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**HOSPITALLER ORDER OF SAINT JOHN OF GOD
SAINT THOMAS PROVINCE, INDIA**



- couples' Meet**



“ The year of the Family of St. John of God” is celebrated with a number of gatherings of members of the Family. The latest was the couples' Meet on 24 July 2011. It was organised by the Province's School of Hospitality .



- A three member committee is formed to study and present a concrete proposal for the effective implementation of Policies and Guidelines in St. Thomas Province. The committee members are Bros. George (sac), Francis (sac) and Benedict. The committee is mandated to propose a system which will guarantee the implementation of Policies and Guidelines and keep the Province on track. The committee has to propose the matters to be covered in the development of Policies and Guidelines and present them at the forthcoming midterm conference in October 2011.
- The Conclusion of Canonical Visitation, conducted by General Curial in the Province, will be held at Poonamallee on 12 October 2011 in the presence of General Definitory, all Brothers from the Province, and representatives of Co-workers of various centres.

The Province has purchased 7.08 Acres of land direct to Dindigal- Batalgundu National Highway in Tamil Nadu in the first week of August 2011. The land is suitably located to start a college of Nursing for which we have a proposal.

- A commission would be formed at the Province level for Pastoral Care and Bioethics under the chairmanship of Br. Pius Manithottiyil. The commission would be composed and the first meeting will be held shortly
- Br. Stephen Chirayath will join the Velloor Community and serve the differently abled children at the centre in the first week of September 2011.
- Br. Ajay Samir Lucas is moving to Kattappana Community in the second week of October this year. He would continue his practical training at St . Jon's Hospital pharmacy till he starts Bachelor of Religious Studies (BRS) in Bangalore.
- .As part of “The year of the Family of St. John of God” the School of Hospitality of St. Thomas Province arranged a tour programme to Chennai for the attendees of couples' meet on 13 and 14 of August 2011.

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- Midterm conference of St. Thomas Province would be held at Poonamallee on 12 and 13 the of October 2011.
- Solemn Profession of Bros. Salim Lakra, Sudhir Kujur, and Ignace Topno would take place at Poonamallee on 8 December 08 -12 - 2011
- The Commission for ongoing formation is arranging a programme in two groups for the Brothers of the Province in the month of March 2012.