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Dear fathers and brothers,

Welcome to 2025! As we bid farewell to 2024, we do so with a blend of joy, gratitude, or perhaps a touch of regret; our sentiments reflecting how we chose to embrace the past year. Each day before us witnessed the sun rising and setting, just as it will in this New Year. Regardless of our actions, thoughts, or words, the unyielding rhythm of day and night remains unchanged. Time flows for everyone alike: the diligent and the indifferent, the cautious and the carefree, the virtuous and the flawed. This moment invites us to reflect on the past while nurturing hope for the future. We may find that memories of the past year evoke sadness over our mistakes and setbacks. Yet concurrently, the kindnesses we extended, the joy we discovered, the strides we made, and the successes we achieved inspire us to offer praise and gratitude to God.

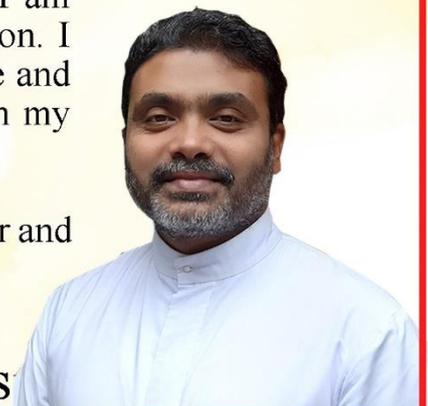
As you all know, this marks my final message from this role. In recent years, I have been blessed with remarkable opportunities as a priest, as a member of the religious community, and as the leader of the province. I have known both success and failure. I recognize that I could have embodied more kindness and compassion, and approached my responsibilities with greater love and commitment. For some of you, I may have met your expectations; for others, perhaps not. From my mistakes, I glean vital lessons. Thus, I step into the future grounded in gratitude, trusting in God's grace, with a clear sense of purpose. Any good I have accomplished is a result of divine support, while my missteps stem from my own limitations.

As I embrace this New Year, I realize that the events surrounding me hold significance, yet what truly matters is what unfolds within my heart and mind. My response to the world outside is shaped by my inner self. I recognize that the narrative of my life, its triumphs and tribulations, its joys and sorrows will depend on what dwells within me. Therefore, I must take ownership of my life, refraining from blaming others or circumstances for my shortcomings. The fruits of my existence stem from my inner reality. Ultimately, I believe that life is woven from relationships, not from constraints. It is essential to cultivate authentic connections with God, with fellow beings, and with ourselves. It is not the quantity of friends that counts, but the quality of those friendships that truly matters.

From the depths of my heart, I thank Almighty God for His steadfast guidance and support. I sincerely appreciate Fr. Jesbin Pulavelil MS, for his dedicated service in bringing out the Provincial Circular without fail in the last three years. I am equally grateful to each of you for your unwavering collaboration. I humbly ask for your forgiveness for any errors I may have made and request your continued prayers. Rest assured, I will keep you in my prayers as well.

Wishing you all a fruitful gathering at the 7th provincial chapter and a Happy New Year!

Yours in Our Lady of La Salette
Rev. Fr. Jenson Chenthroppinny MS





LA SALETTE BHAVAN, PARAKKADAVU

New Vehicle: We are thrilled to announce that our community has purchased a new Bolero Jeep for our house purposes. We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the Provincial administration for their support in making this dream a reality.

Merry Christmas: La Salette Community at Parakkadavu celebrated Christmas on December 21st. The celebration was made more special with a visit from the Parakkadavu Parish Christmas Carol team.



Happy Birthday: We celebrated Fr. Jino MS's birthday on December 17th, joined by some special visitors. The Sisters of the Holy Family, who were on a home mission in the parish, also participated in the celebration.

Visit: Fr. Joby Muttathil MS and his friend priest visited us and shared inspiring stories of their mission experiences with our seminarians.

Death Anniversary: We commemorated the second death anniversary of Fr. Joseph Punnkunnel MS, joined by family members and our community.

Recollection: We organized a second Saturday recollection for the laity and parishioners. Fr. Franason Thannadan delivered a thought-provoking talk and led the Holy Hour.

Reconciliation Day: On December 22nd, we observed a Day of Reconciliation for our parish and neighbouring parishes. Many people availed themselves of the sacrament of confession from 8 am to 4 pm.





LA SALETTE SADHAN, BENGALURU

Advent: We joyfully welcomed the season of advent, the season of hope. We arranged cribs and other light decorations in the campus to make the season attractive and colourful.

Exams: All of our brothers had their philosophy semester exams during this month.

Adoration: We had the pleasure of organizing a serene evening session of adoration and confession for the La Salette Laity, actively led by Rev. Fr. Jenson MS.

Community Celebration: We had our community Christmas celebration and the exchanging of Christmas gifts on the 21st of December. The presence of Fr. Benjamin MS and Scho. Sarath MS made our evening vibrant and colourful.

Christmas Eve: On the evening of the 24th, we joyfully gathered for the solemn Christmas Vigil Mass, celebrated by Rev. Fr. Anoop MS. Following the Eucharistic celebration, we came together to share the spirit and joy of Christmas, by cutting a Christmas cake.



Holidays: Brothers Joshua and Abin went home for their Christmas vacation from 24th of this month.

Visitors: We were delighted to welcome Rev. Frs. Bino MS, Benjamin MS, Joyal MS, Nikhil MS, Lithin MS, Sibi MS, Anson MS, and Bro. Sarath MS. Their presence brought a wonderful spirit of fellowship and joy.

Feasts of the Month: We solemnly celebrated the Feasts of St. Francis Xavier, Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Feasts of St. Stephen, the Holy Family, the Holy Innocents.

Welcoming 2025: On the evening of December 31st, we came together to offer Thanksgiving for the Year 2024 and to celebrate New Year's Eucharist. Following the solemn liturgy, we conducted a lively lucky draw contest for our laity members. The celebrations concluded with the sharing of a New Year's cake, spreading sweetness and joy as we welcomed the blessings of the year ahead.





LA SALETTE NIKETHAN, HUNSUR, MYSORE

Carol Singing: We were delighted to receive a visit from the parish carol singers, who wished all members of our community a joyous Christmas.

Holidays: Our brothers returned to their respective parishes for the Christmas holidays and actively participated in various parish activities.

Birthday Celebrations: We celebrated the Birthdays of Brothers Jerin and Sajin, with community members gathering to pray and wish them well.

Christmas Party and Celebration: Our Christmas Eucharistic celebration and party were truly meaningful. Fr. Matthew MS was the main celebrant, and we were joined by Fr. Bino MS and our novices.

Special Visitors: We were honoured to receive visits from several distinguished guests, including Fr. Jenson Chenthrappinny MS, Provincial Superior, Fr. Jince MS, Fr. Bino MS, Fr. Joby MS, Fr. Aldrin from Tanzania. They shared in our joy and celebration of the Birth of Jesus.



LA SALETTE ASHRAM, WAYANAD

Christmas Celebration: Ashram community celebrated Christmas with much joy and enthusiasm together with SD sisters and staff.

Laity Gathering: Laity gathering and Christmas celebrations were conducted at the campus.

Jesus Youth Training Program: A training program of the Jesus youth was conducted after the Christmas.





LA SALETTE VIDYA NIKETHAN, HUNSUR, MYOSRE

Christmas Competitions: La Salette Vidya Niketan conducted Christmas Competitions for the Teachers and students which included Christmas Wreath making, Star making, Snow Man, Christmas Articles, Christmas Card, Christmas message etc. The prizes were distributed for the winners during the Christmas Celebration in our school.

FA3 Exam: The Students had their exams from 9th to 11th of December.

Picnic: The LSVN students of Kindergarten to 9th standard had their picnic to Mysore Area, Kollegal area and GRS Fantasy Park this year. The students enjoyed the trip well with their friends and came back safely. La Salette PU college had their picnic to Goa from 13 December. The students enjoyed and refreshed their mind.



Holidays: La Salette Vidyanikethan remain closed for the holidays from 22nd to 29th of December.

PUC Test: La Salette PU students had their Second test from the PU department on 27th of December onwards.

School Reopen: The School is reopened after the Christmas holidays on 30th December.

Visitors: Fr. Joby Muttathil MS and Fr. Aldrin from Tanzania Mission visited our School.

PT Meeting: On 19th of December LSVN had PTM for all the students.



Birthday Celebration: La Salette Vidyanikethan celebrated the birthday of Sr. Sangeeta Bara on 21st of December. During the Assembly the management and Students wished her and thanked for all her services to our School.

Christmas Celebrations: La Salette Vidyanikethan organised Christmas celebrations on 21st of December. During the Assembly the management blessed the new crib in the school and had prayer service in front of the crib for all the staff and students. The celebration was continued with Carol singing and Christmas programs on the stage. After the program Christmas friend's gifts were exchanged between the staff members. The students had their Christmas celebration of cutting the cake in their class rooms with the presence of their class teachers. Cake Pieces were distributed to all our students on this day.



Food Fete: La Salette Vidyanikethan and PU college organised one-day food fete for the students and staff on 17th of December. It was aimed to help out our poor students in their educational Purposes.

State Level Dance Competition: La Salette Vidyanikethan students represented state level dance competition on 22nd December. Two First Prizes were awarded for folk dance double and group, First and second prize for Western dance. Our students were received 18 gold medals and 9 Bronze medals and became second Champions in the state level dance competitions. The students are selected for the National level of competitions. Congratulations to all our students



LA SALETTE SCHOLASTICS, NAGPUR



Bethlehem Memory: St. Charles Seminary conducted its 23rd Bethlehem Memory on December 14. Many participants from different schools and parishes joined in the carol singing competition.

City Carol: St. Charles Seminary conducted the City Carol on December 21.

Christmas Celebration: We conducted Christmas celebrations at different social work centers and distributed gifts to children.

Christmas: On Christmas Eve, we had Holy Eucharist celebration, with community and Fr. Rector was the main celebrant. On Christmas Day, the brothers were engaged in various ministries.

Visitors: Fr. Joy Chukkananickal MS visited us and stayed with us for three days.





LA SALETTE MATHA RCM CHURCH, NUTHANKAL, KHAMMAM

One Day Program: One Day Program for the month helped prepare the faithful for Christmas. The event focused on spiritual preparation and reconciliation.

Spiritual Banquet: National Jericho Prayer Team who move with Eucharistic Jesus all throughout India visited our parish



Christmas: La Salette Matha RCM Church in Nuthankal joyfully celebrated the birth of Child Jesus. In preparation for the festive season, around 20 devoted individuals attended the Eucharist for 25 consecutive days. Beautiful carols, stunning illuminations, and an intricately designed crib etc. created a magical atmosphere. Furthermore, special Christmas Masses were held at every substations.

Motor Shed: Constant breaking of pipes and removal of electric connections by monkeys resolved by building a motor Shed.

Washing Machine: A new washing machine has been purchased and installed at Nuthankal.



ST. JOSEPH'S RCM CHURCH, THORREDU, AP

Carol Singing in the Villages: We had Carol singing & House blessing for all the families in our parish & 6 villages from 19-21 of December.

Christmas Lightings & Crib: This year too, our parish youth have put up a very nice crib, star and decorative lights.

Christmas Celebrations: La Salette Missionaries along with Parish community had a wonderful Christmas celebration. After the Christmas Mass, we had cake cutting which was followed by cultural programs and distribution of gifts. From 25th - 30th of December, we had Christmas celebrations in our 6 sub-stations.

Thanksgiving Day: On 31st of December, together with the Parishioners, we offered a thanksgiving Adoration and Holy Mass.



LA SALETTE VIDYA NILAYAM, THORREDU, AP

Annual Sports Day: La Salette Vidya Nilayam conducted the Annual Sports Day, Salette Energia on the 6th and 7th of December. It was a resounding success! Students showcased their athleticism and teamwork in a variety of events, from track and field to relay races. The atmosphere was beautiful with excitement and school spirit.

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