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What are you looking for?

Dear Sisters and Brothers,
Greetings!



Trust that this will find you all keeping well and safe.

We are entering into another Advent season. Everything about the season of Advent speaks of waiting and longing. When we talk about longing, I believe it is usually about our deeper desires than surface wants. Desire is not a simple thing. It is those deepest desires that shape our lives. Therefore, I think it is vital for us to identify and name of those desires because desire is a keyway that God speaks to us. *Do not believe every spirit but test the spirits to see whether they are from God*(1Jn 4:1).

Most of the time we are not sure what we really desire. We could be after persons, possessions, experiences and so on. But in the end, once achieved, we do not seem to be satisfied by them. At this time, for many, their deepest desire would be to see an end to the pandemic and to get back to a 'normal' life whatever that word would come to be understood in a post COVID situation. For some it will be their longing to be united with their loved ones and still for others it would be their desire to make sense of all this. All these longings or desires are very crucial for us to have because *"no desire means no life, no growth and no change"* (Margaret Silf, *Wise Choices*)

On the 22nd of November, our Congregation worldwide observed the beginning of the Jubilee Year to mark the third centenary of the foundation of our Congregation with its call to renew our mission as Passionists. In the light of our Advent reflections, it would be good for us to reflect on what we really want to achieve from the celebration this third centenary. Otherwise, I believe, like any other occasion, this would also remain confined to the pages of history once the celebrations are over. So, what are we really looking for? What is our deepest desire for us, for others and for our Congregation? Questions that we need to keep asking through this Jubilee year for not remaining as we are, for *"this significant centennial anniversary represents a providential opportunity to move towards new apostolic goals, without giving in to the temptation to "leave things as they are". Contact with the Word of God in prayer and reading the signs of the times in daily events will enable you to perceive the creative presence of the Spirit whose outpouring over time, points out the answers to humanity's expectations"*(Pope Francis).

As we have begun the Jubilee year and as we begin this Advent season, let us pray that the coming of Jesus in our midst will bring to fruition all our deepest desires. Wish you all a holy season of Advent!

Fraternally,

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Vice Provincial

UPDATES

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| December | |
| Birthdays | |
| Ajesh | 04 |
| Benson | 06 |
| Nambikai Raj | 07 |
| Jackson | 07 |
| Louis | 12 |
| Noble | 12 |
| Jose Mathew | 28 |
| Febin | 28 |
| Feast Days | |
| St. Francis Xavier | 03 |
| Immaculate Conception | 08 |
| Bl. Bernard Mary Silvestrelli | 09 |
| Ordination | |
| Bruno | 04 |



THOM Vice Province, India Inaugurates 3rd Centenary Jubilee. Fr. Paul, the Vice Provincial Presided over the celebrations at Jyothir Bhavan, Bangalore. Passionists Communities of Bangalore and Randham joined, neighboring religious communities were invited.





Passionist communities of Kerala came together at Ashram JXP, Kochi along with the Passionist Sisters to welcome the 300 Years Jubilee. Fr. Sebastian KX presided over the celebration.



Angamaly community's Jubilee opening ceremony.





Jubilee Opening Ceremony in the Parish of Randham Mission (Above)



Fr. Einstein presided over the inauguration ceremony of the Jubilee celebrations at Gyananilaya, Bophal. (Left)

Fr. Xavier USA, is appointed as Office Management and Project Coordinator of BMSSS at the Archbishop's House Campus, Bangalore. All the best for your new ministry .





Jubilee Grotto designed and prepared by Bro. Jerson with the help of Mr. Sandeep (staff) in Honour of Our Lady Queen of the Passionist Congregation. (Left) Eucharistic procession in Palliport parish at the closing of the Rosary month. (Right)



JPIC-Covid Relief: Chicks with Cage distributed to families of Palliport Parish.



Mission Sunday – Food Fest celebrated at Randham Mission



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