

# ITHAYA KHADH

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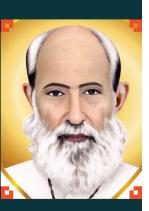
**JANUARY 2020** 





"Our Lord wishes that all the Brothers are Sweet in the Heart and **Humble** in the Mind"

Fr. Adrian Caussanel SJ



**SERVANT OF GOD** Fr. Adrian Caussanel SJ

#### **Dear Brothers,**

The New Year has arrived, and along with it we all have new goals, new aspirations and new hopes. While we don't know what is coming in the New Year, we can find hope in God's word, and maintain a positive outlook that things will be better than ever in this coming year. But first, we can't forget to look back on God's Blessings. God is always loving, and if we look at the past year, we'll find that he has been with us, and has been working in our lives – even when we don't realize it.

We came to the close of the year 2019 with much gratitude! Many events during the year have helped us to renew in depth our vocation as Sacred Heart Brothers and prepared us to live our Charism at this time of the 21st century. As the year 2019 ended, let us keep in our memory the various experiences that we have lived and witnessed;

- Experiences of Fraternity and Solidarity
- Experiences of Pardon Received and Given
- Experiences of Relationships lived out in Truth
- Experiences of Welcoming others in their Distress
- Experiences of Openness to Innovation and Creativity

We are beginning a new year in our faith life. It gives me joy to be able to share a few words with each one of you to help us frame the coming year from a positive, hopeful and God focused perspective.

In our faith, every New Year is planned by God. Through the new opportunities the year 2020 ahead holds, let us shift the focus of our consciousness. While facing the daily realities of an ever-changing world, let us anchor our consciousness in the changeless love of our God that we feel and experience each day. Let us choose from this moment to lead a mission-oriented life that bring attunement with God and make worthy achievements possible. It is important for us to remain attentive to the Word that is announcing Good News to us: may we receive God's grace to "strengthen the bonds of charity and solidarity between us", going beyond all frontiers or exclusions.

I thank you all for the witness you have given in your life and cooperation you have extended to the growth and development of the Congregation during the last oneyear. I request for your continued prayers for the Congregation and for my humbleself as we endure our ministry in 2020.

With the following words of blessing from Psalm 20:4, "May he give you the desire of your heart and make all your plans succeed",

I WISH YOU A VERY HAPPY AND PEACE-FILLED NEW YEAR 2020.

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Bro. M. Velankanni SHJ Superior General

### ITHAYA JYOTHI COLLEGE OF NURSING LAMP LIGHTING CEREMONY

Ithaya Jyothi College of Nursing celebrated the lamp lighting ceremony of 9th batch of B.Sc(N) students on 18.12.2019 in our college auditorium. The solemn ceremony began with prayer song followed by Thamilthai Vazhthu. *Hon.Kavingar A.JoeMalloori, big screen actor,* Chennai was

by lighting the traditional lamp by the dignitaries on the dias. Mrs.Suja Venisha M.Sc(N), Principal lighted the Florence Nightingale lamp and administered the Nightingale's Pledge. The students took oath by holding lighted lamps in their hands. The Chief guest Kavingar, A.Joe Malloori, big screen actor, Chennai,



the Chief Guest of the function. Rev.Bro.D.Gaspar, SHJ, Secretary General, Brothers of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, presided over the function. Rev. Bro.V.Lourdu SHJ, Superior of Jeeva Jyothi Illam, Rev.Bro.R.Anbarasan SHJ, Director, Best Note books & Thozhamai Illam, Rev.Br.AntonySahaya Raj SHJ, Correspondent of Infant Jesus Matric Hr.Sec.School, Ramanathapuram, Mr.Thennarasan, Music Director, Chennai were the guests of honour of the function. Mrs.T.Jeba M.Sc(N), Vice Principal welcomed the gathering and the dignitaries were honoured with shawl and memento. The function was inaugurated

delivered the Chief Guest address. The felicitation address was given by Rev.Br.I.Stephen Savariraj SHJ, Secretary of IJCN. Rev.Bro.D.Gaspar SHJ, delivered the presidential address. Rev.Bro.V.Lourdu SHJ, Superior of Jeeva Jyothi Illam delivered the special guest address. Mrs.Anto M.Sc(N), Asst. Professor proposed vote of thanks. The event was hosted by Mrs.Saranya M.Sc(N) Asst.Professor and Mrs.Sheetal M.Sc(N), lecturer. The programme came to an end with national anthem.

#### **CHRISTMAS DAY CELEBRATION AT IJCN**

On 21.12.2019 we celebrated the Christmas at Ithaya Jyothi College of Nursing premises. All the institutions functioning under Jeeva Jyothi Community came together to celebrate the nativity of our Lord Jesus Christ. The students of Nursing College invoked the blessings through a ceremonial prayer song. Rev. Bro. I. Stephen Savariraj SHJ, Secretary, IJCN, welcomed the gathering and honoured the president and guests of honour of the function. Children from Thozhamai Illam and Nursing College students added colour to the celebration through their enchanting and eye-catching cultural programs. Rev. Fr. Mariadass SJ, the principal of St. Xavier's College delivered the Christmas message. The program came to an end with vote of thanks proposed by Ms. YogaPriya. M IV year student, followed by the fraternal dinner.



By the grace of our Lord our Thozhamai Illam is always a pet project of our organization and brings great pleasure to all who involved in that service.

It is pleasing to note that the descendants of Rev. Fr. Caussanel SJ visited our place on 23rd November 2019. We arranged special meeting to welcome the seven special visitors. The Director Rev. Br. R.Anbarasan SHJ gave warm welcome to all and the visitors were honoured with "Ponnadai". Our children performed two dances and three of them delivered speech in the meeting and shared their happiness in seeing the children of Thozhamai Illam. Our Project Coordinator Mr. S.M.A. Mahendran proposed vote of thanks. Maheswari and Anand acted as MC and the Director translated it from Tamil to French and French to Tamil.

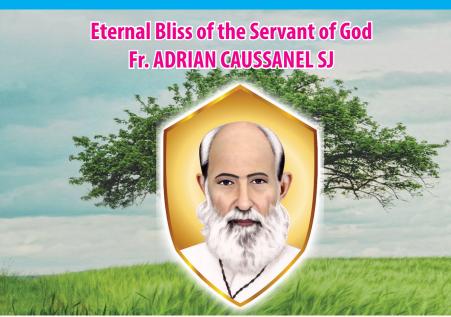
The VIPs from St. Xavier's College Alumni Association visited our place on 14th December 2019 for their Christmas Celebrations 2019. The Secretary of St. Xavier's College and Director of Alumni/ae Association Rev. Fr. Dr. Alphonse Manickam, SJ delivered Christmas Message. In his message, he assured to give full fee concession to the students pursuing degree course from Thozhamai Illam. The Principal of the college Rev. Fr. Mariadoss, SJ also gave Christmas Message and he assured for full support to Thozhamailllam. The Director Rev. Br. R.Anbarasan SHJ welcomed the visitors and honored them with "Ponnadai". He also outlined the services and activities of our Illam through Power Point while addressing his felicitation. An E.C. Member of the Association Prof. Dr. Valanarasu gave warm welcome on behalf of Alumni Association and honored the Staff of Thozhamai Illam with "Ponnadai". The Chairman of Alumni/ae Association Justice David Christian (Retired High Court Judge) gave

an encouraging felicitation and gave away the Christmas gifts to the children. Mr. M. P. Alagianambi, Vice Chairman and the two Secretaries of the Association Mr. Muthukrishnan and Prof.Dr.Charlet, two other members Mr. Arumugam and Mr. Mohan Chellappa were the other guests of honor in that event. Our children performed two excellent dances to entertain the visitors. Our Project Coordinator Mr. S.M.A. Mahendran proposed vote of thanks and he also requested the cooperation of the college in the fund raising program "LIYASKAR". Mr. P. Fazul Rhuman, E.C. Member, Alumni Association acted as Master of Ceremony. They all joined us in the grand lunch provided by the Alumni/ae Association.

We celebrated Christmas on 22nd December along with Ithaya Jyothi College of Nursing in the premises of the college. Our children performed six dances – three by boys and three by girls. The Oyilattam and Thrilling dance by girls & boys were the highlights among the program. The Principal of St. Xavier's College Rev. Fr. Mariadhas SJ delivered Christmas Message in which he appreciated the participants of the program. The Superior of the Jeeva Jyothi Community Rev. Br. Lourdu SHJ presided over the program. Two students of Nursing College and Anisha of Thozhamai Illam synchronised the programme. The celebration was organized by Rev. Br. R.Anbarasan SHJ, Director of Thozhamai Illam and Rev. Br.I. Stephen Savariraj, SHJ, Secretary of Ithaya Jyothi College of Nursing, who gave warm welcome to all and emphasized the audience to support the fund-raising effort of Thozhamai Illam. The college hosted the whole program and the grand dinner for Thozhamai Illam.

> S.M.A. Mahendran Project Coordinator





Twenty fifth of January every year rekindles in us the zeal and fervor of our Founder Rev. Fr.Adrian Caussanel SJ as we commemorate this year the 90th anniversary of his eternal bliss in a solemn and ceremonial way.

Let us adorn his ardent missionary zeal, evangelical simplicity, spirit of poverty and untiring activity in order to translate the Charism of our Congregation into visible reality. It is high time, we recollect his golden words and reflect in our daily life all his virtues to realize, "Thy Kingdom Come".

#### WELCOME TO OUR NEW BISHOP

On the Gaudete Sunday, December 15, 2019, our Superior General and many Brothers of the Sacred Heart



of Jesus witnessed in Palayamkottai the Episcopal Ordination of the Shepherd of the Diocese of Palayamkottai whom His Holiness, the Pope proclaimed as the Bishop.

Rt.Rev.Dr.Antonysamy Savarimuthu D.D., D.C.L is closely associated with the Institute of the Brothers of the Sacred Heart. His dynamism, illustrious leadership and kind hearted gestures were experienced by us when he was the Vicar General of Palayamkottai Diocese.

**The Superior General and his Councillors, greeted him** with warm welcome at the Bishop's House on December 21, 2019 and solicited his blessings.

On behalf of the Brothers of the Sacred

Heart of Jesus we express our sense of Joy and extend our wishes to the third Bishop of the Diocese of Palayamkottai whose motto, "Do not Fear, only Believe" (Lk 8:50) is the spiritual message to everyone.



## His Holiness the Pope's Prayer Intension for January 2020

#### **Promotion of World Peace**

"In a divided and fragmented World, I want to invite all believers and also all people of goodwill, to reconciliation and fraternity.

Our faith leads us to spread the values of peace and mutual understanding of the common good.

We pray that Christians, followers of other religions and all people of goodwill may promote together peace and justice in the World".

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SUPERIOR GENERAL'S PROGRAM JANUARY - 2020			
DATE	DAY	PROGRAM	
01.01.2020	WEDNESDAY	Happy New Year & Prayer Meeting @ Arputha Yorthan	
02.01.2020	THURSDAY	General Consult	
03.01.2020	FRIDAY	Generalate	
04.01.2020	SATURDAY	Generalate	
05.01.2020	SUNDAY	Monthly Recollection	
		New Prayer Meeting @ Palayamkottai	
06.01.2020	MONDAY	Valispettai	
07.01.2020	TUESDAY	Trichy(Meeting with Advocate and PIME Bishop)	
08.01.2020	WEDNESDAY	Generalate	
09.01.2020	THURSDAY	Generalate	
10.01.2020	FRIDAY	Convention for Young Religious of TNCRI, Tindivanam & Retirement Function @ Athipet	
11.01.2020 to 19.01.2020	SATURDAY Sunday	Bangalore – Jubilee Retreat	
20.01.2020	MONDAY	Meeting with Lumen Institute-Tindivanam	
21.01.2020	TUESDAY	General Consult	
22.01.2020	WEDNESDAY	Inauguration of Year of Youth 2020 at St.Mary's School-Kulaichal	
23.01.2020	THURSDAY	Generalate	
24.01.2020	FRIDAY	Welcome to Auxiliary Bp.Mathias	
25.01.2020	SATURDAY	90th Death Anniversary of our Founder Fr. Adrian Caussanel	
26.01.2020	SUNDAY	Republic Day	
27.01.2020	MONDAY	R S Mangalam	
28.01.2020	TUESDAY	Generalate	
29.01.2020	WEDNESDAY	Canonical Visit-Angelo Matriculation School	
30.01.2020	THURSDAY	Devikapuram	
31.01.2020	FRIDAY	Generalate	

SUPERIOR GENERAL'S PROGRAM FEBRUARY - 2020			
DATE	DAY	PROGRAM	
01.02.2020	SATURDAY	Retirement Function @ Naranammalpuram	
02.02.2020	SUNDAY	Monthly Recollection	
03 to 05.02.2020	MONDAY	Canonical Visit-Jeeva Jyothi	
06 & 07.02.2020	THURSDAY	Canonical Visit-Dindigul	
08 to 10.02.2020	SATURDAY	Generalate	
11.02.2020	TUESDAY	Foundation Day	
12 & 13.02.2020	WEDNESDAY	Canonical Visit-Lingarajapuram Meeting with Ms.Bettina, Bangalore	
14 & 15.02.2020	FRIDAY	Canonical Visit-Geddalahalli	
16 to 18.02.2020	SUNDAY	Canonical Visit-Bihar Shariff	
19.02.2020	WEDNESDAY	Canonical Visit-Bachhoda	
20.02.2020	THURSDAY	Canonical Visit-Formation House Dhani	
21.02.2020	FRIDAY	Canonical Visit-Dhani	
22 to 24.02.2020	SATURDAY	Generalate	
26 & 27.02.2020	WEDNESDAY	Canonical Visit-Khammam	
28 & 29.02.2020	FRIDAY	Meeting with Superior General of PIME, Eluru	

#### My dear Brothers,

It is a great pleasure and joy for me to convey to each one of you the warmest wishes of Christmas with hope and promises. I wanted to express my deep thanks to you all. Your intentions will be remembered in my Christmas Mass.

Christmas is about abiding relationships, leading humans to be in communion with God, with one another and the cosmos. As we celebrate the birth of Jesus, we contemplate the mystery of the Incarnation of the Word of God. The Incarnation can be seen as God's migration from the Heavens to the Earth, from the Sacred to the Secular, and from the Divine to the Brokenness of our Human Life.

During the advent season, the Scripture readings in the liturgy have spoken to us of God's vision for a world renewed. God promises a world in which justice reigns and love unites people of every race, language, creed and way of life. God speaks to the world in images and language and hope that moves the human heart.

The recent happenings in our country have instilled a sense of unease and insecurity among

minorities leading to disturbances and violences across the country. We are witnessing a turbulent atmosphere, which poses a threat to the democratic principles and secular fabric enshrined in our Constitution. India has a moral responsibility towards religious minorities. In a culturally diverse country like ours, Christmas should symbolizes unity, solidarity and peace. Therefore, during this Holy Season of Christmas, let us move from "being fear-driven to being love-drawn". We don't know what we are going to face in 2020, but there's one thing we do know, God is with us and God will never abandon us.

As we celebrate this Christmas, may the Spirit of Jesus lead us more deeply into the mystery of our humanity so that we may also grow in our missionary solidarity - with one another and with marginalized.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR 2020

Br.M.Velankanni SHJ Superior General.

