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THE DISTRICT UPDATES

Temporary Professed Retreat



The retreat participants with Frs. Santhosh Savarimuthu, Sudhir Kujur, and Nittamaria Varaprasad.

Fr. Santhosh Savarimuthu directed the annual retreat for the temporary professed in Bangalore from June 1-8. The topic of the retreat was "Sitting at the Feet of Jesus to Be Filled with Grace." Thirteen Brothers participated in the retreat, of whom ten renewed their vows. Bro. Andugala Naresh, a third-year scholastic, said that the annual retreat gave the temporary professed Brothers an opportunity to satisfy their spiritual thirst. They spent time reflecting upon what Fr. Santhosh shared during his presentations, all of which were excellent. Throughout the retreat, they encountered numerous graces through prayer and reflection. The whole retreat topic evolved around the importance of religious life in the contemporary world. His presentations helped the participants reflect upon their past and find ways to grow in holiness in the coming days. Fr. Santhosh encouraged the participants to be humble before Jesus and everyone else. Overall, the retreat gave the participants strength and confidence in their religious call as Marianists. The District Administration is grateful to Fr. Santhosh for generously offering his time to direct the annual retreat for the temporary professed Brothers of the District.

Blessed Chaminade Parish



A group picture of the parishioners with Most Rev. Felix Topp, SJ.

On June 12, Blessed Chaminade Parish, Singphur, hosted a grand celebration for the First Communion and Confirmations. Sixty parishioners received the sacraments. Most Rev. Felix Toppo, SJ, Archbishop of Ranchi, presided over the ceremony, in which about 1,500 parishioners participated. Fr. James Dungdung expressed his gratitude to all the parishioners who helped make the event a joyous one.

University of Dayton Deepahalli Program



A group pictures of the faculty members and the students.

On June 13, the UD Deepahalli Program reopened for the new academic year with a



celebration of the Eucharist to invoke the blessing of the Holy Spirit. Fr. Ignase Arulappen celebrated the Mass along with other formation community directors. This year, eight new students enrolled to begin their studies in the program. Altogether, this makes twenty-eight students who are pursuing their BA in Philosophy studies in the program. Let us wish the students and the staff blessings and success as they begin the new academic year.

Prabhat Tara High School, Singhpur



Bro. Sanjay Ekka with the students.

Bro. Sanjay Ekka, the headmaster of Prabhat Tara High School, informed us that all one hundred and eighteen 10th standard students who wrote the Jharkhand Board Exam have passed. In fact, one hundred and nine of the students passed the exam with the first-class results. Let's congratulate the students and the teachers for their fine work.

REDS Ranchi



REDS Ranchi motivates poor children to pursue their formal education in the various schools of Ranchi. A major challenge for the children and the parents is finances. In order to solve this problem, REDS assists the children with full

financial support to complete their education. Throughout the year, children and their parents are encouraged by the Brothers and the staff, and they are constantly reminded of the value of education. This year, REDS helped 32 children complete their 10th standard exam. Out of the 32 children, 28 students passed in 1st division, 3 students in 2nd division, and 1 in 3rd division. The Brothers and the staff are in dialogue with these children for their future educational plans and their careers plans. Congratulations to the students and the staff for motivating these students.

REDS Patna



Bro. Victor with the professor and the students.

On June 22, Bro. Victor Sahayaraj gave an orientation to the 17 students from the Patna Women's College on REDS Patna. These students will participate in the regular REDS activities to assist the children as part of their collegiate study program, and they will earn 4 credits for their service to REDS. This initiative will benefit the college students as well the REDS children.

Prayer Requests

Kindly pray for our Brothers and Sisters who are in the process of healing and for their speedy recovery from physical or psychological illness.

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

- 05 Lakra, Sunil
- 06 Gunja, Chittibabu
- 11 Arulappen, Ignase
- 16 Soreng, Ajay
- 19 Nesam, Antony

