

PROVINCIAL CIRCULAR

Salesian Province of Mary Help of Christians, Guwahati, Assam, India

JS – 16/2019

16 May, 2019

My Dear Confreres,

Greetings from Don Bosco Provincial House, Guwahati!

In this special circular, I am happy to announce to you the list of Apostolic Assignments. Arranging the new apostolic assignments was an arduous task but I did it happily. I thank Fr. Vice Provincial, Fr. Economer and the Provincial Councillors who assisted me and kept the secrecy till the end. I talked to everyone of the confreres for whom new assignment was given. I thank the confreres for their availability and openness in accepting the new responsibilities and roles in deep faith.

Changes are part and parcel of life, and with changes we can open ourselves to newness and growth. This is a beautiful opportunity for us to exercise our allegiance and obedience to the Congregation, and thus take up new roles in a freedom of spirit. I request that everyone gives his best and focus to the assignment that is entrusted and ensures its dynamism and growth. As the Constitutions say, we are expected to obey in freedom of spirit and with an awareness of our personal responsibility pledging our powers of intellect and will, and our gifts of nature and grace. (C 67)

There are a couple of mid-term transfers of Rectors, for which I have used the results of previous consultations too to suggest the names to the Rector Major for approval. The final table at the end of every consultation paper is entitled, “Other prospective Rectors and Leaders of Communities.” The names that were suggested on this list, and the names (of various preferences) that were suggested in other communities with a similar scope were taken into consideration for mid-term transfers. I thank all those who have participated in the consultations, and also renew my invitation to participate in this exercise of consultations in a bigger way even. As per the information that was given to me by the Secretary and from my own assesment, the participation of confreres in the consultation was indeed very good.

There has been sufficient discernment and prayer, and discussions in the Provincial Council before I could finalize the list. The concrete demands of charity and apostolate in the Province at times require the sacrifice of personal wishes or plans though they may be lawful. (C 69) But by pledging obedience to the Superior and accepting the changes in a spirit of faith and freedom, we renew our commitment to holiness and fraternity as the Lord wills, and not as we will.

I wish all of you new vitality and freshness as you begin or continue your apostolic mission in different parts of our Province. May we unite ourselves in prayer to Mary Help of Christians, our Patron, in this month of May, her own month, during which these transfers are published. I request you to take up the new responsibilities on or before 7th June, 2019. Kindly do take care of handing over the responsibilities in a proper way, with proper explanations and introductions to various sectors.

APOSTOLIC ASSIGNMENTS 2019

	<i>Name of Confrere</i>	<i>Designation & Community</i>
1.	Fr. Sebastian Ishorary	Rector, Hubert D’Rosario Aspirantate, Sirajuli
2.	Fr. Bivan Rodrigues Mukhim	Rector, Don Bosco College, Tura
3.	Fr. Francis Hembrom	Rector and Parish Priest, Kumarikatta
4.	Fr. Joy Joseph Kachappilly	Rector (2nd term), Boko
5.	Fr. Denis Toju Sangma	Rector (2nd term), Garobadha
6.	Fr. Emmanuel Marngar	Rector (2nd term), Haflong
7.	Fr. Stephen Mavely	Rector (2nd term), ADBU, Tapesia
8.	Fr. Joseph Nellanatt	Rector (2nd term), ADBU, Guwahati, Azara
9.	Fr. George Mudakkampuram	Principal, Barpeta Road
10.	Fr. Punit Kumar Lakra	Principal and Asst. PP, Boko
11.	Fr. Saju Kariyil	Principal (Sashipur) and Asst PP, Kumarikatta
12.	Br. Benjamin Rosant Indwar	Principal, Dotma
13.	Fr. Louis Martin Bhengra	Principal & Asst. Parish Priest, Doomni
14.	Fr. John Mathias Marak	Principal and Asst. Parish Priest, Rongjeng
15.	Fr. Albert Korgeshwar Sangma	Principal and Asst. Parish Priest, Garobadha
16.	Fr. Benny Mushahary	Vice Principal and Asst. PP, Kokrajhar
17.	Fr. Thomas Lakra	Warden and Student PhD, Guwahati, ADBU, Azara
18.	Fr. Augustine Edasserithottathil	Confessor (Pre-Novitiate) and Asst. PP, Dotma
19.	Fr. Kuriala Chittattukalam	Vice Principal, Barpeta Road
20.	Fr. Albinus Dhanwar	Vice Principal, DBC Tura
21.	Fr. Victor Tigga	<i>Additional charge:</i> Dean of Studies, Barpeta Road
22.	Fr. Raphael Cherukareth	Asst Dir & VR, Bosco Reach Out, Guwahati
23.	Fr. Anil Jerome Condpan	Medical Rest, Provincial House
24.	Fr. Charles Depen Lakra	Student - Canon Law, Testaccio, Rome
25.	Br. Paul Makri	Student - MA (TISS) & Faculty - DBTS, Maligaon
26.	Cl. Somesh Tudu	Student - Theology, Ratisbonne, Jerusalem

CLERICS/BROTHERS FOR PRACTICAL TRAINING 2019

1	Cl. Basumatary Sebastian	Umswai
2	Cl. Rongpeit Kesop	Umswai
3	Cl. Kujur Patrick	Tura, DBS
4	Cl. Kurbah Marcus	Tura, Bosco Mount

5	Cl. Sangma Anthony A. (Jr)	Tura, Bosco Mount
6	Cl. Xalxo Jerbasius	Tura, Bosco Mount
7	Cl. Toppo Anand	DBSTI, Tezpur
8	Cl. Rabha John Chandra	DBSTI, Tezpur
9	Cl. Tigga Arpan	Amkachi
10	Cl. Kujur Markus	Amkachi
11	Cl. Rabha Vincent	Barpeta Road
12	Br. Thaimei Christopher	Barpeta Road
13	Cl. Phangcho Monsing	Doomni
14	Cl. Soren Dominic	Tangla
15	Cl. Dung Dung Jonathan	Tangla
16	Cl. Sangma Peter Canisius	Dotma Pre-Novitiate
17	Cl. Nanwar Petrus	Dotma Parish
18	Cl. Sten Richardson	Dimakuchi
19	Cl. Kujur Amit	Dimakuchi
20	Cl. Kapeo Timothy (IND)	Sirajuli
21	Cl. Npenme Haisuilube	Sirajuli
22	Cl. Sangma Chebath	Garobada
23	Cl. Lakra Bipin Kumar	Garobada
24	Cl. Tanti Smith Wilson	DBTS, Maligaon, Guwahati
25	Cl. Sangma Sanjosh D	Sunnyside, Shillong (INS)
26	Cl. Minj Paul (Jr)	Kumarikatta

CLERICS FOR THEOLOGY 2019

1	S Amsong Silverius	Shillong, SHTC	Theo 1
2	S Ekka Ravi Prabhat	Shillong, SHTC	Theo 1
3	S Lakra Rajib	Shillong, SHTC	Theo 1
4	S Beck Jyotish	Bangalore, KJC	Theo 1
5	S Barla Richard	Bangalore, KJC	Theo 1
6	S Tudu Somesh	Ratisbonne, Jerusalem	Theo 1

STUDENTS OF PHILOSOPHY 2019

1	S Barjo Marius	Dimapur	Phil 1
2	S Ekka Santrius	Dimapur	Phil 1
3	S Minj Rohit	Dimapur	Phil 1
4	S Tirkey Amrit	Dimapur	Phil 1
5	S Maukal Petrush	Sonada	Phil 1
6	S Kujur Rasal	Sonada	Phil 1
7	S Lakra Yacub	Sonada	Phil 1

NOVICES 2019

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Pre-Novitiate</i>	<i>Novitiate</i>
1	Horijan Agustin	Dotma	Dhajea
2	Sangma Harwish A.	Dotma	Dhajea
3	Sangma Ricky N.	Dotma	Dhajea
4	Kindo Rupam	Dotma	Dhajea
5	Sangma Sengwill N.	Dotma	Dhajea
6	Minj Naveen Elias	Dotma	Sunnyside
7	Sangma Ojoy M.	Dotma	Sunnyside
8	Surin Siprian	Dotma	Sunnyside
9	Momin Sylbastin Ch.	Dotma	Sunnyside
10	Kulandaiyesu Dominic INM)	Dotma	Chennai
11	Pinto Sunil (INM)	Dotma	Chennai
12	Raj Naveen (INM)	Dotma	Chennai
13	Y.M. Meril Jones (INM)	Dotma	Chennai
14	Timothy Hemrom	Dotma	Sunnyside
15	Purti Anand	Amguri	Sunnyside
16	Marak Dominic Dipka	Amguri	Sunnyside
17	Rabha Benedict Bipul	Amguri	Sunnyside
18	Hasda Rockenjoy	Amguri	Sunnyside
19	Surin Damian	Amguri	Sunnyside

CONFRERES FOR HIGHER STUDIES 2019

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Name</i>	<i>Studies/Qualification</i>	<i>Universtiy/College</i>
1	Cl. Benedict Minj	Bed	DBCTE, Tura
2	Cl. Birendra Dungdung	Bed	DBCTE, Tura
3	Cl. Cherak Sangma	Bed	DBCTE, Tura
4	Cl. Francis Ekka	Bed	DBCTE, Tura
5	Cl. Francis Xavier Minj	Bed	DBCTE, Tura
6	Cl. Philemon Puma	BEd	DBCTE, Tura
7	Cl. Jonas Kujur	Bed	DBCTE, Tura
8	Cl. Nithindro Momin	Bed	Rongkhon BEd College
9	Cl. Jecky Sangma	Bed	Rongkhon BEd College
10	Cl. Sujit Basumatary	MA (History)	ADBU
11	Cl. Sunit Ekka	BA (English)	ADBU
12	Cl. Wilson Toppo	MPh	Nashik
13	Cl. Kolombiya Rabha	MA (English)	NEHU, Tura
14	Br. Paul Makri	MA (Social Anthropology)	TISS, Guwahati

SPIRITUAL RETREATS 2019

Our Spiritual Retreats for 2019, as I had informed you in several fora, is on the theme of the preparation for the Centenary 2022. The theme is “Missionary Evangelization and Catechesis”. As you can see in the table below, eight retreats are available to you this year. All the confreres will kindly ensure that they attend any one of these retreats and derive much spiritual benefits from them. You may kindly choose any one of the following Spiritual Retreats either in Dimapur or Shillong or at Siloam and enroll your names with Fr. Joseph Teron, Vice Provincial. You may enroll your names through WhatsApp (8638395329) or email ing.viceprovincial@gmail.com. You may directly contact the Vice Provincials of Dimapur, Fr. Nazarius Lakra (8473911085) and Shillong, Fr. John Zosiama (8837256533) for booking the seats.

	Dates	Place	Preacher
Retreat I	7 th – 13 th July, 2019	SILLOAM, Barapani	Fr. Tom Karthik sdb
Retreat II	14 th – 20 th July, 2019	SILLOAM, Barapani	Fr. Tom Karthik sdb
	Dates	Place	Preacher
Retreat I	20 th – 26 th September, 2019	DBIDL, Dimapur	Fr. Devasia Vazhayil sdb
Retreat II	28 th Sept – 4 th October, 2019	DBIDL, Dimapur	Fr. Devasia Vazhayil sdb
Retreat III	5 th – 11 th October, 2019	DBIDL, Dimapur	Fr. Devasia Vazhayil sdb
Sl. No.	Dates	Place	Preacher
Retreat I	7 th – 13 th July, 2019	Pastoral Centre, Shillong	Fr. Cletus D’Souza sdb
Retreat II	14 th – 20 th July, 2019	Pastoral Centre, Shillong	Fr. Cletus D’Souza sdb
Retreat III	13 th – 19 th October, 2019	Pastoral Centre, Shillong	Preacher not confirmed

NB: Retreat for Clerics and Brothers who are due to renew their vows or make Perpetual Profession will be from 17th to 23rd May, 2019 at DBI (Inspiration). Sr. Mary Clare FCC, Kozhikode, Kerala is the Preacher, assisted by Ms. Rosily Jose (additional Counsellor).

WELCOME TO FR. BENNY MUSHAHARY

Fr. Benny Mushahary, from the Province of Shillong, had applied to the Rector Major for a permanent incardination into our Province, and his request was granted on 5th May, 2019. We extend a warm welcome to Fr. Benny, and wish him God’s blessings as he takes up the role of Vice Principal and Assistant Parish Priest at Don Bosco, Kokrajhar.

9th NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON EDUCATION FOR TEACHERS

After evangelisation and catechesis that we carry out through the Parish Ministry, education becomes the second most involved and conscious activity of our institutions in the province. We have contributed much to the Church and the society in the field of

education particularly in the North East. Education becomes effective when our teachers are accompanied and empowered by us. Every conference and seminar that we organize for them becomes another opportunity for greater effectiveness for them in accompanying our students. Presently (16th to 18th May) about 160 teachers from the Province as well as from outside are participating in the conference, that is being held at DBI, Guwahati. I thank Fr. PD Johny and his team for this annual programme, particularly for inviting the resource persons of international repute, Mr. Anand Pillai and Mr. Arup Mukhopadhyay to animate our teachers.

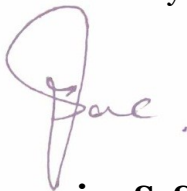
CONDOLENCES

Br. Anthony Rocha, belonging to the Province of Panjim (INP), passed away on 14th May, 2019 at Don Bosco Provincial House, Odxel, Goa. May the Lord grant him eternal rest. We offer our condolences to Fr. Felix Fernandes, Provincial, and confreres of INP.

CONCLUSION

I wish all of you a very happy feast of Mary, Help of Christians. Let us celebrate it with due spiritual preparations, by way of novena and the triduum. Being busy with many other chores, should not be an excuse for not giving time for the feast day preparations. Let us pray for one another especially as many of us will commemorate our profession anniversary. We pray for the Clerics and Brothers who will make their spiritual retreat at the Inspiration, DBI, Guwahati prior to the renewal of vows and perpetual professions. We congratulate them on their renewal; and we warmly welcome into the family of Don Bosco, the four Clerics who are committing themselves to be Salesians forever. We also congratulate our novices at Dhajea and Sunnyside who will be making their first professions. Be assured of my humble prayers.

Yours affectionately in Don Bosco,



Fr. Januarius S. Sangma SDB
Provincial

