

LOCUSTS & HONEY

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Parish Team:**Fr. John Rumao.****Fr. John Lopes****Fr. Gerry Fernandes****Fr. Victor Dalmat.****Fr. Joe Rodricks**

Bro. Joseph Pimenta, deacon

Vice-President PPC:

Mr. Francis Fernandes

Parish SCC Coordinator:

Mrs. Margaret Mascarenhas.

APC Representative:

Mr. Anthony Alphonso

PPC Secretary:

Mr. Eustace D'Cunha

CWF Secretary: Jessie Sequeira**Mass Schedule:**

Sunday: 6,7,8,9.15 a.m.

5.30, 6.30 p.m.

Weekday: 6 & 6.45 a.m., 7.00 pm.

In Holy Cross Convent: 6.30 am.

Mass in Marathi:3rd Sunday at 7. a.m**Mass in Konkani:**4th Sunday at 7. a.m.**Tamil Mass:** 2nd Sunday at 11.00 am**Confessions:** Saturday: 6 to 7pm.**Baptisms:** Sunday: 10.15 am**Marriages:** Weekday at 5.15 pm.

Sunday: 5.30 & 6.30 pm

Funerals: Any day: 10 to 11.45 am

4 to 5.00 p.m.

Sacrament of the sick:

Any time on request.

House Blessing:

With prior arrangement.

Novenas:

St. Anthony's: Tuesday 7.30pm

Perpetual Succour Novena:

After 7 p.m. Mass on Wednesday.

Charismatic Prayer Service [Eng.]

On Tuesdays at 7.30 p.m.

Divine Mercy Devotion: On Fridaysat 6.00 p.m. except on 1st Friday**Night Adoration:**at 8 p.m. on 2nd Saturday;

at 10.30 p.m. on last Saturday

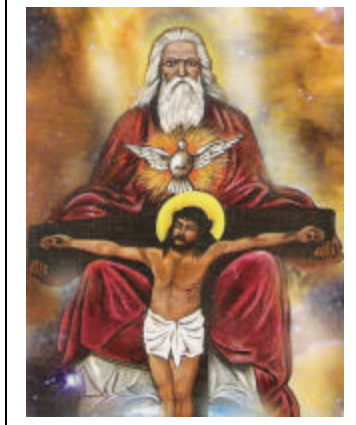
Office Timings: 9.00 a.m. to 12.30

5.00 p.m. to 07.00

Sunday: 9.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.

Parish Tel. No. 2534 8671.

Website:

www.stjohnthebaptistthane.com**OUR TRIUNE GOD**

The reason for the growing dissatisfaction among Catholics is found in that the Catholic religious beliefs and truths are sometimes so mysterious and profoundly abstract. To cite one example the dogma (belief put forward by the church to accepted as a matter of faith) of the Trinity. Three persons in one God. What presumption most Catholics would say to think of three person in one God .Are they conjoined triplets.

If so, what would we say of their existence fragmented or complete? Or is the Trinity hydra headed (Greek mythology of a being with many heads and one body) or in Church teaching is the reality of the Trinity only used in a metaphorical sense (use of a word to indicate something different from the liter meaning). These are no niggling questions but serious honest doubts of a modern mind. St. Anselm said centuries ago ' Faith seeks understanding'. Question of faith can never be answered by appealing to the intellect or the mind. But a humble submission to God's revelation of himself in Sacred Scripture. Faith appeals to the heart. It is a matter of experience, what makes me believe is the touch of God. That what is essential is visible only to the heart .God shows himself to us a FATHER, loving and caring, and manifests himself through CREATION. He shows himself to us as a SON, with dotting affection, manifesting himself by SAVING US. He shows himself to us as the SPIRIT by SANCTIFYING us.

Kudos to Our Triune God who CREATED us in love SAVED us in His selflessness and energizes us in WHOLENESS to face the challenges of life

ATTENTION: The Locusts & Honey will come out with a special issue on the occasion of the parish feast. Poems, short articles, stories, short stories, genuine testimonies etc. of about 250 words – matter genuinely original – may be handed over to the parish office latest by 17th June, 2006. the best will be published in order of gradation.

This week's Announcements, 11th June, 06.

- ✍ Sunday 11th June is the feast of the Most Blessed Trinity
- ✍ On Sunday, 11th June Parish Council meeting. Please, collect the agenda from the sacristy.
- ✍ *The Novena for the feast of the Sacred Heart of Jesus will begin from Wednesday, 14th June.*
- ✍ **The Novena in preparation of the parish patron feast of St. John the Baptist will begin from Friday, 16th June. The evening 7.00 p.m. Mass will be the Novena Mass.**
- ✍ The Night Vigil will be held on 17th June with Mass at 10.30 p.m.
- ✍ On Sunday 18th June, the CWF Committee meeting at 10.30 a.m.
- ✍ The Feast of the Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ will be celebrated on Sunday, 18th June.
- ✍ Jr. K.G. Admission forms will be issued on 1st July 2006 from 08.00 a.m. to 10.00a.m.
- ✍ Those who want to join the Parish youth group are requested to give their names to Fr. Victor or in the Church Office
- ✍ **Inter-zonal football and throw-ball tournaments will be held on 18th & 25th June, 2006. Forms will be available with zonal leaders. Maximum two teams per zone will be allowed.**
- ✍ Sunday School, Confirmation and 1st Holy Communion classes will begin from Sunday, 18th June. Children who are in Std. IV will give their names to Fr. Victor for 1st Holy Communion classes and the teen-agers who have completed Std. 10th will give their names for confirmation classes to Fr. Gerry during this week.
- ✍ We propose to introduce a well-organized "Ushers' Ministry" to maintain order at Sunday and Feast day Masses and services. All those who would like to work on this ministry and all those who have been volunteering as ushers in the past may please give your names to Fr. Gerry
- ✍ *The collection at Masses on last Sunday, amounted to Rs.,.24,480.00*
- ✍ *The collection from the box in front of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour frame amounted to Rs2,015.00.*

PARISH FATHERS AND THEIR PORTFOLIOS

June 2006 to May 2007

1. **Rev. Fr. John Rumao** : Eucharistic Ministers, S1. Vincent de.Paul Society, Sodality, Finance Committee, Parish Pastoral Council, CWF, House Maintenance, Sacristy, Church Employees, Night Adorers, Sacred Heart League, Pre-Baptismal Catechesis, Sevadham, Divine Mercy Association, Hope & Life Movement, Senior Citizens' Association, Women's Cell, Social and Cultural Committee, Health Cell, Sunday School. Ghormal Church Trust, Administering of sacraments, pastoral and spiritual services. Small Christian Communities-Zones: Brindavan, , Utalsar

2. **Rev. Fr. Gerry Fernandes**: Liturgical Committee, Lectors, All Choirs, Confirmation Classes, CWF, Civic & Political Cell, Small Christian Communities - Zones: Naupada I & II, Louisewadi, Horta and Mahagiri, Satguru/Anand. Church collections, Ushers, Legion of Mary, Family Cell, Faith Formation, Administering sacraments, pastoral and spiritual services.

3. **Rev. Fr. John Lopes**: In charge of S1. John the Baptist High School, Junior College, K. G., Special School, School Catechism Programme, Children's formation. Administering sacraments pastoral and spiritual services.

4. **Rev. Fr. Victor Dalmet**: Charismatic Prayer Group, Young Christian Workers, Parish Youth Group, SCC Youth Movement, 1st Holy Communion, Altar Servers, Administering sacraments, pastoral and spiritual services, Small Christian Communities Zones: Cherai 'North and South, Kopri, Kolbad, Rabodi and K'Villa, Kopat-Pratap.

5. .All priests will assist in all the pastoral ministries. While Fr. Gerry is in charge of the Small Christian Communities; the Parish Fathers will assist him at zonal meetings and masses.

.6 . Parish Visiting: on Mondays.

7. DUTY DAYS: Fathers available on:

FATHERS:	DUTY DAYS
Fr. Victor	Monday & Tuesday.
Fr. Gerry	Wednesday & Thursday
Fr. John Rumao	Fridays & Saturdays

All Fathers are to be available on Sundays

---Parish Priest.

HSC Results

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST JUNIOR COLLEGE
- THANE H. S. C. RESULTS 2005 - 2006

	SCIENCE	COMMERCE
REGISTERED	146	206
APPEARED	145	206
PASSED	139	203
FAILED	6	3
PERCENTAGE	95.86	98.54
TOTALPASS%	97.20	

Science:

MS YADA V TULIKA	86.5%
MS SINGH ANKITA	85.5%
MST NAIR SANDEEP	85.17%
MST MEHROTRA RAM	84.83%
MS SHETYE PRIY A	83%

Commerce:

MS SANTOS LEANNE	81.5%
MS JESSI VISHWANA THAN	80.33%
MS CARDOZ GLYNIS	77.67%
MS D'SOUZA ANISHA	76.17%
MS MEHTA MAMTA	76.00%

The Locusts & Honey congratulates the Principal, teachers and the students for their excellent performance at the Higher Secondary Exam 2006.

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INTER-ZONAL TOURNAMENTS

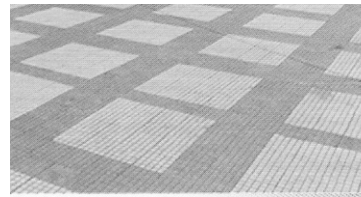
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12/06 to 18/06 This week's readings :

12/Mon (G)	1 Kgs 17:1-6; Ps 120; Mt 5:1-12
13/Tue (W)	St Anthony of Padua, pt dr - mem 1 Kgs 17:7-16; Ps 4; Mt 5:13-16
14/Wed (W)	1 Kgs 18:20-39; Ps15; Mt 5:17-19
15/Thurd (G)	1 Kgs 18:41-46; Ps 64; Mt 5:20-26
16/Friday [G]	1 Kgs 19:9a,II-16; Ps 26; Mt 5:27-32
17/Satur [G]	1 Kgs 19:19-21; Ps 15; Mt 5:33-37
18/Sunday	Solemnity of The Body and Blood of O.L.J.C.Ex24:3-8;Heb.9:11-15; Mk14:12-16,22-26

The Tiling of the floor near the Sacristy.

This tiling work has been under consideration for a long time. It will be soon taken up. The flooring will be designed as shown in the picture. The passage between



the stage and the school will be widened for easy movement to and fro. The stage and back-drop will be reduced accordingly and a



fiber-glass statue of St. John the

Baptist or of any particular devotion such as Divine Mercy, Infant Jesus or the like will be proposed to be erected as depicted in these pictures It has been brought to our notice that late Rev Fr. Pascoal D'Souza's remains have been buried in front of the stage. If it is so, it will be our pleasure to put a marble slab in his memory on his grave.

**OLD SCHOOL DESKS & BENCHES ON SALE**

Some old school desks & benches lying near Sevadhram Romm are on sale – Rs. 100/- per a pair of a desk and a bench. Interested persons may contact the Parish Office during the office time during this week.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CALENDAR 2006 - 2007

JUNE 2006

- 04 Sun Pentecost Sunday
Sunday School (Reopens)
Planning Meeting with Catechists
- 11 Sun Class; Meeting with Parents of
Confirmation Students
- 18 Sun Corpus Christi
Class; RECOLLECTIONS
- 23 Fri Sacred Heart
- 24 Sat Birth of St. John the Baptist
Vigil in SCCs for First Comm. & Cont.
Cand. in preparation for Rite of Accept.
- 25 Sun Laity Sunday; RECOLLECTIONS

JULY 2006

- 02 Sun Class
- 03 Mon St. Thomas, Apostle of India
- 09 Sun FAITH FORMATION SUNDAY
Rite of Acceptance of Children
for First Eucharist & Cont. Programmes
- 16 Sun Class
- 23 Sun Class
- 30 Sun PARENTS' DAY - Sts. Joachim & Anne

AUGUST 2006

- 06 Sun Transfiguration
Vianney Sunday - Class
- 13 Sun Class
- 15 Tue ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY
- 20 Sun Justice Sunday
FAITH CELEBRATION DAY
FOR STDS. V-VI (Deanery Level)
- 27 Sun RECOLLECTIONS FOR
CATECHISTS (Diocesan Level)
- 30 Wed Nativity Novena Begins

SEPTEMBER 2006

- 03 Sun Class
- 08 Fri Feast of Our Lady; Day of the Girl Child 10
- 10 Sun Class
- 14 Thu Triumph of the Cross
- 17 Sun Class
- 24 Sun Class

OCTOBER 2006

- 01 Sun Day of Thanksgiving; Class
SCC Vigil with E C. & Cont. Students
- 02 Mon Presentation of Our Father to EC. &
Confirmation Students
- 08 Sun Class
- 15 Sun Class
- 22 Sun MISSION SUNDAY

Diwali Hol'days : MISSION VISIT

*N.B. The Sunday School time-table is given
above for parents to follow it up and help their
children attend classes regularly.*

NOVEMBER 2006

- 05 Sun Class
- 12 Sun Class
- 19 Sun World Communications Day; Class
- 26 Sun FEAST OF CHRIST THE KING; Class

DECEMBER 2006

- 03 Sun 1st Sunday of Advent; RECOLLECTION
FOR CATECHISTS (Diocesan level)
- 08 Fri Immaculate Conception of O. Lady
- 10 Sun 2nd Sunday of Advent Class
- 17 Sun 3rd Sunday of Advent Class
- 24 Sun 4th Sunday of Advent - Class
- 25 Mon Christmas
- 28 Thu Holy Innocents - CHOIR FESTIVAL
- 31 Sun Holy Family

JANUARY 2007

- 01 Mon Mother of God
- 07 Sun Epiphany - Class
- 14 Sun Baptism of Our Lord
- 21 Sun Class
- 28 Sun Class

FEBRUARY 2007

- 01 Thu SCC Vigil with First Eucharist
and Confirmation Candidates
- 02 Fri Feast of Presentation of Our Lord
Rite of Presentation of the Creed
to EC. & Confirmation Candidates
- 04 Sun FAITH CELEBRATION DAY FOR
STDS. VII-VIII (Deanery level)
- 11 Sun Class
- 18 Sun Class: RECOLLECTIONS FOR
CATECHISTS (Diocesan level)
- 21 Wed Ash Wednesday
- 25 Sun Lent-1: Class & "Passo"

MARCH 2007

- 04 Sun Lent-2: Class & "Passo.
- 11 Sun Lent-3: Class & .Passo. - 1st Scrutiny
- 18 Sun Lent-4: Class & "Passo. - 2nd Scrutiny
- 25 Sun Lent-5: Class & .Passo. - 3rd Scrutiny 31
Sat First Reconciliation

APRIL 2007

- 01 Sun Palm Sunday
- 08 Sun Easter Sunday
- 15 Sun Divine Mercy
Easter Season:

NEW MEMBERS

NAME	<i>Dt. Of Baptism</i>	<i>Dt. Of Birth</i>
Vardhan Kasbe	07.05.2006	05.03.2006
Rydin Rodrigues	14.05.2006	29.03.2006
Mitchelle A.Almeida	28.05.06	18.11.2003

UNITED IN CHIRST

Date	<i>Bridegroom</i>	<i>Bride</i>
06.05.2006	Desmond A.M. Gonsalves	Monica F.Lobo
07.05.2006	Lejo Francis	Simi P. Chittlappilly
13.05.2006	Viras R.Moraes	Teena Rosario
14.05.2006	Aloysius S.Braganza	Tina D'souza
14.05.2006	Harold Koli	Rina Koli
20.05.2006	Savio H.Rodrigues	Annie Rodrigues
28.05.2006	Andrew R.Lobo	Natalia Fernandes

OF LATE MEMORIES

Date	Name
19.05.2006	Oleson P Desouza

Joseph Cardijn Technical Institute (JCTS) offers 2 year ITI course in the trades of motor mechanics, electrical and fitter trades. SSC passed students can apply for admission. The course can help students to set up their workshop or gain suitable technical job here or abroad.

JCTS also offers Certificate Courses for anyone who has not passed the X std. (and below) in the technical trades of Carpentry, Welding, Wireman, Motor Mechanics and A/C Reftigeration. Course duration extends from 3 months to 1 year. For details, kindly see the notice Board or Contact the Institute at Dadar (East), opposite St. Xavier's Grounds. Admissions begin from 15th June onwards [For more information, please, look up the church notice board]

Official Farewell to Cardinal Ivan

On the evening of Sunday, the 2st June, the archdiocese is organizing a farewell felicitation in honour of Cardinal Ivan Dias, now appointed Cardinal Prefect of the Congregation for Evangelisation of Peoples. A great honour, indeed, to our archdiocese and to the whole country.

This function will be held at St. Stanislaus' Grounds (behind the Church. The grounds will be covered as a protection against rain). Each parish is requested to send a bus load of approximately 40 people. (Parking space for buses will be provided). In this contingent from the parish, should be included representatives of significant groups like the clergy, the religious, the parish council, the steering committee of the SCCS, presidents of lay associations, cells and so on. The function will begin at 5.30 p.m. (please be at the venue at 5.15) and will end at 8.30 p.m. (approximately). It will include the celebration of the Eucharist. Priests who wish to concelebrate should carry with them an alb, cincture and stole.

---Bishop Bosco Penha

N.B. Those wanting to attend the above function may please give your names in the parish office by 17th June, 2006. A bus will leave this church premises for Bandra on 25th June at 4.00 p.m.

THE NIGHT VIGIL. CALENDAR FOR 2006

Dedicated to
the EUCHARIST AND THE FAMILY
JANUARY 28^{TII}, JULY 29TH.
FEBRUARY 25TH AUGUST 26TH,
MARCH 25TH. SEPTEMBER 30TH.
APRIL 29^{TII}. OCTOBER 28TH,
MAY 27TH. NOVEMBER 18^{TII}.
JUNE 17^{TII}. DECEMBER 16TH.