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# Pope Francis on Family Rellations 


"The most beautiful thing that God made, the Bible says, was the family. He created man and woman, and He gave them everything. He gave them world! He presented to family all of the love that He made in this marvellous creation. All of the love that God has in Himself, all of the truth that God has in Himself, He gives to the family." (Address to the World Meeting of Families - Philadelphia - 26th - 27th Sept 2015). Difficulties in the family exist, but they are overcome with love

"In families, there are difficulties. In families we argue; in families sometimes the plates and glasses fly; in families, the children give us headaches. And I am not even going to mention the mother - in law!!! Don't worry... that's human nature. But there is a secret. Love is stronger than arguments. Start loving and don't forget to end your day without making peace." (Audience, 4th Oct 2013).

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 Make peace"You need not call the United Nations to create peace and have negotiations. J ust a small gesture is enough - just a hug will do to create peace in your families."

(Audience, 2nd April 2014).

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 What do we mean by love?When a couple pointed out to Pope about the challenges of life-long fidelity; the Pope responds by clearing the term 'love'. "There is a mentality which says, 'We are together as long as the love lasts', and then? All the best and see you later... and so ends the marriage. But what do we mean by love? Is it only a feeling, a psychological state? Certainly, if that is it, then we cannot build on anything solid. But if, instead, love is a relationship, then is a reality that grows. Love is not just a feeling, it is a relationship." (Address to Engaged Couples, 14th Feb 2014).

05 Do we have time to play with our children?
"Do you have time to play with your children? And so often I hear from the dad: "But, Father, when I go to work in the morning, they are sleeping, and when I come back in the evening, they are in bed sleeping and I too am tired." Butw, would say; that's not life! It is not human! If you continue to do so, what is the difference between an orphan and your child?" (Address, 16th J une 2014).

## 06

 What makes the Family Strong?And "Don't forget the three phrases which are to be in the family: 'May I? 'Thank you' and I'm sorry'. If these phrases are present, I am sure that your families will grow strong." (13th May 2015).

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## As your fingers go tap-tap-tap relishing digital food... Pause.. Look up.. Read on!

Much has been written about technology and its impact. The havoc it has caused in the lives of the growing generation is pal pable. The positive side of technological advancement is undeniable but so is the negative. Technology has invaded our lives so much that it has gone to the extent of infiltrating our washrooms!

## The much cherished past:

A round 20 years ago the house was a home to lively conversations about diverse topics. The family members bowed their heads together for the grace before meals. The dining room echoed with the day's tales from school and work. This narration of events played a vital role at home. The parents carefully listened to them, evaluated them and found ways to instill values and morals, in their children, through their comments. When parents narrated events from their workplace they tried to set a good examplefor their
children by highlighting the value filled incidents.Thus instead of merely reading or hearing about values, children learnt to practise them in their day to day lives.The family bond strengthened and became transparent over chats among the members. Mischief was present at the dining table when siblings steal thily placed pieces of ginger and chilly in each other's plates. M any a time the dining table witnessed healthy debates among the family members where sharing of ideas and opinions took place. The lessons of listening and accepting an individual, for what he/ she is, were often picked from here. After the family prayer, the dining table was the place where the family came together in one spirit.

## The arid present:

Today family members bow their heads together to their gadgets. Human interaction has come cl ose to nil due to the
interactive apps and the belief that app interaction is sufficient for human existence. The reality shows, TV serials have encroached upon our family time leaving our dining table as a place for the living dead! People are satiated with digital food disregarding the nutritious meal served. The individualistic society has replaced the giant television with easy smartphones for each one. Silence is very much appreciated at the dining table because of the full concentration and interest invested in the television serials and shows by the family. Weare in a disgraceful reality where we have become very comfortable in the silence of our loved ones.

## Irreversible damage - A reality bite:

loyalty towards the gadgets, we have managed to eat as strangers. Given the current scenario, from an outsider's point of view, our family meal time is bound to look like 4 strangers dining together.
A ccording to the Portuguese tradition, meal time is meant to be enjoyed. This enjoyment is attained by sitting together as a family and appreciating each other's presence. It also could bethetime when dreams are shared, tears wiped away, cook appreciated and letting in transparency once again. Each meal time can be a reminder that our family can be trusted more than the strangers online.


Have we ever thought about the impacts of over exposure to gadgets on our family ties? Long ago silence at home meant something wrong and today it's the norm. Technology has very successfully managed to alienate us from our own family. There is a perceptible al oofness among the members living under the same roof. We treat our devices and gadgets as our extended selves and give them undue importance and prominence in our lives. The gadgets have very easily found their way to our dining table, thus gnawing at our precious family time. For many of us dinner is the only time we get to spend with our family and due to our

## Let's talk: One M eal at a Time

Let us pledge to keep asideour electronic gadgets, even television, during our meals. Let's start with dinner: one meal at a time. Let the dining table be a place of getting together sans the smart devices. Let us not be distracted with the beeps. Let us TALK. Let us LAUGH. Let us LIVE. Let's bring dinner time back to life. Once someone asked, "What do we do with all the time that we have saved?" N obody had a valid answer to this question.

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join together with the heavenly community. It is a time when heaven comes down to us and we are taken up to heaven. it is together with Bl. Virgin Mary, all the saints and angels that we celebrate our Qurbana. In the words of Pope St. John Paul II "The Eucharist is truly a glimpse of heaven appearing on earth. It is a glorious ray of the heavenly Jerusalem which pierces the cloud of our history and lights up our journey" (Ecclesia de Eucharistia-19).

## Sanctuary as Heaven

Holy Qurbana should give us true heavenly experience. It is in this heavenly experience that in the Kusappa the celebrant prays: " how awe inspiring is this place where today I have seen the Lord face to face! This is none other than the house of God" Not only the prayers and rites of the Qurbana but also the structure and the design and architecture in the church should be arranged in such a way as to help the community to get a foretaste of heaven. The church is the meeting place of heaven and earth. The Liturgy should give the participants the experience of having encountered God face to face as seen in the prayer of the celebrant. So it is very important that the sanctuary is arranged and depicted after the model of heaven. This will help us to have a heavenly experience in prayer. Instead, if crucifix and calvary is depicted at the centre of the Sanctuary, it is difficult to visualize sanctuary as symbolizing heaven and Q urbana as our participation in heavenly worship and thus to have a heavenly experience in Liturgy. Hence the understanding of the sanctuary as representing heaven on earth and our Liturgy as participation in the heavenly liturgy is basic and fundamental to our liturgical spirit and theology. Apart from this understanding it is not possible to appreciate the richness of our liturgical theology and to experience it through the celebration and to share it explaining it to others.

## New Life in heavenly Kingdom

In the prayer of invocation of the Holy Spirit we pray: Mary this Qurbana grant us ... new life in your heavenly Kingdom". In the Holy Q urbana we

With the blessing of Almighty we celebrated the 25th glorious and auspicious silver jubilee of Rev.Fr Sunny Memorial Church Choir Competition on the 25th ofAug, 2017 at Yashvanth Rao Chavan Natya Mandir Auditorium, Matunga. This competition which began under the guidance of Rev. Fr Mathew Muthassery in the year 1992 has become one of the unifying factors of Kalyan eparchy and has boosted many choir teams across the parishes of our Kalyan Diocese. This mega event organized by Kalyan Eparchy Youth (KEY), is a BLOCKBUSTER hit throughout the Diocese and this year

## dr. © (1nnu $25^{\text {th }}$ Jubillee Choir Competition

 it saw the enthusiasitc participation of 37 parishes and special performances by Manoj George (Grammy award winner violinist) \& Cicily Abharam, playback singer. The Choir groups who went with a feather in their caps are:

4th prize : Mary Matha Church, Sakinaka


5th prize: St. Alphonsa Church, Mankhurd


Dear Pro-lifer,
Jesus said, I am...the LIFE (John 11:25). The one who stands for LIFE stands for Jesus. The promotion of the culture of LIFE is the need of the hour. By the providence of God and under the Heavenly Patronage of St. John Paul II and our Patron Mar Thomas Elavanal, Kalyan Eparchy Pro-life Movement is steadily engaged in building the culture of LIFE with its mission "Proclaim, Celebrate and Serve the Gospel of Life".
In a short span of about a year, we have so far, in our eparchy, reached to about 20 parishes, 3 Schools, Seminarians, KLM, Youth, CRI, Pithruvedi and Mathrusangam, apart from the monthly sessions at the MPC from Sept 2016, in short, message of LIFE individually reached out to 2800 persons in the Eparchy. It's a mighty work of the Lord.

We earnestly seek your powerful intercession for the grace of the proclamation of the "vigorous reaffirmation of the value of human life and its inviolability"(Evangelium Vitae\#5) in our eparchy.

The promotion of the culture of life through the Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is a precious means of attaining a life of true discipleship and co-operation with God's will.

Kalyan Eparchy Pro-life Movement invites you to 40 hours Adoration
Forty Hours for LIFE with the Lord of LIFE
Place: St. Joseph's Forane Church, Leo Hills Road, IIT P.O, Powai
Date \& Time: September 21st Thursday 7 pm Holy Qurbana followed by Eucharistic Adoration and continue till 23 rd Saturday 12 pm with Eucharistic Benediction Followed by Holy Qurbana.
Come let's join our hands in prayer before JESUS, the source of LIFE, $E=x^{a}$ to build a culture of LIFE!!!

And I am sure of this that the one who began a good work in you will bring it to completion at the day of Jesus Christ (Phil 1:6)

Spiritual Inifiative: Kalyan Eparchy Pro-life Movement \| Spiritual support: KLM, KMS, KPV, JNF, KEY, KKK, KCCRS, JY

|  | 1st \& 2nd | Synod-Kakkanad | 15th | Health Committee Meeting |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 3rd | P.V. Antop Hill | 17th | P.V. Amboli |
|  | 4th | M.S. Class - Panvel | 18th | M.S. Class - Panvel |
| BISHOP'S |  | Karunya Meeting - Powai | 19th | Property Committee-Bishop's House |
|  | 5th | Monthly Recollection \& | 20th | Qurbana - Vaikom |
|  |  | Presbyterium - Panvel | 23 rd | Communion - Nashik |
| 0 A R Y | 6th | Financial Council - Bishop House | 24th | P.V. Worli |
|  | 7th | Qurbana - Sakinaka | 25th | M.S. Class - Panvel |
| SEPTEMBER - 2017 | 8th | MPC - Panvel | 26th | Visit to Igathpuri |
|  | 9th | Presbyteral Pastoral Council - ARC | 27th | Curia Meeting - Bishop's House |
|  | 10th | Qurbana for JNF-Byculla | 29th | CRI Seminar-Panvel |
|  | 11th | M.C. Class - Panvel | 30th | KPV Competition |
|  | 13th | Curia Meeting - Bishop's House |  | Qurbana for Youth - Panvel |

## PITHRUVEDI

## Msgr. Thomas Thalachira Memorial Social Drama

## Competition

Pithruvedi is conducting the Msgr. Thomas Tghalachira Memorial Social drama competition at St. Thomas Cathedral Hall Kalyan (West) on 30th September, 2017. Every parish unit of pithruvedi under Eparchy of Kalyan can submit one entry. The theme of drama should be social and should not conflict with the teaching of the Syro-Malabar Church. The registration should reach the Director Pithruvedi Dioces of Kalyan on or before September, 10th 2017 along with registration fee of Rs. 1,000/For more details contact: 9892593415 Fr. Shibu Pulickal, Director Pithruvedi

## KEY Rain camp



A 3 day rain camp was held from the 28th of July '17 to the 30th of July '17, for working youth \& graduates of the Diocese of Kalyan. The camp venue was ARC Panvel and the trek was to Rajmachi.It brought more than 150 youths together. It served as a reviving break for the youth from their everyday routine by engaging them in various Faith Fellowship and Fun activities. Group dynamics and Trekking formed the core elements of this youth gathering.

## CATECHISM




## First Death Anniversay <br> A million times, we have needed you

 A million times, we have cried If love alone could have saved you you never would have died In life we loved you dearly In our hearts you hold a place No one else can ever fill It broke our heart to lose you, But you did not go alone Part of us went with you The day God took you home.
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## Retreat Planner - August to December 2017

| August | 19 | One day -Malayalam |
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| August | 19 | One day Service - Pune- St Thomas Syro Malabar Church, Dapoli |
| August | $20-23$ | Residential- English \& Malayalam |

September 10-13 Residential Malaylam- Special Inner Healing Retreat Rev. Fr. Mathew Asariparambil \& Team.
September 16 One day Service -Pune-St Thomas Syro Malabar Church, Dapoli
September 23 One day -Malayalam
September 24-27 Residential English
October 21 One day Service -Pune-St Thomas Syro Malabar Church, Dapoli
October 28 One day -Malayalam
October 29-1 Residential English \& Malayalam
November 4 One day-English
November 6-9 Residential Hindi
November 18 One day Service -Pune-St Thomas Syro Malabar Church, Dapoli
November 22-24 Special English Residential Retreat
November 25 One day-Malayalam Rev. Fr. Louis Vellanikkal
November 26-29 Residential Malayalam Special Couple Retreat Rev. Fr. Louis Vellanikkal \& team

| December | 16 | One day -Malayalam |
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| December | 16 | One day Service -Pune-St Thomas Syro Malabar Church, Dapoli |
| December | $17-20$ | Residential-Malayalam \& English-Christmas Preparation. |

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# St. Tarcisius - The Brave Boy 

Narrator: We are here depicting the story of a young martyr saint, St Tarcisius.
St Tarcisius is the patron of First Communicants. His feast is observed on August 15.

St Tarcisius was probably an altar boy, or perhaps a deacon, during one of the fiercest Roman persecutions of the late $3^{\text {rd }}$ or early $4^{\text {th }}$ century. During that period, the Christians met daily to celebrate the Eucharist and to send, though very cautiously, sufficient portions of the Sacred Bread to the imprisoned Christians on the death row.

## Scene I - M akeshift prayer hall

(At the altar, priest Dionysius is ending the Eucharistic services with the sign of the cross. Dionysius then consecrates the Bread and then looks around among the altar boys.)

Dionysius: Who could safely carry the Bread of Life to the condemned Christians in the prison?
(The 12 year old boy, Tarcisius, steps forward and kneels before the priest and shows his readiness.)

Tarcisius: Your reverence, I will take up this mission in the name of our Lord.

Dionysius (looks at Tarcisius with admiration): You are too young, my child. M oreover, the atmosphere around us is hostile, and this mission might be very dangerous for your life.

Tarcisius (showing utmost courage): Your reverence, my Lord himself will be my protection. Oh, please do not deny me this rare privilege.
(All other altar boys look at Tarcisius with

high regard.)
Dionysius: Ok my boy. I am entrusting this task to you in the name of our Lord. Go and accomplish your mission.
(All together carefully wrap the Sacred Bread in linen and place it on Tarcisius' palms. Dionysius blesses Tarcisius on his mission.)

Dionysius: Ever be conscious of the great treasure entrusted to your care, especially when you would be passing through the crowded public streets.

Tarcisius (fol ding the Divine Bread in the bosom of
his tunic): Yes, your reverence! I will die rather than betray God's Sacred Gifts.
(Tarcisius leaves the place. Dionysius and others stand praying for him.)

## Scene II - Busy public space

(A group of boys are playing. Tarcisius enters there with the Divine Bread hidden under his tunic. The boys try to drag him into their game.)

Boy 1: Young fellow, come and join us in our game.

Tarcisius: I am sorry. I have some important business to do.

Boy 2: Oh come on, boy.
(Boys try to drag Tarcisius, who tries to move away from them holding the bosom of his tunic.)

Boy 3: Hey man, what are you holding so protectively in the folds of your tunic? Show us.

Tarcisius: Please allow me to leave.
(The Boys block Tarcisius and try to snatch the hidden substance from his tunic.)

Boy 4: Show us what you are hiding... Show us.
(Tarcisius resists the attempt with all his might. The boys attack him severely with sticks and stones. Tarcisius, falls down on the ground, bleeding heavily. Still he crosses his arms tightly over the Sacred Substance in order to protect it.)

Tarcisius: Oh God! Protect Your Divine Body.
(All the boys gather closely around the fallen Tarcisius in a bid to take possession of his holy Treasure. Suddenly they themselves are pushed off violently by some giant force.)

All Boys: A aaa.... (All of them reel and hastily retreat and fall down.)
(But Quadratus, the tall and hefty among them, falls on his knees. With tears in his eyes, he moves towards Tarcisius and raises the bruised and dying Tarcisius in his arms.)

Quadratus (in gentle tone): Oh God! You are hurt so badly!

Tarcisius (opening his eyes and smiling): Never mind me. Just take care of the Blessed Sacrament I am carrying.
(Tarcisius breaths his last in Quadratus's arms, folding his hands on the bosom of his tunic.)
(Sad Quadratus enfolds Tarcisius in his arms and takes him to the prayer hall.)

## Scene III - Dionysius' prayer hall

(Dionysius praying with the altar boys. Quadratus reaches there hastily with Tarcisius in his arms, puts dead Tarcisius at the altar. All altar boys look scared and shocked.)

Quadratus: Your revernce! Kindly look at this boy! He has given up his life!
(Dionysius sorrowfully looks at Tarcisius, then unfol ds his hands, and carefully takes from his bosom the unviolated H oly Bread and raises it up to the $H$ eaven.)

Dionysius: This brave boy has protected your Body from the evil elements. ( $M$ aking the sign of the cross) Oh Lord, our God! Take him to Your everlasting protection.
(At once Tarcisius' face glows like that of an angel, sleeping the martyr's slumber.)

Narrator: The brave story of St Tarcisius shows us that mere boys and youth can also become saints. The call to holiness begins at baptism, and we do not have to wait for old age and grey hair to serve God. Thank You.

## Pope: Christians can't walk around like pigs (aleteia)


"Am I a springtime person, awaiting the sun, awaiting Jesus, or an autumn person, with my head cast down, bitter, with a pickled pepper face?" Francis invited the chuckling audience to ask themselves. "There are people who see so many calamities and claim that life has no meaning," he said, but "we Christians don't believe this ... We are people more of spring than autumn." Pigs always walk around with their heads down; Pope Francis said. Christian hope, he stressed, is based on "faith in God who always creates novelty in human life, in history and in the cosmos."

## Abp. Fisichella: To Be a Catechist Is a Mission (zenit)

The formation of catechists is not done "seated at a desk with an open book in one's hands to prepare an exam or a lesson" said Archbishop Rino Fisichella,
President of the
Pontifical Council for Promoting the New


Evangelization.
Hence, he explained, the importance of the "New Evangelization," to "overcome a present difficulty in the different Churches - which often limits catechesis to sole preparation for the Sacraments." Instead the Archbishop advocated a "permanent formation" for believers, to present "the understanding of the Christian mystery in view of a coherent existence with what one believes." "To be a catechist isn't a role but a mission in the Church," he stressed.

## "We are hoping against hope" - Eastern Catholic Patriarchs (asianews)

Consciously "hoping against hope" and placing itself in the hands of God's justice, the Council of Eastern Catholic Patriarchs released a final statement after its annual session in Dimane, the summer residence of the Maronite Patriarch. "We call upon the UN and the countries directly affected by the war in Syria, Iraq and Palestine, to stop the
wars whose goals are now clear: destruction, killing, exile, boosting terrorist organisations, spreading the spirit of intolerance and conflict between religions and cultures...To Peter's successor, we say that we represent Churches that flourished in the land of the East since the Apostolic times... whose existence is in real danger."

## India to host next AYD8 (Vatican Radio)

The next Asian Youth Day will take place in India in 2020, for the 2nd time, since 2003. Cardinal Oswald Gracias made the announcement at the end of the concluding Holy Qurbana of the 7th Asian Youth Day (AYD7), which he presided over in Yogyakarta, Indonesia. The venue of the AYD8 will be discussed and decided upon by the CBCI. Card. Gracias, Archbishop of Bombay, together with Indian Church officials and some of the Indian youth delegation received the simple bamboo AYD cross from their Indonesian counterparts for the next AYD to take place in 3 years' time.


## Fr. Uzhunnalil could be released soon: Sushma Swaraj (CWN)



Fr. Tom, who was kidnapped in Yemen last year could be released soon, reports the Salesians information service. This comment was made by Foreign Minister Sushma Swaraj to the delegation from that order, which asked her to ensure the swift release of fellow Salesian Fr. Tom Uzhunnalil. The minister, also reportedly told the delegation, that his freedom was among the highest priorities of the Government.

Indian nun wins global HIV nursing award

## (mattersindia)



The Association of Nurses in AIDS Care (ANAC) selected Sr. Lourdu Mary Nagothu for developing and implementing the world's first masters' curriculum in HIV/AIDS. The member of the Bangalore province of the Sisters of Jesus, Mary and Joseph will receive the award at a ceremony, in the United States.

## Church leaders greet newly elected Indian President (ucan)

Catholic Church officials met the newly elected Indian President to appraise him of work done by Catholics in the field of health, education and in serving the poor in the country. Cardinal Baselios Cleemis, President of the CBCI , led the delegation that included two other cardinals and five bishops to meet Ram Nath Kovind at the Rashrapati Bhavan. "We did not raise any issues in the meeting. We greeted him on behalf of the Catholics of India... It was a courtesy visit," he said.


## 1st Death Anniversary

Your life was a blessing Your memory a treasure Loved \& Respected beyond words, And missed beyond measure

A tribute of love from Husband: K.J. Thomas
Children: Saji, Steffy and Sybil Mother-in-law:

Anna Ittoop
Deeply mourned by Relatives \& Friends



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## KERYGMA 2017

## (Bible Quiz Competition)

1. Portions for study
2. Date
3. Registration Fee
4. Registration closes on
5. Participants are categorized into 5 groups-A, B, C, D, E according to age and in two mediums- English and Malayalam.
Group A : Those born after 1-1-2001 (upto 16yrs)
Group B : Those born between 1-1-1992 and 31-12-2000 (17-25 yrs)
Group C : Those born between 1-1-1977 and 31-12-1991 (26-40 yrs)
Group D : Those born between 1-1-1957 and 31-12-1976 (41-60 yrs)
Group E : Those born before 31-12-1956 (above 60 years)
6. Study materials are available in the Bishop's House (will be charged).
7. The question paper consists of 90 multiple choice questions (1 mark each) and five questions to be answered in two sentences (2 marks each).

Fr. Jomon Thekkumthala
Director, Department of Bible Apostolate


## 15th Death Anniversary

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