

Blessed Sr. Rani Maria

Communication between Joseph J Palackal, CMI. and Sr. Jessy Thomas FCC.
about Blessed Sr. Rani Maria

From: **Sr. Jessy Thomas** <jessythomasfcc@gmail.com>

Date: Tue, Nov 24, 2020 at 11:20 AM

Subject: Peace and joy

To: <jpalackal@gmail.com>

Dear Rev Fr Joseph,
Loving greetings from Sr. Jessy FCC.

Father, I would like to request you a kind favour.

First I will introduce myself. Myself too from the same province of your sister Sr. Sophia. At present I am in Rome, doing my research on the social spirituality of Sr. Rani Maria. I found the name Palackal in her Diary in the section of her intentions to pray in the year 1985. So I clarified it with Sr. Mariusha and came to know that you are that person.

This is my humble request to you. Father, will you please write your experience in Bijnor especially working with Sr. Rani, in a sheet of paper. Please note to write it with accurate/ approximate date.

Thanks a lot. Sorry to trouble you. But I feel free to ask you after listening your voice message that you sent to Sr. Sophia. Thank you.... Thank you very much dear Father.

Take care... stay safe.

On Wed, 25 Nov 2020 at 16:30, Joseph Palackal <jpalackal@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Sr. Jessy,

Thank you for your email. I am delighted to know you are working on the life and mission of Blessed Rani Maria. Shall definitely pen down my experiences of meeting her. I need to talk to the members of my team to recall dates and events.

Meanwhile, can you please do me a favour? Could you please take a photo on your cell phone of the page or even the passage where my name appears? That will help me to recall the context.

Wish you all the best. Do you contact any of our CMI priests in Rome?

Take care
God bless
Fr. Joseph

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From: **Sr. Jessy Thomas** <jessythomasfcc@gmail.com>

Date: Wed, Nov 25, 2020 at 10:58 AM

Subject: Re: Sr. Rani Maria

To: Joseph Palackal <jpalackal@gmail.com>

Good evening!

Rev. Fr. Joseph, I send the requested matter attached with this email.


Please see the third intention as: Fathers: Frs. Francis, Pumattom, Palacken, both Pedicatt. Fr Mathew Pedikkatt CMI is one of the priests of CMI Fathers, Bijnor Province; when Sr. Rani Maria was working in the diocese of Bijnor he was there in St Mary's Bijnor as a Seminarian and had worked with Sr. Rani Maria.

I have a special intention for these priests.

I think she has written **Palacken instead of Palackal**. She wrote it in 1987 when she was in Odagady (of course during her two months prayer at FCC Generalate). In the previous intentions she has mentioned also Bp. Gratian, Fr. Varghese Kottor and here in this page Fr. Pedikatt.

Please see. My work will be giving a footnote for your name explaining your familiarity with her.

Thank you for your kind reply.

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1. All the departed souls especially those who have nobody to pray or remember
2. All the sinners to have a total conversion and in a special way because I am a sinner
3. All the priests and those who are under Priestly formation
Bro. Zacharias and Br. Lon

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4. My beloved Franciscan Clerical Congregation all the superior each members, those who have died, those who have left the congregation, and the members those who are to come in future
5. My father and mother, sisters and brother to keep them in the real Christian faith and to have a good death
6. My Apostolate social work to do for the glory of God and salvation of souls
7. Prayer to blessed Albensa to be silent in suffering and difficulties
8. To have two priests and three sisters from my current sisters and brother's family in future

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From: **Joseph Palackal** <jpalackal@gmail.com>

Date: Sun, Nov 29, 2020 at 9:55 PM

Subject: Bl. Rani Maria

To: Sr. Jessy Thomas <jessythomasfcc@gmail.com>

Dear Sr. Jessy, please see if this is alright.

You are free to edit

Blessed Rani Maria: A Perky Preacher without Words - - Joseph J. Palackal, CMI. -

I met Blessed Rani Maria for the first time in May 1977 in Bijnor. We, six musically-talented seminarians from Dharmaram College in Bengaluru, formed a band and decided to make a music tour in the newly formed Exarchate of Bijnor. Blessed Rani Maria was a member of the St. Mary's Convent at that time. Blessed Rani Maria and Sr. Mariusha were in charge of taking care of us and making local arrangements for our programs. Blessed Rani Maria was delighted to introduce us to the following villages, where she was doing pastoral ministry: Timarpur, Adampur, Ittawa, Pedda, and Kachpura. We traveled to these places on horse carts. Sr. Mariusha, a Hindi teacher, served as our translator. As per the sisters' suggestion, we designed a program of Patriotic songs, popular films songs, and Christian bhajans. We named our band "Singing Brothers."

As our guide and mentor, Blessed Rani Maria spent much time with us during our stay in Bijnor. She was in charge of the logistics. A program of this nature was something new to the villagers. Blessed Rani Maria was proud to present us to the villagers.

Even after forty-three years, I have a vivid recollection of the youthful, bubbly, joyful, and exuberant face of Blessed Rani Maria. Her mile-long smile translated the joy of the Good News to even the illiterate villagers. Words were irrelevant for the Good News. Blessed Rani Maria treated the villagers like her relatives, and they loved her in return like one of their own.

I am humbled to know that Blessed Rani Maria remembered me to include in her prayer list even a decade after our meeting. Blessed Rani Maria, please continue to pray for me and my mission.

On Fri, 1 Dec 2023, 18:59 Joseph Palackal, <jpalackal@gmail.com> wrote:

Dear Sr. Jessy,

How are you? Are you going to watch the movie with the Pope?

Did you finish your dissertation? i am curious to see how you incorporated our communication. I would like to make an entry on your work in our Digital Library.

Have a wonderful Advent season.

Fr. Joseph Palackal, CMI

On Fri, Dec 1, 2023 at 11:17 AM Sr. Jessy Thomas <jessythomasfcc@gmail.com> wrote:

Wow! Dear Fr Joseph happy to hear from you. Thanks for your email and encouragement.

Actually I defended my Thesis in last Feb and was back to india by May.

Now I am in Bhopal helping in the formation. I didn't do anything with Publication except that was necessary for completion of the course. But I have asked for some time for me to work on it. Hopefully I may back to it again in April. Of course after the publication I can give you a copy.

Otherwise may be that part alone I can if it is necessary.

Thanks for your co-operation and prayers for me.

Happy Advent!

On Sat, 2 Dec 2023 at 08:55, Joseph Palackal <jpalackal@gmail.com> wrote:

So nice to hear from you Sr. Jessy with the good news of completion of the Ph. D. you must be so relaxed and happy to taste Indian food.

I am waiting to read your book.

Meanwhile, I will be very happy to have the relevant parts of the thesis to add to the digital library.

You had sent me a photo copy of the page in the dairy that mentioned my name. I cannot retrace that email. Could you please send it to me again?

I would also like to add your dissertation to the library. For that please

send a photo of the cover page of the dissertation,

an abstract (if you have one)

The Introduction or preface that explain the purpose of your study.

Are you in the same province as my cousin st. Sophya?

Take care and all the best wishes for your new ventures

Fr. Joseph

From: **Sr. Jessy Thomas** <jessythomasfcc@gmail.com>

Date: Sat, Dec 2, 2023 at 10:46 PM

Subject: Re: Your work on Blessed Rani Maria

To: Joseph Palackal <jpalackal@gmail.com>

Dear Fr Joseph,

Thanks for your mail. As per your request I send these files to you. Please see them.

I conveyed this happy news with Sr Sophiya too. Presently she is the Provincillor for social work in Bhopal Province. She too walks the path of Rani Maria helping so many needy people. A gem of our Province.

A blessed Advent season.
