

# News and Views

Newsletter of the Divine Providence Province



## Have a Fruitful Lenten Journey

We have just begun the Lent, which is a journey along with the Lord to relive His passion, death and resurrection and to learn from Him how to tread this course of life. Even though Jesus was dissuaded by the Apostles not to succumb to this life of pain and failure, yet he kept it very clear in His mind that this is the sure way for the salvation of humanity and He headed toward Jerusalem in view of His passion. At the same time, the strong Jesus had a moment of possible evading at Gethsemane when he asked his Father if it was His will to relieve Him from this passion and difficulty. Thus Jesus gives us the model that passion and pain in our life will lead us closer to God but we may not easily believe this fact and we might not accept pain and hurdles with the eyes of faith.

Secondly through the passion, death and resurrection, God proves how He cares for humanity and how He takes responsibility for His people that they may not perish but have eternal life. It is yet another lesson for us that we are responsible for one another. In no way will I be able to say, 'Am I my brother's keeper?' As God is concerned about

me, I too must be concerned about those with whom I live, as God makes atonement for my mistakes; I too on my part have to pay for the imperfections of others.

Let us continue to pray for our deceased confrere Fr. Maria Balayesu who accepted his sufferings with a serene smile. He fought a great fight of faith till the end of his earthly life. Let us pray for each other and help one another to live these days of Lent more fruitfully.

*May your Lenten journey be fruitful!*

*Fr. Ronald J, SdC*

Provincial Superior

## March Calendar of Fr. Provincial

- 1-5 **Sri Lanka:** Council Meeting
- 9-12 **Cuddalore:** Class - St. Joseph Seminary
- 13 **Chennai:** Meeting on Government Financial Policies
- 19 **Cuddalore:** Feast of St. Joseph
- 21 **Anbin Suvadugal:** Readers Meet

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*“Your presence we miss, your memories we treasure. Loving you always, forgetting you never. Rest in peace.”*

## Fr. Maria Balayesu, SdC In Memory of our Dear Confrere



Born: June 1, 1982

Baptized: January 1, 1992 - Sacred Heart Church, Yerraguntapalli

Confirmed December 22, 2000 - Dharmajigerden

First Profession: May 31, 2010

Perpetual Profession: February 11, 2017 - St. John the Baptist Church, Poonamallee

Diaconal Ordination: February 12, 2017 - St. John the Baptist Church, Poonamallee

Ordained: August 22, 2017 - St. Joseph Seminary, Cuddalore

Died: February 13, 2020

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## Fr. Maria Balayesu, SdC

The demise of Fr. Balayesu Vissampalli is a very painful moment in the history of the Divine Providence Province. A brave and dynamic young confrere was lost. Fr. Bala made his first commitment in 2010 after a serious discernment of his vocation during his Novitiate. His formators have great regard for this simple and exemplary person. His barefoot lifestyle earned him great respect. All his associates witnessed a true Guanellian who worked with his hands, heart and head.



His love for the mission was visible in his actions. He served the poor by washing them, nursing their wounds and dining with the less privileged. The 2 years of his pastoral

ministry as Deacon and co-pastor has a lot to say about his commitment to saving souls. Through his eloquent preaching, singing and administering the sacraments he won many souls to the Lord. But his happiness did not last long. He was diagnosed with cancer and battled it for more than a year. But his deep faith in the will of God and simple spirituality has left everyone wonderstruck. "Jesus' ministry lasted for 3 years and 3 years of priestly ministry is a long period to prove my love for Christ," was his expression of joy even in periods of suffering. ...

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### DPP Animation Programs

March 2-6	Tutelage Program	USA
March 10-11	Regents Meeting	Chennai
March 21	Teaching Staff Meet	Chennai
March 28	Domestic Workers Meet	Cuddalore
April 1	Skype Meeting	
April 2-4	Charism School - Temp. Professed	Chennai
April 13-30	Vocation Drive by Brothers	
April 15	Workers Meeting for Andhra	Koppaka
April 21-May 10	Language Preparation - Temp Professed	
April 21	Workers Meet for Bangalore, Thalavadi	Thalavadi
April 25	Perpetual Profession	Rome
April 26	Diaconate	Rome
April 27-May 2	Vocation Camp	Cuddalore
May 7	Skype Meeting	
May 11-15; 18-22	Annual Retreat - Perpetually Professed	Mysore
May 18-22	Retreat for Novices	
May 18-23	Annual Retreat - Temp. Professed	
May 26	Renewal of Vows	
May 31	First Profession	
TBD	GYM Annual Meeting	
TBD	Vocation Camp	Bangalore
After Easter	Vocation Camp	Koppaka
TBD	Vocation Camp	North India
June 15-16	Assembly	USA
June 17	Chelsea 60th Anniversary	USA
June 18-20	6th Plenary Meeting	USA
Nov. 8-10	7th Plenary Meeting	
Nov. 12	Ordination to the Priesthood	

## Amazing Grace – “Lent” – The Season of Grace

By Fr. Franklin Arockiadoss

John Newton's song (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CDdvReNKKuk>) has influenced the world a great deal since he first composed it. It was, in fact, his personal story and confession. “Amazing grace, that saved a wretch like me” Yes! God's grace is amazing that saves everyone, enables everyone to grow in holiness, enlightens every soul to remain in the state of grace to inherit the eternal kingdom and it increases in those who seek God inviting every person to become saints. Amazing grace, I was lost but I am found; am I not the one sheep that was lost and my God came in search of me leaving the 99 in the wilderness? He found me, put me on His shoulder, and took me back. I am precious in the eyes of my Beloved God, He gives me the best always, especially during this season of Lent, yearning for me to come back to Him, to enjoy His grace, to remain in His grace and to grow in His grace.

Lent is a season of grace, 40 days of fasting, penance and abstinence helps us to open ourselves up to God's unconditional love and grace. What is grace? “Grace is a free gift from God to man. There is nothing man can do to merit grace because it is a gift.” God gives it to each of His adopted sons and daughters; no one can deny it, because it is a free gift. The Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC) tells us: “Grace is a participation in the life of God. It introduces us into the intimacy of the Trinitarian life: by Baptism the Christian participates in the grace of Christ, the head of His Body. As an 'adopted son,' he can henceforth call God 'Father,' in union with the only Son. He receives the life of the Spirit who breathes charity into him and forms the Church” (CCC n. 1997). Grace is a favor, the seed of eternal life. That grace in our souls is the greatest gift and presence; we need to do all in our power to preserve its presence, to grow in grace, so as to die in a state of grace. St. Alphonsus Liguori, Doctor of the Church and author of the classic *Glories of Mary*, states that the grace of all graces is to die in a state of grace. This should be our prayer every day for our souls, for those of our loved ones as well as for the whole world.

Today's world makes it a special challenge to be in a state of grace, to grow in grace and to die in grace. How can you do it? There are few ways suggested by the saints and fathers of the church: 1st prayer; 2nd read and live the Word of God in the Bible; 3rd participate in the Eucharist; 4th perform Spiritual and Corporal

works of mercy; 5th repent and perform Penance (Reconciliation); 6th turn in prayer to Our Blessed Mother; 7th work to bring togetherness to your family and community. These are the seven ways suggested that allow us to grow in God's amazing grace.

The Psalmist (145,8) reminds us of these encouraging words: “God is slow to anger and rich in kindness.” St. Paul (Rm 5,20-21) reiterates the same theme: “Where sin abounds, the grace of God abounds all the more.” Therefore, it is our primary duty to make it a point to grow in the grace and knowledge of God. In turn, God gives us actual grace and sanctifying grace, “Sanctifying

grace is a habitual gift, a stable and supernatural disposition that perfects the soul itself to enable it to live with God, to act by his love. Habitual grace, the permanent disposition to live and act in keeping with God's call, is distinguished from actual graces which refer to God's interventions, whether at the beginning of conversion or in the course of the work of sanctification” (CCC n. 2000).

Finally, St. Thomas says that a person can have some knowledge he has grace if he “is conscious of delighting in God and of despising worldly things” and “is

not conscious of any mortal sins”. This knowledge is imperfect. The Catechism invokes the classic example of St. Joan of Arc to prove this principle. She was asked if she was in a state of grace. This was a trick question. Had she answered “yes”, she would have been burned as a heretic because no one can know for sure that they are in the state of grace. Had she answered “no”, she would have been burned as a witch because all she did would have possibly been a result of the inspiration of the devil. She answered, “If I am not, may God put me there; and if I am, may God keep me there” (Cf. CCC n. 2005). Yes, it is very important throughout this season of Lent and always to learn and repeat the words of St. Joan of Arc: “If I am not in the grace of God, may God put me there; and, if I am in the grace of God, May God keep me there.”



## Spiritual Nourishment

**CHENNAI** - A day of recollection was held for the Don Guanella Special School staff in order to get involved



and experience the love and care of the Lord Jesus Christ. The reflections of the day were based on “Prayer Life”. The first activity of the day was a talk given by Fr. Philomin, SdC which led them to fresh and green pastures. He emphasized prayer with faith. Without faith, prayer becomes useless. Prayer is the most essential element to be happy amidst difficulty and suffering. There was a time of silent adoration which paved the way for an authentic and well prepared confession. The recollection closed with holy Mass celebrated by Fr. Periyamayagam, SdC. The teachers said it was a very spiritually fulfilling day.

## Home Management Committee Visits

**CUDDALORE** - Don Guanella Boys Home was visited by the Home Management Committee on February



5th. The committee members who came included Chairperson Mr. Henry Lawrence; Mrs. Shanthi, member of Child Welfare Committee; Mr. Thirugnana Sambandham, CWC; and Miss Mohana Sundari, Protection Officer Institution Care. The Boys Home staff was present for this meeting. During the meeting the committee clarified and spoke about the health and academic importance of the boys. They also went through the files, Individual Care Plan (ICP) Records and other details of the boys. Before concluding the

meeting Mr. Henry Lawrence interacted with the students encouraging them to do their best in their annual exams.

## New Lourdes Grotto

**BANGALORE** - The Guanella Preethi Nivas community built a new grotto which was dedicated on February 11th, the feast of our Lady of Lourdes. The Grotto was blessed by Fr. Adaikalam and a procession followed during which the holy Rosary was recited. The entire Guanellian family, Cooperators, Youth and Lay Movement members, participated in the Rosary, they lit candles and they prayed to Mother Mary.



## Drug Awareness Program

**CUDDALORE** - The Child Welfare Committee organized a drug addiction awareness program for the Don Guanella Boy’s Home students on February 11th. Mr. Thirumavalavan, District Child Protection Officer; Mr. Prabu, the Propagation officer; Mr. Devaraja, the resource person; and Miss Mohana Sundari, Protection Officer Institution Care participated. Mr. Devaraj explained drug addiction awareness and presented information through video clippings of the present generation. He also mentioned the link between addiction and mental health and how drugs affect the brain. The District Child Protection team came forward and gave this awareness program so that the youth can live a better moral life for a bright future.



### Educational Picnic

**KRISHNAPERI** - On February 15th Veeramamunivar High School students and staff went on a one-day educational picnic. The journey began at midnight on the 14th with prayer and Kaniyakumari was reached in the very early morning. We saw the sunrise at 5:30 AM,



headed to Thiruparavi Waterfalls and had breakfast. Thiruvananthapuram Zoo was the next stop and later the famous Padamanathan Hindu Temple. The students enjoyed the day and learned about historical places.

### Birthday Celebration

**BANGALORE** - On February 15th the grandpas celebrated their birthdays with Guanellian Cooperator Mr. Chinanaraj. They really enjoyed cutting the cake and feeding each other.

### Celebration for the Differently-abled

**SIVAGANGAI** - Yesuvanam was happy to host a celebration for differently-abled children with the help of the Guanellian Lay Movement. This grand celebration



was on February 16th for 300 special children from the Sivagangai special schools. The chief guests were very Rev. Fr. Joseph Lourdu Raja, Vicar General of the Sivagangai Diocese; Mr. P. Saravanakumar, DDAWO, Sivagangai; Mr. P. Abdul Kapur, Superintendent of Police, Sivagangai District; Rev. Fr. Amalan, Director

of Vianney Pastoral Centre; Mrs. Leemrose Martin, Chairman Martin Groups of Companies, Coimbatore; Mr. Sedukumanan, Chairman, Soka Ikeda College of Art and Science for Women; and Mr. Siva Kumar, Managing Director, Magizhchi Real Promoters. The GLM provided tea and snacks for the children. Cultural programs were presented in which all the special children participated with full enthusiasm and proved their talents. The chief guests were very impressed by the children's program. Special children were felicitated by the chief guests during their talks. During the celebration we paid tribute to our deceased confrere Fr. Maria Balayesu. Special children were very happy by this event. A food carrier was given to each institution for their needs. The celebration came to an end with delicious dinner served to all the children.

### Parish Exposure for Novices

**BANGALORE** - Seven novices and their Master Fr. Adaikalam from Guanella Preethi Nivas went to



Dindugal to St. Antony's parish on February 17th. It is a newly erected and developing Guanellian parish. The novices were taken for a week long exposure in the parish mission. Fr. Lawrence, the parish priest, and his assistant, Fr. Vimal, welcomed them cordially and instructed on the present situation and his visions for his parish. The novices visited each family and listened to their stories, prayed for their needs and animated the Anbiamas (Basic Christian communities). They renewed the spirit of them as to be like the early Christians. They played instruments and sang in the choir to make daily Mass more vibrant. They planned and practiced daily with the parishioners and trained the children to celebrate Sunday Mass creatively and executed successfully. They collaborated with the priests to organize the GLM meeting for the first time in the parish and their elected representatives were sent to Bangalore to attend the GC, GLM Annual meet. After a very fruitful and successful week, they returned to the seminary thanking God.

### Tribute to Fr. Bala

**CHENNAI** - Love is stronger than death and fear of death. Only love keeps moving life. We find the meaning of this sentence when we go through the life history of Fr. Bala. We were saddened to hear that beloved Fr. Bala passing. The Don Guanella Special School Fathers, teachers, parents and students had a special morning assembly on Tuesday, February 18th including two minutes of silence in a show of solidarity with the bereaved family of Fr. Bala. We also observed two minutes of silence while paying floral tributes to him. In the presence of Fr. Superior we had special



prayers guided by Fr. Michael, in memory of Fr. Bala that he may rest in peace. He was loved and respected by everyone who knew him. We found peace and joy in the wonderful life that he lived. His life was such an inspiration to us and we will remember him for ever. We extend our deepest sympathy to his family.

### Theological Forum

**CHENNAI** - - The people of India are facing tremendous problems from the side of civil body by abrogating a few articles in the constitution and promulgating its own notion of one language, one religion and trying to keep one particular religion aside by passing Citizenship Amendment bill (CAA), National Register of Citizens (NRC). By looking at these issues the Don Guanella Major Seminary community gathered and



conducted the theological forum on the theme 'CAB Marching Towards' to deeply discuss these issues. Bro. Philomen introduced the topic "What is CAB, NRC and NCR?" Bro. Bosco elaborated the topics with his informative speech and Bro. Anil Merugu theologized the topics by quoting some of the references from Holy Scripture and connecting them to the problems of CAB and NRC in a fruitful manner. The chief guest of the forum, Fr. Periyarayagam moderated the session. After a serious discussion the forum was opened for further clarification by asking questions..

### India Cooperators Meet

**BANGALORE** - The Annual Meeting for the Guanellian Cooperators and Guanellian Lay Movement was organized at Guanella Preethi Nivas on February 23rd by Fr. Gnanaraj the Provincial Delegate from the DPP council, India and Mr. Dominic GC General Councillor and Delegate for English speaking Asian countries. There were 32 participants from Chennai,



Cuddalore, Sivagangai, Dindugal and Bangalore. Due to some unavoidable circumstances the GLM members from Andhra Pradesh, Kumbakonam and Krishnapuri could not attend the meeting. Fr. Kulandaisamy the local superior welcomed the gathering and honored Fr. Provincial and Mr. Dominic with shawls and all the members with red roses. Then the members introduced themselves. Fr. Ronald, Provincial Superior, began to share the Post-Synodal document, "Christifidelis Laici." After the break Fr. Benson celebrated holy Mass followed by lunch. After lunch everyone gathered for a presentation about the yearly activities of each group from the different areas. It was inspiring and encouraging other members for more participation and future plans. Fr. Gnanaraj spoke about the Laity Vocation and their participation in the mission of Christ based on the Catechism of the Catholic Church.

There was a tea break followed by the GC General Councillor, Mr. Dominic, speaking on the discussions and proposals of the newly formed World General GC Council which took place on November 12-16, 2019 in Rome. Then the participants shared their opinions and

asked questions. Fr. Provincial, Fr. Gnanaraj and Mr. Dominic answered their queries and doubts. Finally Fr. Provincial thanked everyone for their efforts.

### Meeting for Administrators



**CHENNAI** - The administrators should keep in mind that the supreme criterion of our administration is trust in Divine Providence and the witness of poverty.”

A meeting for the administrators was held at Don Guanella Major Seminary on February 24th animated by Fr. Francis, the Treasurer for India. Fr. Ronald, Provincial Superior; Fr. Dennis Weber and Mr. Arockiadoss the auditor were the resource persons of the day. There were 19 participants from all the communities. The meeting began with the Holy Spirit song. Then Fr. Francis, the animator of the day welcomed the gathering and explained the program of the day. Fr. Arockia Raj was the Emcee and secretary for the program. Fr. Ronald started his talk with a question about how to stabilize the economy of the province and the congregation which was discussed during the meetings in Rome. He also mentioned that the topic for the next consultation for the whole congregation would be “Economy Stability”. Administration is not merely a book keeping work. Book keeping is something entirely different than administration.

Fr. Dennis Weber spoke on Poverty, Accountability and Transparency in the Use of Money. His talk was taken from various sources: the Constitutions and Regulations, the Basic Document for the Guanellian Mission, The Compendium of the Social Teachings of the Catholic Church and a document issued by the Congregation of Consecrated Life and Societies of Apostolic Life entitled, “Economy at the Service of Charism and Mission.”

Next, instructions were given by Mr. Arockia Samy regarding administration. He also explained the major changes in the Finance Bill 2020 from the Indian Govt. All charitable and religious institutions under 12A are required to undergo revalidation within three months from June 1, 2020 and will only be valid for 5 years. The application for renewal of registration will need to be

submitted at least six months prior to expiration of the validity period.

Fr. Francis announced that budget submissions to Fr. Ronald and his council would begin. Fr. Arockia Raj thanked everyone for participating and Fr. Ronald led the Angelus, remembering and praying for the benefactors, GLM and GC members and for the repose of the soul of Fr. Bala.

### Fraternal Night

**CHENNAI** - February 24th was a remarkable day for



the Don Guanella Major Seminary community. They celebrated fraternal night which included the beloved superior, vice-rector and all other confreres associated as a family to foster the spirit of fraternity. The sense of belonging was palpable. Bro. Yesu Babu and Bro. Anil Merugu organized the entire program which included many colorful games that were enjoyed with laughter. A sumptuous dinner concluded the event.

### Carnival at Yesuvanam

**THALAVADI** - Nazareth Illam patients happily celebrated ‘carnival’ on February 25th. They dressed up in costumes from different cultures and paraded before the audience like a fashion show. It was great joy for the patients to hear the great applause. The whole community celebrated the carnival with new fashion and style. Then they danced with great joy in their



costumes. There was a campfire, the patients danced and sang songs and there was also party games. Fr. Loyola gave an introduction about the feast of carnival. Fr. Vanathaiyan organized the program and the regent, Bro. William, dressed up the patients creatively.

### Ash Wednesday

**KUMBAKONAM** - On February 26th Ash Wednesday was celebrated in our parish and two of the substations:



Santhanalpuram and Asoor. Many people participated in this holy event piously. Fr. Kuriakose, SdC celebrated holy Mass in the main parish; Fr. Kumar, SdC celebrated holy Mass in Asoor and Santhanalpuram. They preached the Word of God in a meaningful way, and insisted upon internal and external purification of oneself by following prayer, fasting and almsgiving throughout Lent.

### Pilgrimage Walk for Lent

**CHENNAI** - On February 27th, brothers of Don Guanella Major Seminary and Fr. Anandan SdC went on a walking pilgrimage to Velankanni Church at Besant Nagar here in Chennai as a preparation for Easter. It was a prayerful pilgrimage to our Mother of Good Health bringing many community and personal intentions to be fulfilled. Upon reaching the church, Fr. Anandan SdC and the parish priest presided over Holy Mass. The remainder of their time was spent with the blessed Mother seeking her blessings.

### Pious Lenten Activities

**KUMBAKONAM** - On February 28th at Divine Providence Parish and in Santhanalpuram, at one of the substations, there was a meaningful Way of the Cross followed by holy Mass. Many faithful came to the church and participated with great devotion and piety. We have started to pray the Way of the Cross in all our substations to fulfill the spiritual thirst of the faithful. → → →



### Medical Camp and Training

**THALAVADI** - The psychiatric doctor and JKK College of nursing students from Kumarapalayam arrived at Nazareth Illam for a Medical Camp and for an orientation class for the Nazareth Illam staff on February 29th. The program began by Fr. Loyola. He welcomed the gathering and he gave a small introduction about our mission to the students then the doctors examined the patients. Nursing students performed cultural programs for the inmates. They were very happy about our patients' performances too. The nursing students performed any necessary first aid and medical help on the patients. At the end, the nursing students gave an orientation class to the staff. It was a good experience for the students and helpful training for the staff. ↓





## Flat Stanley on Tour

**E. PROVIDENCE** - The children in the first grade class at Sacred Heart School each make a Flat Stanley who gets sent all over the world to help them about some amazing places. During the month of February, Fr. Peri traveled to India accompanied by a Flat Stanley. It was fun for the children to see him make his way around the Guanellian Houses in India.



## The Many Blessings of February



**GRASS LAKE** - The Shrine of St. Joseph commemorated the importance of vocations at two separate Masses held at the Shrine. On February 2nd, World Day for Consecrated Life, the faithful joined the entrance procession carrying lit candles to signify that vocations are like the light of Christ to the world. For World Marriage Day, February 9th, fifteen couples witnessed to marriage by joining the procession and renewing their vows. Before Mass ended they were given a special blessing. Fr. Leo also took the opportunity on the Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes, World Day of the Sick, to anoint all the sick who came to the Shrine that day and to give them a special blessing with holy water from Lourdes.



## Pasta and the Priests

**CHELSEA** - On Thursday, February 20th 40 people shared a traditional pasta dinner at St. Louis Center

with the priests. The tickets for this event were sold at the Annual Fall Dinner Auction and it provides a time of fellowship and fun just before the beginning of the season of Lent.

## Men's Conference



**CHELSEA** - A generous benefactor sponsored a table for the St. Louis Center at the Diocese of Lansing Men's Conference on February 22nd. The day was titled "Accept the Challenge." Fr. Larry Richards was the main speaker encouraging men to be like God the Father in their marriages and families. Fr. Franklin was on hand to assist with confessions and Mass. Many people learned about SLC especially when the latest promo video about the House was played for all participants to see.

## Ash Wednesday at School



**E. PROVIDENCE** - The children of Sacred Heart School were given the opportunity to start Lent with Ash Wednesday Mass during school. Fr. Silvio and Fr. Bernad celebrated Mass, marked each person with ashes and gave them food for the journey in the form of the Eucharist. Please pray for these children and children worldwide to live their call as Christians more fully from this day forward.

Fr. Bala cont. from pg. 3



He never expressed self-pity nor seemed disappointed even in moments of pain and struggle. He returned to his work,



## March Calendar of Events

- 1 **Bangalore:** Oratory Children Tour - Ooty
- 12 **Grass Lake:** Mother of Divine Providence Day- PUSJ
- 14 **Chelsea:** Vocational Retreat for Boys
- 16 **Bangalore:** Course for Novices "Healing the Inner Child" - Dindigul
- 19 **St. Joseph, Husband of Mary**  
**Cuddalore:** Feast Day Celebration - St. Joseph Seminary
- Grass Lake:** St. Joseph's Table - PUSJ
- Krishnaperi:** Annual Sports Day
- 21 **Cuddalore:** Anbin Suvadugal magazine readers' meeting
- Krishnaperi:** Evening School Picnic
- 24 **First Religious Profession of Servants of Charity (1908)**
- 25 **The Annunciation of the Lord**
- 26 **Krishnaperi:** Birthday of Vettrimaran - St. Paul Boys Home
- 28 **Anniversary of the Death of Fr. Mazzucchi**

preached more rigorously in the intervals of his treatment. His life witness encouraged and inspired many youth. But the Lord has His own ways. After excruciating pain for more than 3 months in which he surrendered completely to the Lord, and after a good confession in the noon hours, he breathed his last at 9:54 pm on February 13th.

Hundreds of people paid homage to his mortal remains. The requiem Mass was celebrated on February 14th and he was buried at Guanella Bhavan, Koppaka. The tomb of Fr. Bala reminds us, "Long Live the King," as he lives in the hearts of many forever. May his soul rest in peace.

## Best Wishes and Prayers to:

- 1 **Bro. Jesu Doss:** birthday
- 2 **Fr. Prakesh Philemen Raj:** birthday
- 4 **Fr. Maria Julian Bernard:** birthday
- 5 **Fr. John Joseph:** feast day
- 6 **Fr. Bernandes:** birthday
- 10 **Fr. Antony Kalai Selvan:** birthday
- 13 **Fr. John Bosco A., Fr. Paulraj P.:** birthday
- 15 **Dcn. Abraham A.:** birthday
- 17 **Bro. Mark A. LLanuzza:** birthday; Fr. Jegan Patrick Daniel: feast day
- 19 **Fr. Joseph Rinaldo, Fr. Soosai Rathinam, Fr. Jayasoosai, Fr. Edal Vinoth Joe, Fr. Joseph Fernandez S., Fr. Vellington:** feast day
- 20 **Fr. Louis Baskar:** birthday
- 21 **Fr. Rishar Raffee Jegan:** birthday
- 25 **Fr. Roosewelt:** birthday
- 29 **Fr. Alphonse Maria Ligori:** birthday
- 30 **Fr. Dominic Sebastian Baskar:** birthday



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