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Mother Mary Bernadette



Mother Cecilia



Mother Veronica



Mother Mary

ST. ANNE'S GENERALATE, LOADIH

Feast Day Celebration: Rev. Sr. Mary Pushpa Tirkey, DSA the 1st General Councillor celebrated her Feast Day on 01 October 2022. Celebration started with prayer service in the previous evening. In the morning there was Holy Eucharistic Celebration with the Novices in the Novitiate Chapel. Feast Day wishing song was sung and bouquets were presented to her. Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA Superior General wished her Happy Feast Day and thanked for her selfless services in the name of the whole Congregation.

Jubilee Celebration: On 08 October 2022 there was the Silver Jubilee Celebration of Hazaribag Diocese. Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA Superior General and the Community Sisters had gone to attend in it. At 9:00 a.m., the Holy Eucharistic Celebration was presided over by Rt. Rev. Felix Toppo, S.J. the Archbishop of Ranchi Archdiocese. Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA Superior General expressed the heartfelt gratitude on behalf of all the Women Religious presented over there. The Altar cloth was presented as a gift by Rev. Superior General to His Excellency Bishop Anand Jojo, D.D., Bishop of Hazaribag.

Birthday Celebration: Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA Superior General celebrated her Birthday on 31 October 2022. On 30th October evening there was a beautiful prayer service in the Chapel of St. Anne's Generalate, Loadih in which the Novitiate Community also participated. The theme for the prayer service was – **"You are the potter and I am the clay."** On 31 October 2022 the Eucharistic Celebration was presided

over by Rev. Fr. Raju Crasta from St. Albert's College, Ranchi in St. Anne's Generalate, Loadih (PHC Hall). Sisters were present from Samlong Novitiate, St. Anne's Provincial House, Ranchi, St. Anne's Convent Samlong, St. Anne's Convent Doranda and St. Anne's Convent Kanke. After the Holy Eucharistic Celebration there was a short cultural program followed by breakfast. Guests kept coming to wish Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA Superior General from morning till evening.

Sr. Kumudini Dungdung, DSA
St. Anne's Generalate Loadih, Ranchi

FOUR DAYS' SEMINAR OF THE DSA SUPERIORS



From 22-25 October 2022, the four days' Seminar of the Local Superiors of the entire Congregation of the Daughters of St. Anne, Ranchi took place at St. Anne's Generalate Loadih, Ranchi. During this Seminar Most Rev. Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA, General Superior, four General Councillors, four Provincial Superiors of M.P., Gumla, Ranchi and Jalpaiguri Provinces, namely- Sr. Florencia Minj, DSA; Sr. Emelda Soreng, DSA; Sr. Manjula Kindo, DSA and Sr. Roseline Malika Ekka, DSA also were present. Including them, 123 Superiors participated in the

Seminar from various Communities of all four Provinces.

On 22 October the Seminar began with the opening message of the Superior General at 3.00 p.m. In the evening at 6.00 o'clock there was adoration in the name of all participants as well as to pray for Rev. Sr. Linda Mary Vaughan, DSA whose birthday was on 23 October. In the next morning, there was the solemn Holy Eucharistic Celebration presided over by Rev. Fr. Amrit Lakra, S.J., the Rector of Manresa House, Ranchi. In his homily, he mentioned several virtues of the Superiors specially humility as the mother of all virtues.

The first session started at 8.30 a.m. in which Rev. Sr. Sosan Bara, DSA highlighted the DSA Governance and challenging tasks of the Superiors. With her enthusiastic speech she exhorted all the Superiors to be more dedicated and updated to carry out their responsibilities. In the second session, Sr. Mariam Anupa Kujur, DSA put forward some inputs based on the topic- "Rights and obligations of the Religious Superiors with regard to the *Tria Munera* (Threefold functions) of the Church". She explained how the authority of the Superiors comes from God Himself through the ministry of the Church which they exercise with the spirit of service. And their rights and obligations are two sides of the same coin which are linked together. The threefold functions or responsibilities of the Superiors are- Sanctifying functions, Teaching functions and Governing functions which are derived from the mission of Christ Himself. In the third

session, Rev. Mother General, Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA presented various points based on the Superiors.

The central theme for the Seminar was- "Jesus the Good Shepherd". Additionally, the different resource persons gave their inputs on various topics such as Community life by Sr. Mary Pushpa Tirkey, DSA; the DSA Spirituality by Sr. Jacinta Kerketta, DSA and Finance by Sr. Monica Kujur, DSA. On 24 October, Rev. Fr. Medard Xalxo, S.J. enlightened the participants with his inputs on the theme- "Spiritual Conversation". He himself presided over the Holy Mass in the morning while Rev. Fr. Fabian Bhuinya, S.J. offered the Eucharistic Sacrifice for the Participants on 25 October.

The Seminar of the DSA Superiors was very fruitful in which they received many new insights and knowledge. They felt strengthened to carry out their responsibilities, utilizing more attentively their rights in their respective Communities with greater dedication and enthusiasm. Above all, they understood better the spiritual meaning of authority which is given to them for the better service with the love of Jesus. Thus, empowered with the spirit of the Lord they departed cheerfully for their respective destinations on 25 October after the lunch. Indeed, it was an admirable initiative of the Higher Authorities of the DSA Congregation.

Sr. Mariam Anupa Kujur, DSA
St. Anne's Generalate Loadih, Ranchi

8 Days' Charism Retreat

“Strive for the kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things will be given to you as well” (Mt. 6:33).

It was a beautiful opportunity to attend the eight days' retreat which was held in St. Anne's Provincialate, Kunkuri from 01.10.2022 to 09.10.2022. Before entering this retreat there was one-day seminar on the Motto of the DSA Congregation - “Ablaze with the love of Jesus” given by Sr. Mary Kusum Turkey, DSA and Sr. Shanti Xalxo, DSA. It was more beneficial to know the life of the Foundress and her Companions, their zeal, gratitude, generosity, joy, faith and love for Jesus. It helped us to understand more deeply the spirituality of Mother Mary Bernadette, the Servant of God. The central theme was -

“संस्थापिका की आध्यात्मिकता में जीना और अपनी आध्यात्मिकता में नवीनता लाना।”

Our retreat preacher was Sr. Shanti Xalxo, DSA. She guided us giving references from the Holy Bible, Spirituality of St. Ignatius and the Memoirs. Every day we had different topics on which we reflected to bring newness in our life. We spent our time with God and came to know better the spirituality of Mother Mary Bernadette, spirituality of St. Ignatius and ourselves. We are especially grateful to our authorities for arranging the eight days' Charism retreat. We are also thankful to our guide Rev. Sr. Shanti Xalxo, DSA. Last but not the least, our thankfulness goes to Rev. Fr. Amid Kujur, S.J. who came to offer the Holy Mass every day and gave us the spiritual food.

Sr. Mary Alen Toppo, DSA
St. Anne's Provincialate, Kunkuri

Karam Dance Competition



There was a *Karam* dance competition, organized by AICUF and AYCM at St. Xavier's College of Education, Ambikapur on 16 October 2022. The participants from different schools and colleges came together with their full preparation to take part in it. We the students of **Ambika Mission Higher Secondary** School Birnibera participated and were honoured with third prize in the competition. The other participants were also given prizes of consolation. Organizing Committee was appreciated for their effort to infuse the sense of safeguarding our tribal culture and tradition through such vivid program.

Sr. Manju Kujur, DSA
St. Anne's Convent Birnibera

Mission tour to the northeast India

On the occasion of Quasiquintennial Jubilee of the Congregation of the Daughters of St. Anne, Ranchi, the Curia of Gumla Province had a mission tour to northeast India. This trip was of

8 days from September 29 to October 06, 2022. The purpose of choosing the northeast India for mission tour was mainly to visit the places and be inspired by the Local Church of that particular area.

The Curia members began their journey by flight Indigo from Birsa Munda Airport to Kolkata and again from Kolkata to Guwahati Airport. It was very first time for some of them to travel by flight. Obviously, they were excited enough. The views were breath taking up in the sky for them. As they arrived at Guwahati Airport, two Taxi drivers received them. They started the journey again to Shillong through roadways. Unfortunately they were too late to be in Shillong due to road traffic. It was around 11.30 p. m. when they reached at Don Bosco Pastoral Centre Shillong. Don Bosco Fathers were waiting for them. Shillong is a beautiful hill station of India, where they halted two nights. The next day they visited the highest rain falls place Sohra (Cherrapunji) in the State of Meghalaya, the ‘abode of clouds’. They also visited the other best places such as Duwan Sinh Syiem point Sohra, Seven Sisters’ waterfalls and Mawasmi cave famous for line stone formation and Shillong peak which gives the view of the whole Shillong town. On the way to Cherrapunji they could see many religious centers and Churches in the villages.

On the 2nd day they were deeply touched by the attraction of Tribal Museum at Shillong which provides a glimpse of the rich and multi-cultural lifestyles of the Indigenous people of northeast India. Later on they went to Jesuit

Novitiate, Shillong the 2nd top mountain where they enjoyed delicious lunch shared by the Jesuit Fathers. After the journey of 241 kilometers from Shillong to Jakhlabandha in Tezpur Diocese, they were taken aback by the welcoming heart of Rev. Fr. Pancratius Soreng, the Parish Priest of Jakhlabandha Parish. The most beautiful thing they found was that still people have preserved the tribal tradition by their lifestyles, languages and especially tribal dances in Tea Gardens. The youth, with the deep sense of love and gratitude washed the feet of all the visitors. Out of their overflowing joy they welcomed them very warmly performing Mundari and Kharia Tribal dances. It was really praiseworthy. On the 3rd day the visitation at Kaziranga National Park was a pleasant hour to look at the tigers, deer, elephants and the Indian one- horned rhinoceroses and visiting varieties of flowers, medical herb gardens and cactus house in Orchid garden. Thereafter, it was the most beautiful chance to visit Kellyaden Tea Estate, where many migrated Tribal People are working for many years. The women plucking tea leaves, carrying the leaves in factory and seeing how the tea is produced, packed and transported; all these were worth admiring.

After the lunch in Jakhlabandha, the Curia members left for Gana Chetna Samaj Tezpur. On the way they spent few hours at Agnigarh, a historical and mythical place located on the bank of the river Brahmaputra. At the close of the day, they were privileged to visit Cathedral, surrounding and Rt. Rev. Michael Akasius Toppo, DD, Bishop of the Diocese of Tezpur at Bishop’s

House Tezpur. By evening they moved to Gana Chetna Samaj, Tezpur for night stay. Rev. Fr. Thomas Barla, S.J., Mission Superior and the Community members welcomed them warmly and hosted them. On the 4th day, the group went out to a village – Missamari, one of the Social Centers of Jesuits. They attended the Holy Eucharistic celebration, felicitation function and agape meal arranged by the villagers. They experienced profound fellowship and an affinity with the people in the village. In the evening they arrived at St. Xavier’s College Tezpur. Thereafter, they visited other Mission Station of Jesuit Priests at Balipara Parish. The Community members were very excited to welcome them in their midst. The gathering of Fathers and Sisters made the moment joyful and astounding. On the 5th day they began their journey to Tawang in the State of Arunachal Pradesh. On the way to the mystical land of Tawang, they visited Jaswant Garh. They viewed the highest mountains on the hill station. The natural beauty of that place reflected the wonder of God’s creation. Due to the unfavorable weather they could not visit the Tawang Town. On the next day in the early morning they visited Tawang Monastery. They spent their time in prayer and admiring the life of monks. On the last day they reached back to Gumla. Thus, their trip was quite memorable and successful.

St. Anne’s Provincialate Gumla

7 Days National Seva Yojna Camp at Bargoa Village



St. Xavier's College of Education, Ambikapur, organized a 7 days NSS Camp at Bargoa village from 2nd - 7th October 2022. I too along with 24 students with 3 staff members participated in the camp. The chief guest Mr. Braesh Singh Sarpanch of the village, Principal of Secondary School, Baghdhanu, Fr. Gabriel Lakra the Parish priest and Sr Kusum the Superior jointly inaugurated the programme. The purpose of the camp was for the personality development of the students through active involvement in the life of the villagers, to be and to work with them so as to be aware of their needs and eventually find solutions to the problems.

As a major part of the programme, the members of the NSS cleaned the parish campus, repaired the muddy roads both of the village and that of the public. Intellectual discussions, group work and cultural programmes in the evenings were some of the highlights of the NSS, which created a good relationship with the villagers as well as the participants among themselves. All went back home with a sense of satisfaction and fellow-feeling.

Sr. Lalita Tirkey, DSA
St. Xavier's College of
Education, Ambikapur

Indian Catholic Youth Convention

Indian Catholic Youth Convention from 23rd October - 25th October 2022 took Place in Kunkuri Bishop's House. **“Called to be free, to grow and to serve”** was the theme of this convention. From different Parishes of Jashpur diocese, about 2500 youth were gathered. There were many Priests and Nuns along with the youth to guide them in this three days' programme. Practically all the youth actively participated in the programme through different activities. They did it so well by coming up with different creativities. The programme began with a grand welcome of all the youth, animators and dignitaries, who were there to encourage the youth in this convention. Many eminent persons too were invited to this youth convention, such as; Fr. Deepak Bara, Dr. P. C. Kujur and Mrs. Monica Ekka, who through their heart-touching speeches encouraged the youth. Delisting, our tribal culture and family values were the main topics of their speech at this convention. The convention was concluded with a message by Rt. Rev. Bp. Emmanuel Kerketta, DD, who in his speech stressing the importance of the youth in society said, “Youth is the backbone of our society. If the backbone is in a good position, all parts of the body will work systematically. If not then the body cannot survive. Likewise, if the youth grow with the moral values of society, then our society will become strong and will be able to give a new vision for society. Thus, the youth convention was indeed meaningful and fruitful”.

Sr. Anjana Pale, DSA
St. Anne's Convent, Tapkara

Attitude of Gratitude

What a great opportunity we had got to study staying at St. Anne's Girls' College Hostel, Ranchi. We would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to Rev. Sr. Linda Mary Vaughan, DSA the former Mother General for her motherly love, concern, care and prayerful support. Five/three years at St. Anne's Girls' College Hostel, Ranchi really we were very happy to be under her loving protection and guidance. We thank her for giving us golden opportunity to grow in all aspects, as we were given chance to study B.A. and to grow intellectually, physically, mentally and spiritually. It was the perfect time to learn many things new. May her blessings be multiplied in our lives.

We can't forget our lovely Late Sr. Anima Beck, DSA the Superintendent of St. Anne's Girls' College Hostel, Ranchi. We were staying together as small and joyful family. She loved us so much as her own sisters, nurtured, supported, encouraged, guided and taught us. She was very simple, kind, prayerful and full of love and compassionate. She used to tell about her life story, how she faced many challenges in her life. She told us how to face the obstacles of life and be firm in our consecrated life. We have a lot of sweet memories being with her. Today she is not in this world but still we remember her smiling face, the words through which we were inspired to remain in love of Jesus. May the Merciful Lord welcome her soul in His heavenly kingdom.

After death of Sr. Anima Beck, Sr. Mary Jacinta Kujur, DSA was appointed as superintendent of St. Anne's Girls' College Hostel, Ranchi and Sr. Bridget Kerketta, DSA as Assistant Superintendent. Really very lovingly and happily they also took care of us and loved us as a mother. We are very thankful for their personalities, which inspired us to be very sincere and enthusiastic in our life. "It is not joy that makes us grateful, but it is gratitude that makes us joyful." We are very thankful to Sr. Roseline Malika Ekka, DSA Provincial Superior of Jalpaiguri Province, Sr. Magdali Borogaon, DSA the former Provincial Superior and her Councillors, for having given us good opportunity for higher study. We thank each one of them for their prayerful support, encouragement and loving care. We are very thankful to all the Sisters of Jalpaiguri Province for their valuable prayers.

Last but not the least, we would like to thank our loving Mother General, Sr. Lily Grace Topno, DSA for her motherly care, prayers and encouragements. Thanks a lot for her blessings and good advice. As well as, we are thankful to all the Sisters of the Generalate Community for the love that they have shown to us. We are very grateful to Sr. Manjula Kindo, Provincial Superior, Ranchi Province, Sr. Superior and all the Sisters of Mother House Community for their love, support and prayers. We enjoyed a lot being with Sisters of Mother House. We got many chances to take part in various activities. Really we are loved by all the Sisters and we experienced the

protection and blessings of Mother Mary Bernadette Kispotta, Servant of God. It's funny how this journey of life, begins at different times and place, our paths cross with others so that we may share our love, compassion, observances and hope. This is design of God that we appreciate and cherish. O Gracious God! We give thanks for your overflowing generosity to us.

Sr. Madhuri Kerketta, DSA
& Sr. Sandhya Toppo, DSA
Jalpaiguri Province

Worship of the Holy Cross in Jalpaiguri



There was organized the Worship of the Holy Cross in Jalpaiguri Parish to motivate the Youth from 8 to 16 October 2022. Worship of the Holy Cross started on 8th October from Parish Centre at Christ Redeemer Cathedral, Jalpaiguri. Youth Director, Rev. Fr. Kiran Hemrom explained the purpose of Worship and the meaning of the Devotion of the Holy Cross. Nine days programme was conducted in nine places of Jalpaiguri Parish. The Cross was taken from one place to another. Programme was conducted by Fr. Kiran Hemrom, Director of Parish Youth, Sr. Monica Turkey, DSA, Asst. Youth Director, Sr. Alma Xalxo, VSM and Sr. Elizabeth Minj, DSA joined in the programme and

motivated the faithful. The purpose of the Worship of the Holy Cross in different units was the spiritual preparation and to give awareness to become Animator of SCC/BCC in each unit of the Jalpaiguri Parish. Sisters led the devotional hymns and prayers. The lay faithful gathered in big number and worshipped the Holy Cross very devotedly and prayed for various intentions.

Sr. Elizabeth Minj, DSA
St. Anne's Provincialate, Jalpaiguri

Crusveer Rally



October is the Month of Rosary. Rosary is a medium to communicate between God and Human. Crusaders of Jalpaiguri Diocese gathered during the Puja Vacation from 1st to 3rd October at Don Bosco, Odlabari Parish. All the children came together in the courtyard of Don Bosco with Crus Veer Flag in a group. They were very happy to meet one another. At 5.45 p.m. Flag Hoisting was done by Rev. Fr. Joe, SDB, Parish Priest of Odlabari. He welcomed all the Animators and children. Then there was reciting of the Rosary. Choir was led by Binnaguri Parish. Having gathered on the stage, there was adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Soon after the

Benediction, there was Cultural Program from 7.30 to 8.30 p.m.

On the second day, from 6.30 to 7.00 a.m. there was Morning Prayer led by Hasimara Parish followed by breakfast. Then the talk on the History of Crusades by Mrs. Kripa Kujur from 8.15 to 8.45 a.m. followed by Animation Programme from 8.50-9.00 a.m. led by Kartik Parish. Fr. Vikram Xalxo, Parish Priest of Mal Bazar gave the talk on the main theme: “क्रूसवीर, सुसमाचार सुनो और सुनाओ”. The Holy Mass liturgy was led by Jalpaiguri Parish. The main Celebrant was Fr. Ajit Guria, Diocesan Director of Crusade and concelebrated by Frs. Joe, SDB, John Peter Tirkey and Milan Kujur.

On this occasion, there was Bible Quiz and Skit Competition from the Gospel of St. Luke. 17 Parishes participated in it. Participants: No. of crusaders 837; Animators 72 including 6 Fathers, 20 Sisters and 3 Brothers. On the third day the Holy Eucharistic Celebration was presided over by Rt. Rev. Bishop Clement Tirkey, D.D., Bishop of Jalpaiguri. At the end closing ceremony of Flag was done by the same Bishop. After the lunch all departed for their respective destinations.

Sr. Philomina Kujur, DSA
St. Anne's Convent, Jyoti Ashram

Clothing Donation

The basic needs of human beings are food, clothing and shelter. Around us we see thousands of people living below the poverty line those who lack basic needs. To add fuel to pain we see many old parents abandoned and struggling for

food, clothing and shelter. Many of them spend nights on the footpaths and railway stations to keep themselves safe from the cold or rain. Helping them out in their suffering is our basic responsibility as human beings.

To start with small service, the St. Xavier's Play and Nursery School had organized two days' program from 24-25 September 2022. It was the clothing donation camp in the St. Xavier's Play and Nursery School, Karonjhora, Raiganj. The Students' parents as well as teachers of the School showed great enthusiasm and generosity in donating for the poor and the needy. The class room was filled with donated cloths till the end of the day. We genuinely remain indebted to the spirit of support expressed by the students' parents and teachers. The clothes collected were distributed to more than two hundred families in the locality.

Sr. Kanta Kiran Tigga, DSA
St. Anne's Convent Chhotparua

Pilgrimage to Ulhatu



O give thanks to the Lord for He is good. And by His goodness we, the Novices of St. Anne's Novitiate, Samlong made our Pilgrimage to Minor Basilica, Ulhatu on 21st October 2022. We got the opportunity to have the blessing of Sr.

Lily Grace Topno DSA, the Superior General and started our journey with recitation of Rosary and reached Ulhatu. Sr. Jacinta Kerketta, DSA, the 3rd General Councilor, the Administrator of St. Anne's Hospital & Research Centre, Ulhatu and Principal of School of Nursing, Ulhatu provided the vehicle and welcomed us all. We had the Way of the Cross and offered all our intentions through the Holy Mass presided over by Rev. Fr. Sunil Toppo. We had our lunch in Old Age Premises and visited all the sick and old and had the blessing of Most Rev. Telesphore P. Cardinal Toppo. We could feel the blessings of God in their life. In spite of all sufferings they recognize the presence and divine plan of God.

All these circumstances really helped us to be thankful and united to God. The second half of the day we were part of the Fresher's Day in the School of Nursing, Ulhatu, where many students are willing to be a good nurse and have desire to give their service to the sick and needy. By evening we came back to Novitiate. We thank our Authorities for leading us to the Holy place and to Sr. Jacinta Kerketta, DSA who made our Journey safest one by providing vehicle.

Rani Pareya, 1st Year Novice
St. Anne's Novitiate, Samlong

एक दिवसीय सेमिनार

अम्बिका मिशन उच्चतर माध्यमिक विद्यालय, बिरनीबेड़ा अम्बिकापुर में एक दिवसीय कार्यशाला का आयोजन किया गया था। इस कार्यक्रम की मुख्य संचालिका सि. पूनम कुजूर, डी.एस.ए. और सहयोगी सि. शांति अलमा लकड़ा, डी.एस.ए. थीं जिसमें सर्वप्रथम उन्होंने मोबाइल के फायदे व

हानि तथा इसके उचित उपयोग के बारे बतलाया। इसी बीच विद्यार्थियों से मोबाइल के विषय में समूह में चर्चा करायी गयी जिसमें विद्यार्थियों ने कक्षानुसार मोबाइल के लाभ व हानि के बारे तर्क प्रस्तुत किया। इसी के साथ कई महान व्यक्तियों के जीवन के बारे बतलाया गया कि उससे प्रेरणा पाकर अपने जीवन को उज्ज्वल बना सकें। वे हमें वृक्षों की महता को छोटी-झाँकी के माध्यम से बतलाये ताकि हमारा जीवन हरियाली के साथ सुरक्षित रहे। अंत में हमें अपने लक्ष्य के बारे बतलाया गया कि किस प्रकार अपने लक्ष्य को प्राप्त कर सकते हैं। एक वीडियो के माध्यम से अरुणिमा के जीवन को दिखाया गया कि वह किस प्रकार अपने लक्ष्य को प्राप्त कर विजय हासिल की। यह एक दिवसीय सेमिनार बहुत ही प्रेरणादायक रहा। कई नई बातों को जानने का अवसर मिला। देश के कई महान व्यक्तियों के जीवन से प्रेरणा पाकर एक सच्चा जीवन जीने की सीख मिली।

सि. शिवानी तिकी, डी. एस. ए.
संत अन्ना कॉन्वेंट, बिरनीबेड़ा

वार्षिक आध्यात्मिक साधना

संत अन्ना कॉन्वेंट, शांतिभवन में सेमिनार एवं आध्यात्मिक साधना का आयोजन 2 अक्टूबर से 10 अक्टूबर तक किया गया था। 32 धर्मबहनें इस आध्यात्मिक साधना एवं सेमिनार से लाभान्वित हुई हैं। शांतिभवन में सेमिनार एवं आध्यात्मिक साधना की उपदेशिका सि. रंजिता भलेरिया मिंज थीं। पवित्र मिस्सा के लिये रेभ. फादर अलेक्स लकड़ा, ये.स. को बुलाया गया था जिन्होंने रोज दिन दिये गये विषय-बिंदु के आधार पर साधिकाओं को प्रेरित किया है। उपदेशिका सि. रंजिता भलेरिया मिंज ने बहुत ही सुंदर तरीके से हमारे धर्मसमाज की संस्थापिका और कॉरिज्म

के बारे बतलाया। धर्मबहनें बहुत ही अच्छा अनुभव की हैं और स्वयं का नवीकरण कर पायी हैं।

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16 अक्टूबर 2022 को संत थोमस चर्च स्कूल लाईन, पोर्टब्लेयर में यहाँ के युवाओं के लिए एक दिवसीय युवा कार्यक्रम का आयोजन किया गया था। कार्यक्रम सुबह 7. 30 बजे पवित्र मिस्सा के साथ आरंभ हुआ। श्रद्धेय फादर रॉक, एस.एफ. एक्स के द्वारा मिस्सा अनुष्ठान संपन्न हुआ। इस प्रोग्राम में कुल 35 युवक-युवतियों ने भाग लिया। यहाँ के प्रचारक एवं चार माताओं ने कार्यक्रम के अंत तक अपनी उपस्थिति देकर प्रोग्राम को सफल बनाने में अपनी अहम् भूमिका निभायी। मुख्य वक्ता के रूप में सि० जसिन्ता कुजूर, डी.एस.ए. ने अपना प्रभावकारी एवं प्रेरणादायक वार्ता युवाओं के साथ साझा करते हुए उन्हें सफल जीवन जीने के लिए प्रेरित किया।

उन्होंने इन पाँच बातों पर चर्चा की-

- 1- किसी भी तरह के नशे से खुद को दूर रखें,
- 2- अश्लील बातें सुनने और देखने से खुद को दूर रखें,
- 3- पढ़ाई-लिखाई करें और रिलेशनशिप से दूर रहें,
- 4- किसी भी तरह के बेट और जुए से दूर रहें,
- 5- अपना समय व्यर्थ न गँवाएँ ।

कार्यक्रम के अंत में युवा अध्यक्ष ने इस कार्यक्रम को आयोजित करने वालों को तथा प्रभावकारी भाषण के लिए सि. जसिन्ता कुजूर को धन्यवाद दिया।

सि. जसिन्ता कुजूर, डी.एस.ए.
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स्व. सि. मटिल्डा हाँसड़ा,
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“वह उनकी आँखों से सब आँसू पोंछ डालेगा। इसके बाद न मृत्यु रहेगी, न शोक, न विलाप और न दुःख क्योंकि पुरानी बातें बीत चुकी हैं” (प्रकाशना ग्रंथ 21:4)।

स्व. सि. मटिल्डा हाँसड़ा, डी.एस.ए. का जन्म छत्तीसगढ़ राज्य के जशपुर धर्मप्रांत के अन्तर्गत तपकारा पारिश के जबला हता में दिनांक 2 मई 1961 ई. को हुआ था। उनके माता-पिता स्व. अलोईस हाँसड़ा और स्व. अन्तोनियस केरकेट्टा थे। स्व. सि. मटिल्डा हाँसड़ा, डी.एस.ए. का बपतिस्मा नाम मटिल्डा वीर कुवॉरी हाँसड़ा था। उनके माता-पिता के दो पुत्रों तथा तीन पुत्रियों में उनका स्थान पहला था। उन्होंने क्रमशः बालिका प्राथमिक और माध्यमिक विद्यालय जबला तपकारा, संत तेरेसा उच्चतर माध्यमिक विद्यालय जबला तपकारा से प्राप्त की। उन्होंने मैट्रिक की परीक्षा अव्वल दर्जे में उत्तीर्ण होकर माता-पिता, गाँव तथा समाज का नाम रोशन किया। इसके तुरन्त बाद उन्होंने धर्मसंघीय जीवन जीने की इच्छा रखते हुए 5 जुलाई 1978 ई. को प्रार्थी के रूप में संत अन्ना की पुत्रियों के धर्मसंघ में अपना कदम रखा। ढाई वर्षों का प्रशिक्षण पूरा करने के बाद दिनांक 8 जनवरी 1981 ई. को उन्होंने प्रथम मन्त और 24 मई 1987 ई. को अंतिम मन्त ग्रहण कर अपना सर्वस्व प्रभु को समर्पित किया। स्व. सि. मटिल्डा हाँसड़ा ने कई जगहों पर अपनी सेवा देकर प्रेरिताई के कार्यों को निःस्वार्थ भाव से सम्पन्न किया है।

प्रेरिताई क्षेत्र :-

संत अन्ना कॉन्वेंट जोकारी- जनवरी 1981-जून 1981 ई. तक (एक सहायक शिक्षिका)।

संत अन्ना कॉन्वेंट अम्बिकापुर-अगस्त 1981-1984 ई. तक (अध्ययन)।

संत अन्ना कॉन्वेंट टोंगो घाघरा-जुलाई 1984-दिसम्बर 1987 ई. तक (सहायक शिक्षिका)।

संत अन्ना कॉन्वेंट रतासिली- जनवरी 1988-जून 1991 ई. तक (सहायक शिक्षिका)।

Mater Dei Goa - जुलाई 1991-जून 1993 ई. तक (Formater's Course).

विद्या ज्योति दिल्ली- 1993-1996 ई. तक (Theology).

संत अन्ना मदर हाऊस राँची- जनवरी 1997-दिसम्बर 1998 ई. तक (जूनियर अधीक्षिका)।

संत अन्ना मदर हाऊस राँची- जनवरी 1999-मई 1999 ई. तक (दर्शन अधीक्षिका)।

जुलाई 1999-दिसम्बर 2001 ई. तक (Candidate अधीक्षिका)।

संत अन्ना मदर हाऊस राँची नोविशियेट सामलोंग, राँची-जनवरी 2002- मई 2005 ई. तक (दर्शन अधीक्षिका)।

जनवरी 2006-दिसम्बर 2007 ई. तक (दर्शन अधीक्षिका और सहायक नोविस मिस्ट्रेस)।

माता बेर्नादेत्त Formation House हुलहुंडू-जनवरी 2008-जून 2008 ई. तक (जूनियर ग्लुप की अधीक्षिका)।

संत अन्ना Formation House सोसो-जून 2008-दिसम्बर 2008 ई. तक (पोस्टुलैन्ट अधीक्षिका)।

संत अन्ना नोविशियेट सोसो- अप्रैल 2009-दिसम्बर 2009 ई. तक (नोविस मिस्ट्रेस)।

संत अन्ना प्रोविशियलेट गुमला-जनवरी 2009-दिसम्बर 2014 ई. तक (प्रोविशियल सुपीरियर की प्रथम सलाहकारिणी और जूनियर इंचार्ज)।

संत अन्ना प्रोविशियलेट गुमला-जनवरी 2015-दिसम्बर 2017 ई. तक (प्रोविशियल सुपीरियर)।

संत अन्ना नोविशियेट सामलोंग, राँची— फरवरी 2018—दिसम्बर 2018 ई. तक (नोविस मिस्ट्रेस)।
संत अन्ना Formation House सामटोली— जनवरी 2019—दिसम्बर 2019 ई. तक (सहायक Conditate अधीक्षिका)।

इसी दौरान उनकी तबीयत में गिरावट आने लगी। बेहतर इलाज हेतु उन्हें शाँतिभवन बीरू में भर्ती किया गया। तबीयत में सुधार न आने पर उन्हें संत अन्ना अस्पताल उल्हातु में रखा गया। जाँच में किडनी Failure का रिपोर्ट मिला। गंभीर स्थिति को देखते हुए किडनी डायलिसिस शुरू कर दी गई। अगस्त 2020—2022 तक नर्सिंग केयर और किडनी डायलिसिस के लिए वे संत रफाएल स्वास्थ्य केंद्र माझाटोली में रखी गयीं। इसी दौरान एक सप्ताह अपने घर में रहने के बाद दिन शुक्रवार को वापस माझाटोली लौटी थीं। शनिवार रात्रि उन्होंने बुखार आने की शिकायत की थी। फिर भी उन्होंने रविवार को पवित्र मिस्सा में भाग लिया। 10 अक्टूबर सुबह 10 बजे सामान्य दिनों की भाँति मुँह धोने के क्रम में उन्हें बेचैनी महसूस हुई और पुनः लेट गयीं। उस बेचैनी में उन्होंने अंबुलेंस चालक प्रदीप को पुकारा। यह पुकार सुन अंबुलेंस चालक प्रदीप और धर्मबहनें उपस्थित हो गईं। सभी धर्मबहनों की उपस्थिति में वे प्रभु की प्यारी हो गयीं।

स्व. सि. मटिल्डा हॉसड़ा एक अच्छी मिस्ट्रेस के रूप में Formation विभाग में करीब 19 वर्षों तक अपनी निःस्वार्थ सेवा देकर अनेक Candidates, Postulants और नवशिष्या बहनों को धर्मसंघीय जीवन के लिए प्रशिक्षित की हैं। वे अपने अधीनस्थ धर्मबहनों को नाम से जानती थीं। सरल स्वभाव के कारण उम्मीदवारों, और जूनियर बहनों तक उनकी पहुँच सहजता से होती थी। शिक्षा देते समय सरल भाषा और कहानियों को रोचक बनाना उनकी खूबी थी। पाठों को आसान तरीके से समझाने के लिए उनकी सृजनात्मकता सराहनीय रही है। स्व. सि. मटिल्डा हॉसड़ा में सरलता, हँसमुख, साद्गी, विनम्रता, आज्ञाकारिता, कर्मठता, बुद्धिमता, निष्ठा, साहस और मिलनसारिता थी। वे धार्मिक, सामाजिक तथा अन्य कार्यक्रमों में भाग लेने से नहीं चूकती थीं।

वे अपनी प्रशासनिक अवधि में प्रोविस की धर्मबहनों की मातृतुल्य देख-रेख में हमेशा प्रयासरत थीं। स्व. सि. मटिल्डा हॉसड़ा ने 61 वर्ष की आयु में 40 वर्षों तक संत अन्ना की पुत्रियों के धर्मसंघ, राँची में रहकर प्रभु और पवित्र कलीसिया को अपनी निःस्वार्थ सेवा दी है। सर्वशक्तिमान ईश्वर उन्हें उनके पुण्य कर्मों का पुरस्कार प्रदान करे।

दिनांक 11 अक्टूबर 2022 को 10.00 बजे प्रातः सि. मटिल्डा हॉसड़ा का दफन मिस्सा संत इग्नासियुस काथोलिक गिरजा, सोसो में संपन्न हुआ। श्रद्धेय फा. लिनुस पिगल एक्का, गुमला धर्मप्रांत के प्रशासक यूखरिस्तीय बलिदान के मुख्य अनुष्ठाता थे। विभिन्न स्थानों से आए करीब बीस पुरोहितगण भी पवित्र मिस्सा में सहभाग हुए। इस अवसर पर श्रद्धेया सि. लीली ग्रेस तोपनो, डी. एस. ए., संत अन्ना की पुत्रियों के धर्मसंघ, राँची की परमाधिकारिणी सि. एमेल्ला सोरेंग, डी. एस. ए., प्रोविशियल सुपीरियर, गुमला प्रोविस सि. मरिया स्वर्णिमा कुजूर, ओ. एस. यू., प्रोविशियल सुपीरियर, गुमला प्रोविस सि. शुचिता शालिनी खलखो, ओ. एस. यू., प्रोविशियल सुपीरियर, राँची प्रोविस, विभिन्न समुदायों से आयीं संत अन्ना की धर्मबहनें, गुमला प्रोविस की प्रार्थिनियाँ, निकटवर्ती धार्मिक संस्थानों के धर्मसंघी भाई—बहन तथा सि. मटिल्डा हॉसड़ा के परिवार के सदस्य भी उपस्थित थे। यूखरिस्तीय बलिदान के पश्चात् दफन—क्रिया संत अन्ना कोन्वेंट, सोसो के परिसर में नवनिर्मित कब्रस्थान में शाँतिपूर्वक संपन्न हुई।

संत अन्ना प्रोविशियालेट, गुमला



स्व. सि. कैथरीन सोरेंग,
डी. एस. ए.
की संक्षिप्त जीवनी
(23.4.1950 -28.10.2022)

“मैं अच्छी लड़ाई लड़ चुका हूँ, अपनी दौड़ पूरी कर चुका हूँ और पूर्णरूप से ईमानदार रहा हूँ”
(2 तिमथी 4 : 7)।

स्व. सि. कैथरीन सोरेंग का जन्म 23 अप्रैल 1950 में गाँव बैर टोली, पारिश सलगापोश, धर्मप्रान्त सिमडेगा में हुआ था। उनके पिताजी स्व. जोसेफ सोरेंग एवं माँ सबीना थीं। एक भाई और छः बहनों में वे पाचवें स्थान में थीं। उनकी प्रारम्भिक शिक्षा सलगापोश एवं मिडिल स्कूल की शिक्षा समसेरा से हुई। हाई स्कूल की शिक्षा हुलहुन्दू राँची में हुई। इसके बाद प्रभु की पुकार सुनकर 1974 में संत अन्ना की पुत्रियों के धर्मसंघ, राँची में प्रार्थी के रूप में प्रवेश किया। 1975 – 1976 तक नोविशियेट में धर्मसंघी प्रशिक्षण लेकर, 6 जनवरी 1977 में वे प्रथम व्रतधारण एवं 24 मई 1983 में उन्होंने आजीवन व्रतधारण लिया।

प्रेरिताई क्षेत्र:

अपना प्रेरिताई-कार्य उन्होंने चाईबासा एवं उलहातु से शुरू किया। उसके बाद वे 1978 से 1984 तक संत अन्ना Kindergarten स्कूल, गुमला में एक शिक्षिका के रूप में कार्यरत थीं। 1985 से 1999 तक उन्होंने संत अन्ना Kindergarten, राँची में अपनी सेवाएँ दी। 1999 में Spiritual Course के लिए उनको मैसूर भेजा गया। वहाँ से वापस लौट कर 2000 से 2010 तक संत अन्ना रीजनल हाउस जलपाईगुडी में एक सुपीरियर के रूप में वे कार्यरत रहीं। साथ ही ख्रीस्त मुक्तिदाता महागिरजा में एक सक्रिस्टियन के रूप में अपनी अमूल्य सेवा दी तथा जलपाईगुडी पारिश के महिला संघ की संचालिका 26 अगस्त को वे हँसते-मुस्कराते, बातें करते हुए प्रोविशियलेट आयीं और उसी रात को वे अचेत हो गईं। 27 अगस्त को उन्हें पुनः नेओटिया लिया गया। उनकी स्थिति में सुधार की कोई गुंजाईश न दिखने पर 29 अगस्त को प्रोविशियलेट वापस लाया गया। तकरीबन दो महीनों तक कोमा में रहकर वे जीवन एवं मृत्यु के बीच संघर्ष करती रहीं। इसी बीच कई पुरोहितगण, धर्मबहनें, धर्मबंधु और विश्वासी माता-पिताओं ने आकर उनके लिए प्रार्थनाएँ की एवं पुरोहित भाईयों के द्वारा उन्हें रोगियों का संस्कार दिया गया। अतः वे पवित्र संस्कारों को ग्रहण कर दिनांक 28 अक्टूबर 2022, प्रातः 6:45 में सदा के लिए प्रभु में सो गईं।

उनके गुणः— वे अपने कार्यों के प्रति पूर्ण समर्पित, प्रेमी, कठोर परिश्रमी, मिलनसार एवं मृदुभाषी थीं। वे एक समयपाबन्दी तथा प्रार्थनामयी धर्मबहन थीं।

के रूप में भरपूर योगदान दिया। इसके बाद उन्होंने 2010 से अप्रैल 2013 तक मालबाजार में एक सुपीरियर के रूप में सेवाएँ दी। तत्पश्चात् वे 2013-2016 तक St. Xavier Church पेंगरी, डीबरूगढ़ महाधर्मप्रान्त में सुसमाचार प्रसारण, प्रेरितिक कार्य द्वारा लोगों को तथा बहुत सारी आत्माओं को स्वर्गीय राह में उनकी अगुवाई की। इसके बाद 25 फरवरी 2016 से 16 अगस्त 2019 तक St. Joseph Church खेतरी, गोवाहटी महाधर्मप्रान्त में अपनी सेवाएँ दी।

उनको हृदय रोग था, अतः 2019 को उनको इलाज के लिए नेवोटिया Hospital Siliguri लिया गया और संत अन्ना प्राविशियलेट जलपाईगुडी में रहकर उनका ईलाज जारी रहा। बीमारी की उस अवस्था में भी उन्होंने अपनी बहुमूल्य सेवा हमें प्रदान की। अचानक उनकी तबियत खराब होने के कारण 14 अगस्त 2022 को दस तल्ला हॉस्पिटल लिया गया। दो दिन के बाद उनके स्वास्थ्य में सुधार पाया गया जिससे उन्हें 16 अगस्त को वापस प्रोविशियलेट लाया गया। 18 अगस्त को, तबियत बहुत ज्यादा खराब होने के कारण जेम्स मेमोरीयल हास्पिटल लिया गया। स्थिति की गंभीरता को देखते हुए 22 अगस्त को नेवोटिया में पुनः भर्ती किया गया। चूँकि वे हृदय रोग से पीड़ित थीं अतः डाक्टरों की सलाह पर 24 अगस्त को पेसमेकर लगाया गया। स्वास्थ्य में कुछ सुधार देखते हुए डाक्टरों ने वापस कोन्वेंट ले आने की अनुमति दी। अतः

वे अपना अधिकतर समय गिरजा में बिताती थीं। वे स्वयं अस्वस्थ रहते हुए भी बीमारों की विशेष सुधि लेती थीं। वे एक घरेलू वैद्य का भी काम करती थीं।

संत अन्ना की पुत्रियों का धर्मसंघ, राँची स्व. सिस्टर कैथरीन सोरेंग के स्वर्गीय माता-पिता, भाई- बहनों, रिश्तेदारों एवं उपकारकों के लिए धन्यवाद देता है, जिन्होंने सिस्टर कैथरीन को संत अन्ना धर्मसमाज के लिए दिया था, ताकि वह परिवार के लिए प्रार्थना करे, साथ ही साथ धर्मसमाज, कलीसिया एवं लोगों की सेवा करे। उन्होंने -झारखंड एवं बंगाल मिशन के विभिन्न समुदायों में सेवाएँ दी है। ईश्वर ने उनके किये सभी कार्यों का इनाम देने अपने पास बुला लिया है। ईश्वर उनकी आत्मा को अनन्त शांति प्रदान

करे और दुःखित परिवार को सांत्वना एवं दिलासा प्रदान करे।

दिनांक 29.10.2022 को सि. कैथरीन सोरेंग का दफन—मिस्सा अति मान्यवर बिशप स्वामी क्लेमेंट तिर्की, डी.डी. जलपाईगुड़ी धर्मप्रांत के करकमलों द्वारा 1 बजे दोपहर को हुआ। करीब 34 पुरोहित उपस्थित थे। आस-पास के Religious Institutes की धर्मबहनें भी काफी संख्या में थीं। प्रायः सभी समुदायों से संत अन्ना की धर्मबहनें इस धर्मविधि में भाग लीं। दफन के पूर्व दिन विभिन्न संस्थानों के सदस्य, बिशप हाउस के फादर्स, माईनर सेमिनरी के फादर्स एवं ब्रदर्स, टैड सिस्टर्स, पैरिश के फादर्स, M.C. सिस्टर्स, ज्योति नगर के विश्वासीगण आकर प्रार्थनाएँ किये। इस तरह सिस्टर कैथरीन की अंतिम यात्रा बहुत अच्छी रही।

संत अन्ना प्रोविंशियलेट जलपाईगुड़ी

PRAYER FOR SICK AND AGED SISTERS

Place	Name	Place	Name
Kunkuri	Sr. Anastacia Kujur	Jamdara	Sr. Leoni Kerketta
Balrampur	Sr. Miltrude	Lureg	Sr. Orin
Nawatoli	Srs. Irma, Deobandna	Ambakona	Sr. Bridget Kispotta
Ratasili	Srs. Clementina Turkey, Rose Mourice	Shantibhawan	Sr. Sewti Panna
Rai	Sr. Swarn Kumari	Mother House	Srs. Maria Bela, Pushpa Kujur, Mariette, Deepti Kiran, Corona
Shantipara	Sr. Philomina Lakra	Kachabari	Sr. Komla
Tapkara	Sr. Flora Bara, Jacinta Turkey (T), Sr. Pushpika Dahanga	Bandgaon	Sr. Romola
Banea	Sr. Dayamani Bara	Ulhatu	Srs. Suchita Tigga, Bridget
Ghaghra	Sr. Jacinta Turkey (S), Sr. Shilanand		Sr. Clarence
Tamamunda	Srs. Kusum Kanta, Blanch		Sr. Suman
Pathalgaon	Sr. Paul Mary	Sidrol	Sr. Amanda
Birribera	Sr. Edilwarg	Samlong	Sr. Alma