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MONTH OF THE
ROSARY

Through the Rosary,
we meditate on the mysteries
of our salvation and draw
closer to Jesus through
the heart of Mary.





Paschal Triduum



Day Mass at Dharmasagar Hill-Top



**First Death Anniversary of Fr. Ambati Bala,
Holy Mass at Fatima Cathedral, Fatimanagar**

**Graduation ceremony
at St. Paul's High School, Jangaon**



Graduation Ceremony at Father Colombo CBSE School, Ghanpur

I. May: Marian Devotion or Comfortable Illusion ?

Every May, our churches fill with flowers, hymns, and processions in honour of Mother Mary. Altars are beautifully decorated, rosaries are recited with devotion, and her statues are crowned with reverence. But an uncomfortable question confronts us: **are we truly following Mary or merely celebrating her ?**



Mary's life was not soft, decorative, or ceremonial. It was radical. Her "Yes" to God disrupted her security, invited misunderstanding, and led her to stand beneath the Cross in silent courage. If our Marian devotion does not disturb our comfort, challenge our habits, and convert our hearts, then it risks becoming a pious illusion.

Today, we proudly call ourselves a Marian people. Yet, what do we see around us? Families breaking under ego and indifference. Youth drifting without purpose or faith. Leadership both civil and religious sometimes compromised by power struggles, favouritism, and silence in the face of injustice. We organize grand feasts for Mary, but hesitate to stand for truth when it costs us something.

Mary did not remain neutral in the face of God's call. Her Magnificat was not just a prayer it was a bold proclamation that God "casts down the mighty and lifts up the lowly." It was a song of justice, not convenience. If we truly honor Mary, we cannot ignore the cries of the poor, the marginalized, and the wounded in our society.

There is also a danger within the Church itself: reducing devotion to routine while avoiding renewal. We multiply prayers but resist change. We uphold traditions but sometimes neglect transparency, accountability, and genuine pastoral care. Marian devotion should purify the Church, not shield it from necessary self-examination.

For our youth, Mary is often presented as gentle and silent but we fail to show her strength, her courage to say "Yes" in uncertainty. Young people today are not looking for mere rituals; they are searching for authenticity. They will not be inspired by words alone, but by witness by a Church that lives what it proclaims.

This May, Mary challenges us:

Not just to pray the Rosary, but to live its mysteries.

Not just to crown her statue, but to dethrone pride in our hearts.

Not just to sing her praises, but to echo her courage in our decisions.

If our devotion does not lead to justice, reconciliation, and truth, then it remains incomplete. If our prayers do not change how we treat one another within families, parishes, and institutions then they remain hollow.

Mary still speaks not in loud voices, but in the quiet call to integrity, humility, and fearless faith. She invites us to move from comfortable religion to committed discipleship.

Let this May be different. Less decoration, more transformation. Less noise, more witness. Less ritual, more Gospel. Only then can we truly say: we are not just honouring Mary we are walking with her.

Rev. Fr.D.Vijaya Paul. Administrator - Diocese of Warangal

II. Holy Father's Intention: That everyone might have food

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

III. Pope's Message: 'Democracy remains healthy only when rooted in the moral law'

In a message to participants in the Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences plenary session this week, Pope Leo XIV insists that 'democracy remains healthy only when rooted in the moral law' and warns 'the concentration of technological, economic and military power in a few hands threatens both democratic participation among peoples and international concord.' "Democracy remains healthy, however, only when rooted in the moral law and a true vision of the human person. Lacking this foundation, it risks becoming either a majoritarian tyranny or a mask for the dominance of economic and technological elites."



Pope Leo expressed this in the letter he sent to participants in the Plenary Session of the Pontifical Academy of Social Sciences, 14-16 April 2026. The plenary is on the theme: "The Uses of Power: Legitimacy, Democracy and the Rewriting of the International Order," which the Pope called a particularly timely topic that needs to be properly understood to build peace within and among nations.

Power ought to be ordered toward the common good

In his letter, the Holy Father stressed that Catholic social teaching regards power not as an end in itself, but as a means ordered toward the common good. This implies that the legitimacy of authority depends not on the accumulation of economic or technological strength, but on the wisdom and virtue with which it is exercised. He reminded the participants that wisdom enables us to discern and pursue the true and the good, rather than apparent goods and vainglory, amid the circumstances of daily life, and that wisdom "is inseparable from the moral virtues, which strengthen our desire to promote the common good." "In particular," he noted, "we know that justice and fortitude are indispensable for sound decision-making and for putting decisions into practice. Temperance also proves essential for the legitimate use of authority, for true temperance restrains inordinate self-exaltation and acts as a guardrail against the abuse of power."

This understanding of legitimate power, Pope Leo said, finds one of its highest expressions in authentic democracy. "Far from being a mere procedure, democracy recognises the dignity of every person and calls each citizen to participate responsibly in the pursuit of the common good."

Criteria for a healthy democracy

He recalled that Pope Saint John Paul II reflected this conviction when he affirmed that the Church values democracy because it ensures participation in political choices and "the possibility both of

electing and holding accountable those who govern them, and of replacing them through peaceful means when appropriate.”

Yet, the Pope stressed that democracy remains healthy only when rooted in the moral law and a true vision of the human person. When this isn't the case, he cautioned, it risks becoming either “a majoritarian tyranny or a mask for the dominance of economic and technological elites.”

The Holy Father also recalled that the same principles that guide the exercise of authority within nations must likewise inform the international order. He said this is particularly important to recall at a time when strategic rivalries and shifting alliances are reshaping global relations. “We must recall,” he said, “that a just and stable international order cannot emerge from the mere balance of power or from a purely technocratic logic.”

Threats to democratic participation and international concord

“The concentration of technological, economic and military power in a few hands,” the Pope warned, “threatens both democratic participation among peoples and international concord.” Pope Leo recalled that his predecessors expressed the need for updated institutions and a universal authority, marked by the principle of subsidiarity, as he emphasized how it is “more than ever necessary to boldly rethink the modalities of international cooperation.” He pointed out that when earthly powers threaten the tranquillitas ordinis, the classic Augustinian definition of peace, “we must draw hope from the Kingdom of God, which, though not of this world, sheds light upon the affairs of this world and reveals their eschatological meaning.”

In this perspective of faith, he reminded, “we are reminded that God's omnipotence is shown especially in mercy and forgiveness; divine power does not dominate, but rather heals and restores.”

Logic of charity must animate history

With this in mind, the Pope stressed that “it is precisely this logic of charity that must animate history, for human activity inspired by charity helps to shape the “earthly city” in unity and peace, rendering it—however imperfectly—an anticipation and a prefiguration of the “City of God.” Such faith, the Holy Father encouraged, “strengthens our resolve to build a culture of reconciliation capable of overcoming the pitfalls of indifference and powerlessness.” With these sentiments, the Pope expressed his hope that their reflections “will yield valuable insights for clarifying the legitimate uses of power, the criteria of authentic democracy and the kind of international order that serves the common good.”

In this way, he said their work will “contribute meaningfully to the building of a global culture of reconciliation and peace—a peace that is not merely the fragile absence of conflict, but the fruit of justice, born of authority placed humbly at the service of every human being and the entire human family.” Finally, Pope Leo concluded by praying the Holy Spirit enlighten their minds and sustain their efforts.

IV. Vatican News/International News

1. Pope on board plane to Algeria: 'I am not a politician; I speak of the Gospel'

During the flight to Algeria, Pope Leo XIV responds to questions regarding US President Donald Trump's recent statements, saying he is "not a politician" and that he will "continue to speak strongly against war, seeking to promote peace and dialogue." During the short flight to Algeria, Pope Leo addressed the journalists—as is tradition on papal flights—answering questions about the statements US President Donald Trump made against him on the Truth Social network. The Pope stressed that he does "not see my role as that of a politician. I am not a politician, and I do not want to enter into a debate with him."



Moreover, he continued, "I do not think the message of the Gospel should be abused as some are doing. I continue to speak strongly against war, seeking to promote peace, dialogue, and multilateralism among states to find solutions to problems. Too many people are suffering today, too many innocent lives have been lost, and I believe someone must stand up and say there is a better way."

Pope Leo greeted journalists on board the papal plane

The Pope then renewed the same call with which he began his pontificate: peace. "I say this to all world leaders, not only him [President Trump]: let us end wars and promote peace and reconciliation." Responding to an American journalist who asked the same question, the Holy Father explained, "I have no fear of the Trump administration or speaking out loudly of the message of the Gospel, which is what I believe I am here to do, what the Church is here to do." "We are not politicians," he argued. "We don't deal with foreign policy with the same perspective he might understand it, but I do believe in the message of the Gospel, as a peacemaker."

The US Bishops respond

In response, Archbishop Paul Coakley, President of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, said he was "disheartened" by the President's words. "Pope Leo is not his rival, nor is the Pope a politician," he said in a statement. "He is the Vicar of Christ, who speaks from the truth of the Gospel and for the care of souls."

An ongoing message of peace

Peace is one of the guiding themes of this Apostolic Journey to four African nations. This journey, Pope Leo explained, is special for a number of reasons, including that it was meant to be "the first of the pontificate." He expressed his joy at being able to revisit the land of St. Augustine, who, the Pope said, "offers a very important bridge in interreligious dialogue." This

opportunity to travel to the place where this North African saint served as bishop is a blessing for the Pope, but, he stressed, “also for the Church and for the world, because we must always seek bridges to build peace and reconciliation.”

The Pope addressed questions regarding the US President’s statements against him

He closed his greeting to journalists by highlighting the journey’s overall mission—to continue forward with the “same voice and the same message: what we want to do is promote peace, reconciliation, respect, and consideration for all peoples.”

2. Pope at Regina Caeli: Sunday Eucharist “indispensable” for Christian life

On Sunday 12 April, Pope Leo XIV addressed the faithful gathered in Saint Peter’s Square for the Regina Caeli. This week, Pope Leo reflected on the Gospel of the Second Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday, which emphasises the central role of the Eucharist in sustaining faith. He recounted the Gospel account of the Apostle Thomas, who encounters the risen Christ eight days after Easter and noted that this meeting takes place within the community, highlighting where believers are called to seek Christ today.

“This scene invites us to reflect on our own encounter with the risen Jesus”, the Pope said. He invited the faithful to ask themselves “Where can we find him? How can we recognise him? How can we believe?” Pope Leo XIV explained that faith is not always immediate or easy. “It was not easy for Thomas, and it is not easy for us either”, he said, adding that “faith needs to be nourished and sustained”.

For this reason, he continued, the Church invites the faithful to gather every Sunday, the “eighth day”, to celebrate the Eucharist. “During Mass, we listen to the words of Jesus, we pray, we profess our faith... His Body and Blood nourish us, so that we too may become witnesses of his Resurrection”. The Pope then went on to emphasise that participation in Sunday Mass is essential, as “the Sunday Eucharist is indispensable to the Christian life”

Turning then to the witness of the early Church, Pope Leo pointed to the Martyrs of Abitene, who chose death rather than abandon the celebration of the Eucharist. “They replied that they could not live without celebrating the Lord’s Day”, he said.

The Pope explained that it is in the Eucharist that faith grows and is strengthened, and where believers are united as members of one body. “It is there that our efforts, though limited, are united by God’s grace... for the accomplishment of a single great plan of salvation that embraces all humanity”. He also stressed the missionary dimension of Mass, noting that the term itself signifies “sending forth”. Christians, he said, are called to bring what they receive into their daily lives, becoming “witnesses of charity and messengers of reconciliation”. Bringing his address to a close, Pope Leo stressed that “In a world that is in such great need of peace this calls on us more than ever to be steadfast and faithful in our Eucharistic encounter with the risen Lord”.

V. National News (News from CCBI and CBCI)

1. Asian Bishops Issue Urgent Appeal for Peace, Justice, and Moral Responsibility

The Federation of Asian Bishops' Conferences (FABC), through its president Cardinal Filipe Neri Ferrão, vice president Cardinal Pablo Virgilio S. David, and secretary general Cardinal Isao Kikuchi, has issued a strong pastoral appeal for peace, justice, and moral responsibility, urging an end to violence and a renewed commitment to dialogue amid rising global tensions. In a statement dated April 15, 2026, titled "Blessed Are the Peacemakers" (Mt 5:9), the leadership of the FABC called on "all people of goodwill, and those entrusted with responsibility among the nations" to act decisively to halt ongoing conflicts and promote reconciliation.



Expressing solidarity with Pope Leo XIV, the bishops warned against the growing normalization of violence and the misuse of faith to justify war. They emphasized that peace must be rooted in justice, dialogue, and respect for human dignity. Drawing inspiration from the Sermon on the Mount, the statement underscored that being peacemakers is "not a pious ideal" but a moral imperative. It cautioned that in a time of weakening global institutions and rising reliance on force and domination, nations must resist the temptation to abandon dialogue.

The bishops outlined key appeals, including:

- Ending ongoing hostilities and stopping the cycle of violence that claims innocent lives
- Returning to negotiations with sincerity and courage
- Upholding international law and humanitarian norms, especially to protect the most vulnerable
- Promoting moral diplomacy focused on the common good rather than narrow national interests
- Reflecting on Asia's own history of conflict and reconciliation, the bishops noted that peace is never achieved through domination but through patient dialogue, mutual respect, and justice.

"As a Church called to be a sign and instrument of unity for the whole human race, we believe that we cannot remain silent," the statement said, adding that the Church's mission is to form consciences, speak truth, and keep hope alive even in difficult times.

The FABC also invited the faithful and all people of goodwill to join in prayer and action to build a world where conflicts are resolved through wisdom rather than weapons, and through trust rather than fear. The statement concluded with a prayer that the Lord, "our peace," may guide nations away from destruction and toward reconciliation.

2. CCBI Voices Solidarity with Pope Leo XIV's Call for Peace in the Middle East

New Delhi, April 14, 2026: The Conference of Catholic Bishops of India (CCBI) has expressed its prayerful solidarity with Pope Leo XIV, endorsing his urgent appeal for peace amid escalating tensions in the Middle East.

In a statement issued today, the Conference of the Catholic Bishops of India underscored the moral and spiritual significance of the Holy Father's call, describing it as a timely reminder to the global community to choose dialogue over confrontation. As violence, fear, and uncertainty continue to grip the region, the CCBI noted that the Pope's voice remains a beacon of hope, urging nations to pursue peace through diplomatic and humanitarian means.

The statement highlighted the Holy Father's repeated appeals to world leaders to cease hostilities, safeguard innocent lives, and engage in constructive dialogue. It also pointed to the grave humanitarian consequences of the ongoing conflict, including widespread displacement, suffering, and loss of life, particularly among the most vulnerable.

Referring to recent global political tensions and public reactions surrounding the Pope's peace appeal, the CCBI called for restraint and responsible leadership. "Differences must be resolved through dialogue and mutual respect, not through aggression or inflammatory rhetoric," the statement emphasised, reaffirming the Church's commitment to justice, reconciliation, and peace.

Joining Episcopal Conferences across the world, the CCBI urged all parties involved in the conflict to immediately end violence, uphold human dignity, and respect international humanitarian law. It further appealed for unhindered humanitarian assistance to affected populations and sincere efforts toward a just and lasting peace.

The bishops also called upon the faithful, religious communities, and all people of goodwill to intensify their prayers for peace in the region, for wisdom among world leaders, and for the protection of innocent lives.

Reiterating the Church's enduring mission, the CCBI affirmed its solidarity with those suffering the consequences of war and renewed its commitment to fostering a world rooted in justice, peace, and fraternity echoing the Gospel call: "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God" (Mt 5:9).

3. Cardinal Ferrão Appointed as Member of Vatican Dicastery for Communication

The Holy Father has appointed Cardinal Filipe Neri Ferrão, president of the Conference of Catholic Bishops of India and Archbishop of Goa and Daman, as one of the members of the Vatican Dicastery for Communication, the Vatican body responsible for overseeing the Church's global communication efforts. Cardinal Ferrão also serves as the President of the Federation of Asian Bishops' Conferences (FABC), placing him among the most prominent Catholic leaders in India and across Asia. His appointment reflects the growing representation of the Indian Church in the universal Church's leadership structures.

The Dicastery for Communication plays a central role in shaping the Vatican's media presence, including news, digital platforms, and public engagement. Cardinal Ferrão's inclusion is expected

to bring valuable pastoral and regional insights, particularly from the Asian context, into the Church's global communication strategy.

This development is seen as a significant moment for the Catholic community in India, highlighting the increasing contribution of Indian Church leaders at the Vatican level. It also underscores the importance of effective communication in advancing the Church's mission in today's digital age.

4. Meghalaya CM, Church Delegation Meet Kiren Rijiju Over FCRA Amendment Concerns

New Delhi, April 8, 2026 – Conrad Kongkal Sangma, Chief Minister of Meghalaya, on Tuesday met Kiren Rijiju, Union Minister of Parliamentary Affairs and Minority Affairs, along with a delegation from the Catholic Bishops' Conference of India (CBCI), to discuss concerns surrounding the proposed FCRA Amendment Bill 2026. Speaking after the meeting,



Sangma said the delegation raised issues related to the impact of the proposed amendments on institutions providing education, healthcare and social services, particularly in remote and tribal regions of Meghalaya and the Northeast.

The delegation included Meghalaya Deputy Chief Minister Prestone Tynsong and prominent church leaders such as Cardinal Anthony Poola, Anil Joseph Thomas Couto, Archbishop of Delhi, and Mathew Moolakkat, Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Catholic Archeparchy of Kottayam. Also present were Father Stephen Alathara, Deputy Secretary-General of the CCBI, and constitutional lawyer Tehmina Arora.

According to Sangma, the delegation stressed the need for safeguards to ensure that essential services continue without disruption, while maintaining transparency and accountability under the law. He added that the group remains committed to constructive engagement with the government in the interest of the people.

Rijiju listened to the concerns and assured the delegation that wider consultations would take place before finalizing any amendments to the Bill. The FCRA Amendment Bill 2026 was initially scheduled for discussion in Parliament on April 1. However, it was deferred to the next session in July following strong objections from opposition leaders, civil society groups and Church representatives.

5. Nuns and Candidates detained in Indore Railway Station on Trafficking Suspicion, Released After Intervention

Indore, April 8, 2026: Ten members of the Sisters of the Visitation congregation—eight candidates and two young sisters—were detained and questioned by Railway Police at Indore railway station on April 7 following a suspicion of human trafficking. The group was later released after timely intervention by Church authorities and local contacts, averting what Church officials described as a potentially serious situation.

Speaking to Catholic Connect, Bishop Thomas Mathew of Indore said the candidates from Odisha were accompanied by two sisters as they prepared to travel home for the holidays. “As soon as they got down at the station, the police detained them and began interrogation,” he said, adding that authorities had already received information alleging possible human trafficking.

The bishop said the group was able to alert Church authorities and their families during the incident. “Some of the fathers in the diocese, including the procurator, were contacted and they, in turn, reached out to higher railway police officials. The matter was then resolved,” he explained. Despite the intervention and subsequent release, the candidates missed their scheduled train. Describing the episode as troubling, Bishop Mathew said it reflects a broader atmosphere of suspicion faced by Church members. While the exact source of the complaint remains unclear, he suggested that such incidents point to ongoing challenges. “We can only presume who might have informed the authorities. There are many elements who are often critical of the Church,” he remarked.

He further emphasised that even when innocence is established, such situations can have lasting consequences. “We may be proved innocent later, but the loss of time, money, and peace of mind remains,” he observed. Referring to the outcome, the bishop noted that “a potential ‘DURG’ was averted,” indicating how the situation might have escalated without prompt intervention.

In a message circulated within the diocese, Bishop Mathew urged clergy and religious to exercise prudence, particularly during travel. He highlighted the importance of awareness, cautioning that movements are often under observation and that additional care is necessary to avoid unnecessary complications. Expressing relief at the resolution, he added, “By providence, nothing further happened. It could have turned out to be much worse, but we are grateful to God that it was resolved.”

VI. Regional News (News from TCBC)

1. Catholic Bodies in Hyderabad Condemn Remarks by Donald Trump on Pope Leo XIV

Hyderabad, April 13, 2026 — The Catholic Association of Hyderabad (CAH), in collaboration with the All-India Catholic Union (AICU), Telangana State, has issued a strong condemnation of remarks made by Donald John Trump against His Holiness Pope Leo XIV, describing them as “deeply disrespectful” and offensive to the global Catholic community.

In a statement released on April 13, the organisations took exception to comments reportedly posted by Trump on the social media platform Truth Social a day earlier, in which he referred to the Pope as “weak on crime and terrible on foreign policy.” The Catholic bodies said such language not only undermines the dignity of the Holy Father as the Vicar of Christ but also wounds the religious sentiments of millions of Catholics worldwide.

Emphasizing the moral and spiritual role of the papacy, the statement highlighted that Pope Leo XIV has consistently emerged as a global voice for peace, dialogue, and compassion, particularly in times marked by conflict and unrest. It noted that the Pope has repeatedly called for reconciliation and peaceful resolution in regions affected by war, underscoring the Church’s enduring commitment to justice and human dignity.

The organizations also drew attention to a recent prayer vigil for peace led by the Holy Father at the Vatican on April 11, describing it as a powerful expression of the Church’s solidarity with suffering humanity and its unwavering advocacy for harmony among nations. Calling the remarks “unbecoming of a global leader,” CAH and AICU stated that such statements diminish the moral authority associated with the papacy, an office rooted in the Chair of St. Peter and revered by Catholics and people of goodwill across the world.

The Catholic Association of Hyderabad and the All-India Catholic Union, Telangana State, have urged Donald Trump to retract his statements and offer a public apology to Pope Leo XIV and the universal Church, reaffirming the need for responsible and respectful public discourse, especially concerning matters of faith and religious leadership.



VII. Administrator Schedule for May, 2026

- 02: 9:00am LODI MSSS Executive Body Meeting, Fatimanagar
- 03: 4:00pm Meeting the Warangal Diocesan Seminarians and Vocation Camp, St. Xavier Major Seminary, Karunapuram
- 07: Flag Hoisting & Holy Eucharistic Celebration on the Occasion of Centenary Celebrations of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, East Nidigonda, Jangaon Parish
- 08: Silver Jubilee Celebrations of Balapala Parish
- 09: Centenary Celebrations of St. Joseph's Catholic Church, East Nidigonda, Jangaon Parish
- 10: 10:00am Confirmations & First Holy Communion at Atmakur Parish
- 11-15: Bishop's House- Summer Recess
- 14: Holy Matrimony at Ramachandrapuram Village, Palakurthy Parish
- 16: Office
- 17: 10:00 am - St. Joseph's Church Feast Celebration and Blessing of Renovated Church, Jaggaigundla Village, Reddipalem Parish
- 18: 9:30am 140th Anniversary of Catholic Presence of Agapet Village, Narmetta Parish
- 20: 5:30pm Holy Mass & Procession at Gudur Village
- 21: 9:30am Blessing & Dedication of the New Chapel at Gudur Village
- 22: Meeting with JMJ Provincials of Hyderabad & Guntur Provinces
- 23: Holy Matrimony at Agapet Village, Narmetta Parish
- 24: 10:00am Holy Mass at Cherial Parish
- 27: 10:30am Infant Jesus Church Feast at Somidi Village, Kazipet Parish
- 30: Office

VIII. Communications

Diocese of Warangal - Adjustments/Transfers

S. No	Name	Parish
1.	Rev. Fr. Gopu Suresh	Pastor, Wardhannapet Parish
2.	Rev. Fr. G. Naveen	Pastor, Dornakal Parish
3.	Rev. Fr. G. Kamal	Pastor, Waddepally Parish
4.	Rev. Fr. M. Sravan	Pastor, Theegarajupally Parish & HM & Correspondent at Father Colombo High School Nekkonda
5.	Rev. Fr. Umesh Chandra	Pastor, Pasara Parish
6.	SCJ Congregation Priest	Pastor, Yellapur Parish
7.	Fr. Y. Chinnappa	Retires

Nota Bene: The above transfers come into effect on or before May 28, 2026

With Best Wishes
Rev. Fr. D. Vijaya Paul
Administrator
Diocese of Warangal

Fatimanagar
April 28, 2026

1. Congratulations to Rev. Fr. Bochu Amarender and Welcome into the Presbyterium of the Diocese of Warangal:

I, the Administrator of Warangal Diocese happy to introduce and congratulate the new Priest Rev. Fr. Bochu Amarender for the Diocese of Warangal.

Date of Birth: 20-12-1993

Place: Parkal

Parents: Bochu Late Durgaiah - Jayapradha

Ecclesiastical Studies: Bachelor of Theology (BTh)
at St. John's Regional Seminary, Hyderabad

Date of Ordination: 29-04-2026 at Parkal Parish

Motto: Passion for Christ and compassion for his people

We wish him fruitful ministry in all his life long assignments/appointments.



2. Congratulations to Rev. Fr. Pentareddy Bala Sanjay and Welcome into the Presbyterium of the Diocese of Warangal:

I, the Administrator of Warangal Diocese happy to introduce and congratulate the new Priest Rev. Fr. Pentareddy Bala Sanjay for the Diocese of Warangal.

Date of Birth: 19-04-1996

Place: Mariapuram Village, Narmetta Parish

Parents: Late Pentareddy Solomon & Sunitha

Ecclesiastical Studies: Bachelor of Theology

(BTh) at St. John's Regional Seminary,
Hyderabad

Date of Ordination: 30-04-2026 at

Mariapuram Village, Narmetta Parish

Motto: "Love in action - serve with Christ"

We wish him fruitful ministry in all his life long assignments/appointments.



3. Fr. Y. Chinnappa Reddy Retires: Fr. Y. Chinnappa Reddy, ordained on March 2, 1977, at Agapet Village, Narmetta Parish retires after 50 years of dedicated priestly service. He has served in various capacities including Fatima Boarding at Fatimanagar, Thanikella & Guttalabazar Parishes (now Khammam Diocese), Kanchanapally Parish, and as Secretary to the Bishop. He also contributed to formation at B.Ed. College, Administrator at St. Xavier Major Seminary, Karunapuram and served in pastoral ministry in the USA. His later years of service included Reddipuram Parish, Our Lady of Fatima Cathedral and Wardhannapet Parish. His life has been marked by commitment, Dedication, and pastoral care. We sincerely thank him for his generous and faithful service to the Church and wish him good health and God's abundant blessings in his retirement.

4. Fr. Gopu Kamal Returns to Home Diocese: Fr. Gopu Kamal returns to his home Diocese after two years of dedicated ministry in the Diocese of Green Bay, USA. We warmly welcome him back. He has now been appointed as Parish Priest of Waddepally Parish. May his ministry continue to bear abundant fruit in his new assignment.

Rev. Fr. D. Vijaya Paul
Administrator Diocese of Warangal

5. News from WADES: Inauguration the New School Building: St. Mother Mary School, Kaleshwarm.

On 16th of April 2026, we had a very Grand Inauguration of the New School Building. Most Rev. Dr. Udumala Bala Archbishop of Vishakhapatnam and Rev. Fr. D. Vijaya Paul Reddy had blessed the New School building with Solom prayer and blessing in the presence of many priests, religious, students and almost 800 parents and local leaders. Main gate of the school was very solemnly blessed and opened by Most Rev. Dr. Udumala Bala by cutting the ribbon along with many of the local leaders of different parties, parents and most important 9 Sarpanches of different villages where we get student to our school were present. Along with Bishop, fathers, sarpanches and 100 people for the offering of the Coconut.

Rev. Fr. D. Vijaya Paul Reddy the President of WADES and Administrator of Warangal Diocese had very solemnly blessed the office block main entrance and opened the it by cutting the ribbon. Both Most Rev. Dr. Udumala Bala and Rev. Fr. D. Vijaya Paul Reddy blessed every class room with the holy water. Rev. M. Jaya Paul Deputy Manager of WADES had blessed



the office rooms with Sollom prayer and inaugurated. Rev. Fr. K. Joseph Reddy the Chancellor of the Diocese had blessed Priest Residence in fraternity of many priest and inaugurated the priest residence very grandly.

After the Blessing Most Rev. Dr. Udumala Bala and Rev. Fr. D. Vijaya Paul Reddy had officially Surveillance camera system. After which we had very grand celebration of the 73 UKG Graduates with very colour full cultural programmes. There were more the 800 parents and guests for the inauguration of the new school building. The students and parents were every happy to have the new school with well-equipped for the future. Indeed, it was a very grand celebration.

Fr. K. Prabhakar Reddy, HM & Correspondent

6. News from LODI MSSS

I. Title of the Project: Poverty Reduction among Poor and Marginalized rural households with Livelihoods, Ecological farming and Natural Resource Management in 22 villages of Dharmasagar and Velair mandals of Hanumakonda district.

Achievements in April:

- Through the given trainings, 116 farmers gained knowledge on soil moisture conservation measures, and water harvesting and management systems to improve soil fertility, surface and ground water sources for irrigation purpose in villages.
- Renovated 3 Feeder channels in 3 project villages and 60 farmers were benefited with increase of irrigation and recharge of bore wells.
- Renovated three weirs in three villages for the preservation of Water.

II. Care and Support Program for HIV/AIDS infected / affected children

- In collaboration with District Health Department, Lodi MSSS conducted a meeting on 9-4-2026 for the children living with HIV infected / affected children. District Additional Collector was the Chief Guest of the day. He motivated the children to live with self-confidence and high aim for life. The officials of District AIDS Control Prevention Unit also participated in the meeting.
- Nutrition Support with 11 items of nutritious food items was given to 155 HIV-infected children.

- Free medical camp was conducted at Lodi by Suhaas Foundation.

- On 16-04-2026, Lodi MSSS organized CABA children's Peer Group meeting. The Director General Sr. Dr. Helen, a Donor Mr. Matheas from Misereor and other dignitaries from CHAI participated in the meeting and evaluated CABA programme.



- Vocational Training on “Cloth painting and designing” was conducted for HIV-infected children for Five days from 18th to 23rd April, 2026.

III.Revolving Fund Loans

- During the month of April, 534 beneficiaries of 16 villages were supported with the loan of Rs. 1,10,40,000/-.

- 138 members of Fatima MahilaSahakaraSangham were given the loan of Rs. 1,70,40,000/ — Total contribution towards Savings of Fatima MahilaSahakaraSangham: Rs. 3,91,350/-.

IV.Save A Family Plan

- Family Development Programme: The program supports families through a structured plan that provides developmental guidance, training and financial assistance. Through the survey and selection process, we have enrolled 225 widow families. These families will be provided necessary support and financial assistance for six years.

- Through the generous contribution of Save A Family Plan, Canada, we have purchased and distributed Non-Electric Water Purifiers to 500 families in three parishes.

Fr. S. Inna Reddy, Director, LODI MSSS

7. News from Pastoral Centre:

1. Summer Ministry for Major Seminarians

A meeting with the Major Seminarians of Our Diocese was held on 1st April prior to their departure for Summer Ministry. Fr. D. Vijay Paul Reddy addressed the gathering and highlighted the profound gift of vocation. He encouraged the seminarians to recognize their calling as a grace from God and to carry out their ministry with dedication, humility, and a spirit of service.

2. Report on Marriage Preparation Course – Warangal Diocese

The Diocese of Warangal, under the guidance of the Administration and the Diocesan Family Commission, conducts Marriage Preparation Courses twice a month (second and fourth Saturdays). This month, 46 participants attended. The program aims to prepare young men and women for the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony by deepening their understanding of its sacredness, responsibilities, and mission in the Church and society. The course is rooted in

Sacred Scripture (Genesis 2:24; Matthew 19:6; Ephesians 5:25–33), Canon Law (CIC Can. 1055–1165), and the Catechism of the Catholic Church (CCC 1601–1666), along with the pastoral guidelines of the Conference of Catholic Bishops of India (CCBI). It covers key aspects such as consent, unity, indissolubility, and the grace of the sacrament. Through this initiative, the Diocese of Warangal continues to promote strong Catholic families as the “domestic Church,” helping couples enter married life well-prepared to live in love, fidelity, and holiness.

3. A Brief Report on TCBC Family Commission Diocesan Directors Meeting “23rd–24th April 2026 at Vijayawada

The TCBC Family Commission Diocesan Directors Meeting was held on 23rd–24th April 2026 in Vijayawada, attended by Most Rev. Karanam Dhaman Kumar, Most Rev. Joseph Raja Rao Telagathoti, and Rev. Fr. Arul Raj



Gali. “Diocesan reports were presented, followed by sessions on preparing the Regional Pastoral Plan aligned with the CCBI Pastoral Plan. “Participants studied Amoris Laetitia and discussed roles and responsibilities of Family Commission Directors, emphasizing pastoral leadership. “Each director was joined by two active team members, bringing grassroots insights to the deliberations. “The meeting ended with a renewed commitment to strengthen family ministry through collaboration, planning, and service.

Fr. T. Joseph, Pastoral Centre Director

8. News from FCCN: HURRY UP ADMISSIONS OPEN 2026-27

Father Colombo College of Nursing (FCCN) invites applications for admissions for the academic year 2026–27. The college offers B.Sc Nursing with experienced faculty, Doctors and modern teaching methods. Well-equipped laboratories, digital classrooms, and a rich library support academic excellence. Students gain hands-on clinical experience at our own hospital with diverse patient care exposure.

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Fr. Sampath, FCCN Director

9. News from SCMA: Dear Rev Father's / Brothers / Sisters....

We are glad to inform you all about the 4th Consecutive year of Summer Music Crash Course 2026. As the Importance and need of sacred music emerges a lot in our liturgical services. Kindly announce in your respective Parish / Substations to learn the Music as it is Mandatory and adds divinity to our Church Mass being a highest of all Prayers. Request you all to kindly encourage children from each church to be helpful in our liturgical services to have a meaningful celebration

10. Hearty congratulations to the Headmasters, teachers, and students of Class 10 for their commendable performance in the SSC examinations. Your hard work, dedication, and commitment have brought pride and joy to the entire community. May you continue to strive for excellence and achieve even greater success in the future.

Warangal Dioceses Education Society, 2025-2026 SSC Public Examination Results					
S.No	Name of the School	No.Of Student Appeard	Highest Marks	No.Of Students Above 550	Pass Percentage
1	St.Paul's High School	150	578	19	100%
2	St.Joseph's H/s	89	578	12	100%
3	St.Mary's H/s	46	567	9	100%
4	St.Thomas II/s	46	564	3	100%
5	St.Alphone's H/s	50	564	3	100%
6	St.John's High School	49	556	3	100%
7	St.Anthony's H/s	42	555	3	100%
8	Bishop Thumma Bala H/s	36	552	3	100%
9	St.Francis H/s	37	545	0	100%
10	Bishop Beretta high School	49	537	0	100%
11	Fr.Colombo Memorial H/s	9	524	0	100%

Rev. Fr.D.Vijaya Paul. Administrator - Diocese of Warangal & Fr. M. Jaya Paul, DM-WADES

Synopsis of the Chronicles of Administrator's Diary in April-2026

- 01: 10:30 am: Addressed the Seminarians prior to their departure for Summer Pastoral Ministry at the Pastoral Centre, Fatimanagar
- 02: Paschal Triduum began: Maundy Thursday: Celebrated the Mass of the Lord's Supper at Fatima Cathedral
- 03: Good Friday: 10:00am: Participated in the Banjara Good Friday Celebrations
5:30pm: Celebrated the Adoration of the Cross at Fatima Cathedral
- 04: 9:00am: Participated in the Graduation Ceremony at St. Paul's High School, Jangaon
- 05: Easter Sunday: Celebrated the Easter Vigil at Fatimanagar
12:00pm: Celebrated the Day Mass at Dharmasagar Hill-Top
- 06: Celebrated Dinam Mass at Singaram Parish
- 09: 10:30am: Holy Mass Celebrated for the Repose of the soul of Fr. A. Bala, on the First Death Anniversary Mass of Fr. Ambati Bala at Fatima Cathedral, Fatimanagar
- 10: 10:00am: Chaired in the Graduation Ceremony at Father Colombo CBSE School, Ghanpur
- 11: 10:30am: Blessed and dedicated the new Chapel at Bandavuthapuram Village, Reddipalem Parish
- 13: 10:30am: Holy Mass Celebrated on the occasion of Golden Jubilee Celebrations of the Religious Life of Sr. Regina Chinnappa, FMM at Immaculate Convent, Subedari
- 14: Chaired the FCT General Body Meeting at the Bishop's House, Fatimanagar
- 15: 10:30am: Holy Eucharist is Celebrated on the occasion of the Final Profession of DPMT Sisters at Fatima Cathedral
- 16: Blessed and Inaugurated the Kaleshwaram School Building at Kaleshwaram
- 18: Office
- 19: Holy Mass Celebrated at Fatima Cathedral
- 21: 10:30am: Celebrated the Holy Mass on the Feast Celebrations of St. Peter's Church, Waddepally Parish
- 24: Office
- 25: Con-celebrated in the Matampally Feast Celebrations
- 27: Con-celebrated in the Golden Jubilee Celebrations of Singaram Parish
- 28: 9:30am: Chaired the WADES Academic Reporting Session at the Bishop's House, Fatimanagar
3:00pm: Held Consultors Meeting, Bishop's House, Fatimanagar
- 29: 5:30pm: Con-celebrated in the Priestly Ordination of Dn. Bochu Amarender at Parkal Parish
- 30: 5:30pm: Con-celebrated in the Priestly Ordination of Dn. Pentareddy Sanjay at Mariapuram Village, Narmetta Parish

Birthdays in May

Celebrate your birthday today. Celebrate being Happy every day.

Fr. Gangarapu Suresh	02-05-1984
Fr. Yeruva Papi Reddy	04-05-1968
Fr. Kasu Showreddy	05-05-1963
Fr. Gali Rayappa	06-05-1960
Fr. Narisetty Sampath	09-05-1987
Fr. Rachumalla Inna	10-05-1964
Fr. Gade Prakash	14-05-1969
Fr. Golamari Rayappa	25-05-1967
Fr. Kotte Sudheer	09-05-1995



Priestly Ordinations

Rev. Fr. B. Chinnappa	01-05-1990
Rev. Fr. Y. Ajith	01-05-2023
Rev. Fr. M. Anand	02-05-1994
Rev. Fr. D. Joseph	03-05-1990
Rev. Fr. R. Thomas	03-05-1990
Rev. Fr. P. Raja	04-05-1990
Rev. Fr. Gade Prashanth	05-05-2014
Rev. Fr. GadeChinnappa	07-05-2014
Rev. Fr. Y. Sathish	08-05-2014
Rev. Fr. P. John Paul	09-05-1994
Rev. Fr. Y. Bala	12-05-1994
Rev. Fr. G. Sudhakar	16-05-1994
Rev. Fr. Pendela Umesh	15-05-2025
Rev. Fr. Kotte Sudheer	16-05-2025



SECOND SUNDAY COLLECTION

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	January	February	March	April
1. Appannapet Parish	700-00	900-00	900-00	800-00
2. Assisinagar Parish	1000-00	1000-00	1000-00	
3. Atmakur Parish	650-00	550-00	600-00	
4. Bachannapet				
5. Balapala Parish				
6. Cherial Parish				
7. Dacharam Parish	410-00	430-00	440-00	
8. Devagiripatnam Parish	500-00	300-00		
9. Dharmasagar Parish	1500-00	1300-00	1600-00	
10. Diesel Colony Parish				
11. Dornakal Parish	1086-00	956-00	1240-00	1190-00
12. Ekasilanagar Parish				
13. Elkathurthy Parish	1257-00	1203-00	1023-00	
14. Eppagudem Mission	820-00	800-00	870-00	
15. Fatimanagar Parish	12,000-00	11,000-00	7000-00	
16. Ghanpur Parish	1455-00	1560-00	1640-00	
17. Godavarikhani Parish	1500-00	1300-00		
18. Hasanparthy Parish				
19. Husnabad Parish	190-00	100-00	100-00	
20. Jagitial Parish	1000-00	500-00	500-00	
21. Jangaon Parish	4497-00	3057-00	3572-00	3710-00
22. Jammikunta Parish				

23.	Kadavendi Parish	550-00	850-00	800-00	830-00
24.	Kamalapuram Parish				
25.	Kanchanapally Parish	1837-00	1758-00	1560-00	1500-00
26.	Karimnagar Parish	3000-00	3000-00	3000-00	3000-00
27.	Karunapuram Parish	1500-00	1700-00	1700-00	1800-00
28.	Kazipet Parish	3000-00	3000-00	2340-00	2640-00
29.	Kesamudram Parish	125-00	125-00	125-00	
30.	Kothi Rampur Parish	150-00	210-00	270-00	
31.	Korutla Parish				
32.	Kumarpally Parish	800-00	800-00		
33.	Madhapuram Parish	100-00	100-00	100-00	100-00
34.	Mahabubabad Parish				
35.	Malkapur Parish	250-00	250-00	250-00	250-00
36.	Mallakapally Parish	300-00			
37.	Manugonda Parish	750-00	750-00		
38.	Manthani Parish				
39.	Maripeda Parish				
40.	Mariapuram -Don				
41.	Bosco Parish				
42.	Narmetta Parish	700-00	770-00	705-00	780-00
43.	Narsampet Parish	300-00	350-00		
44.	Nellikuduru Parish				
45.	Mariapuram-Ookal				
46.	Parish				
47.	Palakurthy Parish	300-00	300-00	300-00	300-00
48.	Palavelpula Parish				

49.	Pallagutta Parish				
50.	Parkal Parish				
51.	Pasara Parish	245-00	220-00	235-00	260-00
52.	Pulukurthy Parish	250-00	250-00	200-00	200-00
53.	Rampur Parish	400-00	400-00	500-00	500-00
54.	Ranipuram Parish	685-00	705-00		
55.	Reddypalem Parish	715-00	842-00		
56.	Reddypuram Parish	650-00	600-00	600-00	750-00
57.	Sagaram Parish	1000-00	1000-00	800-00	1000-00
58.	St. Peter's Colony Parish				
59.	Shanthinagar Parish, Vemulawada				
60.	Shanthinagar Parish				
61.	Singaram Parish				
62.	Subedari Parish	4050-00	4000-00	4000-00	
63.	Thigarajupally Parish				
64.	Thimmarapet Parish	2050-00	2100-00	2000-00	2200-00
65.	Thorrur Parish				
66.	Unikicherla Parish	700-00	730-00	950-00	
67.	Vangalapally	350-00	350-00	420-00	500-00
68.	Veleru Parish	600-00	600-00	600-00	
69.	Venkatapuram Parish	200-00	200-00	200-00	200-00
70.	Waddepally Parish	1000-00	1000-00	1000-00	
71.	Wardhannapet Parish				



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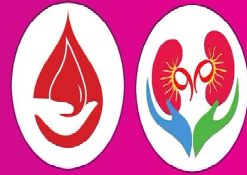
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Blessing and Dedication of New Chapel at Bandavuthapuram Village, Reddipalem Parish



Golden Jubilee Celebrations of Religious Life of Sr. Regina Chinnappa, FMM at Immaculate Convent, Subedari



Ground Breaking Ceremony for New Presbytery at Jangaon Parish



Final Profession of DPMT Sisters at Fatima Cathedral



Blessing and Inauguration of Kaleshwaram School Building, Kaleshwaram





Feast Celebrations of St. Peter's Church, Waddepally Parish



Golden Jubilee Celebrations of Singaram Parish



Blessing & Inauguration of New School Block at Notre Dame School, Theegarajupally

50th Wedding Anniversary of Narisetti Balaswamy & Albina, Fatimanagar



Priestly Ordination of Deacon Amar at Parkal Parish

Priestly Ordination of Deacon Sanjay at Mariapuram Village, Narmetta Parish