

Awakening Zagruti

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St. Elizabeth's Church, Ucassaim, Bardez, Goa 403507



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Ordination Anniversary



Congratulations Fr. Savio
D'Souza on completing 43
years as an ordained priest.

May Our Lord grant you
many more years of selfless
service in His vineyard!

Best wishes from the
Parishioners of St. Elizabeth's
Parish, Ucassaim



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Somar-Sonvar (Mon-Sat): 7.00am

Sonvar/Saturday: 5.00pm

Aitara/Sunday: 7am and 8.30am

Kochericho Vell/Office Timings: Somar te Sonvar/Mon-Sat: 9.30am to 1pm

Piddestank Komunhanv/Communion for the Old and Sick: Fr. to announce

Bhag. Bap Magonk Iaita/Pope Francis' Intention

Let us pray that men and women religious and seminarians, grow in their own vocational journey through human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, that leads them to be credible witnesses of the Gospel.

Firgoz Zomeank Zomati

- Gonvllik Firgoz Sobha: Poilea Aitarak sokallim 10:30
- Dev-Sondexkaram: Dusrea Aitarak
- Tornnateancho Zomo: Chovtea Aitarak
- Mariechi Fouz (Legion of Mary): Dor Mungllara sokallim Mis zatoch
- Dublleanchi Sonvstha (SSVP): 2nd and 4th Sonvar/Saturday
- Vediche Sevok (Altar Servers): Dor Sukrara, 5:00 pm

Elections 2024 - Be Careful How You Vote

The elections are around the corner. Maybe this issue will come out after you have cast your vote. Even if this issue gets delayed, I still think the information in this article may be useful for future elections.

I suggest you pray and ask our Heavenly Father to guide you before you cast your vote. Just remember, every vote matters and every seat matters. So, please do vote and vote judiciously.

Please do not get taken in by people giving you "incentives" to vote for them be it in the form of money or any material benefit. I know people who "sell" their votes for a paltry Rs. 2000!

Now coming to the elections. I hope you have checked to see that your name is on the Voter List. You could use the official Election Commission of India app **Voter Helpline** (search for Voter Helpline in the Android Play Store). You should be able to search for your voter details using your name or even your election card number.

Even if your name is not on the electoral rolls, you could take your Aadhaar Card or similar identification to the polling station and you can show that and cast your vote. (continued on Page 7)

Editorial

With May we come to the end of another Pastoral Year. This is the time, in Goa, for Chapel feasts, picnics and a short break. This year, of course, we are wilting under the sweltering sun and high humidity. The heat is relentless and the real summer season is yet in its infancy!

Karnataka and specially Bangalore are reeling under a water crisis. I am pretty sure Goa will be affected too pretty soon, what with wanton and willy-nilly construction going on all over the place with the side effect that trees are being chopped down to make way for concrete buildings. And no thought is given to climate change, the need for water and garbage disposal.

Talking of “development”, I went to Panjim after a long time and was really shocked to see the state of the Goan capital. It is a mess...and that is putting it kindly. There is no “smart” city in sight...all you see are blockages and dangerous, open, uncovered constructions pits. I am surprised that the residents are quiet!

To top it all, the Mandovi along the Panjim promenade looks like it is chock-a-block with “casinos”. My question: Does Goa really need casinos? However, the powers that be think it is good...

While I was in Panjim, I decided to check out the Yoga Setu near the INOX turn on the promenade. Turns out that it makes a lovely walking/jogging area. The pathway, nicely done, goes all the way to the Marriot hotel, all along the banks of the Mandovi River. A really nice addition to the attractions in Panjim. It is still under development, but has a lot of potential!

On this pathway there is also an old lighthouse. Perhaps, to enhance the experience, the government should look towards restoring the lighthouse as it could be a great tourist attraction.

A few things I did not like. On the same pathway that I am talking about, there is a tree fallen into the river...and it is just lying there! Perhaps the administrations should look into removing the tree. I also went to Aguada prison. Great views...nicely restored...but, once again, there is a massive tree that has fallen into the sea/river, that needs to be removed.

Talking of Aguada prison...it is now called Aguad and is run by a non-Goan. Do you mean to tell me that not even one Goan is capable of running the place...or has the government sold the place to outsiders?

Also did a bit of sightseeing at the Corjuem Fort and the Chapora Fort. The Corjuem Fort is closed due to the renovations being carried out. But the road leading up to the fort is pathetic. I mean, the fort should be earmarked as a national heritage site or at least a state heritage site. Our MLA has asked for renovations, and I hope they do a good job so that it can attract tourists.

The Chapora fort was a big disappointment. The road leading to the parking spot was blocked, so we had to park at the bottom of the hill and had to make a steep climb just to get to the fort. Then all that we could see were some crumbling outer walls. Inside the fort, there is nothing noteworthy except massive boulders. However, the view from the ramparts of the fort is breathtaking. Now I know why the old forts were built on hills - great view to spot the enemy from far, but also, the steep climb would tire out even the fittest of soldiers...

However, the government needs to do a lot more on a war footing to enhance the beauty of the place by maintaining the fort. If the place is really done up well, they could even charge visitors a small fee to help with the maintenance.

Hmmm...that was way off the beaten track. Back in Ucassaim, we finally managed to finish with the Formation sessions for the Reconstitution of the PPC. We also had a small Recollection conducted by Fr. Ramiro Luis. After which we had the second round of elections. We are currently in the final stages of setting up the new PPC which is a lovely combination of youth and experience. We wish them well and assure them of our support.

The new PPC will start functioning from June onwards. What is left now is the installation of the new PPC and a joint meeting with the outgoing PPC so that we can hand over. The new members seem to be raring to go! Which is a good sign.

Meanwhile, the new Liturgical Year starts off in June and the members of the outgoing PPC as well as the Main Election Team put together a skeleton of a planner for the Pastoral Year 2024-2025. Of course, the new PPC and the new teams will fill out the calendar with their programmes as well. Please note, we look to the parishioners to give us ideas as to what activities we can do in our Parish to build community as well as to bond and bring people closer not only to our Lord Jesus but also closer to each other.

The future looks bright and we all wait with bated breath to see what fresh ideas come in to make the Parish vibrant and full of life.

Meanwhile we thanks each and every one of you for your faithful contribution every second and fourth Sunday towards the Good Samaritan Fund collection. We have a good corpus and are helping those in need. Please do continue to be generous in your contributions to the GSF. At the same time, please do bring to our notice if there are any people in the Parish who need help. Thanks!

MISAM ANI PORBO

Mai 2024

Tarik	Dis	Intesanv/Porob	Vachpi
1ler	Budhvar	7:00 a.m Ghorchea meloleank-Isabel Fernandes	Annie Gomes
2rer	Brestar	7.00 a.m Dhinvasnechem Mis-Johny Cardoz-birthday	Erminda Cardoz
		5.30 p.m Povitr Khursachem Fest- Paliem 1	
3rer	Sukrar	7.00 a.m Somp. Mary Saldanha	Clayton Saldanha
		6 .00 p.m Povitr Khursachem Fest- Punola	
4ter	Sonvar	7:00 a.m Somp. Emy ani Charles Steven Dias	Orelia D'sa
		8.00 a.m Somp. Laurence Carneiro- 1lea vorsacho ugddas ani fondaxim magnnim	
5ver	Aitar	PASKANCHO SOVO AITAR 7.00 a.m Somp. Reginaldo Fernandes	Mandavoll korunk-Paliem 1
		8:30 a.m Somp. Maria Luizinha Vaz	
6ver	Somar	7.00 a.m Somp. Luis Francisco Mendes ani Emiliana Mendes	Cedric Saldanha
		6.00 p.m Povitr Khursachem Fest- Bela Flor	
7ver	Mungllar	Somp. Joseph ani Agnes D'souza	Daphne D'souza
8ver	Budhvar	7.00 a.m Somp. Thomas Correia	Vanida Correia
9ver	Brestar	7.00 a.m Somp. Bertha Rodrigues	Anson D'souza
10ver	Sukrar	7.00 a.m Somp. Reginaldo Fernandes	Princy Fernandes
11ver	Sonvar	7.00 a.m Dhinvasnechem Mis- Vallie Fernandes- birthday	Reesa D'souza
12ver	Aitar	7.00 a.m Dhinvasnechem Mis- Caetano Sequeira	Mandavoll korunk-Paliem Nogueira
		8.30 a.m Somp. Oscar D'souza	
13ver	Somar	7.00 a.m Somp. Joan de Noronha	Megan Britto
14ver	Mungllar	7.00 a.m Somp. Zacharias ani Luizinha Fernandes	Margaret Vaz
15ver	Budhvar	Somp. Cecilia Fernandes	Maria de Graca D'souza
16ver	Brestar	Dhinvasnechem Mis- Peter ani Marietta Noronha	Marietta Noronha
17ver	Sukrar	Somp. Martin Dias- Fondaxim magnnim-3rea Vorsacho Ugddas	
18ver	Sonvar	7.00 a.m Somp. Mary Coutinho	Sherry Menezes
19ver	Aitar	7.00 a.m Somp. Reginaldo Fernandes	Mandavoll korunk-Dhumpem
		8.30 a.m Dhinvasnechem Mis- Milagrina Couto	

MISAM ANI PORBO (continued)

Mai 2024

Tarik	Dis	Intesanv/ Porob	Vachpi
20ver	Somar	7.00 a.m Somp. Ditosa Cardoz	Milagrina Couto
21ver	Mungllar	7.00 a.m Somp. Luis Pereira	Aurelia Fernandes
22ver	Budhvar	7.00 a.m Somp. Reginaldo Fernandes	Catriona Carneiro
23ver	Brestar	7.00 a.m Dhinvasnnechem Mis- Isabel Fernandes	Annie Gomes
24ver	Sukrar	7.00 a.m Dhinvasnnechem Mis- Bernard Fernandes	Bernard Fernandes
25ver	Sonvar	7.00 a.m Somp. Bertha Rodrigues	Rynal Carneiro
26ver	Aitar	7.00 a.m Somp. Luis ani Maria Adelina Pereira	Mandavoll korunk-Punola
		8.30 a.m Somp. Annie D'souza	
27ver	Somar	7:00 a.m Dhinvasnnechem Mis- Abisha ani Camilo Fernandes	Abisha Fernandes
28ver	Mungllar	7.00 a.m Dhinvasnnechem Mis- Janessa Noronha	Janessa Noronha
29ver	Budhvar	7.00 a.m Somp. Joao D'souza ani famil	Milly Carneiro
30ver	Brestar	7.00 a.m Somp. Caridade ani Mary Correia	Vanida Correia
31ver	Sukrar	7.00 a.m Somp. Reginaldo Fernandes	Steven Vaz

June 2024

Tarik	Dis	Intesanv/ Porob	Vachpi
1ler	Sonvar	7.00 a.m Somp. Anselmo Gonsalves- fondaxim magnnim- 3rea vorsacho ugddas	Annie Gomes
2rer	Aitar	7.00 a.m Somp. Justin ani Albertina D'souza	Mandavoll korunk-Igorz Vaddo
		8.30 a.m Somp. Bella Josephine Silveira	Mandavoll korunk-Sondexkaram
3rer	Somar	7.00 a.m Somp. Lily Coutinho	
4ter	Mungllar	7.00 a.m	
5ver	Budhvar	7.00 a.m	
6ver	Brestar	7:00 a.m Dhinvasnnechem Mis- Henry ani Hansel Lobo	Deodita Soares
7ver	Sukrar	7:00 a.m Dhinvasnnechem Mis- Warner Almeida	Lourdes Almeida

The Life of Saint Joseph: A Tale of Personal Devotion

Saint Joseph occupies a unique and revered place in the history of Christianity. He is celebrated not only as the earthly father of Jesus but also as a **model of Humility, Obedience, and Unwavering Faith**. My own journey with Saint Joseph began during my school years at St. Joseph High School, where I eagerly anticipated the annual Novena and feast, marking moments of communal reflection and spiritual connection with this beloved saint.

At St. Joseph High School, the air buzzed with anticipation as students, teachers, and staff gathered to honor and celebrate the life of Saint Joseph. Through prayers, hymns, and shared stories, we embraced the teachings and virtues exemplified by this humble carpenter from Nazareth. His steadfast commitment to God's will and his unwavering support for the Virgin Mary and the infant Jesus served as enduring examples of selflessness and devotion.

Upon joining an institute where Saint Joseph was the Patron Saint, I felt a profound sense of privilege and gratitude. Here, in the daily rhythms of academic life, Saint Joseph's presence was palpable, his guiding hand subtly influencing our endeavors and aspirations. As we navigated the challenges of education and personal growth, Saint Joseph's intercession became a source of solace and inspiration, reminding us of the power of faith and the importance of serving others with humility and compassion.

Reflecting on my personal experiences with Saint Joseph, I am struck by the profound impact of his life and legacy. Beyond the pages of Scripture and the confines of religious observance, Saint Joseph emerges as a relatable figure, a humble servant whose quiet strength and unwavering faith continue to resonate across generations.

In moments of doubt or uncertainty, I find comfort in Saint Joseph's example of Trust and Obedience. Like him, I strive to embrace God's will with Humility and Grace, Trusting in His Divine Providence to guide my path. Saint Joseph's patronage serves as a reminder that even in the most ordinary of circumstances, we can find opportunities for extraordinary acts of love and service.

As we celebrate Saint Joseph's feast day and honor his memory, let us not only remember his role in the Nativity story but also reflect on the timeless lessons he imparts to us today. In a world filled with noise and distractions, Saint Joseph's quiet witness reminds us of the importance of simplicity, humility, and fidelity to God's plan.

May Saint Joseph continue to inspire and guide us on our journey of faith, illuminating our path with his gentle presence and steadfast devotion. And may we, like him, strive to live lives of purpose and meaning, rooted in love and service to God and neighbor.

On Saint Joseph's feast day, and every day thereafter, may we draw strength from his example and find courage in his unwavering faith. For in Saint Joseph, we find not only a saint to admire but also a friend and intercessor who walks with us on our journey of faith and discipleship.

(St. Joseph's Feast is on March 19, though he is also remembered on May 1, celebrated as the feast of St. Joseph the Worker)

Sr. Priyanka



Factoid

May 1 is the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker. It is also celebrated internationally as May Day, International Worker's Day or Labour Day. May Day is also a European festival marking the first day of summer. It is celebrated on May 1.

Interestingly the word **Mayday** is used internationally as an emergency procedure word, signalling that help may be required in a distress situation. For example, a plane that may be forced to crash land will send out a "Mayday mayday mayday" call to alert everyone in the vicinity that something bad is about to happen.

CASCIACHI BHAGEVONT RITA

Casciachi Sant Rita zaka ami (Patron Saint of impossible) mhone pachartan, ticho zolm 1381 vorsu Roccaporena, Italy hanga zalo. Ti Jezuchea mogan vaddunk lagli, Bhurgeachponnar tika madr zaupachi itxa asli, punn aplea avoi-bapaichea sangneak kan diun, 12 vorsanche pirayercheruch tika logn zaunchem poddlem. Ticho ghorkar tika khub tras korunk laglo, taka borea margar haddunk ti sodanch Deva lagim magtali.

Ek dis, eka mon'xan tichea ghorkaracho jiv ghetlo, tea disa tiche dogui put khub ragabhorit zale ani aplea bapaicho jiv kaddtoleacho hixob gheunk tannim tharilem punn anchi avoi, peleachea jivak lukson haddop hem ek vho ddlem patok mhone somzaunk lagli. Tori punn tichem aikunk te toyar naslet. Aplea putancho oslo sobhav polleun ti dukhi zali ani Deva lagim aplea putank oslem vaitt korche adim nivarunk dis-rat magunk lagli. Kaim disamni tiche dogui put bhirankull piddek sampodde ani anturnnar podde. Tanche avoin tankam khub somzaile ani tanchea bapaichea khunniak bhogsunk lailem. He pautt tannim tichem sangnem aikolem ani aplo jiv vech e adim taka bhogxilo.

Aplea ghorkarachea ani putachea mornna uprant tinnem apovneacher portun lokh ghalem ani apunn madr zaupak, Augustinian Koventant aplem panvl marunk chintlem, punn ti kazari oston axil'lean tika madr zaunk mellona zalem. Oxench rathea vellar magnnem kortana, tin Sant, Sant Juanv Baptist, Hippo-cho Sant Augustine ani Tolentino-cho Sant Nicholas, zanche lagim ti sodanch magtali, te tegui Sant tichea mukhar ube zale ani Augustinian Koventanchim daram bond aslim ti apxinch ugoddlim ani tannim tika bhitor haddli. Jednam dusrea disa madrimni tika Koventan polleli tednam tiche sovm ghoddloli milagr polleun, hich Devachi khuxi mhone somzun, tannim tika madr zaupachem bhag favo kelem.

Ti madr zaun, lokak khub adar diunk lagli. Duspott zal'lea ghorabeant xanti haddunk ti vavurtali. Eka disa magnnem kortana tinnem khursar umkolltolea Jezu lagim apnnakui Tachea koxttanchi bhagidar zaunk maglem. Tednam tichea kopolar Jezuchea kanteanchea mukutta sarko ek ghavo zalo ani tinnem to khuxalkayen svikarlo. To ghavo tichea fuddlea pondra vorsam pasun tika sonsunk poddlo. Tinnem aplem jivit challis vorsam pasun tea Konventan sarlem ani xekim piddek lagun chear vorsam legun ti koxttoul punn sosnnikayen apli piddasonsunk lagli, tichea ghayank kidde pasun podde.

Ti aplea jivitache nimanne ghoddier pavli tednam tinnem aplea ghorantle eke ostorek, bhagntlim gulabachim don fulam haddunk lailim. Ojapanchi ghoddnni mhonelear to thonddayecho kall aslo tori punn te ostorek te gulab ful'lele mell'le ani te tinnem Sant Ritachea hatant dile. He gulab Sant Ritache dogui put sorgar asat oxem khunnaita mhone Sant Ritacho Devacher visvas aslo.

Mornnache tonnir astanam, aple kuxik asloleam madrim bhoinnink him nimanni utram tinnem mhone nlim, "Remain in the holy love of Jesus. Remain in obedience to the holy Roman Catholic Church. Remain in peace and fraternal charity." Uprant Mayache 22ver, 1457 vorsak ti sompli. Atam meren tichi meloli kudd asa toxich asa (incorrupt). Tichi kudd, Basilica of Santa Rita da Cascia, hanga dovorloli asa karon ti melea uprant tichea ghavea thaun boro pormoll fankunk laglo. Hi Sant Ritachi ek milagr asli.

Sant Ritachea jivitacher ami nodor marlear amkam kollun ieta ki ti vho dd bhavarthachi monis asli. Jezun dil'li mogachi, sevechi adnia ami pallun, Jezun kelam toxench ami-i korunk ani borim kristanvam koxim Casciache Sant Rita-chi dekh gheun amchem fuddlem jivit jiyeunk proitn korum-ia. Cascia-chi Sant Rita, amche khatir mag.

Article has been taken from the Porzoll Magazine (March – June 2024 Issue)

He loves, he hopes, he waits. Our Lord prefers to wait Himself
for the sinner for years rather than keep us waiting an instant.


Maria Goretti

Remember, in the booth, when you press the button for the candidate of your choice, make sure that the light next to the button of your candidate lights up. If it does not or if some other light on the Electronic Voting Machine (EVM) comes on, stay in the booth and lodge a complaint from there.

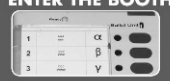
If the light next to the button you press comes on, make sure to check the slip that comes out of the Voter Verifiable Paper Audit Trail (VVPAT) machine next to the EVM. You get just seven (7) seconds to check the slip in the VVPAT window which will light up. If the symbol on the slip does not match the symbol you cast your vote for, stay in the booth and register a complaint. A visual aid for all the machines in the booth is given below:

HOW TO CAST YOUR VOTE

USING EVM & VVPAT




1 ENTER THE BOOTH




The Presiding Officer will enable the ballot Unit while you enter the polling compartment.

2 CAST YOUR VOTE




Press the Blue Button on the Ballot Unit against the name /symbol of candidate of your choice.

3 SEE THE LIGHT



The red light against the name/symbol of candidate chosen will glow

4 SEE THE PRINT




The Printer will print a ballot slip containing Serial Number, Name and Symbol of the chosen Candidate as shown.

The slip will be visible for 7 seconds

See the print through the glass, as the printout will not be given to you

NOTE!

If you do not see the ballot slip and hear the loud beep please contact the Presiding officer.



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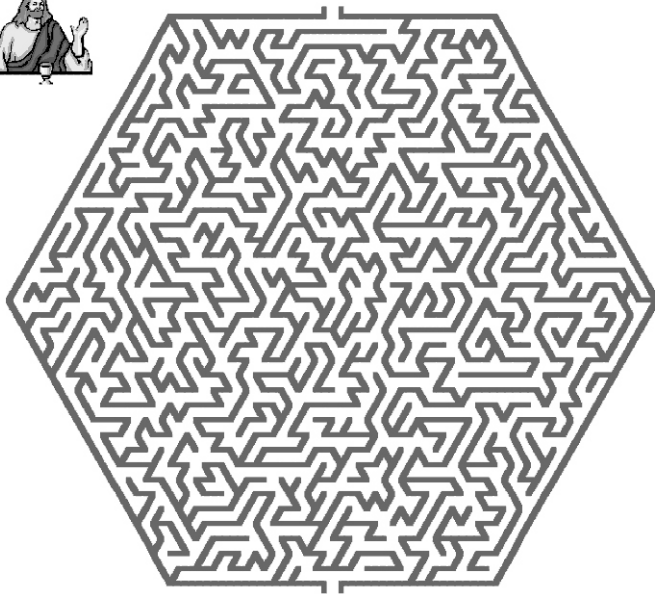
BIBLE TRIVIA

(Refer to the Gospel of John for the answer)

1. Fill in the blank spaces: "Truly I tell you," Jesus answered, "today—yes, tonight—before the _____ crow's twice you yourself will disown me _____."
2. She was the one who saw that the stone from Jesus' tomb was removed.
3. Emmaus is about fifteen miles from Jerusalem. True or False?
4. Who was the first person to see Jesus after his resurrection?
5. Who were the two men travelling to Emmaus?
6. The person who first saw Jesus mistook him for a _____.
7. The apostle who ran first and entered the Tomb of Jesus.
8. Complete the scripture, in John 20:2, So she came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved, and said, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and _____"
9. Complete the scripture, in John 20:19b, Jesus came and stood among them and said, " _____!"
10. Which disciple was not with the others, when Jesus came?
11. All of Jesus' miracles and signs that He performed in the presence of his disciples, are recorded in the gospel of John. True or False
12. The feast of this saint who was also the apostle of Jesus is celebrated, the patron saint of our neighbouring parish Aldona is celebrated on _____ worldwide.

You may **WhatsApp** your answers to +91 8600266525 latest by **15th June 2024**. Winners will be announced on the July issue of the Zagruti.

Come to Jesus Maze



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Congratulations
Rev. Fr. Sario D'Souza
on completing 53 years
as an Ordained Priest



Faithful friend, philosopher and guide,
Always there by our side

Prayers and support
St. Elizabeth's Parish Youth

*Rev. Fr. Savio D'Souza,
Congratulations on completing
53 years as a Priest*



*May Our Lord grant you many more
fruitful years of service in His
vineyard!*

Best wishes, prayers and
support
Members of the PPC,
St. Elizabeth's Parish