

PF/2019/3 December News Bulletin For Private Circulation only

My dear Sisters, Associates, Friends and Well Wishers,

Advent is a time when we prepare our hearts to welcome Jesus. This season invites us to assume an attitude of pilgrimage, of journeying towards Christ, who is the meaning and goal of history. Although we observe this holy season every year, let us ask ourselves: How can we adequately prepare for the birth of Jesus, the Word made Flesh who came into the world to save us? Despite the fact that even the best preparation is only a pittance compared to what Jesus has done and continues to do for us, the good news is that God can do amazing things with our pittance. Blessed Virgin Mary is a wonderful example to us in realizing God's plan through human cooperation. Mary's fiat reminds us that the greatest gifts we can give are those that come with no price tag: the gift of faith by sharing the Gospel with others and the gift of love by seeing Christ in the faces of those we encounter. Christmas reminds us that God's salvation, freely bestowed on all humanity does not act independently of our will, our

cooperation, our freedom and our daily efforts. God makes himself little. The inaccessible and uncreated One, in his infinite and overwhelming goodness, has taken a body and made himself little. In his goodness, he descends from his glory. Let us remember that Christmas is the feast of the great God who makes himself little and in his littleness he does not cease to be great.



The birth of Jesus fills us with joy and makes us certain that no sin will ever be greater than God's mercy; no act of ours can ever prevent the dawn of his divine light from rising ever anew in human hearts. Jesus was born in a social, political and religious situation marked by tension, unrest and gloom. His birth embodies the *divine logic* that does not halt before evil, but instead transforms it slowly but surely into goodness. Christmas gives us the certainty that God's light will continue to shine, despite our human misery.

Let us pray with St. Thomas Aquinas, "Grant me, O Lord my God, a mind to know you, a heart to seek you, wisdom to find you, conduct pleasing to you, faithful perseverance in waiting for you, and a hope of finally embracing you. As we celebrate God's incarnate love, let us be agents of that love to all whom we encounter.

Wish you all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year 2020. In union of Prayers,



St. Vincent's Home, Kidderpore

St. Paul's Boarding and Day School & St. Vincent's Home accommodated about twenty religious sisters & forty lay women who came to participate in The National Hindi SCC convention held at St. Xavier's School ground from 25th to 27th of October.

Month of November kept us busy with Parent-teacher meetings as well as other activities. YOU ARE NOT ALONE – A workshop on mental health was organized for students of VII to XII by LIVE LOVE & LAUGH Foundation in our school hall. Three days of concert by junior & senior students highlighted the strength of women, true joy a gift of God, loss of childhood – pressure to Become rather than to Be, care of the elderly etc. Save water save life, a musical presentation gave a strong messageits not too late to wake up, we can still save life, save future.



On 28th of November Boby Chakraborty actor & activist interacted with our students. This was a workshop towards leading a healthy life, against addiction of all sorts & against all types of harmful trends.

On 29th November a team of police from cyber cell spoke to our senior girls regarding harmful effects of social media and the dangerous crime that is happening on daily basis. Anybody can be the victim of the cyber bully they gave them tips to refrain from them.

Ten FCs from three Provinces of Mumbai, Rourkela & Kolkata attended the workshop on "Educational Rights of the Minorities" at Indian Social Institute, New Delhi.



Following topics were discussed at length:-Spirituality, Educational Constitutional Rights of Minorities, Labour Laws & Minority Institutions, Administration of Educational Minority Institutions, Constitutional Response to the challenges faced by the Minorities, Procedure to obtain Minority Status Certificate, New Education Policy and its implication, Sexual Harassment of Women at work place & the need of a safeguarding mechanism & POCSO and its implications on institutions, FCRA, Finance Management etc. Dr. M.P. Raju. Adv. Supreme Court, Ms. Rakshit Mishra, Adv. Delhi High Court, Fr. Ravi Sagar, Adv. Supreme Court, Sr. Tresa Paul, Supreme Court, Fr. Karayampuram, Adv. Supreme Court were some of the eminent resource persons during our workshop.



We will miss the years old bale tree from the provincialate garden which was uprooted by BULBUL.

Sr. Pranita Lepcha FC

St. Teresa's Convent, Kidderpore SAMAGAM 2019

Loreto College organized its Annual Inter-College fest Samagam 2019 over a span of three days from September 19th to 21st, 2019. The theme of Samagam this year was 'Coalescence' which means coming together of the elements. The All India Catholic University Federation (AICUF) unit of the college organized the' Faith Quest' (Bible Quiz A Competition), in which four colleges participated .From our college three students took part, Sr. Pratima Hemrom FC was one of them. Loreto College emerged winner and was honored by chief guest Fr. Peppin (Assistant Parish Priest of Sacred Heart Church). It was an enjoyable coalescence indeed.

Sr. Pratima Hemrom FC

St. Agnes' Convent, Howrah



We celebrated the Golden Jubilee of Sr. Teresa Chungath on 16th November 2019. The Eucharistic celebration was presided over by Arch bishop Thomas D'souza along with nine priests. Mass began at 10.30 a.m. followed by a short felicitation programme and lunch. Sr. Teresa's family members were present for the celebration. The presence of Fathers, Brothers, and Sisters, parishioners, teachers and well wishers enhanced the joy of the day.

The annual school concert 2019 was conducted on 30th November and 1st December. For the first time we had the concert in two halls, in the primary school and in the high school at the same time with

a half an hour difference in starting time. Almost eight hundred students participated in different programmes. The parents were very appreciative of the concert.



Our two sisters, Sr. Deepshika Rai and Sr. Sanjita Barwa have been teaching children/adults for first Holy Communion and Confirmation and the sacraments were administered to them by Archbishop Thomas D'souza on 1st December at the Church of Our Lady of Happy voyage, Howrah. There were eleven Holy communicants and fifty eight candidates for Confirmation.

Christmas celebration began for the grannies of Howrah early as they came on 7th December. A long with the usual health check up they were provided with cash, clothes and edibles to celebrate the coming of the Savior.

Sr. Sanjita Barwa FC

Novitiate Tidings, Barasat

Novices participated in the Formees' gathering held at Auxilium, Barasat on 3rd Dec. There were 208 participants from 14

Congregations. The solemn Eucharistic celebration began at 9.30 a.m. Fr. Gilbert SDB was the main celebrant. During the entrance procession 14 candles were offered representing all the 14 Congregations. The Bethany novices led the choir. The theme of the gathering was "The Word of God". Fr. Gilbert, the resource person for the gathering, elaborated on 16 different reasons for doing the word of God, emphasized the necessity of relishing the word of God and highest reverence rendering while proclaiming it. Sunday liturgy has special significance. We were introduced to the enthronement of the word of God and a "Jesse Tree" as a preparation for Christmas. There were group discussions to exchange our views and insights, making the word of God concrete and effective in life. The afternoon session was for the cultural programmes by different congregations. There were fun- games to cheer the hearts. With tea and snacks the gathering was ended. We are grateful to the Formators for organizing this get together.

Novices, Barasat

Anand Bhawan Convent, Delhi

October 2019, Extra Ordinary Mission month declared by Pope Francis, extra ordinary grace, for all the baptized to proclaim the word of God and to establish His kingdom.

There was a seminar on Religious and Mission-extraordinary month presented by Father Errol Fernades S.J. faculty of St. Xavier's Collage Mumbai on 17th October at Yusuf Sadan. The hall was packed to its capacity. There were papers on concepts of mission and Church, the patron saints of the mission St. Francis Xavier and St. Teresa of Child Jesus.

Mk.1:14-15 Jesus' inaugural proclamation of mission had fourfold indicator - A time indicator, A place indicator, form indicator, A Content indicator; The mission

ethos God calls when He wants and sends out. One asset is detachment and attachment to God. No attachment to people, place. Work out came of mission. Mission is Lord's, so do not let fear determine us, be faithful A.M.D.G. Find God in everything in every person. We returned home renewed for His mission.

There was a three days' charismatic Convention in Burari. A bus load of parishners from Dwarka parish attended this mega event. We got the opportunities for renewal, healing and wholeness. We thank and praise God.

Our parish is very faithful to Marian devotion. Mother Mary's statues travel with the devotees from house to house. So on 1st of October Rosary began in our convent, we felt mother Mary's presence in our convent. Mother Mary blessed so many houses in our parish. Mother Mary pray for us.

Sr. Rajni Prisca FC

St. Helen's Convent, Kurseong



On the 19th of October we celebrated the long awaited golden jubilee of Sr. Rose Namattathil. Sr. Rose's brother. cousin, nephew and her sister, Sr. Therese had come to share her golden joys.

Rt. Rev. Bishop Stephen, Lepcha celebrated the Eucharist. Sr. Rose's visitors were very much impressed by the simplicity and approachability of Bishop Stephen.

On the 22nd of October we went for community outing to the 'Bengal Safari'. We were very excited to see the animals, deer, tiger, elephant, bear and peacocks freely roaming about. We also got the opportunity to see the white Bengal Tiger which followed our vehicle till the boundary. It was quite an exciting

experience.



On the 14th of November children's day was celebrated in our school. A short programme was put up by the sisters, grade 'D' staff and the teachers. They put up a short skit, 'Beauty Parlour' which was very hilarious and entertaining. The children enjoyed the skit thoroughly.



On the 22nd of November the students of class IX bid farewell to the outgoing class X students. There were a number of dances put up by class IX students and games for all the tenners and teachers. The class X students came all decked up for the occasion. The programme ended with sumptuous lunch.

Class VIII was responsible for the Christmas play this year. In this Christmas play, the meaning of Christmas was brought out very effectively. The prize distribution for whole school followed. The school closed for junior section from that day.

Sr. Rashmilata Beck FC

Sacred Heard Convent, Baidyapur



We conducted singing competition in the School. The little choirs of angel took us to the wonderful fairy lands. It surely added joy to their tiny hearts and gave boost to them. The innovative and thrilling performance of the teachers on the children's day brought more happiness to children's hearts. Students were awarded prizes for different events of the year.

Sr. Rita Perrumadan attended a meeting on Proclamation Committee in Baruipur. The resource person was Rt. Rev. Bishop Stephen Lepcha, of Darjeeling. There were many religious and priests, our two bishops Rt. Rev. Salvador Lobo and Rt. Rev. Shyamol Bose were present.

The Salesian Fathers had convened the people of their place who aspire to follow Jesus for the day of prayer in Dishari, Baruipur. Sr. Rita was called to help them. They came in a big number. It was beautiful to see the depth of their faith, their love for him.

The feast of Christ the king was celebrated in the parish. There was Eucharistic

celebration followed by procession. The little flower girls were prepared by sisters. It was a joyful and prayerful event.

Sr. Nirmala Dewan FC

Basanti, St. Teresa's Girls' High School, H.S.

Adieu to Mrs. Jayoti Saha Kundu:

Basanti, St. Teresa's Girls' High School (HS) has given adieu to Mrs. Jayoti Saha Kundu, an English Teacher on 31st October, 2019 who has served the School for 36 years.



Students, teachers, helpers and sisters gave her an appropriate, touching and meaningful farewell with songs, dances, recitations and speeches. It was followed by a fellowship meal. Jayoti Saha expressed her gratitude to the past and present Management of the Daughters of the Cross, M.C. Members, her colleagues, students and helpers. She named all the Headmistresses of the past and present and thanked them all. The school also expressed its heartfelt gratitude and thanks for dedicated service over the years and wished her well for her retired life.

A Memorable Day: On 25th October 2019, two hundred students of Basanti St. Teresa's Girls' High School along with their teachers and sisters set out for an outing to Science City, Kolkata. It was a rainy and dull day, yet not a single girl backed out from going on this Educational tour. It was the first time when this institution got 100% attendance under this unpleasant weather condition.



Three buses were arranged. For some, it was a first time experience to Kolkata. The show in the Space Theatre, Human Evolution, and Science based shows excited them. They were all thrilled and enjoyed much and returned with lots of enthusiasm, refreshed and renewed.

Development of Life Skill of Girl **Students:** One programme day 'Development of Life Skill of Girl Students' was held in our school. The programme was aimed at promoting and encouraging life skill learning among girl students. It was an essential part of being able to meet the challenges in everyday life, to develop positive thinking, decision making, problem solving etc. The programme was constituted by various events such as; Debate on 'Is Women Education necessary in today's world?', Orientation Human on Trafficking', Menstrual Hygiene, Social, Educational and Financial Empowerment of Women etc. A movie 'Dangal' was shown to the whole school. All the students were happy and gained much from this programme.

Sr. Maxima Bara FC

Marie Therese Convent, Gosaba My Mission Experience:

I thank my God and Sr. Regi my provincial, who kindly granted my request for a mission Community, where I could revive my apostolate of family visits which was begun many years ago in Hatighisa.

GOSABA, the land of *GORU* (*Cow*), *SAAP* (*Snake*) *and BAGH* (*Tiger*) is my mission place now. I help the teachers in the Nursery class in the morning where I have good time with the little ones. This is an apostolate which I never did before.

I enjoy family visits, the old and sick, the dying and pray for them. Some of them feel healed and happy. Sometimes, after the Holy Mass in the Substations, we take Holy Communion for the sick and the old to their houses. Besides this we take part in the SCC meetings, CLC meetings and Rosary on Saturdays with the ladies in the Parish. Often people invite us for prayer services on various occasions in their families where we have the opportunity to meet the faithful of other denominations like CNI, Assembly of God, Friends' Church, Prasansha Church etc. It is a very friendly atmosphere with all these members including Hindus and Muslims. Inter-religious marriage is very common here and is accepted by all.

On 14th November, 2019 we celebrated the Children's day. All our students came in colourful dresses, happy and excited for the programme put up by the teachers, sisters and the helpers.

On 24th November, we celebrated the feast of Christ the King. The Blessed Sacrament was accompanied by the faithful singing, dancing with joy on the beat of Mridang(Drum). The flower boys and girls and the mothers honoured the Lord with flowers and arati of light and incense. It was a great witness of faith by the people. I am very happy to be part of this mission.

Sr. Suchita Tete FC

St. Joseph's Convent, Matigara Annual School Sports 2019:

St. Joseph's High School, Matigara witnessed its Sports Meet 2019 on the 22nd

(Primary) and 23rd (High School) of November. On the 22nd the Chief Guest for the day was Mr. Thomas Chacko, Deputy Inspector General, Frontier Headquarters, SSB, Siliguri and the Chief Guest for the High School was Shri Sunil Kumar Tyagi, Deputy Inspector General, Frontier Headquarter, BSF, Siliguri, North Bengal. On both the days, the Chief Guests were welcomed with a march past.

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There was a colourful display of drills like — Do Not Give Up (Classes Pre-KG to II), Rise and Shine (Classes III to V), The Rhythm of life (Classes VI to VIII) & Happy Feet (Classes IX to XIII). With the return march past the entire school girls were seated on the ground and they listened to the inspiring words of the Chief Guest. The Green House stood over-all first followed by the Red House.

November, 2019, Don Bosco School, Siliguri, organized 'BOSCO IMPRENDITORE' (Commerce Fest). There were events like; Marketing, Auctioning, Barter, Case Study, Enchasing Answers, Shark Tank, Job Interview, Add making, Environment and Board Meeting. The fest was held with a purpose to inculcate a sense

of handling companies for the commerce students. Board Meeting taught them how big companies handle their company at the time of crisis or emergency. Our school won prizes for various events.

Sr. Lucy Thaikkattil FC

Navjeevan Convet, Gayaganga

"God cannot be everywhere, so He sent the Doctors with Excellence and Selflessness" Navjeevan celebrated Doctors Day on the occasion of St Luke's Feast day with a few cultural items by the staff and the students from all departments. They were honoured with 'khadas' and words of appreciation for their contribution to our Health Mission.

Navjeevan hospital had the opportunity to reach out to the less privileged people of Gangaram with our heath camp. Around eighty young and old flocked to the camp and benefited from our service.

Navjeevan is glad to launch the ophthalmology OPD from 4th November and had its first free eye camp on 1st December. Around 200 people received the service on that day. It was a very successful event along with awareness program on HIV AIDS conducted by the NIRME students.

School of Nursing: It was a day of excitement to watch the talented aspiring nurses performing on their freshers' welcome. The School of Nursing welcomed officially the 12thbatch of GNM.

Everyone in the campus relished the delicious food prepared by the students as part of their SNA fund raising activity. PTS students had the opportunity to visit St. Joseph's School Ambari, for their science exhibition. It was an informative and learning moment for them from the creative ideas of young minds.

On the occasion of World AIDS Day, students and teachers from School of Nursing participated in a rally for Awareness and Prevention on Aids which was organized by CMOH, Siliguri.

NIRME Events: "Children need the Wisdom of their elder; the aging need the encouragement of a child's exuberance." On 21st October we celebrated the Geriatric day and on this day the students of NIRME had organized a program for the elderly people at Navjeevan campus. Approximately 90 elderly people had gathered for the program and it was a successful event.



As a follow up of 'Elderly Day', on 11th, 14th and 16th of November the students had taken initiative to visit the nearby village.

Sr. Marina Thapa FC

<u>Daughters Of The Cross Convent,</u> Alipurduar

We had Novena for the 8th September, and the entire village joined us for our Feast. It was a very joyful event. Now we are having the best weather, people are busy harvesting. Often they join us for the Adorations and make confession. Along with the remedial classes our students are given special care in faith formation and preparation for the Holy Communion. Two students successfully completed one year course in tailoring. During holidays Catechism classes were conducted by us in two distant villages.

Sr. Jessy Anthony FC

St. Joseph's Convent, Hatigopa



On 8th November we had retreat for the Catholic students organized by the sisters. 25 students were present for the retreat. We had Bible based games and action songs. We also explained the parables and asked them to act out. On 12th November we had a picnic for the students from classes V to X in the school compound itself. We also celebrated the Children's Day on 14th November.



On 16th November we had the teachers' picnic.

On 22nd November was the farewell for our first batch of class X students.

Anu James FC

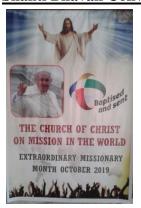
Rangjuli, Assam

A Youth programme was arranged in the village on 10 November. Around 80 youth came for the programme. The message given to them was "How to be a Good Catholic and what is our duty in the Church". School Annual programme and children's day was celebrated on 14th November. This was the first time we have conducted annual day celebration in the school

Communion programme was conducted on 3rd November in Dumra. This programme was for all the tribes of Assam- Rabha, Garo, Assamiese, Boro adivasies etc.coming together from different parishes. It was a great experience for each tribe to accept other tribes apart from their own. It was also an event for all the religious and priests of different congregations to come together.

Sr. Gladys Tom F.C.

Shanti Bhavan Convent, Siliguri



"Baptized and sent" the call and mission of the Extraordinary Missionary month: In response to this Our Lady Queen Church, Pradhan Nagar celebrated the Extraordinary

Missionary Sunday with great solemnity

on the 20th October 2019. Liturgy of the day was very solemn and meaningful. Nirmala sisters helped us to understand significance of the day better through the rich liturgy. They had taken great care to prepare and explain the various parts of the day's liturgy. In the beginning of the Mass the missionary cross was brought in a solemn procession and placed near the altar. Five colours representing the five continents were prominently shown in the missionary cross and the missionary rosary. Red represented the martyrs of the Americas; blue was Oceania; white represented Europe the home to many saints; yellow represented Asia the continent of the rising sun and the vast regions of Africa were represented by the colour green.

Each one of us is a missionary, may our lives witness this good news.

Sr. Jyoti Ekka FC

Prerna Niwas Convent, Deonia

For the preparation of the birthday of Our Lady and for our Foundation Day we had one day recollection, confession Adoration with the parishioners. All our Catholic parents and children were very happy and enthusiastic to come. We shared about the life of Mother Mary and the life of our foundress Blessed Marie Therese. Then we had solemn holy Mass. And after the mass our programme ended with refreshment .It was very enriching to all .We also felt happy to be with them. All felt grateful to God and went home with joy and peace.

Sr. Maria Goretti Kullu FC

<u>Daughters Of The Cross Convent,</u> <u>Rinchenpong</u>

25th November, 2019, the day of Christ the King was held in sub-station Church, Rinchengpong. Procession began with a short and meaningful prayer, in front of the Buddhists' Gumpa at 10:00 am. Around three hundred faithful were at procession maintaining a prayerful atmosphere bearing witness to the Eucharistic Jesus. Fr. Pius Kerketta sdb. the Parish Priest of Malabasev and concelebrant Fr. Samuel Rai sdb solemnized the procession. The resource person Dr. Terence Mukhiya enlightened the faithful on the procession of Christ the King at the main town of Rinchenpong. People from their roof top listened to his message which was about Christ the King of peace and the King of the whole Universe. Procession ended in our school campus followed by Holy Mass and fellowship meal.

Sr. Gloria Dung Dung FC

St. Joseph's Convent, Tulachan, Nepal

Celebration of the feast of St. Andrew, the patron saint of Tulachan Church on 30th November was a great event for all of us. This was the first anniversary of this

Church. People were very much excited and collected money, rice, vegetables etc. for this purpose. In the beginning there were 24 Catholic families and now they are 30 which encourage us to carry out our Mission enthusiastically in this land. The Parish priest of the Imaculate Conception Church, Damak, Fr. Pius and the assistant priest Fr. Aseervadam solemnized the Eucharist. After the Mass there was a short fprogramme followed by fellowship meal.

We are extremely happy to get permission from the parish priest to have Communion service and receive communion at our Convent daily.

Our convent building is coming up. We started our school with 16 students which has increased to 132 this year. Praise the Lord.

Sr. Lucia Kujur F.C.

<u>Daughters Of The Cross Convent,</u> <u>Mamring</u>

Annual Sports Meet of I. M. C. S.: Ivana Memorial Convent School had annual sports on September 29th 2019. It was a day of excitement but unfortunately rain never stopped. Still we carried on conducting sports and indeed it was an enjoyable one. Children were excited and overwhelmed to participate in every event of the sports in the rain. Shree Sanjeet Kharel M.L.A. of South Sikkim was the chief guest. The school band welcomed him after which a host of track and field events were held. The march past and mass drill were the great amusement of the day. Students were encouraged to take part in every event. Sports help all to lead better lives.

14 November Children's Day 2019

Children's Day was celebrated on the 14th of November, 2019. The principal Sr. Helen Francis addressed the students on the significance of Children's Day. The teachers took the responsibility for the

cultural program. The song by the teachers set a joyous note. This was followed by a lively dance, which the students enjoyed. The program went on to have two very scintillating dances, by the teachers, which set our audience on their feet. Annual sports for teachers by Sr. Helen were so electrifying that it was very hard to contain the students; both students and teachers enjoyed themselves immensely.

Sr. Ani Kindo FC

Daughters of The Cross Convent, Jordighi

On the 8th December, 2019 we had sports for our hostel children. We also invited the boys from the Fathers' hostel. All these children go to Village Govt. Primary School. So they have no idea of Games or Sports. Children were very much excited and enjoyed themselves. One of our well wishers donated the sound system which added much joy and life to our day. A few of the youth from our parish were very helpful on the field. You can imagine the joy of the little ones receiving prizes, like sweaters, balls, toilet requisites etc. The parents first time on the field, received Horlicks and Biscuits as prizes and were very happy. It was a very joyful day for all of us.

You will be happy to know that our new mission in Buniadpur, Raiganj is progressing steadily. The foundation of the hospital building is almost over. Now we need to go upward!!!



Sr. Regina spent three days in November here 12th, 13th and 24th, visiting villages,

doing Medical checkups, visiting bedridden patients and looking for possible candidates as health workers etc. We also had medical checkup for our Hostel children in Goramtoli and Jordighi.

We Celebrated Children's Day. Thank you for your prayerful support and request you to continue to hold us to the Lord. Sr. Shanti Sardar gave the health talk to the children especially on health and hygiene while Sr. Regina did the medical checkup.

Sr. Leela Mancheril FC

<u>Daughters of the Cross Convent,</u> Goromtoli

Sr. Shanti Picardo gave an orientation to the youth of our Parish on 3rd November, 2019. On 13th November Sr. Regina Kottackal, Sr. Leela Mancheril and Sr. Shanti Sardar ioined us for the Children's Celebration. Sr. Regina and Sr. Shanti spoke to the children about health and hygiene. Later children were given snacks to add to their joy. On 2nd November two tube wells were dug for our children to solve the water problem. Children had their final term They will begin examinations. their Christmas holidays from 15th December.

Sr. Bridget Kerketta F.C.

Gone to Heavenly Abode

03.09.2019 Sr. Mariam Tete's Father

29.09.2019 Sr. Jyotsna Barla's Grandfather

26.10.2019 Sr. Nirmala Dewan's Cousin

27.10.2019 Sr. Mary Alphonsa's Brother

27.10.2019 Sr. Mukti Kerketta's Cousin

06.11.2019 Sr. Anita Ekka's Sister

12.11.2019 Sr. Rita Perumadan's Cousin

30.11.2019 Sr. Luciana's Nephew/

Sr. Maria Vianney's Cousin

03.12.2019 Sr. Alphonsa's Brother-in-law

05.12.2019 Sr. Genevieve Toppo's Mother







We were excited to land in Nepal, a foreign country, in Maheshpur community for our juniorate programme. On 2nd Oct. we were gathered at Hatighisa community and by 11 am. we were off to Nepal by Navjeevan School Bus. We were 27 of us accompanied by Sr. Catherine. After the hurdles at check posts we reached Maheshpur to be warmly welcomed by our sisters. In the evening the hostellers put up a beautiful programme to welcome us.

For two days we had sessions by

Sr. Catherine. We had open book tests on the Book of Genesis and Pauline letters. We had tests on English grammar too! We presented papers on the books we had read during the year- "It's Possible, "Joni", "Little Flowers of Pope Francis", "Gaudete Et Exultate", "Ignatius of Loyola" and "St. Teresa of Avila". The life stories of our pioneers, Sr. Ivana and Sr. Sylvina were presented by different groups.



For the next six days we Cletus Sebastian SDB from sessions on self esteem and personality development. mantras we learnt to know I can, I must and I when you are happy, Life others happy"; "People who those who don't"; "No can never see tomorrow. Be



were blessed to have Fr. Tezpur, Assam. He conducted gave us many tips for our Following are some of the enhance our self esteem:-"I will'; "Life smiles at you salutes you when you make laugh a lot are healthier than matter how tall you are, you patient"; "No matter how

beautiful and handsome you are just remember Baboon and Gorillas also attract tourists. Stop boasting". In the evenings we visited families in the neighborhood, we found them very welcoming and hospitable. Sr. Vianney and Sr. Mallika shared their mission experiences with us. We had an exciting day of outing to Deonia and Korobari. On the 13th Oct. we started our return journey.

Temporary Professed Sisters.