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CO-WORKERS' SEMINAR



The School of Hospitality of St. Thomas Province organised and conducted the third Co-workers' seminar at Kattappana on 15-17 December 2011, in which APIPC President Br. Brian O'Donnell participated as resource person. It was part of an ongoing programme of training for Co-workers in 'the vision, mission and life of the Order'. The seminar brought together about 52 Co-workers. APIPC President was very impressed and appreciated the way the seminar was conducted by Br. Francis Mannaparampil.

- A two day on-going formation programme for Scholastics of the Province was conducted at Velloor on 4 & 5 December 2011. Followed by the Scholastics renewed their temporary vows. The seminar was organised by the Scholastic Master Br. Benedict Nadayil.
- The Province Leadership has formed a three member Finance Committee at Province level and defined the duties and authority of the Committee. It will have advising, monitoring and auditing functions in financial matters of the province with effect from 1 January 2012. The first meeting of the Committee held at Kattappana in the presence of Provincial on 07 January 2012.
- Br. Pius Manithottil will continue as the guardian of Scholastics at Kattappana
- Br. Ignace Topno takes charge of Postulant Master with effect from 1 June 2012. Till that period he will continue his practical training at St. John's Hospital.
- 7 Brothers and two Co-workers are attending the transition celebration at Pamplemousses Community in Mauritius on 11.02.2012
- Br. Suresh John is granted permission to practise one more year after successful completion of his training at Reichenbach, Germany.
- The provincial leadership team resolved to build a facility with 1800 SQFT area at Kengari. The province found that it is not safe to keep the land vacant in Bangalore. Later according to the availability of fund further floors may be raised.
- The construction of the new building of St. John's College of Nursing will start at Kattappana as soon the required permission is obtained from the General curia. The estimate of the cost of construction is approximately Rs. 6 crore and the area of the building is 6000 M².
- The Provincial leadership has authorised Prior/Director of Kattappana centre to dispose the land and building at Kattappana town provided good value is received.
- Brothers Saji, Johnson and Morly Joseph are temporally transferred to Austrian Province as per Article 93 of the General Statutes. As a consequence of the transfer they will exercise their voting right in the Austrian province.



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- Br. Ajay Samir is preparing to go to Vatican Pharmacy to work there. As soon he gets the travel documents he will move to Vatican. Br. Binish Thomas is coming back to India by June 2012
- The Provincial Definitory, held on 06.01.2012 at Kattppana, has given permission to Br. Siby to make his solemn Profession in March 2012 in Rome.
- The Provincial Definitory with the consultation of Finance Committee has fixed ceiling of extraordinary expense which can be incurred by Prior/Director/Provincial with/with out the consent of his councillors/Management team. To spend beyond the fixed amount, a written permission is to be obtained from the Province and General Curia. This guideline will be effective from 15 January 2012.

Provincial Definitory Plan for 2012

06	January	- Kattappana
29	January extraordinary council meeting	- Kattappana
14/15	March	- Khandwa
15	May	- Velloor
17	July	- Vellervally
11	September	- Trichy
27	November	- Poonamallee