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Dear Sisters,

"I will give thanks to you, LORD, with all my heart; I will tell of all your wonderful deeds". (Ps 9:1) After a break I come to you with a grateful heart to say 'Thank you'. Thank you for being so close to me especially in two moments during the recuperating stage after the accident and at the demise of my dear brother Jacob with your prayerful support and loving gestures of visit, greetings and phone calls. May God bless and reward you all with his copious blessings. I would like to assure you of my prayers quoting the blessings of Moses to Aaron and his sons (Numbers 6:24-26) "The LORD bless you and keep you; the LORD make his face shine on you and be gracious to you; the LORD turn his face toward you and give you peace."

We are in the month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. In this month we turn our gaze towards the merciful and loving Heart of Jesus. The Heart of Jesus is the culmination and expression of the love of God for humanity, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believes in him should not perish, but have everlasting life". God becomes visible through our love for one another and finds expression in our compassion for the poor, the sick and the suffering and those who are in need of our help. In the Gospel we find reference to the heart of Jesus when he says, "Come to me, all of you who are weary and carry heavy burdens, and I will give you rest. St. Mother Teresa of Kolkata says, "You have to learn from the Heart of Jesus. That is why Jesus said: Learn of me – not from books". Let us learn from our St. Mary Mazzarello to enter into the Heart of Jesus. In the letter No. 39 we read: "Let us content ourselves with being together in spirit only, and let us always speak to one another in the Heart of Jesus. When you are united to this adorable Heart, tell Him many beautiful things for me, especially when you go to receive Him in Holy Communion." Let us ask the Heart of Jesus give us a new heart which is His abode of love.

Communications:

Erection of the New Province of Trichy

On 10th June 2017, in the presence of our beloved Mother General Rev. Sr. Yvonne Reungoat, the New Province of Trichy (INT) will be canonically erected under the patronage of "Our Lady of Snow". We rejoice and thank God for the gift of the seventh Province in India. We congratulate Sr. Margaret Amalanathan, the First Provincial of

INT and Sr. Maria Nirmala Lazar, the new Provincial of INM who will be installed on 10th and 12 June respectively.

Mother General desires that all the PCI Provincials be present for this historic event of the erection of the new Province of Our Lady of Snow. So Sr. Teresa Adampakallel, the Vice Provincial will represent our Province.

Congratulations

I extend my heartiest congratulation to the sisters, staff and students of all our schools for the excellent result in the Secondary and Higher Secondary Examinations of the various State Boards, ICSE, ISC as well as CBSE. We rejoice and thank God for Debasree Pal of Auxilium, Barasat who obtained the second rank at National level and first position at state level scoring 99.2% for ICSE examinations.

Hearty welcome back

We are glad to welcome Sr. Rosy Veliyan and Sr. Anna Ma Ma who will be returning to the Province, 10th June and 5th July respectively. We wish them all the best for their mission.

Seminar

Srs. Lily D' Souza, Mary Ekka, Margaret Ghosh and Maxima Dung Dung will participate in the seminar for Formators / Religious Animators at NBCLC, Bangalore from 21 – 28 July 2017.

NDF Workshop

Sr. Alma Bilung will be participating in a workshop on the formulation of FMA-INDIA SOCIAL POLICY to be held at Chennai from 29th June -1st July 2017

Sincere gratitude to:

- Sr. Dorothy Torcato and the community of "Auxilium" Kurseong for the 14th set of questionnaire and Sr. Elizabeth Valliyil and the community of Auxilium – Bandel for the 15th set of questionnaire on GC XXIII for the Recollection day.
- Sr. Dorothy Torcato and the community of Kurseong for hosting the retreat from 08

 15 March 2017and Seminar from 17 19 March 2017 on Spiritual Direction for the Animators of the communities.

- Sr. Rosalia Tirkey and the Sacred Heart, Novitiate community for animating and organizing the Second Novitiate and Retreat for 25 sisters from 17 -24 May 2017.The retreat was preached by Rev. Fr. Deepak Toppo SJ.
- Communities of Sacred Heart, Novitiate and Mazzarello Convent, Ranchi for organizing wonderfully the Renewal of Profession, Vestition, First Profession and Perpetual Profession on 23rd and 24th May 2017.
- Sr. Maria Pettayil and the community of New Delhi Vasant Vihar for preparing the Novena in honour of Mary Help of Christians with creativity involving everyone to participate it in it actively.
- Sr. Rosalia Tirkey and the community of Sacred Heart Novitiate for preparing the Novena in honour of the Sacred Heart of Jesus.
- Sr. Dorothy Torcato and the community of Kurseong for hosting retreat and seminars on Amoris Laetitia, Salesian Youth Spirituality and Child Protection Policy for 38 Sisters from 27 May – 05 June 2017. It was preached by Rev. Fr. Alex Kalathikattil SDB.
- Sr. Stella Potteparmbil for conducting the Child Protection Policy Seminar for a day and for the Sectors of Mission and Youth Pastoral for organizing seminars on Amoris Laetitia, Salesian Youth Spirituality.

Heartfelt Condolences to:

- ✤ Rev. Fr. Jose Mathew and the Salesians of the Province of New Delhi, at the passing away of Bro. Jojo Andrew SDB (74) at Don Bosco Youth Centre, Hatia on 13 April 2017.
- Sr. Rose Mathew at the demise of her nephew Mr. Thomas due to heart attack on 19th April 2017.
- Sr. Basanti at the demise of her cousin sister Mrs. Urmila in an accident on 29 April 2017.
- Sr. Crescentia D'Almeida at the demise of Sr. Gangarapu Arogya Jyothi on 1st May 2017.
- Sr. Ritha Dora Thomas and the sisters of Mumbai Province at the departure of
- ✤ Sr. Gladys D'Souza (75) on 20th May 2017.
- Sr. Paulsamy Arockia Aruna at the passing away of her paternal grandmother Ms.Teresa Gaberial (96) on 4th June 2017

Prayers requested for:

• Sister of Sr. Alma Bilung

- Mother of Sr. Julita Kujur
- Brother of Sr. Lourdu Prema Francis

I would like to conclude by quoting the word of St. Margaret Mary Alacoque "Set up your abode in this loving Heart of Jesus and you will there find lasting peace and the strength both to bring to fruition all the good desires he inspires in you, and to avoid every deliberate fault. Place in this Heart all your sufferings and difficulties. Everything that comes from the Sacred Heart is sweet. He changes everything into love." Dear Sisters let us place everything in the heart of Jesus who is our lasting peace and strength.

Yours affectionately in Our Lady,

Sr. Rose Ezarath FMA (Provincial)

Sacred Heart of Jesus I place my trust in you!

