

In the Footsteps of a Pilgrim - St. Ignatius of Loyola
“Ad Majorem Dei Gloriam”

With great joy and anticipation, I journeyed to Kodaikanal to attend the Roots and Wings 2025 program. I was deeply touched by the scenic beauty of the place - its forested valleys, serene lakes, cascading waterfalls, grassy hills, and the unique star-shaped lake bordered by evergreen forests. The location radiated the exquisite touch of the Creator, filled with divine presence. Amidst the coolness of the external climate, we the participants felt an inner warmth - a deep yearning to learn and grow in the richness of Ignatian spirituality.



Roots and Wings is a program organized by the Secretariat of Faith, Jesuit Conference of South Asia, offering participants an in-depth understanding of Ignatian Spirituality. The group was a beautiful blend of seasoned Jesuit fathers, scholarly mentors, enthusiastic young Jesuits, and we six sisters. Much credit goes to Fr. Devadhas Muthiah SJ and Fr. Augustine John Peter SJ, whose meticulous planning ensured our stay, both enriching and comfortable.

The first module, led by Fr. William Sequeira SJ, focused on the Autobiography of St. Ignatius. Revisiting the life and conversion of St. Ignatius set the tone for the subsequent modules in a very meaningful way. Fr. Pavulraj Michael SJ then guided us through the Spiritual Exercises, helping us to experience intimate encounters with God. He emphasized that the primary goal of the Exercises is to help retreatants break free from disordered attachments and move towards a life of service and purpose.

Fr. Arul Sivan SJ introduced us to the Constitutions, highlighting that they are more than just rules-they reflect the mind and spirit of St. Ignatius, guiding us to live in a way that is pleasing to God. Fr. Francis Pudhicherry SJ shared insights from the Spiritual Diary and Letters of St. Ignatius, which invited us into a deeper understanding of his spiritual journey and legacy.

The month-long Ignatian journey culminated in a pilgrimage and retreat. We visited St. John de Britto's martyrdom site in Oriyur, Sivagangai Diocese-a powerful experience embodying Ignatian courage and sacrifice. The words of Matthew 16:25, "*Whoever loses their life for my sake will find it,*" resonated deeply with us. The final eight-day retreat, directed by Fr. Irudayaraj Manickam SJ, allowed us to internalize all we had experienced through silent meditation and reflection, deepening our awareness of *finding God in all things*.

The Roots and Wings course was truly a precious opportunity to pause, reflect, and grow-both personally and spiritually. True to its name, the course helped me reconnect with the roots of my congregation-the foundation of my vocation, my values, and the essence of community life - while strengthening my wings to face the future with renewed energy, hope, and inner freedom.

A significant source of the program's richness was the diversity of participants. Each person brought unique experiences, insights, and inspirations. We journeyed together as companions, creating an atmosphere of trust, encouragement, and shared learning.



I would like to sincerely thank Sr. Thresiamma Kudiyiruppil, our Provincial, and the Council members for granting me this opportunity. This experience has been both personally and professionally enriching, and I am truly grateful for the investment made in my growth. I assure you of my continued commitment and dedication, carrying forward the spirit and values you have nurtured in me.

A heartfelt thanks to my community members for their support, understanding, and generosity in sharing my responsibilities during my time away.

- **Sr. Margaret Mary Gothi**

St. Philomena's Hospital: We congratulate the administrator and the staff of St. Philomena's Hospital for achieving A+++ HRP (ASSESSED, ASSURED AND ACCREDITED HIGH RISK PREGNANCY) Care Centre Accreditation Certificate.



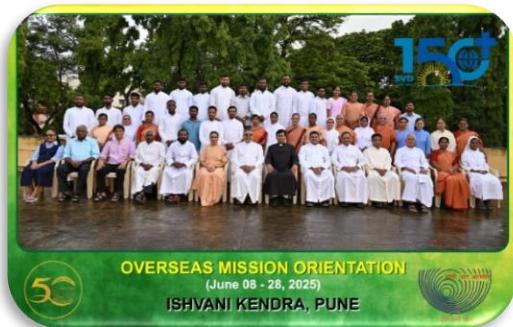
Life is a Mission Born for Mission – A Journey of the Heart

“I am a mission on this Earth; that is the reason why I am here in this world.”

These powerful words from Evangelii Gaudium (273) reminds us that mission is not just something we do - it is who we are.

The Mission Orientation Programme is more than a course; it is a sacred journey of becoming. It prepares hearts and minds, especially of religious and missionaries, to step into the world with purpose. Rooted in Christ and guided by the Spirit, this programme deepens spiritual foundations, fosters intercultural awareness, and instils the core values needed for mission life. It shapes us to serve with joy, to listen with compassion, and to walk humbly with those we are sent to. With an open heart and a ready spirit, we are formed not just to go on mission - but to be the mission.

A Missionary is.... Sent with Purpose: Living Our Mission on Earth, Called, Formed, and Sent: Embracing the Joy of Mission, with a Missionary Heart: Serving with Love, Joy, and Compassion, Witnesses of Christ: Prepared to Serve, Ready to Love, Rooted in Prayer, Growing in Mission, formed for the World: Living the Charism in Every Culture.



Insights Gained from the Mission Orientation Sessions:

The sessions enriched us with deep understanding and valuable inspiration for our missionary journey. The following key learnings resonated deeply with us:

- Prayer as the Foundation: Dependence on God through constant prayer strengthens our relationship with Him and empowers us to embrace the mission with courage and faith.
- Cultural Sensitivity and Interfaith Harmony: Encountering diverse cultures and religions urged us to adapt, accept, and adjust to new environments, embracing the mission through the lens of our unique Charism.
- Creativity and Innovation: Innovative thinking and practical implementation are essential tools for bringing freshness and effectiveness to our mission efforts.
- Joyful Witness: “God loves a cheerful giver.” A smiling face and joyful presence can bring light and hope to the people we serve.
- Using Our Gifts: Generously offering our God-given talents in creative ways uplifts and enhances the impact of our missionary work.
- Effective Communication: Clear and compassionate communication is vital in nurturing both community life and mission outreach.
- Humility and Simplicity: A humble, approachable, and socially grounded attitude wins hearts and builds bridges in mission contexts.
- Living in Communion: Community life calls us to walk together in simplicity, obedience, and loving service, reflecting the Gospel through our way of living.

With a heart full of gratitude, we stand before you to express our sincere thanks to our dear Provincial and her dedicated team for giving us precious opportunity to attend the Mission Orientation Programme.

Thank you for your foresight, support, and encouragement in preparing us for the mission ahead. This programme has been a transformative experience enriching us spiritually, broadening our intercultural understanding, and deepening our commitment to the mission entrusted to us.

Your constant guidance, trust, and care made it possible for us to reflect, renew, and rediscover our purpose as missionaries. Every session was a stepping stone towards becoming more prayerful, adaptable, creative, and community-oriented individuals ready to serve joyfully.

We are truly blessed to have leaders who walk with us and lead us with vision and compassion. May God continue to bless you abundantly in your mission of leadership and service. Thank you once again, dear Sisters, for this life-giving opportunity.

- **Srs. Mini Matthew & Jyothi Kota**

Pilgrims of Hope

“Give Thanks to the Lord for He is good, His love endures forever.”

The long-awaited day had dawn on 7th May to commence our pilgrimage to the birth place of our Congregation and to the Eternal city Rome. As pilgrims of Hope, it was an exciting

experience the moment we got into the flight; our joy was beyond an expression. We could feel the love, care and protection of The Almighty all through our journey.



We would like to give you a glimpse of the places that we visited in a nutshell from the day 7th May to 18th May 2025.

08.05.25 Culemborg: The historical town of Culemborg is known for its religious diversity and is called “The gateway to the Betuwe.” it is here our founder lived and rendered his services as a loyal priest. We were fortunate to have Eucharistic celebration in Culemborg church presided over by the Auxiliary Bishop Ted. We were drawn towards the picture SEAT OF MERCY which is preserved as a treasure of the past. Visiting the St. Augustine archives, we were spellbound by the writings of our founder and our sisters with their own hand writing and artistically maintained the records.

Nijmegen: This city has a deep Christian root. Here our founder was appointed as a parish priest from 1824 - 1846. As we walked in the footsteps of our founder, we cherished and relished each moment with immense spiritual joy. We also visited the chapel of our Lady of Nijmegen who was known as Mother of Invalids. Here our founder used to pray and brought healing to the body of a cripple miraculously. It was a profound experience especially into the spirituality of our founder.

May 9-05-2025: Visit to the Founder's Grave – Reflection:

We gathered solemnly at the entrance of the graveyard, carrying candles and flower pots, as a gesture of remembrance for our founder, Matthias Wolf. The procession led us to his grave, where a heartfelt prayer service was conducted by Sr. Anitha. The experience deeply inspired us to rekindle the spirit of our founder and embraced our identity as his true daughters. Surrounding his grave was the resting places of our Dutch sisters, dating back to the 18th century - a powerful testament to our congregation's enduring legacy. In that sacred moment near our founder's grave, we felt a renewed sense of purpose and unity, holding the prayerful presence of all our P.P. sisters in our hearts.



Met Dutch Sisters at Abdijstraat: There were 30 elderly Dutch Sisters live in a community and Sr. Lilian is the regional superior. We were welcomed by them and few of our sisters honoured them all with a shawl, badge and gifts. They were excited to meet us. We had tea with them and spent some time with them. We visited Marienburg Chapel, where the mission started and from where the sisters were sent to Indonesia and India as missionaries. This building was sold to Government, and it is used as a university. In the chapel of Marienburg, which is no more chapel but we had a candle procession and placed candles in the name JMJ and had a meaningful prayer service led by Sisters Lilly and Anitha. We felt a peaceful atmosphere and the power of God within us.

10-5-25 Tulip flower Garden: The place is called LISSE. We had a trip to Tulip Garden, so beautiful, fantastic and marvellous. We can't imagine the variety of flowers and beauty of God's creation for the happiness of man. We were so excited and thrilled to see the different flowers which we can't find in India. Yes, we were fortunate to have this precious opportunity to witness the beautiful and wonderful Tulip flower garden.

Canal Cruise: A pleasant ride taking round the canal to see the beauty of Amsterdam with huge buildings and how it developed into a wonderful city as the years passed.

11-5-25 Lourdes: The new day was dawn to visit the place of Lourdes. On many of us were longing and waiting to see Mother Mary at Grotto, to seek her blessings. We arrived at Lourdes only at 4:30 PM. Then we proceeded to join the candle procession along with the people.



12-5-25: Another wonderful day began with a Holy Mass at 8:30 AM by a Dominican priest from India in the chapel of St. Maximilian. Thereafter a guide was arranged to explain the details about Lourdes to be visited. Then he took us to Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto, St. Bernadette's burial site, the hill and Eucharistic Adoration Basilica. This is underground where the Adoration takes place every day from 5 PM to 6:30 PM. During this adoration, many people experienced the healing of their infirmities. Later we visited Sacred Heart church where St. Bernadette was baptized. From there we proceeded to the house of St. Bernadette where she was born.

Miraculous spring water: Dipping the persons in the miraculous water was practiced for healing. From 2020 covid onwards, dipping was not done but water given to wash.

Lourdes - A Night of Grace and Healing: After dinner, we joined the candlelight procession at 9:00 PM. We were blessed to stand just behind the statue of Our Lady. The atmosphere was deeply spiritual, with many of our sisters holding the flags of India and Lourdes, praying the Rosary, and singing devotional songs. As we reached the church, a final prayer was said, and all of us were blessed. Many of us experienced the healing power of Mother Mary - both spiritually and physically. The grace of Lourdes touched our hearts deeply. The next day, we departed to the airport, carrying these sacred memories with us.

13-05-2023 - Arrival in Rome: The Eternal City:

We arrived in Rome at 4:30 PM and were warmly welcomed at the airport by our Mother General, Sr. Mary. A grand reception awaited us at the Generalate, complete with garlands and a traditional Aarthi for 56 of us. After dinner, we retired for the night, filled with anticipation for the days ahead.

14-05-2023 - A Special Day at St. Peter's Basilica: Our day began early, at 7:30 AM, with a visit to St. Peter's Basilica. A spacious hall had been beautifully arranged with chairs for a private Papal audience. At 10:45 AM, we were honoured by the arrival of Pope Leo XIV. He delivered a heartfelt message encouraging universal detachment, prayer, sacrifice, and goodness. As he concluded, he waved his hands in blessing and returned to his office at the centre of the hall. We were deeply moved and spiritually uplifted by this once-in-a-lifetime encounter. We were very privileged persons to have the glimpse of Pope Leo XIV.

Then we proceeded to the four major Basilicas namely St. Peter's Basilica, St. Paul, St. John Lateran, and Mary Major Basilica. After that, we went to the Holy Door at St. Peter's Basilica in prayer; and we prayed for all the intentions of the Church, the world, the Congregation, and our families. Later we did some shopping and returned to the Generalate.

15-5-25 Catacomb Ian Place:

Only 25 sisters went to this place since it was underground. They were so impressed by seeing this place where the early Christians stood their bold faith. They came back by lunchtime and we all had lunch together. After that, we proceeded to Monte scenario community as it was an occasion of Silver Jubilee of the convent and Sr. Sarojini of her Religious life. We had a meaningful Eucharistic celebration and followed by felicitation and dinner.

Date: 17-05-2025: Assisi Experience:

We visited the resting place of Blessed Carlo Acutis, who is soon to be canonized. His incorrupt body and the miracles attributed to him deeply moved us. A great devotee of the Eucharist, his life inspired us to cultivate a stronger devotion to the Eucharistic Lord and commit more faithfully to our religious life. We attended Holy Mass at 6:00 p.m. in one of the chapels in Assisi and returned to our guesthouse by 9:40 p.m.

Mary Major Basilica, Rome: Entering through the Holy Door, we sought God's blessings and participated in the sacrament of confession. The Holy Mass was a profound experience where we felt God's mercy and received abundant personal blessings. We also paid homage to the late Pope Francis, buried in the Basilica. The place was filled with thousands of pilgrims, especially during this Jubilee Year 2025.

Church of Mary of Revelation: We visited the Church where Our Lady appeared to a farmer and asked for a church to be built in her honour. It was a spiritually enriching experience that reminded us of Mary's presence and guidance.

Basilica of St. Paul: At the Basilica of St. Paul, we reflected on the life and martyrdom of St. Paul. He was beheaded here, and tradition holds that his head rolled three times. Before his execution, he was held in a cell. The site left a deep impression on all of us as we contemplated his faith and sacrifice.

Summary: 18-05-2025: The day began with a meaningful Sunday Mass at St. Joseph's Church, followed by breakfast at the Founders' House and a return to the Generalate. Some sisters visited the local market before rejoining for lunch. In the afternoon, a group evaluation took place at 2:45 PM, opened with a prayer by Mother General. She shared words of appreciation and invited the sisters to reflect on their experiences from the trip. Several sisters expressed how deeply enriched and inspired they were by visiting the holy places, emphasizing the importance of becoming channels of faith, hope, and love in their missions. These reflections were followed by group sharing and a gift presentation to the Mother General and her council.

It was a heartfelt close to a spiritually uplifting journey - an Expression of Gratitude and Reflection on the Pilgrimage of Hope.

We, the sisters of the province, sang the song of gratitude and appreciation to our sisters, General and Council, as well as our Province for accompanying us from the 7th to 19th of May on this blessed Pilgrimage of Hope. It was truly a meaningful and fruitful experience. We are happy to share that we all reached our homes safely on the 20th of May 2025 at 8:20 AM.

With grateful hearts, we extend our sincere thanks to our Mother General and Council, and to our Provincial and Council, for this golden and unforgettable opportunity given to 13 of us. It was a time to experience and enrich ourselves spiritually. We carry with us the hope and prayer that we may become a bond of hope to all those whom we meet in our lives. Finally, we thank God for His constant care and protection that we experienced throughout this journey. May the good and great God be praised forever and ever. Amen.

- Sr. Sundari Yeruva.
Platinum Jubilee of Bellary Diocese

Nov 26th 2024, was special day for the North Karnataka on this auspicious day beloved sons and daughters of the soil gathered in Bellary St. Anthony's pastoral centre. The most Rev. Dr. Henry D'souza, Bishop of Bellary noted that after 75 years of the diocese presence in Bellary 40 priests and 200 sisters are serving the Lord. Fr. Nathana the organizer welcomed the gathering and said, everything on earth has its own time and season. The priests and nuns of the diocese came to witness this unforgettable event.



On 27th Nov 2024 we had Sarva Dharma Sangama, an inter - religious meet was held on the theme “The role of Religious in Nation Building”. They called Bellary a garden of religious harmony and gave a clarion call to shed religious prejudices and build bridges of peace and harmony in order to build a peaceful and united India. We thanked them for their presence and inspiring messages.



On Nov 28 most Rev. Dr. Leopoldo Girelli, Apostolic Nuncio presided over the concelebrated solemn jubilee mass and urged the diocesan community to build a vibrant synodal church. We the sisters, Priya, Eliza, Parimala and Lourd Mary are thankful to you Sr. Thresiamma and council for giving us the opportunity to meet our sisters and strengthen our vocation.

- Sr. Lourdu Mary Jeevappa

Our Retreat Experience: Renewing our Relationship with God

“We have held many things in our hands and lost them all. But whatever we have placed in God’s hands, we still possess.” These words capture perfectly what our one-month retreat meant to us - a sacred time of letting go, of rediscovering what truly matters and of allowing God to renew our tired hearts.

With deep gratitude, we thank God for this transformative experience, guided by Fr. Leofern S.J. It was not merely a time of prayer and silence but a personal journey, a time when we encountered God in a way we never had before. We came with many burdens, questions and distractions, but God met us with love, patience and gentleness. We experienced His unconditional acceptance and the quiet assurance that we are loved, not for what we do, but simply because we are His children.

Each day of the retreat became an invitation to listen more deeply to the Word of God, to our hearts and to the still voice of the Spirit speaking within us. In the silence, we found clarity. In the Scriptures, we found direction. And in prayer, we found the loving presence of God waiting for us with open arms.

First Week - Invitation from Yahweh:

The first week was a time of awakening. The theme “Invitation from Yahweh” became very personal for us. Like Abraham and Moses, we felt uncertain about where God was leading us, but we also knew that saying yes to Him is the beginning of real freedom. This week helped us to rediscover the beauty of surrender of trusting God even when the path is unclear.

Second Week - Contemplation on the Kingdom of Jesus Christ:

In the second week, we were drawn to reflect on the Kingdom of Jesus Christ a kingdom not of power or wealth but of love, compassion, and service. As we prayed and meditated on the life of Jesus, we began to see how much His Kingdom contrasts with the world’s idea of success. Through the Gospel stories, we felt ourselves walking beside Jesus at the lake where He called His first disciples, at the table where He ate with sinners, and even at the Cross where He gave His life in love. These contemplations touched us deeply. We



realized that to belong to Christ's Kingdom means to follow His way of humility and mercy. We also understood that Jesus doesn't just invite me to admire Him; He calls us to imitate Him. We began to ask ourselves, Are we living as a true disciple? Do we reflect the love and forgiveness of Christ in my words and actions? These questions challenged us, but they also gave us new purpose. We understood that our relationship with God cannot be real if it doesn't move us to love others.

Third Week - Love in Abundance:

By the third week, we had come face to face with the overwhelming reality of God's love, a love that is patient, forgiving, and unconditional. This was a week of deep healing for us. We allowed ourselves to stand before God, just as we are with our weaknesses, wounds and failures and we experienced His embrace of mercy.

The words that kept coming to our heart were: "Christ without the Cross is not realistic, and the Cross without Christ is not redemptive." We began to see that our own crosses, our struggles and losses were not signs of punishment but an invitation to love Him more deeply. We realized that God gives us burdens not to break us but to strengthen us, and along with every burden, He gives us shoulders to carry it. In this week, we experienced what it means to be truly loved by God. His love was not distant or abstract; it was personal and alive. We learned to forgive ourselves, to forgive others and to let go of what was holding us back from experiencing peace. We felt lighter, freer and more open to life. We understood that love in abundance is not something we have to earn it is something already given, waiting for us to receive.

Fourth Week - Rejoice, the Lord is Risen:

The final week of the retreat filled our hearts with joy. "Rejoice, the Lord is Risen!" these words came alive for us in a new way. After walking through silence, surrender, and healing, we experienced the joy of resurrection not only Christ's, but also our own inner resurrection. We realized that renewal is not only about letting go of sin or sorrow; it is also about embracing life again with hope. The Risen Lord reminded us that no darkness is permanent, no wound is beyond healing and no sin is greater than His mercy. This realization gave us courage to face life with new faith. We also felt a deep desire to share this joy with others. The retreat was not something to keep to ourselves; it was a call to be a witness of God's love to live differently, with more patience, kindness and gratitude.

My Gratitude and Renewal:

As we look back now, we see the retreat as a gift beyond measure. The daily Eucharist, the meditation, the personal guidance and especially the silence all became channels of grace for us.



We came to the retreat searching for peace, and we left with a renewed heart and a deeper friendship with God. We learned that our life has meaning only when it is rooted in Christ. Without Him, everything loses its direction; but with Him, even our struggles find purpose. We now understand that surrendering to God is not losing control, it is finding freedom.

The retreat has renewed our relationship with God in a way we cannot express fully. It taught us that we don't need to hold everything in our own hands. When we place our life, our dreams and our fears in God's hands, we lose nothing we gain everything.

As we return to our daily lives, we carry within us a quiet strength, a hope that comes from knowing that God is with us in all things. We want to live each day with gratitude, trusting that He will continue to guide us, shape us and love us just as He did during those sacred days of retreat.

Truly, we can say from our hearts: **“Whatever we have placed in God’s hands, we still possess.”**

- Sr. Divya Kavadi & Companions

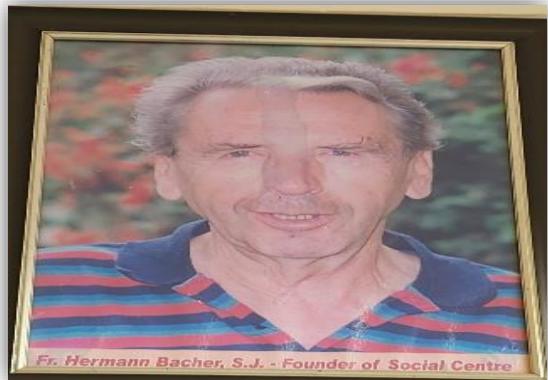
The Rich experience from village visits- struggles and progress of rural communities

We sincerely thank Sr. Thresiamma, the Provincial and Sr. Ruby for giving us the opportunity to experience this special moment. We are deeply grateful to Fr. Siju Varghese and the community for their warm welcome that made us feel at home. We are blessed to be among the people with whom our sisters Lourdu Mary and Swetha are joyfully collaborating in God’s mission. May this spirit of togetherness and dedication continue to inspire us all in our journey of faith and service. As we journeyed, we experienced deeply that one step can lead to many changes.



During our visit to Ahmednagar, Maharashtra, we had the privilege of witnessing the mission collaboration between our sisters and the Jesuit Fathers. The Jesuits here have been engaged in a remarkable social mission, reaching out to people in the peripheries and rural areas, addressing their struggles, and walking with them in their challenges. One of the pioneering initiatives of

this mission was taken up by Fr. Herman Becker from Switzerland, who in 1966, retched pressing issue of drought in this region. With foresight and deep compassion, he launched a project to conserve and safeguard water resources. What began as a humble initiative has now grown into a widespread and impactful movement, helping countless villages to sustain themselves through water conservation, watershed management, and awareness programs. This project continues to be a lifeline for many families even today.



As part of this mission experience, we visited Karanji, a place recently affected by a devastating cloudburst. Walking through the village, we saw the damage it had caused and met the people who were directly impacted. Listening to their stories and encountering their resilience left a deep impression on us. Despite their struggles, the strength and hope of the villagers were evident, and it reminded us of the importance of solidarity and accompaniment in times of crisis.

This visit not only opened our eyes to the challenges of rural communities but also deepened our appreciation for the long-standing commitment of the Jesuit mission in Ahmednagar. Their work is a living witness of faith in action transforming lives, restoring dignity, and bringing hope where it is most needed.

Education and Harvesting On the third day, our focus was on education and watershed management. We visited villages where people had worked collectively to conserve water and make their land fertile. The villagers explained how these efforts transformed barren areas into green fields, securing food and water for their families throughout the year. What touched us most was their emphasis on education, children who once struggled due to poor facilities now had better opportunities through the community's initiatives. During our conversations, the locals shared how a social centre was started in their area to guide them in sustainable farming and provided support during tough times. Listening to their stories, we felt inspired by how collective effort can bring about real change. They spoke warmly with us, as if we were part of their own village, which made the experience even more personal and memorable.

Empowered Women and Self-Help Groups. The fourth day was dedicated to meeting women from self-help groups. These women had truly changed the rhythm of their lives. Many of them had taken interest-free loans and started small but impactful businesses. Some ran tea stalls, while

others sold dairy products like lassi, milk, and paneer. A group of women had even organized themselves to prepare chapattis for hotel supply, making up to a hundred chapattis daily. Talking with them was both humbling and inspiring. They spoke about the challenges they faced in the



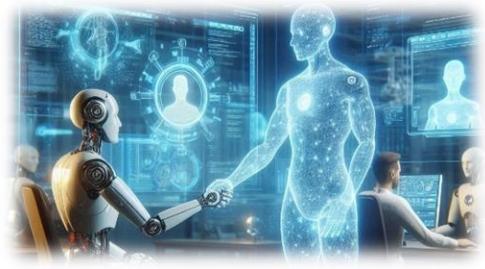
beginning and how, with mutual support, they built confidence and independence. We were deeply moved to see their courage and determination. Each woman we met carried a sense of dignity and pride in being able to support her family. What stood out even more was their generosity- despite their busy lives, they welcomed us wholeheartedly, laughed with us, and shared their experiences openly, as if we had known them for years. Hospitality, Gratitude and the warmth of the people stayed with us. Families provided us with freshly cooked meals, prepared from crops harvested in their own fields. Sharing their food felt like sharing their lives - it was an act of love and hospitality that won our hearts. As we left, what remained with us was not just knowledge of watershed management or self-help groups, but the spirit of community, resilience, and generosity. Seeing how education, cooperation, and empowerment transformed their lives filled us with hope and admiration.

-Temporarily Professed sisters

The Future of Robotics

The world is standing on the edge of a new era- one shaped by the growing power and intelligence of robots. From industrial machines that build cars to tiny surgical robots that save lives, robotics is transforming every aspect of human life. The future promises even more astonishing developments as technology continues to evolve.

In the coming years, robots are expected to become more autonomous, intelligent, and human-like. Artificial intelligence (AI) is already enabling robots to learn, adapt, and make decisions without constant human supervision. In industries, robots will not only assemble products but also manage logistics, inspect quality, and predict maintenance needs. This will lead to safer workplaces, faster production, and greater efficiency.



Beyond factories, robotics will deeply impact healthcare, education, agriculture, and space exploration. In hospitals, robotic assistants may help doctors perform precise surgeries or care for the elderly. In agriculture, drones and robotic farmers will help monitor crops and increase food production. In space, robots will explore distant planets and moons where humans cannot yet go.

However, the future of robotics also brings challenges. Questions about employment, ethics, and control must be addressed responsibly. As robots take over repetitive and dangerous jobs, humans will need to focus on creativity, emotional intelligence, and innovation skills machines cannot replicate.

The world in the coming years will deeply impact even on our religious setups and the robotics intelligence will boss over our faith aspects as well and the believers become more digitalized than being more human or divine.

Filled with lots of uncertainty the AI is going to bid a farewell to the human confusion and give a very easy way back to the fast phrased answers to the human questions !? !? !?.

The fusion of human intelligence and robotic precision holds immense promise. The future will not be about robots replacing humans, but about humans and robots working together to build a smarter, safer, and more sustainable world.

Sr. Akshatha Mary JMJ

A Tribute to our Deceased Sisters

Sr. Lourdes Mary Devanaboina

“If we live, we live for the Lord, and if we die, we die for the Lord. Therefore, whether we live or die, we belong to God.” – Rom. 14:8

Sr. Lourdes Mary Devanaboina hails from Rentachintala, Palnadu taluk in Guntur district, Andhra Pradesh to the pious parents Mr. Lourdu Marianna and Mrs. Chinnamma on 01st July 1939. She was the third child among the siblings - three girls and three boys. She was deeply inspired by the challenging and witnessing lives of the Dutch missionaries, especially their love and dedication to the poor. Mother Stanislaus Swamikannu was a great inspiration and motivation to dedicate her life in the service of the Lord.



She was known for her selfless devotion which often led her to pray, “Grant me, O Lord, the ability and the possibility of troubling myself rather than others.” She was responsible, punctual

and systematic in her duties, a source of encouragement and support to those around her especially to the youth. She participated in all the community activities, treated everyone with respect and care. Her strength laid in enduring hardships with cheerfulness and patience. She cultivated a profound love for Jesus by praying the mysteries of Christ which empowered her to fulfil the responsibilities. She was known for her special devotion to the Holy Rosary of 200 beads and inspired others to pray every day.

She rendered her services at Nellore, Bangalore, Porumamilla, Hyderabad, Bhilai, Kurnool, Kadapa, Sivadi, Ongole as a staff nurse, in-charge of the ward, administrator and actively involved in pastoral ministry. As an administrator being obsessed by work, she often said that she had no time for prayer. However, she began to feel a deep sense of emptiness which awakened her. And she returned to the Lord with tears saying, ***"Our hearts were made for You, Lord, and they will never find rest until they rest in You."*** In that moment, God touched and helped her to rediscover the importance of prayer as a religious. Strengthened by this renewed God experience, she was able to carry out her responsibilities with greater sense of purpose.

On the solemnity of the Saints Peter and Paul, due to the age-related ailments, Sr. Lourdes Mary Devanaboina went to her eternal reward at 07:30am on 29th June 2025 at St. Joseph's Hospital, Nellore.

May her noble soul rest in peace!

Sr. Charles Nagothu

Jesus said "I am the resurrection and the life. Those who believe in me, even though they die, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die." – Jn 11:25

Sr. Charles Nagothu hails from Kanuparru, Guntur, Andhra Pradesh born to the pious parents, Mr. Gova Showraiah and Mrs. Showramma on 26th May 1942 as the first girl child among five children. Her grandparents and Sr. Wilhelmina JMJ were the pillars of faith to respond to God's call through the Society of Jesus Mary and Joseph.

As a senior Hindi pandit, she learned to teach effectively, supported the Bharat Mata School, Raipur. She was a pioneer at Navjeevan Convent, Rajanandgaon.

Theological studies helped her to experience the joy of serving the student priests from various countries at Collegio Olandese, Rome. The most treasured moments were the meeting of St. Pope John Paul II. In 1998, during a retreat in The Netherlands, she received a message of her father's death but chose to continue the retreat, inspired by the words of Jesus, ***"Let the dead bury their dead."***

She was systematic, disciplined, punctual, cheerful, sociable, good orator and kind towards the poor. She rendered selfless service in various communities like Porumamilla, Guntur, Nellore, Raipur, Bangalore, Rome, Pulivendla, Kadapa, Dargamitta, Siruguppa, Palamaner, Vetapalem and Shiggaon as a superior, teacher, in charge of hostel, social worker and pastoral work.



Sr. Charles Nagothu was diagnosed with cancer in 2024 which she accepted in faith and trust in the Lord. **“Fear not, for I am with you,”** have been a constant source of strength and trust in the Lord. She was admitted in St. Philomena’s hospital on 14 June 2025 with advanced cancer and breathlessness. As she suffered much, the Lord has relieved her from all the pains and called her to Himself on 05 July 2025 at 05.20am at St. Philomena’s Hospital, Bangalore.

May her noble soul rest in peace

Sr. Anastasia Mallavarapu

“If we have died with him, we will also live with him.” 2 Tim 2:11

Sr. Anastasia was born on 20th February 1926 at Pedaparimi, in the Guntur district of Andhra Pradesh. She was the sixth child among three brothers and sisters, born to her beloved parents, Mr. Rayanna and Mrs. Mariamma. She was deeply influenced by the commitment of the JMJ Sisters. Mother Ferdinando and Sr. Elenora, served as inspiring role models, while the spiritual guides were Sr. Ursulla and Sr. Benedict. Her vocation was nurtured by Mother Stanislaus and Sr. Angela.



She would visit the Blessed Sacrament daily and entrust her work to the Lord. This was the source of strength that sustained her responsibilities. She remained committed as a teacher, office clerk and accountant in communities like Nellore, Kurnool, Guntur, Porumamilla, Kadapa, Ongole, Dargamitta, Siruguppa and Pulivendla. As a devoted teacher, she paid special attention to students who struggled academically. She made efforts to involve parents during the school holidays, to assist their children in difficult subjects.

She handled her duties with integrity; her deep faith and constant prayer gave her the strength to face challenges. On several occasions, when accounts did not tally, she would turn to prayer, and soon the errors would come to light and be rectified. In 2010, she was transferred to JMJ Nilayam, where she devoted herself to a life of prayer and rest.

Sr. Anastasia often said, “I have been blessed with everything I ever desired. Now, I simply pray for a peaceful and happy death, and for this, I turn to St. Joseph every day.” Her advice to the youngsters was: “Never give up on your spiritual life. Respect those in authority and obey them, for they stand in the place of God. Whatever task is entrusted to you, carry it out to the best of your ability without seeking greatness. Be transparent in all your actions. Pray daily for your vocation and for those in authority over you.”

Sr. Anastasia Mallavarapu who celebrated 99 years of a precious life, peacefully and gracefully passed away on 13 July 2025 at 7:15pm at St. Philomena’s Hospital, Bangalore.

May her noble soul rest in peace!

- **Sisters of JMJ Provincialate
Bangalore**

In Loving memory



Bangalore: -

Sr. Lourdes Mary Devanaboina	29.06.2025
Sr. Charles Nagothu	05.07.2025
Sr. Anastasia Mallavarapu	13.07.2025

Family Members: -

Aunt of Sr. Vimala Jose Chittilappilly	03.05.2025
Brother of Sr. Rosa Kutty Kuriath	05.05.2025
Cousin of Sr. Thresiamma Kudiyiruppil	06.05.2025
Nephew of Sr. Rajamma Pagadikalva	12.05.2025
Aunt of Sr. Hrudaya Mary Arogyaswamy	31.05.2025
Uncle of Sr. Mariamma Anakarla	09.06.2025
Nephew of Sr. Catherine James	27.06.2025
Mother of Sr. Thresiamma Kudiyiruppil	30.06.2025
Niece of Sr. Celine Padamadan	26.07.2025
Cousin of Srs. Rosa Kutty and Jose Mary	27.07.2025
Sister-in-law of Sr. Wenceslaus Attu Puram	12.08.2025
Aunty of Sr. Velangani Kukkamalla	23.08.2025
Aunty of Sr. Chinnamma Pudota	24.08.2025
Brother of Sr. Rosilda	24.08.2025
Uncle of Sr. Vijaya Rani Mandapati	29.08.2025
Aunt of Sr. Vijaya Rani Mandapati	29.08.2025
Brother-in-law of Sr. Chinnamma Pudota	30.08.2025
Uncle of Sr. Anitha Dhivyanadhan	12.09.2025
Brother-in-law of Sr. Aruna Thoti	06.10.2025
Brother of Sr. Lilly Mathew	15.10.2025
Aunt of Sr. Ruby Kannanayakkel	20.10.2025
Sister of Sr. Showrili Allam	24.10.2025
Mother of Sr. Reni Felishya	08.11.2025
Father of Sr. Amala Xavier	08.11.2025
Brother-in-law of Sr. Bellarmine	20.11.2025
Mother of Sr. Arogya Mallavarapu	26.11.2025
Mother of Sr. Hrudaya Mary Arogyaswamy	27.11.2025

We extend our heartfelt condolences and sympathetic wishes to our dear sisters and their family members. May the Lord give them comfort and consolation.

**Eternal rest grant unto the departed O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace. Amen.**

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