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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**Sunday School In-charge:** Sr. Ancy**RCIA & School Catechism:****In-charge:** Ms. Ida D'Silva**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 7 p.m.**Baptisms:** Sunday: 10.15 am**Marriages:** Weekday at 5.15 p.m.

Sunday: 5.30 p.m. & 6.30 pm

Funerals: Any day: 10 to 11.45 a.m.
4 p.m. to 5.00 p.m.**Sacrament of the sick:** 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 Fridays at
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.

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God has given Himself to us as food and drink in the Eucharist for our spiritual nourishment out of love. God's whole plan in creating us is directed towards our being joined together more fully in the life of the Blessed Trinity which is the Communion of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

It is Jesus who prays the Eucharist, and who calls us to join Him in His self-offering by lifting up our hearts, and offering ourselves and the universe, together with Himself, to God the Father. We cannot do that on our own strength.

It is the Spirit who empowers us to do so. With Christ, in Him and through Him, we love the Father as Christ does; we offer the Father infinitely worthy love because Christ's love is ours. Even our imperfect human effort in receiving and loving Christ is enhanced and made worthy of Him, because the Father gives us His own personal love in the Holy Spirit.

Jesus also said: "I am the Living Bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this Bread will live forever; and the Bread that I shall give is my flesh, for the life of the world ... For my flesh is real food, and my blood is real drink" (In 6:51,55). This means that the whole Christ is truly present, the body, the blood, soul and divinity under the appearances of bread and wine, the same glorified Christ who rose from the dead after dying for our sins. That is why we call this great mystery the "Real Presence."

Jesus, whose Body we receive in the Eucharist, is the Word of the Father. He is never outside of the Father, for He and the Father are one. Similarly our love for Christ will allow a new effusion of the Holy Spirit into our hearts "If you love me... I will pray the Father and He will give another Counsellor. He actually calls us into ultimate union with His self, to share by adoption in His own threefold life of mutual indwelling. Of this, the Eucharist is the pledge.

The Eucharist is the Sacrament of Divine intimacy; it is also the Sacrament of dynamic mission. We, who dwell in the heart of God through this Sacrament, are impelled to go out to others to witness to the life and love of the Trinity which we have experienced in the real presence of Jesus Christ

--extract from the editorial, the Examiner of June 10, 2006.

This week's Announcements, 20th November, 06.

- ✂ The Feast of the Body and Blood of Our Lord Jesus Christ will be celebrated on Sunday, 18th June.
- ✂ Friday, 23rd June is the feast of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. The members of the Sacred Heart League conduct a special Holy Hour at 6.00 p.m. before the 7.00 p.m. feast Mass.
- ✂ Saturday 24th is the feast of the Birth of St. John the Baptist.
- ✂ Sunday, 25th June the feast of the Parish Patron St. John the Baptist will be celebrated. The feast Mass will be at 9.15 a.m. and Rev. Fr. Ernest Fernandes will be the main celebrant. There will be parish get-together at 7.00 p.m. in the school hall. There will be no 6.30 p.m. Mass on next Sunday.
- ✂ Sunday, 25th June is celebrated as Laity Sunday.
- ✂ Jr. K.G. Admission forms will be issued on 1st July 2006 from 08.00 a.m. to 10.00a.m.
- ✂ **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.
- ✂ *The collection at Masses on last Sunday, amounted to Rs.,25,475.00*
- ✂ *The collection from the box in front of Our Lady of Perpetual Succour frame amounted to Rs2,619.00.*

THE LEAGUE OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

This is purely a spiritual organization that promotes devotion of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. This age old organization was revived in our parish only in March 1996, under the Spiritual Directorship of the late Fr. Zachary Fernandes whom God called from this life in June 1996. Initially it was Fr. Zachary's zeal and able guidance that goaded us to carry on this organization even after his untimely death. Though we had him for a very short time, we are sure he is interceding for us to continue to spread this all absorbing devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus with zeal and fervour.

The Sacred Heart League consists of Promoters who are active members and Associate Members who belong to the Apostleship of Prayer. We are a group of about 15 Promoters who meet once a month, to plan, decide and report on the work of :

- (1) recruiting Associate Members,
- (2) distributing the monthly Apostleship of Prayer leaflets.
- (3) We organize various prayer Services and Holy Hours.
- (4) Promote Sacred Heart Enthronement of homes.
- (5) Once a year an Associate Members Rally is organized. before the Feast of Christ the King;.
- (6) A Penitential Prayer Service is organized somewhere in Advent.

The three degrees of membership of the Sacred Heart League are :

1. Daily recitation of the Morning Offering.
2. A decade of the Rosary for the monthly Intentions of the Pope.
3. First Friday Devotion - Confession, Mass, Holy Communion, Holy Hour Service.

The Sacred Heart League needs more Promoters to actively work in order to cover up the entire parish to be enrolled as Associate Members for the spiritual enhancement of our parish, which is the need of the hour. No where can we find rest and peace for body and soul but in the SACRED HEART OF JESUS.

A Promoter - LEAGUE OF THE SACRED HEART

19/06 to 25/06 This week's readings :

Mon.	St Romuald, ab 1 Kgs 21:1-16; Ps 5; Mt 5:38-42
Tues.	1 Kgs 21: 17-29; Ps 50; Mt 5:43-48
Wed.	St Aloysius Gonzaga. rel - mem 2 Kgs 2:1,6-14; Ps 30; Mt 6:1-6,16-18
Thurs.	St Paulinus of Nola. bp, Or Sts John Fisher. bp & Thomas More,mm Sir 48:]-15 (Gk]-14); Ps 96; Mt 6:7-15
Friday	THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS - Sol Hos 11:1,3-4,8c-9; Ps Is 12;Eph 3:8-12,14-19; Jo 19:31-37
Satur.	THE BIRTH OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST - Sol
Sunday	Is 49:1-6; Ps 138; Ac 13: 22-26; Lk 1:57-66,80 Job 38:1,8-11; 2Cor.:5:14-17;Mk 4:35-41.

ACKNOWLEDGE MENT

We wish to thank the Priests, Nuns, Prayers Groups, Parishioners, Relatives, close friends and also colleagues of 3G' for your prayers, spiritual and moral support rendered to us at and during the accident of our Dear Son Nigel, not forgetting the greeting Cards/ get well messages received. No words can express our immense thank to our Blessed Lady for protecting him from the fatal accident He underwent.

**Hector & Jacinta Collasco
K'villa**

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL YEAR - PLANNER FOR 2006 -07.

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

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

10Sun 2nd Sunday of Advent. Class

17Sun 3rd 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: **1st. Holy Communion Day**
Recollections (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:

<p>N.B. The above Sunday School year-planner given for parents to help their children to attend the classes regularly and help them in their Christian faith formation. Parents are requested to take keen interest in their children moral, religious and spiritual upbringing.</p>
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SUNDAY SCHOOL SYLLABUS

PRIMARY SECTION

STD. I - THE STORY OF JESUS

STD. II - OLD TESTAMENT STORIES

STD III - THE FIRST CHRISTIAN

STD. IV - COMMUNITIES INITIATION TO THE LORD'S TABLE *First Communion Catechesis*

SECONDARY SECTION

Cycle B for Year 2006 – 2007

STD.	FIRST TERM	ADVENT TIME	SECOND TERM
V-VI	The Parables	The Miracles of Jesus	The Parables
VII - VIII	The Patriarchs and Moses	Bible Basics	Joshua and the Judges
IX - X	The Prophets	Apocrypha	Acts of the Apostles

Confirmation section:

STD XI: Confirmed and initiated into Christ.
(*Confirmation Catechesis Syllabus*)

SUNDAY SCHOOL

One of the most important parish pastoral activities is Sunday School. While in regular school, children are given instructions in faith, it is in Sunday school that the children are given liturgical and spiritual formation and are prepared for various Sacraments such as 1st Holy Communion, Confession and Confirmation. The 18th of June is the opening day of our Sunday School academic year. The year's plan and the syllabus are given here in this bulletin for parents to cooperate with the Sunday school staff in assuring the regular attendance of their children.

*While all children learn more about Jesus in Sunday school classes, children presently in Std. 4th will be prepared for First Holy Communion and Confession; the teenagers who have just completed Std. 10th will be prepared for the Sacrament of Confirmation. The First Holy Communion will be held on **18th February, 2007** and the Sacrament of confirmation will be administered on **14th April, 2007**. We will be giving greater attention to the liturgical formation of all parish children at 8.00 a.m. Children's Mass on Sundays. Children will be helped with singing practice and prayer recitation before the Mass for greater participation, with the result the 8.00 a.m. may be delayed by five to ten minutes. Parents and parishioners are requested to give their maximum support to our efforts in giving the best to your children at Sunday School.*

--Parish Priest.

PASTORAL YEAR PLANNER FOR 2006 – 07.

Parish level programmes by parish/cells/SCCs/Associations	
June 1 – 30	Sacred Heart Enthronement
4 June	Feast of the Pentecost
11 June	Sunday School Reopens. Feast of the Most Holy Trinity
12 June	The New Scholastic Year begins.
18 June	The Feast of the Body and Blood O.L. J.C.
15-24 June	Novena in Preparation of the Parish Patronal Feast
25 June	FEAST OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, PATRON. Church Feast Celebration @ 9.15am 7.00 p.m. Get together. Laity Sunday
2nd July	Faith formation Sunday
23 rd July	In-put Session for all animators/coordinators
30 July	Parents' Day Program
Aug 6	Vianney Sunday
August 15	Assumption Feast & Independence Day
20 th August	Hope & Life Movement – .
August 20	Justice Sunday and International Youth Day
August 30	Novena to O. L. of Velankani
September 8	Feast of O. L. of Velankani Day of the Girl-Child
October 1	Thanksgiving Day
2 nd October	6.00 p.m. Peace Rally by Sevadham and Civic & Political Cell.
8 th October	<i>Rock 'N Ruin – Joyful Noise at 6.30 p.m. school hall.</i>
15 October	Youth Day?
21 st Octo.	Feast – Jesus Christ, The Light Mass with lighted panaties @ 7.00 .m.
22 October	Mission Sunday
26,27,28,29 October	<i>Jeevan Jal – Out-reach Programme by Trevor Louis from 6.00 p.m. to 9.00 p.m. in the Quadrangle.</i>
29-31 Oct.	Sodality Jumble Sale.
2 Nov'ber	All Souls Day
19 Nov'ber	World Communication Day. 2 nd Session for all animators/coordinators
26 Nov'ber	Adoration Day – Xhrist the King Feast
8 Dec'ber	Titular Feast of the Sodality.
21Dec–1 Jan	Christmas Celebrations
21, 22, 23 Dec.	Confessions in preparation for Christmas
24 December	Christmas Mid-night Mass at 10.00 p.m.
25 December	Christmas Day – Masses at 6, 7,8, 9.15 a.m. No evening Masses
31 December	Feast of the Holy Family. 11.00 p.m. – Holy Hour
01 January	New Year Day Masses at 6,7,8,9.15 a.m. and at 7.00p.m.
21st Jan 07	3rd Session for all animators/coordinators
18th Feb 06	First Holy Communion at 10.30 a.m.
21 Feb	Ash Wednesday
1-8 April	Holy Week
8 April	Easter
08-04-06	Confirmation Day at 10.30 a.m.!
29 th April	Feast of Our Lady of Hope, Ghormal.

THE NIGHT VIGIL CALENDAR .

CALENDAR FOR 2006

JULY 29TH. AUGUST 26TH,
 SEPTEMBER 30TH. OCTOBER 28TH
 NOVEMBER 18TH DECEMBER 16TH
 JANUARY 27^{TII}, FEBUARY 24TH
 MARCH 31ST. APRIL 28^{TII}.,
 MAY 26TH..

YEAR PLANNER FOR YOUTH 2006 - 07

Month	PARISH LEVEL
June	-Weekly Meeting begin -Youth Masses -Formation of Parish Youth Council Animation Team -Orientation Programmes
July	-Election to the Youth Group Core Coordinating Committee (YGCC) -Weekly Meetings -Youth Masses
Aug	-Weekly Meetings -Youth Masses
Sep	-Weekly Meetings -Youth Masses -Pilgrimage to Mt. Mary's Basilica
Oct	-Weekly Meetings -Youth Masses -Holiday Club Preparation
Nov	-Holiday Club -Weekly Meetings -Youth Masses
Dec	-Weekly Meetings -Christmas Programmes
Jan 2007	-Weekly Meetings -Youth Masses -Annual Youth Picnic
Feb	-Weekly Meetings -Youth Masses -Year End Evaluation
Mar	-Youth Masses -Contacting SSC Students -Helping at TOP
Apr	-0Eve of Palm Sunday -0Vigil for World Day of Youth -Contacting SSC Students -0Helping at TOP -0Summer Holiday Club
May	Summer Holiday Club / Camps

INTER-ZONAL TOURNAMENTS

Inter-zonal football and throwball tournaments will be held on 18th & 25th June, 2006. Forms will be available with zonal leaders. Maximum two teams per zone will be allowed.

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>Nridegroom</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

<i>Date</i>	<i>Name</i>
19.05.2006	Oleson P Desouza

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL & FAITH FORMATION MANGING TEAM.

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|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 1. Overall supervision | The Parish Team |
| 2. Sunday School | Sr. Ancy, Fr. John R |
| 3. Confirmation | Sr. Jessy, Fr. Gerry
Mr. Bonny |
| 4. 1 st Holy Communion | Mrs. Cynthia,
Fr. Victor |
| 5. Adult Catechesm | Mr. Sanjay Almeida |
| 6. Audio/visual | Mr. Sanjay Almeida |
| 7. RCIA | Mrs. Ida D'Silva |
| 8. Regular School | Mrs. Ida D'Silva,
Fr. John Lopes |
| 9. Sunday School at Kopri | Sr. Julie, Fr. Victor |
| 10. Marathi Catechesm | Mr. Marcus Alvares |
| 11. Konkani Catechism | Fr. Gerry |

N.B. The teachers' list will be published in the next issue.

--Parish Priest.

**Official
Farewell to Cardinal Ivan**

On the evening of Sunday, the 25th 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 at 5.30 p.m. It will include the celebration of the Eucharist. Priests who wish to concelebrate should carry with them an alb, cincture and stole.

N.B. Those wanting to attend the above function may please give your names in the parish office by 21st June, 2006. A bus will leave this church premises for Bandra on 25th June at 4.00 p.m.

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 Refrigeration. 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]

**Novena preparation in honor of our
Parish Patron -
Saint John the Baptist's Feast day.**

- 1) The Novena commences on the 16th June '06 with Novena Mass daily at 07:00 p.m.
- 2) Sunday 18th June '06, the Novena Mass will be the 09:15 am Mass.
- 3) The Official Feast Day Mass will be celebrated on Sunday 25th June at 09:15 am.
- 4) Please submit your prepared liturgy to the Dir of PLT (Fr. Gerry) at least 7 days in advance of your appointed date.

Listed below are the liturgical themes and dates for conducting the Novena by the respective S.C.C.'s

- 5) While the allotted zone leads the parishioners at Novena on a given day, all people of all zones will attend the novena on all the days in large numbers.

Date	Community	Name of Coordinator/s	Novena Theme
16/6	Kopri / Louiswadi	Brevin / Sharon / Xavier	Honesty
17/6	Brindaban / Naupada -II	Beno / Angela / Julie	Mission
18/6	Cherai North / Naupada - I	Leena / Hortencia	Faith
19/6	Cherai South / Horta - Mahageri	Cyril / Ian / Carol	Repentance
20/6	Utalsar & Vikas Complex	Roland / Peter	Moral Teaching
21/6	Khopat / Rabodi	Cletus / Mervyn / Veena	Truthfulness
22/6	Kolbad / S. Rang / S. Guru / A. Park / R. Park	Gabby / Eustace / Ruby	Witness of Christ
23/6	Sacred Heart League		
24/6	K'Villa	Lourdes / Hector	Gratitude & Joy
25/6	PLT	PPC	Prepare Ye the Way of Lord - renew our family life