

PGH Bulletin

April to June 2026



FAREWELL TO OUTGOING PRIOR GENERAL & TEAM

A warm farewell was organized for the outgoing Prior General and team on 6 April 2026 at the CMI Prior General's House, Chavara Hills, Kakkanad. The gracious gathering was attended by the community members of Mount Saint Thomas under the leadership of His Beatitude Mar Raphael Thattil, Major Archbishop. On this occasion, the Rev. Fr Prior General conveyed his heartfelt gratitude and best wishes to the outgoing Prior General and team, acknowledging their dedicated service and praying for God's abundant blessings upon their future endeavours.

FATHERS AND BROTHERS FROM KENYA AND MADAGASCAR



The CMI Prior General's House, Chavara Hills, Kakkanad, was blessed with the visit of the Fathers and Brothers from the missions in Kenya and Madagascar on 21 April 2026. Their visit provided a cherished opportunity for fraternal interaction and fellowship, strengthening the bonds of communion and reaffirming the Congregation's missionary spirit.



Get-Together of the Newly Professed CMIs at the Generalate



The Get-Together of the Newly Professed CMIs was held at the Generalate from 24 to 26 April 2026. The programme commenced with the inaugural address by Rev. Fr. Prior General and included prayer sessions, interactions with the Chavara Hills family, an input session by Rev. Fr. George Kulangara CMI, and a motivational talk by Prof. Kochurani Thomas. The gathering concluded with a pilgrimage to Kainakary and Mannanam and the celebration of the Holy Qurbana at the Tomb of St. Chavara.

Major Superiors' Advisory Council Meeting



The Major Superiors' Advisory Council Meeting was held at the Generalate on 27–28 April 2026. The programme commenced with the welcome and introduction of the newly appointed Provincials to the Prior General's House community, followed by the Vicar General's introductory session on the dynamics of the meeting and an orientation address by Rev. Fr. Prior General. The second day was devoted to deliberations on matters of common concern, including reports from the Provincials on the first sessions of their Provincial Synaxes, appointments and transfers in the common houses and institutions, and discussions on various themes pertaining to the life and mission of the Congregation. The meeting concluded at 4.00 p.m., after fruitful discussions and fraternal sharing.

GC-PC 2026



The CMI GC-PC Meeting, an interaction between the Provincial Councils and the General Council, was held from 11 to 14 May 2026 at the CMI Prior General's House, Chavara Hills, Kakkanad. The programme commenced with a welcome and orientation by Rev. Fr. Vicar General, followed by the inaugural address of Rev. Fr. Prior General and the introduction of the participants. The gathering also included the celebration of the Holy Qurbana presided over by His Grace Archbishop Mar Joseph Pamplany. The four-day meeting featured a series of input sessions by eminent resource persons, Group Discussions, interactions between the Provincial Councils and the General Council, and presentations by the Departmental Councils. The meeting concluded with the closing message of Rev. Fr. Prior General, who expressed gratitude to all the participants and called for renewed commitment to the mission and communion of the Congregation.

INITIAL FORMATORS' AND FORMATION COORDINATORS' MEET



The Initial Formators' and Formation Coordinators' Meet was held at the Generalate from 18 to 20 June 2026. The gathering brought together Aspirant Rectors, Postulant Rectors, Novice Masters, and Formation Coordinators for reflection and dialogue on matters pertaining to initial formation in the Congregation. The programme featured enriching sessions led by Rev. Fr. Jose Poovattil CMI and Rev. Fr. Teji Kelamparambil CMI.

NEW RESIDENTS OF PGH COMMUNITY

New Prefect



The Generalate warmly welcomed Rev. Fr. Joy Nirappil CMI, who assumed office as the Prefect of the CMI Prior General's House, Chavara Hills, Kakkanad, on 7 May 2026. Rev. Fr. Prior General extended a cordial welcome to Fr. Joy and assured him of the prayers and support of the General's House community as he undertakes his new responsibilities in the service of the Congregation.

General Formation Coordinator



The Generalate warmly welcomed Rev. Fr. Prathap Thuruthumali CMI, who assumed office as the General Formation Coordinator on 25 May 2026. Rev. Fr. Prior General extended a cordial welcome to Fr. Prathap and assured him of the prayers and support of the General's House community as he undertakes this important responsibility in the service of the Congregation.

Director of General Archives & Documentation Centre



On 27 May 2026, the Generalate warmly received Rev. Fr. Sany Kannampuzha CMI, Director of the General Archives & Documentation Centre at the CMI Prior General's House, Kakkanad. During the welcome, Rev. Fr. Prior General conveyed his warm greetings to Fr. Sany and assured him of his prayers and wholehearted support.

Spiritual Director



The Generalate accorded a warm welcome to Rev. Fr. Thomas Panthaplackal CMI, Spiritual Director of the CMI Prior General's House, Chavara Hills, Kakkanad, on 11 May 2026. On the occasion, Rev. Fr. Prior General extended his heartfelt greetings to Fr. Thomas and assured him of his prayers and support.

New Regent



Bro. Stephin Tom Vayalil CMI joined the CMI Prior General's House, Kakkanad, as Regent on 22 April 2026. On this occasion, Rev. Fr. Prior General extended a warm and cordial welcome to Bro. Stephin, assuring him of the prayers and support of the community as he begins this new phase of his formation and service. The General's House community joyfully received him and wished him God's abundant blessings in his responsibilities and ministry.