

Congrats & Prayerful Wishes

It is our great pleasure and we are happy indeed that the Community of Betharram in India is flourishing in its own unique way. Yes. There are **Three more roses** bloomed in the garden of Betharram. Father Subesh was consecrated to priestly ministry on 8th May Father Valan was elevated to Priesthood on the Feast day of Our Founder St. Michael Garicoits (14th May) Father Britto was ordained on 16th May in their own respective places. It was the grace filled moment. Along with them we too sing Magnificate, for all the goodness that God has done to us. The Heaven rejoices and the Earth praises. Our hearts overflow with joy and wishes them Congrats and fruitful priestly ministry.

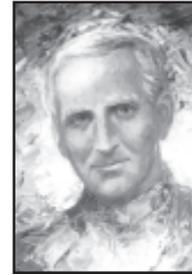


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News Bulletin of
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They will be Priests of the Sacred Heart

Dear Friends,

Saint Michael wanted us to be priests of the Sacred Heart. This name was to be more than a simple formality: in the Bible, it is the expression of what is most intimate. In the individual, it signs his fate. At one and the same time, it states his identity and his mission. St. Michael binds both "the Divine Heart" and "Here I Am".

Why does our society bear the name of the Sacred Heart of Jesus? 1. Because it is specially united to this divine Heart saying to His Father, "Here I am" with the purpose of being His co-operators for the salvation of souls. 2. Because it professes to imitate the life of our Lord in a way that is special to us. This name recalls so well the sentiments of **charity, humility, meekness, obedience and dedication** contained in that first act of the Sacred Heart of Jesus 'Here I am'. In Christian terms charity is the theological virtue, meaning God, Love without looking back at self. Love is the component of God's nature, seeing that "God is Love". To become a Priest of the Sacred Heart means striving to be a religious, a priest, a Christian, in a word, to be a human according to the Heart of the Father. This is what St. Michael was!

Fr. Jean Luc Morin SCJ

Unum Sint - Here I am

It was an unique and delightful experience that only a true Betharramite could give it a precious reflection on one's life. Despite the circumstantial inconveniences bombed in our journey from Bangalore to Betharram. It taught us the lesson of being humbled by the services rendered by benevolent people all through our travel.

The international session for the preparation for the Perpetual Vows was held in Betharram from April 22 to May 28. We were eight of us from different countries such as India, Thailand, Argentina Ivory Coast, France and Italy. We were ignorant of one another's language. But when the spirit is active, people understood the heart's language. So, too the spirit of Betharram that united all of us together. All of us were keen to enter into cultural, social, linguistic and phenomenal dialogue with one another.

One of the main objectives of this session was to provide a direct experience of the origin and development the Betharramite charism active for almost 2 centuries. We visited the birth place of St. Michael and the places where he worked and moved. It gave a sentimental touch to all of us. Moreover our stay in Notre Dame de Betharram gave us a vivid awakening; we shared the brotherly love with the elderly Fathers and Brothers in the Community.

*We would desire to say that the session was an outstanding Kodak moment of a Betharramite that we can reorganize our moto, the spirit and render our service in a more convinced manner. We say "**Merçi Beaucoup**" to God and to the animators of this matchless programme. **Jose SCJ***

International Youth Year

*This year marks the twenty-fifth anniversary of the inauguration of World Youth Day. UN also declared 2010 as the International Youth Year. Being young today means having to face many problems due to unemployment and the lack of clear ideas and real possibilities for the future. Therefore, **dear youth** If you are willing, the future lies in your hands, because the talents and gifts that the Lord has placed in your hearts, shaped by an encounter with Christ, can bring real hope to the world.*

Have a fruitful Year for the Youth

Vicariate Calendar 2010

June

- 5- 10 Retreat for Novices*
- 11. Feast of the Sacred Heart*
- 15 Inauguration of Aspirancy*
- 17 Fathers & Brothers to North East of India*
- 20 Diaconate Ordination of Bros. Pascal, Vincent and Wilfred*
- 23 Major Superiors Meeting, Mangalore*

July

- 03. Feast of St. Thomas*
- 28. Feast of Our Lady of Betharram, renewal of vows, ministry of Acolyte and Lector*

We Wish You Happy Birth Day

June 06. Fr. Subesh

July 04. Fr. Enrico 14. Br. Edwin
21. Br. George 26. Fr. Britto