



MISSIONARY SISTERS OF THE IMMACULATE

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GENERAL DIRECTION

DECISIONS

- 254/1 On 4/4/2018, the following junior sisters were admitted to the perpetual profession: from Vijayawada Province, Sr. Jyothi Natta, Sr. Antony Mary Jenifer Abraham, Sr. Jenita Arockia Mary Innaci, Sr. Maria Assuntha Soosai Raj and Sr. Amala Catherine Amal Raj; from Siliguri Province, Sr. Sushila Tirkey.
- 254/2 On 27/4/2018, the junior Sr. Swarnamanjari Mulapaka, member of Delhi Delegation, has been admitted to the perpetual profession.
- 254/3 The mandate of sr. Gabriella Tripani as superior of the community of Algiers, in Algeria, expiring on next 8/5, has been extended until 21/10/2018.
- 254/4 Sr. Sudha Soosai Michael, member of Vijayawada Province, has been transferred to the Province of Siliguri for a service as a teacher, for four years, starting from 15/6/2018.
- 254/5 The composition of the pre-chapter Commission, which has to draft the Working Document, has been modified. The members are Sr. Antonella Tovaglieri, coordinator of the commission, Sr. Marinei Pessanha Alves and Sr. Laura Cantoni. We thank Sr. Blanche D'Mello and Sr. Bridgit Suvakeen for the precious contribution made to the preparation of the *Lineamenta*.
- 254/6 Following the request of Sr. Ancy Joseph Puthiakulangara, superior of Delhi Selegation, the closing of the community in Poliganj has been authorized. The sisters will terminate the presence on next 15/5.

COMMUNICATIONS

- 254/7 On 9/4/2018, the pre-chapter Commission met for the drafting of the Working Document for the Chapter.
- 254/8 On 13/4/2018, Sr. Rosilla Velamparambil, Sr. Rosanna Marchetti and Sr. Simona Puliga went to Milan. The following Sunday they took part in the General Assembly of the non-profit organization *Amici delle MdI*, in Monza.
- 254/9 On 27/4/2018, Sr. Rosilla, Sr. Antonella, Sr. Rosanna and other sisters from Torre Gaia community, participated in the prayer in preparation for the beatification of the martyr Sr. Leonella Sgorbati, a Consolata Missionary, killed in Mogadishu, Somalia, in 2006. The prayer was held in the Basilica of St. Bartholomew, on the Tiber Island.

ARRIVALS AND DEPARTURES

- 254/10 Italy
On 6/4/2018, the novice Francesca Centorame returned from India after her community and apostolic experience.
- 254/11 Hyderabad
On 7/4/2018, Sr. Sini Kurian Thadathil left for South Brazil after a period of rest and refreshing course.
- 254/12 Bangladesh
On 16/4/2018, Sr. Konica Costa left for South Brazil, the mission to which she was destined.
On 28/4/2018, Sr. Elizabeth Baby Gomes and Sr. Sweetie Florence Rozario came back from India after attending a three-month English course.
- 254/13 North Brazil
On 23/4/2018, Sr. Stella Huti left for Papua New Guinea for a period of rest in her homeland.
- 254/14 Cameroon
On 9/4/2018, Sr. Hilda Castelino returned from India after a period of rest in her homeland and taking care of her ill sister.

- 254/15 Hong Kong - China
On 3/4/2018, Sr. Carmela Pamei left for India for her periodic holidays and family visit.
- 254/16 Algeria
On 6/4/2018, Sr. Lourdes Santos returned from Brazil after a period of rest in her homeland.

NEW ADDRESS

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GD COMMUNITIES

COMMUNICATIONS

- 254/18 On 5 and 12/4/2018, Sr. Paola Vizzotto and Sr. Rosanna Marchetti participated in a meeting of the Missionary Itinerant Fraternity, at the Rome Vicariate.
- 254/19 On 10/4/2018, in the community of the Dominican Sisters, in Rome, sr. Paola, as regional contact person, led the meeting of the Voluntary Religious in the Prisons of Lazio and Abruzzo.
- 254/20 On 19/4/2018, Sr. Rosilla, Sr. Rosanna, Sr. Antonia Mapelli, sr. Cecile Nazareth, and Sr. Sandra Covini, participated in the presentation of the new Apostolic Exhortation, by Pope Francis, *Gaudete et Exsultate*, at the Pauline Multimedia Library. The resource persons were the Vatican correspondent Luigi Accattoli and the journalist Elisa Storace.
- 254/21 On 24 and 25/4/2018, Sr. Paola participated in a seminar organized by the association *Migrantes* for agents of the pastoral of Gypsies, at Villa Campitelli, Frascati.

PROVINCE OF ITALY

COMMUNICATIONS

- 254/22 From 2 to 4/4/2018, Sr. Maria Antonia Rossi guided the formation meeting of the juniors in Cremona.
- 254/23 On 7/4/2018, Sr. Eletta Nava and Sr. Giampaola Mazzuocolo participated in a pilgrimage to the shrine of Our Lady of Pompeii along with a group of prisoners from all prisons of Campania.
- 254/24 On 7/4/2018, Sr. Mary Susila Antony Pillai, together with the other members of SUAM, Campania, organized a one-day meeting for youth with drug addicts and prisoners of the Eboli prison in Salerno.
- 254/25 On 8/4/2018, some sisters participated in the initiative promoted by the PIME: "*TUTTAUNALTRAFESTA*" at Inzago, Milan, in the parish of Sr. Anna Marini. Sr. Maristella De Marchi presented the project to promote the work of prison inmates of Opera. The MSI Lay associates group and Sr. Antonia Dal Mas were also present.
- 254/26 On 9/4/2018, the aspirants Elena Sala and Chiara Ubbiali started the postulancy in the chapel of St. Joseph community, at Monza.
- 254/27 From 10 to 12/4/2018, Sr. Mary Susila Antony Pillai, along with the other SUAM Campania members, organized a missionary exhibition for the students of the University of Salerno (UNISA) entitled: "*The Cry of the Earth*", realized by the Italian *Missionary Publishing House*. Many students visited the exhibition.
- 254/28 From 9 to 11/4/2018, a Biblical Course was conducted in Monza by Don Matteo Crimella, priest of the Archdiocese of Milan and biblical scholar, who presented and elaborated some passages from the letter to the Romans. Sisters from the community of Milan and Monza took part in it.
- 254/29 On 15/4/2018, Sr. Maria Antonia Rossi, provincial superior, and some sisters took part in the Annual General Assembly of the Association of *Friends of the MdI* in Monza.

- 254/30 On 14/4/2018, the Lay MSI Group from South visited the community of the Ursuline sisters of Casa Rut, Caserta, for its monthly meeting. The sisters welcome and try to help exploited women in their reintegration into society. It was a beautiful experience of fraternity and a very motivating one to open our eyes to the new missionary challenges of our territory.
- 254/31 From 16 to 19/4/2018, Sr. Maria Antonia Rossi and Sr. Eletta Nava went to the Diocese of Rossano-Cariati (Cosenza, Calabria). They were invited by Archbishop Giuseppe Satriano in view of a possible missionary presence in that diocese.
- 254/32 From 22 to 25/4/2018, at *Villa Grugana* PIME house, a formative meeting was held for the animators (fathers, sisters and laity) who collaborate in the animation of the various annual proposals for young people. Dr. Maria Brambilla, from the Catholic University of Milan, presented the profile of young people today, and the dean of the Institute of Religious Sciences in Milan, Don Alberto Cozzi, gave a reflection on *Youth and Faith, and Youth and Vocation*.
- 254/33 From 26 to 28/4/2018, Sr. Maria Antonia Rossi and Fr. Giovanni Munari, Combonian provincial, reference persons of CIMI (Conference of the Italian Missionary Institutes), were in Modica, Sicily, to visit the inter-congregational community. They also had the opportunity to visit some reception Centers for migrants.
- 254/34 On 27/4/2018, Sr. Antonia Dal Mas went to Rome to meet a group of representatives of Missionary Institutes in view of the creation of Lazio SUAM (Secretariat of Missionary Animation). Sr. Paola Vizzotto and Sr. Rosanna Marchetti, from Torre Gaia community, were present at the meeting, too.
- 254/35 From 28/4 to 1/5/2018, Sr. Anna Marini participated in the CO.MI.GI 2018 (Youth Missionary Convention), held in Sacrofano (Rome) and organized by the Missio Foundation.

PROVINCE OF VIJAYAWADA

DECISIONS

- 254/36 Sr. Clarice Parappallil has been re-confirmed Superior of Fatima Convent community, Fatimapuram for two more years with effect from 1/5/2018.
- 254/37 Sr. Leo Mary Panipichai has been re-confirmed Superior of Nirmala Nilayam community, Chennai for three years with effect from 10/6/2018.
- 254/38 Sr. Helen Catherine Perianayagam has been re-confirmed Superior of the Our Lady of Health Hospital community, Bhimadole for three years with effect from 15/6/2018.
- 254/39 Sr. Nirmala Kumari Giduthuri has been re-confirmed Superior of Damian Convent community, Vegavaram for two more years with effect from 8/7/2018.
- 254/40 Sr. Vimala Arayathinal has been nominated Superior of Nirmala Niwas community, Kottama for one year with effect from 1/5/2018.
- 254/41 Sr. Jackuline Arul Raj has been nominated Superior of the Nirmala Convent community, Dindigul for one year with effect from 1/6/2018.
- 254/42 Sr. Bruna Thannippara has been nominated Superior of Nirmala Convent community, Jangareddigudem for one year with effect from 1/6/2018.
- 254/43 Sr. Piera Mathias has been nominated Superior of the Nirmala Convent community, Karepalli for one year with effect from 1/6/2018.
- 254/44 Sr. Gina Jesumarian has been nominated Superior of the Nirmala Nilayam community, Seethammadhara for one year with effect from 1/6/2018.
- 254/45 Sr. Mary Jessy Lucas has been re-confirmed Superior of Vimala Convent community, Tanuku for one year with effect from 1/6/2018.
- 254/46 Sr. Irene Varickamakel has been nominated Superior of Nirmala Nilayam, Palakkad for one year with effect from 1/6/2018.
- 254/47 Sr. Maria Lobo has been nominated Superior of Nirmala Convent community, Araku for three years with effect from 1/6/2018.

- 254/48 Sr. Linet Noronha has been nominated Superior of Mary Immaculate Convent community, Mudarangady for one year with effect from 10/6/2018.

COMMUNICATIONS

- 254/49 Vocation animation programmes for young girls were organized respectively in Nellayi on 3/4/2018, in Mudarangady on 11/4/2018, in Gudivada on 22-23/4/2018, and in Karungal on 23-25/4/2018.
- 254/50 From 5 to 7/4/2018, an Ecumenical prayer meeting was organized by Fr. Samuel OFM Cap. along with our sisters in our satellite presence in Venkatapuram, Khammam diocese. Thousands of people belonging to different denominations participated in the prayer meeting which was based on the Word of God that renewed their spiritual life. Believers from other religions were present, too.

PROVINCE OF HYDERABAD

DECISIONS

- 254/51 Sr. Lucy Kattuparayil has been appointed Superior of the community of Nirmala Convent Suryapet, for three years starting from 28/6/2018.
- 254/52 Sr. Celine Panamkattu has been appointed Superior of the community of Christ the King Convent, Tadipatri, for three years starting from 5/6/2018.
- 254/53 Sr. Thomasamma Pasala has been appointed Superior of the community of Nirmala Bhavan, Halia, for one year starting form 1/6/2018.
- 254/54 Sr. Sujatha Junuguru has been appointed Superior of the community of Nirmala Bhavan, Athani, for one year starting form 18/6/2018.
- 254/55 Sr. Margaret Mary Jesadimai has been re-confirmed Superior of the community of Nirmala Convent, Tadipatri, for three more years starting from 6/6/2018.
- 254/56 Sr. Betsy Kollapillil has been re-confirmed Superior of the community of Nirmala Convent, Mananthavady, for three more years starting from 5/5/2018.
- 254/57 Sr. Gnanasundari Bellamkonda has been re-confirmed Superior of the community of Nirmala Convent, Dornakal, for two more years starting from 1/6/2018.
- 254/58 Sr. Ancy George Pullomparampil has been re-confirmed Superior of the community of Nirmala Convent, Shanthinagar, for two more years starting from 10/6/2018.
- 254/59 Sr. Santhoshi Banda has been re-confirmed Superior of the community of Nirmala Bhavan Delegation House, Duhai, Delhi, for two more years starting from 1/6/2018.
- 254/60 On 22/3/2018, the Junior Sisters, Sr. Dency Kuriokose Vamattam, Sr. Maria Sheela Ubagara Samy, Sr. Jacintha Sandhana Mary Soosairaj, Sr. Jancy Dayana Vincent, Sr. Seema Kamaliya, Sr. Maria Jyothi Pasala, Sr. Charles Sahaya Rani Arockiasami, Sr. Judith Priya Nithiya, Sr. Deepika Katara, and Sr. Rekha Dama have been admitted to the renewal of the vows.
- 254/61 Sr. Evangeline Sidhotam was granted a six-month Leave of Absence from the community to assist her sick and aged father, starting from 1/4/2018.

COMMUNICATIONS

- 254/62 From 16 to 19/4/2018, an ongoing formation programme on the topic *Psycho-sexual integration* was held for the Young Finally Professed Sisters at Nirmala Dhyana Sadan, Athvelly. Fr. S. Kulandeisamy, SVD was the resource person. 33 sisters benefited out of it.
- 254/63 On 24 and 25/4/2018, a seminar on inter-religious dialogue for teacher Sisters was held at Nirmala Dhyana Sadan Athvelly. The resource persons were Sr. Margaret Mary Jesadimai and Fr. Bhaskar, SJ, with his team. 43 sisters participated in the seminar. Sr. Namitha Louis held a session on Missionary Animation.

PROVINCE OF SILIGURI

DECISIONS

- 254/64 On 27/4/2018, the following sisters were admitted to the renewal of vows Sr. Mary Srani Lakra, Sr. Ratnakumari Mallampalli, Sr. Cecilia Dangmei, Sr. Monica Bhengra, Sr. Alphonsa Thalari, Sr. Grace Riamei and Sr. Veronica Bodra.
- 254/65 On 27/4/2018, the following aspirants were admitted to postulancy Pheobe Shongvah, Maria Phaomei and Lydia Lungarvon.

COMMUNICATIONS

- 254/66 On 19/3/2018, Sr. Lucy Pamei completed her diploma in Faith Formation of youth at Visvadeep, Bangalore.
- 254/67 From 20/3 to 14/4/2018, Sr. Lucy Pamei and Sr. Cecilia Dangmei attended a short course in Liturgical music, in Bangalore.
- 254/68 On 16/4/2018, Sr. Suman Tiru and Sr. Neelam Kindo conducted a vocation animation programme for girls from Gayaganga, at Nirmala Jyoti Niwas community, Siliguri.
- 254/69 On 26/4/2018, Sr. Lilly George and Sr. Magdalene Alva participated in an ecumenical prayer meeting at Seva Kendra, Siliguri.
- 254/70 On 29/4/2018, a vocation camp was held at St. Paul School, at Rajibpur. Sr. Nirmala Beck, Sr. Alphonsal Innacemuthu, and Sr. Joseline Dasiah Pillai participated in this programme.
- 254/71 At the end of the month, Sr. Carmela Pamei, Sr. Lucy Pamei and Sr. Grace Riamei participated in a spiritual convention of youth in Khoupum, for four days. About two hundreds youth took part in it.

PROVINCE OF BANGLADESH

DECISIONS

- 254/72 On 19/3/2018, the postulant Probhati Mardy has been admitted to the novitiate.

COMMUNICATIONS

- 254/73 From 2 to 11/4/2018, six PIME seminarians went to Boyra hospital community for a theoretical and practical course about the human body, some diseases, and first aid. Sr. Roberta Pignone conducted this intensive course.
- 254/74 On 8/4/2018, Sr. Konica Regina Costa received the missionary mandate for South Brazil during the Eucharistic celebration at Mary, Queen of the Apostles' parish, Mirpur 2, Dhaka. The ceremony was presided over by Fr. Henry Rebeiro, OMI, along with other five PIME Fathers, and a diocesan priest. Many sisters from different Congregations, her family members, relatives and many parishioners were present, too. On 6/4, a missionary animation program was organized by Sr. Marisa Pereira, helped by some sisters from Mirpur community, for boys, girls and their parents. About 90 youth were present.
- 254/75 From 9 to 15/4/2018, the second year novices attended a course for novices organized by BCR (Bangladesh Conference of Religious) at BCR Centre. Savar on *Formation of Conscience*. The resource person was Msgr. Gervas Rozario, Bishop of Rajshahi. Bro. Bijoy Rodriguez, CSC, spoke on *Leadership and Relationship in the pastoral work*. 51 novices joined in the programme.
- 254/76 On 13/4/2018, the Shalom Movement organized an ecumenical service at the Armenian Church in Dhaka to celebrate Easter. Sr. Annamaria Panza, Sr. Maria Costa, Sr. Silvia Leoni, the postulant Probhati Mardy and two candidates participated in the event.
- 254/77 On 14/4/2018, on occasion of the Bengali New Year, our sisters organized special programmes in boardings and schools.
- 254/78 On 22/4/2018, the postulant Probhati Mardy started her novitiate in Monipuripara community.
- 254/79 From 23 to 27/4/2018, Sr. Annamaria, helped by Sr. Teresa Anita Gomes, Sr. Marisa, Sr. Komola Corraya and the second-year novices, organized a vocation camp at Boldipukur. 26 girls

participated in the program. The Sisters of the community and Sr. Silvia shared about their vocational journey. Sr. Bondona Cruze, Provincial Superior was present during the whole program.

- 254/80 On 28/4/2018, Sr. Marisa met a group of lay people interested in the Lay MSI journey, at Dhanjuri. Besides, along with sr. Silvia and sr. Maria Goretti Minj, she organized missionary animation activities for our boarding girls.

PROVINCE OF SOUTH BRAZIL

COMMUNICATIONS

- 254/81 On 5/4/2018, Sr. Regina da Costa Pedro, provincial Superior, met Mons. Zanoni Demettino Castro, Archbishop of Feira de Santana, in our community.
- 254/82 On 6/4/2018, Sr. Regina and Sr. Graziella Arioldi, Superior of the community of Santo Amaro, visited the Bishop of the diocese of Cruz das Almas, Mgr. Antonio Tourinho Neto, to inform him of the decision to close the community. The Bishop expressed his sadness, but also his understanding of the journey that the Province is making.
- 254/83 On 6/4/2018, Sr. Silvia Serra has initiated the GREBI, Biblical Reflection Group, made up of people who participate in or coordinate the biblical circles of the parish of St. Francis Xavier, Vila Missionaria (St. Paul). The goal is to resume and broaden the themes dealt with in depth to provide adequate formation for those who lead the Bible meetings.
- 254/84 On 8/4/2018, Sr. Sonia Sala, along with the Diocesan Missionary Council of Bragança Paulista, went to the parish of St. Anthony of Cachoeira, in the city of Piracaia, for the first meeting of ongoing missionary formation of the diocese. Theme of the meeting, *Mission, vocation of all the baptized*.
- 254/85 On 9/4/2018, Sr. Benilda Lopes, Sr. Sunitha Pamula and Sr. Elizabete Rodrigues joined the sisters of Santo Amaro community for an evening of formation guided by Sr. Regina on the Extraordinary Missionary Month, to be held in October 2019.
- 254/86 On 12/4/2018, Sr. Imelda Zandonadi participated in a parish meeting, promoted by the pastoral ministry of health of Vila Missionaria, to discuss the problem of the closure of the Ambulatory Medical Assistance (AMA) in the area of San Paolo. These centers are at the service of the poorest who have difficulty accessing medical care. About 200 doctors and paramedical workers, parish leaders and members of other Christian denominations sensitive to the problem participated in the meeting. A mobilization followed with collections of signatures and an event that took place on 28/4.
- 254/87 On 16/4/2018, we welcomed with great joy Sr. Konica Costa, the first sister from Bangladesh destined for South Brazil.
- 254/88 On 16/4/2018, Sr. Maria Garofalo, together with the members of the Missionary Commission of the Diocese of Registro, was in Sorocaba (São Paulo) for a formation meeting and for a missionary visit to the pastoral sub-region.
- 254/89 From 18 to 24/4/2018, Sr. Imelda Zandonadi was in Pedrinhas to meet the parish priests of Pedrinhas, Cruzália and Assis, to organize activities of missionary animation in preparation for the celebration of the 50 years of religious profession of Sr. Maria Augusta Zandonadi, next January.
- 254/90 From 20 to 22/4/2018, Sr. Benilda Lopes and Sr. Elizabete Rodrigues participated in the meeting of rural communities, organized by the Archdiocese of Feira de Santana, with the aim of drawing up a pastoral journey together with the communities.
- 254/91 On 30/4/2018, Sr. Sunitha Pamula and Sr. Elizabete Rodrigues, together with the novice Adelane de Sousa Nascimento, participated in the *Youth and Mission*, visiting and participating in meetings in various communities of the Conceição da Feira parish.

PROVINCE OF NORTH BRAZIL

DECISIONS

- 254/92 Sr. Helena Schievanim is reconfirmed superior of the community Maria Immacolata, Belem, for one year, starting on 5/4/2018.

- 254/93 Sr. Maria Aparecida de Oliveira is appointed superior of the community Santa Maria Madre di Dio, Macapà, for three years, starting from 8/4/2018.
- 254/94 Sr. Chiara Di Brigida is reconfirmed as the treasurer of the Maria Immacolata community, Belem, starting from 5/4/2018.
- 254/95 Sr. Basilia Logasae is reconfirmed as the treasurer of the community Holy Mother of God, Macapà, starting from 8/4/2018.
- 254/96 On 4/4/2018, Sr. Maria Aluana de Souza Soares, has being admitted to the renewal of vows.

COMMUNICATIONS

- 254/97 On 2/4/2018, Sr. Laura Valtorta, Sr. Dora Scorpioni and Sr. Ani Ajitha Rani Rayappan left for Tabatinga where they took part in a meeting of all the missionary forces of the Diocese of Alto Solimões. They were warmly welcomed by the bishop, Msgr. Adolfo Pereira Zon, who expressed his joy at the arrival of the MSI, to whom the community of Santa Rita do Weil and its surroundings is entrusted. The sisters arrived in the new community on 12th and on 13th the parish priest Fr. Marcelo welcomed them with a Eucharistic celebration during which he introduced the sisters to the people. The official opening of the community is scheduled for the month of July when also the two sisters from the Province of South Brazil, Sr. Odete Christ and Sr. Shiji Joseph Thengumpallil, arrive.
- 254/98 On 7/4/2018, Sr. Veronica Ultchak participated in an event organized by the pastoral care for the homeless, at the Cathedral Square of Manaus. The pastoral agents, out in the streets, invited the homeless for a moment of prayer and singing. The participants had also the opportunity to have personal sharing. A refreshment and a moment of celebration followed. For approximately 100 participants it was a moment of renewed joy and hope.
- 254/99 On 14/4/2018, the Eucharistic celebration was organized for Easter at our Maria Immacolata school, presided over by Fr. Daniel Curnis, PIME.
- 254/100 From 16 to 18/4/2018, Sr. Alcinete Batista Cardoso and Sr. Maria Aluana de Souza Soares participated in a communication course at the Training Center of the Archdiocese of Manaus.
- 254/101 From 21 to 25/4/2018, in Tabatinga Sr. Laura, Sr. Dora and Sr. Ani Ajitha participated in a meeting organized by the Latin American Conference of Religious (CLAR) and REPAM (Network of Latin American dioceses of the Amazon Region), for Congregations that have presences at the frontiers. The topics discussed included the forthcoming Synod for the Amazon, frontier challenges and ecological problems. There was also a moment of sharing from those who have already worked in the diocese of Alto Solimões. About 30 religious congregations, as well as various lay people associated with them participated in the meeting.

PROVINCE OF CAMEROON

COMMUNICATIONS

- 254/102 From 3 to 7/4/2018, Sr. Daniela Migotto conducted a session in Garoua for the junior sisters of various Congregation on the theme *The influence of culture in the life of consecrated people*.
- 254/103 On 8/4/2018, at Bibemi, Sr. Daniela and Sr. Lucia Cavallo gave an orientation for the members who expressed their desire to be the Lay MSI.
- 254/104 On 11/4/2018, Sr. Francesca Fazzini and Sr. Christu Jaya Ambrose participated in the closing ceremony of the National Bishop's conference held in Mvolyé. The Eucharistic celebration was presided over by Msgr. Samuel Kleda, Archbishop of Douala.
- 254/105 From 14 to 20/4/2018 the communities of Yaoundé and Ambam welcomed some PIME fathers who work in Africa, and the general counsellor Fr. Gabriel Costa, who arrived from Rome for their formative course organized in Yaoundé.
- 254/106 On 22/4/2018, all religious priests and sisters from various Congregations of Mendong zone had a solemn Eucharistic celebration on occasion of World Vocation Sunday at St. Marc Parish Biyem-Assi. Sr. Francesca and Sr. Regi Stephen animated the celebration along with the youth of the

parish. Two sisters and a seminarian shared their vocation story. The Sisters of the two communities of Yaoundé participated actively in the animation programme.

- 254/107 From 23 to 28/4/2018 Sr. Sini Antony Pazhayaparampil participated in the zonal meeting held in Gong (Garoua) for the formation of catechists.
- 254/108 On 29/4/2018, in order to make our congregation known to the youth in Bibemi, Sr. Lucia Cavallo, Sr. Vinija Nirappel, Sr. Sini Antony, and Sr. Chandana Rebecca Rozario organized in the parish an open door exposition for all the girls aged 15 to 25 years.
- 254/109 On 29/4/2018, in order to mark the workers day, Ambam community organized a special Mass presided over by the parish priest for the workers of our dispensary and explained the values of the work in the lives of every human being.

DELEGATION OF HONG KONG - CHINA

DECISIONS

- 254/110 Sr. Teresa Capobianco has been reconfirmed Superior of the community of Tsing Yi for two years starting from 1/6/2018.

COMMUNICATIONS

- 254/111 On 12/4/2018, Sr. Anitha Eddula joined a group of parishioners for a visit to hostels in China for people who have been affected by Hansen's disease. On 25/4, Sr. Bruna Garavaglia, Sr. Angelica Fernandes, Sr. Theresa Pathickal, and Sr. Maria Clara de Souza Pires went to China for the same reason.
- 254/112 On 14/4/2018, Sr. Luigia Mindassi attended the HK Major superiors of Religious Women Annual Meeting. She shared on the content of the conference held in Rome, in which she participated from 1 to 3/12/2017, and promoted by the National Office for the Pastoral Care of vocations of the Italian Bishops' Conference on *Vocation Ministry and Consecrated Life*.
- 254/113 On 18/4/2018, Sr. Maria Clara successfully completed her two-year Chinese language studies at the Chinese University of Hong Kong.
- 254/114 On 21/4/18, Sr. Anitha and Sr. Maria Clara participated in the "Vocation Walk", organized by the Diocesan Vocation Commission to celebrate World Vocation Day. Beside the Eucharistic procession from St. Benedict's Church to St. Alfred's Church and the H. Mass, there was a sharing on vocation experiences. Many religious priests, sisters and lay people joined this initiative, which was the first of its kind.
- 254/115 On 22/4/2018, a preparatory meeting for the HK MSI pilgrimage to Shanghai (May and August), to thank our Lay for her protection during the past 50 years of this mission, and to pray for its future journey, was held in Shek Lei community. Sisters, members of the Lay MSI, and friends participated in the meeting.
- 254/116 On 28/4/2018, Sr. Angelica attended the annual day of prayer for all Prison Ministry members in Aberdeen, guided by Fr. Wan, a diocesan priest. About 50 members attended it.
- 254/117 On 29/4/2018, as part of a program organized by the Diocesan Vocation Commission, Sr. Lorena Brambilla gave her vocation witness in the Parish of SS. Cosmas and Damian.

DELEGATION OF GUINEA BISSAU

COMMUNICATIONS

- 254/118 On 14/4/2018, Sr. Alessandra Bonfanti participated in the celebrations for the 17th anniversary of the opening of Radio Sol Mansi, at S. Domingos.
- 254/119 On 15/4/2018, sr. Alessandra led a formation meeting on *The Pentateuch*, for the catechists of the five communities of the Bairro d'Ajuda Parish, in Quelele community, Bissau
- 254/120 On 20/4/2018, in preparation for the Second Diocesan Bishop's Day – that was held on the following day – the Sisters of the community of Bissau, participated in a march with the theme *I am a living stone, what about you?* On the following day, the Sisters of the other communities

joined them. After a very well animated H. Mass, and a common meal, there was a cultural programme with songs, poems, etc. About three thousand people participated in the event.

- 254/121 On 23/4/2018, at the Delegation House, the formative meeting on African Theology was held. The resource person was Msgr. Lampra Cá, Auxiliary Bishop of Bissau. All the Sisters of the Delegation were present.
- 254/122 On 28/4/2018, Sr. Victoria Doraboina organized the Diocesan Vocation Day at Safim Parish, Bissau. About two hundred youth and teenagers were present. The theme, taken from Pope Francis' message for the World Vocation Day, was: *Listening, discerning and living the Lord's call*.

DELEGATION OF PAPUA NEW GUINEA

COMMUNICATIONS

- 254/123 On 3/4/2018, Sr. Veronica Kemanaga renewed her vows during the Eucharistic celebration at Santa Maria convent Chapel, Watuluma.
- 254/124 On 4/4/2018, Sr. Martha Salom and Sr. Merelyn Nuwet renewed their vows during the Eucharistic celebration in Alotau and Wapipi communities, respectively.
- 254/125 From 5 to 8/4/2018, the Delegation community welcomed Sr. Agnese Mu Mai, Vicar General of the Sisters of Reparation, who was on her way back to Italy after visiting her sisters on Trobriand Island.
- 254/126 From 5 to 29/4/2018 the Delegation house accommodated Fr. Giorgio Licini, PIME, who is appointed as the new Secretary for the Catholic Bishops Conference of Papua New Guinea and Solomon Islands. He will assume his new responsibility in October this year.
- 254/127 On 9/4/2018, the novice Mesodia Karen made her first profession during the Eucharistic Celebration presided over by Msgr. Cesare Bonivento PIME, Bishop Emeritus of Vanimo, in our novitiate house in Vanimo. Her family members witnessed the ceremony.
- 254/128 On 12/4/2018, at Caritas Technical Secondary School, Sr. Bridgit Suvakeen and Sr. Rozangela Nunes participated in the inaugural Mass by His Eminence Cardinal Pietro Parolin, the Vatican Secretary of State, concelebrated by two Cardinals and 74 Bishops for the Assembly of the Federation of Catholic Bishops' Conferences of Oceania.
- 254/129 On 13/4/2018, His Eminence Cardinal Pietro Parolin celebrated the Eucharist at St. Joseph's parish, Boroko, for the priests, religious and seminarians of Port Moresby. After the Eucharist, he addressed the priests and religious and stressed on the importance of prayer and the need to pray regularly for the people entrusted to their care.
- 254/130 On 21/4/2018, in preparation for the celebration of the Extraordinary Missionary Month in 2019, Port Moresby community gave awareness to our boarding students on the missionary call and formed a group called "Missionary Bilong Amamas" means "Joyful missionaries".
- 254/131 On 25/4/2018, the Sisters of Vanimo community, along with Sr. Bridgit Suvakeen, participated in the Episcopal Ordination and Installation of Msgr. Fr. Francis Meli, JCL, as the new Bishop of the Diocese of Vanimo. His Excellency Apostolic Nuncio Kurian Mathew Vayalunkal presided over the ceremony and concelebrated the Holy Eucharist along with His Eminence Cardinal John Ribat, Archbishop of Port Moresby, and 19 more Bishops.
- 254/132 On 26/4/2018, the Sisters of Vanimo community invited Msgr. Cesare Bonivento and Fr. Dong Sylvester, PIME, to celebrate the Holy Eucharist and join them for lunch. They also invited the Catholic Bishops Conference Business Manager, Mr. Zoilo Agabe. Bishop thanked and appreciated Sr. Elizabeth Joseph, who is joining the new community of Kerema, for her dedicated service in the Diocese.

DELEGATION OF DELHI

DECISIONS

- 254/133 Sr. Gracy Joseph has been re-confirmed as Superior of Nirmala Niwas, Sahibabad, for one year starting from 23/2/2018.

- 254/134 Sr. Felix Mampuzhackal has been appointed Superior of Nirmala Convent, Ratlam, for one year starting from 16/4/2018.
- 254/135 Sr. Treasa Thomas has been appointed Superior of Nirmala Niwas, Jeolikote, for one year starting from 15/5/2018.
- 254/136 On 23/2/2018, the Junior Sisters, Sr. Swarna Manjari Mulapaka, Sr. Ilin Rose Antony Kovil, Sr. Sunita Maida, and Sr. Nithya Rosaline Praveena have been admitted to the renewal of the vows.

COMMUNICATIONS

- 254/137 On 20/4/2018, the long cherished dream of having a chapel was realized by the blessing of the convent of Navchetan at Jaipur. In the old rented house, there was no space for a chapel. Now we have moved to a new rented home with the possibility of having a room for the chapel. Msgr. Oswald J. Lewis, Bishop of Jaipur, blessed the house and celebrated the Holy Mass. Sr. Ancy Joseph, the Delegate Superior, Sr. Santhoshi Banda, Sr. Rosetta Thannickal and Mr. Guglielmo Colombo, of New Humanity from Milan, along with the community were present. The three religious communities of the parish, CMC Sisters, MC Sisters, and Franciscan Sisters of Mary, too, joined us on this happy occasion.

ALGERIA

COMMUNICATIONS

- 254/138 On 3/4/2018, Sr. Gabriella Tripani, Ccoordinator of the communities of Algeria, went to Tunisia to meet Sr. Rekha Garwal, destined for Algeria and waiting for the visa. Along with the bishop, Msgr. Ilario Antoniazzi, she visited some places in the south. On 10th she returned to Algeria.
- 254/139 From 7 to 13/4/2018, Sr. Jyoti Pereira participated, in Algiers, at a session for teachers of nursery schools.
- 254/140 From 10 to 4/4/2018, the sisters of the community of Hassi Messaoud participated in the annual Diocesan Assembly in Ghardaia. The meeting, attended by 47 people, took place around the theme of Zacchaeus: to discern our meetings with Christ in the people of Algeria, starting from the desire to see, to realize deeper meetings and signs of love and attention.
- 254/141 On 13/4/2018, a memorial Mass of Chiara Lubich was celebrated in Notre Dame d'Afrique ten years after her death, with the Focolare communities present in Algeria.
- 254/142 From 16 to 19/4/2018, the sisters of Hassi Messaoud followed, in El Menia, a training session in kinesiotherapy, led by a physio-kinesis therapist from France, who then visited the communities of the diocese of Ghardaia one by one. They hold activities with disabled children, including Hassi Messaoud.
- 254/143 On 20/4/2018, as every year, a diocesan pilgrimage took place at the Tibhirine monastery, with the participation of about two hundred people. During the day, moments of reflection and prayer were offered and among them the testimony of a member of the Sufi Alâwiyya confraternity, Dr. Issam Toualbi, Director of UNESCO Emir Abdelkader Chair for Human Rights and the Culture of Peace.
- 254/144 From 22 to 25/4/2018, the pre-chapter Assembly of the Organism was held at the Jesuits' house, at Ben Smen, in Algiers.
- 254/145 On 20 and 21/4/2018, the community of Mascara received the visit of the person responsible for the Caritas section of kindergarten children, in which Sr. Marta Arosio has carried out a training project for educators.
- 254/146 Although the date of the beatification of the 19 martyrs of Algeria has not yet been announced, while it seems quite certain that it will be held in Algeria and Oran, the Dioceses are starting to prepare for the event and an inter-diocesan team has been set up for this purpose.

FOR EVER WITH THE LORD

A brother of Sr. Lucia Jojo (SLG); the sister of Sr. Christina Lakra (BGD), and of (late) Sr. Myriam Sakyiama (BRN).