



# News Letter

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## BISHOP'S PROGRAM FOR THE MONTH OF MAY



Annual Parish Feast at Sivadi



Inauguration of JMJ Convent Building at Nandipalli



New Church Inauguration at Paatimeedapalli, Khajipet Parish



New Chapel Inauguration at Ganganapalli, Pulivendula Parish



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**INSPIRATIONAL QUOTES FROM  
SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI**

- ◆ *Preach the Gospel at all times. Use words if necessary.*
- ◆ *Start by doing what is necessary, then what is possible, and suddenly you are doing the impossible.*
- ◆ *For it is in giving that we receive.*
- ◆ *Remember that when you leave this earth, you can take with you nothing that have received – only what you have given.*
- ◆ *I have been all things unholy. If God can work through me, He can work through anyone.*



**SUMMARY OF THE ENCYCLICAL LETTER *MAGNIFICA HUMANITAS* HIS HOLINESS POPE OF XIV on Safeguarding the Human Person in the Time of Artificial Intelligence**  
**Pope Leo's *Magnifica humanitas*: AI must serve humanity, not concentrate power**

Marking the 135<sup>th</sup> anniversary of *Rerum Novarum*, Pope Leo XIV released his first encyclical, *Magnifica humanitas*, on 25 May 2026. The document addresses the challenges posed by Artificial Intelligence and calls for safeguarding human dignity, truth, work, justice, and peace. The Pope warns humanity against building a “new Tower of Babel” through uncontrolled technology and instead calls for building a society rooted in communion with God and one another. While technology is not evil in itself, it is never neutral, since it reflects the values of those who create and use it. Therefore, AI must always serve the common good and preserve the human person.

### **Church's social doctrine**

The first chapter explains the dynamic nature of the Church's Social Doctrine, beginning from *Rerum Novarum* to the teachings of Pope Francis. Pope Leo XIV highlights key principles such as human dignity, the dignity of work, solidarity, subsidiarity, peace, fraternity, and care for creation.

## **Safeguarding human dignity**

The encyclical strongly reaffirms the dignity of every human person created in the image of God. Human worth does not depend on productivity or achievement. Pope Leo XIV defends the right to life from conception to natural death and reiterates the Church's opposition to abortion, euthanasia, and all forms of exploitation. He also calls for greater recognition and participation of women and minorities in society.

## **Technology must not be in the hands of a few**

The Pope warns against concentrating technological power and wealth in the hands of a small elite. AI and digital technologies must benefit all people and not deepen inequalities between the powerful and the excluded.

## **Social justice and migrants**

Social justice in the digital age requires fair opportunities, protection of the vulnerable, and public oversight of technologies. Pope Leo XIV describes migrants and refugees as a "litmus test" of society's justice and fraternity, calling for safe migration pathways and addressing the root causes of displacement.

## **Abuse and examination of conscience by the Church**

The Church herself, the Pope says, must undergo an examination of conscience by addressing abuses of power, conscience, sexual abuse, and lack of transparency. Justice requires acknowledging harm, providing reparation, and preventing future abuse.

## **An ethical code for AI**

Pope Leo XIV urges the development of ethical and legal frameworks for AI with accountability, transparency, and independent oversight. AI can imitate human intelligence but cannot replace moral conscience, empathy, relationships, or spirituality. The Pope also stresses the environmental impact of new technologies.

## Disarming AI

The Pope calls for “disarming AI” by preventing it from becoming an instrument of military, political, or economic domination. Technology should support humanity rather than replace it. Human limitations and fragility, he says, are not defects but part of human greatness and openness to God.

## Technological progress without regression of the heart

True progress must preserve humanity’s capacity for love, relationships, and compassion. The Pope warns against transhumanism and ideologies that seek to overcome human nature through technology.

## The dignity of work

AI and automation must not undermine workers or reduce people to machines. Technology should assist workers, not replace them for the sake of profit. Pope Leo XIV also calls for renewed labour organizations and humane working conditions.

## Peace and development

The Pope links peace with justice and integral human development. He encourages international cooperation, reduction of inequalities, and economic systems that prioritize human dignity over profit.

## POOR STUDENTS' EDUCATION FUND

Sl. No.	Person/Parish/Institution	Amount
1)	Opening Balance as on 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2026	3,08,100.00
2)	NIL	
<b>Total</b>		<b>3,08,100.00</b>



## BISHOP'S ENGAGEMENTS

### JUNE - 2026

04 Thursday	11:30 am	UCPI Meeting, Kadapa
07 Sunday	09:00 am	Pastoral Visit to Porumamilla & Confirmations and First Holy Communion
08 Monday		<i>In Office</i>
09 Tuesday	10:30 am	Meeting of the Diocesan E.M. Schools' Chief Functionaries
13 Saturday	4:00 pm	“SC Status for Dalit Christians” United Meeting in Kadapa Town
	6:30 pm	Mass at St. Anthony’s Institute, Kadapa
14 Sunday	6:30 pm	Mass at Badvel - 2 & Confirmations and First Holy Communion
17 Wednesday		<i>In Office</i>
19 Friday		<i>In Office</i>
22 Monday		<i>In Office</i>
24 Wednesday		<i>In Office</i>
26 Friday	10:30 am	Wedding at St. Mary’s Cathedral, Kadapa
29 Monday	10:30 am	Terese D’Lima Niketan, (CSST) Mangapatnam, Silver Jubilee Inaugural Mass
30 Tuesday	05:30 pm	Mass at OLF Convent, Porumamilla
		<b><u>July 2026</u></b>
01 Wednesday	05:30 pm	Arogyamatha Congregation: Silver Jubilee and Final Profession – Kadapa
03 Friday	09:30 am	Episcopal Ordination of Msgr. D. Vijay Paul Reddy, Warangal
05 Sunday		To USA for Mission Appeals and Visiting our priests in USA

# COMMUNICATIONS

## ❁ DEVOTION TO THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS:

The month of June reminds us of our special devotion to the **Sacred Heart of Jesus**. Kindly encourage and promote devotion in our parishes and institutions by organizing special and prayers during the month.

## ❁ DEANERY LEVEL MONTHLY RECOLLECTION:

All the Deans are hereby requested to arrange the Recollection at Deanery level in the last week of the month of June, 2026. The clergy are requested to attend the **"Deanery Level Recollection."** If anyone is unable to attend the recollection, please inform respective Deans. All the Deans are hereby requested to note down the minutes of the meetings with the list of participants and send a copy to Bishop's House, Cuddapah.

## ❁ REMINDER:

All the Parish Priests and Heads of the Institutions, who have not yet paid **"Good Friday Collection"** are requested to remit the same as soon as possible.

## ❁ THANKS TO ALL THE RELIGIOUS

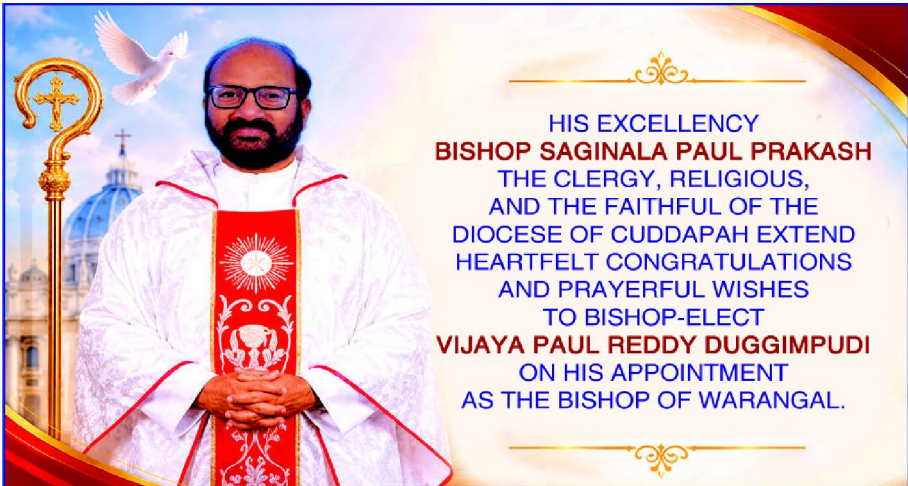
I thank all the Religious Priests and nuns who worked in the Diocese and are transferred to other Dioceses. Thank you for your valuable services to the Diocese of Cuddapah and the faithful. I wish you also good success in your new appointed places too. Continue to pray for the Diocese.

## ❁ NEW ACADEMIC YEAR 2026-2027:

Diocese of Cuddapah would like to express and extend best wishes, every success, for the new academic year 2026 - 2027 to Principals/Headmasters/Headmistresses/Correspondents/Directors/Directresses Managements, Teaching and Non-Teaching Staff and Students of all the Catholic Schools, Colleges, Boarding Homes and all other Institutions in the diocese of Cuddapah. We wish pray and hope that all our Catholic Institutions during this new academic year will strive towards excellence

through quality academic performance, valuebased education and allround development of the students and thereby become exemplary institutions offering not only quality education but also moulding the lives of the students with values, ethics, morals, Faith Formation and Catechism Classes to Catholic Students. Please be assured of our prayers, cooperation and collaboration.

✠ **Most Rev. Paul Prakash SAGINALA**  
Bishop of Cuddapah



*Marriage Preparation Course at Porumamilla Deanery on May 16<sup>th</sup> 2026*

## Diocese of Cuddapah Establishment of Foundation Masses

When someone dies in our diocese, there is a possibility to the family to make a substantial donation to the diocese, which will fix it and use its interest to celebrate regular masses in memory of the deceased members, in whose name the foundation mass is established. In addition, people can establish foundation masses also for the intentions of living. To establish a foundation Mass, the minimum donation has to be Rs. 50,000.

- For a fixed amount of Rs. 50,000: The diocese will celebrate 6 Masses each year as long as the diocese exists. For a fixed amount of Rs. 100,000: The diocese will celebrate 12 masses every year, i.e. once a month on the date of demise.
- The Chancery will ensure and guarantee these celebrations. A certificate will be granted to those who establish the foundation, signed by the Bishop and the Chancellor. Please inform this in our parishes and if anyone is interested, please encourage them to contact the diocesan office.

### REMINDER

***Dear Fathers, Brothers and Sisters,***

Greetings from Bishop's House. May we kindly request you to inform us of your arrival well in advance so that we can make proper arrangements for your accommodation and meals.

**Please Contact:**

**Rev. Fr. Baki Ravindra**, Procurator, Mob.: 8142847780

**Br. Arun Mukkara**, Regent, Mob.: 6302482059

Your prior intimation will help us to ensure a comfortable accommodation and meals for you.

Thank you for your kind cooperation. We look forward to welcoming you and wish you a pleasant stay at the Bishop's House.

## NEWS FROM PASTORAL CENTRE

### PASTORAL ACTIVITIES

Every couple has differences and disagreements; it's a natural and inherent part of relationships. Two people, making the beautiful choice to vow to do life together, bring with them differing personalities, habits, experiences and views.

The biggest disagreements that my husband and I have had in the first Six months of marriage would be sweet later small topics could cause heated arguments. Learning to live with one another for the first time, each with our own idiosyncrasies (often learnt from our very different families), working out how to compromise and how to stand firm about the things that are important, as well as adjusting to a joint savings account. Each have had their own challenges, but it's the smaller insignificant details that have strangely seemed to challenge us to our core.

Going into marriage, a lot of our friends warned us how difficult the first year can be. That's partly why we decided to do a marriage preparation course with a trusted friend of ours during our engagement. The fact that I'm nerdily reflective and thrive on any kind of personality tests and scales, and marriage prep means reflecting on who we are as individuals and on our relationship, may also have contributed slightly. We also knew that we would be spending few months before we married living on separate continents, which made our desire and need for good communication and a well-built foundation to our relationship even stronger.

So Most Rev. Dr. Saginala Paul Prakash had been so generous in conducting marriage preparation course throughout the diocese of Kadapa. The pictures are.....

## MARRIAGE PREPARATION COURSE



## PORUMAMILLA DEANERY



## CHITTOOR & PALAMANER DEANERIES

## PASTORAL CAMPS



## Marriage Course in Kadapa & Proddatur Deaneries



## Spoken English Classes in SHPC

## News from Multi Purpose Social Service Society of Cuddapah Diocese (MPSSS)

I am happy to present you the activities of MPSSS in our diocese for the month of May 2026. I thank you all sincerely for your support and collaboration in the implementation of the developmental activities of the MPSSS in different parishes of our diocese. I am pleased to furnish the activities undertaken in the month of May 2026.

### 1. Eye Care & Eye Treatment – Distribution of Spectacles:

As part of the Eye Care & Eye Treatment Programme, MPSSS organized an eye screening camp on 9<sup>th</sup> April 2026 under the leadership of Most Rev. Dr. Paul Prakash Saginala, President of MPSSS, who inaugurated the programme. After detailed eye examinations by doctors, spectacles were specially prepared according to the needs of the patients.

On 24<sup>th</sup> May 2026, spectacles were distributed to 110 beneficiaries at the MPSSS Training Hall. Rev. Fr. Vijayarao blessed the programme and distributed the spectacles to the beneficiaries. The programme brought great relief and happiness to many poor and elderly people suffering from vision problems.



### 2. Rehabilitation of Rag-Picking Children Project: Livelihood Skill Training – Tailoring & Mobile Phone Repair

MPSSS continued livelihood skill training programmes during the month of May for school dropouts and children engaged in labour work. Around 30 girls from 10 urban slum areas of Cuddapah

Municipal Corporation are regularly attending the skill development classes.

Training programmes in Tailoring and Mobile Phone Repairing are helping the children and youth gain practical skills for future employment and self-reliance. These initiatives aim to rehabilitate vulnerable children and provide them with dignified livelihood opportunities



### 3. Sustainable Agricultural Project:

MPSSS conducted awareness meetings in five villages of Veerapalli Parish in collaboration with local Agricultural Officers on PMDS crop cultivation methods. Through the PMDS programme, seeds were collected from farmers, treated properly, and dispersed in agricultural lands to promote greenery during the summer season.

The crops grown through this initiative help retain soil moisture and serve as organic fertilizer, thereby supporting sustainable and eco-friendly farming practices among rural farmers.



#### 4. Animation Programme on Tuberculosis (TB) Awareness

MPSSS organized village-level awareness programmes on Tuberculosis (TB) in Ayyavaripalli, Rajupalem, Itharampeta, and Vijayaramapuram villages of Porumamilla Mandal.

The awareness sessions were conducted for Self-Help Group leaders and community members to educate them on the causes, symptoms, prevention, and treatment of TB. The programme encouraged people to seek timely medical care and spread awareness in their communities.

MPSSS remains committed to serving the poor, marginalized, children, women, farmers, and vulnerable communities through various developmental and humanitarian programmes. We thank all our supporters for standing with us in this mission of compassion and service.



**Most Rev. Dr. Paul Prakash Saginala**  
President of MPSSS



**Rev. Fr. Prasad Nelaturi**  
Executive Director – MPSSS

### POPE'S GENERAL INTENTION

**General: For the values of Sports.**

*Let us pray that sports be an instrument of peace, encounter, and dialogue among cultures and nations, and that they promote values such as respect, solidarity, and personal growth.*

**CHITTOOR MULTIPURPOSE SOCIAL SERVICE SOCIETY  
NEWS FROM SOCIAL APOSTOLATE****Activities conducted by CMSSS, Chittoor in May 2026****Women Empowerment Awareness Program at CMSSS**

In the month of May, a Women Empowerment Program was organized to create awareness about the strength, dignity, and important role of women in family and society. The program highlighted the power of women in building strong families and contributing positively to the community. The participants were encouraged to face challenges with courage and confidence, even during difficulties in family and social life. Resource persons motivated the women to become responsible leaders and caretakers of their families. The program inspired many women to believe in their abilities and work towards a better future. All the participants actively took part and appreciated the initiative.

**Implementation of Tailoring Project**

The Women Empowerment through Tailoring Training Centre at Kalasapadu Parish was inaugurated by CMSSS in the month of February 2026 with the aim of empowering economically disadvantaged women through skill development and self-employment opportunities. A total of 40 women actively participated in the Tailoring training programme and learned valuable tailoring skills to support their families and become self-reliant.

The project has now come to an end successfully, and the distribution of certificates and tailoring machines to the beneficiaries will be organized next month. We sincerely thank Fr. Kothapalli Manohar who supported and cooperated in making this programme meaningful and beneficial for the women of the parish.



### Implementation of Marriage Preparation Program for the Youth in Chittoor District

CMSSS, Chittoor successfully implemented the Marriage Preparation Program from 21<sup>st</sup> May to 23<sup>rd</sup> May at CMSSS, Chittoor. The program helped the youth to prepare themselves spiritually, emotionally, and socially for Christian family life. We sincerely thank our Bishop Most Rev. Dr. Saginala Paul Prakash, for his valuable support, encouragement, and blessings for the successful conduct of the program. We also express our heartfelt gratitude to the Pastoral Centre Director Fr. Vara Prasad and his Team for their collaboration and support in organizing and conducting the program along with CMSSS.





### Implimentation of Women Empowerment through Various Micro Enterprises

CMSSS, Chittoor launched a Women Empowerment Program through various micro-enterprises on 26<sup>th</sup> April 2026 at its premises. The program aims to reduce poverty among poor widows, destitute, and single-headed women by helping them improve their livelihood and social status. As part of the initiative, partial financial support was provided for 5 petty provision shops and 5 vegetable shops for poor rural women.



**Most. Rev. Saginala Paul Prakash**  
President of CMSSS



**Rev. Fr. Manohar Gadikota**  
Executive Director - CMSSS

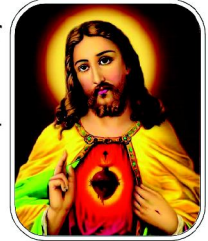


**Wedding** at  
St. Mary's Cathedral  
On May 7<sup>th</sup> 2026  
Thursday,  
at **10:30 am**



## Jesus Made Twelve Promises to Those Who Hold a True Devotion to His Sacred Heart

1. I will give them all the graces necessary in their state of life.
2. I will give peace in their families and will unite families that are divided.
3. I will console them in all their troubles.
4. I will be their refuge during life and above all in death.
5. I will bestow the blessings of Heaven on all their enterprises.
6. Sinners shall find in my Heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.
7. Tepid souls shall become fervent.
8. Fervent souls shall rise quickly to great perfection.
9. I will bless those places wherein the image of My Heart shall be exposed and honored and will imprint My love on the hearts of those who would wear this image on their person. I will also destroy in them all disordered movements.
10. I will give to priests who are animated by a tender devotion to my Divine Heart the gift of touching the most hardened hearts.
11. Those who promote this devotion shall have their names written in my Heart, never to be effaced.
12. THE GREATEST PROMISE - I promise you in the excessive mercy of my Heart that my all-powerful love will grant to all those who communicate(Receive Holy Communion) on the First Friday in nine consecutive months, the grace of final penitence: they will not die in my disgrace, nor without receiving their Sacraments. My Divine Heart shall be their safe refuge in this last moment.



## BIRTHDAYS: MANY MANY HAPPY RETURNS OF THE DAY DEAR FATHERS

- 01 Rev.Fr. Rathinam Sudanthiram James  
01 Rev.Fr. Somireddypalle Chinnappa Jr  
01 Rev.Fr. Gurram Ravi Chand  
01 Rev.Fr. Ubbarapu Devaraju  
01 Rev. Fr. Sagili Jayapal  
01 Rev. Fr. Nemali Jayaprakash  
05 Rev.Fr. Yannam Anthony Reddy  
05 Rev. Fr. Nagipogu Rajanna  
08 Rev.Fr. Gollapalli Chinnappa  
08 Rev. Fr. Gudiselapalli Suresh  
10 Rev.Fr. Kanna Jayanna  
12 Rev.Fr. Nandimandalam Prakash  
14 Rev.Fr. Ballarapu Asirvadam  
18 Rev. Fr. Sagili Praveen Kumar  
20 Rev.Fr. Birusu Raja  
21 Rev.Fr. Devasagayam Susai Anthony  
25 Rev.Fr. Ery Suresh



## NECROLOGY

*May Their Souls Rest in Peace*



- 18 Rev. Fr. A. Stanislaus  
24 Rev. Fr. Joseph Thazhath

## EVENTS FOR THE MONTH OF MAY

### *Happy Feast to you all*

1. Justin, Martyr – Mem
3. St. Charles Lwanga and Companions – Mem
5. St. Boniface, Bishop & Martyr, Mem
7. THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST (*Corpus Christi*) - Sol
8. St. Mariam Theresia – Opt.Mem
11. St. Barnabas, Apostle - Feast
12. THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS – Sol
13. The Immaculate Heart of the BVM, Mem
13. St. Antony of Padua - Mem
19. 21. St. Aloysius Gonzaga – Mem
21. 12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
24. THE BIRTH OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST – Sol
28. 13<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
29. STS. PETER & PAUL, Apostles – Sol
30. The First Martyrs of Holy Roman Church

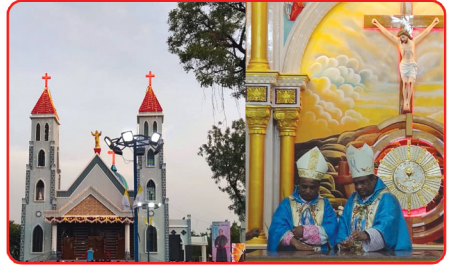


Blessing of **M.M.G Formation House** and  
**Holy Mass at Ramapuram Parish** on 7<sup>th</sup> May 2026 at 6:00 pm

# BISHOP'S PROGRAM FOR THE MONTH OF MAY



Inauguration and blessing of our Lady of Fatima Church, Badvel



Mass and Laying Foundation Stone for Presbytery at our Lady of Fatima Parish, Badvel



Marriage Preparation Course at Chittoor & Palamaner Deaneries



Holy Mass, Confirmations and Laying Foundation for Adoration Chapel at St. Mary's Cathedral, Kadapa



'A good name is better than precious ointment  
and the day of death than the day of birth'.  
Ecclesiastes 7:1

## IN LOVING MEMORY OF



### **MOST REV. DR. PRAKASH MALLAVARAPU**

#### **Archbishop Emeritus of Visakhapatnam**

Date of Birth : 29<sup>th</sup> January, 1949

Date of Ordination to Priesthood : 11<sup>th</sup> October 1979

Episcopal Ordination : 22<sup>nd</sup> July 1998

Bishop of Cuddapah: 1998 – 2002

Bishop of Vijayawada: 2002 – 2012

Apostolic administrator of Eluru

Metropolitan Archbishop of Visakhapatnam: 2012 – 2024

(Retiring on February 17, 2024)

Apostolic Administrator of Srikakulam: Commencing January 2, 2019

Date of Death : 07.06.2026

Thank you, Most Reverend Archbishop Prakash Mallavarapu,  
for your faithful service, loving shepherding, and inspiring leadership.  
Your life was a blessing to the church and to so many.  
May your soul rest in peace.  
You will always remain in our prayers and hearts.

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