



Loreto Provincialate, 7, Middleton Row, Kolkata – 700 071

Sharing IBVM News: July, 2009

Environment – The CRI have taken up "Environment" as a special theme for Religious in India. "The present environmental crisis is an outward manifestation of a crisis of mind and spirit ... Let Religious be ever engaged in a stance for life against death and destruction, for conservation against consumerism, for need against greed, for enough against craving for more, for integrity of creation against exploited nature." This is a call to respect and defend life, to collaborate with the Creator God in preserving and enhancing His beautiful creation. What can we do?

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View: climatecrisis.net

<u>Formation</u> – The following <u>Pre-Candidates</u> are at Bowbazar under Sr. Josephine's guidance; also receiving help in English at the British Institute in Salt Lake:

- Vibha, Poonam, Nilam, Mamta, Scholastica & Anjana – from Jharkhand
- Munmun from Krishnagar, &
- Man Veronica from Lucknow.

The <u>Candidates</u> are in Mukulika, Thakurpukur, under Sr. Alma. They are:

- Veronica, Rajni Soregt,
 Rajni Tete, Sanjyoti and
 Swati from Jharkhand, &
- Rupa Tylli Dhar from Shillong.
- Greta Francis from Delhi hopes to join the group by end August.

The 2nd Year Novices are on Community Experience, and the 1st

Year Novices will begin their 30 days' Retreat from 1st Aug' 09. Prayers are earnestly requested. Sr. Igora will be directing the Retreat.

The TPs in the <u>Juniorate</u> are on a full schedule of study, including taking part in such courses as:

- Social Analysis
- Mass Media
- Scripture
- Ignatian Spirituality
- Discernment &
- Secretarial Skills

All Temporary Professed Sisters are due for a course on <u>NLP</u> by Fr. Dick McHugh from 1st to 11th October '09.

We pray for Sr. Pilar Nores Lopez Comeca of Peru and for the Peru Region, on the occasion of the 1st Profession of Sr. Pilar on 2nd Aug. '09.

Sr. Therese Larkin has arrived in India and is doing the rounds of the Formation Houses, assisting in the teaching of the Constitutions and other related work in the various Formation Houses in Kolkata.

<u>Transfers</u>: The transfers of the following have been re-scheduled: Sr. Amia – to Ranchi (instead of Trichy), for B.Sc. Sr. Abhaya – to Entally, to work in Sealdah (instead of Bowbazar).

Sr. Deepa Biswas is presently in Bolivia from 5th July till 11th Dec. to learn the Spanish language and Latin American culture. She will be staying with a family. Her email id is: deepaibvm@yahoo.com

Volunteers Wanted for:

- The VTC in Entally to work under Sr. Claire, who has plans for establishing the VTC on an NGO basis, and developing its potential.
- The Archives in Kolkata, to work under Sr. Irene for a year, and then take over the responsibility.

<u>Provincial Council</u> - I give below the distribution of portfolios of the Council Members, for your information:

Sr. Moira – Education & other ministries, Finance & Properties.
Sr. Goretti – Formation.
Sr. Mercy – Alumnae, JPIC, NGO, MW Jubilee.
Sr. Molly – MWI,
Communications, Vocation
Ministry, Ongoing Formation.

Please note that Council meetings are usually held on the last weekend of the month. All permissions which are required of the Provincial and Council should be submitted in writing, at least 10 days ahead of a meeting.

<u>R.I.P.</u> - We extend sympathy and prayers to:

- Sr. Evelyn O'Connor and her sister, Eileen, on the death of their youngest sister, Kitty, on the 8th morning. Eileen & Kitty had been living together in Dublin.
- Sr. Arockia on the death of her paternal grandmother who died in Chennai.

With fond love and prayers,

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Antoinette Rodrigues, IBVM

P.S. Sisters are requested not to give my mobile number to non-IBVM members.

Province Assembly at Loreto House from 28th Dec. 2009, at 2.30 p.m. to 1st Jan. 2010.

Suggestions for Ecological Actions (taken from the acts of CRI)

- *Live simply*
- Give-eco-friendly gifts
- Reduce use of electricity, fuel, water
- Take natural drinks in form of fruit juices, etc.
- Develop herbal gardens
- Avoid plastics, or reuse them
- Segregate & compost waste
- Introduce solar systems
- Use CFL lights
- Harvest rain water
- Encourage natural healthcare medication
- Celebrate eco liturgies
- Make ecology a component of our Formation Programme
- Collaborate with groups who work for JPIC