

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



Dear Members,

I hope that you and your near and dear ones are doing well and staying safe in these unprecedented times. Consequent to various government advisories, rules and regulations in force, the gymkhana activities ceased to function with effect from 18th March. During this lockdown period the Office Bearers held frequent conference call meetings to attend to various administrative matters. The Managing Committee also held virtual meetings at regular intervals to take decisions of significant importance for CG operations. A heartfelt thank you to our Office Bearers, Rajesh, Norbert, Sanju and Managing Committee members for their invaluable support.

COVID CARE CENTRE:

CG premises along with various other gymkhanas, clubs, hotels, dormitories, marriage and banquet halls were requisitioned under the Epidemic Disease Act for prevention and containment of COVID-19 by the BMC to prevent the outbreak and spread of the virus amongst people vulnerable to get infected. As a measure of support and solidarity with the BMC and Government Authorities the main premises of CG are presently being used as a COVID Care Centre for Asymptomatic individuals who need to be quarantined for recovery purposes. CG has 90 beds managed under the supervision of the BMC Authorities. At the time of going to print CG had overall 250 people admitted for observation and treatment. 210 individuals have recovered and returned home with pleasant experiences of their stay at CG and blessings and good wishes for the institution.

MEMBERS NITE:

It was important for CG to stay connected with our members, guests and well-wishers during this pandemic and what better way other than music to bring cheer into your homes. CG has been streaming the Members Nite show every Saturday night Live on CG Facebook and premiered on CG's YouTube on Sundays. Some shows were dedicated to parishioners of various churches celebrating their feasts, the print and electronic media for their service and coverage of the news during the lockdown period as well as members of associations of the Indian community settled abroad. Also celebrated Sports Day with the Indian Sportspersons and felicitated teachers on Teachers' Day.

Most of us are grateful to our Priests having been educated in Catholic schools and colleges for the values they have instilled in us and for what they continue to do for us. With the blessings and support of His Eminence Oswald Cardinal Gracias, CG took the opportunity to greet our Priests, felicitate and thank them on Vianney Sunday. CG is grateful to His Eminence for his words of encouragement and appreciation for CG. His message was broadcast on the show. The text of the message from His Eminence appears in CG's newsletter. Messages of felicitation from many prominent members posted on the show are also reproduced in this issue.

The CG Members Nite has been well appreciated by members and friends. I was delighted to receive a personal message from the legendary Advertising Guru, Theatre Personality and Social Activist Gerson da Cunha complimenting CG for the Members Nite programme which he enjoys logging into. Thank you, Gerson, for taking the time to express your sentiments of delight.

I must say that the credit for the success of our Members Nite is attributed to the Team Work and Team Spirit of our Technical and Entertainment teams. Our experienced, committed and dedicated Technical team members Sanju, Ian, Aubrey and our Social Media promoter Sarika, deserve all the praise. They have made many sacrifices involving several hours late into the nights just to ensure that CG has a perfect show. Every week is a new challenge for them with sound, picture and ambience checks coupled with cameras and software compatibility. I am also thankful to our enthusiastic and spirited Entertainment team members Dominic, Evette, Everilda, Leslie and Ralph for their efforts to bring in a variety of music makers for the delight of our members. I would also like to thank Sanju for his efforts to bring in some splendid musicians to regale us on the Members Nite. I also appreciate the support of our new entrant to the Managing Committee, Vernon Noronha who compliments the team work.

A very Big Thank you to all our Performers, Soloists, Groups and Bands for the entertaining music provided to our members during this pandemic bringing cheer to all ages. We are missing all our graceful dancers at our Members Nite who set the Grand Hall floor on fire. Thank you for your participation in the virtual Members Nite. I look forward to meeting you in person when conditions normalise.

GOOD NEWWZ!!!

As you are aware Architect Rolin Mendonca was appointed by CG for the regularisation project of the second-floor kitchen and Gym Diner by the BMC. During the process of obtaining the statutory approvals it was observed that many NOC's and licensing approvals which were overlooked by CG were required to be obtained. Accordingly, Arch. Rolin Mendonca and his team filed applications to various departments of the Govt. of Maharashtra and BMC viz Collector of Mumbai, Chief Architect PWD, CFO, Building Proposals, C Ward Buildings & Factories, Health Dept. and obtained the requisite statutory approvals.

To achieve the objectives of the Gymkhana and to be totally compliant an application for change of User activity and internal alteration was processed supported by the structural stability certificate issued by our reputed Structural Engineer Mr. Satish Dhupelia. Thank you Mr. Dhupelia and Mr. Anant Patil who respond most willingly to extend support to CG.

In compliance with requirements of Health Department Eating House Licence was obtained for the second floor Gym Diner which includes a Restobar, Sports Diner and the Kitchen.

The ground floor Entrance Lounge and Grand Hall, first floor Palms are now designated as Eating House Areas. The plan of the Multi-Sports Complex has also been brought on record.

As a culmination of this daunting project, BMC has issued the Completion Certificate along with a set of duly approved Completion Plans.

It is pertinent to mention that while 2020 has been catastrophic and the entire world has lost its freedom under lockdown, it is providential that CG has gained its own freedom on the Eve of India's 74th Independence Day. Our future generation of CG Members can now breathe comfortably without the sword of Damocles hanging over our heads.

It was a pleasure for me to steer this project with Arch. Rolin Mendonca and his Team - Sagar, Anil & DD Shah who have completed the project on their own steam without any influence from any individual, bureaucrat or politician and most importantly without any consideration.

Thanks to Man Friday, Christopher Joseph (office staff) for his contribution & the support extended by Rajesh, Norbert, Sanju & Karl.

AGM:

As per the protocol of the Gymkhana the Annual General Body Meeting and Election to the Managing Committee must be held within 180 days from the date of closure of the Financial Year on 31st March. The government has extended the date for finalisation of the accounts to 30th November 2020. As CG is a COVID Care Centre and our office staff as well as the Statutory Auditors are unable to access the records for finalization of the Annual Accounts. The process of finalisation of the accounts can only commence when the BMC hands over the premises to CG. Audit procedures would require 2 months with an additional month for compliance with AGM formalities.

Based on the hardships faced by many companies the Ministry of Company Affairs has issued a clarification advising the Registrar of Companies to grant an extension to Companies seeking an extension up to 31st December 2020. We are in the process of seeking an extension from the ROC to hold our AGM. Considering the factors placed before you CG may have to seek a further extension as the possibility of return of the premises before end October 2020 seems remote. I seek your understanding and support to continue the progress which has been initiated to take CG forward in the interim period.

I would like to thank Adv. Lancy D'Souza for his unstinted support to CG. I would also like to thank Evette Malgi & Ian Pereira for making a world of difference in the level of communication with our members.

It is desirable for a Managing Committee of an institution to have a blend of experience, youth and professionals who bring with them expertise in the field of Corporate Governance, Finance, Legal, Communication Skills and Technical Competence. Keeping these objectives in mind it was decided to co-opt Mr. Vernon Noronha as a member of the Managing Committee with effect from 17th February, 2020. Please join me in welcoming him to the CG Board as he will be a source of strength for CG in dealing with Technical Matters and other Areas of Management.

During this pandemic period CG has lost some of its long-standing members. I wish to extend our deep sympathies to the family members of those who have departed.

The Security Guards Mandal & Jaikishan need a special word of mention for their devotion to duty. They have guarded our premises 24x7 over 5 months and discharged their responsibilities with diligence.

Take Care and Stay Safe till we meet again.

With all good wishes,

VERNON MIRANDA
President

Editorial team

Evette Malgi (Editor)
Ian Pereira (Sub-Editor)
Randolph Rodricks,
Sailesh Divecha
Sylvester Chaves

Vernon Noronha (co-opted to the Managing Committee)



Vernon Noronha has a degree in Mechanical Engineering and brings with him vast experience from the Corporate World. He headed the Government and Institutional Business of Tata Motors and thereafter Vice President Defence Business dealing with Indian Defence, Paramilitary and Police Forces. Vernon is currently Director, PTC Kamaz of Russia responsible for their Civil and Military Business Development in India and South East Asia.

Managing Committee:

Vernon Miranda (President)
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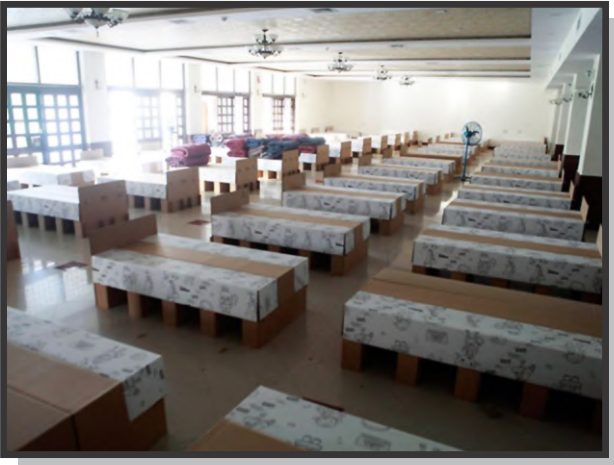
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Karl Vaz
Steven Pinto
Vernon Noronha

COVID CARE CENTRE AT CATHOLIC GYMKHANA

CG was requisitioned by BMC as a Covid Centre for Asymptomatic patients. 90 special cardboard beds were installed in the Grand Hall and the Badminton Court. We are happy to report that many patients recovered and complimented the Gymkhana on its facilities. Some activities were conducted like Yoga on Yoga Day. BMC Tweeted about this. They also Tweeted the Testimonial from one Gentleman who recovered. Thumbnails posted below. If you click on the links below you can see the Videos as well.



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Hi everyone I got discharged today from catholic gymkhaana big thank you everyone there who help & support
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Whiz kid WARREN REMEDIOS



It is a matter of great pride for the Catholic Community and for Catholic Gymkhana. One of our Members, Warren Remedios scored 98.8%ile in CAT 2019 and has secured a seat in IIM-Bengaluru. Our hearty congratulations to the young man and to his family.

Here is an interview between Warren and a member of our Editorial team Randolph Rodricks.

Of Cabbages & Kings

*A Chat with **Warren Remedios** a young Member of our Gymkhana since the last 5 years, whose father Mr. Philip Remedios is one of our senior Members. Warren has just got a much sought-after MBA seat, in one of India's three mother IIMs, the Indian Institute of Management, Bengaluru.*

A few weeks ago, I had the pleasure of chatting with Warren on the phone, about his thoughts and plans and the advice he could share with other IIM aspirants.

Excerpts from a Chat between him and I, Randolph Rodricks (RAR):

RAR: *Hi Warren. In our chat we shall be exploring your background and try to share both our thoughts regarding an IIM education and what you plan next, after such a privileged exposure.*

Warren: I studied at Champion School & H.R. College of Commerce & Economics Churchgate, where I got a Master's Degree in Commerce.

Being a Commerce student, I had to take a call regarding the Chartered Accountancy Programme, for which I had cleared the first level, or a course in Bachelor of Accounting & Finance, or study Management. I had participated in many College Cultural Activities for several hours a day, in addition to my studies, where I was usually in the top 10 percentile of my Class.

RAR: *Do you have any Work Experience relevant to the study of Management?*

Warren: Work experience being a preferred stepping stone to Management studies, I was fortunate to work in Ernest & Young, in their Tax Dept, a stint I managed through College Placement.

RAR: *That's great, since Work Experience gives you more maturity and enables you to better appreciate the Principles of Management. It is a must for admission in good American Business Schools.*

RAR: *Have you planned the stream of study you will choose at the IIM?*

Warren: I will opt for a General MBA with a slant towards Finance & Strategy and my Target will be to ultimately work in Management Consultancy, with a career in Finance as a back-up plan.

RAR: *Any targeted Companies?*

Warren: Among the Big 3 of Consulting, Boston Consulting Group, Bain & Co. or McKinsey.

RAR: *My suggestion is that even while studying, you build up your contacts with those Companies. Use the IIM network, and not just IIM-Bengaluru, but all IIM Alumni, who usually help fellow IIM grads across Institutes.*

Warren: Will keep that in mind.

RAR: *In my interaction with IIM Students of today I see that they are quite money-oriented from Day One. But it is preferable to look at development opportunities, when choosing a Company to work for, at the start of one's career.*

Warren: In Management Consultancy, you get exactly that - a breadth of experience - working in different sectors and industries. The steep Learning Curve afforded by Consultancy, is what attracted me.

RAR: *In my own case, post IIM I worked for 12 years in the Pharmaceuticals industry, and prepared myself for a career in Marketing Consultancy in the Pharmaceuticals and similar industries, so you may need to look at developing domain expertise, from among the width of industries that you interact with. In fact, Management Schools nowadays, always look for some degree of career clarity amongst applicants.*

Warren: True.

RAR: *I understand that today, in the course of the IIM Programme, you also get the opportunity for some exposure in a foreign environment. Any plans on that?*

Warren: There are Exchange Programmes on hand with some of the leading Management Schools world-wide, but that depends on getting a good CGPA (Cumulative Grade Point Average) or having a Placement offer. About 40% of the 500 students in a batch, get such chances. Of the six semesters at the IIM, you can use one semester to study abroad.

RAR: *How do students bear the cost?*

Warren: With the IIM Brand, Student Loans are relatively easy, both for the MBA Programme as well as for a foreign study term. Regarding the availability of stipends for foreign study, I am not too sure.

RAR: *There are a lot of extracurricular activities at the IIM. There are those students who plunge in, and those who stay at the water's edge. Your thoughts?*

Warren: Will try and take the middle road and steer towards those activities that will help in my career choice.

RAR: *After you join the IIM, you get a chance to choose a FacAd (Faculty Advisor). Any thoughts on your choice of one? In fact, you can also use one of your seniors as a student Mentor.*

Warren: The Student Mentor aspect is practically taken care of. One of my seniors in Ernest & Young, who also wishes to make a career in Consultancy, joined IIM-B and is a year senior to me. I shall definitely tap into her thoughts, plans and experiences and take her guidance.

RAR: *There is something like a Rural Programme at the IIMs. Anything at IIM-B?*

Warren: There is a one-week Rural Immersion Programme, which involves Projects such as Educating Rural Children, Infrastructure Development like Rural Electrification, Farm Practices, Enhancing Crop Productivity, etc. This year because of the COVID-19 issue, it will be held back for later.

RAR: *The SSL or Social Service League of St. Xavier's College with 2 stints of two weeks each, in one Rural and one semi-Urban Project, totalling one month's exposure in a year, is similar, and taught us a lot.*

RAR: *At the IIMs, like-minded people often club together. E.g. Delhites with others from Delhi, or Mumbaikars with others from Mumbai. Your thoughts?*

Warren: I would like a diverse Study Group, otherwise I would not be pushed out of my comfort zone. We will be around 500 Batchmates, spread among different divisions, so we get ample opportunity to choose a diverse set of colleagues for our Study Group, where we interact closely with one another.

RAR: *In all this COVID chaos, when are classes starting?*

Warren: Waiting for Government's decision. 500 from my batch with 400+ from the earlier Batch, plus Faculty and Staff need to be brought in. Each IIM is taking its own decision, based on Government Policy in that City or State.

RAR: *Someone recently calculated that the cost to an IIM student is about Rs. 400/- to 500/- per Lecture. You think that is steep?*

Warren: Considering that it is the IIM and what we get to learn, it is worth it.

RAR: *Besides later, you also earn accordingly.*

RAR: *There are quite a few Websites about the IIMs. Have you referred to any?*

Warren: Yes. Most of them aim at guiding you to prepare for the Entrance Tests.

RAR: *There are also a few YouTube Clips on life in the IIMs.*

Warren: Yes. They have increased a lot during this Lockdown. Every week there are Webinars from those who have just passed out and some give good insights.

RAR: *In our time, about a third of the Profs. were from M.I.T.* and one Visiting Professor even went on to win the Nobel Prize in Economics.*

Warren: Wow!

**(For the Reader: M.I.T. or Massachusetts's Institute of Technology, along with Harvard Business School, is among the world's top Management Institutes.)*

RAR: *It may be a good idea to associate with some of the better Professors, and that association can continue even beyond your IIM days.*

Warren: Yes. Very true.

RAR: *Some people are Mumbai-centric, others are India-centric, others are looking at foreign shores. Your long-term view, re where you wish to locate?*

Warren: I have never been out of Mumbai for work or study. That is why I wanted to experience campus life in a different city. If I am offered a job from my dream Company and it is out of Mumbai, I would like to experience the other side, as a challenge, rather than being comfortable in my own space.

RAR: *If some student or some parent is reading this, and wants to know how to get into an IIM, what advice would you give them?*

Warren: There is a lot of professional guidance available. But there is a misconception that mainly those with an Engineering education get into an IIM, because of their strong mathematical background, but that need not be so. Mathematical ability is only one of the sections in the Entrance Tests, and there are others, so Non-Engineers like me – I am a Commerce student – also get in.

RAR: *I was a Microbiologist at the IIM-Calcutta, a highly mathematically-oriented IIM, having such esoteric subjects as Mathematical Modelling, Descriptive & Inferential Statistics, Linear Programming, Game Theory and Operations Research. It was tough, but anybody who works hard can manage, especially with help from one's Study Group. IIM-A with a more Case Study orientation, is a bit easier. I wouldn't know about IIM-Bangalore.*

RAR: *If someone with his heart set on it, does not get into an IIM, what are the next best alternatives for Management Studies? I have my own views, but would like to know what your generation thinks.*

Warren: XLRI Jamshedpur, SP Jain, and for HR (Human Resources), the Tata Institute of Social Sciences, both in Mumbai. The Faculty of Management Studies of Delhi University is good, and quite economical too.

It was a pleasure talking to Warren and while the Lockdown prevented us from chatting in person, we will definitely meet in Bangalore.

Finding him a very knowledgeable, well-informed and unassuming young man, I have no hesitation in predicting a very bright future for him in the years ahead.

Thanks for your time Warren, and all the best in your career.

Randolph A. Rodricks

Communication & PR Sub-Committee

Member, Balloting Committee

The Catholic Gymkhana Ltd.

**Warren with
dad Philip,
mother Joannette
and sister Eve**



MEMBERS NITE



JUKEBOX Jammies

30th May '20: JUKEBOX Jammies
 'Carlton Braganza' dedicated a Special Nite to a Popular format of Live singing for Members and Friends of the Catholic Gymkhana. Remarkable Singing!!!



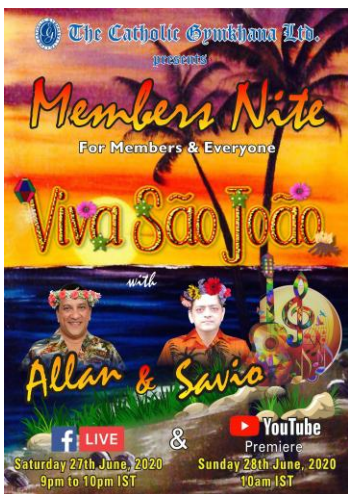
Michael & Sunita

The First Band to play on CG Facebook Live.
 Awesome - Phenomenal - Excellent - Jhakaas Performance
 Wonderful Rendition
 "Michael & Sunita Rocks"



Denzil Oliver

The One Man Army who was amongst the first to perform at the premises of The Catholic Gymkhana Ltd., and his dedication produced Great Entertainment!!!



Allan & Savio

Where words fail music reigns with Allan & Savio. It's non-stop with their Awesome Singing, Entertaining, and Pleasure Listening Music. Brought Goa to Mumbai!!!



Roxy Band

Your singing bettered your own performance, better than the Original. Truly Amazing and Mesmerising Voice. Transcending Experience!!!



Kenneth Joseph

An Awesome Performance. An Excellent Play List by Kenneth Joseph enthralled the Audience to a Lovely Evening. Ravishingly Good!!!



Roland

One needs no introduction to 'Roland', The Rock Star. The vibrancy and the energies connects with the soul. You give Life to Music – The Show Stopper!!!



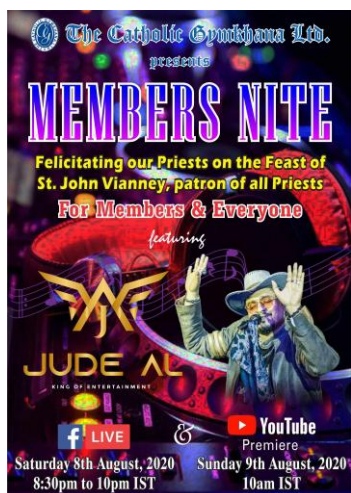
Jus' Leo n Zie with Roque

Excellent Casting,
Extraordinary Playlist -
English & Konkani
Enthralling Performance.
Jus' Leo n Zie with
Roque - A Dream Come
True.



Sheridan Brass

If not Gold it is Sheridan
Brass!!! Booming Voice,
Great Tone, Good Control
and Projection. Stole hearts.
It's Magic!!!
HEE HAW HEE HAW



Jude Al

The Only Thing Better
than Singing is More
Singing by Jude Al.
Wonderful and a Once
More Performance.



Shine On

Impeccable Connect to the
Moment – Above and Beyond.
Excellent Performance
produced Great Entertainment.
SHINE ON – SHINE ON!!!



Infra Red with Merrick

Great Musicianship!!!
Good Connect, Excellent
Showmanship
Audience Mesmerised,
Merrick Nailed It!!!!



Silvina

Mind Boggling - Mystical -
Stupendous - Electrifying
Performance by SILVINA.
Hypnotising Moves set the
Stage on Fire. Astounding
Ambience, Lighting Effects
enhanced the Mood...BOOM!!

Messages received from prominent persons, for our Priests, for the Members Nite on 8th August 2020 dedicated to them on the eve of Vianney Sunday

Message from His Eminence, Oswald Cardinal Gracias

My dear friends I am very grateful to our Catholic Gymkhana for this initiative they have organised to thank and to pray for our Priests. I was delighted to hear about this programme. My personal gratitude to the very many involved in the preparation of this programme. My special thanks to the President and to the members of the Managing Committee of the Catholic Gymkhana.

My dear Fathers, the Catholic Gymkhana has given me an opportunity to wish each one of you, each member of our Bombay Presbyterium, a very happy Vianney Day. All of us, I, look forward to these deanery celebrations, and I would try sometimes to go to other places, but this is not possible now. Thanks to this initiative we are able to somehow connect with each other and greet each other. I am very grateful to each of our Priests and all our people are grateful to each of our Priests. My very very affectionate greetings to you and greetings also to all the full team of Bishops.

My dear people I thank you for your affection and appreciation to our Priests. We regret very much that we are unable to give you full pastoral care because of the lockdown. We miss it as much as you do. Do pray for all our Priests, that they come out of this pandemic spiritually strengthened and able to start soon with renewed enthusiasm, all our pastoral activity, once the churches are permitted to be once again opened. And for all of you my dear people, take care of yourselves. Be safe. Jesus loves you. God bless you abundantly. You and your families.

A very very happy Vianney Day.

Message from Mr. Johnny Joseph

Our Priests true Vicars of Love of Jesus, who are compassionate and extend spiritual solace to Layman. They are true Apostles of our Lord Jesus and we pray that they meet with success at every step of their Apostolic Mission.

The profound pronouncement of St. John Vianney rings loud in your ears whenever one sees a Catholic Priest. Happy Feast to all our Priests.

Message from Dr. Luzito D'Souza and Family

Dear Fathers. We call you "Fathers" and we mean it. You were chosen by the Lord for this. We are "Fathers" caring for one family. You are "Fathers" caring for hundreds of families everywhere. What a privilege and a joy!

God bless you all on Vianney Sunday and always.

Message from Mr. Brendan Pereira

Happy feast to His Eminence Cardinal Oswald Gracias and all our Dedicated Priests.

Since the Eucharistic Congress 1964 till date I have had the pleasure of contributing, by way of Art and Design, to Cardinals, Bishops and Priests. Also had the privilege to assist in the restoration of Churches, especially the Holy Name Cathedral, Colaba, Mumbai, my parish for 53 years.

Message from Dr. Armida Fernandes

We bow in deep gratitude to the many, many Priests who have sacrificed their lives to serve the community. God bless their lives abundantly which they spend in tireless service spreading the Love of God. Happy Feast!

Message from Ms. Celsia Bocarro

Our deepest gratitude to the beloved Clergy of the Diocese for their unstinting dedication and hard work in every sphere of life. Education, Parish Matters, Humanitarian Activities.

We pray for abundant new vocations so that your deep commitment to the common man may live forever.

Message from Sr. Advocate Joaquim Reis

On this Feast day of St. John Mary Vianney, we deeply appreciate our priests for their long-standing service to us laity, a service which flows out of love and commitment to Jesus our Lord. We thank God for Blessing our Archdiocese with a vibrant Clergy under the tutelage of our Humble and inspired Archbishop Oswald Cardinal Gracias. We pray for our Clergy that God may guide, strengthen and inspire them to courageously carry out their mission of shepherding their flock.

Message from Mr. Neil Creado

We pray for His Eminence Cardinal Oswald Gracias, Bishops – Bosco, John, Dabre, Barthol, Percy, Savio, Allwyn and all our Priests and Clergies, for their good health, peace, joy, strength and courage to continue in their mission in Jesus Name Amen

Message from Mr. Michael Pinto

Pere Vianney, the Cure of Ars was not an eminent theologian or a wise Doctor of the church. But he was something much more: a dedicated, committed, holy man much loved by his flock. Our priests mean so much to us because they minister to our spiritual needs and uplift us by their holiness much as the Cure of Ars did for so many people in France. We thank them and bless them for this as we pray to Pere Vianney for their spiritual and earthly well-being

Message from Mr. Roger Pereira

What a superlative idea! Congratulations CG! Throughout the year they take care of our spiritual needs. This one day we can show our appreciation!

Message from Dr. Robin Pinto

What I would like to say - The contribution of Priests and Clergies to the well-being and “social health” of the community is most undervalued and underestimated. On this day we must pledge to recognise and appreciate all that they do to help nourish our souls. May god always bless them.

Message from Mr. Walter Vieira

Such a nice gesture of appreciation to the Priests and Clergies from CG. Well deserved, and never done this way before. Congratulations to CG for new and innovative approaches to weld the community together. I am who I am because of some of them. May God continue to bless all of them and their good work. Happy Feast to All our Dear Priests.

Message from Ms. Anandini Thakoor

I, Anandini Thakoor, studied in St. Andrews, Bandra and later in St. Xavier's College, Dhobi Talao. Thank you to my Alma Mater for teaching the Art of Giving.

His Eminence Oswald Cardinal Gracias and Msgr. Nereus Rodrigues inspired me to cater to the weak and poor. We rehabilitated squatters in Durello Convent, St. Paul's Society and 3 Buildings at the foot of the Mount, offered by Bishop Longinus Pereira. A Big Thank you to these Renowned Priests.

Message from Ms. Jeannette & Mr. Norman da Silva

Heartfelt thank you to all our Priests for their Selfless Service to our community and also in these “troubled times”.

Message from Mr. Vernon Carrasco

On the occasion of Vianney Sunday I take this opportunity to thank our dear fathers for all that you do for us. God bless all of you.

Message from Mr. Rolin Mendonca

To all the Priests I know. Like Jesus, you are with us from the womb to the tomb. Like Jesus, you know suffering & pain. Like Jesus, you stay silent despite knowing our sins & weaknesses. You forgive and love, and face your storms with courage. Thank you for your priestly presence in our lives.

Happy Vianney Sunday.

Message from Mr. Walter Nazareth

Parishioner of St. Stephen Church, Cumballa Hill since 1973. I thank the Priests for helping us familiarise with the surroundings. I am ever grateful to Fr. Michael Govias, Sacred Heart Church, Santacruz, Bishop Savio Fernandes who stayed the night at Breach Candy Hospital when I was almost declared dead in 1995. I can't forget Fr. Jude Pereira, Fr. Denis and Fr. Ernest Fernandes for their contributions in various ways.

Message from Mr. Joseph D'Lima

I am happy that CG is honouring the Bishops and Priests of the Archdiocese of Mumbai by dedicating the Members Nite for their excellent work. I attribute my happiness to the sound principles imbibed in me to their dedicated efforts of guidance.

My sincere gratitude to the Priests.

Message from Mr. Francis da Cunha

In the hectic and frantic rhythm of today's life, we often forget or take for granted the dedication and sacrifices of our Priests to minister to our spiritual needs and the service they provide to society in the cause of education and social needs.

On Vianney Sunday let us pause, to thank and salute them - Our Priests.

Message from Ms. Margot Louzado

I express my deep gratitude & appreciation to all Priests and Religious Order for the selfless service they render to all of us throughout each day. On this Vianney Day we pray that each and every Priest is blessed abundantly with the Gifts of the Holy Spirit.

Message from Mr. Sanju Fernandes

We are ever grateful to His Eminence Oswald Cardinal Gracias & all our priests for their spiritual nourishment, invaluable educational contribution and the social service that they provide to the community and society at large. No words can compensate for the sacrifices they make for us. God bless and protect our clergy.

Message from Mr. Vernon Miranda

Rev. Fathers, I would like to express my gratitude to all priests who have impacted my spiritual and moral upbringing in more ways than one. Generations owe their spiritual upbringing to you. We pray for all our priests on this feast that they may continue with strength and purpose in their God given profession of faith.

The Catholic Gymkhana presents Members Nite every Saturday

(Kindly follow these guidelines on how you can watch the show)

Music Live on our Facebook page, every Saturday at 21:00 IST

Link: <https://www.facebook.com/thecatholicgymkhana/live/>



Please Note:

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