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The Need Greed Complex

by Don Aguiar

If you can pay your rent, feed your family, do your job and still be healthy enough to exercise, I'm talking to you.

I'm not trying to get all touchy feely on you, but let's face it. You're not running for your life. Your home wasn't just destroyed. All that and more happened to many people last week. Work is nothing. It is not life-threatening. Even your worst day at work is better than any day as a refugee.

Ever imagined how the world would be with fewer bankers? When I was interviewing for internships in business school, my potential recruiters on Wall Street would keep saying "it's not rocket science" and I would often wonder why investment bankers got paid so much, if the job wasn't that intellectually demanding. Finally, I asked this question to a Citibank VP and he assured me that it's because of the big-ticket decisions that bankers are involved in, including fates of companies, employees and sometimes governments.

Fair enough, but like they themselves said, it's not rocket science. Rocket scientists get paid less. Technologists move the world forward a lot more than bankers do, but don't get paid as much. Imagine if they did, so many intelligent youngsters would choose science over finance. That would be good for humanity and the world

You and I have no right to be dissatisfied. We can have goals and aspirations, sure, but all the while we are pursuing them we should also be eternally grateful for the blessings we have enjoyed

From time to time, it seems to me that everything I read falls into two camps:

On the news, it's all about people being blown up, shot, chased away, or losing everything.

On business sites, it's all about earning more, getting promoted, growing sales, and getting richer.

Instead of being stressed out that people are becoming extremists or fanatics or intolerant or your boss is a jerk, your salary too low, your deadlines too short, blah, blah, blah... Try stopping for a minute at the end of this article and just being grateful.

Finally, emerging as the chief feature is the socially-acceptable mask which says to the world, "I am not selfish. I am not greedy. I am not doing this for me. See how generous I am. See how my possessions make other people happy." In fact, the greedy person
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Popes on Facets of “Peace”

On 20th Sept. Pope Francis at the closing ceremony for the ‘World Day of Prayer for Peace’ remarked (Brief excerpts): “We have come here as pilgrims in search of peace. God is calling us to confront the great sickness of our time – ‘this indifference’. Peace however, is a ‘thread of hope’ that unites earth and heaven!”

“The peace which we invoke from Assisi, is not simply a protest against war, nor it is a result of negotiations or political compromises or bargaining; it is the result of ‘prayer’! We seek God, Who is the Source of communion – the clear waters of peace for which humanity thirsts. These waters do not flow from the deserts of pride and personal interests, or from the dry earth of profit at any cost, or from the arms trade ...” (St. John Paul 11, Oct. 27, 1986).

“Today we have pleaded for the holy gift of peace! This peace starts from the ‘sacredness of human life’- from conception to natural death! Peace means ‘forgiveness’. It is the fruit of conversion that is born from within, and heals wounds. Peace means ‘welcome’, an openness to dialogue and overcoming of close-mindedness. Peace means ‘cooperation’, a concrete and active exchange to build a better world. Peace denotes ‘education’, a call to learn the art of communion. Peace is a ‘culture’, upholding human dignity!”

“Peace is a ‘workshop’, open to all and not just for specialists and strategists. Peace is a ‘universal responsibility’! Let us assume this responsibility, reaffirming our ‘yes’ as artisans of peace, which humanity thirsts, and which God wishes.” And if I may add, which Christ bequeathed: “My peace I leave with you. My peace I give you, not as the world gives ...” (John 14:27a).

—**Dr. Trevor Colaso**,
(Now temporarily at Memphis, TN.
U.S.A.)

Catholic Union elects new leaders

Kolkata: The All India Catholic Union, a 97-year-association, has elected a farmer-engineer as its new leader for the next two years.

Lancy D’Cunha was elected the National President of the country’s largest laity association as its annual general body held over the weekend in Kolkata, eastern India. The 50-year-old lay leader was the union’s vice president.

The meeting also elected Elias Vaz, a senior Goa corporate executive, as the new National Vice President, The new Secretary General is former Delhi Catholic Federation president A Chinnappan and the new Treasurer is Alexander Anthony who simultaneously also serves as president of the Catholic Association of Bengal.

John Dayal, who led the union during 2004-2008, has been appointed official spokesperson. Eugene Gonsalves, a Kolkata based entrepreneur, president from 2012-2016, had initiated the centenary celebrations.

The union has started preparing for the centenary celebrations. Since its founding in 1919, the union has repeatedly intervened when issues of freedom of religion and expression were challenged.

D’Cunha, who was born in Bondel, Mangalore in south Canara, has been active at the grassroots nurturing inter-faith dialogue. He is married to Lidwin, 42, a teacher. They have two sons and a daughter.

The new president was among those who led the movement for justice for the victims of the targeted violence in August 2008. Although Kandhamal in Odisha was the epicenter of anti-Christian violence that year, Mangalore was also viciously hit.

The AICU president said the Union will file an intervention petition in the Supreme court on the Dalit Cristian



AICU President: Lancy D’Cunha



AICU Vice President: Elias Vaz

demand for scheduled caste rights as are given to Dalits of other faiths such as Hindus, Buddhists and Sikhs. The public interest litigation has been in court for more than 10 years without the government responding to court notices.

The AICU is also involved in the drawing up of a response to the National Education Policy proposed by the federal government as it moves ahead on a multi-point program of strengthening the constitutional rights of religious minorities and other marginalized groups such as Dalits, Tribals and nomadic other targeted groups.

Within the church, the AICU works with Catholic bishops as well as other denominations to build a stronger laity aware of their rights and duties as a church and as citizens, says a press release.

—MattersIndia



' Solve all disputes peacefully '

solve al disputes peacefully.

—Peter Castellino

With reference to MR YUGANSHA MALHOTRA's article titled : History Repeats Itself, This Time For Water in THE SECULAR CITIZEN dated MONDAY , 26 SEPTEMBER , 2016 when a court judgement is disobeyed or defied it amounts to contempt of court which is a punishable offence unless there is a mass rejection of the court judgement so the solution is to appeal against the court judgement or hold a referendum along with suggestions on the the spot and not when elections are held and are due.

Another solution is to use hydrophonics to grow plants and crops without water and to get more water through interlinking of rivers that can be used an internal water transport system,harvesting of rain water,cloud seeding,creation of artificial water in laboritories and making it mandatory for all factories and laboritories to have water purification plants and desalination of sea water.

More solutions will emerge in the future about how to increase the supply of water.

So we must get our act together immediately without delay and set a good example that other countries too can foll ow thus showing that we can

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is never happy so long as the possibility of lack remains

When this feeling of lack is particularly strong, a person can become utterly fixated on seeking what they “need”, always trying to get hold of the one thing that will finally eliminate the deep-rooted feeling of not having enough.

That one thing could be money, power, sex, food, attention, knowledge ... just about anything. It could be something concrete or abstract, real or symbolic. But it will be something very specific on which the entire need-greed complex becomes fixated.

Once that happens, life becomes a quest to acquire as much of it as possible

You don't know when to retire, you go on earning in your dreams also. You lie down and plan for tomorrow and nobody knows whether the tomorrow is going to come or not. In fact it never comes. It is always today. You are planning for the future not knowing that death will destroy all future. Remain in the moment. Live it as totally as possible and then you will know no death. Because a man who is not worried about tomorrow knows no death – he becomes deathless. Because death is tomorrow and life is today. You have to retire not at the end of life.

The very word retirement does not look good to us: it gives the feeling of old age, inability. Retire means rest, enjoy it. Don't postpone enjoyment, enjoy here and now. Retirement has nothing to do with old age or infirmity. It simply means you don't postpone enjoyment; you enjoy here and now, do not cling to your creations.

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After leaving the corporate world, the first six weeks of life in the BVIs were idyllic. The days were long and sunny and I felt a million miles away from my previous life rushing around on airplanes and in boardrooms. This was the chief feature of self destruction, greed stems from a basic fear of life. To be exact, greed is driven by a fundamental sense of deprivation, a need for something that is lacking or unavailable. It was as if I had gone on vacation and every clock in the universe had simply stopped.

I treasured the gift of time. No deadlines. No time constraints. Whatever didn't get done today was easily pushed to tomorrow. My skin was golden brown. My smile was eight miles wide. I was completely in love with my new life.

Rationally, we all know that it's not what we accomplish in life that is important; it's who you are as a person that matters. Yet, so much of what we strive for - and are rewarded for - in life is what we do.

Think about it. We get gold stars for perfect schoolwork. We get into top colleges based on test scores. We earn promotions and paychecks based on performance.

I was a top-performing chief executive. And leaving a world where you are performing well to live in a world where you aren't is an emotional wallop where you are not buoyed by the engines of frantic economic activity or for that matter an increased sense of competitiveness owing to peer pressure.

Once I began to realize how much value I had put into the accomplishments of my former life, I was able to validate those feelings and gain perspective. This self-awareness was incredibly liberating. I began to embrace myself for who I was and not simply what I was capable of.

Rather than look at my former life with a mixture of envy and disdain, I began to see what I loved about my former life, parse out the parts I didn't enjoy, and incorporate what I liked into my future.

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Moving Forward with Faith

The Webster's Dictionary defines faith as "unquestioning belief that does not require proof or evidence; unquestioning belief in God, religious tenets." Hebrews 11:1 tells us that faith is "being sure of what we hope for and certain of what we do not see."

How often when things do not go our way, we think, "If only..." or "What if...?" We do not accept what has happened to us, either due to our fault as when a student goes to an exam inadequately prepared and fares poorly, or due to circumstances beyond our control as when a bread winner loses his job due to recession. This is called counterfactual thinking because it is contrary to facts.

Counterfactual thinking is usually 'downward' or negative. Janice tried to score high marks in her exams because Dad would repeatedly say, "You must achieve what I could not do and become an engineer. I want to be proud of you." She studied hard but could not meet his unrealistic expectations. So she gets into a cycle of negative thinking and depression.

Guilt is a major by-product of downward thinking. I once read of a busy doctor who saw a group of curious onlookers surrounding an accident victim as he passed by in his car. He could have stopped and used his ex-

pertise to help the victim but he sped on to attend to patients in his private clinic. It was only later that he came to know that the victim was no other than his son who had bled to death on the road. What guilt this doctor must have felt. I would hate to be in his shoes.

However, we could also choose to think positively or 'upward'. When a tennis player is out there on court playing for a tournament, her coach is watching keenly to see where she has gone wrong and correct herself the next time she is on the tennis court. 'Failure' is not in the lexicon of great achievers who learn from their mistakes and forge forward. Renowned painters are always seeking to improve themselves.



"Ask, and it shall be given you; seek, and ye shall find; knock, and it shall be opened unto you." Mathew 7: 7.

Faith in oneself and in God is an important example of 'upward' counterfactual thinking. When we have faith we believe in God's promises, even if these defy logic. The Old Testament is replete with examples of faith. Noah built a large boat, thereby saving his family and two each of different species of animals and birds before the floods. Moses shepherded his people in the desert without food or water as they headed for the promised land. God kept His promise and sent them manna.

The apostles were simple men. But their faith enabled them to move mountains of persecution and ignorance in order to spread Jesus' teachings. The blind and the deaf had faith in Jesus when He cured them of their ailments.

After Anita suffered a stroke, doctors pronounced that she

would never walk again. But she proved them wrong for she had this intense desire to stand on her own two feet again as she did not want to be a burden to her son and daughter-in-law. She first visualized herself walking again. Her legs, which she had hitherto taken for granted, were moving in her mind. With prayers and exercise, she slowly but surely got back on to her two feet.

But in life we do not always have a happy ending. We have great faith but things do not necessarily go the way we planned. These kind of situations demand a deep faith. What is truly inspirational is how some take sickness and pain in their stride. They have the faith to accept their pain stoically.

The greatest test of faith, however, is accepting the death of a near and dear one. When Mrs. Lopez lost her husband, her children were quite small. She was confident, however, that God would provide her the means to bring up and educate her children. She set up a play school in her home for half a day, and started baking cakes to sell. She had to work hard but was able to fend for herself and her children.

Neel and Veena grieved when they lost their 29 year old son suddenly in an accident. But they accepted their loss philosophically, saying, "God knows best. He is all merciful. Who are we to question Him? As you know, our beloved son had started a couple of NGOs. It is now upto us to carry on his good work."

The one occurrence that strikes terror in our hearts is that of death. Death is the great equalizer for it brings down the rich and the poor, the good and the wicked. Once a person is dead, she does not 'talk' to us anymore nor can we see her. As Shakespeare expressed in As You Like It, "All the world's a stage, And all the men and women merely players; They have their exits and (Contd.. on p. 7)



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Between the lines in our 'Smart Kodial City'

Just as we cultured folk in Kudla or Mangaluru as you like it, were basking on being 'smart' along came 'Chachaji' after visiting a local Mall here. A regal smart man from the Rajasthani pink city was here dressed in spotless white. With

a charming smile he looked me up and down, I too was glad to see in his spectacular turn out, in our newly 'Smart city'.

'Chachajis' whole attitude indicated his disdain for our great and historic Kudla, Kodial.....he said his city has been a smart city for months now, you all are 'smart' just for a few hours now. I said no we have been really smart for decades. See our colleges, hospitals, temples, mosques, churches, beaches and history... our languages and the lot! He said yes, but you missed being smart in the first round? Chachaji went on, your city it seems has two great rivers, and good rains for three months and you still have water problems all the time...you should be giving water to others, and electricity too. He pouted glaringly and said, "I just touched down at your Kudla city main bus terminal... 'State Bank' what a name, a mess with buses

of all colours hooting loudly and conductors yelling and blowing whistles, making poor people deaf. The buses are in a confused state no indications where they stop, passengers even kids have no shelter and it was raining, the aged are not cared for at all, i had to jump down from the bus. No level place to walk or stand....filthy... crowded and shabby... highly polluted in all ways. Peoples lives and limbs are in great danger and one person said it has been so for decades. There are no foot paths for pedestrians or paths for cycles and sport? The long distance bus terminal is a 'fish market' to the core.....smelly is not the word. And what is all this talk about 'bundhs' all the time.... for Yettinahole, Cauvery.....and more?".

I tried to be smart and said, no no... we are going to be top in tourism, our leaders plans will take off soon (may be in the 22nd century?). Chachaji,



laughed loud and twirled his bushy mustache and said see the many grand tourists in the land of my desert and camels where I come from, tourists really flock there and are a happy lot. We here, i pointed out, have a lot of holy places and beaches....the regal visitor said, beaches good, but no facilities like 5 star

hotels tourist attractions and beaches have no holiday resorts and are void of water sports, state of the art transport. These are the smart things for tourism and attracting money and rich visitors. Holy places are for the poor pilgrims to pray that they will get rich soon. Yes, he said education is there and culture, but the young all fly the nest and old people are left to fend for them selves. Old age homes are many and many make a lot of money and also strip the aged sick of valuables and properties! While the the huge crores in rupees are given by Govt.. only to fill the pockets of the already rich and mighty. Many contractors and politicians make money doing cosmetic fixes around the smart city which never end. The people get peanuts...and become more of monkeys. And if the coming elections in 2019 brings in a new Govt....who will hold the 'smart' baby then? People have no place or say here, only the money speaks.



by: Ivan Saldanha-Shet

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their entrances....". Are we mere players who exit to nothingness? If that were so, what is the incentive to live good lives?

Jesus said to Martha, "I am the resurrection, and the life: he that believes in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live." This statement of Jesus is the cornerstone of Christianity. It requires a great leap of faith to believe in the hereafter, to believe in eternal reward or punishment based on our lives on earth. This belief is the ultimate test of Faith.

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Communion is only for baptised Catholics who are 'In A State of Grace'

In a thought provoking letter "Reception of Holy Communion" (In a periodical recently) Fr Warner D'Souza wrote that at funerals we generally announce to non-Catholics that Holy Communion is only for baptized Catholics, but we fail to remind Catholics of the conditions for receiving Holy Communion. On a visit to Florence Fr Warner came across such a 'warning' to Catholics in a Sunday brochure, to the parishioners.

Personally I believe that it is our duty to inform non Catholics that Holy Communion is for Catholics only and similarly it our duty to inform Catholics of the conditions for receiving Holy Communion. A simple announcement such as "Holy Communion is only for baptized Catholics 'Who Are in a State of Grace'. Others may kindly remain sitting in their places." ('Others' refers to non Catholics and Catholics)

The announcement suggested by this writer may seem hurtful to Catholics, but how much more hurtful it must be for non Catholics who feel singled out, for no apparent reason. (Are all Catholics better than non catholic?) The feeling of being 'singled out' becomes more conspicuous by our system of going for communion in an orderly fashion, pew by pew.

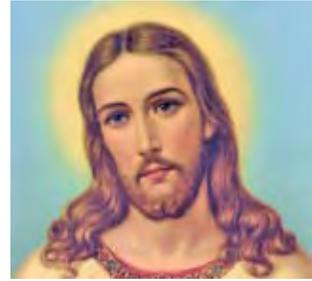
Perhaps it's time for us to dismantle this very disciplined system of receiving Holy Communion. Prior to Vatican II the faithful walked to the altar railings for communion in no particular order. Those who felt disinclined remained seated with nobody any the wiser. Today everyone falls in line whether he/she is inclined to or not. For most Catholics (including this writer) 'falling in line' for Holy Communion is now an integral part of the service like standing for the entrance hymn, sitting during the sermon and kneeling for the final blessing.

For the record one of the conditions for receiving Holy Communion is to make a confession at least once a year which

willy nilly not many do. Yet we all go for communion sanctimoniously and then make a big fuss when a non Catholic unknowingly walks up for Holy Communion. I believe that people must be reminded of the warning contained in 1Corinthians 11:27-28 "Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. So then everyone ought to examine themselves before they eat of the bread and drink from the cup". This is a very severe injunction and we need to take serious note of it. While giving Holy Communion the EMHC says: "Body of Christ" and we answer "Amen". Perhaps it is time EMHCs say "Are you worthy of receiving the Body of Christ?" And we answer "Yes, Amen" Thereafter either confession lines will get longer or communion lines will get shorter.

So far as non Catholics are concerned I believe that if we do not make an announcement regarding reception of Holy Communion, we do not have the moral right to deny them communion. Let God decide. But if we want to decide we must at least do it with tact and respect. It is very sad to see non Catholics who come for Holy Communion unknowing being turned away rather disdainfully by EMHCs. The least that EMHCs could do is to 'politely' explain to non Catholics the requirements of our faith. Incidentally, very recently a non Catholic walked up for communion to our parish priest. He put his hand on the head of the person as a blessing and politely told him the requirement of our faith. This is how it should be. In some parishes in UK persons how do not wish to receive communion may cross their arms against the chest to indicate that they desire a blessing only. A very good idea except for the fact that a blessing can be given only by priest and not by EMHCs.

—Prof Robert Castellino
Mumbai



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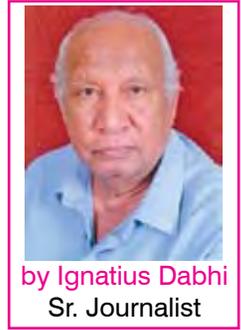
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Dalits pose threat to BJP in India



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2017 elections are going to change the political scenario for all major political parties in India. The Bhartiya Janata Party is going to pay a heavy price in Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh, Punjab and Haryana. Gujarat, for example, will see that BJP should learn a good lesson for leaving Dalits at the mercy of inhuman RSS-BJP treatment. A tiny village Una witnessed merciless, treatment inflicted on five young stars who were stripped, tied to a car and thrashed with an iron bar, in the very presence of a senior police officer, in an open market in front of a silent, horrified crowd. Major TV channels flashed this satanic crurity and soon the pictorial news shook people for off in France, England and America. All the local TV and news channels gave every tiny detail of that incident. The monsoon session of Parliament was going on then the BJP rulers conveniently ignored the incident. The Gujarat CM (then) Anandiben Patel had not a word of sympathy for those five young men who suffered serious, physical injuries and fell down,



half dead. Three, well-built men went on beating and the ghastly scene left unforgettable impressions on lacs of that satanic drama. Narendra Modi uttered not a single word of sympathy for those five youths and their helpless

to unite to give a fitting reply to the culprits. There were large public rallies and meetings of dalits in Gujarat and elsewhere. Their deep-rooted anguish, resentment and a sorry sense of dejection force them to fight out. So far more than 169 public rallies and protest demonstrations are conducted by dalits. It is interesting to note that Muslims of Gujarat have openly supported the dalit protests.

The BJP high command did not lose time to meet in New Delhi. The CM Anandiben was eased out unceremoniously! BJP supremo had countless meetings with local leaders to assess the harm done so far. Dalits have been with BJP so far. The new development is certainly going to weaken the party. Dalit population amounts to 39 percent of the total population of India.

dalit parents. It was Mayawati, after nine days of the brutal incident. Who thundered in Lok Sabha and hurried to see the pitiable lot.

Lakhs of dalits, who for centuries have been undergoing the pathetic treatment from the so-called "upper-castes," were awakened and started

If the trend continues, BJP will find tough to retain power.

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Poverty vs. Prosperity

Prima facie, such a topic is hardly debatable. Poverty is a curse, and prosperity is bliss. It brooks no argument; unless of course one is a Christian with a rudimentary knowledge of the Bible, and the orthopraxis of the Catholic Church. This “debate” entered my head while attending the 10th annual awards ceremony of the Christian Chamber of Commerce and Industry (CCCI), on 24th September at Mumbai.

First, a little about the CCCI itself. Sri Anthony Sequeira, the Chairman, said that it is an umbrella body of Christian business persons and industrialists, with 600 plus members nationwide. Its goal is to help them network, do brand building and wealth management, together with fulfilling their social responsibility. In the past it has organised business tours to Vietnam, Australia and New Zealand, and more such foreign forays are on the cards.

The CCCI presented three awards for entrepreneurship, and one each for Public Service, Social Service and Education. Interestingly, all the entrepreneurship awardees were Mangaloreans – Dr Jacob Crasta for Industry, Zelia Quadros for Women’s entrepreneurship, and Santosh D’silva for Young entrepreneurship. This confirmed me in my belief that within the Catholic community, Mangaloreans are the best businessmen. Malayalees are also good at business, but they are mostly non-Catholics. Catholic Malayalees, like the Goans, prefer the professions, the service sector, or the lucrative Gulf. Incidentally, Goans have had the highest per capita number of officers in the defence services. In contrast, when I met a Mangalorean Brigadier in Chaubatia Cantt in 1986 he told me that he was the first Mangalorean to attain that rank.

As I said, these thoughts were sparked by averments made at the CCCI meet, and more specifically by Dr Christy Fernandez IAS (Retd), the former Secretary to the then President of India, Pratibha Patil. An illustrious civil servant in his own right, he received the award for Public Service. He averred that the Catholic Church did not pro-actively

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support business and entrepreneurship, unlike other Christian churches. It was not even comfortable with the industrial revolution that had transformed Europe (erstwhile Christendom). It has no doubt stood in solidarity with the poor, through massive works of charity, but it was more like feeding you fish than teaching you how to catch fish. It continued to extol the virtues of being poor, a gross misinterpretation of the Sermon on the Mount (cf Mat 5:3). It conveyed a subtle message that earning money or becoming rich was bad! So the Poverty vs. Prosperity debate stands, and needs to be addressed.



by chhotebhai *

Yours truly undeservedly got the award for Social Service, I had to speak just after Fernandez, so I took the cue from him. I said that the Catholic Church was perhaps uncomfortable with lay people in business, because the clerical church itself was into big business! I looked at Bishop Henry D’souza of Bellary, who was the Chief Guest. While entering the hall he had said to me “chhotebhai, you are like Pope Francis, you disturb people”. I am not worthy of the comparison, and I’m not sure if that was a back-handed compliment; but I now said on stage that Jesus came to comfort the disturbed, and disturb the comfortable.

I belong to a family that has been in business for 160 years (my grandfather was the President of the U.P. Chamber of Commerce a hundred years ago). But my thinking is distinctly left of centre, with a preferential option for the poor. My litmus test has always been, what does the Bible say? I believe that Jesus was the perfect human being, and the best management guru. So what does the Bible say about poverty and prosperity?

Ironically, the Gospel reading at Sunday Mass the next morning was about the rich man and Lazarus, the beggar

at his gate. The latter goes to heaven while the rich man is condemned to hell (cf Lk 16: 20-25). The irony was not lost on me. The previous evening we were extolling the virtues of prosperity, and the next morning I was hearing the Lord condemn it. Lest we draw hasty conclusions let me here add that Jesus was not condemning riches per se, but the rich man’s callous attitude to the poor man who needed his help.

A cursory reading would show Jesus’ preferential option for the poor in the Gospels and the rest of the New Testament (NT). In contrast, poverty is condemned, and prosperity is extolled in the Old Testament (OT). I do not wish to sound prejudiced or bigoted, because I am a firm believer in ecumenism. But in my various interactions I have found that non-Catholics quote the OT more, and what is referred to as the “prosperity gospel”. In contrast Catholic preachers use the NT more, and extol the virtues of being poor. A world view would bear me out. Northern Europe, which is Protestant, is prosperous, and Southern Europe, that is more Catholic or Orthodox, is relatively poor. The contrast is even more marked in the Americas. Protestant North America is prosperous, while Catholic Central and South America is poor. The only Catholic country is Asia, The Philippines, is among the poorest in the continent.

I do not wish to take sides. I believe in the Latin saying, “Virtus stat in medio” (virtue lies in the middle). Do the teachings of scripture and that of the Second Vatican Council bear me out?

The Book of Proverbs in the OT lists various causes for poverty. Among them are laziness, lack of industriousness, indiscipline, drunkenness, the love of pleasures, and living in a world of fantasies. Referring to an overgrown and idle vineyard it says “I drew this lesson from the sight. A little sleep, a little drowsiness, a little folding of the arms to lie back, and poverty comes like a vagrant, and like a beggar, death” (Prov 24: 32-34). “Whoever rejects discipline wins poverty and scorn” (Prov 13:18). “The drunkard and glutton impoverish themselves, and sleepiness is clothed in rags” (Prov 23:21). “Whoever chases fantasies has no sense” (Prov 28:19). “Pleasure lovers stay poor, no one will grow rich who loves wine and good living” (Prov 21:17).

In sharp contrast Jesus comes
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across as a defender of the poor, and a critic of the rich. He says that “You cannot be the slave of both God and money” (Lk 16:13). When the rich young man was unable to leave everything to follow Jesus (cf Mat 19: 16-22) he said, “It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle, than for someone rich to enter the kingdom of heaven” (Mat 19:24). Had the dialogue ended there it would have been a harangue against riches. Fortunately, it doesn’t.



Dr. Jacob Crasta

When the disciples express their astonishment at this harsh admonishment of the rich Jesus clarifies that “By human resources this is impossible; for God everything is possible” (Mat 19:26). So by divine grace riches can certainly be put to good use.

Proverbs attributes poverty to various personal habits. However, today we know that there are many other causes of poverty, like social injustice or psychological traits. Likewise, riches could be either ill-gotten or the fruit of hard work. So it would be simplistic to extol or condemn either poverty or prosperity per se.

Poverty is no virtue, if it is circumstantial. It becomes so only if it is voluntary, for a greater good. This is how St Paul contextualizes it for the Corinthians, “You are well aware of the generosity which our Lord Jesus Christ had that, although he was rich, he became poor for your sake, so that you should become rich through his poverty” (2 Cor 8:9). To this end he exhorts the Christians to follow in the Master’s footsteps for an equitable distribution and sharing of wealth; “There should be a fair balance – your surplus at present may fill their deficit, and another time, their surplus may fill your deficit, so there may be a fair balance as scripture says, No one who had collected more had too much, and no one who collected

less had too little” (2 Cor 8:14-15).

The teachings of the Second Vatican Council echo those of scripture. Regarding evangelical (voluntary) poverty this is what it says. “Poverty, voluntarily embraced in imitation of Christ provides a witness which is highly esteemed ... Religious ought to be poor in both fact and spirit ... they should aim at giving a kind of corporate witness to their poverty ... let them avoid every appearance of luxury, of excessive wealth, and accumulation of possessions” (PC 13).

What was addressed to the Religious was also said to the secular clergy, “Priests are invited to embrace voluntary poverty. By it they will be more clearly likened to Christ, and become more devoted to the sacred ministry” (PO 17). Even the laity is exhorted to “be free from enslavement to wealth, they should aspire for those riches which remain forever ... Following Jesus who was poor, they are neither depressed by the lack of temporal goods, nor puffed up by their abundance” (AA 4).



Dr. Christy Fernandez

It is in this light that we need to see Pope Francis’ exhortation to be a church of the poor and for the poor (but certainly not to remain poor). He is leading by example, living in a two room guest house, using a small car that can hardly take his large frame, and exhorting priests and nuns to cycle. How many have followed his example is a moot point though.

Vatican II also addresses the question of socio-economic disparity. It says “Many in various places even make light of social laws and precepts, and do not hesitate to resort to various frauds and deceptions in avoiding just taxes or other debts to society” (GS 30). Further, “Human freedom is often crippled when a man falls into ex-

treme poverty, just as it withers when he indulges in too many of life’s comforts and imprisons himself in a kind of splendid isolation” (GS 31). It says that sometimes “Economic growth intensifies inequalities, resulting in a contempt for the poor” (GS 63); and continues that “Luxury and misery rub shoulders. While the few enjoy great freedom of choice, the many are deprived of almost all possibility ... and often subsist in living and working conditions unworthy of human beings” (GS 63).

I would sum up this “debate” by saying that while evangelical poverty is a virtue, circumstantial poverty is a curse that needs to be eradicated. Obviously this is not possible without economic growth and development, including business and entrepreneurship, as promoted by the CCCI. As I said at the meet, “Making money is the easiest thing in the world. It depends on how you earn it, and how you spend it”.

It would be unjust of me to end this “debate” without a reference to Dr Crasta. He is a PhD in organic chemistry, and was earlier dealing in laboratory equipments. However, after the Kargil War of 1999, he felt the urge to upgrade his production to environment simulation products, where he simulates various high temperatures, pressure, humidity and other parameters. His research and development work has made 48 Defence Research Development Organisations, not just in India, but even in other countries, seek his technical expertise and products. They are used from high tech areas like missile technology to something as mundane as anti corrosion for car doors.

With good people like Drs Jacob Crasta and Christy Fernandez around, and the CCCI supporting them, I am sure that we are firmly set on the path of poverty alleviation and universal prosperity.



chhotebhai

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by Marcia D'Cunha*

The "Proclaimers"? Couldn't we have a more musical name?

When I joined the choir way back in 1987, I wanted to use my advertising skills to re-craft the name. Until I discovered that this was a choir with a mission – to proclaim Christ's death-resurrection. In the initially 100-strong choir, I met singers from Borivli, Bandra, Jacob's Circle, Marine Lines, Mira Road, Marol, Mulund and Vashi. If there was one thing that bound us all together, it was the knowledge that we were proclaiming the Paschal Mystery. That's why we were never performers, but instruments of the liturgy. With them, my journey of discovery began - of liturgy, of music, of choirs and of this amazing teacher!

Unison singing for congregational participation? Or choral recitals?

Post Vatican II, choirs were changing rapidly. The new mantra was people's participation and choirs that sang old Latin masses were challenged to get the congregation to sing along. Did that mean we had to give up singing in harmony, I wondered? Not necessarily, explained Father Aniceto, as he arranged music, to allow the 5th voice – the voice of the people in a simple, easy-to-sing melody. The Proclaimers gave over a 100 programmes not only in Bombay but also in Belgaum, Hubli, Dharwar, Hyderabad, Secunderabad, Baroda, Jhansi, Jabalpur, Pune, Lonavala, Agra and Shimla. Everywhere, the melody line was the fifth voice and it didn't matter that there were few singers in this group. We knew the people would sing with us. In truth, we weren't at our best, without the congregations we sang with.

Choir practices—more than just about music!

It was an ethereal experience singing in a choir with so many beautiful voices. Every session began with fellowship over a cup of tea and mouth-watering snacks (which we'd never want to miss) followed by a half hour input on Liturgy. Initially, the only-in-it-for-the-music types like me, considered these 30 minutes a waste. Thirty years later, we realize how precious were those sessions on the liturgy – its laws and structure, its seasons and sacraments. Slowly but surely, we were formed and transformed, into not just singers but Proclaimers. Edlyn D'Souza, cantor at the Merciful Redeemer parish, Mississauga, Canada, recounts, "Father Aniceto's 'Crumbs from the Master's Table' changed and enhanced my participation at the Eucharist. I now more clearly participated through my understanding of the Interior Attitudes: Praise, Memorialization, Covenant, Passover and their role in the Eucharist. I also learnt about Jesus' presence in Time. This

gives meaning to my desire to meet Jesus by being present at His death and resurrection at every Mass."

Teaching simple people with no exposure to the classics

Most of our choir members started out with only a love for music and little or no musical knowledge. Father Aniceto moulded us into musically literate choir leaders, with a new taste and interest in the classics. "He took me in his choir when I was down and out after my husband's death," recalls Maryanne D'Mello of Our Lady of Health, Sahar. "I had no musical background but Father Aniceto made my life meaningful with his sessions in liturgical studies and music."

Give God the best you have and the best will come back to you!

Old outdated music which you wouldn't even sing in the wedding hall ought not to be recycled and sung during Wedding masses. Father Aniceto helped us to explore the treasures of the classics: the Gregorian chant, the fugue, canon... And soon with a little help, we found that, be it Mendelssohn or Mozart, we could Handel them all! In fact the Proclaimers took simple ordinary songs and did extraordinary things with them. Many like me were in the choir for 13 or more years and our taste for good music matured like vintage wine.

A complete U-turn in our thinking – the need of the hour

Our hymns were carefully chosen, not just for their tuneful melodies or prayerful harmonies but for the richness of their lyrics. The Word became all-important to us. Our music made it come alive. And so it was that the psalm was the first hymn we practised, given its strategic place in the Liturgy of the Word. Acclamations were all-important. Sneha Mascarenhas who sings at Saint Albertus Magnus Church in Dusseldorf, Germany recalls, "During my years with the Proclaimers, Father Aniceto taught us not only simple liturgical hymns each

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with beautiful harmony but the meaning and importance of every part of the Mass. It is through his teachings that I understood that we who sing and lead choirs are responsible, not just for how we sing but also for the kind of hymns we choose, to ensure that the hymns enhance the Liturgy."

Singer-turned-inspirational Choir Director!

The Proclaimers were a breeding ground for leaders who were now empowered with a new confidence and equipped with the skills, to take charge or give new direction to their own parish choirs. From him we learnt how to lead our own choirs more efficiently. We learnt democracy: how to create space for diverse talents through occasional solos, duets, quartets; how to give more people a chance to conduct or play the keyboard; in essence we learnt how to build a more committed group.

Hazel Toscano, Choir Director and Conductor of Saint Pius X, Mulund, says, "I owe all that I have learnt in liturgy and music to him, and have taken back to my parish a wealth of liturgical music. More importantly, I have instilled in my parish choir his teaching that a good liturgical choir should only lead, not dominate, thus enhancing the services by encouraging congregational participation." Says Father Donald Rodrigues, a Seminarian during our Proclaimer days and currently at Our Lady of Egypt, Kalina, "Whenever I hear a beautiful liturgical choir, I try to meet the person in charge. It's generally a Proclaimer." Ladislaus L D'Souza of Our Lady of Lourdes, Orlem, reminisces his time with the Proclaimers. "I always had a keen desire to 'conduct' a choir but never dreamt of doing so in reality until Father Aniceto offered me a chance to conduct the Proclaimers for pieces like Ring out your joy, Blessed are you Lord..., Holy, Holy, You are a

chosen generation etc. during our presentations in parishes. That led to my conducting the Saint Mary's Orthodox Syrian Church Sunday School Choir on Doordarshan in 1987 and a huge choir at Holy Cross, Lower Parel for its patronal feast Mass the same year! 'You conduct with a flourish, Laddy!' he'd say."



1987, we got to see for ourselves his mind at work. A priest in our parish, the late Father Roque Aroz had pointed out to Fr Aniceto (the preacher at our Triduum) that people's participation was missing in the priest/deacon's song to the Easter Candle. Right there in front of us, Father Aniceto borrowed manuscript sheets and plotted out the music, even as we watched amazed. "Stay true to Scripture." "Don't borrow melodies from second-rate pop songs," he spoke as he wrote. That Easter night, Saint John's quadrangle 'resounded with joy' and 'darkness vanished forever' as choir and people participated in the Exsultet for the very first time!

Watching him at work, many of us, with his encouragement, made our own forays into writing and musical composition. Maureen Pereira of Holy Cross, Kurla shares, "He published my first attempt at a melody for Psalm 84 and en-

couraged me to write out myself, the music score of the Anthem I created for the Women's Commission."

The glow turns golden!

Father Aniceto was our friend, philosopher, counsellor and even banker when the need arose. Ever approachable, despite his busy, almost punishing schedule, he offered a truly Christian solution to every problem, personal or pastoral. Charmaine Moraes of Saint Francis Xavier's, Vile Parle writes, "Had I any question on liturgy, I knew the answer was just a phone call away. I'm a part of his choir even now and his prolific mind produces new masterpieces every day." Merlyn Fernandes of Saint Pius Mulund recounts, "A teacher affects eternity: one

can never tell where his influence stops.' Father Aniceto has been that teacher who helped discover the real me. I am deeply indebted to him for having given me the confidence, the guidance and the opportunity to use my talents for God's kingdom."

How easy is it to compose a hymn?

At Saint John's, Thane during the Holy Week Services of



This year Father Aniceto Nazareth completes Golden years in the ordained ministry.

The Proclaimers who disbanded in the year 2000, have spontaneously come together again. To acknowledge the legacy he has bequeathed to our Archdiocese and pay tribute to his liturgical acumen and musical genius! Above all, our programme, 'O Sing to the Chief Musician' at 5 pm on 16 October 2016, at Saint Pius X College Chapel, is a thanksgiving to God for the gift of this genial priest to the Universal Church. 13 choirs including the Proclaimers will be in attendance. Don't miss the opportunity. Register with Maryanne 9820572025 or Marcia 9820448542 and feast on his music for 3 mesmerizing hours!

**Marcia D'Cunha is a former Secretary of the Archdiocesan Women's Commission and sang with The Proclaimers for 13 years*

United Artists Band celebrates St. Padre Pio Feast with Jubilation.....



The United Artists Band (UAB) Mangalore, participated in the St. Padre Pio Annual Festival Celebrations at Divine Mercy Retreat Centre, part of St. Ann's Capuchin Friary at Bejai in the city on Sunday, 25th September 2016.

The event began with the welcome music, procession on the streets of the Holy Relic of St. Padre Pio, festive mass celebrations & a fellowship blessed dinner.

UAB team participated in the same, along with the Superior of the Capuchins Rev Dr. Melwin Paul Dsouza, former Superior Rev Fr. Cyprian Peter Dsouza, the entire capuchin father's community & the large congregation of the people from the city.

The program which was well attended, with a huge gathering of people etc., thus spreading the joy, happiness & teamspirit among all present.

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Catholic “Martyrs” Are Hard To Make

Martyrdom for the faith in the eyes of the Catholic Church becomes a lasting treasure of imperative value – an act of “perfect charity” which gives the victim an immediate place in paradise. Fr. Jaques Hamel the French priest who was brutally murdered, died a “martyrs death” earlier this year : should we pray to him, or pray for him?

The 85-year-old Fr. Hamel had his throat slit by two Muslim fanatics linked to ISIS. Fr. Hamel was celebrating Sunday Mass at the Gothic cathedral in Rouen when the brutal incident took place. A week later Muslims in a show of unity attended the Mass at the Cathedral – they were Ahmadiyya Muslims, a small sect that differs from the mainstream of Islam.

What makes a martyr has become a debatable question in the log book of Christian theology. The Catholic Church places martyrs in a very revered place on the altar. The violent attack of murder on the French priest has raised a theological votery of squibbling, which has come to the front of the Church this millennium.

Fr. Hamel, on all counts was a simple priest, pious, humble and God-fearing who surrendered his life for the Faith in Christ Jesus. The definition of a martyr : One who dies for the faith and because of that faith has suffered the characteristic “willingness to accept his death”, dies a martyr. Archbishop Anthony Fisher of Sydney, who is a member of the Congregation for the Doctrine of Faith, said in a homily that Fr. Hamel can be compared to Saint Stephen.

Saint Stephen, who was stoned to death is called the first Christian martyr. The reason being that John the Baptist and the others died before the Lord’s Resurrection. Pope Gregory



BY MELVYN BROWN

In the book of martyrology, the Holy Innocents are included as martyrs – and they were all babies. Saint Thomas Aquinas stated that God had given the children a “special grace of martyrdom”.

XIII praised England’s Reformation martyrs in the 16th century. The same martyrs were beatified in 1886.

Ignatius of Antioch who lived in the 1st century AD, when it was under the domination of the Romans, had been arrested for preaching Christ and was sentenced to die. Many Christians wanted to appeal for mercy and to beg for his release from impending death.

“Please, my Christian brothers, “ he pleaded, “do not ask for my pardon. Let me be executed. Allow me to become food for the wild beasts.” He had pleaded to die for the Faith. (CCC. 1258). He was made a martyr.

Martyrdom is the supreme witness given to the truth of the Faith : it means bearing witness even unto death. The martyr bears witness to Christ who died and rose, to whom he is united by charity. He endures death through an act of fortitude. (CCC.2473).

During the Reformation when news arrived of a new martyr for the Faith, priests and seminarians would sing the Te Deum.

I once read that the traditional meaning of martyrdom was complex. It depends on three things according to the Congregation for the Causes of Saints: 1. A horrible death. 2. Being killed out of hate for the Faith and 3. Voluntary acceptance of death.

It is not certain, today, if the theologians on examination of Fr. Hamel’s execution will permit his canonization. At the same time, the full picture of his murder has yet to emerge; we cannot be certain. Archbishop Anthony Fisher had clearly said that Fr. Hamel had died “ in odium fidei “.

In the Gospel of Matthew 10:28 “Do not fear those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul” (The horrible death). Next: In the Gospel of John 16:2 “Indeed, an hour is coming when those who kill you will think that by doing so they are offering worship to God.” (Out of hate for the Faith). The third attribute: Acts 21:13.”For I am ready not only to be bound but even to die in Jerusalem for the name of the Lord Jesus” (prepared to die).

Circulating on Twitter is the disgust shown by people for the barbaric and horrific killing of a good man, an anointed one of the Lord. You will read on Twitter : “Santosubito” which means, make him a saint immediately. Let us pray for Fr. Jaques Hamel. “Santosubito”.

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Institutionalising Violence!

The famed Swedish sculptor Carl Frederik Reuterswärd (who died in May this year) has made one of the most powerful symbols of 'Non-Violence'. It's a large replica in bronze of a .45 calibre revolver with a twisted barrel, (also known as the knotted gun) to symbolize peace and non-violence. In 1988, it was gifted by the Government of Luxembourg to the United Nations and it stands today at the UN Headquarters in New York.



BY FR. CEDRIC PRAKASH SJ

October 2nd, is here once again. It is the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi (born in 1869) and since 2007 the day has also been designated by the United Nations as "The International Day of Non-Violence". Gandhi, led India to freedom in 1947 but he also pioneered the philosophy and strategy of non-violence. He propagated the twin doctrine of 'ahimsa' (non-violence) and 'satyagraha' (the force of truth). Unfortunately, Gandhi was killed for the very causes he so fervently espoused; on January 30th 1948, he was assassinated by a right-wing fanatic giving credence to Gandhi's immortal words "there are many causes I would die for; there is not a single cause I would kill for!"

According to General Assembly resolution of 15 June 2007, which established the commemoration, 'the International Day of Non-violence' is an occasion to "disseminate the message of non-violence, including through education and public awareness". The resolution reaffirms "the universal relevance of the principle of non-violence" and the desire "to secure a culture of peace, tolerance, understanding and non-violence".

Never before has the world yearned for non-violence as it does today. The Global Peace Index (GPI) has used three important indicators to gauge the levels of peace and non-violence in 163 Countries of the world; these are (i) Militarisation (ii) Society & Security and (iii). Domestic and International Conflict.

Syria of course ranks last! The conflict which is in its sixth year – has resulted in the deaths of thousands; mil-

lions have fled what they once called home- either becoming refugees or IDPs. The brutal and largely indiscriminate bombings these past weeks, have hogged the headlines the world over. Sadly, no solution seems to be in sight and the blood-letting continues. Several other parts of the Middle East seem to have accepted violence as a way of life. Many other countries from across the globe, from Asia to Africa to South America are today caught in the web of violence; in a vicious circle as each act of violence begets an even deadlier one.

A few days ago, after the killing of a black American by a white Police Officer, in Charlotte US, the tearful yet very powerful testimony of a little girl Zianna Oliphant, went viral on social media. "Please don't kill our fathers and mothers", she pleaded, "we need them by our sides!". A moving message highlighting what discrimination and violence can do to any society. According to the US Gun Violence Statistics, 'more than 30,000 people are killed by firearms each year in the US'. And this is just one type of violence that has gripped society there.

India is ranked 141 in the GPI! Certainly no credit to a country that has given birth to Gandhi. Acts of violence seems to have become the order of the day, across India. At the receiving end of this are the dalits (lower-castes), the adivasis (tribals), and the minorities. Women and children suffer the most. Cow vigilantes and other right-wing forces have taken law and order in their own hand and killed innocent people. Children of corporate bigwigs can run over poor people sleeping on the pavements and get away with it. A good part of the violence seems to have the complicity of the Government or its tacit approval.

The recent posturing of war both by India and Pakistan, does not augur well for peace in the subcontinent. The people of these countries do not want war (a petition to this effect has been signed by several citizens). India today is the second biggest buyer of warfare in the world. The same companies, the same countries will happily sell arms and am-



munition to Pakistan too.

An International Day of Non Violence will make sense, if the arms and ammunition industry, the mercenaries and arms smugglers are addressed, contained and even stopped. The business is lucrative, generating huge profits and also benefitting politicians and other vested interests, from across the spectrum. Many of them have no qualms of conscience, as they happily watch innocent blood being spilled.

Non-violence is certainly about actions, but also about our attitudes and articulations: the way we look at the other; the way we accept him/her. It is about our ability and courage that we stop the institutionalisation of violence and to ensure that our world becomes more just, more humane, more inclusive and more peaceful!

The idea behind the knotted (twisted) gun was also to honour John Lennon, (who was gunned down in 1980) for his vision of a world at peace. At the time of his death John Lennon was one of the most public advocates for peace and non-violence and in many of his songs, both as part of the famous pop group 'The Beatles', and together with his wife Yoko Ono, the lyrics focused on the vision of a world without violence. Here are the final lyrics of his most famous song, Imagine:

*"Imagine all the people living life in peace
You may say that I'm a dreamer
But I am not the only one
I hope someday you'll join us
And the world will live as one."*

May the blood of Mahatma Gandhi and John Lennon, inspire us in the building a more non-violent world!

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China tightens grip on religion

The Chinese government has released a set of proposed amendments to its rules regulating religious affairs, as President Xi Jinping attempts to exert even greater control over how religion is practised.

The new set of amendments, released to the public on 7 Sep. for a one-month consultation period, includes guidelines on religious education, the types of religious organisations that can exist, where they can exist and the activities they can organise.

Yu Zhengsheng, Chairman of the Chinese People's Political Consultative Conference, emphasised the need for provincial officials to have a better overall understanding of religion, so that they are better able to resist "foreign" religions. (The idea of resisting "foreign" religions is generally taken as an attack on Christianity, which is considered a product of the West, promulgated by foreign powers with the intention of destabilising Chinese "harmony").

Bangladeshi Catholics reflect on challenges of family life

Catholics at a pastoral meeting in Dhaka have discussed ways to overcome the social and pastoral challenges that families in the Muslim-majority country face in today's world.

Entitled "Love in the Family: Joy for the Church," the seminar's topics included the joyful experience of love in the family; our family — the domestic church; families participating in the mission of the church; spirituality of mixed married life; and care for the family in the parish.

About 300 Catholics from parishes across Dhaka Archdiocese attended the pastoral gathering at St. Mary's Cathedral Sept. 22-24.

Former priests launch illicit 'rent a priest' service in Kerala

Kochi: Former Catholic priests in the southern Indian state of Kerala have launched an illicit "rent a priest" service to meet the spiritual requirements of Catholics who do not avail of services from their parishes.

The service aims to help Catholics who have been critical of their parish priests to hire former priests listed with the association called Association of Catholic Priests, Ex-Priests and Nuns.

Former priests in this association provide spiritual services, including administering sacraments.

According to Catholic practice, a priest who has left the priesthood is not supposed to administer sacraments or celebrate Mass for the public. Although the sacraments administered are valid, the acts are considered illicit as the former priests have had their rights to do so revoked.

Bengaluru's closed church reopens, new priest appointed

Bengaluru: A Catholic church in Bengaluru that was closed more than five months ago because of a controversy has been reopened and the local archbishop has appointed a new pastor a day before a deadline set by a court ended.

Archbishop Bernard Moras of Bangalore on September 28 appointed archdiocesan financial administrator Fr Martin Kumar as the temporary parish

priest of St. Paul the Hermit Church at Nagenahalli, a northern suburb in the capital of Karnataka state.

On September 20, the Karnataka High Court had directed Archbishop Moras to reopen the church on September 26 and to depute a priest by September 29 to start services in the church and to serve the parishioners' pastoral needs.

The 75-year-old prelate had closed the church on April 21 after its parishioners defied his order and unveiled the bust of a controversial priest.

Minister apprised of minority anxieties over education policy

New Delhi: A delegation of religious minority leaders in India met federal Human Resources Development Minister Prakash Javadekar on September 29 to apprise him of their anxieties regarding the national educational policy.

Bishop Theodore Mascarenhas, secretary general of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of India (CBCI), and Fr. Savarimuthu Y. Shankar, spokesperson of the Archdiocese of Delhi were part of the delegation comprising Christian, Muslim, Sikh and other minorities. Kamal Farooqui, a Muslim political leader, led the delegation.

The minister allowed every member to express their opinions, suggestions and anxieties regarding the national education policy during the two-hour meeting, a CBCI press note says.

Bishop Mascarenhas highlighted the immense contribution made by the minorities, particularly Christians, in nation building through education and healthcare.

The prelate also explained the concerns of the Catholic Church about the education policy and handed over the document prepared by the CBCI Office for Education and Culture.

If you are in God's plan to be Bertram, Wow, but I am jealous

by Rotarian - Calwyn D'Abreo

"Seek to do good, and you will find that happiness will run after you. No matter where and what you are, be a sinner or a saint."

- Freeman Clarke - 1810-1888, Theologian and Author

Bertram D;Souza, Bandra boy from a near to astute and sapient family on one of the by roads of the Salsette Society now allowing for family inheritance to make him the Howard Hughes of our times but without the hoi polio panache of digital and obsessive night riding is under observation.

The neighborly human bi pedal watchdog in that serene near the sea side area who has an inborn talent to peep into what's on your clothes drying line , appraising others, their lives and their menstrual calendar besides being a voyeyr of sorts finds it difficult to spy on Bertram. No news about the wherewithal and talents of Bertram makes the gossip gander fail the grade as she encourages dialog outside A1 bakery on Hill Road for an after mass communion of people and acid reflux.

But then Bertram is a God man rather.... an acolyte before the church altar and the decades of the rosary is like sodium electrolyte in his system. He is in and as if in total consonance with the Infinite Intelligence where in we have been taught to call this source energy , God or Divine Spirit.

Being a bachelor of a boy man construction with youth on his face and a shoe size that is nine to the toe Bertram has never known of pomposity and the bitter antidote of quinine for a mosquito bite.

He is nonchalant and exhibits a feeling of appearing casually calm and relaxed; not displaying anxiety, inter-

est, or enthusiasm. Like a Gregorian monk on a sabbatical from the cellar.

In any form of appraisal Bertram is observed as a really happy person... like someone who is building a popular mechanics magazine boat in his garage , writing a symphony for the next parish zonal talent contest for a play titled 'Tea House Of The August Moon' and the character Sakina would do an imitation of Mario Lanza, the opera singer. He also believes he can plant a row of double bouquet garden phlox - flowers that distribute themselves like rosary beads. Or Bertram could look for sparrow eggs on the guava tree next to his window. Bertram is never I believe striving for a goal and in the heat of the day dousing himself with water and inebriation like his other golfing partners.

Bertram is the pure , Mormon like , natural remedy for many to imitate. And his heart is that of a juvenile caretaker where brawn is not required but the grit and fire to do good to others so that the recipient can benefit.

And this is what happened. An evening at the St Andrew's Church Virgin grotto and Bertram overhearing a conversation of a local Church guardian mention about how a young man aspiring to do his MBBS was meant to appear for a viva voce test and writing an exam paper for a medical college in the south of the country to get an admission and a seat to study to become a medical Doctor.

The young man was also offered a freeship for his scholastics but they had to see him, first.

The problem was that the candidate had no money to travel to this destination though he had all the other qualifications in tow. Bertram asked the vox populi in station where the boy lived.

This news was going to become a casualty very soon if not acted upon,

thought Bertram.

Post the Rosary at the Grotto ,Bertram went home....I believe he said a prayer for guidance and left his apartment built on his ancestral plot and made a bee line for the address of the residence of the boy candidate and a future MBBS . Bertram hoped things went well with his plans all the while asking for divine intervention and infinite intelligence to broker the action to be taken.

Bertram knocked on C-115 , in Pali village, a ground floor residence of three cubicle rooms all attached with an Atlas cycle leaning against a flower pot with egg shells above the soil of the potted plant meant to act as calcium and manure. The door opened with a frail 'uncle ' like demeanor of a man. " Yes, what you want , Don is not at home. He has gone to Pali bazaar."

And the drama began. One foot on the big step of the entrance and the conversation went like this.

" Good evening Uncle. You must be the father of the boy who wants to be a medical Doctor.

Is he there..." My name is Bertie and I would like to talk to him. "

"I am not the father I am his grandfather....his father died when Don was 12 years old." Said the man.

"You have job for him. He has given application for job at Holy Family Hospital"

He has the first class marks in college for his exams in science."

Though grandpa's words and sentences were more colloquial than the Bandra buzzwords in the villages that yet exist Bertie had a sense of pride being a Bandraite as he now asked if he could come into the hall portion of the house.

A few minutes later in walked a tall , lanky ,young , gawky, sober looking as if all he needed was a clerical collar college kid. He nodded his head in silent acknowledgement and walked into the inside room. *(To be contd...)*

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the source of peace, love, joy, trust, and abundant generosity, you will also be the recipient of those gifts.

Universal laws of prosperity

Just as our Universe has natural laws such as motion and gravity, there are also spiritual laws that govern all the energy. These laws are called the 12 universal laws. The Universe exists in perfect harmony with these Laws

These universal truths apply to you no matter where you are in life or what mistakes you've made in the past. So read them, apply them, and watch the magic happen in your life!

Each of the Universal Laws is very powerful and they all work together, all of the time, to create your life, whether you know you are working with them or not. As you gain a fuller understanding of the laws, you will see how they are all related and overlap each other and govern the world we live in.

The Law of divine oneness: Everything that exists, seen and unseen, is connected to each other, inseparable from each other to a field of divine oneness. We are all brothers and sisters with a divine nature, and our every action will affect another person in some way, whether this is happening directly or indirectly.

The law of vibration: Modern scientific studies in quantum physics have proven that the Universe and everything in it are pure energy vibrating at different frequencies. Our thoughts, feelings, visions, desires, dreams, emotions, words, and will attract and resonate with energies with similar fre-

quency levels.

The law of action: Success doesn't just happen, but it will happen when you put your effort and being persistence. This does not mean you need to struggle, but you do put in attention and effort to manifest your intentions.

The Law of correspondence: This law says as it is on the inside so shall



it be on the outside. In other words, your outside world is reflecting back to you exactly as you are on the inside. For instance, a positive attitude will enable you to perform better in any area of life. It also says that if you don't like the world in which your living, it's up to you and only you, to change it.

The Law of cause and effect: Every action, thought or word, has an equal and opposite reaction or consequence. "We reap what we sow."

The law of compensation: When we talk about this Universal Law of Compensation, we are talking about any blessing given to us in return for our deeds, our words, our thoughts, or feelings. For instance, when you are

The law of attraction: The law of attraction states that every positive or negative event that happened to you was attracted by you. Every time we think a thought, every time we speak a word, the Universe is listening and responding to us. Moreover, this Universal Law of Attraction states that people and their thoughts are both made from energy and the belief that similar energies attract each other.

The law of polarity: The Law of Polarity states that everything that exists has an opposite. Dark and light, love and hate, happiness and sadness, health and sickness, success and failure, one cannot exist without the other. Without one, the other would not exist and one is created out of the absence of the other. These polarities, or polar opposites all work together for the greater good.

The Law of rhythm: Everything in the Universe vibrates and moves in certain rhythms. These rhythms form the patterns and cycles we see in our lives. Each cycle reflects the regularity of the Universe. With this awareness, we can preserve and eliminate negative impact and keep yourself to raise on top of the challenge.

The law of gender: The last Universal Law states that everything in nature has a feminine and masculine. It takes both sides to create or to produce in nature. Additionally, all our hopes and dreams, all our goals need a period of gestation and growth before reaching maturity. Persistence and patience are essential to succeed in any endeavor, and many give up right before the goal is reached.



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PUNE : Tamilian Roman Catholic Spinster, (Born in August 1972), Ht. 5' 4", Wt. 65 kgs, Fair Complexion, Edn. M.Com., HRD, MPN, working for WNS. **(Regd. No. 6225)**

MUMBAI : Mangalorean Roman Catholic Spinster, (Born in November 1982), Ht. 5' 5", Wheatish Complexion, Edn. B.E. Elex / Telecom. Working as Technical Support Engineer in a Software Company. **(Regd. No. 6233)**

DUBAI : Mangalorean Roman Catholic Spinster, (Born in September 1989), Ht. 5' 5", Wt. 65 kgs, Wheatish Complexion, Edn. BMS, MBA Finance, working as a Bank Officer in Dubai. **(Regd. No. 6256)**

MUMBAI : Mangalorean Roman Catholic Spinster, (Born in October 1989), Ht. 5' 6", Fair Complexion, Edn. BMS, working as a Sr. Associate. **(Regd. No. 6266)**

MUMBAI : Mangalorean Born again Christian Spinster, (Born in July 1987), Ht. 5' 3", Wt. 60 kgs, Wheatish Complexion, Edn. M. Com., working in Dubai. **(Regd. No. 6271)**

MUMBAI : Goan Roman Catholic Spinster, (Born in August 1989), Ht. 5' 4", Wt. 57 kgs, Fair Complexion, Edn. M.A., working in Private Firm. **(Regd. No. 6269)**

MUMBAI : Mahrastrian Protestant Spinster, (Born in January 1986) Ht. 5' 4", Fair Complexion, good looking, Edn. B.A. LL.B., Advocate by profession. **(Regd. No. 6268)**

MUMBAI : Mangalorean Born again Christian Spinster, (Born in July 1987), Ht. 5' 3", Wt. 60 kgs, Wheatish Complexion, Edn. M. Com., working in Dubai. **(Regd. No. 6271)**

MUMBAI : Mangalorean Roman Catholic Spinster, (Born in May 1987), Ht. 5', Wt. 50 kgs, Fair Complexion, Edn. B.Com., Service. **(Regd. No. 6282)**

MUMBAI : Mangalorean Roman Catholic Spinster, (Born in August 1983), Ht. 5' 2", Wt. 70 kgs, Fair Complexion, Edn. M.Com., working as a Sr. Secretary. **(Regd. No. 6281)**

LONDON : East Indian Roman Catholic Spinster, (Born in August 1977), Ht. 5' 2", Wt. 55 kgs, Fair Complexion, good looking, Edn. B.Pharm (Mumbai), M.Sc. (London) working for MNC in London. U.K. Citizenship. **(Regd. No. 6286)**

MUMBAI : Mangalorean Roman Catholic Spinster, (Born in May 1991), Ht. 5' 4", Wt. 47 kgs, Fair Complexion, Edn. T.Y. B.A / D.Ed., Teacher by profession. Only Child. **(Regd. No. 6285)**

MUMBAI : Mangalorean Roman Catholic Spinster, (Born in August 1989), Ht. 5' 1", Wt. 54 kgs, Fair Complexion, Edn. M.A., working as a HR & Admin., **(Regd. No. 6288)**

MUMBAI : RC Spinster, (Born in December 1985), Ht. 5', Wheatish Complexion, Edn. Masters in Life Sciences Working as a Manager in a leading Pharmaceutical MNC. **(Regd. No. 6287)**

MUMBAI : East Indian Roman Catholic Spinster, (Born in December 1990), Ht. 5' 5", Wt. 60 kgs, Fair Complexion, Beautiful, Edn. Graduate, BMS., working in Mumbai as a Hairstylist. **(Regd. No. 6293)**

MUMBAI : Tamilian RC Spinster, (Born in October 1989), Ht. 5', Wt. 65 kgs, Wheatish Complexion, Edn. B.Com., Working in Hospital in Administrative. **(Regd. No. 6291)**

MUMBAI : RC Goan Spinster, B.E. - Computer Engineering & MBA, Working as a Software Engineer - Sr. Analyst for reputed MNC in Pune but has permanent residence in Mumbai. (Born in October 1988) 5 ft., wheatish. **(Regd. No. 6296)**

U.S.A. : Mangalorean RC Spinster, (Born in January 1988), Ht. 5' 6", Wt. 54 kgs, Wheatish Complexion, Edn. Engineering, working as a Software Engineer in California. **(Regd. No. 6308)**

MUMBAI : Mangalorean RC Spinster, (Born in April 1988), Ht. 5' 4", Wt. 58 kgs, Fair Complexion, Edn. Chartered Accountant, working as a Manager in Bank. **(Regd. No. 6306)**

MUMBAI : Goan RC Spinster, (Born in October 1985), Ht. 5' 6", Wt. 84 kgs, Wheatish Complexion, Edn. B.E. (Electronics), working as a Sr. Consultants. **(Regd. No. 6305)**

MUMBAI : Mangalorean RC spinster, (Born in September 1990), Ht. 5' Wt. 55 kgs, Wheatish Complexion, Edn. M.Com., working as a Sr. Executive. **(Regd. No. 6304)**

MUMBAI : Karwari RC Spinster, (Born in February 1983), Ht. 5' 2", Wt. 57 kgs, Fair Complexion, Edn. CA, working as a Manager in Nationalised Bank. **(Regd. No. 6303)**

MUMBAI : Karwari RC Spinster, (Born in July 1974), looks young, Ht. 5' 2", Wt. 59 kgs, Fair Complexion, Edn. MBA, working as a Manager in Petroleum Company. **(Regd. No. 6302)**

MUMBAI : Mangalorean RC Spinster, (Born in March 1989), Ht. 5' 2", Wt. 50 kgs, Wheatish Complexion, Edn. M.A., Teacher by profession. **(Regd. No. 6316)**

MUMBAI : Tamilian Protestant Spinster, (Born in December 1986), Ht. 5' 1", Wt. 48 kgs, Wheatish Complexion, Edn. Post

Graduate, working as a manager in bank. **(Regd. No. 6315)**

MUMBAI : Keralite Roman Catholic Divorcee, (Born in December 1987), Ht. 5' 6", Wt. 55 kgs, Fair Complexion, Edn. M.Sc. Computer Science, working as a Software Engineer. **(Regd. No. 6314)**

MUMBAI : Maharashtrian Methodist Protestant spinster, (Born in October 1992), Beautiful, Ht. 5' 2", Wt. 52 kgs, Wheatish Complexion, Edn. M.Tech. ail.com OR 9881441774 / 9969227598 **(Regd. No. 6313)**

MUMBAI : Karnataka Methodist Protestant Spinster, (Born in June 1986), Ht. 4' 8", Wt. 55 kgs, Wheatish Complexion, Edn. B.Tech, working as a Deputy Manager in HDFC - IT Industries. **(Regd. No. 6312)**

BAHRAIN : Born and brought up in Bahrain Keralite Roman Catholic Spinster, (Born in September 1990), Ht. 5' 4", Wt. 56 kgs, Fair Complexion, Edn. Holding Master Degree. **(Regd. No. 6311)**

MUMBAI : Goan RC Spinster, (Born in May 1982), Ht. 5' 2", Wt. 60 kgs, Fair Complexion, Edn. B.Com., Teacher by profession. **(Regd. No. 6329)**

6325-R. MUMBAI : Mangalorean RC Spinster, (Born in July 1986), Ht. 163 cms, Wt. 62kgs, Fair Complexion, Edn. M.D. (Ophthalmology) Doctor by profession. **(Regd. No. 6325)**

MUMBAI : Goan RC Spinster, (Born in December 1986), Ht. 5', Wt. 50 kgs, Wheatish Complexion, Edn. HSC (Beautician Course), Beautician by profession. **(Regd. No. 6323)**

MUMBAI : Mangalorean RC Spinster, (Born in August 1990), Ht. 5' 2", Wt. 56 kgs, Wheatish Complexion, Edn. B.A., working in Family business. **(Regd. No. 6339)**

MUMBAI : Goan RC Spinster, (Born in March 1992), Ht. 5' 3", Wt. 45 kgs, Fair Complexion, Edn. Graduate, Management, working as a Travel Consultant. Only Child. **(Regd. No. 6338)**

M.P. : Protestant Christian Divorcee, (Born in July 1980), Ht. 5' 3", Wt. 52 kgs, Wheatish Complexion, Edn. B.E. (Computer Science), MBA (HR), working as a Senior Manager, MNC Mumbai. **(Regd. No. 6337)**

MUMBAI : RC Spinster, (Born in February 1986), Ht. 5', Wt. 47 kgs, Wheatish Complexion, Edn. F.Y. B.A., working for HR Firm. **(Regd. No. 6335)**

MUMBAI : Goan RC Spinster, (Born in May 1988), Ht. 5' 11", Wt. 60 kgs, Wheatish Complexion, Edn. MBBS, Doctor by profession. **(Regd. No. 6331)**

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