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Ancient convent of the Trinitarians existing in Saint-Étienne-de-tinée (France) since 1343. The convent was suppressed in 1653, but the church was rebuilt between 1674 and 1677.



Trinitarian heritage

June 11, 1210: Donation to St. John de Matha, by Baron Berenguer II of Anglesola, of the farms and property that would give rise to the Convent of the Holy Trinity in Anglesola, Lérída, diocese of Solsona (Spain).

Convent of Anglesola

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Bahrain: Celebration of the 25th anniversary of SIT and COPEFAT



From April 17-22, two major events for the Trinitarian Family were celebrated in the Kingdom of Bahrain: the 25th anniversary of the General SIT and the Permanent Council of the Trinitarian Family (COPEFAT).

For the 25th anniversary of SIT, the choice of Bahrain was not accidental.

In fact, in order to put back at the center, the root of our charism, that is, the issue of Christian persecution and religious freedom, it had been ardently desired to celebrate this anniversary in a land where Christians are a minority, that is, a place where, in a different world, Christians may have some freedom of belief.



This is the big difference between Bahrain and the surrounding countries. In addition, Bahrain, with the presence of Monsignor Aldo Berardi, Apostolic Vicar for Northern Arabia, offered all the conditions for these commemorative activities to take place.

Given the restrictions on access to Bahrain, only a limited number of participants attended. But we must also thank the large number of Major Superiors who were willing to be present at this important meeting.

In the 25 years of the SIT's existence, in addition to the multifaceted aid to persecuted Christians, we consider, the establishment of a week of prayer for persecuted Christians (October 17 to 23 each year), the recovery of the figure of the Procurator of the Redemption in our Constitutions, and, thanks to the extension of the SIT network to the 30 countries where the Trinitarian Family is present, there is the constant commitment to enhance the relevance of our charism.





The stay of the participants, these days in Bahrain, was taken by work sessions during which the activity of SIT was evaluated and an outline of the future of this organization, the only one that, concretely involves the whole Trinitarian Family; a meeting with local authorities and visits to Islamic and other religious sites. The closing of this meeting, marking 25 years of SIT, took place in a solemn Eucharistic celebration, in the Cathedral of Our Lady of Arabia in Awali, presided over by Bishop Aldo Berardi, in the presence of all the participants.

Immediately afterwards, the meeting of the Permanent Council of the Trinitarian Family was held, which was attended by the Minister General, the Mothers General, the President of the General Secretariat for the Family, and the International President of the Trinitarian Laity.

The Mother General of the Trinitarian Women Religious of Valence, who was absent due to not being granted a visa, had been replaced by the representative of the SIT of the Valence Congregation.



Canada: Meeting of the Major Superiors of the Diocese of St. Jean-Longueuil.

Our house in San Bruno (Canada) hosted the meeting of the Major Superiors of the Diocese of St. Jean-Longueuil in May.



Madagascar: Diaconal and Priestly Ordinations



On May 24-25, 2024, Our Lady of Good Remedy Missionary Province experienced a great celebration. On Friday, May 24, 2024, at Holy Trinity Parish in Ambohipeno - Antsirabe, Br. Andriatafita Victorien MAHOLINIAINA and Br. Jean Rufin Patrick RAZAFIMAHANDRY, made their solemn profession in the presence of Fr. Jean Claude Herménegilde, the Minister Provincial. The following day, the same candidates received diaconal ordination and ten other confreres received priestly ordination, with the laying on of hands and consecratory prayer, by His Excellency Monsignor Jean Pascal ANDRIANTSOAVINA, Bishop of the Diocese of Antsirabe. The new priests are: Fr. Rivo Gabin SOLONIAINA, Fr. Léon Sylvain RANDRIAMANANTENASOA, Fr. Sahobisolo Jean Césaire RANDRIATSARAFARA, Fr. Cyrille Jérôme RANDRIAMANANJARA, Fr. Jean de la Croix RANDRIANASOLO, Fr. Ancelme Angello RAVALAHARIMANANA, Fr. Flavien MAMONJISOA, Fr. Mamy Jean Frédéric RAHANDRINIAINA, Fr. François Basile RASOLONIRINA, and Fr. Clément Dieu Donné ANDRIAMANANTENA. The assembly experienced an intense celebrating moment. Our best wishes for their new service in the Church.



Italy: Provincial Chapter, St. John de Matha Province



From May 27 to June 1, the Provincial Chapter of the St. John de Matha Province (Italy-Mexico-Poland-Austria-Vietnam and the Vicariate of St. Agnes (Africa)) was held in our house in Naples, via Fontanelle al Trivio. In which the following Council was elected:



- **Fr. Rocco COSI (Italy):** Minister Provincial
- **Fr. Serge Beaudelaire Nkodia (Rep. of Congo):** Vicar Provincial
- **Fr. Lai Xuan Lang (Vietnam):** Councilor.
- **Fr. Francesco Prontera (Italy):** Councilor.
- **Fr. Maciej Kowalski (Poland):** Councilor
- **Fr. Matteo Santamaria (Italy):** Provincial Secretary



Algorta-Spain: 50th Anniversary of the Parish of the Most Holy Redeemer



Most Holy Redeemer Parish in Algorta celebrated the closing of its 50th anniversary on Corpus Christi Sunday, June 2, with a Solemn Eucharist. The ceremony was presided over by Fr. General, Fr. Luigi Buccarello, and was attended by Fr. Provincial, Fr. Pedro Aliaga, and the General Councilor Fr. Maximilien Daudet. Also participating were the Ars Viva choir from Bilbao and the Itxartu dance group from Getxo, whose presence added a special and memorable touch to the event. The anniversary celebration, marked by a deep sense of emotion and solemnity, ended with a procession of the Blessed Sacrament to the square, where a special altar had been prepared for the blessing of the neighbourhood. At this celebration, Father General presented the diplomas of Perpetual Benefactors of the Order to the families and individuals who were connected with the construction of the Parish Temple: to the Basagoiti Ruiz Family (major donors in the construction of the church); to the families of the late architects of the building, D. Pedro Ispizua and D. Javier Arístegui; and, finally, to the church's most representative sculptor, D. Segundo Escolar.



Taking advantage of the presence of Frs. General and Provincial, on Tuesday, June 4, the Trinitarian parish communities of Algorta visited the parish of St. Martin in Dam, in Karrantza (Bizkaia).

They were able to learn about the place where our brother Fray Juan de Palacios y Santisteban, a 16th-century (1560s)

Trinitarian who was martyred and died in Algiers on Sept. 20, 1616, was born, baptized and experienced the first experiences of his Christian faith.

In the renovated parish church of San Martín de Villanueva de Presa, the Algorta community, together with the local parish, attended the lecture given by the Minister Provincial, on the life of Fray Juan de Palacios: his studies in Burgos and, above all, his three "Redemptions" of prisoners to free as many Christians as possible from Algerian prisons.



The three Redemptions were in 1591, 1595 and the last, from which he did not return, in 1609. In fact, after paying the ransom for the prisoners and about to leave on the ship for Spain, they were captured and held in Africa. Juan de Palacios, with two other companions, was bound with chains in a dreary prison where, after 17 years of harassment, deprivation, physical punishment and captivity, he died. Father General, gave thanks for the good reception received by the compatriots of the “most likely and in short, blessed Trinitarian,” who died in the fulfilment of his specific activity as a committed Trinitarian.



SIT: Recurrence of Persecution of Christians in India.

The persecution of Christians in India reached alarming levels in the early months of 2024, with a significant increase in attacks and hostilities, according to reports from various human rights and religious organizations.

The United Christian Forum (UCF) documented 161 incidents of violence against Christians from January 1 to March 15, 2024. These attacks include bans on access to water wells for Christian families in Chhattisgarh and false accusations of illegal conversions in Uttar Pradesh, where numerous pastors have been arrested simply for performing religious services.

The increase in violence is a continuation of the increase observed in 2023, when 601 cases of persecution were recorded, up 45 percent from the previous year. The states of Uttar Pradesh and Chhattisgarh are the most affected regions. In these places, Christians face physical attacks, destruction of places of worship and expulsion from their homes. The situation is especially severe for converts of Hinduism, who are constantly forced to renounce their new faith.





The attacks are aggravated by the anti-conversion laws in place in several states, which critics say are used to justify violence and intimidation. These laws allow Hindu extremists to accuse Christians of forced conversions, resulting in continued arrests and harassment. In many cases local authorities, who often share the extremist ideology, not only ignore these abuses but sometimes actively participate in them.

The recent violence in Manipur is a clear example of the gravity of the situation. In May 2023, ethnic-religious clashes in this region displaced thousands of Christians, destroyed hundreds of Churches, and caused numerous deaths. These incidents highlighted the dangerous intersection of politics and religion in India, where Hindu nationalism continues to gain ground, promoting an agenda that marginalizes religious minorities.

The international community and human rights organizations are urgently appealing to the Indian government to take strong measures and protect the constitutional rights of Christians and other religious minorities. Meanwhile, Christians in India continue to practice their faith courageously despite the significant risks they face.

Rome-Italy: APPS students' meeting with the General Council.



Part of the APPS educational journey is the meeting of our young people with the General Council. The meeting was held in three parts: the first part was dedicated to explaining the task entrusted to each member of the Curia. In the second part, space was left for the students to allow them to ask all questions to the members of the general government.

The meeting concluded with a fraternal sharing in the presence of members of the San Carlino and San Crisogono communities.



Avignon-France: Solemn Profession



On June 16, 2024, Sister Léonie Rasoarimanana, of the Trinitarian Religious of Valence, made her perpetual profession in the presence of Mother General, Sister Myriam, and numerous sisters from all over participated. The event took place during a Eucharistic celebration presided over by His Excellency Archbishop François Fonlupt, Archbishop of Avignon, at St. Ruf Parish in Avignon, in a church packed with the faithful.



Honduras: Solemn Profession



The Trinitarian nuns of the monastery in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, celebrated with great joy the Solemn Profession of Sister Leily.



Spain: New President of the Trinitarian Nuns



From June 17-21, 2024, the Trinitarian Nuns of the “Most Holy Trinity” Federation celebrated their 8th elective assembly in Harencia (Ciudad Real), in which they elected:

-New Federal President: Mother Carmen Eugenia Ramos González (Quintanar Monastery);

Councilors: Sister Teresita Vega, of Andújar (Vicar); Sister Nora Cosenza, of Noia (Secretary); Sister María Edita Cabrera, of Madrid; and Sister Lucía Madueño de Santa Ana (Ecónoma). They planned the new sexennium of the Federation with special attention to formation. They also dealt with the renewal of the Constitutions according to the Federation of Nuns of America, the Trinitarian Family, the proper Rituals. The Assembly was a true moment of grace.

Spain: 100 years of the Holy Trinity College of Alcazar

A solemn Eucharist on Sunday, June 23, concluded the commemorative celebrations of the first centenary of Holy Trinity College in Alcázar of St. John. The day before, there was a tribute to alumni, particularly those who participated in the school's successive basketball teams, which achieved important athletic achievements in the 1960s.

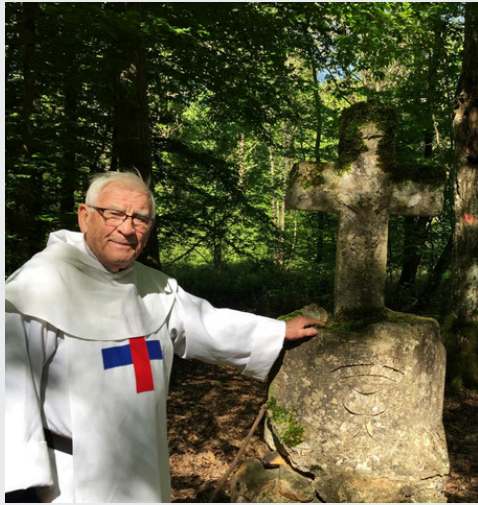


The Mass, presided over by Provincial Minister Fr. Pedro Aliaga, brought together more than a hundred people. At the end, participants were able to visit a temporary painting exhibition entitled “Trinitarian Contrasts,” organized by Antonio Tomás (alumnus), Salvador Samper (alumnus and professor at the center) and Fr. Miguel Ángel Castillo (community religious).



IN MEMORIAM

Br. Denis Gilbert



Br. Denis Gilbert, of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Vicariate, passed away on 02/05/2024, was born in Beauceville, Canada, on 13-08-1934. He entered the novitiate on 11-03-1962 in Granby, where he made his first profession on 12-03-1963 and where he made his solemn profession on 03-09-1966.

May the Holy Trinity, the source of infinite mercy, receive him into the joy of Paradise.

R.I.P.

Sister Henriette Marie Razafimiarana

Sr. Henriette Marie Razafimiarana, Trinitarian Religious from Valencia, entered the joy of God the Trinity on May 15, 2024 in Lyon, France. Born June 25, 1969 in Ambatolampy, Madagascar, she made her profession on September 24, 1994 in Bel Air, Madagascar.

Sister Henriette Marie comes from a deeply Christian family of six children. One of her sisters is a Sister of St. Joseph of Aosta. It was in Madagascar that Sister Henriette Marie spent the first six years of her religious life as a teacher, first in Tsiroanomandidy, then as a student at the Ecole Normale in Antananarivo where she earned her teaching degree, and finally in Bel Air. The year 2000 marked a very important missionary turning point for her to Africa.

She spent twenty-two years there, including fourteen in Gabon in Libreville as a teacher and assumed her mission as superior for seven years. She also lived for a year in Mbigou. Sent to Cameroon in Dizangué, she became superior of the community. She then went to Brazzaville as a teacher before returning again to Kribi in Cameroon as superior.

For health reasons, she then had to go to France. Sister Enrichetta Maria always adapted well to the different places she passed through with great generosity. Always smiling, she witnessed her love for Christ to the end. She dwells in peace and joy, Sister Henriette Marie, "happy servant of the Lord."



Fr. Antonio Moldón Ferreras



Fr. Antonio Moldón Ferreras, of the Holy Spirit Province, passed away on June 5, 2024, at the age of 92.

Fr. Moldón, was born in Ferreras de Arriba (Zamora) on 17-01-1932. He began his novitiate in Algorta on 10-09-1948. He made his first profession in Algorta on 12-09-1949 and his solemn profession in Cordoba on 5-08-1953. He was ordained a priest in Madrid on 17-03-1956. May the Most Holy Trinity, the source of infinite mercy, welcome Br. Moldon into the joy of Paradise.

P. Marc Bernardin RANDRIARIMALALA



Fr. Marc Bernardin RANDRIARIMALALA, a religious of Our Lady of Good Remedy Province (Madagascar), passed away in Rome, June 22, 2024.

Fr. Marc, born in Antananarivo (Madagascar) on 10-06-1980, began his novitiate in Moramanga on Oct. 07, 2001, made his first profession in Moramanga on Oct. 8, 2002, made his solemn profession in Moramanga on Oct. 8, 2008, and was ordained a priest in Antananarivo on July 25, 2010.

May the Most Holy Trinity, the source of infinite mercy, welcome Father Marc into the joy of Paradise. R.I.P.

We ask you to apply the established suffrages for their souls. R.I.P.

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| 1 | Fr. Vincent Ignace Rakotoarivelo (Prov. Sacro Cuore di Gesù) |
| 2 | Fr. Frédéric Souchet (Prov. Sacro Cuore di Gesù) |
| 3 | Fr. Pedro Fernández Alejo (Prov. Spirito Santo) Fr. Carlos Alonso Torres Hernández (Vic. Beato Domenico Iturrate) Fr. Séraphin Rakotondrasoa (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio) Fr. Vidmar Mijail Maguiña Romero (Vic. S. Simone de Rojas) |
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| 6 | Fr. José Antonio Echevarría Beobide (Prov. Spirito Santo) Fr. Ángel García Rodríguez (Prov. Spirito Santo) Fr. Jean Hermann Emilson Razafindrabe (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio) |
| 7 | Fr. Dany Boily (Prov. Sacro Cuore di Gesù) Fr. Tsiritofana Jean Claude Rabemifara (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio) |
| 8 | Fr. Roger Harvey (Prov. Sacro Cuore di Gesù) Fr. Charles Christian Aschmatt Mpiaka (Vic. S. Agnese) Fr. Julius Barthélemy Rahenitsoa Tsifanàna (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio) |
| 9 | Fr. Pasquale Pizzuti (Prov. San Giovanni de Matha) |
| 10 | Fr. Jean Rufin Patrick Razafimahandry (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio) Fr. Jibin James Palakkuzha (Vice Prov. S. Michele dei Santi) |
| 11 | Fr. Vinay Kumar Pothula (Vice Prov. S. Michele dei Santi) Fr. Juan Guillermo Ovalles Ovalles (Vic. Beato Domenico Iturrate) Fr. Rodolphe Rado Maminirina (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio) |
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| 15 | Fr. Mauricio Alberto Saldía Leal (Vic. S. Simone de Rojas) Fr. Vinh Domenico Pham The (Prov. San Giovanni de Matha) Fr. Fanevaniaina Francis Randriamalala (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio) Fr. Dimbiniaina Pierre Géorget Randriamihavisoa (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio) |
| 16 | Fr. Rafael Carmelo Márquez Megía (Prov. Spirito Santo) Fr. Reich Karen Mouhouanou (Vic. S. Agnese) |
| 17 | Fr. Bruno Palazzo (Prov. San Giovanni de Matha) Fr. Erick Harimanana Ratsimaniaina (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio) |
| 18 | Fr. Thierry Bertrand Mvombo (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio) |
| 19 | Fr. Baviel Hustan Stael Mbila (Vic. S. Agnese) |
| 20 | Fr. Joshua Trey Warshak (Prov. Cuore Immacolato di Maria) |
| 21 | Fr. Etienne Brillant Rakotomalala (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio) |
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| 27 | Fr. Hajarivelo Sylvain Andrianjatovo (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio) |
| 28 | Fr. Alain Odon Rakotoarimanana Tojonantenaina (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio) |



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| 31 | Fr. José Ignacio Arrinda Mondragon (Prov. Spirito Santo) Fr. Ignacio Cervantes Vargas (Prov. San Giovanni de Matha) |

*A tutti e a ciascuno in particolare
giunga il cordiale augurio dell'Ordine.*

