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Message from the Parish Priest



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“Mother Mary, give me your Heart: so beautiful, so pure, so immaculate; your heart so full of love and humility; that I may be able to receive Jesus in the Bread of Life and love Him as you love Him and serve Him in the distressing guise of the poor.” - Blessed Mother Teresa. Our joy will know no bounds and the boundaries be no more

restricted; the sky in all its glory will be a ceiling of blue and white hues with mighty clouds, forming a nest of woven visuals that tune into the joy of the world celebrating the Feast of Mother Mary on 8th September! The Church, as one big family, will sing hymns of celebration – “Behold thy Mother” - Jesus’ most loved mother became Mother of all the believers of her loving son Jesus, bringing down the most powerful intercessory proclivity to mankind, interceding for us and obtaining grace for us! Our hearts will be forever grateful and this gratitude will be engraved therein for our lifetime! Thank you Mother!

I am sure we have all received through our Beloved Mother Mary, countless blessings in our lives, for her love is so immeasurable. Let our thanks to her be expressed in the tribute of spending time praying to her and praying the Rosary; taking part in Special Prayers and Holy Mass and by increasing our love for her while praying also for our

sanctification and salvation. Saint Louis Marie de Montfort said: “For God, having given her power over His only-begotten and natural Son, also gave her power over His adopted children – not only in what concerns their body – which would be of little account – but also in what concerns their soul.”

I thank you all for your untiring support in all the events associated with the celebration of the 175th year of St. Patrick’s Parish and for making each and every moment a memorable one for generations to cherish! Your mantle of sharing responsibilities are too numerous to mention. I thank each and every one of you.

“None of us got to where we are, alone. Whether the assistance we received was obvious or subtle, acknowledging someone’s help is a big part of understanding the importance of saying ‘thank you’.” – Harvey Mackay

Happy Mother Mary Feast to you all!

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Community Week Update

Community Week 2017 was a super success with great participation from all the Zones! This year's activities were spread over 3 weekends and had events to include every category of our parishioners and designed to

showcase every talent. Competitive matches were held in Carrom, Cricket, Dodgeball, Throwball, Football and even in Glass-painting, Clay-modelling, Bible Quiz and Variety Entertainment.

Congratulations to all the winners – and kudos to the organizers who did a wonderful job conducting these events over 3 consecutive weekends!



ACTIVITY	FIRST PLACE	SECOND PLACE
CARROM	St. Francis Xavier's Zone	St. Anthony's Zone
DODGEBALL	St. Anthony's Zone	St. Peter's Zone
THROW BALL	St. Anthony's Zone	St. Paul's, St. Peter's & Marian Zone
FOOTBALL	St. Peter's Zone	St. Thomas' Zone
CRICKET	St. Francis Xavier's Zone	St. Anthony's Zone
BIBLE QUIZ	St. Paul's Zone	Marian Zone
GLASS PAINTING	St. Anthony's Zone	St. Peter's Zone
CLAY MODELLING	St. Peter's Zone	St. Joseph's Zone & Marian Zone
VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT	St. Peter's Zone	St. Joseph's Zone; (3 rd Place – Marian Zone)

IN FOCUS: Msgr. C. Francis



Being a part of this wonderful Parish for over 2 years now, I am really blessed to be here to celebrate the 175th Anniversary. It was also an honour to invite the Apostolic Nuncio Gianbattista Diquattro for the Inaugural Mass. It's a great feeling to know that all these memorable milestones are happening during my time here and I feel truly blessed.

To see the St. Patrick's community working together for the blood donation drive, car wash fundraising campaign, community week, coffee table book release and most importantly the formation of the St. Patrick's Outreach Program, is indeed a blessing. These historical milestones will truly be cherished!

St. Patrick's is a vibrant and active Parish and we need to keep our faith alive and going. Gradually, one can notice that the entire community is working together towards a common purpose and reaching out to others through various associations and initiatives. The St. Patrick's Outreach Program (SPOP) has the potential to engage all of us, as we reach out to distant communities and create a lasting impact.

More about Msgr. C. Francis

Favorite food – Chapatti with Fish Curry, White Rice & Rasam

TV Programmes – News, Interviews, Singing Competitions

A Hearty Meal at – Nagarjuna and MTR

Learning Experience – Germany

Book – The Story of My Experiments with Truth, Mahatma Gandhi

Hobbies – Journalism, reading books, playing the keyboard

Inspiration to join Priesthood – I was raised in a traditional Catholic family where my parents used to attend daily Mass and I was an altar server. We were always in the midst of good priests who were role models to me.

Legacy – I want to be known for building communities, where there is good understanding and family spirit prevailing. Then, I know, I have fulfilled God's plan for me here on earth.

Important Days to Remember

Sep 05: Memorial – St. Mother Teresa of Kolkata / Teacher's Day

Sep 08: Feast – The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Sep 12: Memorial – The Most Holy Name of Mary

Sep 13: Memorial - St. John Chrysostom

Sep 14: Feast – The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Sep 15: Memorial – Our Lady of Sorrows

Sep 17: 13th Anniversary of Archbishop of Bangalore

Sep 19: 64th Anniversary of the Erection of the Archdiocese of Bangalore

Sep 21: Feast – St. Matthew

Sep 27: Memorial – St. Vincent de Paul

Sep 29: Feast – The Holy Archangels Michael, Gabriel and Raphael

Sep 30: Memorial – St. Jerome

Obituaries

(16th Jun to 15th AUG 2017)

20.6.2017 – Elizabeth Mathew – St. Thomas Zone

24.6.2017 – Louisa Helen – St. Anthony's Zone

10.7.2017 – Rose Mary – St. Anthony's Zone

21.7.2017 – Sebastian Fernandes – Marian Zone

27.7.2017 – Arthur Richard D'silva – St. Peter's Zone

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions - September

UNIVERSAL: Parishes

That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

175th Anniversary – Thanksgiving Mass and Release of the Coffee Table Book and Souvenir

The Coffee Table Book and Souvenir which captures the historical development of St. Patrick's Church since 1841, titled "Rooted in History, Steeped in Faith" was released on Sunday, 13th August 2017.

The Archbishop of Bangalore, Most Rev. Dr. Bernard Moras; Metropolitan Archbishop of Toulouse, Robert Lee Gaal OSB and Regional Provincial of MEP in India, Rev. Fr. Bonal Henri, presided over the Thanksgiving Eucharistic Celebration in the Church at 5pm.

This was followed by the Release Event of the Coffee Table Book and Souvenir

at the Parish Hall. Mr. Dominic McAllister, British Deputy High Commissioner; Mr. Remi Rovillon, Deputy Consul of France; Mr. Kamal Pant, Additional Director General of Police, Admin.; Mr. Charles Lobo, Post Master General of Karnataka; Msgr. S. Jayanathan Vicar General; Chancellor Rev. Fr. A. S. Anthony Swamy and many diocesan and religious priests and nuns were present for the event.

Archbishop Bernard Moras released the Coffee Table Book and appreciated the efforts of St. Patrick's parishioners in setting up an Outreach Programme to help the village of Kadesanahalli in Chikaballapur district, to have safe

drinking water facilities. The first copy of the Coffee Table Book, which was autographed by Archbishop Bernard Moras, was bid in an auction and fetched the price of Rs.1.25 Lakhs from Mr. Francis Pinto. The proceeds from the sales and from the auction of the Coffee Table Book and Souvenir will go towards the Outreach Programme.

The programme, which coincided with the close of the Community Week Celebrations of St. Patrick's, concluded with a fellowship dinner.

Fr. Bala Francis



175th Anniversary – Release of the Coffee Table Book and Souvenir in pictures...



Welcome to St. Patrick's

The Patrician is happy to welcome **Fr. J. L. Savari Nayagam** who has been appointed as Asst. Parish Priest to our Parish. Fr. Savari Nayagam was ordained in the year 2004 and belongs to the Heralds of Good News (HGN) Congregation. Prior to joining us at St. Patrick's, he has served for 6 years in various parishes in the Archdiocese of Melbourne, Australia as Asst. Parish Priest and Parish Priest. This is his second stint in Bangalore, as he has worked with the National Office of the Prison Ministry in Bangalore, between 2005 and 2008, in the capacity of Asst. Co-ordinator.



We also welcome **Deacon D. Joseph SDB** who is doing his Diaconate ministry at our Parish. He will be at St. Patrick's every Saturday and Sunday and will specifically focus on the Faith Formation of our children, besides assisting the Parish Priest in other parish activities. Dn. Joseph is currently studying at Kristu Jyoti College where he is about to begin his Pastoral Course in preparation for his ordination in December this year.



Media Coverage

In keeping with the historic significance of the event, the local media were present in full force to

cover the Programme of the release of the Coffee Table Book. The programme received extensive

coverage in both the English and the vernacular press.



Regular Activities within Our Parish

- Daily Mass: 6am, 6.30am (Tamil), 7am, 1.15pm, 5.30pm. Saturday evening Mass at 6pm (Sunday Liturgy).
- Sunday Mass: 6am (Kannada), 7.15am (Tamil), 8.30am (Children's Mass), 9.45am, 11am, 6pm.
- Shrine Mass: Every Tuesday at 10am in Kannada and at 6pm in Tamil.
- Eucharistic Adoration: Every Friday 6pm to 6.45pm.
- Adoration Chapel: Exposition every day from 6am to 7pm. On Tuesdays, exposition up to 9.45pm.
- Confessions: Every Saturday 5pm to 6pm at the Adoration Chapel.
- Altar Servers Meeting: Every Saturday immediately after 1.15pm Mass.
- Faith Formation for children: Will be held every Sunday after 8.30am Mass – up to 10.30am.
- Legion of Mary: Meetings every Monday at 4.15pm (Contact Ms. M. Menezes +91-9845426746).
- Legion of Mary (Tamil): Meetings every Sunday from 8.30am to 9.30am (Contact Mr. John Leonard +91-9916896446).
- St. Vincent de Paul: Meetings every Tuesday at 6pm (Contact Mr. Walter Fernandes +91-9901904718).
- Ladies of Charity: Meetings every first Thursday of the month at 4.30pm (Contact Ms. Stella Monga +91 8147971118).
- Counseling Centre: Open every Tuesday and Friday between 4.30pm to 6.30pm. (Contact +91-80-25587213).

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