

# Provincial Circular Province of the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Auxilium Provincial Office Nongthymmai, Shillong - Meghalaya - 793014

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My dear Sisters,

Loving greetings from Auxilium Provincial House, Nongthymmai!

Te are entering this new month of July which is especially dedicated to the most precious blood of Jesus. The devotion to the precious blood of Jesus holds a specific importance for us Christians as it was through His death on the Cross and the shedding of His precious blood that He paid for the sins of the world and brought us salvation. By shedding His precious blood for us, Christ has redeemed us from sin enabling us to enter into a new relationship with Him. Not only are we forgiven from sin, but we are also sanctified through the Blood of Christ. May the precious Blood of Christ purify and cleanse us from all that is not God gradually transforming us in His own image.

St. Paul in his letter to the Philippians 2:7-8 wrote: "Christ emptied himself taking the form of a slave, becoming as human beings are, and being in every way like a human being, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a Cross." This is evident that Christ shed His blood in expiation for the sins of all humankind and in total surrender and obedience to His Father's will. St. Paul highlighted this attitude of Jesus' obedience as the cause of our justification. Christ's obedience thus sets the goal for us too as consecrated persons called to assume the way of life of Jesus- obedient to the Father. As we draw closer to the foundation day of our Institute recalling our very own 'Yes' to the Father's will, it is good to look at the image of Jesus on the Cross, shedding every single drop of blood for our salvation. It is an invitation to imitate His selfless gift in



obedience to the Father. During this time, there will be lots of occasions that give us the opportunity to say Yes to God through our generous self-gift. The new assignments that many of you are being entrusted with, the transfers from one community to another, the availability to the change of place, of situations, of activities, etc... are concrete opportunities that call for our generous 'Yes'. Let us learn from Jesus to humble ourselves to God's will in our keen submission to His invitation through these various moments and opportunities in our life. As we will soon begin the new year in the Institute with Sr. Rosa Pyngrope and the new team, let us pray that the precious blood of Christ may purify each of us to walk this journey together seeking to do always what pleases Him and for his greater glory.

## Members of the Provincial Council

Te are grateful to Mother General and her Council who has confirmed the nomination of the members of the Provincial Council and the Animators of our Province for the tenure 2024-2027. We are grateful for the trust that the Institute is vesting on our sisters with the service of animation. Our prayers and our responsibility to collaborate with them for the fruitfulness of the mission in the Province and for the spread of God's Kingdom.

Vice Provincial : Sr. Carmelina Sun **Councillors** : Sr. Rosina Susngi

Sr. Maristella Ryngkhlem

Sr. Teresa Kamsuan Sr. Euginia Laloo Sr. Plenish R. Marak Sr. Theodosia Mawniuh

Provincial Economer: Sr. Theodosia Mawniuh

Provincial Secretary: Sr. Euginia Kyntiewlin Susngi

## Animators 2024-2027

We congratulate and assure our prayers for our Sisters who have accepted the mandate of God:

- Sr. Sten Rihun Paulina, Sr. Bisilda Thyrniang, Sr. Jubil Mary Dkhar, Sr. Victoria Saioo, Sr. Regina Nongbri, Sr. Carmelina Sun, Sr. Patricia Nongkhlaw, Sr. Marvella Shangpliang, Sr. Jemma Phyllei and Sr. Elizabeth Thannimootil who are reappointed Animators for Second *Term* in the same Community.
- Sr. Rona Kharkongor who is reappointed for a **Second Term** as Mistress of Novices
- The following Sisters who are appointed as Animators for the *First Term*.

Sr. Juliana Sangma : Auxilium, Deku Sr. Teresa Kamsuan : Auxilium, Dholai

Sr. Marcellina Sangma : Auxilium, Nandan Nagar

Sr. Plenish R. Marak : Auxilium, Tura Sr. Celestina Syngkli : Auxilium, Umdang Sr. Lalmuanpui Irene : Auxilium, Vairengte

Sr. Happyline Shadap : St. Mary Mazzarello, Mawkyrdep

Sr. Matilda Kharjana : St. Mary Mazzarello, Jowai Sr. Dorathy Iohdahun Kharduit : St. Mary's, Rangblang Sr. Maristella Ryngkhlem : FMA Outreach, Shillong

Sr. Iris Suchiang : Sacred Heart Convent, Mawlai

## Family News & Communications

Welcome Back: We are glad to welcome back to the Province Sr. Rosa Pyngrope and Sr. Lucia Syiem who are returning from Rome on 14 July 2024. We wish them God's blessings as they come back with enriching experience from the Centre and assure them of our prayers for their mission ahead in a particular way for Sr. Rosa who will shoulder the responsibility of animating the Province in the upcoming 6 years.

Welcome: Along with Sr. Rosa, our beloved benefactors from Italy will also be visiting our Province. Hearty welcome to Don Biagio Grilli, Carmela Massone and Lucia Stipulante. We are indeed happy to have them with us and we thank them for the sacrifices made and their generosity offered for the fruitfulness of our mission. They will come on 14 July and leave the Province on 2 August. Sr. Philina Kholar will accompany them along to Italy.

Service outside the Province: I would like to inform you that Sr. Hunbih Mary Dkhar has also offered herself for few years of service in the Province of Bangalore. We thank her for the years of loving and faithful service in the Institute and we assure her of our prayers for her mission forward.

We also assure our prayers for Sr. Dristina Sariang who will render service in the Retreat centre at Khetri, Assam to help and animate the many groups who are coming to the prayer centre especially the Khasi speaking group. We pray that her presence in the prayer centre may bring many blessings to the province. May the Lord bless and accompany her in this noble mission.

Novices from Sri Lanka: This year 2 Novices from Sri Lanka will also join our Novitiate at Bellefonte. One for the second year and one first year. We warmly welcome them to Shillong to make an enriching experience together with our Novices towards a generous and self-gift of themselves to the Lord.

**Intensive Juniorate:** The following Sisters will be making their Intensive Juniorate this year 2024-2025. We accompany them with our prayers and sisterly support that this year of preparation become an opportune moment to form themselves for a definitive and authentic giving of self to God. I thank the animators and communities who will closely follow and accompany our young sisters during this period of formation.

- In Auxilium Provincial House, Nongthymmai (INS)
  - 1. Biam Wankyrkhu
  - 2. Dhar Ajanta
  - 3. Kharkongor Aihunlin
  - 4. Kongwang Therisia
  - 5. Lalhruaitluangi Maria Goretti
  - 6. Marak M. Sophia
  - 7. Papang Mercy
  - 8. Pyngrope Almashisha

- 9. Pyngrope Ridasuk
- 10. Sangma A. Fatima
- 11. Syiemlieh Meldaris
- 12. Thongni Wanda Mary
- 13. Macwan Jennifer (INB)
- 14. Pandit Rani (INB)
- 15. Lakra Kalpana (INC)
- 16. Baa Rashmita(INC)

- 17. Rajan Biji(INK)
- 18. Sharmista Joy(INK)

- 19. Vasthiyampillai Sulaixana (INM)
- 20. Swingle Jerida Koduthor (INM)
- In Auxilium Provincial House, Guwahati (ING)
  - 21. Kharumnuid Fatima
  - 22. Phawa Jessica
- In Mawlai for the ITLR
  - 23. Lapasam Sumarlang-i
  - 24. Marwein Inosencia
  - 25. Pariong Ribandalin
  - 26. Taropi Ibasika

**Here I am Lord:** We thank the Lord for His fidelity which is manifested in the generous 'YES' of our Sisters, Novices and candidates who offer themselves to the Lord's service in our Institute. Let us be prayerfully close to them in this time of preparation for the various commitments in their religious formation. We congratulate them for their courage to respond to God's loving invitation to follow and serve Him.

#### PERPETUAL PROFESSION

- 1. Kharpor Ribajanai
- 2. Lyngdoh Marshillong Risalin
- 3. Lyngkhoi Juborlin
- 4. Nayak Nibedita
- 5. Nongbsap Joycy Mary

- 6. Rynjah Dalanglin Mary
- 7. Sangma Jemiritha
- 8. Sangma S. Crecencia
- 9. Thongni Rakhelna

#### FIRST PROFESSION

- 1. Bina Genevieve
- 2. Khardewsaw Icy Mary
- 3. Kharkongor Amisha
- 4. Lyngdoh Marshillong Arkrinsha Mary
- 5. Marak Ch. Terimchi

- 6. Nongbri Sweety Mary
- 7. Nongtdu Rimeka
- 8. Papang Twinly
- 9. Rympeit Haisynthia

#### ENTRY INTO THE NOVITIATE

- 1. Kharumnuid Jeaniliza
- 2. Khriam Iaikyntiew
- 3. Marboh Junica Magdaline
- 7. Rapthap Darishisha Mary
- 8. Susngi Blessme
- 9. Syiemlieh Lucy Mary
- 10. Syiemsad Ibalajiedlin

- 4. Mawrie Bahunlang
- 5. Pyngrope Wansara Deimaya
- 6. Pyrtuh Thianglinki
- 11. Thongni Alsha Mary
- 12. Kharbihkhiew Andriana Mary in INB
- 13. Marwein Ibamery– in INB
- 14. Nongsiej Jecinta in INB

- 15. Lowrans Anat Lowransiya from Sri Lanka
- 16. Fernando W. Ann Nimesha Dulanjalee from Sri Lanka

A total of 76 temporary professed Sisters will also renew their vows on 2 August 2024 in Shillong. Few others will also be renewing in Rome and in other Provinces of India.

Congratulations to our Jubilarians: We congratulate our Sisters who will celebrate the various jubilee of their religious profession. We are grateful to God for the gift of their life and their vocation and we thank them for the commendable service they have rendered to the Province in these past years in various capacities. Their life of fidelity is a blessing to everyone of us in the Province and to all those whom they have touched with their lives in the mission. May the Lord bless them abundantly and continue to journey with them in the years ahead.

Golden Jubilarians: Sr. Lyngdoh Assunta

Sr. Maloth Philomena

Silver Jubilarians: Sr. Chhangte Lawmzuali Margaret

> Sr. Jyrwa Grace Mary Sr. Lawai Aitihun Mary

Sr. Lyngdoh Irine Sr. Muthoh Rihunlang Sr. Nongbri Regina Sr. Sangriang Bernadeth

Sr. Thyrniang Celestina

Sr. Wankhar Maria Quinta

**Students**: The following Sisters will frequent the regular studies in various places this year 2024. We accompany them with our prayers that this period of formation will be a beneficial time to prepare them for a more fruitful mission in the future.

NAME	Course	PLACE
Sr. Gemima Pohrmen	Formators' Course	Rome
Sr. Selinda Wanniang	Salesian Spirituality	Rome
Sr. Joyly Grace Mawthoh	Bachelor of Theology	Sacred Heart College, Shillong
Sr. Ribha Suja	Bachelor of Theology	Sacred Heart College, Shillong
Sr. Bestonia Warjri	B.Sc (Psychology)	Auxilium College, Katpadi
Sr. Felinicia Syiemlieh	B.Sc (Mathematics)	Auxilium College, Katpadi
Sr. Iarikmen Rynjah	B.Sc (Chemistry)	St. Anthony's College, Shillong
Sr. Bansara Kharsyiemiong	BA (English)	Don Bosco College, Tura
Sr. Balorita Sangma	BA (History)	Don Bosco College, Tura
Sr. Risalin Kjharkongor	B.Ed	Don Bosco College, Tura

Sr. Dahun Mary Pyngrope	Nursing	Rapsbun School of Nursing, Shillong
Sr. Risilyn Kharkongor	Nursing	Rapsbun School of Nursing, Shillong
Sr. Rina Mary Nongkynrih	DTP	Don Bosco Technical School, Shillong
Sr. Opaia Tyngkan	DTP	Don Bosco Technical School, Shillong

Upcoming events: Kindly find attached below the dates for the various upcoming celebrations in the province. Let us send our prayers ahead that everything may be accompanied by God's grace and assistance of our Blessed Mother.

EVENT	DATE	PLACE
Annual Spiritual Retreat (Novices +Postulants)	24-31 July 2024	Mary our Help Training Centre, Bellefonte
Annual Spiritual Retreat (Temporary Professed Sisters)	22 -29 July 2024	FMA Outreach, Shillong
Renewal Course for ALL the temporary Professed Sisters	29 July- 2 August 2023	FMA Outreach, Shillong
Renewal of Profession	02 August 2023	FMA Outreach, Shillong
Initiation to Religious Life	03 August 2023	Mary our Help Training Centre, Bellefonte
First Profession	05 August 2023	Mary our Help Training Centre, Bellefonte
Perpetual Profession	05 August 2023	Divine Saviour Parish, Nongthymmai
Installation of New Animators	12 August 2024	Auxilium provincial House, Nongthymmai
Installation of Sr. Rosa Pyngrope	13 August 2024	Auxilium provincial House, Nongthymmai

New SDC: The responsibility of the Social Development Coordinator which was assumed by Sr. Helen Puwein till this year will be henceforth substituted by Sr. Garnet Sutnga. We thank Sr. Garnet for accepting this noble responsibility in the sector and we wish her all the best in her endeavors. A special note of gratitude to Sr. Helen for her generous efforts and great interest taken during her tenure to tap resources and networking done in various ways to bring fruitfulness and development to the sector in many ways and more especially to reach out to the people in need of our care and service in various ways. May the Lord bless her abundantly and we wish her too God's blessings for her mission.

Safe Journey: We wish safe journey to Sr. Selinda Wanniang and Sr. Beronica Sangma who will leave the Province this month of July for studies and for mission ad gentes respectively. May the Lord bless them and accompany them in their journey and especially in their mission. We thank them for their loving services rendered to the Province in these past years.

Meeting Leads Academy: Sr. Euginia Laloo and Sr. Maria Crescencia Swer will be participating in the second phase of the Leads Academy Training at Maitreya Spirituality Centre, Bannerghatta Bangalore from 5-13 July 2024. We wish them all the best and an enriching experience of the programme.

# Prayers for the sick and the departed

We extend our prayerful support to all the sick ones, through the intercession of Our Blessed Mother, especially our sick sisters, relatives of our Sisters and members of the Salesian Family.

We also offer our heartfelt condolences and prayers to all our Sisters who have lost their dear ones in the past month and all the members of the Salesian Family. We unite in prayers especially with:

• Sr. Biora Nongdhar at the passing away of her mother on 1 July 2024.

May all the departed ones enjoy the loving embrace of God forever in His Kingdom and may all those who mourn their passing away be consoled by the strength and grace of God.

### Feasts of the month

03 July – St. Thomas the Apostle

07 July – Blessed Maria Romero

16 July – Our Lady of Mt. Carmel

22 July – St. Mary Magdalene

25 July – St. James the Apostle

26 July – Sts. Joachim & Anne

28 July – St. Alphonsa Muthathupadathu

s I conclude I would like to wish you a fervent month ahead filled with the many blessings of God. This month of July is indeed a special month as we prepare for the celebration of our Foundation Day. It is also a time of revitalization as we renew ourselves with the new change of places, communities and encounters with one another and our people in the mission. Let us encounter the blessings of this month with our humble resignation to the will of God and rekindle our enthusiasm to serve Him ever better and with greater fidelity as Mother Mazzarello would say:

> "Now is the best time to rekindle the fire" - Mother Mazzarello [Letter 27.81]

With assurance of prayers and loving accompaniment,

Affectionately,

Sr. Elizabeth George FMA

**Provincial**