

Let us thank the Lord for this generous gift and prepare ourselves for the new life.

1. The Sadducees did not believe in the Resurrection. Right or wrong?
2. Who said that if a man dies childless, his brother must marry the widow and raise up children for his dead brother?
3. Who said to whom : "Neither you know the Holy Scripture, nor the power of God?"
4. In the Resurrection, what will happen to men and women?
5. Complete the sentence: "I am the God of Abraham, the God of \_\_\_\_\_ and the God of \_\_\_\_\_."
6. Our God is not of the dead! Then whose God is He?
7. According to Jesus, which is the greatest commandment?
8. Whose feast is celebrated on December 03<sup>rd</sup> ?
9. What do you know about St. Francis Xavier? Explain in five sentences.
10. Among the seven sacraments which are the sacraments received only once?

You are requested to send the answers latest by the first week of December to the following address.

Director  
Divya Bharati Pastoral Centre  
Near Mudhra Hospital,  
Chaibasa, Jharkhand – 833201

#### Dates to Remember

**18<sup>th</sup> November:** Meeting of the Heads of Diocesan and Religious Schools at Bishop's House, Golmuri at 9.30 am

**25<sup>th</sup> November:** Meeting of the Superiors of the Religious Houses at Bishop's House, Golmuri at 9.30 am

**21<sup>st</sup> November, to 24<sup>th</sup>:** Catechists' Seminar at Divya Bharati Diocesan Pastoral Centre, Chaibasa.

#### **BIRTHDAY WISHES – NOVEMBER**

Date	Name
01	Jilson T L
10	Jondko Kandeyang
11	Valerian Lobo
21	<b>Most. Rev. Felix Toppo, SJ</b>

#### Marriage Preparation Course

At Divya Bharati Diocesan Pastoral Centre: December 4<sup>th</sup>

Morning to 8<sup>th</sup> evening. (₹800 for residents and ₹ 600 for non-residents (per person). The Recommendation letter from the Parish Priest is a must.

At St. Joseph's Welfare Centre, Golmuri: 28<sup>th</sup> November to 2<sup>nd</sup> December. For details, please contact Fr. David Vincent.

NOVEMBER 2017				
02	Thur	03.00 p.m.	Mass at Beldih Cemetery	JSR
04	Sat	10.30 am	Golden Jubilee of Sr. Gerardine Lobo, Holy Child	Purulia
		05.30 pm	DSWC GB Meeting	Govindpur
05	Sun	03.00 pm	Mass at Divya Jyoti	Sundernagar
08	Wed	08.00 am	Annual Feast and Eucharistic celebration	Khuntpani
09-10	Thur ..	09.00 am	Meeting on Tribal Affairs at SDC	Ranchi
11	Sat	09.30 am	Fr. Faustin Lobo at Cath. Charities	Sundernagar
12	Sun	10.00 am	Silver Jubilee of Sr. Tessa, H.C.	Pramathnagar
14	Tue	10.00 am	Meeting of the JHAAN RBC with Delegates at SDC	Ranchi
15	Wed	09.00 am	Meeting of the JHAAN RBC till 01.00 p.m.	Ranchi
18	Sat	09.30 am	Meeting of the Heads of the Dio. And Rel. Schools	Golmuri
19	Sun	08.00 am	First Communion and Confirmation	Khuntpani
20	Mon	09.30 am	CBCI- SME-NI Governing Board Meeting	Mandar
25	Sat	09.30 am	Meeting with the Superiors of the Rel. Houses	Golmuri
26	Sun	01.00 pm	Feast of Christ the King. Mass/ Procession,	Telco
28-29	Tue ...	AM-PM	RBC/CRI/CDPI Meeting	Ranchi



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## The Feast of Christ the King



Dear Brothers and Sisters in Jesus,

In the past kings ruled over all the countries. He used to be the supreme authority in the whole country. People held him at the highest esteem and major affairs in his kingdom had to have the consent from the King. Apart from all glory and glamour, he had the toughest job in his kingdom, to cater for the welfare of his subjects, to uphold justice in the kingdom and to protect them from internal and external enemies.

However, the people of Israel believed that there is only one King, Yahweh, for Israel. He is the Alpha and Omega, omnipotent, omnipresent and omniscient; He is the creator of us all, merciful and just. The image of this king is actualized in the Second Person of the Trinity, Jesus, the Christ.

The Feast of Christ the King was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925 as an antidote to secularism, a way of life which leaves God out of man's thinking and living and organizes his life as if God did not exist. The feast is intended to proclaim in a striking and effective manner Christ's royalty over individuals, families, society, governments, and nations. Pope Pius XI hoped the institution of the feast would have the following effects. They were:

- That nations would see that the Church has the right to freedom, and immunity from the state (*Quas Primas*, 32).
- That leaders and nations would see that they are bound to give respect to Christ (*Quas Primas*, 31).
- That the faithful would gain strength and courage from the celebration of the feast, as we are reminded that Christ must reign in our hearts, minds, wills, and bodies (*Quas Primas*, 33).

Today, the same distrust of authority exists, although the problem has gotten worse. Individualism has been embraced to such an extreme, that for many, the only authority is the individual self. The idea of Christ as ruler is rejected in such a strongly individualistic system. Also, many balk at the idea of kings and queens, believing them to be antiquated and possibly oppressive. Some even reject the titles of "lord" and "king" for Christ because they believe that such titles are borrowed from oppressive systems of government. However true these statements might be (some kings have been oppressive), these individuals miss the point: Christ's kingship is one of humility and service. Jesus said:

You know that those who are recognized as rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones make their authority over them felt. But it shall not be so among you. Rather, whoever wishes to become great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be the slave of all. For the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many (Mark 10:42-45).

Pilate said to Jesus, "Are you the King of the Jews?"... Jesus answered, "My kingdom does not belong to this world. If my kingdom did belong to this world, my attendants would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not here." So Pilate said to him, "Then you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say I am a king. For this I was born and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth (John 18:33b, 36-37).

Thus, Jesus knew the oppressive nature of secular kings, and in contrast to them, he connected his role as king to humble service, and commanded his followers to be servants as well. In other passages of Scripture, his kingdom is tied to his suffering and death. While Christ is coming to judge the nations, his teachings spell out a kingdom of justice and judgment balanced with radical love, mercy, peace, and forgiveness. When we celebrate Christ as King, we are not celebrating an oppressive ruler, but one willing to die for humanity and whose "loving-kindness endures forever." Christ is the king that gives us true freedom, freedom in Him. Thus we must never forget that Christ radically redefined and transformed the concept of kingship.

This year, on 26<sup>th</sup> of November we celebrate the Feast of Christ the King, the Second Person of the Trinity. This feast establishes the titles for Christ's royalty over people: 1) Christ is God, the Creator of the universe and hence wields a supreme power over all things; "All things were created by Him"; 2) Christ is our Redeemer, He purchased us by His precious Blood, and made us His property and possession; 3) Christ is Head of the Church, "holding in all things the primacy"; 4) God bestowed upon Christ the nations of the world as His special possession and dominion.

Mt. 25:31-46 states, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world

For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels... Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me."

If you wish to be His subject, let us share his love and compassion to our brethren. Let us be a sparkle of hope to the hopeless. Let us be strengthened by Faith, Hope and Charity and march towards his kingdom and pray, O! Christ the King, Thy Kingdom come!

Your Friend and Servant  
**+Felix Toppo, S.J**

#### **St. Paul's Church, Maluka**



This year, St. Paul's Church, Maluka celebrated the World Mission Sunday with great joy and lot of fun. The faithful were instructed and educated that Mission Sunday is a moment for all Catholics in the world to support spiritually and materially the evangelising activities of the Church in the mission territories. As one family, the Parishioners of Maluka came together to raise fund for this noble cause. The day was a remarkable one in the diary of 2017. Mission Sunday was celebrated on 22<sup>nd</sup> October at St. Paul's church, Maluka. The day began with the Holy Eucharist. Fr. Dileep in his homily exhorted to share concerns of the universal Church and appreciate the work of catchiests and to generously support the Church to fulfil the duty of spreading the Good News. This year the parish had organised Food fest in the school campus. Soon after the mass, people actively participated and shared their love and joy. There were few games conducted and awarded with prizes. It was a great joy to see the women, men, children, youth, Sisters and Fathers going about doing their bit to raise fund for the missions Sunday. We could collect a handsome amount of ₹15000. Thanks to all who put their efforts to bring the day a memorable one. (Fr. Alex Darwin)

#### **CDPI, Jharkhand Region Annual Convention**

A two-day CDPI (Conference of Diocesan Priests of India) JHAAN regional convention themed 'Imbibing the spirit of Mother Theresa of Kolkata in the life and mission of a Priest' was held at Catholic Charities, Sundernagar on 18-20 October, 2017. Priest delegates from all over Jharkhand region participated in this convention. The Convention was inaugurated by Rev. Sr. M. Sebastiano M.C, the Regional Superior, Rev. Fr. David Vincent, the Vicar General, Rev. Bro. Shaji, M.C, Rev. C. R. Prabhu, Rev. Fr. John Crasta and Rev. Fr. Robert Dungkung. Sr. Sebastiano in her inaugural address emphasised the value of Prayer in our life and portrayed the life of Mother Theresa as ever shining example. Fr. Jerome Sequeira, S.J, the resource person, spoke at length about the importance of virtues of Mother Theresa in the life and ministry of a priest. Sincere thanks to all the office bearers for successfully organizing such an enriching event. It was unanimously felt that such programs should be organized at regular intervals. We look forward to next CDPI event. (Fr. Dileep Marandi)

#### **Believe in Bible Live in Christ Alone**

Carmel Junior College, Sonari organized its 5<sup>th</sup> annual programme of BIBLICA on the 28<sup>th</sup> of October 2017. It was inaugurated by Rt. Rev. Bishop Felix Toppo. Rt. Rev. Bishop Felix Toppo spoke on the topic 'Virtues of Mother Mary'. The talk was indeed enlightening and effective.

The first event of the day was a quiz on "Mother Mary" students learnt from the material provided. The winners of the quiz were the students of Carmel Junior College, in the second place was Loyola and the third place was backed by Little Flower School.

Other events of were: A skit on the Virtues of Mother Mary, Compose and sing with 'UNITY' as the theme, Action songs, Treasure hunt. The students were provided with snacks and lunch. Every student and teacher who participated in the programme received a memento and a participation certificate at the end of the programme.

Congratulations to Sr. Lini A.C., Staff and students for conducting such a wonderful programme.

#### **Diwali Celebration: Catholic Charities**

Diwali, the festival of lights was celebrated in Catholic Charities, Samekit Jan Vikas Kendra and Vikas Bharati on 17 October 2017. The main objective was to spread the message of 'Sustainable Development Goals'. The Director Fr. Alwin C.V shared the objective of the celebration and Fr. C. R Prabhu stressed that even in Sustainable Development Goals, the first goal is to 'eradicate poverty'. We should focus on lighting the lives of poor people.

The Vicar General of Jamshedpur Diocese, Fr. David Vincent shared that light is wisdom, light is positivity and one should focus on lighting own inner self. Among guest

speakers, Mr. Rajkumar, Vice President, Zila Parishad appreciated the objective of diwali celebration. He was overwhelmed by the Rangoli on Sustainable Development Goals. The program ended with vote of thanks by Sr. Luisa Joseph. The entire program was designed and implemented under the guidance of Fr. Birendar Tete. All Staff of CCJ/SJVK and Vikas Bharati made this event a grand success.

#### **UCPI Prays for India**

On 19<sup>th</sup> Oct. 2017 the United Christian Prayer for India (UCPI) team from Jamshedpur gathered together in St. Robert's School hall to pray for India. Around 80 people from different denominations took part in it. Fr. John Ottapalal, the Parish Priest of St. Robert's Church, Parsudih led the community into prayer followed by praise and worship. Through different prayers and short messages from selected people made the whole atmosphere really serene and holy. At the end, the Valerian Lobo thanked everyone present and concluded the prayer service with a prayer. At the end, tea and snacks were served to everyone.

#### **Jamshedpur Deanery Krus Vir Convention**



On 29<sup>th</sup> Oct 2017 was a day of celebration for all the Catholic children of Jamshedpur deanery. The venue for the convention was St. Mary's English School, Bistupur. Fr. Ranjit Minj S.J. was the main speaker of the day who in a simple but meaningfully explained the theme "Krus Vir: Parivar ka Anand". The Holy Eucharist presided by Fr. Edward Saldana, the parish priest of St. Mary's Church, and lovely homily by Fr. Jilson brought a bountiful blessings on everyone. At the end, everyone left for their respective parishes with hope that next year we will meet again. Thanks to all the people who generously helped to organise the convention so meticulously. (Fr. Valerian Lobo)

#### **Bible Quiz: 55**

##### **Mat.:20: 23-40**

For us, the Christians, the Resurrection is very important. Our faith is based on the resurrection of Jesus. Jesus, in his teaching categorically emphasises, the importance of it and invites us to reflect and take part in this priceless gift.