

GOOD SHEPHERD CONVENT

KARJAT



We, the sisters of Karjat community would like to share with you the various activities held during the year 2017. Our community is comprised of six Sisters and four of them are engaged in the education ministry and two of them take care of the Social apostolate. It was a journey of joys and difficulties, success and failures, hopes and struggles and at the same time it was a year of blessings as we celebrated the Silver Jubilee of the Good Shepherd presence in Karjat on 2nd October 2017. It was celebrated in a simple manner together with the parishners and the religious of the locality. They appreciated the selfless service rendered by the Good Shepherd Sisters for the past 25 years.

Our community is catering to the needs of the society through our various ministries such as:

- a) Social Action Ministry
- b) Education
- c) Boarding
- d) Chalice
- e) Pastoral Care Ministry



Social Action Ministry covering 18 villages of karjat and Khalaphur Taluka, Raigad Dt in Maharashtra. We work with the Kathakri Tribe and Takur tribe. Kathkari Tribe is one of the primitive tribe of Maharashtra.

Activities held:

- Supplementary classes for school going students in 9 villages
- Self help groups
- Income generating programmes
- People Led empowerment programmes
- Youth groups in 5 villages
- Helping the people to avail the different Government Schemes.
- Helping the people to get ration cards, caste certificates, Income certificates and any other documents.
- Women Day celebrations
- Children's Day celebrations

Education Ministry:

There are 715 students who are enrolled for this academic year from Nursery to Grade X. We are assisted by 25 teaching and 6 supporting staff.

Activities and celebrations:

- Parent Teacher Seminar
- Birthday of St. Mary Euphrasia
- National Festivals
- Teachers' day
- Children's day
- Annual Day
- Sports Day
- Christmas
- Various competitions
- Inter school competitions
- Elementary and Scholarship exams
- Farewell of Xth Std
- Staff and students picnics
- Health check up

The school building construction is in progress, wishing and hoping to have the classes from June 2018.

Residential Care (Boarding)

We have 40 school going children in our boarding. 29 of them go to our school and other 11 of them go to Marathi Medium School. 29 children from tribal villages and other 11 children from Bhiwandi red light area.

Activities and celebrations

- ❖ Formal education
- ❖ Input sessions on different topic
- ❖ Health check up
- ❖ National Festivals
- ❖ Teachers' day
- ❖ Children's day
- ❖ Christmas
- ❖ Diwali, Raksha bandhan
- ❖ Picnic
- ❖ Regular group and Individual counselling

Chalice Sponsorship Programme:

138 children benefits from this programme. Children are given help for their education, health, nutrition. Family is helped through community programmes.

Activities carried out

- Health check up
- Educational competency assessment
- Circle meeting every month
- Children meet
- Training programme for mothers
- Training on carrier guidance
- Training programme for adolescent children
- Christmas programme

Pastoral Ministry:

We actively participate in the parish activities like catechism classes, preparing the liturgy, decoration, attending BCC prayer, visiting families etc..

Conclusion:

“Gratitude is the memory of the heart” says St.Mary Euphrasia.

We are very grateful to God for our Good shepherd presence in Karjat and for leading us in His path for the Past 25 years and keeping us as the apple of His eyes. We do take this opportunity to thank the CLT and PLT and every sister of the province for your prayerful support and guidance.

