

24th PROVINCE DAY

Heart brimming with joy and gratitude, we echo our joyful voices to sing and glorify the Lord for He has been gracious to us on the occasion of the celebration of the 24th anniversary of the existence of our Province in North East India.



A meaningful prayer service was conducted focusing on the theme “Call to love sent to serve”. In a symbolic gesture each flower is given to the superior representing that she is a flower in the community, while the leaves are the sisters of the community. Indeed this day brings to our mind the great event of our Province- coming into existence. The North East India Province was bifurcated from Calcutta Province in the year 1993, with 11 communities and 111 sisters. The able guidance of Rev. Sr. Dorothy Kattakkakathootu as the first Provincial Superior made the small sapling into a tree. Rev. Sr. Angelamaria Varangalakudiyil, through her tireless efforts saw to it, that this tree of our new Province spread out to many branches. The tree has matured and is bearing fruit in the care of Rev. Sr. Jozy Palatty. Following the example of her predecessors she leaves no stone unturned to see to it that our Province is making steady progress. Now we cherish the hard work of all the pioneer sisters. At present we are working in 6 states of North East India in 8 Dioceses with the presence of 22 communities and 168 members; carrying out the Charism entrusted to us by our Foundress St. Bartolomea Capitanio. We are blessed with many vocations where we have 9 novices, 7 postulants and 21 candidates.



We proceeded to the altar with a lighted candle that reminds us of our witnessing life as a consecrated person. The climax of the day elevated with the Eucharistic celebration presided over by Rev. Fr. Anil Joseph. We were much edified and enriched by the meaningful homily given by the celebrant. He asserted that giving ourselves to the Lord is the par- excellence of our consecrated life and there is much joy in giving than receiving.



To add the colour of the celebration, junior sisters put up a short programme. We see an ebullient expressing on everyone's face. We enjoyed at every bit of the day's programme. This splendid day reminds us to rededicate ourselves to work hand in hand in whatever field we are in and give our very best. Let our daily lives be a perpetual holocaust of love for the service of charity, all aiming at the greater glory of God.