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*Sharing IBVM News:
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PC 08-09

The PC is over, but the grace of the PC continues! Some of the decisions arising from the PC, and concerning Province follow-up, are given below for ready reference :

- *Communities to hold community building meetings with a Facilitator.*
- *Province Groups to be drawn up. These Groups will take initiative for their ongoing formation .*
- *To implement the Action Plans drawn up by individual ministries, and be guided by a Coordinating Resource Centre.*

The above reads like good ground already covered! The journey continues!

Mary Ward Jubilee Celebrations

The Mary Ward Jubilee Year has begun, and there is excitement all around, especially in view of the forthcoming celebrations of all Loreto Schools in Loreto Entally, from 12th to 14th Feb '09.

The events are :

- *Holy Mass on 12th Feb.'09 at 9.00 a.m. at Entally grounds. All Loreto Schools, Congregations and Clergy in Kolkata, have been invited.*
- *Mary Ward Quiz on 13th Feb. '09 at 9.00 a.m. at Loreto School, Bowbazar*
- *Maxim presentations on 12th & 13th Feb. '09 at 5.00 p.m. at Loreto House School, and*
- *Drama – Mary Ward – An Inspiration for all ages – by Loreto Entally, at Kala Mandir at 11.30 a.m.*

(Date)

Sr. Mary Ross' Visit
3rd Jan. – 12th Feb. '09

Sr. Mary Ross very kindly shared with us at the PC on Mary Ward. Since then she has been having a wonderful time visiting the places and schools she has lived and taught in. The teachers are overjoyed to catch up with her again.

Jubilees

The following have Jubilees in 2009 :

- *Sr. Stephanie Miketinac - 18th Jan. (70 years).*
- *Srs. Tina Farias, Angela Rodrigues and Moira Cuning – 50 years.*
- *Shillong – 100 years. Celebrations from 18th May onwards.*
- *St. Alfred's High School, Bangladesh – 75 years. Celebrations on 30th and 31st Jan.'09.*

Pre-Candidate House

The Pre-Candidate House will be shifting to Ranchi w.e.f. April'09. Sr. Josephine Burh will be Director of the Pre-Candidates. We are not sure who will be joining this group, and all are earnestly requested to

*'Believe
Risk
Invite others to join us!'*

Candidates

The Candidates who have returned to us and will move on to the Novitiate in end March are :

1. *Stella Kandir*
2. *Mamta Wankhade*
3. *A. Innasi*
4. *A. Kavitha*
5. *Delphina Figga*
6. *Ganga Bardewa*
7. *Ranjita Kerketta*
8. *Anita Nayak*
9. *Banisha Sohkhlet*
10. *Renata Misry*

Please pray for their growth and continued perseverance in their vocation.

R.I.P.

Our heartfelt sympathy and prayers to Sr. Monica Rozario and her brothers on the death of their dear mother, Helen, on 20th Jan. '09 at around 6.30 p.m. It was good that Sr. Monica was able to minister to her mother during her last illness, and was present till the end. Our Ranchi Sisters did much to assist Monica. Sr. Monica's mother was an outstanding figure in the parish and will be missed.

Medical Bulletin

Prayers are earnestly requested for the following :

- *Sr. Punitha, who underwent major surgery on 24th Jan. She is recovering, but is still very weak,*
- *Sr. Celine Pinto, who had a fall and hurt her shoulder and has other injuries. She is recovering well.*
- *Sr. Deepa Biswas' mother, who has a heart problem and has been hospitalized again on 26th Jan. '09. Deepa has come down for a home visit to be with her mother in her illness.*
- *Sr. Archana's father, who is still gravely ill.*

Christians in Orissa

You will be happy to know that the Supreme Court has directed the Centre and State to coordinate to protect and rehabilitate the displaced Christians in Orissa. Justice Katju severely criticized the Orissa Government for its failure to protect the minorities. For your information, grievances with Government organizations in the country can be lodged at <http://pgportal.gov.in> This is something worth checking up on.