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## YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH

In collaboration with the Eparchy of Satna, ETC celebrated the Year of St. Joseph on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2021. The programme began with a novena of St. Joseph by His Excellency Mar Joseph Kodakallil who later inaugurated an extension lecture. It was a memorable and enriching exposition led by Rev. Fr. Sebastian Poonolil VC on 'Patris Corde: Spectrum of St. Joseph.' An International Eucharistic miracles' Exhibition catalogued by Blessed Carlo Acutis was displayed in 153 panel in ETC old auditorium. These panels express the details of the Eucharistic miracles approved by the Ecclesiastical authority. Panels were arranged according to the countries and the period of occurrence. Followed by the exhibition there were cultural events. Candidates and Brothers performed their talents. There were 2 dances and a song accompanied by a lively drawing of the Holy Family.



## MINOR ORDERS

The Formees of St. Ephrem's were raised a step forward to priesthood on 11<sup>th</sup> March 2021. His Excellency Mar Joseph Kodakallil, the Bishop of Satna, conferred the minor orders of Karoyutha on eight brothers, Heupedyaquutha on six brothers and eight received the Diaconate. Rev. Fr. Joseph Ottapurackal, the Rector was the arch deacon for the liturgical celebration Very Rev. Fr. Thomas Thelakkatt, Proto-Syncellus of Satna diocese joined with them in the liturgical ceremony. Fathers from Satna, sisters from nearby congregations and the members of Ephrem pariwar took part in the graceful ceremonies.



## FAMILY GATHERING

With an aim of fostering the unity and family atmosphere, family gathering was conducted on the eve of 22<sup>nd</sup> March 2021. All gathered in the Jubilee auditorium and were addressed by very Rev. Fr. Rector. The gathering lasted for almost one hour with experience sharing, games and songs.







## FEAST OF ST. JOSEPH

The Feast of St. Joseph stands out as an important feast of ETC as three of its leaders bear the name of St. Joseph. The Ephrem's community celebrated the feast of Very Rev. Fr. Joseph Ottapurackal, the Rector and Rev. Fr. Joseph Parayil, the Procurator of ETC on 19<sup>th</sup> March. The following day, we got an opportunity to wish His Excellency Mar Joseph Kodakallil, the Bishop of Satna. His Excellency celebrated Holy Qurbana in the morning and inspired us with his valuable message. Soon after the Holy Qurbana a gathering was held in the refectory in which His Excellency, Rev. Fr. Rector, Rev. Fr. Procurator and brothers who bear the name of St. Joseph were greeted by all the members of the Ephrem Community.

## FAREWELL TO THE BETHANIA CANDIDATES

ETC bid farewell to the candidates of Bethania community on 24<sup>th</sup> March 2021. The farewell was arranged along with a solemn tea in the evening.



## INAUGURATION OF ACADEMY

In order to develop the talents of students, Seminary provides ample opportunity through various academies. Malayalam, English Hindi and Telugu Academies are organized in order to build up speaking and writing skills in all these languages. Academies were inaugurated on 21<sup>th</sup> March 2021

## EXAM AND HOLIDAYS

The second semester exams for the brothers were arranged from 23<sup>rd</sup> March to 30<sup>th</sup> March. All the written exams were held in the smart class room from 2.pm to 4.pm. All the brothers will back to their respective dioceses and congregations on 4<sup>th</sup> April for their summer holidays.

## THOUGHT OF THE MONTH

We make a living by what we get,  
but we make a life by what we give  
-Winston Churchill



## PICS OF THE MONTH

### PALM SUNDAY



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