

News and Views

Divine Providence Province



Dear Confreres

I hope that all of you are still enjoying the Christmas gifts of love, joy, hope and peace. Christmas is not just one day event but a season. In fact, we must experience the joy of the birth and presence of Jesus every day in our life. Harlan Miller says: "I wish we could put some of the Christmas spirit in jars and open a jar of it every month." In other words, Miller wants the spirit of Christmas to last right through the year - every month, every day, and every hour. I wish and pray that all of us may experience the spirit of Christmas especially love, joy, hope and peace all through the year.

Bible is a story of God's love. God is love. He has made us for love. St. John exhorts us: "Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love" (1Jn 4:7-8). What causes pain and suffering to self and to others is lack of love, hatred, revenge and pride. Many sicknesses are psycho-somatic. They are caused by our negative feelings and repressed anger and hatred. If only we were to follow the Lord's commandment of love of God and our neighbor (Jn 13:34-35); If we were only to follow St. Paul's advice and give primary importance to love, the crown of all virtues and have all those qualities in our love as described by him in 1 Cor 13:4-7, then the world would be different. It would be heaven on earth! Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. has this wise piece of advice: "We need leaders not in love with money but in love with justice. Not in love with publicity but in love with humanity."

A physician once said: "The best medicine for humans is love." Someone asked him: "What if it does not work?" He smiled and said "Increase the dose." Indeed, the best medicine for humans is love. It is a remedy and cure for all ills. If the present dose of love is not enough, we must increase the dose. Where there is love, there will be joy, happiness, hope, peace and every other blessing. In the New Year, let us put on love and bind everything in perfect harmony.

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- ❖ Our prayerful wishes and prayers to the perpetually professed confreres in India who are in their annual retreat.
- ❖ I humbly encourage all the confreres and the communities to send your contributions to the General Secretary by end of January, 2024 for the immediate preparation for the 21st General Chapter.
- ❖ I earnestly urge you to organize the local chapters in view of the 6th Provincial Chapter with due preparation before March 15, 2023 as mentioned in the 6th Provincial Chapter announcement letter.
- ❖ We continue to pray for the repose of the soul of Sr. Saleth, DSMP; Mr. Vincent de Paul, elder brother of Fr. Jeyasoosai, SdC; Mrs. Arputha Mary, mother of Fr. Praveen Raj, SdC; Mr. Sadhanantham, father of Sr. Jeyarani, DSMP; Mrs. Elizabeth, mother of Fr. Kulandaisamy, SdC.

FR. RONALD. J SDC

Provincial Superior

Provincial Calendar for January

1	- New Year Mass in Kallamozhi
2	- Funeral Mass in Kanai
5	- Funeral Mass in Thennur
6	- Visit to Thanjavur Trinity Hospice
7	- Baptism Mass in Avadi Chennai Installation of Parish Priest in Anthoniyar Puram, Chennai
15-20	- Annual Retreat in Papanasam
21- 22	- Visit to Sivagangai Community
24	- Marriage Mass in Ooty
25-26	- Annual Feast in Kallamozhi
28	- Local Chapter in Provincialate

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World Day Of Peace

The words of the Apostle Paul illumine the beginning of this new year: "When the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman" (Gal 4:4). The expression "the fullness of time" is striking. In ancient times, time was measured using vases of water; the passage of time was marked by how long it took for an empty vase to be filled. Hence the meaning of the phrase "fullness of time": once the vase of history is filled, divine grace spills over. God becomes man and he does so through a woman, Mary. She is the means chosen by God, the culmination of that long line of individuals and generations that "drop by drop" prepared for the Lord's coming into the world. The Mother, then, stands at the very heart of the mystery of time. It pleased God to turn history around through her, the woman. With that one word, "woman", the Scripture brings us back to the beginning, to Genesis, and makes us realize that the Mother and Child mark a new creation, a new beginning. Thus, at the beginning of the time of salvation, there is the Holy Mother of God, our Holy Mother.

It is fitting, then, that the year should open by invoking her; it is fitting that God's faithful people should acclaim her with joy, as once those bold Christians did in Ephesus, as the Holy Mother of God. For those words, Mother of God, express the joyful certainty that the Lord, a tiny Child in his Mamma's arms, has united himself forever to our humanity, to the point that it is no longer only ours, but his as well. Mother of God: a simple phrase that confesses the Lord's eternal covenant with us. Mother of God: a dogma of faith, but also a "dogma of hope"; God in man, and man in God, forever. The Holy Mother of God.

In the fullness of time, the Father sent his Son, born of a woman. But Saint Paul also speaks of a second sending: "God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, 'Abba, Father!'" (Gal 4:6). In the sending of the Spirit, the Mother also plays a central role: the Holy Spirit comes to rest upon her at the Annunciation (cf. Lk 1:35); later, at the birth of the Church, he descends upon the apostles gathered in prayer "with Mary, the Mother" (Acts 1:14). Mary's receptiveness to the working of the Spirit brought us the greatest of all gifts: she "enabled the Lord of Majesty to become our brother" (THOMAS OF CELANO, *Vita secunda*, CL, 198: FF 786), so that the Spirit can cry out in our hearts: "Abba, Father!" The motherhood of Mary is the path leading us to the paternal tenderness of God, the closest, most direct and easiest of paths. This is God's "style": closeness, compassion and tenderness. Indeed, the Mother leads us to the beginning and heart of faith, which is not a theory or a task, but a boundless gift that makes us beloved sons and daughters, tabernacles of the Father's love. It follows that welcoming the Mother into our lives is not a matter of devotion but a requirement of faith: "If we want to be Christians, we





must be ‘Marians’” (SAINT PAUL VI, Homily in Cagliari, 24 April 1970), that is “children of Mary”.

The Church needs Mary in order to recover her own feminine face, to resemble more fully the woman, Virgin and Mother, who is her model and perfect image (cf. *Lumen Gentium*, 63), to make space for women and to be “generative” through a pastoral ministry marked by concern and care, patience and maternal courage. The world, too, needs to look to mothers and to women in order to find peace, to emerge from the spiral of violence and hatred, and once more see things with genuinely human eyes and hearts. Every society needs to accept the gift that is woman, every woman: to respect, defend and esteem women, in the knowledge that whosoever harms a single woman profanes God, who was “born of a woman”.

Just as Mary, the woman, played a decisive role in the fullness of time, she is also decisive in the lives of each of us, for no one knows better than a Mother the stages of growth and the urgent needs of her children. Mary shows us this in yet another “beginning”: the first sign that Jesus performs, at the wedding feast of Cana. There, she is the one who realizes that the wine has run out, and who appeals to Jesus (cf. Jn 2:3). The needs of her children move her, the Mother, to beg Jesus to intervene. At Cana, Jesus says: “‘Fill the jars with water’. And they filled them up to the brim” (Jn 2:7). Mary knows our needs; she intercedes to make grace overflow in our lives and to guide them to authentic fulfilment. Brothers and sisters, all of us have our shortcomings, our times of loneliness, our inner emptiness that cries out to be filled. Each of us knows this well. Who can fill our emptiness if not Mary, the Mother of fullness? Whenever we are tempted to retreat into ourselves, let us run to her; whenever we are no longer able to untie the knots in our lives, let us seek refuge in her. Our times, bereft of peace, need a Mother who can reunite the human family. Let us look to Mary, in order to become artisans of unity. Let us do so with her maternal creativity and concern for her children. For she unites them and consoles them; she listens to their troubles and she dries their tears. And let us look upon that tender icon of the *Virgo lactans* [of Montevergine Abbey]. That is how our mother is with: how tenderly she looks after us and draws close to us. She cares for us and remains close to us.

Let us entrust this coming year to the Mother of God. Let us consecrate our lives to her. With tender love, she will open our eyes to their fullness. For she will lead us to Jesus, who is himself “the fullness of time”, of every time, of our own time, of each one of us. Indeed, as was once written: “It was not the fullness of time that brought about the sending of the Son of God, but the sending of the Son that brought about the fullness of time” (cf. MARTIN LUTHER, *Vorlesung über den Galaterbrief* 1516-1517, 18). Brothers and sisters, may this year be filled with the consolation of the Lord! May this year be filled with the tender maternal love of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. I now invite all of us together to proclaim three times: Holy Mother of God! Holy Mother of God! Holy Mother of God!

Pope Francis





TO DEVELOP A GREEN ENVIRONMENT



Bangalore: In December, the Department of Indian Design Export Pvt. Ltd. had an event about the planting of saplings in GPN. The Company shared the activities and programs that they participated in while at campus. CEO of the Organization, briefly explained how the NGO began and how it is currently running. Next, Fr. Superior shared how the inmates are doing and the various activities they are engaged in. He outlined the endeavors, which fell into two categories: personal improvement and skill-building. Personal improvement included occupational therapy, yoga, prayer, and life skills. Skill development included broom-making, phenoyl-making, coconut oil-making, pickle-making, and eco-friendly paper bags. All the members gathered on the campus at noon, where the saplings would be transplanted. Approximately 20 different varieties of vegetation were planted. The purpose of this project was twofold: to develop a green environment and also to enjoy the fruits harvested. The program presentation was concluded with a vote of thanks.

SUPPOSE CHRISTMAS IN THE EVENING SCHOOL

Cuddalore: In Cuddalore St. Joseph's Evening School, the three centers encompass nearly 60 evening school children. Most of them are Hindus and the children of poor fishermen. Every year, with the support of well-wishers, the Fathers try to gift the children with new dresses to help them experience joy in the Christmas season. This year they were successful in finding sponsors and able to buy a dress for each child. The teachers helped the Fathers with the selection of appropriate styles. At St. Joseph's Seminary on the evening of the 18th of December, they had a Supposed Christmas celebration for all the children. The sponsors and religious sisters from Cluny Novitiate were invited to the celebration, and their presence added inspiration to the students as they





performed Christmas carols and different skits. The evening school children and brothers exhibited their talents of dance, music, and songs as a gift for the newborn Baby Jesus. Sr. Juliet SJC, the Assistant Novice Mistress, gave the Christmas message to all gathered. The children were excited to go home with their beautiful new dresses.

CHRISTMAS WITH GOOD CHILDREN

Cuddalore: In Cuddalore, St. Joseph's Seminary has a program for good children called 'Guanella Daycare Center.' Fifteen special children come for the daycare program on weekdays. Their parents are generally destitute adults. This service had been previously provided by the Open House ministry. The current ministry program is undertaken by the community, trusting in the total providence of God. The community supports its expenses in the form of food, transportation, and salary for staff in conjunction with donations received. This is indeed a credible witness to our charism and mission in our locality. Mr. Joseph and Mrs. Josephine, our local benefactors, gifted our children with Christmas dresses as an expression of sharing the joy and love of the Christmas season. The good children were overjoyed to receive the gifts and experience the love of Christ in action.



SEMI-CHRISTMAS

Vatluru: "Education is the key that unlocks the golden door to freedom." This





quote was written by George Washington Carver to Booker T. Washington. We gathered our evening school children for the semi-Christmas celebration in Guanella Karunalaya on the 15th of December 2023. The chief guests were Mr. Malleswara Rao, a professor at the Ramakrishna Eng College, Eluru, and Divyabharathi CSSR. The guests shared the principle that "Education brings discipline, order in society, and happiness in one's life." The children were happy to have participated in this cultural fest and Christmas gifts were provided for everyone.

FEAST OF ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

Vatluru: "It is not the actual physical exertion that counts towards one's progress, nor the nature of the task, but by the spirit of faith with which it is undertaken." says St. Francis Xavier. The solemn feast of the patron of St. Francis Xavier was celebrated in a grand manner on the 3rd of December 2023 in the substation of Showripuram. The Most Rev. Jaya Rao Polimera D.D., the Bishop of Eluru, was the main celebrant of the Holy Eucharist on that solemn occasion. His message to the congregation described how the outpouring of the Holy Spirit inspired many individuals to preach the Gospel of Christ. Since we are anointed by the Holy Spirit through Baptism, we must become bearers and witnesses to the Gospel of Christ in our daily lives. Following Mass, those in attendance were treated to an agape meal.





BOYS' HOME CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION



Cuddalore: On the 19th of December, the birthday of our holy Founder, we, the boys' home community, had a Supposed Christmas celebration. We began with Holy Mass, and after that, we blessed the crib and continued the Supposed Christmas celebration. We gave Christmas gifts to all our Boys' Home students and domestic staff, tuition teachers, GLM& GC. Everyone joined in the celebration. Our boys performed some cultural programs, and the domestic staff sang and danced. All enjoyed this special day. We shared Christ's birth with joy, fellowship, peace, and charity.

CHRISTMAS GIFT SHARING FOR OUR BOYS



Cuddalore: On the 16th of December, Sagayamadha parishioners shared Christmas gifts with our Boys' Home students. Sixty-four boys were helped by our parishioners. We offered the Holy Mass in thanksgiving for the intentions of the good parishioners who shared with our boys. After Mass, the parishioners spent





some time conversing with our boys. It was a wonderful day, as exhibited by the smiling faces of boys and parishioners alike.

WORLD DIFFERENTLY ABLED DAY CELEBRATION



Cuddalore: On the 17th of December, the Don Guanella Boys' Home community and the St. Joseph Seminary community marked the Differently Abled Day celebration in Cuddalore. We began the program at 10 am with a prayer, song, and lighting of the kuthuvilaku. Our chief guests were Rev. Sr. Daria, Provincial Superior & FIHM; Dr. Josphine Christy, Eye Hospital, Pondy; Mr. Maria Joseph Raj, Chennai; Mr. Krishnasamy, RMK Super Market, Chennai. As a token of our appreciation, we presented the chief guests with shawls and mementos and they, in turn, thanked us for our service and mission. More than 450 beneficiaries were aided on this day. We distributed daily useful things, bed sheets, and other materials. The celebration attendees totaled approximately 600 people. As in all celebrations, there were some cultural events to entertain the visitors, and a delicious meal followed. It was easy to ascertain the success of the event by the happy and smiling faces of those guests as they departed. We thank both the community confreres, DSMP Sisters, GLM members, benefactors, volunteers, and well-wishers.

PHONETICS CLASS FOR THE BROTHERS

Cuddalore: Rev. Fr. Ronald, the Provincial Superior, offered a one-week course of phonetics class for the Initiation Brothers at St. Joseph's Seminary Cuddalore. He taught the brothers about phonetic symbols, sounds, word stress, and rules for pronunciation. Besides theoretical classes daily, Fr. Ronald also had practical sessions, encouraging the students to verbalize the sounds out loud and practice the correct pronunciation of words using the stressed sounds. This course will certainly benefit the attendees by helping them enhance and refine their pronunciation skills, which will benefit them in the future.





CHRISTMAS IN OUR PARISH



Anthonyarpuram: It was a joyful moment when we celebrated the great event of Christmas in our parish. As a symbol of sharing, this year, we gave gifts of sarees, lungis, bed sheets, and groceries to 230 families on the 24th of December 2023. To spread the joy of the season, from 16th to 18th, we visited the parishioners' homes to bless them and sing Christmas carols. With the cooperation of the people, the entire church campus was lit with different types of stars; as a token of enforcement, all the Anbiyams were given a Mother Mary statue, which was brought from Spain. We thank the Lord for His continued blessings and guidance.

25TH YEAR WORLD DIFFERENTLY ABLED DAY CELEBRATION

Chennai: On Dec 10, the 25th-year celebration of Don Guanella Special School was a joyous occasion filled with gratitude and reflection. As the school commemorated this significant milestone, it became evident what began as a small seed of an idea had blossomed into a thriving, impactful institution for differently abled children. Over the years, the dedicated





efforts of Fathers, the commitment and creativity of the school's staff, the unwavering support of the community, and the resilience of the students have collectively nurtured the seed into a flourishing tree. The celebration was a testament to the transformative power of education, compassion, and perseverance, marking not only the passage of time but also the growth of countless individuals whose lives were touched by the school's commitment to inclusivity and empowerment. As the community gathered to commemorate this milestone, we celebrated the countless stories of success, resilience, and inspiration that had unfolded within the nurturing walls of Don Guanella Special School.

CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION WITH PARENTS



Chennai: On December 20th, the Christmas celebration at our organization was a joyous occasion filled with heartfelt festivities with our children, staff, parents, and benefactors. We shared the spirit of giving by presenting thoughtful gifts such as tiffin carriers and bags to our special children and dedicated staff. The day was marked by vibrant cultural events showcasing the talents of both the staff and children. In addition to the joyous festivities, we ensured that everyone enjoyed a delicious feast of sumptuous food, creating a warm and inclusive atmosphere. It was a memorable day of togetherness and celebration, spreading happiness and kindness among our cherished community.

DIFFERENTLY ABLED DAY

DINDIGAL: On December 2nd, for the second year, our Dindigul community organized a celebration to coincide with World Different Abled Day. Three hundred special people came from 15 different homes. Bishop Thomas Paulsamy was our chief guest of honor. Some of the diocesan priests and religious nuns participated, and altogether, 500 persons were in attendance. The good children enjoyed the festivities and were incredibly happy. The guests were treated to an excellent lunch. All the children received towels and toilet articles as gifts. Our local benefactors, GLM, GYM, and





Kallathupatti parishioners, were involved in organizing this function. All those institutes that attended performed dance, music, and drama. It was a grand occasion.

BIRTHDAY OF OUR FOUNDER

Koppaka: On the 19th of December 2023, the Koppaka community was filled with joy and gratitude to welcome Fr. Provincial and to commemorate the birthday of our Founder. The evening was marked by a profound sense of unity and faith as the community gathered for an intercontinental Holy Mass at 7:30 pm. The Holy Eucharist was presided over by Fr. Provincial, adding a sense of reverence and significance to the occasion. The presence of the Vatluru community, Guanellian Sisters, and GLM further enriched the celebration, underscoring the spirit of unity and togetherness that defines the Guanellian family. It is through such gatherings that the Guanellian community continues to uphold its rich traditions and forge deeper connections that transcend geographical boundaries, uniting individuals in a common purpose rooted in faith and service.



**"The Magic In New Beginnings
is Truly The Most Powerful of Them All."**

Josiyah Martin





SUPPOSE CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION



Koppaka: The evening of 17th December 2023 was filled with joy and merriment as the students of our evening schools came together to celebrate Supposed Christmas. The event was a resounding success, bringing smiles to the faces of all who attended. The highlight of the evening was the presence of the Koppaka President, who graced the occasion as the chief guest. His inspiring message resonated with the children, encouraging them to strive for excellence in their studies and to embrace the spirit of giving during the festive season. His words left a lasting impact on the young minds, inspiring them to reach for their dreams. The festivities continued with captivating cultural performances by the students, showcasing their talents in dance, music, and drama. The energy and enthusiasm of the performers lit up the stage and filled the air with an infectious sense of celebration. As the evening drew to a close, the children were delighted to receive gifts, adding an extra layer of warmth and joy to the occasion. The aroma of freshly cooked food wafted in the air as it was served, creating a festive atmosphere that brought everyone together in a spirit of love and unity. It was an evening filled with laughter, love, and cherished memories that will be treasured for years to come.

TWIN CELEBRATIONS AT PROVINCIALATE





Provincialate : Silver Jubilee of the Guanellian presence in the present Provincialate and Suppose Christmas celebration with our evening school children was twinned and celebrated on December 21, 2023. The Provincialate campus was beautifully decorated with flowers, lights and posters. Confreres from DGMS, Parents of the students and the neighboring families o f the Provincialate also participated in the celebration Colorful cultural programs were performed by the students and the benefactors were honored for their generous contributions. Lastly, the function ended with the arrival of Santa Claus. Everyone was provided with sweet and sumptuous dinner. Children went back happily to celebrate meaningful Christmas at their homes.

LAUGH YOUR SOCKS OFF

Chelsea - A comedian with a national following, John Heffron, hosted a comedy show in downtown Chelsea December 1st. Nearly 300 people gathered at Collins at the Clock Tower bring gifts of socks and craft items for St. Louis Center residents as they prepared to "Laugh their Socks Off." John did an hour-long stand-up act that kept the crowd in stitches. Two residents and 3 Center staff members were on hand to receive the gifts: 794 pairs of socks, several games, and countless craft projects.



CHIRCO FADM CHRISTMAS





Chelsea - Each year members of the Italian American Cultural Society and the Federazione del Abbruzzese Michigan joined forces to kick-off the Christmas season at St. Louis Center December 2nd. The Christmas party began with Mass in the Center's chapel. The visitors prepared and served an amazing lunch. But the moment each resident was waiting for was when Santa arrived in the gym to distribute each resident a gift. The residents may have received the gifts, but the Italian visitors were blessed to be able to give from their time and treasure. They all expressed how moved they are by witnessing the care Center staff gives to the residents.

ADVENT RETREAT

Grass Lake - In order to properly prepare for the coming of Christ at Christmas, Fr. Leo Joseph offered a morning of retreat December 9th at the Shrine of St. Joseph. About 20 people came to hear the spiritual talks. Fr. Leo encouraged retreatants to ponder the nativity scene and place themselves there considering what the roles of the different characters were. Many went to confession during Adoration. The Rosary was prayed and Mass was celebrated. The retreat concluded with lunch for all the participants.



CHRISTMAS FUN WITH LAURA

Chelsea - Each week the St. Louis Center residents look forward to visits from Laura Rayer the Activities Coordinator. Laura works hard to plan activities that the residents enjoy. She also aims to teach them about holidays and other events that are happening in the community at large. Bowling is a favorite activity loved by the majority of the residents, even at Christmas.





A LIVING NATIVITY



Grass Lake - the story of the birth of Jesus, complete with live animals and beautiful music, was held on Sunday, December 17th at the Pious Union. Even though it was drizzling, over 400 people came to watch the program. We were reminded that Christ's birth, though it happened long ago, is still important today; and that we can share his story with others at the Holidays. After the Live Nativity, children in attendance petted the animals. The Pious Union Women's Guild served hot chocolate and cookies. Everyone said the program went well and thanked the Pious Union for hosting such a beautiful event.

LUNCH WITH LEGISLATORS

Chelsea - To keep local and federal legislators informed about issues facing St. Louis Center, the residents, and family members of the residents, they were invited to a meeting at the





Center December 20th. Rep. Kathy Schmaltz joined staff members from Rep. Debbie Dingell's office, family members of residents, benefactors and administrative staff of the Center for a short tour, lunch and a conversation. Some of the most important issues were discussed and positive relationships established to help make progress to benefit the Center.

UGLY DOG GIFTS

Chelsea - For the past four years, Ugly Dog Distillery, a local small business, has been the driving force behind a heartfelt initiative—an annual donation drive for Christmas presents for the residents of the St. Louis Center. Patrons of Ugly Dog were asked to bring in toys and crafts kits that were later delivered to the Center for distribution on Christmas morning. Once again, the Chelsea community delivered.



ANNUAL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Chelsea - Every year the direct care staff at St. Louis Center, help residents under their care prepare a skit, song, or other performance to be presented at the annual Christmas Program. The gym was transformed into a blend of a Nativity scene and the North Pole December 10th. Some of the residents danced and sang their favorite Christmas song. One group performed "How the Grinch Stole Christmas," another performed "We are Santa's Elves." Some became dancing Frostys, while another group attempted to "Melt the Snowman." The show ended with the ladies reciting "The Reason for Christmas," and a short chorus of "We Wish You a Merry Christmas." The gym was filled with many family members, friends and benefactors. The Knights of Columbus presented a new sweatshirt to each resident and the Parents' Association distributed gifts to all staff members. After the presentations, there was refreshments for everyone to enjoy.





YOUNG PILGRIMS



A group of home schooling families from St. Stephen Church in New Boston, MI visited the Pious Union on December 15th. Their pastor, Fr. John Hedges, accompanied them and offered Mass for them at the Shrine. During his homily, Fr. John urged us to look to the Holy Family for courage, in these times when the secular world tries to intimidate us. He also said that we must act with reverence when we approach the Eucharist. After Mass, Fr. John and the home schooling families visited the gift shop and enjoyed lunch in the Pastoral Center.

BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Chelsea - Saturday, December 16th was a breakfast to remember. St. Louis Center residents joined about 50 community members for a pancake breakfast and visit with Santa. Each person visiting Santa got a present and even had the opportunity to make and take a craft or two. 'Twas the Night before Christmas," was read to all the children as they waited for Santa's arrival. The parents and children alike had a great time mingling with the residents.





STAFF CHRISTMAS



St. Louis Center staff had the opportunity to enjoy each other's company, sing Christmas Carols, and have a few Christmas goodies Friday, December 22nd. Staff members who participated in the Secret Santa gift exchange found their presents under the tree. Frs. Satheesh, Franklin, David, and Enzo expressed their gratitude for the work of the staff throughout the year.

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS

Fr. A.C. Peri, Sdc, and Fr. Jose Jorge were the Celebrants for the Christmas Eve Mass at Sacred Heart Church. The Mass began with a candlelight procession with all the participants of the pageant. This tradition has been a special part of our Christmas Eve Mass for many years. Students from Sacred Heart School and the Religious Education program students acted out the story while a narration based on Luke telling of Jesus' birth was read by the second-grade teacher to all in attendance.





FEAST DAYS

22 - Fr. Vincent. S

Fr. Vincent. M

23 - Fr. Periyannayaga Samy S

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WISH YOU A

Happy New Year



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BIRTHDAYS

5 - Fr. Paul Arokiaraj. C

6 - Fr. Paul Dhinakaran. C

7 - Fr. Charles. A

9 - Fr. Francis Xavier

Bro. Ajish Aravindh

10 - Bro. Arockia William.

22 - Fr. Periyannayaga Samy. A

26 - Fr. Kulandai. P

28. Fr. Peter Sebastin

30 - Fr. Vijay Pilla



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HAPPY NEW YEAR