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Grand Parents and Elders are Blessings for the Family and Society

On July 26, the Holy Mother Church celebrates the Feast Day of St. Anne and St. Joachim, Mary's parents and the earthly grandparents of Jesus. The available information about these two saints are obtained from the apocryphal Gospel of James, which though highly debatable, may make us agree that to be the parents of Jesus' earthly mother, Saint Anne and Saint Joachim must have been faithful, devoted parents indeed. The patronage of Saint Anne includes grandparents, couples without children, women in labor, and women unable to conceive. Likewise, Saint Joachim is considered the patron of grandfathers, fathers, and grandparents.

Pope Francis announced the establishment of a World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly as a reminder of the important role they play as a link between generations. During his Sunday Angelus address January 31, 2021, the Pope said the day will be celebrated every year on the fourth Sunday of July to coincide with the feast of Sts. Joachim and Anne, Jesus' grandparents. "Their voice is precious because it sings the praises of God and safeguards the roots of peoples," he said. "They remind us that old age is a gift and that grandparents are the link between generations, passing on the experience of life and faith to the young." He added, "Grandparents are often forgotten and we forget this wealth of preserving roots and passing on." St. John Paul II, Pope Benedict and now Pope Francis have all stressed how important it is for seniors as a whole, and grandparents and great grandparents, to be the transmitters of wisdom to the younger generations, and how important it is for the younger generations to ask them for this wisdom that they've learned not only from experience but from, we hope, life-long reflection on the Word of God and prayerful examination of that experience of years.

In his Post-synodal Apostolic Exhortation, *Amoris Laetitia* (The Joy of Love), Pope Francis appreciates the role of the elderly in the family and society and exhorts the young generation to give their due respect to the elderly. He says, "We must reawaken the collective sense of gratitude, of appreciation, of hospitality, which makes the elderly feel like a living part of the community" (AL 191). A society that respects the wisdom of the elderly will move forward (AL 192). "A society that has no room for the elderly or discards them because they create problems, has a deadly virus", he says, "It is torn from its roots" (AL 193)

How important grandparents are for family life, for passing on the human and religious heritage which is so essential for each and every society! How important it is to have intergenerational exchanges and dialogue, especially within the context of the family. The Aparecida Document says, "Children and the elderly build the future of peoples: children because they lead history forward, the elderly because they transmit the experience and wisdom of their lives" (No. 447).

On May 10, 2022, the Vatican released Pope Francis' message for the 2nd World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which will be celebrated on Sunday, July 24, 2022. The Pontiff, as old as he is, includes himself among the members of this group and reflects together with them. Here below I present to

you a brief synopsis of the message.

- "In Old Age they will Still Bear fruit" (Ps 92:15): The Holy Father says
 that these words of the Psalmist are glad tidings, a true "gospel" that we
 can proclaim to all on this second World Day for Grandparents and the
 Elderly.
- 2. The Mindset of a "Throw-away Culture": This mindset consists of being afraid of old age and considering it as a disease to be avoided. The Scriptures see things differently. A long life so the Bible teaches is a blessing, and the elderly are not outcasts to be shunned but living signs of the goodness of God who bestows life in abundance. Pope Francis says, "Blessed is the house where an older person lives! Blessed is the family that honours the elderly!"
- 3. Be a Blessing "green olive trees in the house of God": From a spiritual standpoint the elderly people ought to cultivate their interior life through daily prayers, assiduous reading of the Word of God, reception of Sacraments and participation in the liturgy. Besides developing relationship with God, they need to nurture human relationships, starting from the family members, children, and grandchildren to the poor and the suffering people around by drawing them close through practical assistance and prayers.
- 4. Revolution of Tenderness: A new mission of enduring fruitfulness awaits the grandparents and bids them look to the future. The special sensibility, concerns and thoughts that makes them human; which is a sign of love for the younger generations, needs to once again become vocation of many. It is a spiritual and non-violent revolution which calls for active participation. They are to become the artisans of this revolution of tenderness.
- 5. Protecting the World: This is one fruit that the grandparents and the elderly are called to bear. As their own grandparents held them in their arms and carried on their knees; they ought to carry on the knees their own grandchildren and the grandchildren frightened fleeing from war or its effects. With practical assistance and prayers.
- 6. We are not Saved Alone: The Holy Father says that the elderly need to bear witness to those who erroneously think to find personal fulfillment and success in conflict. He says that we are not saved alone and happiness is the bread we break together.

The World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly, according to Pope Francis, is an opportunity once more to proclaim with joy that the Church wants to celebrate together with those who have been "filled with days". He has asked us to celebrate it together by (i) making the day known in the parishes and communities, (ii) to seek out the elderly who feel lonely in their homes and (iii) making a new friendship through an initial encounter. The Pope says, "Visiting the elderly who live alone is a work of mercy in our time!"

+ Shyamal Bose

The First Holy Communion at Ranigarh



5th of June 2022 was a memorable day for the twenty children of Ranigarh Parish, who received the First Holy Communion. Rev. Fr. Sirnus Topno, the Parish Priest of Ranigarh, presided over the Holy Eucharistic Sacrifice on that auspicious day. There was a great multitude of Christian laities who with a great devotion came up to join the children to share the joy of receiving Christ for the first time in their lives. It is also our great privilege to pen down that Mr. Sukhendu Sardar, the Catechist and Bro. Rajesh Naskar toiled hard in taking the special initiatives to equip them for the reception of Holy Communion. Rev. Fr. Sirnus Topno, being the main celebrant, delivered before us an exceptional and enriching sermon on the significance of parents' responsibilities towards children.

After having heard the edifying sermon, the entire community was overjoyed and started rejoicing in the Lord. Soon after Holy Mass, there was a photo session occurred in front of the altar with the main celebrant. Thereafter, there was a felicitation ceremonial programme hosted in our parish hall only for our twenty new born angels where they were gifted manifold holy articles and were served with healthy breakfast. The short felicitation programme came to an end through a short thanksgiving prayer by Fr. Sirnus Topno.

- Bro. Rajesh Naskar

পারিবারিক বৎসরের সমাপন অনুষ্ঠান

এক বর্ণাত্য অনুষ্ঠানের মাধ্যমে বারুইপুর ধর্মপ্রদেশে ভাটিকান নির্দেশিত পারিবারিক বছরের সমাপ্তি অনুষ্ঠান সম্পন্ন হল। ৭ই এপ্রিল ২০১৬তে বিশ্বগুরু পোপ মহোদয়ের ঘোষণা পত্রে (Apostolic Exhortation) বর্ণিত পারিবারিক 'প্রেমানন্দ' (Amoris Laetitia), যা পরিবারের উদ্বুদ্ধ পরমানন্দকে গুরুত্ব সহকারে অনুভব ও স্বীকৃতি প্রদানের বিষয়ে উল্লেখ করা হয়েছিল। সাধু যোসেকের পরিবারকে মান্যতা প্রদান করে, প্রতীক রূপে এই ধর্মীয় ও সামাজিক বছরের সূচনা হয়েছিল ১৯শে মার্চ ২০২১।

বারুইপুর ধর্মপ্রদেশের পরিবার আয়োগ (Family Commission) এই বর্ণবিশিষ্ট অনুষ্ঠান আয়োজনের মূল দায়িত্বে ছিল। ধর্মপালের সম্মতিক্রমে বেশ কিছুদিন আগে থেকেই এই 'পরিবার আয়োগের' কর্মীবৃন্দ কোমর বেঁধে এই কর্মযজ্ঞ সম্পন্ন করতে নেমেছিলেন। বিচিত্র রকমের অনুষ্ঠানের যথাযথ ডালি সাজিয়ে এক মনোরম ও দৃষ্টিনন্দন কার্যক্রমের আয়োজন করেছিলেন ঐ আয়োগের কর্মীবৃন্দ। অনুষ্ঠানের কেন্দ্রবিন্দুতে ছিল মহাখ্রীষ্ট্রযাগ। ২৯৩ জন খ্রীষ্টভক্ত ও পুরোহিত সম্মিলিত নৈবেদ্য উৎসর্গ করেন ধর্মপাল শ্যামল বোস মহোদয়, সাথে ছিলেন ভূতপূর্ব ধর্মপাল সালভাদোর লোবো মহোদয়। মহাখ্রীষ্ট্রযাগে ধর্মপাল শ্যামল বোস মহোদয়ের দৃষ্টান্তমূলক উপদেশ-বাণী উপস্থিত অংশগ্রহণকারী খ্রীষ্টভক্তদের মোহিত করে তোলে।

আগত খ্রীষ্টভক্তগণ ধর্মপল্লী ভিত্তিক দলগত ভাবে অনবদ্য সাংস্কৃতিক অনুষ্ঠান পরিবেশনে এই অনুষ্ঠানটি আরও প্রাণবস্ত হয়ে ওঠে। দুপুর ১.৩০ মিনিটে মধ্যাহ্নভোজে বিরিয়ানির সৌরভে পরিবেশটি সুরভিত হয়ে ওঠে। এখানে লক্ষনীয় যে ফাঃ সুরজিত, ফাঃ রমেন ও ফাঃ কনৌজ প্রথমে নিজেদের খাদ্য প্রহণ ব্যাতিরেখে আগত ভক্তমন্ডলীকে সহজ উপায়ে খাদ্য পরিবেশনে নিয়োজিত ছিলেন। এর ফলে তাঁদের মধ্যে খ্রীস্টের প্রদর্শিত Servanthood Leadership বা সেবাময় নেতৃত্ব প্রকাশ পায়।

পরিবার আয়োগের নির্দেশক ও সম্পাদক ফাঃ উত্তম নস্কর-এর সুচারু নেতৃত্বে ও আয়োগের কর্মীগণের যোগ্য পরিচালনায় এবং যুব-পুরোহিতগণের স্বতঃস্ফূর্ত সহযোগিতায় সমগ্র অনুষ্ঠানকে সাফল্য মণ্ডিত করে তোলে।







- অসীম ক্যাম্পু

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ধর্মপাল মহোদয়ের অভিনব প্রয়াস

বারুইপুর ধর্মপ্রদেশের ধর্মপাল শ্যামল বোস মহোদয় বিভিন্ন ধর্মপল্লীতে তাঁর পালকীয় দর্শন-কালে (Parish Visit) এক অনন্য সাধারণ নজির গড়ে তুলেছেন। শুধুমাত্র পাল-পুরোহিত বা ধর্মপল্লীর পুরোহিত মণ্ডলীর সাথেই সাক্ষাতে ক্ষান্ত হন নি, অথবা রবিবাসরীয় একটি আড়ম্বরপূর্ণ মহাখ্রীষ্টযাগেই তাঁর দর্শন সমাপ্ত হয় নি। বরং ধর্মপল্লীর সাধারণ খ্রীষ্টভক্ত সম্বলিত মণ্ডলী কেন্দ্রিক সংগঠন, যেমন ধর্মপল্লীর পালকীয় পরিষদ (Parish Pastoral Council / Committee - PPC) সমিতি, খ্রীষ্টীয় জীবন সংঘ (CLC), যুব-গোষ্ঠী, মহিলা সমিতি, সেবক দল (Altar Servers) ইত্যাদি সংগঠনের সাথে পৃথক ভাবে সঙ্গতিপূর্ণ এবং ফলপ্রসু বৈঠক করেছেন।

ধর্মপল্লীতে, ধর্মপালের দর্শন কেমন হবে তার রূপরেখা কাথলিক পালকীয়

ধর্মানুশাসনে (Canon Law) ধারা ৩৯৬-এর ১ ও ২ উপধারায় ও ধারা ৩৯৭-এর ১ ও ২ উপধারায় অত্যন্ত পরিষ্কার ভাবে উল্লেখ করা রয়েছে।

বারুইপুর ধর্মপ্রদেশের ধর্মপাল সেই সকল ধারা কেবলমাত্র অক্ষরে অক্ষরে পালন করেন নি, উপরন্তু ধর্মপল্লীর বেশকিছু প্রান্তিক পরিবার যারা মণ্ডলী বিমৃখ, যারা পীড়িত তেমন পরিবারে তাঁর পদধূলি পড়েছে। পাশাপাশি তাঁর মাধ্যমে সেই সকল পরিবারের আপামর সদস্যদের মধ্যে ঈশ্বরের পরম



আশীর্বাদ বর্ষিত হয়েছে। এছাড়া কাথলিক সম্প্রদায় ব্যতিরেখে তিনি অকাথলিক ও অখ্রীষ্টান সম্প্রদায়ের মানুষদের বাড়ীতে গিয়ে সকলের জন্য মঙ্গল প্রার্থনা নিবেদন করেছেন (মথি ২৫:৩৪-৩৬)। এর ফলে, সাধারণ খ্রীষ্টভক্ত যেমন অনুপ্রাণিত হবেন তেমনি ধর্মপল্লীতে অকাথলিক ও অখ্রীষ্টান সম্প্রদায়ের মানুষের মধ্যে সামঞ্জস্য ও সুসঙ্গতি অক্ষুন্ন থাকবে। দর্শন-কালে ধর্মপল্লীর আভ্যন্তরীণ সংগঠনের সাথে সরাসরি পারস্পরিক (reciprocal) আলাপ-আলোচনায় সমঝোতা বৃদ্ধি লাভ করবে, তেমনি পারস্পরিক পালকীয় (Pastoral) বোঝাপড়ার ফাঁকফোকর হ্রাস করতে অনেকাংশে সক্ষম হবে। এই সৃজনশীল পরিদর্শনের জন্য তাঁকে জানাই অশেষ ধন্যবাদ। ধর্মপ্রদেশের পরামর্শদাতা (Consultant) পুরোহিতবর্গও এই প্রয়াসে সামিল রয়েছেন তাঁদের সকলকেই জানাই উষ্ণ অভিনন্দন। - অসীম ক্যাম্প

Father's Day Celebration, Cathedral Church Baruipur

Father's day was celebrated on the Solemnity of Body and Blood of Christ, June 19, 2022 in the cathedral of Immaculate Heart of Mary and St. Teresa of Calcutta, Baruipur. It was to acknowledge and appreciate the role of fathers in our families. Before the mass all the fathers were welcomed and greeted with a flower and chandan tika. Miss Sharan Katwar while introduction cordially welcomed all the fathers and the congregation to join hands in prayer for them. The mass was offered by Rev. Fr. Rajesh Bag and concelebrated by Fr. Soumen Malik and Fr. Deepak Ekka. In his homily Fr. Rajesh Bag shed light on the three pillars of fatherhood providing, protecting and empowering. The youth of the parish led the short felicitation program soon after the mass. The MC, Miss. Sharan Katwar, introduced the program wherein Miss. Sudiptia Malita with her felicitation address made the fathers feel special on the auspicious day by applauding their loving, caring and sacrificial contribution to mould the life of children and family. It was followed by an action song. Mr. Mukul Gomes on behalf of the fathers gratefully acknowledged and appreciated all especially the youth of the parish for having greeted on father's day. The celebration ended with cutting of the cake.

- Miss Ankita Mondal



Dishari at a glance

Training for the Unit Leaders from 10th to 11th June, 2022

A two-day SCC training programme was organized at Dishari for the new SCC unit leaders as well as SCC members. A good number of participants from different parishes have actively participated in the said programme. In the 1st session Fr. Ramen Pailan, being a resource person meticulously interpreted the details of SCC and the 7steps of Gospel sharing and 4 marks of SCC. Next session was taken by Mr. Ajay Naskar, the catechist of 10 No. on the problematic area and the difficulties



of SCC. The Concluding session was conferred by Fr. Goutam Naskar where he enlightened the gathering with his compendious talk and guided them to form different SCC units.

SCC Seminar at Sabnamaskar on 19th June



"For we live by faith, not by sight" (2Corn 5:7). Followers of Christ must trust in God and live their lives accordingly. An impressive number of people came from different corner of the neighborhood of Sabnamaskar to glorify the word of God through SCC seminar. Rev. Fr. Prolay Boidya, the parish priest of Gosaba and Rev. Fr. Goutam Naskar being the resource persons enlightened the minds of the people and encouraged them to spread the Word of God through SCC. The seminar was concluded through the celebration of Holy Eucharist.

SCC Seminar at 6 No. Sonatikari on 26th June



"The Lord has done it this very day; let us rejoice and be glad" (Psalm 118:24). It was a great joy for the people of Sonatikari to experience the Word of God in the SCC seminar organized at Sonatikari. Rev. Fr. Ramen Pailan and Rev. Fr. Goutam Naskar, were the resource persons of the day. An eye-catching crowed of people took part in the seminar. In his session, Fr. Ramen Pailan explained them the origin and fruits of SCC. While explaining the seven steps and four marks of SCC Fr. Goutam Naskar explained them the urgency of Word of God in our lives. They have taken a special interest to promote SCC in their respective places. The seminar came to an end through the celebration of Holy Eucharist.

PARIBAR JYOTI NEWS

- 1. Children Mental Health at Haripur on 1st June 2022: Our animator Alorani Sardar organized a one-day seminar on the mental health of children in Haripur. In the seminar there were a lot of hilarious questions where most of the mothers said that we can't handle our children anymore. So, impatient that they at first began to speak very loudly about the mischief of their children. Then, on the advice of our staff and animators, they realized that they too had a special task to do for their children, and they promised that they would try to understand their children. Why are their kids doing that? Mrs. Joya Doloi
- 2. Marriage Preparation on 3rd & 4th June 2022: The participants in the training were very observant because they showed interest in every subject discussed and raised questions whenever there was any doubt. It proved their positive intentions towards life and marriage. They discussed sharing their thoughts and experiences openly within the group. They were active and spontaneous which provided a wonderful environment to conduct our workshops. Mr. Gurupada Dolui
- 3. Family Cell Follow-up Meeting at Gostomath on 6th June 2022: After receiving a good response from other Christian brothers and sisters, the members of the Family Cell made a plan through discussion so that the Christian brothers and sisters could organize and call a meeting. It shows their motive to work together, their interest and devotion to the people in their area. At present, they feel that they need some more time and

meetings for all these preparations. - Mr. Francis John Lobo

4. Parenting for Child Mental Health at Canning on 8th June

2022: Our Animator Tapas Mandal organized a one-day seminar on Parenting for Child Mental Health. There were many questions for their children. They said that in most cases it is seen that the children have become very restless. Our staff and animator explained



and made them a workshop to understand more clearly. After the workshop parents beautifully explained how much responsibility they have as parents to raise a child.

- Mr. Gurupada Dolui

5. Family Cell Meeting at Gosaba on 14th June 2022: After a long hiatus, the Family Cell of Gosaba Parish has been re-formed with the inspiration of Rev. Fr. Prolay Boidya, the Parish Priest of Gosaba. Now they understand the need for a Family Cell. So, again they start their meeting in a new way and they are willing to take responsibility. The involvement of the Parish Priest has awakened their courage and inspiration. - Mr. Francis John Lobo

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6. In-Laws Programme at Hotnagar on 14th - June 2022: With the effort and initiative taken by the animator of this area the programme for the In-Laws, was organized at Hotnagar under Mograhat G.P., with the participation of 72 In-Laws (Father/Mother). Discussions related to the

problems faced by them were discussed. Two Role-plays were shown related to their approach. Finally, the In-Laws understood how to create a healthy atmosphere and their responsibilities in the family, so that their son, daughter-in-law, daughter, and son-in-law



live a happy and peaceful life. Mrs. Joya Doloi

7. Family Cell Orientation at Paribar Jyoti on 17th& 18th June

2022: Looking at the need to safeguard the families, Family Commission Paribar Jyoti organized a workshop for the members of the Family Cell of all the Parishes of our Diocese. This workshop was a great learning for each one of us. There were active sharing and discussions on the activities of the Parishes of the Family Cell. The main discussion was about how to safeguard the families? Apart from these other topics discussed in this workshop were: 1) What is a Family Cell? 2) Why Family Cell is needed? 3) Activities of a Family Cell. 4) As a Family Cell member what can you do to safeguard the families? 5) Few things to be kept in mind while approaching families. 6) Seven habits to be developed in Families. After all these discussions the members shared that they gained the confidence to face the different challenging situations that might come their way to safeguard the families. - Mr. Gurupada Dolui

8. Family Cell Follow-Up Meeting at Raghabpur on 20th June 2022: After attending the training at Paribar Jyoti on the 30th May 2022 the members were really energized as they shared that the training has helped them to improve their husband-wife relations and in that way, they are also trying to help other couples. In this meeting, the members mainly focused on how they can improve more and more in trying to build good relationships with the families they are visiting. They also discussed the regularity of meetings, attendance, and contribution of funds and are planning for conducting programme for In-Laws. They are also looking forward to attending the "Family Cell Members Orientation Programme" at Paribar Jyoti. - Mr. Francis John Lobo

9. Animators Workshop at Paribar Jyoti on 22nd June 2022: During this workshop, the animators first presented their monthly activity reports which were evaluated and given feedback by all. They also planned programmes for the upcoming months in their respective fields. Next, planning and preparations were taken and put to action for the celebration of the programme "Family Love" at Dishari Pastoral Center on the 23rd of June 2022. It was so good to see them take great initiative. - Mrs. Joya Doloi

10. Celebration of Family Love: A Vocation to Holiness at Dishari, Pastoral Centre on 24th June 2022: A programme

indeed to be talked about this season is the Programme "Celebration of Family Love" held at Dishari Pastoral Centre organized by the Diocese of Baruipur with the cooperation of fathers and the team of Paribar Jyoti in



the presence of Most Rev. Bishop Shyamal Bose, Most Rev. Bishop Emeritus Salvadore Lobo, Vicar General Fr. Kanauj Roy and other fathers. However, along with this programme we also celebrated the Third Episcopal Ordination of our beloved Bishop Shyamal Bose, the



Bishop of Baruipur Diocese. Representatives of all Parish's Parishioners attended and made this celebration a memorable one as each Parish put up either an act or song relating to the Family life. Rev. Fr. Pradeep Roy presented a very informative session through his vast knowledge based on family life. Putting all these together really made the day an eventful one. - Mr. Francis John Lobo

11. Young Couples Programme at Paribar Jyoti on 25th& 26th

June 2022: It has been a great time spending these two days with these young couples because of their openheartedness and eagerness to learn and improve their husband-wife relationship. During these two days of workshops. They shared many problems related to their married life giving us a clear identification of misunderstanding and adjustment problems

among themselves. After going through different sessions and with their positive response we could feel them realize their contribution to the problems and a new heart to reconcile. In the end, they were so satisfied with having attended such a training



course that has helped to strengthen their relationship. - Mrs. Joya Doloi

12. Family Cell Workshop at Paribar Jyoti on 28th June 2022:



Since the Family Cell Members of some Parishes could not attend the previous workshop, Paribar Jyoti arranged for them another date to look into the interest of the Family Cell Members. During this workshop, the members shared and discussed the activities of their Parishes. Apart from this other topics are discussed as follows: 1) What is a Family Cell? 2) Why Family Cell is needed? 3) Activities of a Family Cell. 4) As a Family Cell Member what can you do to safeguard the families? 5) Few things to be kept in mind while approaching families. Thus, the workshop ended and the members showing more interest to learn and with confidence returned back home.

- Mr. Francis John Lobo

Palli Unnayan Samiti Baruipur

Major activities of in the month of June 2022

World Environment Day Observation

On 5th June 2022, Palli Unnayan Samiti Baruipur had organized the World Environment Day observation in its all project operational areas. The Project Coordinators, Animators, Social Mobilisers & Educators, Community Teachers and Children of Free Learning Center and Educational Sponsorship Program participated in this World Environment Day Observation.

World Environment Day is an occasion to think about how we are a part of the nature and how intimately and unequivocally we depend on nature for survival. "Only One Earth" is the campaign slogan and theme of World Environment Day 2022, with focus on "Living Sustainably in Harmony with Nature".



Some social program like Drawing competition, Street drama and Rally conducted in our educational sponsorship program for the awareness on Environmental pollution. Around 2000 saplings of fruits and other plants distributed for plantation in our project operational areas.

Motivational Workshop for the Students of St. Savio Boy's Hostel, Panchamkhanda

A three days Motivational Workshops was conducted at PUS HRDC hall from 6 to 8th June 2022 for the students of our St. Savio Boy's Hostel, Panchamkhanda.

Altogether 24 students and 4 Teachers participated in this motivational program. Fr.



Saumen Malik, the director of PUS Baruipur shared a brief introduction about the Motivational Workshop.

Mrs. Laboni Sil & Mrs. Bidisha Barman from FADV, Mr. Ashim Campoo, Mr. Sanatan Bagh, Mrs. Sujata Mandal and Mr. Sanjib Mandal facilitated the Programme as resource Persons.

The following topics were discussed as Importance of education, Roles and responsibilities of an ideal Student, Gap analysis and assessment of present situation the students and hostel as well. Career Counselling by following the SMART, Youth leadership development, Sustainable Education by following SWOT analysis for each individual and also the Hostel as a whole.

The Good & Bad effects of using Mobile, Child parliament and a demonstration on Psychosocial social activities was practiced in this motivational workshop followed by Power point Presentation, Video Clipping, Group Discussion and Role play.

At the end of the program, a Strategic plan was made as tools to identify Challenges and way to overcome it. The teachers have contributed with their full efforts for betterment of the students and made a Strategic plan how to implement in the Hostel's Activities and in the performance of student as well.

NGO Coordination Meeting

Palli Unnayan Samiti Baruipur conducted Block wise NGO Coordination Meeting at 5 Places namely, Namkhana, Kakdwip, Basanti, Gosaba and Kultali Block on 7th, 8th, 14th, 17th and 21st June, 2022 respectively. The

aim of the meeting was to exchange the idea and sharing their working experience on DRR issue in Sundarban.

Altogether 175 representatives from 50 NGOs actively participated in this coordination Meetings.

All the participants shared the activities of their organization special emphasis to identify the local DRR issue and DRR resilience model in the field of Agriculture, Housing, Safe Drinking water during disaster etc.

Parish Level Campaign on Social Violence Issue at Morapai

On 14th June 2022, Palli Unnayan Samiti Baruipur conducted a Parish Level Awareness Campaign for community adolescent Girls on Social Violence issue at Morapai Parish.

This is the first initiative of PUS Baruipur for conducting Parish Level Campaign to sensitize the awful effect of Under Age Marriage, Trafficking, Abuse and Violence against Women & Children, Domestic Violence and Adolescent Health & Hygiene.

Altogether 104 adolescent girls from different sub-stations under Morapai Parish participated in this awareness campaign to be careful about the details trap and temptation of trafficking and bad impacts of other social violence issues.

Psycho Social workshop among Community Teacher

On 15th, 16th, 17th and 20th June 2022, Palli Unnayan Samiti conducted a 4-day Psycho Social workshop among the Community Teacher at PUS Baruipur.

In the beginning of the workshop, Fr. Saumen Malik, the director of PUS Baruipur shared the objective of the



Psycho Social workshop for the betterment of the children. Mrs. Samprita Sengupta and Mr. Biplab Chakraborty from FADV shared the use of psycho social issue among the children during their teaching and learning at centre.

Altogether 39 community teachers from 9 Evening Learning Centers under SAD Langalberia and SAD Sundarban project participated in this Psycho Social workshop. Mrs. Bidisha Barman, the psycho social counselor of FADV facilitated the workshop as resource persons.

Mrs. Bidisha Barman shared the following psycho social issues like Empathy, Active Listening, Responding (open &close end questions), Learning styles, Protecting Children against Abuse, Effect of Parenting styles on children etc. which are need to be apply during teaching learning towards successful teaching of the children.

Distribution of Food, Health and Educational kit among 135 Children with Disabilities

PUS Baruipur has distributed the Educational and Health kits to 135 children with Disabilities on 27th June 2022.

The program is supported by Liliane Fonds/JVS.

The children and parents were happy to receive the Food,

Educational and Health kits consisting of Cooking oil, Satto, Coconut Oil, Tooth Brush & Pest, Detergent Powder, Pen, Pencil, Exercise Books, Drawing Books and Pestle Color Pencil Box and also Payments against Bills for their other Medical and Educational Materials.

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YOUTH

Youth Orientation, Gangarampur

On 22nd May 2022 we had organised a Youth Orientation Programme based on our National Youth Convention theme, "Youth for Synodal Church". More than 60 youths between 18 - 25 yrs of age took part in it. We began our day by Eucharistic Celebration followed by workshop based on our theme by Fr. Ramen Pailan, who elaborated about opportunities for youth in present world, increasing faith through youth and motivated by setting success stories of other youth. After which, Miss Pue Mondal (DEXCO) explained the qualities based on leadership and its importance through her session. After lunch we had a workshop by Mr. Sarbeswar Chakraborty (DYP) pertaining the ideals regarding miscommunication between youth and it's outcome and motivated them to work for Christ not for themselves. We ended up around 3 p.m. in afternoon following Fr. Ramen Pailan 7th Ordination anniversary celebration and a warm thanksgiving by Parish Priest and parish youth president.

Youth Orientation, Baidyapur

On 28th May 2022 we had organised a Youth Orientation Programme based on our National Youth Convention theme, "Youth for Synodal Church". More than 60 youths between 18 - 25 yrs age took part in it. We began our day by Eucharistic Celebration followed by workshop based on our theme by Fr. Ramen Pailan, who elaborated about opportunities for youth in present world, increasing faith through youth and motivated them by setting success stories of other youth. After which we had a workshops by Mr. Sarbeswar Chakraborty (DYP) pertaining the ideals regarding miscommunication between youths and its outcome and motivated them to work for Christ not for themselves. After lunch Mr. Andrew Gomes (DEXCO) shared his life journey in youth pointing out several situations he faced and overcame successfully, following up Mr. Raj Bag (DEXCO) also shared his life journey in youth focusing on the importance of responsibility and discipline. The orientation ended by 3 p.m. with a warm thanksgiving by Parish Priest and parish youth president.

Youth Orientation, Panchamkhanda

On 19th June 2022 there was a Youth Orientation Programme based on "Youth for Synodal Church". The parish youth joyfully took part in this program. The Orientation began with the Holy Eucharist by Diocesan Youth director Fr. Ramen Pailan, Con celebrant was the Parish Priest Fr. Abonindra Das. Fr. Ramen and Miss. Anupoma Baidya, Vice President of Dexco were welcomed. Fr. Ramen prayed for the parishioners and for the youth during the mass. Fr. Ramen took a session on the topic of "Career Guidance" He said to the youth that, they should have a goal an aim in life. And have to work hard to achieve it, also he guided them that how to respect each other as a youth, especially how to respect the girls. He said, we need to have a good outlook for everyone, because if we respect, help and love others they will do the same to us. Miss. Anupoma Shared her experience towards the journey of ICYM, and encouraged them to be the part of the Church and the society.

Cathedral Parish, Youth Orientation

A Youth Orientation for Cathedral Parish was held at Dishari Pastoral Centre, Baruipur on 26th June, 2022. The program began with a Eucharistic celebration at 10 a.m. after the registration. Fr. Deepak Ekka along with Fr. Rajesh Bag offered the mass at Cathedral Church.

After the Holy mass everyone moved to Dishari. The youth then felicitated the two Priests, Youth Lady Animator, Mrs. Susmita Katwar and Youth Coordinator, Mr. Rakesh Makhal. Mr. Sarbeswar Chakraborty, Youth advisor, then felicitated and introduced to the youth the newly elected DEXCO members who were present for the orientation. Then the advisor, Mr. Sarbeswar Chakraborty, was felicitated by the DEXCO. Leadership is not an activity but a process. We should never underestimate the importance of small steps. To become a leader a team is not the necessity. A session filled with motivation & knowledge taken by the Assistant Youth Director, Fr. Rajesh Bag. We were indeed enlightened by him. A mouth watering Biriyani was then served for lunch. After lunch, Dexco members performed an animation which everybody enjoyed. In the afternoon session Fr. Deepak Ekka threw before the youth the two choices. On the one side there is a hand of God whereas on the other side there are hands of various temptations of

present generation. All the youth have to make a choice between them in their life. The value of their life would depend on the choice they make. Choosing to place themselves in the hand of God will lead them to positivity and choosing to place themselves in the hands of different temptations will lead to negativity. After the session Atanu Panja, DEXCO cultural secretary, performed a workshop wherein the essence of teamwork was enlightened. Mr. Sarbeswar, the youth advisor, chaired a session on body of Christ with its practical implication for a youth. He then proposed the vote of thanks followed by a Youth from Cathedral Parish. Fr. Deepak Ekka too thanked & blessed everyone for having such a wonderful day. The program concluded with another animation performed by DEXCO. It was fun.

Summer Camp 2K22



A three day Summer camp, held at Dishari Pastoral centre, Baruipur was commenced with a Holy mass after the registration and Lunch of the participants from 19 Parishes. Rt. Rev. Shyamal Bose, the main celebrant along with Fr. Ramen Pailan, Fr. Rajesh Bag & Fr. Tushar Augustine offered the mass at Cathedral Church, Baruipur. The inaugural program was conducted by the youth of Morapai Parish. Bishop & the other priests were felicitated by the former DEXCO members. An inspiring message delivered by Bishop prepared the young minds for the camp. Fr. Ramen Pailan, the Youth Director, dictated the instructions & guidelines to be followed in the camp. It was followed by a delicious dinner. The day concluded with a Cultural program, conducted by Andrewdeep Gomes, where participants from different parishes performed exceptionally well. Second day began with Holy mass at 6:30 a.m. celebrated by Fr. Kanauj Roy as the main celebrant. A well balanced breakfast was provided. The DEXCO members as usual boosted everyone with their energizing animation.' Youth for the Synodal Church' an extremely difficult topic to talk about, but it was explained by Fr. Kanauj in simplest ways i.e. through videos, animations, biblical scriptures & many more. After a short break an animation was performed by DEXCO & Fr. Ramen. "Green is the new black" a tag line filled with curiosity was eventually cleared by Fr. Tushar Augustine. After which Sisters from Holy cross congregation, interacted with the youth, explaining about their ways of living, and welcoming the young girls to experience it. In the evening a soulful adoration was led by Fr. Ramen, through his powerful prayer. After which everyone enjoyed the dinner. Youth from different parishes once again performed various items passionately. The 2nd day concluded after the performances at 10p.m. The final day of summer camp started with a Holy Eucharist at 6:45a.m. Rt. Rev. Salvadore Lobo, the main celebrant along with the other priests presided over the mass. Everyone was energized with the morning food. After the Breakfast an animation was led by the DEXCO. An informative session by Fr. Ramen followed by the DEXCO election in the presence of The Chairman of DEXCO - Bishop Shyamal Bose, Youth Director -Fr. Ramen Pailan and former DEXCO members. The new DEXCO for 2K22 - 24 was formed consisting of 21 members out of whom 8 members formed the core committee of DEXCO. There was a short break after which Fr. Josh from Don Bosco Park Circus along with his technical staff briefed everyone about the technical field and encouraged all young people to create a better future by enrolling themselves into the technical field, then there was the oath taking & Thanksgiving ceremony. The ICYM Flag was then handed over to the NEW DEXCO by the Former members. The summer camp concluded with a mouth watering biriyani and bidding each other a sad goodbye, with the hope to meet again.



JULY

| 10 | Fr. J. Pathinathan | |
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| 12 | Br. Soumen Kanji | |

14 Fr. Sisir Khan

23 Br. Subilash Bar

23 Fr. Meghnad Singha

23 Fr. J. A. Santhanam Fr. Sirnus Topno 28

31 Br. Rajesh Naskar

Happy Birthday Dear Fathers & Brothers



Memorable & Admirable Month of July

| 12 | Fr. Watteyne Jackues, S.J. | |
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| | Most Rev. Henry D'Souza | |
| 28 | Fr. De Steenhault Yves, S.J. | |

Intentions for the Apostleship of Prayer - July 2022

Elderly: We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.

| Transfers and Arrivals of Religious in the Diocese | | | | | |
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| New Comers Designation and Place | | Transferred | from | | |
| Fr. Irineu Diniz SFX | Parish Priest of Gangarampur | Fr. Martin D'Souza SFX | Gangarampur | | |
| Fr. Nirmaldo Fernandes SFX | Curate of Gangarampur | Fr. Mildon D'Souza SFX | Gangarampur | | |
| Fr. Alexcius Kindo SFX | Director of Fr. Agnel Seminary, Gangarampur | Fr. Shriakus Felix Ekka CM | Canning | | |
| Fr. Jackson Lawrence SFX | Prefect of Fr. Agnel Seminary, Gangarampur | Fr. Salvatore Murmu SJ | Raghabpur | | |
| Fr. Peter Ashish Das SDB | Hridaynibas, Diamond Harbour | Sr. M. Rainy MC | Kacharibazar | | |
| Fr. Rajeeb Singh CM | St. Paul's Catholic Church, Canning | | | | |
| Fr. Ajay Lakra CM | Principal of De Paul School, Canning | | | | |
| Fr. Joseph Toppo SJ | Parish Priest, St. Joseph's Church, Raghabpur | | | | |
| Sr. M. John Paul MC | Superior of Nirmal Hriday, Kirtankhola, Baruipur | | | | |
| Sr. M. Anjali MC | Missionaries of Charity, Kacharibazar, Baruipur | | | | |
| Sr. M. Fiateres MC | Superior of Missionaries of Charity, Kumrakhali | | | | |

| Seminarians : Catholic Diocese of Baruipur | | | | | |
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| SI. No. | Name | | Place | | |
| 01. | Br. Uday Mondal | 2nd Year Regency | Cathedral Church, Baruipur | | |
| 02. | Br. Satyajit Naskar | 2nd Year Regency | Catholic Church, Panchamkhanda | | |
| 03. | Br. Soumik Mondal | 2nd Year Philosophy | St. Charles' M S, Nagpur | | |
| 04. | Br. Pritam Mondal | 2nd Year Philosophy | St. Charles' M S, Nagpur | | |
| 05. | Br. Rajesh Naskar | 2nd Year Philosophy | St. Charles' M S, Nagpur | | |
| 06. | Br. David Panja | 2nd Year Philosophy | MSRS, Barrackpore | | |
| 07. | Br. Nayan Bar | 2nd Year Philosophy | MSRS, Barrackpore | | |
| 08. | Br. Rohit Sharma | 2nd Year Philosophy | MSRS, Barrackpore | | |
| 09. | Br. Hrittick Hazra | 2nd Year Philosophy | MSRS, Barrackpore | | |
| 10. | Br. Subilash Bar | 1st Year Philosophy | St. Charles' M S, Nagpur | | |
| 11. | Br. Kenedi Kabi Ghughu | 1st Year Philosophy | MSRS, Barrackpore | | |
| 12. | Br. Rittik Kanji | Intense Spiritual Course | Amghata | | |
| 13. | Br. Soumen Kanji | Intense Spiritual Course | Amghata | | |
| 14. | Br. Pabitra Sardar | Intense Spiritual Course | Amghata | | |
| 15. | Br. Sudip Chakraborty | Intense Spiritual Course | Amghata | | |
| 16. | Br. Anshu Ghoroi | Intense Spiritual Course | Amghata | | |

NOTICE BOARD

Priests Annual Retreat - 2022

We are pleased to inform you that this year the Annual Retreat of the Priests will be held in two batches in Sanjibani, Krishnagar. The Retreat has been arranged in the following way:

Batch -1: Date - October 16 - 22, 2022, Number of priests 25

Batch -2: Date - October 23 - 28, 2022, Number of priests 25

This annual retreat is mandatory for all the diocesan priests of our diocese.

Bishop Shyamal Bose's Programme for the Month of July 2022

| Date | Day | Time | Place | Programme |
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| 01 | Fri | | Barrackpore | Inaugural Mass for the Academic Year of Morning Star Regional Seminary and G. B. Meeting of MSRS. |
| 03 | Sun | 07.00 a.m. | Bibirchak | Mass and Confirmation |
| 08 - 10 | Fri-Sun | | Kumrakhali | Mass and Pastoral Visit |
| 12 | Tue | 10.00 a.m. | Dishari - Baruipur | Meeting of Priests' Council |
| 13 | Wed | 10.00 a.m. | Sanjibani, Krishnagar | Family Commission |
| 14 | Thu | 10.00 a.m. | Dishari - Baruipur | Meeting of Laity Commission |
| 15-17 | Fri-Sun | | Basanti | Mass, Confirmation and Pastoral Visit |
| 23 | Sat | | Krishnagar | Episcopal Ordination of Rt. Rev. Nirmal Vincent Gomes, SDB |
| 24 | Sun | 09.00 a.m. | Baidyapur | Mass for 2nd World Day for Grand Parents |
| 29-31 | Fri-Sun | | Ranigarh | Mass and Pastoral Visit |