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*The Pastor Speaks:*

## TOWARDS A BETTER WORLD

### XXXII. THE MYSTICAL BODY

#### Its Sublimity and Simplicity

**A**FTER presenting to you last year, in our Lenten Pastoral, a summary of the sublime doctrine of the Mystical Body of Christ, following the most instructive Encyclical of Pope Pius XII on the subject, each month till now we have brought to your consideration an aspect of this sublime doctrine. We have thus given, at least, a general idea of this doctrine, and have endeavoured to make it all the more appreciated and esteemed by you.

Looking back after all we have said in our monthly exhortations on this subject, we have realised that the doctrine of the Mystical Body is a difficult one. If, however, we go still deeper in studying it, we realise that its difficulty is of a special kind. Compared with the mystery of the Blessed Trinity, the doctrine of the Mystical Body is a comparatively simple one.

#### Incorporated with Christ

It can be expressed in a brief formula. As by our birth in the

natural order we are incorporated with Adam, so by our re-birth in Baptism we are incorporated with Christ. The very core of this truth is there: namely, to understand and realise properly this incorporation of ours with Christ, and the double necessity that He should live in us and we should live in Him. But this seems so simple that we wonder whence the difficulty arises. "The difficulty is to grasp that the Church really means it, that a thing at once so simple and so glorious and so glorifying to us, is actually so. It

is the hardest thing in the world to realise that we are what this doctrine says we are. We feel that we are not upon the scale for such magnificence. But we must become reconciled to our own magnificence as Christians, not be deluded by our meagreness as men." These are the words of a layman, Mr. F. J. Sheed, in his valuable book "Theology and Sanity." Yes, indeed! if we would reflect attentively on this sublime doctrine and consider the obvious consequences, we would wonder whether we were dreaming or not. Christ our head and we His members both form the Whole Christ, which is the Church.

"It would be a shame for a Catholic to live out his life in the Church without the fullest realisation of the magnificence that is his." (Sheed). The result of such a conviction cannot but affect marvellously our personal life, our social relations, as well as our attitude in all fields of life, religious, moral, educational, social, economic, national and international, etc. All this is most surprising, but absolutely true and full of meaning.

Convinced of our incorporation with Christ in the Mystical Body, of which we are members and should be active members, we must strengthen our spirit of faith, we must behave, live and act accordingly.

The point which must strike us particularly in this month's exhortation is that the doctrine of the Mystical Body of Christ, as taught and presented to us, is not a fable, nor a story, nor a dream, but a

reality, a fact of which we must be the real actors; and that though it is sublime, it is most simple. Were it such a difficult truth to understand, would St. Paul, who had it revealed to him, present it so simply and plainly to the dockers of Corinth and the poor workers he met in his travels?

### A Wonderful Union

Convinced of the truth of this sublime and at the same time simple doctrine, we must admit that our union with Christ is a wonderful union, as members of a Body of which He is the Head. Consequently we must see how far we can develop and cement this union, how far we can increase the flow of the divine life through our own body and soul. To reach this end, besides living the doctrine in a spirit of faith, we must take all the means to make this truth a reality in our own existence. Exercise the practice of the presence of God, better still of the union with Christ. Mental prayer on the subject and frequent Holy Communion for those who do not celebrate Holy Mass, are the principal means to obtain a greater knowledge and a better understanding of our incorporation with Christ.

But the Christian who wishes really to understand the mystery of the Whole Christ must, before all, stop and contemplate at length the Person of Christ Jesus in the exercise of His part as the Head of the Mystical Body. It is necessary that we meditate carefully and thoroughly on the mystery of the Personal Christ, to admire His greatness, His perfection and His

powers, to realise His universal suzerainty and authority, His primacy in all and over everything; to be convinced that He is the unique source of life, that He is the King of all intellects, wills and hearts; that He is the King of Creation, of Mankind and of the Universe; that He possesses the plenitude of life because He possesses the plenitude of the divinity and of humanity; that He is the giver of all gifts and all graces; that He is the Head which animates and guides the whole Body of which we are privileged to be members. Thus the Christian begins to know better His Head and Leader; he loves Him

more; he feels the need of giving Himself to Him Who expects his co-operation in the salvation of the world, and he does not dare any more to refuse Him anything.

“If we were ever to let ourselves look squarely at it (this truth) and really try to live by it, its immediate effect would be a re-making of ourselves so thorough that nature shrinks from it; and the ultimate effect would be to renew the face of the earth.” (F. J. Sheed).

✠ L. MATHIAS,

Archbishop of Madras-Mylapore.

## St. John's Catholic Medical College and Hospital

### CIRCULAR

To the Clergy, Religious and Faithful of the Archdiocese of Madras-Mylapore.

YOU are by now aware of the Letter of the “Catholic Bishops’ Conference of India” published last December in all our Parishes and Public Chapels, informing us of the official institution in New Delhi of the “C.B.C.I. Centre” and the decision of the Hierarchy on a “Five Year Plan” to launch out the scheme of a “Catholic Medical Hospital” in Bangalore, which has engaged the attention of our Bishops for fifteen years now.

The said “Letter,” while making known to us the happy tidings of the above achievements, invites us all—Clergy, Religious and faithful—to cooperate with the Hierarchy in finding the necessary funds to realise the two schemes, particularly that of the “Catholic Medical College.” This grandiose Project is to be spread over a “Five Year” period and is to be executed in various stages or phases. “Early in the New Year

and onwards,” says the message, “there is to be a nation-wide campaign throughout the Dioceses to raise funds; and our target is at least 10 lakhs of Rupees.”

Before the Finance Mission enters the Archdiocese of Madras-Mylapore to start their campaign among our Diocesans, it is our intention to prepare you, our dear Clergy, Religious and faithful, by this Circular for the five-year sacrifice that we are called upon to

make for the available asset of a Catholic Medical College in India. We wish and direct that, as a token contribution to the "Catholic Medical College" Project, the offerings at all the Masses said in our Churches, Public Oratories and Religious Institutions on Easter Sunday (2-4-1961) be ear-marked for the Medical College, and remitted to our Curia as soon as possible thereafter.

It is our earnest desire that our Archdiocese should aim at a target of not less than Rs. 50,000/- for this noble and deserving object spread over the five-year period, with at least Rs. 10,000/- every year. We shall in due course form Diocesan and Parish Committees to work in their Metropolitan and Parish Centres for the achievement of this objective. Though, as the C.B.C.I.'s Circular Letter assures us, substantial help will be forthcoming from the Holy See down to sympathetic associations and generous Donors abroad, we should see to it that we can lay claim to the Institution as "Our Catholic Medical College".

In the Report that His Grace our Archbishop after careful study and foresight made to the C.B.C.I. on the Catholic Medical College and Hospital, at their General Meeting in Bombay in the year 1954, there is a chapter setting forth a simple and workable plan for securing part of the funds necessary for the Project, as far as the possibilities of our Catholics in India can be tapped. "A drive of Re. 1/- (One Rupee) per Catholic all over India," said our Archbishop, "spread over a

period of 8 years would give us at the end of the drive (8 years) Rs. 50 lakhs. It is not a mental abstraction but a concrete calculation based on the number of Dioceses then in existence and the Catholic population of each Diocese. That was an eight-year plan and it worked out at a contribution of one anna every six months for each Catholic. The Hierarchy in 1954 were as yet unprepared and reluctant to face the challenge of the urgent need of a Catholic Medical College not only to provide for the formation of suitable Catholics for the Medical Profession but also to provide for the Catholic formation of our medical graduates according to Christian moral principles.

The C.B.C.I. "Letter" released to us last December makes it clear that we can no longer evade the challenge of a Catholic Medical College for our country, and consequently accept our responsibility to find the necessary funds for its achievement as early as possible. Only the Plan envisaged is a "Five-Year Plan" of Rupees ten lakhs per year. The One-Rupee drive per Catholic of our Archdiocese spread over five years will therefore mean just 20 Naye Paise every year, which works out at 10 Naye Paise every six months, which no one however poor can grudge to give for such a deserving cause. Even allowing for the inability of the indigent to contribute anything, well-to-do Catholics can certainly make up for these by larger contributions according to their means.

Petty interests involved in the ever-increasing celebrations of anniversaries of individuals, and institutions playing on and exploiting the sentiments of people, should be sacrificed and the slender resources of our Catholics should rather be canalised for the achievement of a project of national importance, such as the launching of a Catholic Medical College and Hospital for India. The call, then, for a contribution of Rs. 50,000/- from the Archdiocese of Madras Mylapore, spread over a five year period be-

ginning from next Easter, will we expect be accepted with joy and responded to with their usual generosity by every one of our Clergy, Religious and Laity.

Blessing you all and wishing you all the Joys and Peace of a Happy Easter,

I remain,  
Yours sincerely,

✠ FRANCIS CARVALHO,  
Auxiliary to His Grace  
Archbishop Mathias.

### College Day at Stella Maris, Madras

SATURDAY, February 25th, witnessed an annual event which is looked forward to very much by the 900 students of Stella Maris, their parents, friends and well-wishers of the College. For it not only provides a review of the achievements of the past academic year, but is also an occasion when old friends meet again and enjoy their memories of College days.

This year we had the honour of having as our president for the day, Mrs. Lourdammal Simon, Minister for Local Administration and Fisheries, who distributed the many prizes awarded for efficiency in the academic field as well as for success in sports and extra-curricular activities. It was a great joy also to have His Grace, the Archbishop of Madras-Mylapore, with us—especially as he had but just returned to Madras. But the College has learnt by this ever to count on His Grace's unfailing and fatherly interest in everything which concerns Stella Maris, as also that of His Excellency, Bishop F. Carvalho, who opened this memorable year of 1960-61 by blessing

the new building here in "The Cloisters".

After tea in the bright and airy Library, the guests were brought to the open-air theatre where the evening's programme began with the Opening Chorus by the College Choir: "The Carnival of Venice". In the Principal's Report, which followed, the large assembly of guests present were happy to learn that building projects in "The Cloisters" have not yet come to an end. As well as the four tall buildings already completed, a new Centre for the non-resident students is under construction, whilst plans are maturing for the building of a permanent Welfare Centre which

will enable the work, already being done for the poor by the Social Service students, to be greatly extended. Gratitude was expressed to Almighty God for His blessings on all these undertakings, as well as for the excellent examination results—this year almost invariably 90% to 100% successes in the M.A., B.A. and B.Sc. University examinations—and for all the other successful student-activities in the various Associations, as also in the Catholic Students' Union and Social Service League. Progress continues as the College widens its spheres of studies—1961 having witnessed the introduction of Economics as a subject in the Pre-University, whilst in the new year ahead it is hoped that the B.A. Course in Social Sciences, subject to the approval of the University, will be introduced. However, the large debt on the College Buildings still remains, which with God's paternal Providence, the continued assistance of kind benefactors and the loyal efforts of the students will no doubt soon disappear as a cloud on the horizon. With the hope that the students will follow the example of the distinguished President of the evening's function in her devoted service to India and the State of Madras in particular, the Report ended by confiding the future of Stella Maris to its patron, Mary—Star of Truth and Charity.

Then the assembly was addressed by Mrs. Lourdammal Simon, who laid stress on the great eagerness of the Government to promote education, especially women's education, in the coun-

try. Having paid a sincere tribute of praise to the great work done by Missionary Institutes for education in India, she urged the students to profit by all the opportunities that were now at their disposal.

In the Vote of Thanks, Dr. P. V. Cherian, whose continuous help and support during these last few years have been such an encouragement to the College, thanked Mrs. Lourdammal Simon for so kindly presiding at the College Day, in spite of many other calls upon her time, and assured her that he would not enter into a controversy with her on the great contribution of women to the cause of education, as he knew from experience that he invariably lost in every such argument with her, during the last four years. Of His Grace, Dr. Louis Mathias, Dr. Cherian said: "He is a very wonderful man who has done great work for India!" And of Stella Maris, he remarked that "miracles" indeed had been wrought during its 13 years of existence—such as only Reverend Mothers could achieve, for they had such an extraordinary gift for getting all the help and work out of other people that they needed! With a tribute to the educational standards maintained in the College and to the work of Catholic Missionaries, Dr. Cherian concluded.

Then there followed a variety of entertainment, beginning with a Dance Drama, "The Conquest of Love", which showed how the three evils of our modern society, Enmity, Pleasure and Poverty, are finally conquered by the

power of Charity. This theme was illustrated by various dances which were a colourful display of grace and beauty. Then came "Mukta-Dhara", a play by Tagore, in Tamil, and after a Gujerati Folk Dance came the English Comedy. In both plays the acting was much appreciated by the audience, whose continuous laughter certainly de-

noted their enjoyment of the farcical situations in the latter—"Abu Hassan Pays His Debts". With a most original and naive dance-duet, "The Fisherman's Dance", the programme came to a close. Then after the College Song and National Anthem the gathering dispersed, more than content with their very enjoyable and entertaining evening.

## The Mission of Walajabad

**W**ALAJABAD in the Chingleput District, often mixed up with Walajah Road of North Arcot district, is a small town between Chingleput and Kancheepuram. It has a Railway Station on the line from Chingleput to Arkonam. The people of the place say that Catholicism there is more than 300 years old.

According to them, in those days Walajabad was a Dutch Military Centre. A historic military cemetery in the place strengthens their contention. The Catholics are more proud of saying that it was at that time a strong Mission Centre from which the missionaries catered to the spiritual needs of the Christians nearby, and even in faraway places in the Andhra districts.

In the wake of time, however, Walajabad became a substation of Chingleput, together with Ottanthangal and Kancheepuram. When Ottanthangal became a parish in 1941, Walajabad formed a part of the new parish. On the 15th February 1960 it was entrusted to the care of the priests at Tambaram. At present there are about 250 Catholics belonging, with but a few exceptions, to the poor labouring classes. The Elementary School, con-

ducted in the Chapel, is more than a hundred years old. In fact, it is the oldest institution of its kind in this little town, though there are more than ten schools now, including a Hindu religious Higher Elementary School, a District Board High School and two Government Training Schools.

Early in 1960, when His Grace the Archbishop began visiting the place to make his plans, for the future, the hopes of the people rose to undreamt heights. On the 23rd October 1960, when His Excellency the Auxiliary Bishop arrived at the Chapel of St. Francis of Assisi to confirm thirty young and old Catholics, the people were overjoyed. According to some, it was the first time a Confirmation Service was held in their Chapel. It was like the beginning of a new parish for them. Their dreams were not baseless. During the last days of

January 1961, feverish preparations were going on to have and accommodate a new priest all for themselves.

### A New Pastor

On Wednesday 1st February the "new priest," Rev. Fr. Joseph Chollanal, the eight-years-veteran assistant of Royapuram, who had endeared himself to the young, old and middle aged there, arrived at 5-30 p.m. by special car, accompanied by Rev. Fr. A. J. Stanislaus, B.A., B.T., Headmaster of St. Peter's High School, Royapuram, Rev. Fr. Thomas Varikatt of Tambaram, and Mr. Gratian Govias of Royapuram. The people, together with the Rev. Fr. Andrew Dorairaj, S.D.B., Headmaster of St. Joseph's High School, Chingleput, and the parish priests of Chingleput and Tambaram, received the "new priest" with great enthusiasm and joy. The people gave him a very warm welcome and garlanded him, as well as the parish priest and

assistant of Tambaram who had been caring for their spiritual needs for the past one year. Rev. Frs. Stanislaus and Andrew Dorairaj spoke, introducing the new parish priest to his flock and exhorting them to do their duty as Christians.

The outgoing priests and the "new priest" thanked the distinguished guests and the people for their affection and cooperation.

No doubt, the new parish priest has a hard task ahead of him to start and then rear a new parish with no presbytery. But his enthusiasm and kindness, together with many years of mature experience in a crowded parish, stand him in good stead. Already he has started cleaning and renewing the spiritual face of his new field. The people realize it and throng round him loyally. May this part of Christ's vineyard grow from vigour to vigour in the hands of this new and zealous pastor.

### Intentions for April 1961

**General Intention:** That well directed help from Catholic Action and similar lay associations may, in due measure, lighten the burden on the Hierarchy caused by a shortage of priests.

**Missionary Intention:** The zealous fostering of vocations to the Foreign Missions among Catholics.

## Golden Jubilee of Bishop Carvalho

The following address was read and presented to His Excellency the Rt. Rev. Francis Arthur Carvalho, Auxiliary Bishop and Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Madras-Mylapore, on Sunday 12th March 1961, in the grounds of the San Thome' High School, on the occasion of the golden jubilee of his ordination to the priesthood.

May it please Your Excellency,

We, the Clergy, Religious and Laity of the Archdiocese of Madras-Mylapore, offer you our heartfelt greetings and congratulations on the occasion of the celebration of your Sacerdotal Golden Jubilee.

It is matter of great satisfaction that what the Mylaporeans did not have the privilege of celebrating at the end of the 25 years of your Priesthood, the whole Archdiocese is now so enthusiastically doing at the end of 50 golden years.

Although you were born at Villenour in the Archdiocese of Pondicherry on the 2nd of December 1886 and had your primary schooling in Tanjore, you have spent nearly sixty-five years of your life in Mylapore. Passing the High School and the old First-Arts examination of the Madras University from the then San Thome' College, you had your Seminary training in the old San Thome' Major Seminary. Ordained priest by the venerable Bishop Dom Theotónio Ribeiro Vieira de Castro in the San Thome' Cathedral on the 11th March 1911, your life has been built in and around Mylapore and its Cathedral. Chaplain and Private Secretary to the Bishop from 12th March 1911, joint Chaplain of the Cathedral from 22nd March, full-time Secre-

tary to the Bishop from 16th December 1916, Prior of the Cathedral from 1921 to 1953, you have been a familiar and popular figure all these years. Other appointments came to increase the burden of your work—Treasurer of the Diocese (from 1923 to 1929), Diocesan Councillor and Member of the Diocesan Board of Administration, Inspector of Diocesan Schools, Administrator of the Diocese during the periodical absences of the Bishops, Vicar-General of the Diocese from January 1939—work which the honours that it attracted, namely, Privy Chamberlain to the Pope for the services rendered to the first Marian Congress in India of 1921 and Domestic Prelate in recognition of services rendered to the National Eucharistic Congress of 1937, did not lighten, though they gave pleasure to all those who knew and appreciated that work. We cannot also forget the arduous labour involved in your accompanying the Bishops of Mylapore on their tours of visitation in their far-flung Diocese, which included such separated areas as Tanjore District, Pudukottah State, Pearl Fishery Coast, Madurai and South Arcot Districts, in Madras State, and Calcutta and Dacca, parts of the old province of Bengal. The climax of your career in the Church was reached when, after taking charge as Administrator

Apostolic and administering the churches of the old Diocese of Mylapore on the disappearance of the historic Padroado, you were appointed in December 1952 by the Holy See Auxiliary Bishop of the new Archdiocese of Madras-Mylapore and nominated by His Grace the Archbishop Vicar General of the Archdiocese, in which office you are so ably and so faithfully assisting him.

This bare recital of the events of your career is fair neither to us nor to the future historian of the diocese, for it misses the personality and the character behind all this career. Your humility, your devotion to duty, your care of the Cathedral, seeing to the efficiency and beauty of the services, your loyalty to the Bishops you served, your solicitude for your parishioners, especially the poor, your easy mastery of the Tamil language which made you popular among the Tamil sections

of the diocese, your adherence to the highest standards of private and public conduct, have made your name a household word in Mylapore. Carvalho and the Cathedral have become almost synonymous. The single but significant fact that you have kept to your room in the Bishop's House despite all the revolutionary changes in its architecture that have taken place, when it was transformed into Archbishop's House, is proof that you have been true to the kindred points of Cathedral and Bishop's House.

We pray that God who has blessed your work in the past may grant you many more years in the future, in which you may continue your services to the two institutions that have built your life and career in the service of the Lord.

Your devoted children,  
The Clergy, Religious and Laity  
of Madras-Mylapore.

# Archbishop's Jubilee Scholarship Fund

## Rules and Regulations

### 1. Constitution :

The Archbishop's Jubilee Scholarship Fund was constituted in August 1960 on the occasion of the celebration of the 25th anniversary of the Enthronement of His Grace the Most Revd. Louis Mathias, S.D.B., as Archbishop of Madras. The Office is at the Archbishop's House, San Thome, Madras-4.

### 2. The Fund :

The Scholarship Fund is constituted as follows :

i. Collections made in the Archdiocese of Madras-Mylapore during the Jubilee Year, after deducting the expenses of the Jubilee Celebrations: Rs. 97,881.60, of which Rs. 59,568.95 were deposited with the Palai Central Bank ;

ii. Rupees one lakh contributed, as promised, by His Grace the Most Revd. Louis Mathias.

iii. The sum of D.M. Rs. 10,000/-, in Indian Currency Rs. 11,380/-, given by the Aktion Misereor of the German Bishops' Committee. Excluding the sum of Rs. 59,568.95 deposited with the Palai Central Bank, gone since into liquidation, the fund stands on the 1st of March 1961 as follows :

### 3. Investment :

Rs. 150,000/- has been invested for interest as follows :

Rs. 100,000/- in August 1960

Rs. 50,000/- in March 1961

The interest available every year, to be paid out as scholarships with effect from June 1961, will be between Rupees eight and nine thousand ; there might be a larger sum available if the Palai Central Bank is able to pay its depositors larger credits.

### 4. Object of the Fund :

The primary object of the fund is to grant scholarships for the education, in India, of children (boys or girls) of poor families belonging to the Archdiocese of Madras-Mylapore, who cannot afford to send their children for higher or technical studies. No scholarships will be granted to students wishing to go abroad for higher studies.

By way of exception, however, and only in case there is a surplus of interest available, applications from students of the suffragan dioceses shall be considered. In the selection of students, priority shall be given to applications

	Rs.	nP.
a) Credit Balance from collections	...	38,312.65
b) Contributed by His Grace Archbishop Mathias	...	100,000.00
c) Received from Aktion Misereor (Germany).	...	11,380.00
Total	...	149,692.65
Say	Rs.	150,000.00

from students who do not receive help already from other organised scholarship funds. As free education is given to poor students irrespective of caste and creed up to Standard XI in the State of Madras, scholarships will be granted to students who wish to continue their studies after that Standard, or for those who wish to go for technical training.

Candidates who have failed, after obtaining a scholarship, shall not be entitled to apply for renewal of the same.

#### 5. Time to Apply :

Applications will be received twice a year, in May and December, and will be considered by the Committee in charge of the Fund at their bi-annual meetings. Application Forms are obtainable from the Secretary. Applications must be sent not later than 15th May and 15th December to: The Secretary, Archbishop's Jubilee Scholarship Fund, Archbishop's House, San Thomé, MADRAS-4.

No consideration whatsoever will be given to applications that are not submitted on the prescribed form, with the due recommendation of the parish priest, and within the stipulated period.

#### 6. The Committee :

The committee in charge of the Scholarship Fund and empowered to select the candidates for scholarships shall consist of the following members :

i. The Vicar General of the Archdiocese of Madras-Mylapore, who will be the Chairman :

ii. The Chancellor of the Archdiocese, who will be the Secretary :

iii. The Treasurer of the Archdiocese of Madras-Mylapore, who will be its Treasurer :

iv. The Parish Priest of the Cathedral Basilica at San Thome :

v. The Parish Priest of the St. Mary's Co-Cathedral at George Town :

vi. Four laymen nominated by His Grace the Archbishop every three years, beginning from March 1961. One of the laymen should be a lawyer for any legal advice needed by the Committee.

#### 7. The Chairman :

i. The Chairman will preside at the meetings of the Committee. In case of absence, he will be substituted by the Secretary.

ii. With the Treasurer he will see that the Fund is safely invested, and that the interest is regularly credited in the Archbishop's Jubilee Scholarship A/C with National and Grindlays Bank Ltd., Armenian Street, Madras (1).

iii. He will sign all cheques or pass the amounts needed to the Treasurer for disposal according to the decisions of the Committee.

iv. In case of divergence of opinion, he will have a casting vote.

#### 8. The Secretary :

i. The Secretary will keep and furnish the application forms. He will also receive the application forms submitted by the applicants as per No. 5, and present them to the Members of the Committee for

selection and disposal at the convened meetings.

ii. He shall keep and answer all the correspondence and file it for future reference.

iii. He shall maintain a special register with the names and details of all the candidates selected for scholarships.

iv. He shall send notice in good time and convene the meetings of the members of the Committee in May and December to dispose of the applications received.

v. He shall write and keep the minutes of all the meetings.

#### 9. The Treasurer:

i. The Treasurer, on receipt of the cheque from the Chairman, shall disburse the amounts as sanctioned by the Committee.

ii. He shall maintain a regular register with all the names of the candidates, and the amounts disbursed in their favour.

iii. He shall see that the funds obtain more interest, investing amounts which are deposited in short-term deposits, making sure that the account will always have enough to pay for the scholarships sanctioned.

#### 10. Meetings:

Except in special cases, the meetings of the Committee shall

take place only twice a year, after the 15th of May and the 15th of December, in the Archbishop's House.

The Secretary shall give the members at least one week's notice of the day, time and place of the Meetings.

#### 11. Auditing:

At the beginning of each year, from 1962, the accounts of the previous year will be audited and a statement of the audited accounts will be published in the Diocesan Bulletin, MADRAS-MYLAPORE, in the February issue.

N.B. The lay members of the Committee nominated for three years by His Grace the Archbishop are:

1. Prof. M. Ruthnaswamy.
2. Mrs. A. Soares.
3. Mr. S. Aruldoss.
4. Mr. W. J. Fernandez.

By Order,

A. Pereira de Andrade,  
Chancellor & Notary,  
Archdiocese of Madras-Mylapore.

Archbishop's House,  
San Thome-Mylapore,  
Madras, 6th March 1961.

# Archbishop's Jubilee Scholarship Fund

## Application Form

Name and surname of the Candidate :  
(In full and in Block Letters)

Date and place of Birth :

Father's Name :

Father's Occupation & Monthly Income :

Actual Address in full :

Name of the Parish to which the Candidate belongs :

Application for :

(State for what purpose you apply for scholarship)

What Scholarships do you hold ?

Any other Scholarship Holder in the family ?

Signature :

Date :

Recommendation of the Parish Priest :

(No application will be considered  
which has not the recommenda-  
tion of the parish priest)

Seal of the Parish :

Signature of the Parish Priest.

Date :

## The Society of St. Peter

(Opus Sancti Petri)

We wish to recommend to the Clergy of our Archdiocese the institution and promotion of the Pope's own Society for the Support of Seminarists in the mission world. This work, known as the *Opus Sancti Petri*, supports at present 25,169 boys in Minor Seminaries and 5,316 young men in Major Seminaries.

From its inception it has provided for the education of 7000 priests (3,800 for India) and nearly 100 Bishops, in Asia and Africa alone.

Our own Archdiocese receives from this Society's Central Organisation a fairly large grant for the maintenance of our Seminaries. It is only reasonable, therefore, that we should do our best to establish and promote this Pontifical work in our Archdiocese.

As St. Augustine said, "If you wish to love Christ, then compass the whole world with your charity, for it is all over the world that Christ's members are to be found."

We have asked Mgr. R. Arulappa, Diocesan Director for the Propagation of the Faith, to be in charge also of this Society of St. Peter.

We earnestly exhort you to give your best attention to this matter.

We feel that our priests, religious and diocesan, should generously come forward to support this Society, with, at least, a yearly contribution as a token of gratitude for the gift of their own priesthood.

✠ L. MATHIAS,

1-3-1961.

Archbishop of Madras-Mylapore.

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bearers of the Centre as well as local units for their co-operation during the past year and wanted the same to continue in the new year also.

Rev. Fr. J. Madathil, Spiritual Director, announced that new units of the Association would be inaugurated in Chromepet on

5-3-61 and in Pallavaram on 19-3-61.

Mr. S. Aruldoss praised the Association for its splendid work. Mr. J. Maria Doss, the General Secretary, proposed the vote of thanks, with which the function ended.

Permission to Celebrate Evening Mass  
SUPREMA S. CONGREGATIO SANCTI OFFICII

Ex Aedibus S. Officii,  
die 4 Februarii 1961.

Prot N. 404/46-336.

Exc. me ac Rev. me Domine,

Litteris die 26 Januarii da datis, Excellentia Tua Reverendissima, nomine Ordinariorum istius Status Madraspolitani, facultatem postulavit permittendi suis Sacerdotibus ut Missam celebrare valeant horis postmeridianis, quando in itinere, ratione sacri ministerii vel alia rationabili causa suscepto, mane convenienter litare nequeunt.

Ad rem Tecum communico S. Officium petitam gratiam concessisse, iuxta preces.

Hanc occasionem, nactus impensos aestimationis meae sensus Tibi obtestor, permanens

Excellentiae Tuae Rev. mae addictissimus,

A. CARD. OTTAVIANI  
*Secretarius,*

Exc. mo ac Rev. mo Domino,  
D. no Aloysio Mathias,  
Archiepiscopo Madraspolitano.

His Grace the Most Rev. L. Mathias, Archbishop of Madras-Mylapore, is pleased to grant the use of the above-mentioned Rescript of the Supreme Holy Congregation of the Holy Office to the Priests, whether Religious or Diocesan, belonging to the Archdiocese of Madras Mylapore, until otherwise ordained.

Archbishop's House, Mylapore, 8th. March 1961.

✠ FRANCIS CARVALHO,

*Auxiliary Bishop and Vicar General,  
Archdiocese of Madras-Mylapore.*

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22. ST. THOMAS' MOUNT, Madras-16, St. Patrick's, 6-30, 8-00 a.m. and 6-30 p.m.
23. ST. THOMAS' MOUNT, Madras-16, Our Lady of Expectation (on the mount). 7-00 a.m.
24. VEPERY, Madras-7, St. Joseph's, 5-30, 6-30, 7-30 a.m. and 6-00 p.m.
25. VEPERY, Choolai, Madras-7, St. Andrew's, 6-30, 7-30 a.m. and 5-30 p.m.
26. WASHERMANPET, Madras-21, St. Roque's, 6-00 and 7-15 a.m.

Full information on all other services could be obtained from the Catholic Centre, Madras-1. Telephone 3892.

**Note:** Parish Priests will be interested to learn that THE MAIL will accept any insertion of Sunday Services (7 to 8 lines) at only Re. 1/- per entry. Matter is to be sent to the Mail office, every Friday, for the next day's issue.

## Catholic Workers' Association, Madras.

The 29th Annual Day of the above Association was celebrated on Sunday the 26th Feb. 1961. The function started with Holy Mass at the St. Mary's Co-Cathedral. More than 500 members attended. After Chota Hazri, the business session started at St. Mary's Hall at 9-30 A.M. with His Excellency Dr. F. Carvalho, Auxiliary Bishop of Madras-Mylapore, in the chair.

Rev. Fr. S. Arulappa, Spiritual Director of the Association, welcomed the gathering. He felicitated His Excellency, on behalf of the Association, on the Golden Jubilee of His Excellency's Sacerdotal Ordination. He announced that, as a token of filial devotion, the Association would give Rs. 100/- to the "Mercy Home", Kilpauk, for a treat on 11-3-61.

His Excellency then presented medals to the members who had rendered yeoman service to the Association during the past year. Mr. R. B. Singh, Vice-President of the Association, got the medal for his excellent work for the Archbishop's Silver Jubilee Scholarship Fund and Mr. S. A. Doss of

Royapuram Unit for his uniformly good work at the Unit level.

Our Lady of Health Unit, Little Mount, was adjudged the best unit and the Rolling Shield was presented to it.

The Tiruppur Vincent Cup for the best speaker at the elocution contest held on 29-1-61 was presented to Sri L. Irudayaraj of St. Joseph's Unit, Vepery. That Unit also carried away the Tiruppur Vincent Rolling Cup for the best performance at the contest.

The names of the following office-bearers of the Association, elected for 1961, were then announced:—

President

Vice-Presidents

General Secretary

Asst. Secretaries

Treasurer

... 1. Mr. Francis Xavier.

... 1. Mr. S. M. Issac,  
2. Mr. J. Maria Doss.

... Mr. D. Fraser.

... 1. Mr. A. M. Joseph.  
2. Mr. A. D. Harry.

... Mr. H. J. Menzies.

### UNIT LEADERS AND SECRETARIES

1. St. Theresa's,  
Kasimode :

1. Leader : Mr. A. Sowrirajan.  
2. Secretary : Mr. A. Soosai.

2. St. Francis Xavier's,  
G. T.

1. Leader : Mr. Gasper Fernando  
2. Secretary : Mr. P. Nayagam.

3. Queenship of Mary,  
Chintadripet.

1. Leader : Mr. W. E. Joseph.  
2. Secretary : Mr. David Anthony.

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| 4. Mater Dolorosa's,<br>Royapuram :             | 1. Leader : Mr. J. O. King.         |
|   | 2. Secretary : Mr. S. A. Doss.      |
| 5. St. Antony's,<br>Park Town :                 | 1. Leader : Mr. L. Legay.           |
|   | 2. Secretary : Mr. J. E. Daniels.   |
| 6. St. Antony's,<br>Pudupet :                   | 1. Leader : Mr. J. Aron.            |
|   | 2. Secretary : Mr. S. Lourduswamy.  |
| 7. Our Lady of Health,<br>Little Mount :        | 1. Leader : Mr. G. Thangaraj.       |
|   | 2. Secretary : Mr. P. C. Benjamin.  |
| 8. Our Lady of the<br>Assumption, G.T.          | 1. Leader : Mr. Francis.            |
|   | 2. Secretary : Mr. A. P. Augustine. |
| 9. St. Mary's,<br>George Town :                 | 1. Leader : Mr. S. A. Cooper.       |
|   | 2. Secretary : Mr. J. Peter P. Raj. |
| 10. St. Joseph's,<br>Vepery :                   | 1. Leader : Mr. C. A. Anthonimuthu. |
|   | 2. Secretary : Mr. H. Arokiaswamy.  |
| 11. Sacred Heart's,<br>Egmore :                 | 1. Leader : Mr. H. David.           |
|   | 2. Secretary : Mr. Arokiadoss.      |
| 12. St. Andrew's,<br>Vepery :                   | 1. Leader : Mr. M. S. Augustine.    |
|   | 2. Secretary : Mr. A. D. Rajan.     |
| 13. Our Lady of Fatima,<br>Kodambakkam :        | 1. Leader : Mr. A. B. Thomas.       |
|   | 2. Secretary : Mr. K. S. Joseph.    |
| 14. Mary, Help of Christians,<br>Basin Bridge : | 1. Leader : Mr. S. Sowri.           |
|   | 2. Secretary : Mr. S. Aruldoss.     |
| 15. St. Thomas's,<br>San Thome :                | 1. Leader : Mr. Joseph John.        |
|   | 2. Secretary : Mr. J. Berchman.     |
| 16. St. Patrick's,<br>St Thomas' Mount.         | 1. Secretary : Mr. E. J. A. Simon.  |
| 17. Our Lady of Lourdes,<br>Perambur.           | 1. Secretary : Mr. A. Francis.      |
| 18. Wimco :                                     | 1. Secretary : Mr. A. P. Augustine. |

His Excellency then congratulated the members of the Association on their good work. He particularly appreciated the thoughtful gift made to the inmates of the Mercy Home on the occasion of his Golden Jubilee. H. E. made special mention of the solid work done by the Association for the Archbishop's Silver Jubilee and exhorted the members to continue their good work. Imparting his

blessing, H. E. left to fulfil another engagement.

The business part of the meeting was conducted with Mr S. Aruldoss, I.A.S. (Retd.) in the Chair. The annual report and accounts were adopted. So were some amendments and resolutions.

The President, Mr. Francis Xavier, thanked all the office-

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## Times of Masses on Sunday in Madras City

(Evening Masses are printed in italics.)

*Name of Church or Chapel and Times of Sunday Mass*

1. ABHIRAMAPURAM, Madras-4, Visitation of Our Lady, 6-30 a.m.
2. ALANDUR, Madras-16, St. Anthony, 6-30 a.m.
3. ARMENIAN STREET, Madras-1, St. Mary's Co-Cathedral, 6-00, 7-00 and 8-30 a.m.
4. BASIN BRIDGE, Madras-12, Mary Help of Christians, 5-45, 6-30, 7-30 and 10-00 a.m.
5. BROADWAY, Madras-1, St. Francis Xavier, 5-15, 6-30, 7-45, and 9-00 a.m.
6. CHINTADRI PET, Madras-2, Queenship of Mary, 6-30 and 7-30 a.m.
7. EGMORE, Madras-8, Sacred Heart Church, 6-00, 7-30 and 8-30 a.m.
8. KASIMODE, Madras-18, St. Theresa of the Child Jesus, 4-30, 6-00, 7-00 and 8-00 a.m.
9. KILPAUK, Madras-10, Immaculate Heart of Mary, 6-30, 8-00 a.m. and 5-30 p.m.
10. KODAMBAKKAM, Madras-24, Our Lady of Fatima, 5-30, 7-00 a.m. and 5-30 p.m.
11. LITTLE MOUNT, Madras-15, Our Lady of Health, 5-30 and 7-30 a.m.
12. LUZ, Madras-4, Our Lady of Light, 7-00 a.m. and 6-00 p.m.
13. MYLAPORE SOUTH, Madras-28, Our Lady of Guidance, 5-30 and 7-15 a.m.
14. NUNGAMBAKKAM, Madras-6, St. Teresa, 5-30, 7-00, 9-00 a.m. and 6-30 p.m.
15. PARK TOWN, Madras-3, St. Anthony, 6-30 and 7-45 a.m.
16. PERAMBUR, Madras 11, Our Lady of Lourdes, 5-30, 6-30, 7-30, 8 30 a.m. and 6-15 p.m.
17. PUDUPET, Madras-2, St. Anthony, 5-30, 7-30, 9-30 a.m., and 6-00 p.m.
18. ROYAPETTAH, Madras-14, Purification of B.V.M., 5-00, 6-15, 7-30 and 8-45 a.m.
19. ROYAPURAM, Madras-13, Mater Dolorosa, 5 15, 6-45, 8-00 a.m. and 6 30 p.m.
20. ROYAPURAM, Madras-13, St. Peter, 5-15 and 7-00 a.m.
21. SAN THOME, Madras-4, Basilica of St. Thomas, Apostle, 5-30, 7-00, 9-00 a.m. and 5-45 p.m.

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# EPHESUS HOME

(Lansdowne)

Coonoor, Nilgiris

## I. Property :

'Lansdowne', a property belonging to Mrs. Margaret Finch in Upper Coonoor, near Sim's Park, has been purchased and named "Ephesus Home" to provide a rest house for our diocesan priests for vacation any time during the entire year, and also for retired priests of the Archdiocese of Madras-Mylapore who wish to go to Coonoor.

The property consists of :

- a) A large bungalow capable of accommodating ten to fifteen diocesan priests ;
- b) A small cottage reserved for the Archbishop and his Auxiliary ;
- c) A separate cottage, divided by a wall, for the Sisters who will be in charge of the kitchen and cleanliness of the property.

## 2. The Chapel :

The main hall has been converted into a chapel and three altars have been erected. The Sisters will be in charge of the chapel, see to its cleanliness, and keep the vestments in order and the altar linen clean.

## 3. The Sisters :

The Sisters of St. Joseph's Convent, Vepery, will remain all the year through so as to enable Our Priests to go at any time they are free and have a rest. The Sisters who will stay in a separate cottage, divided by a wall from the main bungalow, will be in charge of preparing the meals for the Fathers who will eat in a common refectory intended for that purpose. Meals shall not be served separately or in the Fathers' rooms except in case of sickness and inability to go to the refectory.

## 4. Maintenance of the Priests :

The priests who go for holidays at any time during the year, after having obtained prior permission from the Most Revd. Ordinary or the Vicar General, shall be permitted to stay for 28 days at 'Ephesus Home', provided they have given to the Vicar General a written assurance that they will say 25 Masses according to the intentions of the Ordinary for their maintenance and stay at the "Ephesus Home".

The priests will have to make their own arrangements for laundry. Each priest will be provided with a bed, mattress, pillow and two blankets. They will have to bring with them their own bed-sheets, pillow-cases, towels, soap and whatever is necessary for toilet, besides their amice and purificator. They will have to announce beforehand their arrival by sending a post-card to the Sister-in-Charge of the "Ephesus Home", Lansdowne, COONOOR-Nilgiris.

## Distribution of Prizes for Christian Doctrine

The annual distribution of prizes for Christian Doctrine for English-medium schools was held in the spacious auditorium of St. Bede's High School, San Thome, on Friday 3rd March, with His Grace Archbishop Mathias in the chair. The hall was almost full with eager students who applauded prize-winners from their particular school as they went up the dais to receive their prize. There were also some nuns and lay teachers, together with parents of the prize-winners.

The programme opened with St. Francis of Assisi's "Canticle of the Sun" and the psalm, "My shepherd is the Lord", sung harmoniously by the girls of the Holy Angels' Convent, T. Nagar. The report, read by the Diocesan Inspector of Schools, stated he had been authorised to say that no change would be made in the present syllabus of Christian Doctrine in 1961 or 1962, as a new syllabus had yet to be drawn up and submitted to all the Bishops of Madras State for approval. However, he recommended the use of the series of catechetical manuals published by the Catechetical Centre at Poona as reference books by teachers and as a help towards adopting the new method of teaching. In the examinations held in October and November 1960, 39 training students appeared, one was absent, all the rest passed, 11 in the first class. From the 16 High and Middle Schools a total of 1,757 candidates was sent up, 77 were absent, 322 failed. The

percentage of passes worked out to 76%, quite satisfactory considering that all the questions were not taken merely from the textbooks but included simple cases of conscience. A tribute of deep gratitude was paid to the teachers of the six schools that bore the tedious burden of evaluating the hundreds of answer papers. Thanks were expressed to the Archbishop, the Auxiliary Bishop and the Provincials and Superiors who had donated books and religious articles as prizes.

The shields were awarded as follows:

1. Best boys' high school St. Bede's, 84.0%
2. Best girls' high school St. Aloysius', 94.3%
3. Best middle school St. Kevin's, 93.1%
4. Best matriculation school Rosary, 95.7%
5. Archbishop Mathias Jubilee Shield: St. Aloysius' (for the best school presenting over 100 pupils).

A skilful display of gymnastics and acrobatics by the little boys, and a dexterous ribbon dance by a girl of the Rosary Matriculation School won rounds of applause. St. Bede's then contributed two items: a song and an orchestral piece. This was followed by the award of shields to the schools that had the highest proportion of passes in the last examinations, and the distribution of 25 prizes to the pupils scoring the highest marks. The top-ranking candidates were:

Senior Training : Misses Isabel Dawson, and Eleanor Golding.

Junior Training : Cynthia David, Church Park.

Standard XI G. J. Arokiaswamy, St. Bede's.

Standard X Victoria Sladen, St. Aloysius'.

Standard IX Myra Martis, St. Columban's.

Standard VIII Mary Magdalene, Rosary Matriculation.

Standard VII Patricia Ingram, St. Columban's.

Standard VI Alphonsa D'Cunha, St. Kevin's.

His Grace the Archbishop congratulated the winners of prizes and the teachers who had so carefully taught them the queen of sciences, that of religion, which was more satisfying and profitable to the soul than any other. While the nuns in convents continued to give the first place to religious instruction and character formation, he was sorry the

same enthusiasm and zeal were not in evidence in the boys' schools. He was happy to note, however, that the pupils of Standard XI of St. Bede's School had distinguished themselves by taking the first nine ranks in the examination held for that class and hoped it would serve as an example for other boys to emulate. Anything done to promote the study of Christian Doctrine he regarded as a personal favour done to himself, and therefore he would appreciate an all-out effort to improve the teaching of this subject and the attendance at the daily catechism class.

The last part of the entertainment was provided by St. Bede's. There was a play, "Satan's Trap," based on an incident in the life of St. John Bosco, and a film strip, "The Lotus Flower," relating the story of a zealous Chinese girl who visits prisoners and instructs them in the faith at the risk of her life. The children then adjourned to St. Bede's chapel for the Way of the Cross.

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Mr. Gnanapragasam spoke in Tamil about the work of the Y.C.W.

The function came to an end with a vote of thanks by Mr. Jeyaraj, the Regional Y.C.W. Secretary. Then Victor Paul proposed a vote of thanks in Tamil. The function was a grand success. The function was well planned and arrangements went on for two weeks. Guests were sent invitation cards a week before the time.

The happy cordial atmosphere

was the result of the Church garden being brightly lit and gaily decorated with festoons and Chinese lanterns, the soft, melodious music, and above all, the warm-hearted young blood and friendliness of the workers themselves. Those other guests who came felt very happy too at the enthusiasm shown by the Young Workers. The Y.C.W. is on the march. There were a hundred Young Christian Workers who took part in the celebration.

## AROUND THE PARISHES

### TAMBARAM

#### Christ King H. Ele. School

On Saturday the 11th February Christ King Higher Elementary School, Tambaram, celebrated its annual Parents' and Prize Distribution Day.—Everything was ready well before the scheduled time, and a little in advance of their time, parents, friends and well-wishers streamed in, and took their seats out in the open, before a tastefully decorated open-air stage. By 5-30 p.m. the place was packed to its full capacity and all awaited the arrival of the honoured president of the evening. Due to unavoidable circumstances, the District Educational Officer was not able to be on time. The waiting however did not seem tedious, as the audience was treated to some light music, and late-comers quite welcomed the delay. As it was getting late, the 'Prayer Song' item No. 1 on the programme was gone through. Then followed silence, as the arrival of the President, the D.E.O., Mr. J. Dan Joseph, was announced. A group of little children waiting at the main entrance deluged the president with flower petals. As soon as the President took his seat, once again the curtain went up, revealing demure little maidens swaying to the strains of a garland song. After the President was garlanded with an immaculate white orange-blossom garland, he went up to the stage and there addressed the gathering, telling of his appreciation of the splendid work done by the Headmistress and staff in the

education of the 1070 children at Christ King H. E. School. As his presence was urgently needed by the D.P.A., he left immediately, asking the Deputy Inspector, Mr. A. Subramaniam Pillai, to take the chair. The reading of the School Report and the Distribution of Prizes was next on the day's programme. The fortunate owners were more than delighted with the prizes, for they were worth the winning. And many another child eyeing the prizes must have vowed there and then to do better in the next scholastic year! The main item "The Lost Prince" was rendered in Tamil. The story, which concerned a lost prince, the theft of whom was intercepted by the timely appearance of a Rishi, was full of thrills and ended in a happy reunion. The English item, "A child's dream", was fraught with many a sound lesson for children craving for freedom from mother and home! Many a colourful dance, performed with grace and precision, revealed wonderful latent talents in these little children. Mention must be made of the items contributed by the young boys of the School.—First, a capital reproduction of bandits of an evening, around a camp fire, sent the audience into peals of laughter. The other was the Finale, a drill display wherein parents, friends, and well-wishers were thanked alike for their generosity and cooperation towards making the evening a big success! The programme was completed with the singing of the National Anthem.

## ST. THOMAS' CONVENT

### World Leprosy Day

Among the many special days celebrated throughout the year, World Leprosy Day is one of the most appealing.

To see pictures of poor lepers, to realise their sad fate, to come into contact with them in the streets, must surely awaken in every human heart a glow of human sympathy. When this pity is translated into action, it results in many benefits for the victims of leprosy.

After hearing talks on the subject, all the school children were fired with enthusiasm to do something for the lepers. Old clothes were collected, bandages were made, little treasured belongings were sacrificed. Even the poorest gave something. The little orphans gave ribbons, pencils, dolls—anything they fancied would bring a ray of sunshine into the dismal life of a poor leper child.

A tiny orphan girl presented herself to Mother, something tightly clasped in her little hands. Raising large eyes, brimming with loving sympathy, she said—“Mother, take this powder-box for a poor leper; if he puts the powder on his sores, he will feel better”.

When all the gifts were finally gathered, they made a fine array. These were sent to the Lepers of Fatimanagar, where the Sisters devote their lives to the care of lepers. The gratitude of these poor sufferers is very touching and their thanks are expressed in fervent prayers for their benefactors.

## ST. FRANCIS XAVIER'S, BROADWAY

### First Half Yearly Meeting of the Salesian Cooperators

The Salesian Cooperators of St. Francis Xavier had their first half-yearly meeting on February 5th. It was held in the parish Sagayamatha Hall. It was a most solemn meeting. It was presided over by V. Rev. Mgr. R. Arulappa, Administrator of St. Thomas' Basilica.

Over 250 Salesian Cooperators were present, representing the Salesian Cooperators of Tambaram, Chintadripet, Vepery, Royapuram, Assumption Church and Pudupet. The gathering was solemnised by the presence of V. Rev. Fr. C. Mauri, S.D.B., together with the whole Seminary of Poonamallee. All took an interesting part in the meeting. Rev. Fr. D'Rosario, Parish Priest of Our Lady of Guidance, Mylapore, was also present and on that occasion he received the diploma of enrolment as a Salesian Cooperator. 25 Salesian Cooperators from Chingleput were also present, together with their own Director, Rev. Fr. Andrew Dorairaj. Almost all the Salesian Cooperators of the Parish unit were present. It was really delightful to see such a large number of members present, all of them animated with such a beautiful apostolic spirit. Proof of this is the report which was read at the meeting. It clearly shows that all of them have got in mind what the founder of the first Salesian family had in mind: 'Apostolate'. That the essence of the Salesian Cooperator is the apostolate and

that it is properly understood is clearly proved by the fact that the Salesian Cooperator is the right hand of his parish priest and by the efficacy of the lay apostles in in the parish.

After the report was read in Tamil and in English, Bro. J. Mascarenhas gave a beautiful speech in English on cooperation; in it he showed clearly the thought of Don Bosco about the Salesian Cooperator's cooperation in the Parish work. After this Mgr. R. Arulappa delivered a stirring speech in Tamil on the Lay Apostolate and congratulated the unit on the apostolic work done. Besides he proposed to the gathering his new scheme of apostolic work of approaching non-Catholic and pagan friends, with a view to influencing them and attracting them to us and our faith. The gathering has taken to heart also this scheme of the apostolate and it will be discussed to see how to realise it.

The speech of V. Rev. Mgr. Arulappa was followed by the distribution of the diplomas to the 25 new members who joined the Salesian Cooperators, among whom six were priests.

A vote of thanks by Mr. Clarence Motha, M.A., a Salesian Cooperator of Pudupet, concluded the meeting.

### Don Bosco's Feast

Don Bosco's Feast was celebrated this year at St. Francis Xavier's Church on February 5th, to give a chance to the Parishioners to take part in it. It was an unforgettable feast for them. The

splendour of the Church ceremonies was extraordinary, since we had the participation of the whole Sacred Heart Seminary. The Feast was preceded by a solemn Triduum preached by Rev. Fr. K. S. Swamy, S.J., of Loyola College. A beautiful academy prepared by Rev. Fr. Jacob, S.D.B., with the most useful help of Mr. Peter Raj, opened the celebrations. The High Mass was sang by V. Rev. Fr. C. Mauri, S.D.B., Rector of Poonamallee Seminary, and the Seminary Choir sang a most beautiful mass under the able direction of Rev. Fr. Mani Kottaram and Fr. Jegaraj, S.D.B., Rev. Fr. Barucci, S.D.B., Seminary Professor, sang the solemn vespers and concluded the feast with Eucharistic Benediction. All the ceremonies were most impressive, since it is very seldom that our parishioners see such beautifully prepared services and such a big gathering of clerics. All the Parish is most grateful to them and, while thanking all the seminarians for having taken part in St. Don Bosco's feast, the whole Parish formulates the wish that often these Seminarians should come to the Parish. This will certainly be a great help to the parish spirit and to the fostering of vocations to the priesthood.

### Holy Childhood Feast

This year the Feast of the Holy Childhood at St. Francis Xavier's was shifted to February 5th in order to make it more solemn by holding it on the Feast of St. John Bosco, the Priest of Children. All the members of the Holy Childhood were prepared for the solemnity with a Triduum,

and on the Feast they had a Mass specially celebrated for them with a sermon preached by Fr. K. K. Swamy, S.J., in the evening, after having been ably prepared for this by their dear Parish Director, Rev. Fr. C. Stephen, helped by the untiring activity of Miss Selvamary, Simon, teacher. A beautiful procession took place in the Church compound. It was followed by the special prayers for the Holy Childhood and a sermon preached by a Rev. Father Professor from the Seminary of Poonamallee. The Service concluded with the blessing of the children of the Holy Childhood of the parish, imparted with the statue of the Child Jesus, which was then given to all the members to be kissed. After the Eucharistic Benediction, sweets were distributed to all the members of the association. Certainly such a celebration has helped the children here very much and we are very grateful to the Seminarians of Poonamallee who rendered this feast of ours so solemn with their presence, with their singing and their participation in all the demonstrations.

## STUDY-GROUP TALKS

### The Mystical Body of Christ

Twenty persons were present, the majority being young men, to appreciate and enjoy to the full the treasures which Mgr. R. Arulappa of San Thome opened up before them when the Study Group met for the first of its sessions at the Catholic Centre on Thursday 2nd March.

Dealing on this occasion with the life of God, outlining some-

thing of the wonder and beauty of the life of love within the Trinity insofar as we can grasp such a sublime revealed truth, Mgr. Arulappa pointed out that only when we begin to understand more of this Divine Life of God can we begin to examine the wonderful device—The Mystical Body of Christ—by which God wills to communicate this very same life to men: it is important for us therefore to learn to contemplate the life of God, because it is this very life in which God desires us to participate.

Mgr. Arulappa's talk is made the more interesting in that he asks his hearers in general their opinion on different points as he brings them up, thus making the whole informal and at the same time more effective.

It is still not too late to welcome other Catholics to participate in this splendid opportunity to deepen their Faith. The Study Group will meet every Thursday, except in Holy Week, at 6-15 (till 7-30) in The Catholic Centre.

Catholic Information Centre,  
The Catholic Centre.

Tel: 3882

Madras 1.

## ST. ANTONY'S, PUDUPET

### Y.C.W. on the March

The Young Catholic Workers of Pudupet Unit held their 2nd Anniversary on Sunday 26th February, 1961. The function began with Holy Mass at 6 p.m. The guests and members then assembled in the Church garden where very interesting and enlightening speeches and other items were

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gone through. There were also soft, beautiful melodies rendered by some of the young Catholic workers. There was a cello, a guitar and a wind instrument.

Mr. Norbert Jeremiah welcomed the guests. In his welcome speech he mentioned that it was due to the interest taken by Rev. Fr. Michael that the Y.C.W. was started, and by his sustained interest the Y.C.W. carries on.

Then followed Mr. Leo Canute, the member who attended the Executive Conference of the Y.C.W. in Europe. He gave the workers and the guests a lot of information of the Y.C.W. on the international level. He mentioned the founder, Rt. Rev. Mgr. Joseph Cardijn, who made keen inquiries of the Y.C.W. in India. In all the meetings the idea of how Christ would act and what He would say in their office or in their factory was emphasised. The Y.C.W. motto *See, Judge, Act* was often mentioned at the meetings in Europe and brought to their notice.

The Second Annual report of the Y.C.W. Unit was read by the Secretary, Mr. Uthamaraj. According to the report the main activities were days of recollection, study-days, picnics.

The members then served light refreshments to the guests. Members moved about and made new acquaintances and some chatted over various other things. There was that happy cordial atmosphere everywhere which is a feature of the Y.C.W.

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### The Catholic Information Centre

The Catholic Information Centre serves both Catholics and non-Catholics. Information about the Faith is given to non-Catholics chiefly by means of a series of pamphlets in either English or Tamil. Already since the commencement of this Centre a short while ago, many non-Catholics have made use of it, having been contacted by Catholic friends.

Catholics also may use the Centre more. How can they do so? They can stimulate their own life of faith:

1) by coming to the talks on religious topics organised by the Centre from time to time (every Thursday evening there is a Study Session on the Mystical Body of Christ under the direction of Mgr. R. Arulappa, D.D.);

2) by asking for the literature available there, on religious subjects;

3) above all, by co-operating with the Centre, in any way possible, for the spreading of the "good news"—the quickest way of increasing this treasure we have is by letting it pass to and benefit another!

The Centre is open every weekday from 9 till 12-30 a.m. and 2.30 till 7 p.m.

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## OFFICIAL NOTIFICATIONS

- 19-3-1961 : The Mass *pro populo* is to be said on this day, although the Feast with its Office and Mass is transferred to the 20th.
- 31-3-1961 : Collection for the Holy Places is to be made at all places where the service of Good Friday is held and must be forwarded to the Rev. Treasurer within two weeks. *Fast and Abstinence*
- 2-4-1961 : Mass *pro populo*.
- 3-4-1961 : The Monthly recollection for the Clergy of the City of Madras will be held on 3-4-1961 and for those of the Vicariate Forane of St. Joseph on 4-4-1961, at the usual Places.

If for pastoral reasons another Mass is required besides the principal Mass in Coena Domini, the Most Rev. Ordinary's permission should be obtained. The Ordinary's permission is also to be obtained for a low Mass, if the principal Mass with the procession of reposition of the Sacrament cannot be held, even according to the simple Rite. These Masses cannot be said in the forenoon, but must be said in the afternoon between 4 and 9 o'clock. (*Ordinationes et Declarationes* of S.R.C. of 1-2-57).

By order of the Most Rev. Ordinary, all the Parish Priests and Assistant Priests (one assistant where there are two) of the City of Madras are to be present at the Pontifical Mass of the Holy Christ on 1-4-1961 at 7 a.m. The Parish Priests are also notified that the distribution of the Holy Oils will be made after the Pontifical Mass till 12 noon. *No distribution will be made in the afternoon.*

The Holy See decreed on 12-10-1960 (and promulgated on 28-12-1960) a new addition to the Divine Praises. The addition is "Blessed be His Most Precious Blood" which is to be said immediately after the invocation "*Blessed be His Most Sacred Heart*".

Communion on Maundy Thursday may be distributed in the principal Mass and the other Masses permitted by the Ordinary, or immediately after these Masses are over. To the sick Communion may be distributed in the forenoon and afternoon. On Good Friday Communion can be distributed during the Liturgical Action *only*. No Communion may be distributed to the sick on Good Friday, unless they are in danger of death. (*Ordinationes et Declarationes* of 1-2-1957).

Those wanting to receive Holy Communion during the Paschal Midnight Mass should abstain from solid food and alcoholic drink three hours before Communion and from other drinks one hour before. Water does not break the Eucharistic Fast. (*Motu Proprio* of 19-3-1957.)

A. Pereira de Andrade,  
Chancellor.

## ARCHDIOCESE OF MADRAS-MYLAPORE

### Diocesan Collections in 1960

No	Parishes and Institutions	Holy Childhood		Orphan-ages		Holy Land		Peter's Pence		Munich Eucharistic Congress		Pro S-mi-nario		Mission Sunday		Priests' Relief Fund	
		Rs.	n.P.	Rs.	n.P.	Rs.	n.P.	Rs.	n.P.	Rs.	n.P.	Rs.	n.P.	Rs.	n.P.	Rs.	n.P.
1	San Thome Cathedral Basilica	64	65	62	50	274	75	79	47	138	47	44	67	226	53	55	60
2	Our Lady of Guidance	10	53	11	83	94	25	20	54	24	00	19	05	40	61	22	76
3	Luz Church	7	78	9	37	55	63	18	91	18	66	14	32	30	75	15	07
4	Royapettah	26	86	22	75	101	00	24	75	24	00	25	00	44	65	10	00
5	Chintadripet	10	50	10	00	50	00	7	25	10	00	10	00	36	50	11	50
6	Kodambakam	16	75	29	00	65	00	30	00	31	00	32	00	174	50	20	00
7	Nungumbakam	72	00	75	62	125	00	66	81	80	00	72	00	130	62	51	00
8	Little Mount	24	00	33	00	74	00	16	00	40	00	21	00	95	33	18	92
9	St. Thomas' Mount	30	00	25	00	75	00	40	00	45	00	40	00	112	00	25	00
10	Pallavaram	15	25	13	50	43	00	18	00	14	00	11	00	57	00	12	00
11	St. Mary's Co-Cathedral	65	00	70	00	180	00	100	00	60	00	71	00	165	00	56	00
12	Park Town	9	37	8	10	24	50	8	00	5	00	10	00	22	75	8	35
13	Egmore	11	00	11	00	135	00	28	50	35	00	20	00	131	25	21	00
14	Pudupet	25	00	23	75	75	00	28	00	29	80	26	00	170	00	28	00
15	St. Fr. Xavier's	17	10	—	—	50	00	15	23	14	11	15	17	175	00	13	12
16	Assumption Church	12	25	10	00	70	00	10	25	12	00	12	00	65	25	12	00
17	Royapuram	60	00	64	20	227	80	67	70	70	75	65	00	200	00	90	00
18	Kasimode	8	50	8	50	27	00	8	00	5	00	10	00	50	00	10	00
19	St. Roque's	7	50	8	50	45	00	9	50	5	00	9	00	35	00	8	50
20	St. Joseph's, Vepery	95	37	76	00	132	04	70	64	81	89	81	30	222	81	104	19
21	St. Andrew's Vepery	41	97	46	86	98	45	39	02	15	00	43	17	154	33	34	00
22	Kilpauk Shrine	42	00	72	00	171	00	45	00	55	00	85	00	165	00	45	00
23	Perambur Shrine	35	00	33	00	172	50	32	00	169	25	36	00	252	00	5	00
24	Madavaram	5	10	8	75	30	68	1	68	7	94	5	14	27	75	7	76
25	Avadi	3	00	7	00	53	00	8	00	8	00	—	—	35	81	3	50

27	Tambaram	25 00	22 00	63 00	20 00	20 00	19 00	95 00	16 00
28	Dharkast	5 00	4 00	15 00	5 00	5 00	5 00	25 00	5 00
29	Basin Bridge	4 25	2 37	18 00	4 00	7 35	3 50	6 00	5 50
30	Pulicat	3 00	1 00	6 00	1 00	1 00	1 00	15 00	1 50
31	Roshanagaram	1 00	1 00	8 46	1 00	1 50	1 00	1 50	1 00
32	Arambakam	1 00	1 00	10 00	—	—	—	10 00	—
33	Kilacheri	14 54	10 00	50 00	10 00	10 00	10 00	35 00	10 00
34	Pannur	12 00	5 00	60 00	5 00	10 00	10 00	120 00	20 00
35	Vallarapuram	6 58	6 37	33 02	3 33	5 64	5 26	14 44	11 23
36	Mulasur	5 55	3 75	18 50	8 50	2 87	6 00	22 12	5 25
37	Palnellore	1 50	7 00	22 25	2 00	5 00	3 00	20 00	3 50
38	Sellampatida	8 00	2 00	16 57	3 72	1 78	—	5 00	2 00
39	Trivellore	—	—	5 00	—	—	—	4 50	—
40	Chingleput	18 25	—	44 41	6 00	6 00	—	173 00	10 00
41	Kovelong	1 25	1 00	6 50	1 25	1 50	1 00	12 00	1 06
42	Mahabalipuram	1 00	1 00	1 50	—	—	—	—	—
43	Ottanthangal	4 00	3 75	13 25	1 55	—	5 00	2 00	3 00
44	Kancheepuram	1 00	1 00	20 00	—	—	—	10 00	—
45	Institutions	32 00	—	85 75	139 50	—	3 50	447 78	—
46	Holy Childhood Association, membership fees for 1960	253 37	—	—	—	—	—	—	—
Total		1110 93	714 47	2904 13	1013 10	1065 01	842 08	3838 03	757 25

- Note: 1) Holy Childhood Collections (annual subscriptions of members) forwarded to National Director of Pontifical Mission aid societies on 26-8-60.
- 2) Holy Land Collections forwarded to His Excellency The Internuncio, New Delhi, on 24-5-60.
- 3) Pater's Pence Collections forwarded to His Excellency The Apostolic Internuncio, New Delhi, on 14-9-60.
- 4) Munich Eucharistic Congress Collections forwarded to His Grace the Archbishop on 14-9-60.
- 5) Pro Seminario Collections forwarded to the Seminary Fund account on 24-1-61.
- 6) Mission Sunday Collections forwarded to the National Director for Pontifical Mission aid Societies on 27-12-60.
- 7) Priests' Relief Fund Collections forwarded to P. R. Fund Association account on 24-1-61.
- 8) Orphanages Collections credited to Archdiocesan account for their support.