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*St Benedict Joseph Labre (Trinitarian Confraternity),  
by Antonio Cavallucci, about 1795, Museum of Fine Arts, Boston (USA)*

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## BRIEF NEWS

### The Trinitarian Sisters of Rome in celebration!

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On the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, March 25, 2021, in the General House of the Trinitarian Sisters of Rome, the entire community rejoiced on the Vestition of Jennifer, who arrived from Saudi Arabia in October 2020, date on which she began her journey of Trinitarian religious life as a postulant. The Holy Mass was celebrated by the

Vicar General of the Order, Fr. Aldo Berardi, in the Chapel of the Mother House. At the end of the Eucharistic Celebration there was a moment of fraternal agape, where songs and dances were performed by the Malagasy sisters. We give praise, glory, and honor to the Most Holy Trinity for this moment of joy lived with simplicity in the Community of the Trinitarian Sisters of Rome.



## Thrissur, Kerala (India): Simple Profession.

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On April 10, 2021 Br. Jibin Palakkuzha O.S.S.T., made his first profession during the Holy Mass at Holy Trinity Ashram, Thrissur, Kerala. Br. Jibin hails from the diocese of Manathavady in Kannur. The Holy Mass was celebrated by Fr. Jins Valiyakulathil, O.S.S.T., the Minister of Holy Trinity Ashram, in Thrissur and the vows

were received by Rev. Joseph Muthuplackal, O.S.S.T., the Minister Vice Provincial. There were several Trinitarian Fathers, Sisters, members of the Third Order and the family members of Br. Jibin. We congratulate Br. Jibin Palakkuzha, O.S.S.T. and wish him all the best in his formation program ahead.



## Tulsibari, Assam (India): Inauguration of "De Matha English Medium School".

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April 12, 2021 was another historic moment for Trinitarians in India, in fact this day marked the inauguration and blessing of the De Matha English Medium School, Tulsibari in the State of Assam. The new school building was blessed by Archbishop John Moolachira, Archbishop of Guwahati, and inaugurated by Rev. Joseph Muthuplackal, O.S.S.T., Vice Provincial Minister, in the presence of several





Trinitarian friars, several priests and religious from nearby mission stations, parents, students and well-wishers of De Matha English Medium School. We gratefully acknowledge all our benefactors and collaborators on this special occasion. The school also celebrated its annual day with cultural events immediately following the inauguration and blessing of the school.



### Trinitarian Nuns of Andujar

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During the last week of March, the students of the Virgin of the Cape College of the Trinitarian Sisters of Andújar carried out a campaign to collect non-perishable foodstuffs in order to collaborate with the project of the "Ave Maria" canteen of the Trinitarian Sisters of the city, through which they provide daily food to about twenty people and families in need.

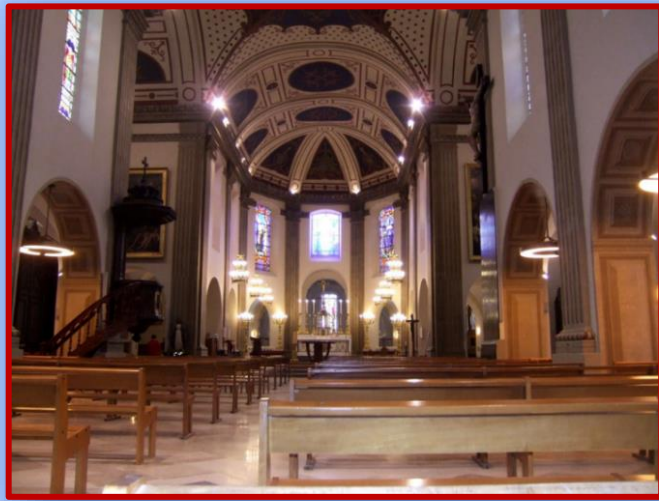
The director of the center, D. José Fontalba and teachers Toñi Toral and Anastasia Calvo accompanied the large group who joyfully wanted to personally deliver the food to the Trinitarian community: bags and backpacks full of hope for the needy.

For several years now, these gestures of help from the educational community have been repeated and shared in the conventual church.



## Association "The Friends of the Trinitarians" - Fontainebleau

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From the Association "The Friends of the Trinitarians" we are informed that the remarkable works of which the parish church of Saint-Louis of Fontainebleau has been helped are now completed and, on Palm Sunday this year, we could admire their impressive success! In the central aisle, at the foot of the altar steps, there is the slab where the names of the five Trinitarians who are buried in the choir including

Father Dan, the first historian of Fontainebleau-, as well as, in the north aisle, the polychrome statue of St. John of Matha, founder of the Order, sculpted by Thierry Gillaizeau in 2011.

Recall also that François Girardon's tabernacle (1680), in white marble and gilded bronze, was removed from the Chapel of the Holy Trinity in the Château to be installed in the new Church.



Where the two founders of the Trinitarian Order, Saint John of Matha and Saint Felix of Valois, are celebrated, the central door of the tabernacle is dedicated to a representation of the three persons of the Holy Trinity.



## “Carisma Trinitario e Monsignor Di Donna”. Intervista al Ministro Generale, Fr. Luigi Buccarello.

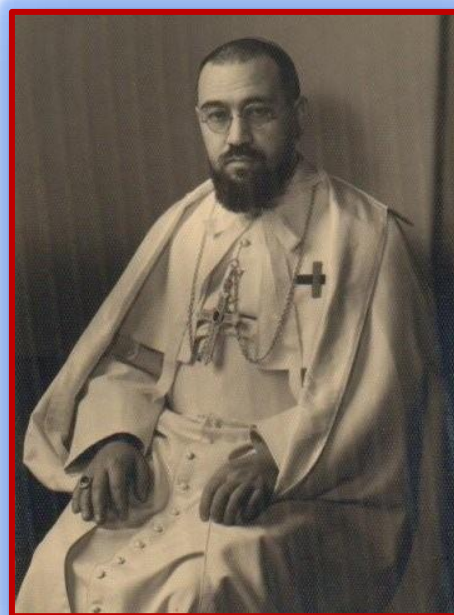
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On the occasion of a special year in preparation for the 70th anniversary of the pious transit of the Venerable Monsignor Joseph di Donna, Trinitarian religious, missionary and Bishop of Andria (from May 5, 1940 to January 2, 1952) in collaboration with the Diocese of Andria organized an interview. The Minister General, Fr. Luigi Buccarello, in an interview, underlined

that the Trinitarian Fathers are particularly grateful to Monsignor Joseph Di Donna. He is an affirmation and an incentive to live in depth, following his example, the charism of St. John de Matha, which leads them to stand by the poor and those who suffer for the sake of faith. A beautiful figure of holiness for the Order and for the diocese of Andria.

Monsignor Joseph Di Donna became a Trinitarian through the acquaintance of a father who had carried out a mission in his hometown, and he was very impressed by the presence and especially the missionary nature of this preacher so much so that he wanted to enter the Order. Fr. Luigi Buccarello recalled that missionary spirit was characteristic that accompanied Monsignor Joseph Di Donna throughout his life, both as a Trinitarian and as Bishop of Andria.



He felt this vocation strongly and in 1926, two years after becoming a priest, he went to Madagascar and remained there for 13 years. In Madagascar, Monsignor Joseph Di Donna welcomed the poor, assisted plague victims and lepers, took care of the formation of catechists, the establishment of new communities of Christians in the most difficult areas and built new Churches.





He spent his life for the needs of these people, among the poorest in the world. He was an evangelizer, but he himself felt evangelized by those populations whose great faith he admired.

Fr. Luigi Buccarello recalled that we need to rediscover this missionary spirit following the example of Bishop Joseph Di Donna, having the courage to proclaim Christ in every place even in these difficult times. In this regard, he invited to pray for persecuted Christians in the world because of the faith, recalling how eight centuries ago the Trinitarian Order was born as God's attention to those who suffer for the faith, a phenomenon unfortunately current and upsetting.

On the following link you can follow the entire interview in Italian:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=azRPeZs0Tq8>

### **"International Trinitarian Conference": The Trinitarian Charism in the face of the post-pandemic and the vocational reality.**



The Vicariate of Bl. Dominic Iturrate, as part of its process of formation and dialogue of the Trinitarian charism with the realities that the world presents, realized, through its Secretariat of Formation, the first "International Trinitarian Conference", held on Saturday, April 10, 2021 by videoconference. The participants were able to reflect and share around the need for a vocational reality in the pandemic and post-pandemic situation. This Conference fits well into the context of this sexennium since the last General Chapter of the Order, which had focused on Youth and Vocation Ministry.





## Rome: year of preparation for Solemn Profession.

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On 16 April 2021, on the occasion of the liturgical memorial of Saint Benedict Joseph Labré, a member of the Trinitarian Confraternity, our students of the APPS, led by Father Pedro Aliaga Asensio, went to his tomb, in Santa Maria ai Monti (Rome). Saint Benedict Joseph Labre, patron saint of celibates, beggars, pilgrims, homeless and itinerant people. He tried to become a priest and to live in different monasteries, but rejected everywhere, he chose a life of beggar and pilgrim. More often he redistributed what little he earned by begging to those most in need of him. Precisely for this reason he had gathered in the Third Order of the Trinity for the redemption of the prisoners. He



would have traveled several countries, before dying in «odor of holiness» on April 16, 1783 in Rome at a butcher who had found him unconscious, at the age of 35. Already considered holy by the people, he was beatified on 20 May 1860 by Pope Pius IX and had to wait almost a century after his death to be canonized by Pope Leo XIII, on 8 December 1881.

## SIT: The Christians genocide in Nigeria is increasingly violent.

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Recently, Bishop William Avenya of Gboko said the world should not ignore the "genocide" of Christians in the Nigerian country. "The mass slaughter of Christians in the central belt of Nigeria, by all standards, meets the criteria



to be called a calculated genocide according to the Genocide Convention," he concluded. The main problem is that terrorism has focused on making life impossible for Christians living in the area. Fulani militants, mostly Muslims, and terrorist groups such as the Islamic State West Africa Province (Iswap), formerly Boko Haram, and the new Boko Haram group that separated from Iswap violently attack the African Christian community.





Co-chairman of the Nigerian Congressional Human Rights Committee, Chris Smith, added, "Major conflicts in the Middle Belt region are committed by Fulani extremists, who seem largely driven by ethnic-religious chauvinism, mostly against Christian farmers." Similarly, some bishops have emphasized the ethno-religious nature of the attacks,

saying that Fulani militants, most of whom are Muslim, specifically target Christian villages and Churches. The ongoing and increasingly violent persecution is forcing many Christians to live in fear and unable to lead their lives in a normal way.

Currently, the African Christian community lives in fear and insecurity without knowing if at any time they will be attacked or kidnapped. Therefore it is important not to ignore what is happening in countries that violate the human rights of Christians and where neither the government nor security authorities are watching over the well-being of these communities.

## IN MEMORIAM

### Father Isidoro Murciego Murciego: Remembrance of Fr. José Hernández Sánchez



Our dear brother, Fr. José Hernández Sánchez, returned to the House of the Father on the night of Holy Thursday and Friday, April 2, 2021. He returned to his eternal rest the way he would have liked, in silence, without disturbing anyone, in the most discreet way possible. He was born in Aldeadávila de la Ribera (Salamanca), on January 17, 1942. He had entered Algorta at the age of 10, and his whole life was marked by the Trinitarian imprint, following closely in the footsteps of our Holy Fathers John of Matha, Felix of Valois and John Baptist of the Conception. He made his Solemn Profession in San Carlino, on 06.10.1963, and also received his Priestly Ordination in Rome, on 05.03.1966. He achieved a Licentiate in Theology and in Philosophy and Letters (1970).



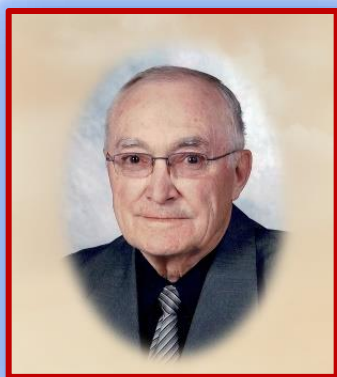
He was a missionary in Madagascar from 1970 to 1988. In 1991 he was elected Minister Provincial of the Province of the Holy Spirit. At the General Chapter of Baltimore, he was elected Minister General of the Order in 1995 and remained in that capacity until the General Chapter of Moramanga 2007 which helped him to live many fruitful moments for the Order and the Trinitarian Family. He wanted to see the Order spread throughout the world: it was his great dream. He took care of communication within the Order and with the whole Trinitarian Family.



At that time, COMUNIONE (2000) was born, and since 2002 the Yearbook of the Trinitarian Family "Trinitas et Libertas" was published. Our dear brother, Fr. José Hernández, finished his generalate and returned to the Missionary Province of Madagascar, where he was from 2007 to 2012. From there he went on to strengthen the new foundation of Changwon-Korea (2012-2013), then he had other assignments until he arrived at the Community of Alcazar of San Juan in 2020. A whole life of generous and supportive dedication in the style of St. John of Matha. May the Holy Trinity have him in her bosom of infinite Love. His testimony encourages and inspires us to be faithful to our Charism. Gloria Tibi Trinitas et Captivis Libertas!!! R.I.P.

### Fr. Lucien Lajoie

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Fr. Lucien Lajoie, of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Province (Canada-France) passed away on March 17, 2021. Fr. Lucien was born in Hébertville on November 25, 1927, entered the novitiate in St. Bruno on September 07, 1950, made his simple profession in St. Bruno on September 8, 1951, his solemn profession in Montreal on September 8, 1954 and was ordained a priest in Montreal on June 29, 1956. May the Holy Trinity receive him in the joy of Paradise.  
R.I.P.





## Fr. Armand Gagné

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Fr. Armand Gagné, of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Province (Canada-France) passed away on March 17, 2021. Fr. Armand Gagné was born in Bagotville on August 28, 1931; entered the novitiate in San Bruno on September 07, 1955; made his simple profession on August 05, 1956; made his solemn profession in Montreal on September 08, 1959; and was ordained a priest in Montreal on September 20, 1959. May God grant him eternal rest. R.I.P.

## Fr. Nicolas Vandebossche

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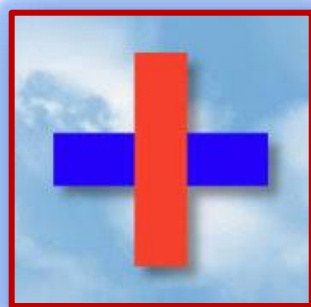


Fr. Nicolas Vandebossche of the Sacred Heart of Jesus Province (Canada-France) has been called to eternal rest on 25.03.2021. He was born on 17.05.1966 in Compiègne (France). He entered the novitiate at Cerfroid on 03.10.1988. He made his first profession on 24.09.1989 in Chézy-sur-Orxois; Solemn Profession on 20.05.1993 in Chézy-sur-Orxois; and was ordained a priest on 29.05.1994 in Noyon.

We join in prayers with our brothers of the Province of the Sacred Heart of Jesus who are going through difficult times. May the Holy Trinity, source of infinite mercy, welcome Fr. Nicolas into the joy of Heaven. R.I.P.

## Fr. Conrado Pérez Silva

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Fr. Conrado Pérez Silva, of the Delegation of Mexico (Province of St. John of Matha), passed away last April 09.04.2021. Fr. Conrado was minister of the Holy Cross-Acatlan House, Master of novices and students, then provincial delegate for more than 20 years. May God grant him eternal rest. R.I.P.



## COMPLEANNI, CUMPLEAÑOS, ANNIVERSAIRES, BIRTHDAYS

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7	<b>Traslazione delle Reliquie del N.S.P. Giovanni de Matha</b> Fr. Juan María Iturrate Artaraz (Prov. Spirito Santo) Fr. Ramón Garay Chinchurreta (Prov. Spirito Santo) Fr. David Olivier Rafidiarisoa (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio) Fr. Laurent Randrianarimanana (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio) Fr. Flavien Mamonjisoa (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio) Fr. Ainanirina Noelison Razafimandimby (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio) Fr. Doyal Saji Kallikattu (Vice Prov. S. Michele dei Santi)
8	Fr. Eric Lova Randriarimalala (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio)
<b>9</b>	Fr. Samuel Rabemananjara (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio) Fr. Augustine Varghese Vadakathalal (Vice Prov. S. Michele dei Santi)
10	Fr. Juan Martínez López (Vic. S. Simon de Rojas)



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12	<p>Fr. Angelo Buccarello (Prov. San Giovanni de Matha)</p> <p>Fr. Jojo George Padinjare Pariyathu Parambil (Vice Prov. S. Michele dei Santi)</p>
13	<p><b>Ascensione</b></p> <p>Fr. Clément Dieu Donné Andriamanantena (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio)</p>
14	<p>Fr. Kenneth Borgesen (Prov. Cuore Immacolato di Maria)</p> <p>Fr. Pedro José Huerta Nuño (Prov. Spirito Santo)</p>
15	<p>Fr. Piotr Graduszkewski (Prov. San Giovanni de Matha)</p> <p>Fr. Saneesh Paul Perinchery (Vice Prov. S. Michele dei Santi)</p> <p>Fr. Harijaona Ravelomanantsoa (Prov. Nostra Signora del Buon Rimedio)</p>
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*The Cordial Good Wishes  
Of The Order  
To Each And Every One*

