create a lot more difference then if it is done only as a responsibility. Similarly, the people attending the mass comes for the mass as if it is just a responsibility of a Catholic will not bring any change in their lives then if they come out of love. A person entering the church with love will be able to surrender all his/her burdens, learn a lot from the preaching and be able to leave the church feeling a lot free with a heart full of joy and happiness. This happiness will spread to their homes and their Somudais.

# 37<sup>th</sup> National Games – Get Set Goa – 2023

**Christopher D'Cunha**

The 37th edition of the National Games, scheduled for 2023, was set to take place in the beautiful and scenic state of Goa. After multiple delays and changes in hosting rights, the event was finally decided to run from October 26 to November 9, marking the first time Goa has hosted this prestigious competition. It was a proud moment for every Goan.

The National Games 2023 featured an impressive 43 different sports, including both Olympic and indigenous disciplines. This year there was a significant increase from the 36 sports in the previous edition. Several new sports have been added this year, such as Sqay, Beach Football, Roll Ball, Golf, Sepak Takraw, Kalaripayattu, Pencak Silat and Mini golf. Additionally, yachting and taekwondo made a return after their exclusion during the last edition.

The official logo of the games and the mascot was “Moga” an Indian bison.

With over 10,000 athletes participating, the National Games 2023 promised to be a grand spectacle of Indian sports talent. The games were held across the cities of Mapusa, Panjim, Ponda, Vasco and Margao. While Cycling (Track) and Golf events were held in Delhi.

Honorable Prime Minister Mr Narendra Modi inaugurated the 37th National Games of India from the Jawaharlal Stadium in Fatorda. The multi-sport event saw a grand opening ceremony at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium with a five-hour





long programme, including 600 artistes who performed at the arena. Sukhwinder Singh and Hema Sardesai performed at the ceremony. Goa-born professional windsurfer Katya Ida Coelho, along with India men's hockey team captain Harmanpreet Singh, handed over the torch to the Prime Minister.

The teams which participated were Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Andhra Pradesh, Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Bihar, Chandigarh, Chhattisgarh, Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu, Delhi, Goa, Gujarat, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu and Kashmir, Jharkhand, Karnataka, Kerala, Ladakh, Lakshadweep, Madhya Pradesh, Maharashtra, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Odisha, Puducherry, Punjab, Rajasthan, Services, Sikkim, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Tripura, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand and West Bengal.

The competition was immense. At the end Maharashtra was on the top with 80 Gold, 69 Silver and 79 Bronze with a total of 228 medals. Goa performance was great and ended up on the 9<sup>th</sup> position with 27 Gold, 27 Silver and 38 Bronze with a total of 92 medals. Goa has surpassed everyone's expectations with 92 medals at the National Games

The 37<sup>th</sup> National Games 2023 concluded on 9<sup>th</sup> November 2023. The grand closing ceremony took place at Shyama Prasad Indoor stadium in Panaji in the



presence of Vice President Jagdeep Dhankhar, Indian Olympic Association President P T Usha, Chief Minister Dr Pramod Sawant and others.

The torch for national games was handed over to Uttarakhand as 38<sup>th</sup> National Games will be organized there.

# Bhavarth-Achi Porgottnni St. Cruz Firgojent

By Catechist Sangeeta Fernandes



**B**HAVARTH, amchea purvoza kodchean amkam mel'lo ani amche thaun amche fuddle pinkek pautolo. Ho bhavarth mhollear kitem? Bhavarth mhollear Devachea hatant amcho hat ghalop. Tacheruch amcho visvas tthevop. Tachea dananchi vat polletana bhorvanxeant thir ravop ani amkam dixtti poddonant teo vostu khorech asat mhonek patieuop. (Hb. 11; 1)

Dor vorsa porim hea-i vorsa bhavarthachi porgottnni hi karyavoll Panchvem and Sovem pustok xiktolea Doton'nichea bhurgenak St. Cruz firgojent, Novembrache 19ver sokalche 9.00 tem 2.00 vaztam zali. Hea karyavollik Old Goa, Ponda, Panaji ani Goa Velha hea char varadantlea 18 firgojeamni bhag ghetlem. Hi karyavoll Panchvem ani Sovem pustok xiktolea bhurgeank tancho bhavart sobhemazar gitam, nacha vo monea-kurva vorvim machier haddunk ani dusreank porgottunk ttharailo.

Amche firgojentlea sat bhurgeamni: Christina Fernandes, Nathan Ferreira, Anaiiah Afonso, Aviya Fernandes, Sancia Rosario, Velika Gomes, ani Leanza Pereira hannim bhag ghetlo. Tankam toyar korunk Son'dexkar Menin, Grisha ani Sangeeta Vavurlim. Amchea bhurgeamni "**Dev-Mogachi Kanni**" hem git



gaillem. He git Son'dexkar Menino hannem boroilolem ani taka sundor nad Samira hinnem dil'lo.

Karyavollichi survat Povitr Misache bhettentlean amcho bhavart jival korunk Fr. Leslie St. Iniz firgojentlo ACAZ animator bharim vavurlo. Misa uprant lhanso snack break diun, karyakromak survat dili. Dor ek firgojek apli bhavartachi dakhovn sador korunk 5 mintteo dileleo. Dor ek firgojente bhurgeamni dotoni vorvim onbhovlolo bhavarth machier haddunk ani dusreank porgottunk vavurlim. Hea karyakoramacho mukhel soiro Fr. Richard Pinheiro hachea hatantlean bhag ghetolea sogllea bhurgeank innama vanttlim. Uprant soglleank dhinvasun bhurgeamni hadlolea jevnnant vanto gheun ami ghora portolim.

Amche kherit dhinvas Amche Pd. Vigar Fr. Rosario Oliverak, amchea bhurgeank ani tanchea avoi-bapaink toxench aplo moladik vell ditolea amchea Son'dexkarank. Hanche vorvim ami eka-mekacho bhavart ghott korunk ani dusreank porgottunk vavurlim.





# Report: Catechism Children's Picnic

By Catechist Jewella DeSouza

Happy times come and go but the memories stay forever!

**T**o celebrate children's day in a very special way our parish Catechetical Association, along with our dear priests Fr. Rosario Oliveira and Fr. Seby Vaz, organised picnic for our Catechism children on the 12<sup>th</sup> November, 2023. The picnic spot was at "Pascoal Farm" in Ponda. There were total of 94 children, who were accompanied by Fr. Seby and the Catechists, in three buses.

Before heading to our picnic spot all the children along with the Catechists assembled in the church to start our joyous day with the prayers & blessing from our dear Parish priest, Fr. Rosario.

We started our journey at 9:20 AM. All the children kept themselves busy singing songs having a gala good time. We reached our destination at 10:30 AM. The Children were extremely excited to reach the destination. After check-in into the Pascoal Farm, Fr. Seby gave some important information and instructions to them. Soon after this instructions, there were games played and led by Fr Seby along with the Catechists. Further the children were served with some snacks.

Surrounded by greenery and the beauty of nature they were in a very relaxed mood. The children couldn't hold back their excitement after seeing the swimming pool. So they jumped in it and took some refreshing dip. After this they played some more games led by Fr Seby and the Catechists. The lunch was served which included Pulav, Chicken curry, salad, pickle and some fruits post meal. It was surely appetising.

The Catechists also planned a surprise skit with the title '*Mental Hospital*' which was based on psychological behaviour. This play was basically for children to make them understand about their surroundings, creating awareness and to



learn something. They over enjoyed, loved and laughed together as they found it very entertaining. It was good to see them so cheerful. As the day was coming to an end they were served with the most delicious and delightful drink of Falooda. The day was concluded by thanking the Almighty Lord for this wonderful trip. We left the place by 5:15 PM and reached back to the church premises at 6:00 PM. Everyone had a big smile on their face which indicated that they had a marvellous day.



## A Ray Of Light

*The cold freezing night, darkness around me.  
As a child who is scared and cold, just want to curl myself and hide.  
I fear what if I get lost, I fear I am so cold.*

*Lost in my burden and fears.  
I see a light shining in the pitch darkness.  
This RAY of light has some thing special in it which words can't  
express.*

*This light gives me a hope of COMFORT, LOVE, TRUST  
This shining light gives me that warmth,  
only which I experience in my mother's womb.*

*This RAY of light tells me I am always,  
there by your side, you are never alone.  
Don't fear due to the darkness and cold,  
Just trust in me and I will always hold you in my arms.*

*My RAY OF LIGHT is non other than BABY JESUS  
When I think about the prince of the  
WORLD how humble he was born.  
Jesus when I evaluate on your life,  
I get the courage to fight all the battles of  
my life on a positive note.  
When I am lost and lonely in this busy  
world,  
You have always been my MOTIVATOR,  
GUIDE and STRENGTH.*



In this month of **CHRISTMAS**, I want to give a small message to my article readers. We are all lost in our run **BURDENS**. We are running a race but don't know where we want to reach. We are all tired with this race of life. At this time just close your eyes and we all will see a shining light which will give us the **WARMTH** and **COMFORT** which no riches can buy.

Kevin Ferreira



*Happy 13th Birthday to our Beautiful Daughter*

## **Leanza Angel Pereira**

*Officially teenager! It's a whole adventurous new world for you. It's hard to believe that you are a brand-new teenager and no longer the little baby girl. We hope that during your teen years you enjoy them. Take the time to learn and grow, to take chances that you will meet incredible people who will help shape your life. That you will try new things and not be afraid to fail. We want you to stand tall and proud of the incredible young woman you're shaping up to become and continue working towards the goals you have set for yourself. Your dreams are large and incredible and absolutely worth pursuing. Thank you for always making us proud. Once again **HAPPIEST BIRTHDAY** to our Angel! love you to the moon and back.*



*Love,*  
**Nani , Dada , Mama  
and your sister.**

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# RECONSTITUTION OF THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

## *A Summary of the Election process*

By Secretary MET

Our Parish, St. Catherine of Alexandria has begun the process of the reconstitution of the P.P.C. The new Council will take over in April 2024. The reconstitution process follows the following seven steps as per the guide lines of the Diocesan Pastoral Secretariat.

- 1<sup>st</sup> phase: Planning and Organization by the main election team.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> phase: Conscientisation and Motivation.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> phase: Preparing of teams.
- 4<sup>th</sup> phase: Choice of representatives. (To be held in January '24)
- 5<sup>th</sup> phase: Formation sessions for the representatives. (To be held from February to March '24)
- 6<sup>th</sup> phase: The members of the Council (To be held from February to March '24)
- 7<sup>th</sup> phase: Inauguration of the Council (To be held in 1<sup>st</sup> week of April).

We have completed the following phases with the below details.

1. **Reorganising the Somudai's:** The existing 12 Somudai's have been reorganised to 13 Somudai's with the following changes.
  - Khuris Milagr housing 79 families are split into 3 namely Khuris Milagr Somudai, O.L of Light Somudai and O.L of 3 Necessities Somudai.
  - St Ignatius housing 18 families and St Lazarus housing 8 families are merged to one Somudai under the name St Ignatius Somudai.
  - St Catherine housing 43 families have parted 8 families to St Doming Somudai.
  - House of Bom Jesus Somudai is renamed as St Alex Somudai.
  - The Hindi speaking Community is formed under the title Blessed Sr. Rani Maria and will have a representation in the Council.
2. **Visit to the families** - The Main Election team, subdivided into 4 teams with coordinators namely **Team 1**- Hema Menezes, Rovina Fernandes, and Lloyd Vaz, **Team 2**- Anil Afonso, Savio Vaz, and Jobert Dias **Team 3**- Ramesh Mendonca, Maria Dias, and Sandra Pinto **Team 4**- Cleta Souza, Belinda Fernandes, and Christopher Dcunha; visited all the Parish families.
3. **Visit to the Somudai's**- The Main Election team, subdivided into 2 teams along with the Pastors Fr. Rosario Oliveira and Fr. Seby Vaz completed visit to the Somudai's by the 28<sup>th</sup> of October. Below is the data of the number of members present from each Somudai.



SOMUDAI	Attendance
St Catherine	18
St Alex (House of Bom Jesus)	20
St Ignatius (St Ignatius & St Lazarus)	24
St John Facundo	15
O.L of Piety	13
St Paul	10
St Joseph Vaz	15

SOMUDAI	Attendance
St Francis Xavier	16
Khuris Milagr (Khuris Milagr)	8
St Augustine	10
O.L. of Light (Khuris Milagr)	18
St Doming	13
O. L. of 3 Necessities (Khuris Milagr)	17

Now entering into the **4<sup>th</sup> phase...i.e....Choice of representatives...i.e....the 1<sup>st</sup> round of elections.**

Elections in the respective Somudai's will be held as per schedule published below.

**ELIGIBILITY:** Voters should be of the age 18 years and above to take part in the election process.

- Any Member residing in the Somudai for more than 3 months will be entitled to vote.
- Ensure gender balance and youth representation.

**PROCESS:** Voting will be held by secret ballot in respective Somudai's. After voting is closed, the counting of the votes will be done on the spot. It is proposed for each Somudai to be divided into clusters so as to get maximum participation especially in widespread Somudai's.

Besides these 4 or 6 representatives from each Somudai, the Presidents/ Representatives of all the units of the Diocesan bodies/Associations/ Movements and heads of religious communities functioning in the parish and recognized by the Diocesan Pastoral Secretariat will be their ex-officio representative in the council. Also the Parish priest will nominate parishioners, in accordance with the constitution as representative to the Council.

#### **5<sup>th</sup> Phase: Formation of Representatives.**

Once the list of all representatives is ready, the entire group will undergo a preparatory programme of intense formation. Each session will have ...Prayer, Input, Group discussion, Fellowship and follow –up. The Deanery team or the Diocesan Pastoral Secretariat helps in conducting these formation sessions.

#### **6<sup>th</sup> Phase: The Members of the Council.**

A Recollection is held for all the representatives. At the end of which, the second round of elections will be conducted. Out of every 4 elected from the Somudai two are chosen by secret ballot to represent the Somudai in the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC)and the other two members serve as Community Animation team members (CAT).

The MET will prepare a written report of the three parts of this phase elections to be submitted to Dean and Episcopal Vicar of the zone.

#### **7<sup>th</sup> Phase: Inauguration of the Parish Pastoral Council.**

The Episcopal Vicar, on being fully satisfied with the compliance to the procedure of the reconstitution of the PPC will issue a Decree of

Reconstitution. The inauguration of the Council takes place after the issuance of the said Decree.

For the inauguration of the Council a meaningful liturgy will be prepared. The members take an oath. The executive committee is elected on that day. The elections are conducted by the Dean or his representative.

This long process of the reconstitution of the Parish Pastoral Council is done to prepare the main Pastoral body of the parish which is truly representative and meant to be the principal form of collaboration, dialogue and discernment in the parish under the guidance of the Parish priest.

### **TENTATIVE ELECTION SCHEDULE CONDUCTED BY THE MAIN ELECTION TEAM**

<b>SR NO.</b>	<b>SOMUDAI</b>	<b>DATE</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>VENUE/RESIDENCE OF</b>
1	HOUSE OF BOM JESUS	08 JANUARY 2024	06.00PM- 07.00PM	BATMINTON COURT
2	ST DOMING	08 JANUARY 2024	06.00PM- 07.00PM	ESPY'S RESIDENCE
3	ST PAUL	09 JANUARY 2024	06.00PM- 07.00PM	SOCIETY HALL
4	ST FRANCIS XAVIER	09 JANUARY 2024	06.00PM- 07.00PM	SOCIETY HALL
5	ST JOHN FACUNDO	10 JANUARY 2024	06.00PM- 07.00PM	COMMUNITY HALL
6	ST IGNATIUS	10 JANUARY 2024	06.00PM- 07.00PM	COLONY GARDEN
7	O. L OF PIETY	11 JANUARY 2024	06.00PM- 07.00PM	CARIDADE RODRIGUES RESIDENCE
8	ST JOSEPH VAZ	11 JANUARY 2024	06.00PM- 07.00PM	BERNADETTE'S RESIDENCE
9	O.L. OF 3 NECESSITIES	12 JANUARY 2024	06.00PM- 07.00PM	DR SALVADOR VAZ RESIDENCE
10	ST CATHERINE	12 JANUARY 2024	06.00PM- 07.00PM	ANGELS CONVENT
11	O.L. OF LIGHT	13 JANUARY 2024	06.00PM- 07.00PM	FATIMA RODRIGUES RESIDENCE
12	KHURIS MILAGR	13 JANUARY 2024	06.00PM- 07.00PM	SWAMI'S RESIDENCE
13	ST AUGUSTINE	14 JANUARY 2024	06.00PM- 07.00PM	CASA AMORA CLUB HOUSE

In case of any further changes in the above schedule the same would be intimated at

**Sunday Mass announcements or through messages.**



# DAILY READINGS FOR DECEMBER 2023

## Intentions of the Apostleship of Prayer

### For persons with disabilities

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programmes which value their active participation.

DAY	READINGS			
	1 <sup>st</sup> READING	PSALM	2 <sup>nd</sup> READING	GOSPEL
01 Fri.	Dan. 7, 2-14;	Ps. Dan. 3, 75. 76. 77. 78. 79. 80. 81;		Lk. 21, 29-33.
02 Sat.	Dan. 7, 15-27;	Ps. Dan. 3, 82. 83. 84. 85. 86. 87;		Lk. 21, 34-36.
03 Sun.	Hebr. Is. 63: 16b-17, 64:1. 3b-8 (Gk.: Is. 63:16b-17.19b, 64:2b-7);	Ps. 79 (80*); 2ac+3b.15-16.18-19;	1 Cor. 1: 3-9;	Mk. 13:33-37.
04 Mon.	Jer. 1:4-9 ( <i>VG II: 1780</i> ) or 1 Cor. 9:16-19. 22-23 ( <i>VG II: 1786</i> ) ( <i>EL III: pgs. 187-191</i> )	Ps. 70 (71*): 1-2. 5-6. 8-9. 14-15ab ( <i>VG II: 1681</i> ) or Ps. 116 (117*): 1. 2 ( <i>VG II: 1781</i> );	2 Cor. 4:7-15 ( <i>VG II: 1769</i> ); or Eph. 3: 2-12 ( <i>VG II: 1464</i> )	Lk. 10: 1-16. ( <i>VG II: 1408</i> ) or Mk. 16: 15-20. ( <i>VG II: 1792</i> )
05 Tue.	Is. 11: 1-10;	Ps. 71 (72*): 1-2. 7-8. 12-13. 17;		Lk. 10: 21-24.
06 Wed.	Is. 25: 6-10 a;	Ps. 22 (23*): 1-3a. 3b-4. 5. 6;		Mt. 15: 29-37.
07 Thur.	Is. 26: 1-6;	Ps. 117 (118*): 1+8-9. 19-21. 25-27a;		Mt. 7: 21. 24-7.
08 Fri.	( <i>VG II: 1714-1715</i> ) ( <i>EL III: pgs. 192-194</i> ) Gen. 3:9-15. 20;	Ps. 97(98*):1. 2-3ab. 3cd-4;	Eph. 1; 3-6. 11-12;	Lk. 1: 26-38.
09 Sat.	Is. 30:19-21. 23-26;	Ps. 146(147*): 1-2. 3-4. 5-6;		Mt. 9: 35 – 10:1. 5a. 6-8.
10 Sun.	Is. 40: 1-5. 9-11;	Ps. 84(85*): 9ab+10. 11-12. 13-14;	2 Pt. 3: 8-14;	Mk. 1: 1-8.
11 Mon.	Is. 35: 1-10;	Ps. 84(85*): 9ab-10. 11-12. 13-14;		Lk. 5: 17-26.

12 Tue.	Is. 40:1-11;	Ps. 95(96*):1-2.3 +10ac.11-12a.12b-13;		Mt. 18:12-14.
13 Wed.	Is. 40:25-31;	Ps. 102(103*):1-2.3-4.8+10;		Mt. 11:28-30.
14 Thur.	Is. 41: 13-20	Ps. 144(145*): 1+9.10-11. 12-13ab;		Mt. 11: 11-15.
15 Fri.	Is. 48: 17-19;	Ps. 1: 1-2. 3. 4+6;		Mt. 11: 16-19.
16 Sat.	Sir. 48: 1-4.9-11;	Ps. 79(80*): 2ac+3b.15-16. 18-19;		Mt. 17: 10-13.
17 Sun.	Is. 61: 1-2a.10-11;	Ps. Lk. 1:46-48. 49-50. 53-54;	1 Thes. 5; 16-24;	Jn. 1: 6-8.19-28.
18 Mon.	Jer. 23: 5-8;	Ps. 71(72*): 1-2.12-13. 18-19;		Mt. 1: 18-24.
19 Tue.	Jdg. 13:2-7.24-25a;	Ps. 70(71*): 3-4a.5-6ab. 16-17;		Lk. 1: 5-25.
20 Wed.	Is. 7: 10-14;	Ps. 23(24*): 1-2.3-4ab. 5-6;		Lk. 1: 26-38.
21 Thur.	Song 2: 8-14 or Zeph. 3: 14-18a;	Ps. 32(33*): 2-3.11-12. 20-21;		Lk. 1: 39-45.
22 Fri.	1 Sam. 2: 1. 4-5.6-7. 8abcd;	Ps. 1 Sam. 2:1. 4-5.6-7, 8abcd;		Lk. 1: 46-56.
23 Sat.	Hebr.: Mal.3:1-4. 23-24 (Gk.: Mal.3:1-4, 4:5-6)	Ps. 24(25*): 4-5ab.8-9. 10+14;		Lk. 1: 57-66.
24 Sun.	2 Sam. 7:1-5.8b-12. 14a. 16;	Ps. 88(89*): 2-3.4-5. 27+29;	Rom. 16: 25-27;	Lk. 1: 26-38.
25 Mon.	<b>Midnight Mass:</b> Hebr.: Is. 9:1-6 (Gk.: Is. 9:2-7)	Ps. 95(96*): 1-2a.2b-3.11-12a.12b-13	Tit. 2:11-14;	Lk. 2: 1-14.
	<b>Dawn Mass:</b> Is. 62: 11-12;	Ps. 96(97*): 1+6.11-12;	Tit. 3:4-7;	Lk. 2: 15-20.
	<b>Day Mass:</b> Is. 52: 7-10;	Ps. 97(98*): 1.2-3ab.3cd-4. 5-6.	Heb. 1: 1-6;	Jn. 1:1-18 or (Jn. 1:1-5. 9-14).
26 Tue.	<i>(VG II: 1717-1718 EL III: pgs. 197-198) Ac. 6:8-10.7:54-59;</i>	Ps. 30(31*): 3cd-4.6+8ab. 16bc+17;		Mt. 10: 17-22



27 Wed.	<i>(VG II: 1718-1719 EL III: pgs. 199-200) 1 Jn. 1: 1-4;</i>	Ps. 96(97*): 1-2. 5-6. 11-12;		Jn. 20:2-8
28 Thur.	<i>(VG II: 1717-1720 EL III: pgs. 200-202) 1 Jn. 1: 5-2:2;</i>	Ps. 123(124*): 2-3. 4-5. 7cd-8;		Mt. 2: 13-18.
29 Fri.	1 Jn. 2: 3-11;	Ps. 95(96*): 1-2a. 2b-3. 5b-6		Lk. 2: 22-35
30 Sat.	1 Jn. 2: 12-17	Ps. 95(96*): 7-8a. 8b-9. 10;		Lk. 2:36-40
31 Sun.	<i>(VG I: 71-76/ EL I: pgs. 329-336) Sir. 3: 3-7. 14-17a; (Gk.: Sir. 3:2-6. 12-14</i>	Ps. 127(128*): 1-2. 3. 4-5.	Col. 3: 12-21	Lk. 2: 22-40 (or 22, 39-40)
	<b>OR</b> Gen. 15:1-6, 21:1-3	Ps. 104(105*): 1b-2. 3-4. 5-6. 8-9	Heb. 11:8. 11-12. 17-19;	Lk. 2:22-40 or Lk. 22. 39-40)

*The Parish Priest,  
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and hearty welcome to you,  
dear*

**Brother (Regent)  
Jayson Colaco.**



**While we praise and thank God for your gift to our Parish  
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forever for your ministry to grow in holiness to the state of  
life God has called you. Have a spirit and faith filled stay!**

## PASTORAL PLANNER DECEMBER 2023

DATE/DAY	ACTIVITY	TIME	RESPONSIBILITY
03/12/2023 SUNDAY	1 <sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT-DAY OF LITURGICAL APOSTOLATE	07.30AM 10.00AM 04.00PM	ST CATHERINE O.L.OF PIETY ST AUGUSTINE
08/12/2023 FRIDAY	THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE B.V.M	07.00AM	DAILY MASS
08/12/2023 FRIDAY	SACRAMENTS FOR SICK AND ELDERLY	09.00AM	PRIESTS
10/12/2023 SUNDAY	2 <sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT-DAY OF EDUCATION APOSTOLATE	07.30AM 10.00AM 04.00PM	KHURIS MILAGR ST DOMING ST JOHN FACUNDO
17/12/2023 SUNDAY	3 <sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT (GAUDETE SUNDAY)	07.30AM 10.00AM 04.00PM	CATECHISTS ST LAZARUS HOUSE OF BOM JESUS
19/12/2023 TUESDAY	CLEANING OF THE CHURCH	08.00AM	ALL SOMUDAI'S
19/12/2023	CONFESSIONS	05.30PM- 08.00PM	ALL PARISHIONERS
22/12/2023	SERENADING	05.30PM	PPC/PARISH YOUTH/ CATECHISTS/CHOIR
24/12/2023 SUNDAY	4 <sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT-COMMUNIO SUNDAY	07.30AM 10.00AM	ST PAUL ST FRANCIS XAVIER
24/12/2023 SUNDAY	THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD OR CHRISTMAS, SOLEMNITY	11.30PM	LITURGY COMMITTEE
25/12/2023 MONDAY	CHRISTMAS DAY-HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION IN OUR ARCHDIOCESE	08.00AM 10.00AM	ST IGNATIUS ---
27/12/2023 WEDNESDAY	MASS FOR ELDERLY AND SICK	08.00AM	S.S.V.P
	ANNUAL SPORTS	03.30PM	PARISH YOUTH
28/12/2023 THURSDAY	FEAST OF THE HOLY INOCENTS	08.00AM	CATECHISTS
29/12/2023 FRIDAY	FAMILY DAY CELEBRATION	06.00PM	ALL PARISHIONERS
31/12/2023 SUNDAY	SUNDAY-THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH	07.30AM 10.00AM	ST AUGUSTINE ST CATHERINE
31/12/2023 SUNDAY	NEW YEAR'S EVE(EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION AND SOLEMNITY HOLY MARY,THE MOTHER OF GOD)	11.00PM	PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL
01/01/2024 MONDAY	NEW YEAR'S EUCCHARISTIC SERVICE( HOLY MARY,THE MOTHER OF GOD)	08.00AM	St JOSEPH VAZ



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