**Circular No. 03/2015** 

21st April, 2015

Dear Fathers, Brothers and Sisters,

Greetings from Bishop's House, Balasore!

As the summer time with the prospect of holidays comes around we look towards a time for rest, relaxation, spiritual recuperation and, more importantly, towards visit to families and friends. I wish all of you pleasant days ahead.

# I. CRI ODISHA ORGANIZESS TWO SEMINARS

The Odisha Regional CRI is will be organizing two seminars during this 'Year of the Consecrated Life'. The seminars are open to all religious (men and women) and diocesan priests. I encourage all the priests and religious of the diocese to participate in these seminars, as they will be very useful for our ministry. Those who would like to participate in these seminars are requested to inform the people concerned well in advance.

- 1. **Seminar on Ministry of Education**, held at Shanti Bhawan (SVD Provincial House) Jharsuguda on 18 & 19July. Resource person: Fr. K.M. Joseph S.J
- 2. **Seminar on "REJOICE"** held at Shanti Bhawan on 29 & 30 August. Resource person: Fr. Joe Mannath, SDB, National CRI Secretary, New Delhi.

Fees for the seminars: Rs 900/-. For those who do not need accommodation Rs 700/-.

Major Superiors and the local CRI office bearers are requested to send as many as possible and intimate the persons concerned the number of participants as early as possible. The information should reach either of the following persons latest by middle of June 2015:

Marykutty Parayil Fr. Cherian Joseph SVD Regional CRI President Regional CRI Secretary

Snehadeepti Province, Shanti Bhavan

Mary Villa, Cox Colony Cox Colony, Jharsuguda, P.B.1

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#### II. TRANSFERS AND APPOINTMENTS

Fr. Siby Karimkuttikulam

Fr. Saji Karathankal Director, Utkal Vani
Fr. Tom Mannukunnel Parish Priest, Kusudia
Fr. M. Balthasar Parish Priest, Keutinimari

Fr. Jojo Vaidyakaran Parish Priest, Krishnachandrapur Fr. Joseph Kerketta Parish Priest, Anandapur Mission

Fr. Anil Ferdinand Parish Priest, Ghattiduba
Fr. Manoranjan Beshra Parish priest, Mangalpur
Fr. Daniel Murmu Parish Priest, Gardeulia

Fr. Gerald Gomes Father-in-charge, Vikas Boys Hostel, Karanjia

Parish Priest, Keonjhar

Fr. Dilip Kumar Nayak, C.M. Parish Priest, Joshipur Fr. Anil Kullu Parish Priest, Bonua Fr. Daso Murmu Parish Priest, Baghdafa

Fr. Jyoti Prakash Lakra Parish Priest, Lavanyadeipur

Fr. Mathew Karikulam Parish Priest, Baghmara
Fr. J. Antony Father-in-charge, Biripal

Fr. Varghese Panengadan Parish Priest, Joda

Fr. Roy Kochupurackal Rector, Debo Dutto Minor Seminary, Kuruda

Fr. Rajesh Dungdung Principal, St. Alphona's School, Dubuna

Fr. Bijeesh Chacko V. Principal, St. Joseph's School, Udula

Fr. Alex Joseph, V. St. Mary's School, Raghunathpur

While one of the transfers has already taken place earlier (Fr. Anil Murmu to Bonua), all the others will take place in the month of June, 2015. To this effect, letters to the persons concerned are being given.

I take this opportunity to thank all the Fathers sincerely for the services they rendered for the people of the Diocese in their respective places; I also wish them all the best, and pray to our Heavenly Father to grand them necessary strength and courage to perform well in their new assignments.

A special word of thanks to Fr. Roy who has served the Region for around six years for the inception and up-bringing of the Regional Centre at Bhubaneswar. His whole-hearted dedication and commitment in the building up of that centre is much appreciated. We wish him all the best in his next assignment as the Rector of our Minor seminary.

### III. WELCOME TO THE SISTERS OF MARY IMMACULATE (SMI)

The Sisters belonging to the Institute of the Catechist Sisters of Mary Immaculate Help of Christians, commonly known as the **Sisters of Mary Immaculate** (**SMI**) had expressed their desire to render their service in the Diocese of Balasore. Accordingly, after having visited our places a few times and after receiving due invitation from me, they have decided to begin their apostolate at Anandapur.

The Congregation of S.M.I. was founded in 1948 in Krishnagar, by Bishop Louis La Ravoire Morrow, SDB, the fourth Bishop of Krishnagar, West Bengal. Hence the Sisters are also at times known by the name 'Krishnagar Sisters'.

Initially the community of sisters will stay in a rented house in Anandapur and render their service in St. Mary' School and give pastoral assistance to the Priest-in-Charge of Anandapur Mission and visit families. Eventually we hope to build a School, Presbytery and Convent in the vicinity of the town.

The Sisters are planning to formally inaugurate their community at Anandapur on Saturday, the 30<sup>th</sup> of May.

The Diocese of Balasore extends a cordial welcome to the Sisters of Mary Immaculate and wishes them all the best and prays for God's blessing on all their undertakings.

#### IV. BISHOP'S PROGRAMME

## MAY 2015

April 21 – May 11	Kerala	
May 12-13	Kuruda	Catechists' Bible Classes
14	Sambalpur	Regional Youth Convention
17	Ghattiduba	Parish Pastoral Visitation
18-19	Kuruda	Diocesan Seminarians' Gathering
23	Lavanyadeipur	Blessing of the Renovated Convent
30	Anandapur	Inauguration of SMI community
31	Bhubaneswar	Xavier University Function

With Regards and Blessings

†Simon Kaipuram, C.M. Bishop of Balasore