

Diocese of Udupi

Karkala deanery

27th November: On the account of National youth Convention, the cross has to travel throughout the dioceses, we welcomed cross from diocese of Belthangadi to St. Dominic Church Miyar, Karkala deanery, diocese of Udupi in Bishops house, St. Lawrence Cathedral Belthangadi.

At 3pm Udupi diocesan council members along with director Fr.Edwin Dsouza, Karkala deanery council members along with Director Fr.Sunil and Parish council members of St. Dominic church Miyar reached Belthangadi. Bishop of Belthangadi diocese Lawrence Mukkuzhy conducted prayer service and well wished for success of National Youth Convention. Cathedral incharge Fr.Binay, Director of Belthangadi diocese Fr.Shibi Thomas and Mr.Arun Diocese ICYM treasurer handed over the cross to Diocese of Udupi.

At 5pm the cross reached parish of Udupi diocese St. Dominic church. After mass at 5:30 there was procession for about 1km towards church. There were 600 people including youth of different parish. Followed there was adoration in church conducted by Fr.Manohar.

After the adoration at 6:30 there was Taize prayer conducted by Mr.Norbet Misquith. Youth from different parishes of Karkala deanery and parents participated in it.







28th November: Adoration of cross by different wards of St. Dominic church Miyar from 9:00 am to 7:00 pm.

29th November: At 5pm the cross was brought to Christ the king church Karkala, there was a procession from Gandhi Maidan ground to the church premises. There were about 150 members in the procession. The parish priest Fr.Joswi Fernandes and Fr.Sunil D 'Silva ICYM Deanery Director welcomed the cross to the church followed by adoration which was conducted by Fr. Roshan assistant priest of Christ king. There was

Taize by conducted by Mr. Norbert Misquith and the holy hour ended up by devotional songs.



Deanery of Shirva:

1st of December Shirva/Manchakal: The most traveled across the country since its first journey in 1989, and the most awaited NYC (National Youth Convention) cross has finally arrived in Shirva Parish on 1st December 2016 from Belman St. Joseph's Parish.

The NYC cross was then taken in grand procession from the Petrol Pump to the Shirva Our Lady of Health church with great devotion and prayer attended by a large number of faithful, youth as well as parishioners and members of various associations. The cross was carried by Rev. Fr. Stany Tauro (Parish Priest) along with Loyal D'Souza (ICYM President, Udupi Diocese). The grand Procession began at 4pm at the Petrol Station led by Band followed by all faithful in prayer and devotion. On arrival the holy cross was placed at the altar of the Our Lady of Health Church and venerated by Fr. Stany Tauro followed by prayer service and liturgy wherein all faithful took part with great devotion.

Rev. Fr. Mahesh D'Souza (Campus Director – Don Bosco English Medium School) narrated the Significance of the Holy cross. He reminded the faithful when in 2008 when the churches were attacked. In Mangalore all the faithful united and prayed and eventually peace was restored in the region. Cross is the sign of victory he said. We face cross in the form of troubles and family problems daily but we must bear our cross with utmost patient and dedicate ourselves to Jesus on the cross. "The Vertical portion of the Holy cross signifies the God to Human relationship and the Horizontal signifies the Human to Human relationship. So it is important to have a human nature towards our fellow men, our neighbor and most importantly our family. We must learn to bear the differences and little problems in the family with utmost patient and love. Cross is not only sign of pain and suffering but

it is also sign of Joy and Happiness. We have to dedicate ourselves to Jesus on the cross to attain eternal peace and harmony. “

Fr. Stany Tauro then blessed the faithful prior to conclusion of the short prayer service which was conducted by Rev. Fr. Canute Noronha (Asst. Parish Priest).

There were around 600 people, on this occasion.





Kundapur deanery

6th December: The cross was received by Deanery of Kundapur from Udupi in the presence of Deanery director Fr. Albert Crasta, council members and youth. There was a procession followed by adoration of cross which was conducted by parish priest of Kundapur Fr. Anil D'Souza.

7th December: Adoration of cross by different wards of church and at 4pm the cross was handed over to Trasi church. Adoration of cross was done Fr. Charles Louis, there were youth and parishioners from Gangolli, Trasi and Byndur Parishes.

8th December: Youth of Trasi parish conducted way of cross after which they handed over the cross to parish of Sasthan, parishioners of Sasthan welcomed cross by procession. Followed parish priest of Kundapur Fr. Anil D'Souza conducted Taize prayer the youth of parish participated in devotion.

9th December: Adoration of cross by different wards of church and followed by Eucharistic mass at 4pm and then cross was handed over to Deanery of Kallianpur.







Kallianpur deanery

9th December: St. Peters church Barkur welcomes National youth convention cross (NYC).

NYC cross arrived at St. Peters church Barkur (Kallianpur Deanery) from St. Antonys church Sastan (Kundapur Deanery) on December 9, 2016. Parish priest Fr Valerian Mendonca and Deacon Santos brought the Cross to St Peters Church Barkur in a procession. The parishioners welcomed the cross .A prayer service was conducted by Fr. valerian Mendonca Thereafter, Taize prayer was held for all the gathered which was conducted by Mr. Norbert Misquith and ICYM Barkur unit. At the end, everyone gathered were given a chance to receive blessings. Kallianpur Deanery President Royton D'Souza, ICYM regional representative Jeston Fernandes, Deanery Secretary Komal Souza, Barkur Unit President Kelron, Council members of ICYM Kallianpur Deanery, members of ICYM Barkur, and Large number of Lay faithful's witnessed the Cross Ceremony. On December 10 the cross will be handed over to Mount rosary church santhekatte. There were around 200 people gathered for this occasion.



10th December: Mount Rosary Church Santhekatte Welcomes NYC Cross

The NYC Cross arrived at the Mount Rosary church Santhekatte from the St Peter' church Barkur on December 10,2016 and Fr Valerian

Mendonca , parish priest Barkur and Deacon Santhosh handed over the cross to Fr Anil Fernandes Mount rosary . Thereafter Fr Philip Neri, the parish priest of Mount rosary Church, brought the cross in a procession. The parishioners welcomed the cross. Later, Fr Philip Neri offered prayers to the Holy cross. Thereafter, Cross prayer and Adoration was held for all the gathered which was conducted by the Choir and Liturgy members of Mount rosary church.

Royton D'Souza ICYM Kallianpur Deanery President, Komal D'Souza Deanery Secretary, ICYM Regional representative Jestan Fernandes, Nikhil vice President of ICYM Mount Rosary, ICYM Kallianpur Deanery Council, Deanery ICYM youth, ICYM Mount Rosary members and a large number of Lay faithful witnessed the Ceremony.

On 11 December (Final Day), the cross will go to Milagres Cathedral in a procession. Thereafter, a mass will be held in Milagres Cathedral in respect to the Cross. After all the ceremonial celebrations, the cross will be handed over to ICYM Mangalore Diocese





11th December the NYC Cross after being taken to various parishes of the Udupi Diocese was handed over to the Mangalore Diocese on Sunday, December 11. At 10:00 A.M the NYC Cross was brought in a procession from Mount Rosary Church Santhekatte to the Milagres Cathedral Kallianpur.

Fr Stany B Lobo Rector of the Cathedral received the cross in front of the Cathedral gate. The cross was garlanded and brought in a procession inside the church.

At 11:00 P.M Dr Gerald Isaac Lobo, the Bishop of Udupi Diocese celebrated the Eucharistic mass along with other priests. After the Eucharistic mass at 12:00 P.M a special prayer service was conducted.

Later Dr Gerald Isaac Lobo Bishop of Udupi Diocese handed over the NYC Cross to Fr Ronald D'Souza director of ICYM Mangalore Diocese and Jackson Eric D'Costa President of Mangalore Diocese and wished all success to the National Youth convention.

Thereafter at 1:00 P.M lunch was arranged for the youth and the parishioners.

Fr Edwin D'Souza (Youth Director Udupi Diocese) Loyal D'Souza (President) Felina D'Souza (Secretary) Royton D'Souza (President Kallianpur Deanery), Rohan D'Souza (President Milagres Cathedral and others were present.





