



PGH

BULLETIN

January – May 2022

## Feast of St Chavara and conclusion of Chavara Jubilee Year

Feast of St Chavara and conclusion of celebrations of 150<sup>th</sup> year of heavenly ascension of St Chavara was celebrated on 03 January 2022 at St Joseph's monastery Church, Mannanam. The Holy Mass was presided over by Mar Sebastian Vaniyapurackal, the curia bishop of Syro Malabar Church. Mr M. Venkaiah Naidu, the Vice President of India was the chief guest of the concluding celebrations of Chavara Jubilee year.



## RECEPTION FOR THE NEWLY ORDAINED PRIESTS (2021-2022)

The newly ordained 43 priests from 15 provinces of our congregation gathered in our General House on 03<sup>rd</sup> and 04<sup>th</sup> of January 2022. Rev. Fr Prior General wished them with words of appreciation and encouragement. He also mentioned about challenges for a religious priest in today's world. On 04<sup>th</sup> January 2022, they offered the Holy Qurbana in our chapel and it was a blessed experience for the PG community.



## BISHOPS' MEETING

A meeting of Syro Malabar Bishops, especially of mission dioceses was held on 04<sup>th</sup> January 2022. Participants discussed about various challenges and better coordination of mission dioceses.





## JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

### A. Sacerdotal Golden Jubilee (1972 - 2022)

The Sacerdotal Golden Jubilee of 1972 - 2022 batch was held in our General House on 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of January 2022. Rev. Fr Martin Kallinkal led an input session for them. The jubilarians shared their experiences of last fifty years as religious priest in CMI congregation.

### B. Golden Jubilee of Religious Profession (1972 - 2022)

Golden Jubilee of Religious Profession of 1972 - 2022 batch was celebrated in General House on 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> of February 2022. It was an occasion for the jubilarians to come together after the COVID-19 restrictions. The experience sharing of jubilarians was really enriching.

### C. Golden Jubilee of Religious Profession and Priestly Ordination (1971 - 2021)

Golden Jubilee of religious Profession and Priestly Ordination of 1971 - 2021 batch which was postponed due to COVID -19 was celebrated in our General house on 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> of February 2022. The jubilarians participated in the celebrations with great feelings of fulfillment. Rev. Fr Prior General along with the PG community felicitated all the jubilarians.

# Quinquennial 2022

As part of the ongoing formation, the renewal and gathering for the junior priests- 'Quinquennial' program for 2019-20, 2020-21 and 2018-19 batches were conducted on 18-20 February 2022, 18-20 March 2022, and 20-22 May 2022 respectively. Rev. Fr Joseph Puthenpurackal OFM Cap. , Rev. Dr Soja Maria CMC, Rev. Fr Francis Manavalan CMI, Dr Geo Baby, Rev. Fr Josey Thamarassery CMI and Rev. Fr Biju Vadakkel CMI were the resources persons who really enriched the program. The young priests from all the provinces participated in meetings and outings with great enthusiasm and vigor.



## Freshers' Meet 2022

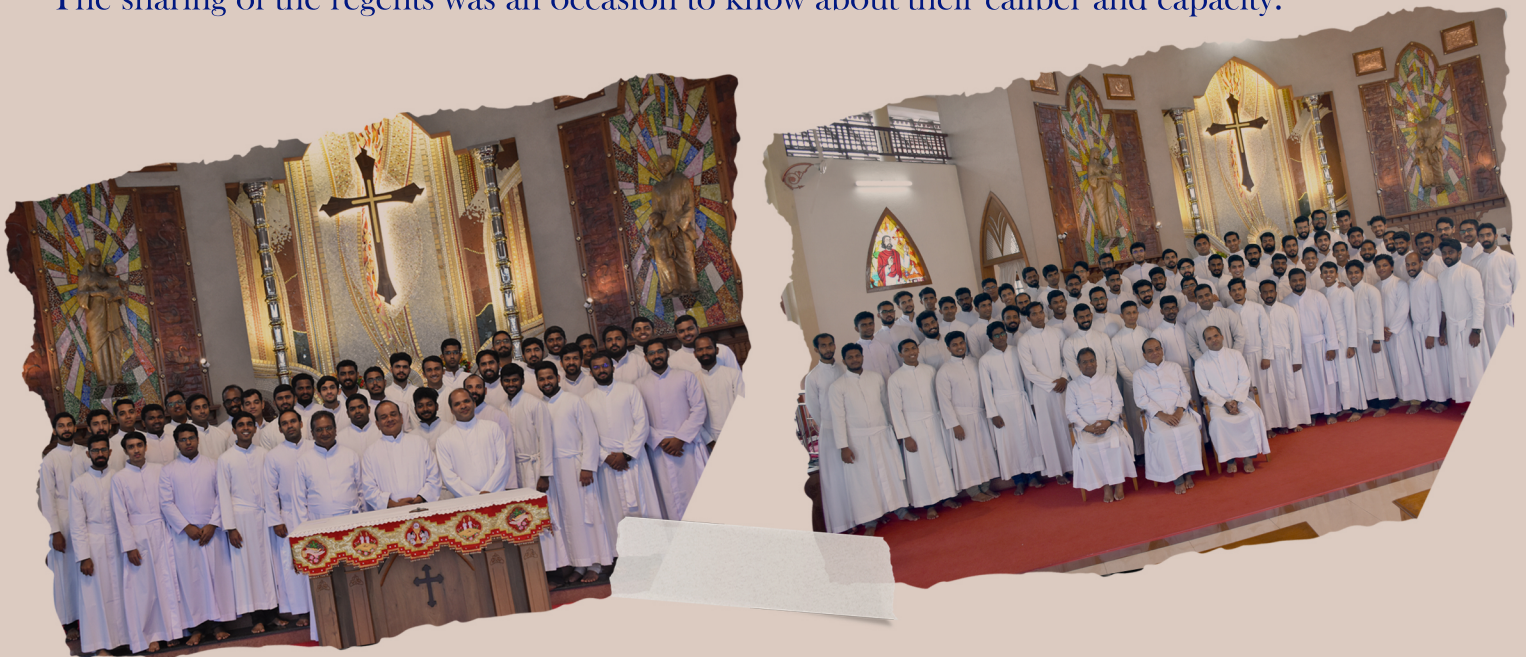
The gathering of the first year aspirants of south Indian provinces was held on 01 March 2022 in General's House. Mar Sebastian Vaniyapurackal, the Curia Bishop offered the Holy Qurbana and his homily on vocation really touched the aspirants. Chavara Quiz and cultural program of the aspirants increased the enthusiasm of the brothers. Aspirants could gather more knowledge about the congregation.



## UTSAH 2022

UTSAH - Gathering for Degree Students was held in two sessions this year. The first session of UTSAH was held on from 25 to 27 March 2022. Rev. Fr Prior General inaugurated the meeting. Rev. Frs. Biju Francis Manavalan CMI, Cijo Chennadan CMI, Josey Thamarassey CMI and Biju Vadakkal CMI were the experts who led the input sessions.

The second session of UTSAH for degree students and regents was held on 13 to 15 May 2022. Rev. Fr Prior General inaugurated the meeting. Rev. Frs. Francis Manavalan CMI, Cijo Chennadan CMI, Josey Thamarassey CMI and Biju Vadakkal CMI handled the sessions for them. The sharing of the regents was an occasion to know about their caliber and capacity.



## Visit of Apostolic Nuncio Arch Bishop Leopoldo Girelli



The spontaneous visit of Arch Bishop Leopoldo Girelli, Apostolic Nuncio to India and Nepal increased the joy of Prior Generals' House. He made his visit on 19 April 2022. PG community members received and greeted him with great joy. Arch Bishop Leopoldo Girelli showed great interest in knowing about the origin and legacy of our congregation.



## AGAPE 2022



Agape- the gathering of newly professed members of our congregation was held on 22 - 24 April 2022 in Prior General's House. The program was inaugurated by Rev. Fr Prior General. The input sessions were led by Rev. Fr Martin Kallinkal and Dr Harish B. 'Emmaus Night'- time for prayer and interactions led by Rev. Bros. Carol Penuel CMI and Edwin Vattakuzhiyil CMI was a unique experience for them. The program was concluded with a pilgrimage to Mannanam and Kainakary.

# General Plenary Assembly

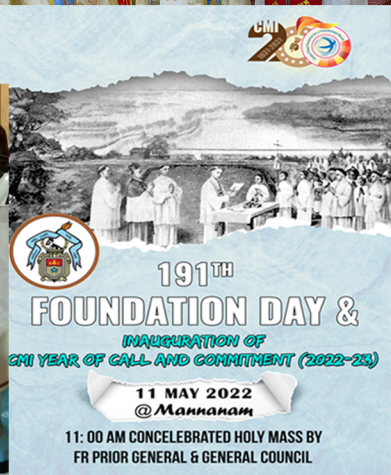
The General Plenary Assembly of our congregation was held from 25 to 29 April 2022 at Dharmaram College, Bengaluru. The plenary meeting was blessed with the presence of Arch Bishop Leopoldo Girelli, Apostolic Nuncio to India and Nepal, Arch Bishop Peter Machado and Bishop Sebastian Adayanthrath. The members of plenary assembly actively participated in all the sessions especially in group discussions.





## Foundation Day Celebration and Inauguration of Preparations for Bicentennial Jubilee

The 192<sup>th</sup> foundation day celebration and inauguration of the preparations for bicentennial jubilee was held on 11 May 2022 at St Joseph's monastery Mannanam. Rev. Fr Prior General along with General Council offered solemn sung mass at Mannanam church. After the Holy Qurbana the jubilee candle was lighted by Rev. Fr Prior General. The year 2022 - 2023 is dedicated for the theme 'Call and Commitment.'



## Visit of Rev. Fr Prior General to Abroad

Rev. Fr Prior General is making his visits to Germany, Italy and USA from 17 May 2022 to 19 June 2022. During his visit, he will attend the international major superior's meeting in Italy from 25 to 28 May 2022.



### Young CMI Educators Orientation Program

An orientation program for young CMI educators was conducted on 18 and 19 May 2022 under the leadership of CMI General Education Department. The program was inaugurated by Rev. Fr Josey Thamarassery CMI, the Vicar General. An orientation talk by Rev. Fr Thomas Chathamparampil CMI, the Prior General through video conference really enlighten the participants. Experts like Justice Dr Kurian Joseph, Prof. Joseph Inchody, Rev. Frs Jose Kuriedath CMI, George Edayadiyil CMI, Thomas Thekkel CMI, Jaison Mulerickal CMI and Martin Mallathu CMI led the sessions. About 45 young CMI priests attended the course.