

KARNATAKA PROVINCE

25TH ORDINARY PROVINCIAL CHAPTER, JANUARY 2022

24th January 2022 marked the commencement of the 25th Ordinary Provincial Chapter of the Province of Karnataka. The meaningful opening Prayer Service led the Chapter delegates to enter into the Spirit of the Chapter and uphold the dignity and sanctity of this grace-filled event.

The President of the Chapter welcomed Sister Ancilla, the General Councillor, delegated by the Superior General to be the observer at the Chapter. She then delivered her Presidential Address and declared the 25th Provincial Chapter open.

Sister Ancilla was invited to give her message to the delegates after which followed the Election of the Chapter officials.

On 25th January the Reports of the Province and Finance were taken up for discussion. On the following day the Paper on 'The Way Forward' for the Province was taken up for study and discussion.

The next two days were engaged by Fr. Joseph Ivel Mendanha CSsR addressing the delegates on the Chapter Theme – 'Christ Centred Communities responding in Compassionate Love'. His talks were thought provoking, giving us practical suggestions to be carried on.

On 28th January, Bishop Peter Paul D'Souza's gave his message to the delegates based on the theme of the Chapter. Sister Rose Agnes welcomed him and Sister Maria Reethika proposed the vote of thanks. He ended his session with his pastoral blessing.

29th January was in prayer and recollection. Fr. Dhilraj ofm (cap) had come for Confessions. Sister Nirmalini, the Superior General addressed the Delegates of the Chapter at 4.30 p.m.

30.1.2022

ELECTION OF THE PROVINCIAL SUPERIOR

The Mass of the Holy Spirit was offered by Rev. Fr. Paul Melwyn D'Souza at 9.00 a.m. in St. Ann's Chapel for which the Sisters of the local communities were present. The delegates then assembled at the Chapter Hall for the election of the Provincial Superior for the Province of Karnataka presided by the Superior General, Sister Maria Nirmalini A.C. God's elect was Sister Maria Shamita A.C. to lead the Province of Karnataka as the Provincial Superior from 2022-2025. We pray God's blessings on her.

In the afternoon after spending some time in silent prayer the delegates met to elect the Provincial Councillors. The following are the Councillors: 1. Sister Rose Agnes, 2. Sister Maria Melissa 3. Sister Maria Sudeepa 4. Sister Julie Ann. The Provincial Secretary is Sister Julie Ann and the Provincial Bursar, Sister Marina D'Cunha.

The Delegates elected Sister Lydia as the member to the General Advisory Council and Sisters Carmel Rita, Venissa, Ida Barboza, Maria Naveena, Daisy and Linet D'Souza.

May God bless each one of them to lead the Province in the Way of Jesus our Shepherd and Guide.



