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THE DISTRICT UPDATES

Entry into the Novitiate



Fr. Chinnaiyah Polishetty (far right end) with the first-year novices.

On July 20, five first-year novices—Aievan Tete, Basant Toppo, Melwin Britto, Preeveen Kerketta, and Rohit Tigga—made their promises and entry in the novitiate program during a special prayer service. About fifty Brothers, Sisters, and the MLC members witnessed the promises of the first-year novices. Let us wish them blessings and prayers as they continue to discern their Marianist call.

Formation Meeting

From July 30-31, Fr. Jinu Muthukattil, Assistant for Religious Life, conducted formation



meetings in Deepahalli. The directors of the formation houses and the vocation promoters participated in this meeting where they discussed

current plans for the District's formation programs.

Directors' Meetings in Ranchi



Fr. Chinnaiyah Polishetty, Bro. Vijay Minj, Fr. Joseph Barla, Bro. Marianus Bilung, Frs. Birendra Kullu, Sudhir Kujur, Marianus Lugun, Rajesh Larka and Bro. Tony Nesam.

On July 27, Fr. Sudhir Kujur, the District Superior, organized a directors' meeting in Ranchi. This meeting gave an opportunity to the directors to prepare for the General Administration's visit to the District and learn of other updates from the District Administration.

Graduation



Bro. Augustus Surin and Birendra Kullu (seated middle) with the chief guests and the graduates of CRDP, Binda.

On July 15, CRDP, Binda, organized graduation day for the students who finished their tailoring, driving and basic computer courses. Fr. Amit Barla of the Hoffman Social Service Centre, Khunti, was the chief guest of



the day. He encouraged the students to utilize the skills they had learned from CRDP, Binda, for their better future. Fr. Birendra Kullu and Bro. Dulare Lal Lucas distributed the certificates to the newly graduated students.

Family Day



On July 27, St. Joseph Chaminade Academy organized a family day for all the family members of the school's children. The family day brought the school children's grandparents, parents, and their siblings for a fun-filled day of various group activities. The purpose of the day was to bring the parents and children together and spend time in games and fun activities. It also allowed the parents to meet other parents and build a St. Joseph Chaminade community among them. About five hundred parents participated in the event along with their children.

UD Immersion



Gyan Deep community Brothers with the UD students.

From June 15-July 14, six University of Dayton students participated in the cultural immersion program of the District. The UD students visited various missions of the Marianist family in Bangalore and Ranchi.

Blessed Chaminade Parish



Fr. Suman Dungdung announced that sixty young women and men from the parish attended a youth program at Kanke Parish. The program was successful and gave an opportunity to the young women and men to display their talents on many stage programs.

Graduation



Frs. Sudhir Kujur, (first row, fourth from left), Joseph Barla and Bro. Ashok Dungdung (far right end) with the new graduates of CRDP Budakata.

CRDP, Budakata, is a social initiative program ran by the Brothers at Maria Nivas, Budakata, which strives to assist rural young men and women to break the cycle of poverty. On July 30, CRDP, Budakata, organized a graduation celebration for the twelve students who completed a six-month computer course. Fr. Sudhir Kujur was the chief guest at the graduation ceremony and he awarded the students their course completion certificates.

Academic Success



Bro. Julius Tete successfully completed his B.PEd studies at the YMCA College of Physical Education, Bangalore, Karnataka. He was named an exemplary student of the college.



Bro. Saju Chittadiyil successfully completed his B.Ed studies at the Bangalore College of Education, Bangalore, Karnataka.



Bro. Antony Xavier successfully completed his M.Sc (Information Technology) studies at St Joseph's College, Tiruchirappalli, Tamil Nadu.



Fr. Arulraj completed his one-year Religious Formation Program at Catholic Theological Union (CTU), Chicago.

Fr. Birendra Kullu, Fr. Sebastian Bara, and Bro Pratap Guria successfully completed their D.El.Ed (Diploma in Elementary Education) at the National Institute of Open Schooling (NIOS), Delhi.

Farewell



On July 30, Maria Nilaya Community bit a farewell to Bro. Larry.

Prayer Requests

Please pray for the mothers of Bros. Ajay Soreng, Oscar Kerketta, and Julius Tete, who are ill.

Please pray for the Brothers who celebrate their birthdays during the month of August:

- 04 Lakra, Anuranjan
- 05 Mullangi, Mathew
- 08 S., Xavier Raj
- 10 Kujur, Anand Prakash
- Tudu, Santosh
- Kerketta, Oscar
- 18 L., John Paul
- 20 S., Arokia Felix Raja
- 21 Kandulna, Rajesh Kumar
- 27 Kujur, Sudhir
- A., Praveen Kumar
- 29 A., Santhosh Savarimuthu
- 30 Minj, Pulkit

