



Newsletter: Sunday 18th April 2021

Dear All,

I am pleased to forward to you the programme for the National Orientation Course for Overseas Clergy being offered by Missio and CMU in September this year and May next year. You may remember I went to see this in action last year and I was impressed! I hope you will draw it to the attention of clergy new to the U.K. I note it is being sent to Religious by CMU so it may be open to Religious women as well; I hope so. The price is very low due to a grant from Porticus, but if you are hoping for financial support from the Diocese you will need to contact Canon Richard Walker before you book in.

I am pleased to welcome a new arrival to our number, Father Kuriakos Thadathil who is U.K. Co-Ordinator for the Syro-Malankara Community. Father will be resident at St Thomas More, Sheldon, Birmingham, and will be Chaplain to the Syro-Malankara Community in the Archdiocese as well.

Finally, it is Vocation Sunday on 24th/25th April. On a recent visit to St Mary's Seminary at Oscott with Father George and Father Stan for a Pastoral Session, it was pleasing to see a good number from the different Ethnic Communities represented in the Student body. Please encourage your people to pray for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. Resources, prayer cards etc can be ordered through Father Dolman at office@vocations.org.uk.

My regular weekly Reflection for the Third Sunday of Easter is attached. I hope it will assist you with your own preparations. The Podcast on Via Lucis is now on the website too.

With prayers and all good wishes.

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