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PROVINCE GOLDEN JUBILEE YEAR: INAUGURATION

Jubilee is a celebrative milestone in the journey of our vision. This sentiment was echoed in the inauguration of the Golden Jubilee of Kerala Province which came into existence on 15 August 1960. The Jubilee Year Inaugural Function at Christ Hall, Calicut was marked with grandeur, gusto, and depth. The Province envisages the Jubilee Year as an occasion to renew, revitalize, and recommit to the mission of Jesus. The multi-pronged programmes and celebrations were planned in detail by the Jubilee Celebration Committee under the leadership of Fr James Morais. The Jubilee Year inauguration was carefully crafted as a three-day event by imaginatively weaving in a day of prayer and Mass in honour of the deceased members, and the jubilees of 19 Jesuits of the Province.

May 21 was earmarked as a day of prayer for the Province at the start of the Jubilee Year. The 12 hour adoration provided the spiritual ambience to collectively recollect, thank, reflect on and pray for the various ministries of the Province. This spiritual grounding set the tone for the Jubilee inaugural celebrations. The day of prayer ended with a solemn celebration of the Eucharist in memory of all the deceased members of our Province presided over by Fr Provincial along with Frs Salvin and Philip Vattamala, the new priests of the year. This thanksgiving Eucharist began with an office of the dead at the cemetery in Christ Hall where the majority of the deceased members of the Province stay buried. Fr Mathew Pullattu in his homily remembered gratefully their heroic endeavours, valiant struggles, committed life and solid contributions to the Province and the people of God.

On May 22, the celebrations commenced with the blessing of the newly built Province Curia by Bishop Joseph Kalathiparambil, Bishop of Calicut. The present Provincial, Fr Joseph Kallepallil, had taken up the task of building this Curia during

the tenure of the previous Provincial and he had the opportunity to complete the construction as Provincial. The new building blends elegance, simplicity and facilities needed to resolve the spatial constraints of the Provincial House.

The Jubilee inaugural Mass began at 9.30 a.m. with Bishop Joseph Kalathiparambil as the main celebrant and Bishops Varghese Chakkalakkal, Diocese of Kannur, Mar Remigiose Inchananiyil, Diocese of Thamarassery, Maxwell Noronha, Bishop Emeritus of Calicut and Mar Paul Chittilapilly, Bishop Emeritus of the Diocese of Thamarassery as concelebrants. Bishop Varghese Chakkalakkal in his homily delved into different layers of Ignatian tradition and spirituality. He appreciated and underscored the way Kerala Jesuits embodied them in their life and mission with special reference to the Jesuit contributions in Chirackal mission. Fr Salvin, who coordinated the Liturgy, ensured that every detail of the solemn Eucharist was taken care of. The Eucharistic celebration was followed by a public function in the SRC Hall. Bishop Joseph Kalathiparambil gratefully acknowledged the vital contributions of Kerala Jesuits and the symbiotic relationship between the Diocese of Calicut. Bishop Remigiose highlighted the epochal Jesuit involvement with the Syro-Malabar Christian migrants to Malabar region and the initiatives of Bishop Patroni to begin the processes of forming Tellicherry Diocese. The unique Jesuit charism of 'handing over' was acknowledged and acclaimed. Mar Paul Chittilapilly gratefully remembered many Jesuits with whom he had close associations. The contributions of Kerala Jesuits in the field of education, missionary activities and social interventions among the marginal communities of tribals, Dalits and fisherfolks were critically appreciated and applauded. Sr Snehalatha, A.C, Provincial Superior of Apostolic Carmel, representing the religious, highlighted the long-standing relationship with the Jesuits and their contribution in various fields and particularly the service rendered to the religious. Mr David, Secretary, Parish Council of Christuraja Parish acclaimed the

services of Kerala Jesuits. Bishop Varghese Chakkalakkal released a CD planned and prepared by Fr Vincent Pereppadan highlighting the various ministries of Kerala Jesuits. The celebration culminated in the delectable lunch in honour of the fifty years of Kerala Jesuit fraternity and fellowship.

As part of the Jubilee celebrations, the scholastics ventured into a systematic and in-depth study of the history of the Jesuit presence in Kerala and the development of the Province. The fruit of the study was shared with the august assembly of the Province members in a Jesuit Heritage Seminar organized by the Scholastics' Forum. Fr Sunny Puthenpurayil presented the first paper giving an overview of 468 years of Jesuit mission in Kerala and highlighted the significant milestones of the creative history of Jesuits in Kerala. It was followed by four papers by scholastics that critically interrogated the diverse aspects of Jesuit involvements. The Seminar ended with a call to creatively study and interpret Jesuit history in Kerala. The Jubilee Quiz organized by Frs. Salvin, Philip Vattamala and Sunil Padannamakkel, besides testing our knowledge about the Society, succeeded in bringing together the Province members of different strata in a lighter note. There was a screening of the documentary which was formally released in the morning. It was received with enthusiasm and applause and appreciated for its conception, visualization and direction.

The 3rd day, May 23, the Feast of Pentecost, was set apart for the Jubilarians of the Province and there were 19 Jesuits who were thanking the Lord for His faithfulness. The solemn concelebrated Mass was presided over by Fr Ephrem and Fr Jose Pulickal broke the Word of God. He brought out the challenge of the jubilee from its etymological meaning as the call to be trumpeters of God and emphasized the indispensability of being the Society led by the Spirit in true Ignatian tradition. Fr M. K. George felicitated the Jubilarians and Fr Provincial honoured them with gifts, followed by a sumptuous jubilee meal in the new refectory of Christ Hall.

The three days were indeed a celebration of gratitude, unity and commitment in Jesuit fellowship. The tolling of the jubilee bells, we all wish to be the signals of a new dawn in the history of Kerala Province in its journey in the mission. The synergy, teamwork, hard labour and prayer that were harnessed to the making of these three momentous days is the ray of hope that we trust in as we march ahead in the Jubilee year and beyond.

Aneesh Manivelil

APPOINTMENT BY THE HOLY FATHER

James McCann of Chicago Province Rector, Oriental Institute, Rome.

APPOINTMENTS BY FR GENERAL

Fr Guillermo Rodriguez-Izquierdo Gavala (70) Provincial of Betica Province, Spain.

Fr Jean-Marc Biron (67) Provincial of French Canada.

Fr José Alberto Mesa of the Colombia Province Secretary for Secondary Education.

Fr General has confirmed the appointment of Fr Sunny Kokkaravalayil Superior of the Jesuit Community of Oriental Institute, Rome.

APPOINTMENTS BY FR PROVINCIAL

Fr Henry Pattarumadathil Director of Studies, RTC, Kalady

Sch Aneesh Manivelil Scholastics' Forum Coordinator

Sch Ramlal Mekkulathil Member, Formation Commission

Sch Binu Kaduthalakunnel Scholastics' Summer Prg. Coordinator

PROVINCIAL'S PROGRAMME

JUNE

7-8 KCMS, Ernakulam

10 Santhinilayam, Kottayam

A WARM WELCOME

Sch A.J. Rizzo of Maryland Province, USA will be spending a month in the Province from 16 June to 22 July 2010. . He will stay for a week in Sameeksha and then proceed to Attappadi and Tudi, Wayanad.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Schs Anish Vattakunnel, Tejson
Nedumparambil, and Tom Jose
Bhagavathikunnel have left the Society.

at Christ Hall, Calicut. Please inform Minister,
Christ Hall.

FORTHCOMING MEETING

The next joint meeting of Consultors,
Superiors and CCA will be on 10-11 July 2010

FROM OUR INSTITUTIONS**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SCHOOL MEN: RESULTS-2010**

S.S.L.C / ICSE / CBSE RESULTS			
SCHOOL	SENT UP	PASSED	% PASS
Sarvodaya, Eachome	141	126	89.3
AKJM, Kanjirapally	141	141	100
St Michael's, Kannur	149	149	100
St Joseph's, Kozhikode	278	277	99.7
Loyola (SSLC), Trivandrum	31	31	100
Loyola (ICSE), Trivandrum	49	49	100
Loyola (CBSE), Trivandrum	41	41	100

PLUS TWO RESULTS				
SCHOOL	SUBJECT	SENT UP	PASSED	% PASS
AKJM, Kanjirapally	Science	116	107	93
St Michael's, Kannur	Commerce	48	46	95.8
	Science	45	44	97.5
St Joseph's, Kozhikode	Comp. Science	49	48	97.95
	Humanities	100	94	94
	Commerce	49	42	85.7
	Science	42	36	85.7
Loyola, Trivandrum	CBSE	83	81	97.6
	ISC	49	49	100

ST MICHAEL'S SCHOOL, KANNUR

The month of May was a time of good tidings for St Michael's school. We got cent percent pass in the SSLC exam and 97.18

% in the plus two section. Fr John Francis gave a talk on value education to the entire school teachers of Kannur Diocese. He also preached a retreat to the Ursuline Novices in Nasik. Fr Gracious was a supervisor in the National Census Programme and this work

stole a considerable amount of time from his already busy schedule. Fr James Pullokarann went on a short trip to Holy Land. He said the trip was spiritually enriching and informative. Since he made some background studies about different places he emerged as an excellent guide and was able to give lot of information to the members of his group.

John Francis

AKJM, KANJIRAPALLY

The School has retained cent percent success in the SSLC Exam. In the Higher Secondary Exams we have considerably improved our results with 93% success out of 116 students presented. In the Common Engineering/Medical Entrance Exam too 15 of our students have secured ranks within 15K level. Fr K.J. Thomas left Kanjirapally after a 4 month stint to take up assignment at SICJ, Trivandrum. Thank you, dear Fr Thomas for your presence here as well as care and concern. Fr K. P. Mathew left for Jaipur on 3 June to be the Principal of St Xavier's College, Jaipur, a new venture of Delhi Province. We are quite sure that the AKJM Community, Staff, & Students, as well as our friends & well-wishers around will gratefully cherish the way in which Fr K. P. Mathew was instrumental in giving a fresh impetus to our mission here. Fr Kuriakose Puthanapra as Superior and Fr M.J. Augustine as Minister, Treasurer, Manager and Director of Junior School, have taken up their responsibilities. AKJM School is going through a make over with unprecedented levels of maintenance and developmental activities. As the School enters the Golden Jubilee year we have introduced 5 Smart Classrooms spread over all the sections. This is being done in collaboration with M/s. Educomp Ltd.

Polson

LOYOLA, TRIVANDRUM

Our new Minister, Fr Philip Vattamala took charge in the last week of May. Sch. Tinu also joined the community as regent in LES and as Asst. Warden of the Men's Hostel. LES conducted training for

counsellors of Govt. Schools in 4 batches in the month of May. Fr Joye James gave an orientation programme for 70 Higher Secondary teachers of the Trivandrum Latin Archdiocese. He attended the Xavier Board meeting at Rajagiri College, Kakkanad from 6 to 9 of May. He gave an orientation programme for the teachers of the schools of Adoration Sisters in Trivandrum.

The School reopened on 31 May and the admissions to Higher Secondary courses are almost completed. The staff orientation programme was guided by Mr Ram Mohan from SCMS Cochin (an old student and a parent of the school) and Dr Mohan Roy, a Trivandrum based Psychiatrist. They spoke on interpersonal relationship and on identifying disabilities in children.

The College opens for the new semester on 1 June. There is a change of guard at the Loyola Ladies' Hostel, with a new Warden Sister. LES has announced six courses of IGNOU, B.Com to be initiated under its auspices at Loyola, Poovar. The Round Table Conference organized by the college on Land Issues, made its resolutions and deliberations known to the Chief Minister. The Faculty Development programme of Fr Sabu is approved by the UGC. The campus is looking forward to a vibrant academic year.

Toby

FROM TAIWAN

This time I am writing about 3 Taiwanese who have hit the headlines. The first is the 24-year old and chubby LIN Yu Chun. He became an instant singing sensation, singing such hit songs as "I Will Always Love You" of Whitney Houston. He is being invited to different countries for performances. Then there is the 61-year old CHEN Shu Ju, a vegetable vendor who was recently honoured by TIME Magazine. For years she has been getting up at 2.30 a.m. and greeting her customers in the early morning market where she plies her trade. A genuine Buddhist soul, she lives on NT\$100 each day and has managed to find the time and resources to donate NT\$10 million (NT 1 = In. Rupee 1.46) over 17 years to a

school and orphanage. She has also helped to contribute to a Children's Fund, the building of a library, the support of 3 orphans, etc. One reason for her focus on education and children is the fact that she was born poor and had to drop out of school. She has been selling vegetables since she was 13 to support her family. The third person is CHENG Yen who was born in 1937. She took to Buddhism seriously and became a Nun. In 1966, after a now-famous discussion with Catholic Nuns, she was asked: "What has Buddhism done for society?" It was a wake-up call. Slow and steady she began to win friends, first among the poor, then among the rich. She founded the Buddhist Compassion Relief Tzu Chi Foundation (Tzu Chi) which has for its motto "instructing the rich and saving the poor". Tzu Chi has over 10 million volunteers. "Seeing with one eye, a thousand eyes see simultaneously; with one hand in action, a thousand hands work together." It has pioneered environmental protection and it has started many good schools and specialist hospitals. It is always in the forefront for disaster relief (e.g., Haiti). She is known as the Mother Teresa of Taiwan

John Manipadam

FROM LONDON

In the midst of friends and relatives, Schs. Kheit Pham and Justin Prahbu were ordained deacons on 8 May at Mount Street Jesuit Church. Most Rev. Vincent Nicholas, the Archbishop of Westminster, presided over the Mass along with a good number of Jesuit Priests. A barbecue was set up later in the evening to celebrate the graceful event in the community. Fr Robert Grimm, the treasurer of the Society, dropped in as part of his visit in the Province. Fr Raphael Thottan was in central London for two days before leaving for Rome. It was a constructive experience to come together for the faith sharing at Owen villa in Boscombe. The STB course of Louvain University has started on 31 May at Heythrop College for two weeks soon after the end term exams.

Xavier Tharamel

FROM HEKIMA COLLEGE–NAIROBI

I am appointed Tertian Instructor along with Fr Leo Amani for the first batch of Tertianship in the Jesuit-East African Province. This is a new initiative in this province. The duration of the Tertianship is five months (from the third week of July to the third week of December, 2010). The venue is **MWANGAZA: the Jesuit Retreat Centre in Nairobi**. I will move to the retreat centre in the month of July and will have to come back to Hekima College to continue the teaching assignment there in the second semester. The present arrangement is only for the academic year 2010-2011.

Malpan

FROM ROME

I had a trip to Rome and Fr Sunny Kokkaravalayil received me at the Airport. After a few days of stay at the Oriental Institute and a short trip to Munich, I reached the *Specola Vaticana* for the Conference. It's nice to be here at the Vatican Observatory which is located at the far end of the Papal Villas, bordering the city of Albano. It is also a historic territory being one of the first settlements of the pre-Roman times. The conference is in full swing. There are 25 delegates from 25 different countries and I am the only Jesuit among them. All the delegates are research scholars. It's really enriching to be with them. Programmes are meticulously planned and systematically executed. There are lectures, discussions, paper presentations, library research and projects. This, I believe, would help me to interpret the theological mysteries from scientific perspectives in view of my mission.

Binoy Pichalakatt

FR GEORGE NEDUNGATT

I had to abandon my idea of taking part in the jubilee celebration at Christ hall and of giving my course philosophy of Law at Dharmaram Vidykshetram, Bangalore, before attending to my Ayurveda treatment.

However with any such postponement I was risking to worsen my health and to make the recovery less sure, said the doctor. Accordingly, I was admitted to a three-week course of treatment at Parathuvayalil Hospital, Keezhillam on 20 May. The main treatment of the first week is *Pizhichil*, which has already begun to show some improvement in my unsteady gait. The Treatment takes up practically the whole forenoon, so that only in the afternoon can I receive visitors and phone calls. I say Mass at 18.30 for the hospital community and few patients and nurses attend it. There is no regular chaplain or Sunday Mass, so the presence of in-patient priest is appreciated. The hospital promotes a life of faith and prayer also for therapy and provides everything for the Eucharistic celebration, except Mass wine. We are two priests here, the other being from Kottayam. After my hospital treatment I have to keep a three-week period of *Pathyam* or strict rest with personal medication.

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REPORT OF THE SCHOLASTICS' SUMMER PROGRAMME-2010

The summer programme of the scholastics this year started on 28 March with the Easter ministry and ended on 31 May with the annual retreat in I.R.C, Pariyaram. As the 65 days of summer programme ended on 31 May, Scholastics wondered how quick the days passed by. As a whole the summer programme this year was really enriching with variety of involvements and innovative items.

The entire summer programme was planned and implemented in three phases. The first phase was packed with varieties of training programmes for the youth and the school students aimed at developing their language and leadership skills. Easter ministry in the first phase enabled them to begin the activities with a spiritual tone. The art workshop and the youth retreats were the two of the four innovative items this year.

The second phase of the activities had a social thrust with outreach

programmes. Exposure programmes in our centres such as Sneharam, Snehabhavan, Poozhanad and TUDI made them aware of the social realities of today. Some of the scholastics who participated in those programmes spoke eloquently about the contributions of some of the individual Jesuits in those centres. Workshop for the priests and the environmental campaign were the other two innovative items this year. Workshop for the priests of the Diocese of Trichur by our scholastics has once again proved that our young men can rise to the occasion. Conducting an environmental awareness campaign, 8 of our scholastics joined 5 AICUF members and travelled all over Kerala and performed a street theatre at 16 places in 6 different districts of Kerala. It was very well covered by the media.

The third phase was exclusively set apart for the intellectual, physical, and spiritual growth of our scholastics. The workshop on social awareness and cultural analysis broadened our vision. The holidays not only focused on rest and relaxation but on the communitarian aspects of Jesuit Life. Six well-appreciated papers were presented at The Jesuit Heritage Seminar in connection with the Jubilee Programme. Both the Heritage Seminar and the Quiz reminded the scholastics of the great missionary tradition of the Society. Active involvement by our scholastics in the various ceremonies of the inauguration of the Jubilee, arranging the liturgy, decoration, conducting the choir etc. have proved the mettle of our scholastics. With all these tight programmes, four of our scholastics got the opportunity to take part in a 10 day Vipasana retreat.

The retreat too was quite innovative. It was based on the methods of Interplay techniques, guided by Fr Prasanth Olalekar (BOM) and Ms. Hazel in I. R C, Pariyaram. For an outsider it would have seemed like a dance camp, but for the participants it was a transforming experience. Each day of the retreat consisted of two movement meditations (one in the morning and one in the evening), a session or a talk and the

Eucharistic Celebration in the morning. The Eucharistic Celebration was very attractive with its music and dance elements. Many a day, the offertory was in the form of dance by all the participants. Many scholastics shared that this retreat enabled them to come out of their inhibitions, tensions, worries, etc. and challenged them to be more open to the Spirit's movements within them.

We would like to express our sincere gratitude to Frs. Joseph Kallepallil (Provincial), Jose Jacob (Former PCF), Henry Pattarumadathil (PCF), E .P. Mathew, V. T Jose, Dominic Madathaniyil, Shelton and Sabu Malayil for their guidance support and encouragement. We also acknowledge with grateful hearts the selfless service of Frs. Toby, Baby Chalil, Baby Mullooparambil, M. K George, Jose Thachil, Thomas Anthraper, Jose Pulinthanath and Vincent Pereppadan for making this summer an ever memorable and successful one.

Jiji Puthuveettilkalam

GONE FOR THEIR REWARD

Fr Gerald Leclair (DAR 81/62) on 23 May, 2010 at Pickering, Canada.

Prof. Mani Manikompel (79) elder brother of Fr Ephrem Manikompel on 14 May 2010 in Calicut.

Mr Papachan Kizhakedom (58) first cousin of Fr Kallepallil, on 20 May 2010 at Arpookara, Kottayam.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

JUNE

- 11 Joye James Karimathil
- 14 Dominic Madathaniyil
Joseph Kottukapally
Mathew Kuzhickattumyalil
- 18 Wilson Puthussery
- 19 Mathew Elanjipuram
- 22 Mani Tharappel
- 24 Vibin Padayadan
- 25 John Manipadam

- 26 Ranjit George Irrattil
- 27 George Thenadikulam
- 30 Paul Vadakel

JULY

- 03 John Vattanky
- 04 Manesh Thottathuvilakom
- 07 Anish Vattakunnel
Sunny Jose Puthenpurayil
- 08 Kurien Kunnumpuram
- 09 Thomas Vattakunnel

IN CHRIST WITH GLORY

JUNE

- 12 (1961) George Ayathaparambil
- 12 (2008) Joseph vathaloor
- 13 (1993) Charies Studerus
- 14 (1999) Joseph Parakkan
- 15 (1996) George Kuzhivelly
- 18 (2000) Paul Lenthaparambil
- 20 (1976) Benjamin Biscia
- 29 (1973) John Chettupuzha

JUBILEE SPECIAL

THE DECREE OF ERECTION OF THE VICE-PROVINCE OF KERALA

**(by Fr John Baptist Janssens,
Superior General of the Society of
Jesus)**

(An unofficial translation by late Fr Paul
Lenthaparambil)

No one is unaware what great changes are taking place not only in the political scenario of India, but also in the set up of the Provinces and the Assistancy of the Society of Jesus in India and East Asia. With a view to more efficiently promoting the Kingdom of God in the Southern parts of the Sub-Continent of India, the territory of the Madurai Province has been enlarged, changed and marked out again more than once in recent years. The Fathers and

Brothers of the Madurai Province have always shown themselves as indefatigable laborers in the vineyard of the Lord, in exercising their arduous apostolate that demand great courage. But rather intricate historical reasons have been hindering the work entrusted to the Society by the Church consequently could not be carried out in the Kerala Region with the desired efficiency. However, recently, after Region-wise divisions even in civil society were introduced on linguistic basis, it seemed easier to proceed to the solution of the problems that are peculiar to the Malabar Region in the Madurai Province of today, a solution which we had foreseen at the time when the Region was constituted. Deservedly the Malabar area has to be entrusted to the diligent care of the Madurai Province, from where the works in the Malabar Region formerly began and was very creditably developed by the Belguam and Calicut Missions. These have flourished and do flourish as days go by. But now it seems to be that the time has arrived in which a definitive separation of the Region from the Mother Province has to be brought to execution.

Therefore, after having gathered and duly considered mature Informations from both the sides and after having heard the Assistants and after having weighed the matter again before God, aiming at His Glory alone, we decree in the Lord as follows:

1. That part of the Madurai Province which from October 10, 1956 used to be called Kerala Region, is to be separated from that Province and erected into an independent Vice-Province, granting it all the rights and duties which from the Institute of the Society fall to the lot of an independent Vice-Province. In future it is to be called the KERALA VICE-PROVINCE and is to be ascribed to the Assistency of India and East Asia.
2. In order that it may serve all who are using the Malayalam language, the territory of the new Vice-Province will comprise the entire Civil State of Kerala as it is constituted by civil laws, with all the houses of the Society,

which exist there already now or will be erected hereafter. It is decreed that a Novitiate should be started for the new Vice-Province. It will be the duty of the Vice-Provincial to provide, if need be, a minor seminary in a suitable place chosen for the candidates for the novitiate and likewise other houses where the Juniors or the Scholastics or Coadjutor Brothers could be duly trained. The House of the Tertianship at Kodaikanal will be common for the Madurai Province and Kerala Vice-Province and the Philosophate at Shembaganur will serve the Karnataka Vice-Province also.

3. Concerning the personnel, these have been settled. Safeguarding the exceptions which the Provincials would propose to Fr. General because of the peculiar circumstance obtaining in the region, to the Kerala Vice-Province belong and have been ascribed with full rights all the members of the present Madurai Province who were born within the territory of the new Vice-Province, even though at present perchance applied to the other Provinces, Vice-Provinces or Missions, or if they were born outside the present Madurai Province limits, at the time of their entrance into the Society they had a stable domicile in it, and conversely according to the same rule the other members remain ascribed to the present Madurai Province. Those of Ours, however, who have been ascribed to the present Madurai Province, who were neither born within its limits nor had a suitable domicile in it at the time of their entrance into the Society - unless it is otherwise stated in the decree - may be (ascribed) assigned either to the Province or Vice-Province, as by brotherly agreement the Provincial or the Vice-Provincial would refer it to Fr. General for his approval.

Those of Ours, however, who have been already applied to the Madurai Province, the Kerala Region included, should remain applied to the Province or the Vice-Province, within whose territory they exercise at present a stable ministry or office, provided however that all who were before belong to the Calicut Mission, but now considered applied to the Kerala Region, after this

Decree should, be counted as ascribed to the new Vice-Province.

On the other hand, those of Ours who on a stable status are working within the territory either of the Madurai Province or of the Kerala-Vice Province, to which according to the norms exposed above, hereafter shall not be considered ascribed as long as, even after several years or for their whole life the good of souls and the progress of the apostolic labors require it, nor are they to be recalled to their own Province or Vice-Province except with the mutual consent of the Provincial or Vice-Provincial.

4. The agreement concerning the division of properties, after having settled between the Provincial and the Vice-Provincial, is to be forwarded to the General for his approval.

Likewise let the Provincial and the Vice-Provincial agree between themselves and refer to us the arrangement regarding the Suffragia to be offered for the departed also for the future, as a token of mutual charity and gratitude.

Should any doubt arise either about what is contained in this Decree or regarding its execution, let it be referred to the General for a solution.

Let this our Decree be read at table in all the Houses of the Madurai Province and the new Vice-Province, as it is the custom, on

the 27 September 1960, on the Anniversary of the Confirmation of the Society, from which date it will come into full force.

We most humbly beseech the Most Blessed Virgin Mary, whose glorious Assumption to heaven offers a pledge of a special benevolence before the throne of God for her children remaining here on earth, so that as our Queen she may obtain divine favors in superabundant measure from the divine goodness for Ours of the Mother Province as well as of the new Vice-Province, and although with the promulgation of this Decree, they do part juridically in different directions, she may hold them together by the bond of mutual divine charity and make them continuously grow in the genuine spirit of the Society. May Ours working those regions, propped up by such a powerful help together with the powerful intercession before God, of St. Thomas the Apostle, our Father Ignatius, St. John de Britto to all of whom the souls in India have been so dear to their heart, gather richer fruits as days go by for the greater glory of God.

Given at Rome, the 15th day of August 1960, on the Feast of ASSUMPTION of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

(Sd)

JOANNES BAPTIST JANSSENS
(Praep. Gen.Soc. Iesu)

