

HOLY TRINITY CAPUCHIN PROVINCE
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TRUE HUMILITY - I
(Admonition: XXIV)

Admonition 24 of St Francis of Assisi deals with the subject of “true humility”. The main features of “true humility” elaborated in this admonition are the following: 1. A truly humble person is unassuming in his behavior. 2. He is always ready to be corrected; 3. He atones for his offences interiorly by contrition and exteriorly by confessing and making reparation.

What do we mean by unassuming behavior? It means that a humble person has a correct “self image” or a right “self understanding” and does not put on artificiality in his conduct. The statement of St Paul, “I am what I am by the grace of God” affirms a true self understanding of himself. Jesus asserted, “Come to me... I am meek and humble of heart” (Mt. 11, 28-29). This is the self understanding of Jesus as he considered himself as a “Servant of God”.

Frederich Nietzsche has on the other hand given to the world the concept of a ‘Superman’ who affirms his ego, through an appropriation of temporal realities. For him power, prosperity and pleasure are the means of self fulfillment. In opposition, for St. Francis the evangelical virtues of obedience, poverty and chastity are the means for self-realization and the appropriation of heavenly kingdom. He is the “super-religious”, because he transcended the principles of power, prosperity and pleasure. Pride and arrogance are the manifestations of ‘superman’; meekness and humility are the manifestations of the disciple of the Lord. This does not mean that a disciple should not be courageous and bold. Jesus who asserted “I am meek and humble of heart” also declared publicly the Pharisees and Scribes as “hypocrites”, drove away ruthlessly the people who were selling and buying in the temple and questioned the soldier who slapped him on his cheek. Acting unassumingly and with humility does not mean that we should be afraid of our adversaries but it can certainly mean we are daring to defend truth against all odds.

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Br. Vincent Gabriel Furtado OFM Cap

PROVINCIAL COMMUNICATIONS

1. Seventeen New Deacons

The Darshan Institute of Theology can take credit for preparing 17 candidates who have been raised to the rank of Deacons of the Church on 29 June, 2010 by Most Rev. Dr. Bernard Moras, the Archbishop of Bangalore. While congratulating the new Deacons and wishing them a fruitful diaconate ministry, we hope and pray that they will soon climb the altar of God as new Priests of the Church.

2. Perpetual Profession of three Brothers in Uganda

Brothers Paul Ebwangat, Lancy Saldanha and Sunil Ullahanan of the Custody of Uganda will make their solemn profession on 7 August, 2010 in the Church of "Portiuncula" Mirembe Novitiate, Busunju. We congratulate them and wish them perseverance in their religious vocation till the end.

3. Zonal Recollections

The Provincial Definitory has decided to organize zonal recollections as an additional means of spiritual animation of the Province. To begin with, we will have two zonal recollections per year in every zone. I request all the friars to cooperate. The list of zones and the time of recollections will be made known to you separately.

4. Blessing and Inauguration of Infant Jesus School Building, Chikmagalur

Most Rev. Dr. Anthony Swamy, the Bishop of Chikmagalur, blessed the newly constructed Infant Jesus School on 19 June, 2010. Bros. Lawrence Dilraj and Victor Crasta organized the event on a grand scale. Congratulations brothers! Immediately, we are proceeding with the first floor as there is a great need for new class rooms and then plan a Friary in the campus.

5. Inauguration of St. Anthony's Pre-University College, Kengeri

The Pre-University College dedicated to St. Anthony was informally inaugurated on 9 June, 2010 in the presence of around 60 students who had enrolled themselves for the course. The Blessing and the official inauguration of the college building is kept on 14 July, 2010 at 9.30 a.m. the former by me and the latter by the local MLA Ms. Shobha Karandlaje. We wish and pray that the

college will be a good success in imparting quality education to local students. This being the first PU College of the Province we congratulate Br. Chetan Lobo and Br. Joachim D'Souza who have strained every nerve to get all the permissions from the Government and the Educational department. Please note that we have a new college Fraternity in the Campus which has been baptized as "SHANTHI NIVAS".

6. New School in Bidar

We appreciate very much the initiative of Br. George Monis who has succeeded to start a Kindergarten School in Bidar. We hope the school will grow and become a well known institute in the area.

7. The Triennial Assemblies of the Delegations

The Triennial assemblies of our Delegations will take place as follows:

- Ø St. Pio Delegation of Sri Lanka : on 29 - 30 July, 2010
- Ø Christ the King delegation of Mizoram-Tripura: on 11- 12 November, 2010
- Ø Infant Jesus Delegation of Nagaland and Manipur: on 17 - 18 November, 2010

I will be presiding over these three assemblies. We wish them a very fruitful and meaningful celebration of the assemblies.

8. Br. Joel Pinto to DITh

We are grateful to Br. Joel Pinto who has moved to Darshan Institute of Theology as Spiritual Director of Theology Students. We thank the Fraternity for accepting him as a member. He will be visiting the Westside Indus Hospital for his regular healthcare treatment.

9. Dispensations Received

The Dispensations from Religious vows have been received for Ivan Vas and Paul Pinto. Hence both of them are no more the members of the Capuchin Order.

10. Formation Seminar by General Secretary for Formation in January, 2011

The General Secretary of Formation has arranged a Seminar for the Directors and Rectors of the Formation Centres in four places in India. The

Seminar for Karnataka, Goa and Maharashtra will be in Bangalore from 22 - 25 January, 2011.

11. Planner for the Triennium

We have prepared a Triennium Planner for the Province which will be printed in the Directory for your ready reference.

12. Societies and Trusts

The Superiors of St. Anne's Friary and Dayalbagh Ashram will be the Vice Presidents of The Mangalore Capuchin Friars Minor Society and Capuchin Krishik Seva Kendra respectively. The Province Administrator Br. Gerald Lobo will be the Secretary of all Societies and Trusts in the Province.

13. Meeting of the Treasurers

The meeting of all the treasurers of local fraternities will take place in September/October during which the new Direct Tax Code proposed by the Finance Ministry will be discussed. The Provincial Treasurer will organize the meeting. Please cooperate.

14. Budget 2010 –2011

Many fraternities have not yet sent the Budget proposals. Please send them immediately. No financial requests, even the Mass Intentions will not be remitted without the budget proposals. Hence, Hurry up. The details and corrections in the budget will be made known to the individual fraternities by the Provincial Treasurer.

15. PIO MALL

The Pio Mall at St. Anne's Friary Mangalore was blessed by me and inaugurated by Mr. Ivan D'Souza the District Vice President of the Congress Party on 4 July, 2010. We are planning to dispose of all the shops at the earliest. Please pray that we may succeed to sell the shops fast.

16. Construction of Vimukti Office

Br. Vinod is planning to construct a small Office in Ujire for the Vimukti staff. We congratulate him for his bold step to collect funds and construct the premises.

17. Brothers from Ethiopia

Three brothers from Ethiopia will be doing their post-graduate studies in Christ University, C/o Dharmaram College, Bangalore. They will be the guest members of Darshan Institute of Theology during their studies in India.

18. Please note the following Addresses

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19. Next Definitory Meeting

The next Definitory meeting will be held at Saccidananda on 27-28 September, 2010.



The Retreat for the Superiors will commence on 16th evening and end on 21st of August 2010. While it is obligatory for all, whose names have been circulated earlier, other friars too can attend the same. The Superior's meeting will commence on 22nd morning and end on 23rd noon. Superiors shall be present for the entire programme without fail.

19. Provincial Minister's Programme

Date: July 15, 2010

Place: Saccidananda, Bangalore

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Provincial Minister

July, 2010	
14	Blessing and Inauguration of Darshan College And St. Anthony's PU College Buildings
15 - 25	Provincialate
26	Memorial Service – Br. Stephen Rego
27	Provincialate
August, 2010	
28 - 31	Srilanka - Assembly
1 - 4	Srilanka
5 - 12	Provincialate
13 - 14	With Br. Agapit – General Definitior
15	Mangalore for Retreat
16 - 23	Superiors' Retreat and Meeting
25 - 31	Provincialate

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