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Editorial

I am extremely delighted to share the news of the month of December 2023. The last month of the year was marked by a number of activities such as training in food processing, medical camp, christmas celebrations and above all the first ever FCDP Fishermen Football tournament. The tournament was an occasion to bring together the fishermen of the various sections under FCDP and to share their ideas and involve them in the activities of the organisation in a more tangible manner. Being involved with the people at the grassroot level has always been the forte of FCDP. It's hoped that such endervours will continue and promote greater involvement and better solutions. As we welcome the new year 2024, let us also embrace hope and positivity. May the new year bring success, growth, and new opportunities to everyone especially the communiity we are part and parcel of. Happy New Year to everyone. May God bless us all.

**-Fr. Jithin Mattamundayil
(Assistant Director, FCDP)**

LEADERSHIP TRAINING CLASS HELD

A leadership training was organized for SHG leaders at FCDP Hall on December 1, 2023. It was part of the series of leadership trainings being held as part of the WYEP Project. Mr. Bijo Joseph (psychologist and counselor) was the resource person for the session.



Over 80 SHG leaders participated in the training. The session mainly covered skills such as communication, decision-making, team building, and strategic thinking. Participants were trained to navigate challenges, inspire others, and develop the resilience needed for effective leadership in various contexts. The goal of the training program is to empower leaders with knowledge and skills required to lead teams and enterprises successfully



FCDP CHRISTMAS FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT

As a part of Christmas celebrations, a Football tournament was organized at the Kollam Beach by mobilizing the members of Fishermen's Group from Mundakkal to Thangassery.



Pallithottam FC and Mundakkal FC fought in the semi-finals of the tournament in which six teams from six sections participated. Thangassery FC won the final match against Mundakkal FC by one goal. Rev. Fr. Romario (Assistant Vicar, St. John the Baptist Church, Iravipuram) inaugurated the tournament. Rev. Fr. P.O. Varghese (Vicar, St. Stephen's Church, Thopp) distributed trophies and medals to the winners. Mr. Tomy Napoleon (Councillor Pallithottam), Mr. S. Sajeev Soman (Councillor Mundakal), Rev. Fr. Biju Joseph (Assistant Vicar of Arinalloor), Rev. Fr. Joby Sebastian.(Director FCDP-TMS) Rev. Fr. Jithin MS (Assistant Director FCDP) and Mrs.Agnes John (Chairperson FCDP) spoke on the occasion.



FREE MEDICAL CAMP HELD

Fishermen Community Development Programme Kollam in collaboration with Rotary Club of Quilon Heritage & Muthoot Snehasraya organized a free medical camp at FCDP Hall on December 31, 2023. Tests were provided on Glucose, creatinine, cholesterol, blood pressure, urine albumin urine sugar and BMI. The facilities were made available to the 120 persons who registered first. Our sincere appreciation goes to the doctors, nurses, and staff who assisted at the camp. Besides offering free medical services, the camp was also useful in disseminating information on health-related areas.



FAREWELL, DEAR SUNIL AND AKHIL SATHYAN

FCDP-TMS bade farewell to Mr. Sunil.S and Mr. Akhil Sathyan on December, 11 2023. Mr. Sunil. S worked as the FCDS Manager and Akhil Sathyan worked as Media Coordinator. During their stay with FCDP, they were instrumental in bringing a lot of development to the organization. We thank them for their hard work, commitment, and contribution to the fishermen community of Kollam. We wish them, all the best in their future endeavors!



2023 CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS HELD

FCDP- TMS BOARD AND STAFF CHRISTMAS

FCDP -TMS Board & Staff Christmas was held on 22 December 2023 at FCDP Hall. Rev. Fr. K. D. Joseph, Rev.Fr. Stephen Mukkatil (Rector) and Rev. Fr. Joby Sebastian (Director, FCDP-TMS) shared the Christmas message. Mrs. Agnes John (Chairperson, FCDP) and Mrs. Veronica Anthony (President, TMS) also spoke on the occasions. More than 70 board & staff members participated in the function. The celebration inter-laced with various cultural programs and games, turned out to be a fun day filled with memories of happiness and joy.



VISAPPINU VIDA HOLDS PRE-CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION



Visappinu Vida organized a Pre-Christmas get-together on December 12, 2023, at Visappinu Vida Mundakkal. The executive committee and the staff attended the function. The program which began with a prayer song by Visappinu Vida staff members. followed by the Welcome address from Mrs. Agnes John (President, FCDP). Rev. Fr. Stephen Mukkatil (Rector, Don Bosco, Kollam) gave the christmas message & inaugurated the programme. Mrs. Sindha Mendez (Visappinu vida executive member) offered felicitations and the staff presented a Christmas Carol.

During the function, Mrs. Selbory Rajan (Cicily) (staff, Visappinu Vida) was also honoured. She had been the chief cook of visappinu vida for nearly 6 years. Fr. Joby Sebastian (Director, FCDP) and Sindhu Jerald also spoke on the occasion. Mrs. Gretta Raju proposed the vote of thanks. The prechristmas celebrations were solemnized by the cutting of the cake and lunch for all.



PRE- CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION OF TMS

Theeradesa Mahila Society Members celebrated Christmas on 23 December 2023 at FCDP Hall. Rev. Fr. Joby Sebastian (Director FCDP-TMS), welcomed the gathering and Mrs. Veronica Antony (President, TMS) presided. The program was inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Baiju Julian (Vicar General, Diocese of Kollam). Rev. Fr. Jithin MS (Assistant Director, FCDP), Mrs. Sindha Mendez (board member, TMS) and Mrs. Laticia Martin (Treasurer, TMS) offered felicitations. Sr. Mary K (Asst Director, TMS) proposed the vote of thanks. The members from various sections performed on the occasion. The items consisted of dances, skits and songs. The program ended at 5 pm.



FCDP GROUP CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION

Under the leadership of FCDP, Fishermen Group members celebrated Christmas on 23 December 2023 at 11 am at FCDP Hall. Rev. Fr. Joby Sebastian (Director, FCDP - TMS) welcomed the gathering and Rev. Fr. Vincent Machado inaugurated the function. Mrs. Agnes John (Chairperson FCDP) extended greetings. Senior members from the Fishermen group Mr. Vincent G, Mr. Gilbert Elias, Mr. Vincent Alphonse, Mr. Maniyan S and Mr. Anton P were honored with Ponnada and Mementos. Trophies and cash awards for the winners and runners up were also distributed on the occasion. Fr. Jithin MS (Asst, Director FCDP) delivered the vote of thanks. The members performed various songs and dances. The Christmas get together was preceded by games for the members which everyone enjoyed.



CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION OF DON BOSCO YOUTH FORUM

On Saturday 23/12/2023 at 9.00 pm the core group members of Don Bosco Youth Forum, the youth wing of FCDP, organized a Christmas program at FCDP Hall. Miss Roshal Mariya welcomed the member. Rev. Fr. Joby Sebastian, (Director DBYF & DBCF) and Rev. Fr. Jithin MS (Assistant Director) extended felicitations of the occasion. Christmas cake and wine were shared and Christmas gifts were exchanged. Miss Jincy proposed vote of thanks . The Youth animators Ms. Aishwarya Cletus and Mrs. Mary John were also present.



CELEBRATIONS



We wish Mrs. Jency Paul and Mrs Mary Bindhu good health and prosperity as they celebrated their birthdays in the month of December . We also thank them for their dedicated service and support towards the activities of FCDP

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