

ANNUAL REPORT 2023-2024

Glory to God!

With immense gratitude to God and His abundant mercy, the successful completion of the fourth consecutive year of the European Online Sunday School (MJSSA Europe) is humbly presented. All glory is given to our Almighty God for the outstanding achievements realized throughout the year.

This remarkable success was made possible through the visionary leadership of our Diocesan Metropolitan, H.E. Dr. Kuriakose Mor Theophilose, President of MJSSA Europe, and the relentless dedication of our Vice-President, Very Rev. Joshua Rambachan. Their leadership was the driving force behind these notable accomplishments. The unwavering support of all the priests of the diocese, especially Rev. Fr. Paul P. George and Rev. Fr. Eljo Avrachan, is also gratefully acknowledged for their invaluable guidance. The exemplary leadership of our Director, Mr. Sudhish Mathew, is commendable. Special thanks are extended to all the committed teachers whose tireless efforts ensured the effectiveness and enrichment of the Sunday School program for the children.

It is a pleasure to report that a growing interest from both parents and students was observed in this online study of the Holy Bible. Over 100 students from 16 European countries were actively engaged, with the majority attending classes regularly. By God's grace, classes for Grades 1 through 10, except for Grade 9, were offered. Students were promoted to their next class based on their examination performance.

The 2023-2024 academic year was completed following the pre-planned Sunday School calendar, spanning from September 2023 to June 2024. Both mid-term and final examinations were conducted systematically and seamlessly in February and June 2024, respectively, using electronic platforms. I report with pride that students participated enthusiastically in the exams and achieved outstanding results. The encouragement and involvement of parents were instrumental in this success.

It is also a pleasure to highlight that SEVEN students (three from Vienna, three from Frankfurt, and one from Italy) successfully passed the Grade 10 examination conducted by the MJSSA Central Office. These students were awarded certificates by MJSSA Headquarters in Puthencruz, Kerala, marking a significant milestone

for MJSSA Europe. Heartfelt congratulations are extended to these students for their remarkable achievements.

In addition to the core curriculum, various extracurricular activities were organized throughout the year. Regular parent meetings were held, and a one-hour session on Parenting was conducted by Dr. Daisy Jacob, an esteemed psychologist from Kottayam, Kerala. Her insightful class was greatly appreciated, and sincere thanks are extended to Dr. Daisy Jacob for her generous contribution.

To encourage the development of students' talents, an online "Talent's Day" was organized, where children from all classes showcased their various skills and interests. The event was a joyful and memorable celebration of their abilities.

During the vacation period, the Frankfurt Church sponsored a JSVBS (Junior Sunday Vacation Bible School) program, with over 50 children attending in person and around 30 participating online. The tremendous efforts of both Very Rev. Joshua Rambachan and Rev. Fr. Eljo Avrachan contributed greatly to the program's success. This gathering provided our children from different countries the opportunity to connect, build friendships, and deepen their understanding of God's Word through engaging activities.

Teacher meetings were held regularly as required, ensuring smooth coordination and execution of the Sunday School program.

Finally, sincere gratitude is extended to all the children and parents who contributed articles to the digital magazine, *Cherubim*. Their creative contributions have enriched the community, and we look forward to continuing this initiative in the future.

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