

MISSIONARIES OF COMPASSION

Superior General Speaks



Greetings and Peace from the Generalate of Missionaries of Compassion, Hyderabad. Hope You are fine by the Grace of God. I wish you a Happy Easter and pray that the Risen Lord may Bless all your Intentions. I am ever grateful to you, for your valuable prayers and support.

I am very happy to inform you that on 06th April 2024, two of our Deacons will receive the order of Priesthood by Poola Cardinal Anthony, the Archbishop of Hyderabad at the Shrine of Our Lady of Grace, Aliabad in Hyderabad. Three brothers will have their Diaconate Ordinations on 13th April, 2024. I request your valuable presence and prayers.



With lots of love & Prayer

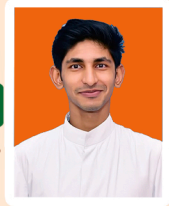
**Fr Boban Kollappalli MC
Superior General**





A CALL IN THE SILENCE OF THE HEART

“GOD DOESN'T CALL THE QUALIFIED, HE QUALIFIES THE CALLED.”



I am extremely over the moon to share my call to priesthood. I was born in a very pious catholic family to ChandrakantWagh and SunitaWagh on 23rd June 1997. I grew up in a very devotional atmosphere as my family is very devout. They taught me the basic elements of faith. I was furthermore very much inspired by the God experience of my grandmother. She shared with me her personal incredible experience of God in her life.

When I began to go to school I admired priests and sisters in my school. They channelled me in my devotion and imparted the Christian morals. Once someone enquired of me “What do you wish to be in your life?” and my answer was “I want to be a priest”. After a few years at whatever time someone asked me my answer used to be different. It was because my perceptive aptitude had grown and I had looked at priesthood from a worldly outlook but after completion of matriculation I had strong aspiration to become a priest and I expressed my wish to my family members and parish priest and all of them were very understanding and supportive. My longing to join seminary actualized through Rev. Fr Pravin Jadhav MC, my vocation promoter. Most Rev. Ambrose Rebello (Bishop of Aurangabad), who was my parish priest then guided me to join seminary and cheered me to say yes to the call of God. With the intent of becoming a priest I joined seminary in the year 2013.

Joining seminary itself was not the achievement of my call, there was a long way to go. I pursued my minor seminary studies in Holy Spirit Minor Seminary, Kerala and Mary Malarkodi Minor Seminary, Tamil Nadu. I further completed my philosophical studies in Holy Spirit Major Seminary, Sanigudem, Andhra Pradesh. Having accomplished my philosophy I was sent for a year of regency to the Founder's House in Vangayagudem.

During regency I had a real turmoil in my heart regarding my vocation. I was suspicious about whether my call was real. I needed to know whether I am called by God or not. I was at the verge of giving up my vocation. I communicated my muddle regarding my call to my superiors and formatters. All of my superiors and formatters were so thoughtful that they did not allow me to go home but helped me to discern my vocation. They abetted me to seek the guidance of the Holy Spirit in discerning my vocation. Still I was not convinced that I am called by God. I thought of Moses and his call, Samuel and his call and St. Paul and his call. God spoke to Moses in the burning bush (Ex 3:4), God called Samuel in the temple (1 Sam 3: 4-9) and to St. Paul He called on his way to Damascus (Acts 9: 3-6). I too yearned to hear the voice of the Lord.

As I was praying and reading bible in front of the Blessed Sacrament in the chapel to know my call; I came across the words: “before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I consecrated you and appointed you a prophet to the nations” (Jer 1: 4-5). These verses were so emotive that I sensed God has really chosen me though undeserving to be his servant. The second question which arose in my mind was “what is the purpose of my call?” Still continuing to read the scriptures, my sight caught the attention of “the spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent.





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to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour" (Lk 4: 18-19; Isa 61: 1-2; Eph 4: 8), which offered me an answer to my second question. I understood that Jesus has picked me to be an apparatus in his mission of spreading good news to the nations. After spending some time in prayer as I moved toward the hospital and looked at people coming there with different ailments, I remembered the purpose of our society i.e., to exercise the compassionate ministry of Christ by alleviating the suffering of any kind- physical or spiritual- of our brethren. I reflected on the missions of our society like soup kitchens, hospitals, educating the needy and poor children and retreat centres which really serve the specific charism of our society. This instance indeed made a great influence on me then I understood that my call is real and I am called to be a tool in the hands of God through the Society of Missionaries of Compassion. I discern my vocation and never looked back again. After regency I pursued my theological studies in Sanigudem and became a deacon.

I was ordained a deacon on 24th June 2023 by His Eminence Poola Cardinal Anthony (Archbishop of Hyderabad) and in a short period of time I will be Ordained as Priest on April 06, 2024 by His Eminence Poola Cardinal Anthony at Shrine of Our Lady of Grace, Aliabad, Hyderabad. It is a blessing of God and prayers of many people who have helped me to reach here. I am grateful to almighty God for calling me to this great vocation and I am also appreciative to the people who support me in various ways. It will be a long list to write each one's name but I courteously recognize their great help in my vocation. May all of us have the mind of Christ and toil for spreading his mission.

Dn PradipWagh MC



Priestly Ordination



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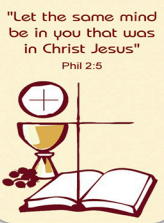
*"With sentiments of joy and unfathomable sense of gratitude to God and to our Blessed Mother, together with my family and the family of Missionaries of Compassion, I invite you most cordially to thank and glorify God on the gracious occasion of my **PRIESTLY ORDINATION** to be conferred by **HIS EMINENCE CARDINAL POOLA ANTHONY***

And Thanksgiving Eucharist

Priestly Ordination
 Date : 06-04-2024
 Time : 05:30 PM
 Place: Shrine of Our Lady of Grace, Ave Maria Nagar, Aliabad, Hyderabad.



Thanksgiving Eucharist
 Date : 09-04-2024
 Procession : 05:30PM
 Holy Mass : 06:00PM
 Place: Karuna Mata Church, Vajapur, Aurangabad, Maharashtra.



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With Love and Gratitude





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"How late I came to know you Lord," said St. Augustine, and I echo his sentiment in my own journey towards priesthood. I, DnTomyIngjal, am thrilled to share the story of my vocation, bowing my head in gratitude to Almighty God for calling this unworthy child to serve Him through the Catholic priesthood.

To introduce myself in short, I was born in the beautiful state of Meghalaya. In the diocese of Shillong, the village is called Ingajal-B which belongs to the Lum Sanai Parish, Umdem. My journey into the Catholic faith began not through birth, but through a longing, sparked in my heart as I witnessed the devoutness of the faithful around me. Raised by non-Christian parents, I embarked on a quest for spiritual truth, eventually finding solace in the Catholic Church. With the support of my beloved parents namely KolsangIngjal (Late), PutoiRonghang, brother and sisters and neighbours, I joyfully embraced Catholicism and embarked on a new path of life illuminated by faith and Love.

The seed of my vocation was sown into me by witnessing my villagers' thirst for a Holy Mass amidst the arduous journey. Their love for God transcends long distance, bad roads in which they have to travel. However, their impeccable faith ignited a fire within me, and eventually led me to aspire and serve as a Catholic priest. This burning desire of becoming a priest during my 11th standard was very strong. Hence the religious Sisters of Destitute (SD) Helped me to discern my calling and paved the way for a life-altering encounter with Fr. ShibirThuniampral MC, who further helped me to join the society of Missionaries of compassion founded by very Rev. Fr Jose Kaimlett.

On July 4th, 2014, I embarked on a journey beyond the confines of my village for the first time, accompanied by Fr ShibirThuniampral MC and my parish priest. This marked the beginning of my seminary life starting with Mary Malarkodi Minor Seminary, Ullar, Tamil Nadu and further for my philosophical and theological studies were at the Holy Spirit Major Seminary in Sanigudem, Andhra Pradesh. While pursuing these studies I gained a lot of clarity and convinced of God's calling and his enduring presence.

During my journey in the seminary was the graceful time of profound encounters with the Divine, deepening my understanding of God's love and His mighty presence in my life. Despite the inevitable challenges, the unwavering support of my mentors and friends and the grace of God sustained me through moments of doubt and difficulty. A year of regency at the Generalate House of the Missionaries of Compassion in Telangana enriched me with good experiences.

On June 24th, 2023, in a moment of profound grace, I, alongside my companion Dn Pradip, was ordained a deacon by His Eminence Poola Cardinal Anthony the Archbishop of Hyderabad. As I prepare for my upcoming ordination to the Priesthood on 6th April, 2024, by His Eminence Poola Cardinal Anthony at Shrine of Our Lady of Grace, Aliabad, Hyderabad I am reminded of the words from the book of Sirach 2:1, "My child, when you come to serve the Lord, prepare yourself for testing." Indeed, the journey to priesthood is fraught with challenges, yet anchored in the unwavering faithfulness of God, who sustains those who love Him and keep His commandments.

In conclusion, I offer praise and glory to the name of Jesus Christ, whose divine call has led me on this transformative journey. And I indebted to many who have been part of my priestly journey. May my Priestly vocation serve as a testament to His enduring faithfulness for generations to come.





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Priestly Ordination



Very Rev. Dr. Jose Kaimlett
(Founder of MC, HGN and SGN)



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And

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Priestly Ordination

Date : 06-04-2024

Time : 05:30 PM

Place: Shrine of Our Lady of Grace, Ave Maria Nagar, Aliabad, Hyderabad.




Thanksgiving Eucharist

Date : 28-04-2024

Holy Mass : 10:30 AM

Place: Mary Help of Christians Church, Ingjal-B, Lum Sinai Parish, Umden.




With Love and Gratitude

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BR KAKANJ ANDREW



Br. Kakani Andrew

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Parents: Kakani John Bosco and Kumari

Brother: Prem Chandu

Sister: Chaithanya

Parish: Divine Mercy Church, Jubilee Nagar

Village: Edavalli

Diocese: Eluru

Date of Birth: 18:10:1999

Vocation Promoter: Rev. Fr Nelli George

Ovrientation Course: Kozhinjampara

Year: 2015

Minor Seminary: Mary Malarkodi Minor Seminary

Place: Ullar

Year of Study: 2016-2018

Philosophy: Holy Spirit Major Seminary

Place: Sanigudem

Year of Study: 2018- 2020

Regency: St. Andrew's Matric Hr. Sec. School, Thirumanthurai

Period: 2021

Theology: Holy Spirit Major Seminary

Place: Sanigudem

Year of Study: 2021-2024



BR GUMMALA VINOD



Full Name: Gummala Vinod

Parents: Gummala Solomon & amp; Gummala Prakashamma

Brothers: Akhilbabu, Amruth

Parish: St Peter's Catholic Church, Peddakadobur

Village: Kapati

Diocese: Kurnool

Date of Birth: 02:08:1999

Vocation Promoter: Fr. Sanjeev

Minor Seminary: Holy Spirit Minor Seminary,

Kozhinjampara- 2014

Mary Malarkodi Minor Seminary

Place: Ullar

Year of study: 2015-2017

Philosophy: Holy Spirit Major Seminary

Place: Sanigudem

Year of study: 2017-2020

Regency: Vara Tharangini Matha Shrine, Manginapudi

Period: 2020-2021

Theology: Holy Spirit Major Seminary

Place Sanigudem

Year of study: 2021-2024





BR. ASIT BEHERA



Full Name: Asit Behera

Parents: Ajaya Behera & Trinida Behera

Brothers: Deenesh Behera, Dhiroj Behera and Atul Behera

Sisters: Rupanjali Behera and Bhasuti Behera

Parish: Sacred Heart Church, Kattingia

Village: Kattingia

Diocese: Cuttack - Bhubaneswar

Date of Birth: 12:09:1999

Vocation Promoter: Fr. Antony Joseph Maniyenkerykalalm MC

Minor Seminary

Holy Spirit Minor Seminary

Place: Kozhinjampara

Year of study: 2014- 2015

Malarkodi Minor Seminary

Place: Ullar

Year of study: 2015-2017

Philosophy: Holy Spirit Major Seminary

Place: Sanigudem

Year of study: 2017-2020

Regency: Founders Residence, Vangayagudem

Period: 2020-2021

Theology Holy Spirit Major Seminary

Place Sanigudem

Year of study: 2021-2024

