

Chavara and 11 fathers took the religious profession at Mannananm

Dear Rev. Fathers and Brothers

"Hail Mary full of grace! The Lord is with you." (Luke 1:28)

Wish every member of CMI family the blessings of the feast of our beloved mother, Mary Immaculate! On this special day, 8<sup>th</sup> December, Mother Mary challenges us to be addressed as CMIs full of grace for an immaculate life to transform the world.

Let us pray for our 73 novices who make their first vows in CMI family! Let us renew our commitment to the Lord through the renovation of vows (D. 14) and burn with the zeal of Elijah to keep the flame of our original spiritual movement in today's context.

Let us gratefully remember and pray for our departed brethren who have nurtured our congregation with great sacrifice. The 9<sup>th</sup> of December shall be observed annually in commemoration of our departed brethren. All our priests shall apply their mass of the day for them (D 61 a). On the day of the commemoration of the departed of our congregation, there shall be solemn requiem service, including the office for the departed in all our houses in which the whole community shall participate. (D 61c).

Since 9<sup>th</sup> of December falls on a Sunday, for convenience we may observe the commemoration of our departed brethren this year on Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> December, 2018

May our beloved Mother accompany us to be her immaculate sons filled with grace!

Fr. Paul Achandy CMI Prior General