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PROFILE

"Everything by Love, Nothing by Force" - SFS

Rev. Fr. Antony Sathiyaseelan, s/o Arockiyam and Susai Mary was born on June 30, 1985 at Saveriyar Pattanam, Tamil Nadu. He joined SFS Seminary, Pudukottai, in 2001 and made his first profession on June 11, 2005. He professed perpetually on June 1, 2011, and was ordained a priest on December 3, 2012.

ACADEMICAL EXCELLENCE:

2021-2023: Doctorate in Theology (Dogmatic theology: UA 780 011), University of Vienna

- The title of the Doctoral-Thesis:

Religion as Relation: Joseph Ratzinger's *theologia religionis* and *theologia religionum*. Seeking Catholic answers to the religious pluralism of the 21st century

The work was written under the guidance of Uni.- Prof. Dr. Marianne Schlosser, University of Vienna (Austria) and was internationally evaluated by Uni. Prof. Dr. Tracey Rowland, University of Notre Dame(Australia) and Uni.- Prof. Dr. Roman Siebenrock University of Innsbruck, Austria.

2017-2020: Master of Arts (Dogmatic theology UA 066 795)

- The master's thesis was written in German language, under the guidance of Uni.- Prof. Dr. Jan-Heiner Tück, University of Vienna

"Für uns gestorben? - Die sittliche Unvertretbarkeit des Individuums bei Kant als soteriologische Herausforderung: Dorothee Sölles und Joseph Ratzingers Theologien der Stellvertretung"

"Died for us? - The Moral Non-Representability of the Individual in Kant as a Soteriological Challenge: Dorothee Sölle's and Joseph Ratzinger's Theologies of Vacaroius Repräsentation"

2009-2012: Bachelor of Arts in theology, Tejas Vidya Peetha: Institute of Mission-oriented and Contextual Theology, Kengery, Bangalore. Affiliated to De Sales University, Center Valley, Pennsylvania, USA.

2005-2008: Bachelor of Arts in Philosophy. Suvidya College: A Centre of Philosophy and Religion, Electronics City P.O. Bangalore 560 100, Karnataka, India. Affiliated to De Sales University, Center Valley, Pennsylvania, USA.

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TEACHING AREAS

- Christology
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- Soteriology
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- Mariology
- Other Related Subjects in Systematic Theology

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- Tamil (Fluent)
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- **2002-2003: Higher Secondary Education (XI & XII Std)** SFS Seminary, Thirukogarnam P.O. Pudukkottai Dt -622 002 Tamil Nadu. India.
- **1996-2001: St. Ignatius Higher Sec. School, (VI & X Std)** Tagore Memorial Mid Sch Ward No4, Tuticorin, 628002, Tamil Nadu, India.
- **1990-1995: Primary Education (I & V Std),** St. Xavier's primary School, Saveriyar Pattanam, Sanaveli Via, Ramnanathapuram Dt. 623538, Tamil Nadu, India.

PUBLICATIONS:

• GERMAN AND OTHER LANGUAGES:

Für uns gestorben? Die sittliche Unvertretbarkeit des Individuums bei Kant als soteriologische Herausforderung, Lehrbuchverlag, London, 2025. (*This book has been translated into several languages such as : French, Spanish, Polish, English and Norwegen . These are available online .*)

Gottes- und Nächstenliebe ist das Markenzeichen von Mutter Teresa, in: Die Guten Werke. Künstlerische Positionen zur Nächstenliebe, Begleitband zur Aufstellung 2023 im Stift Klosterneuburg, Wolfgang Christian Huber (Hg.), Klosterneuburg, 2023, 186-197.

• ENGLISH:

Representative Atonement of Christ: Deprivation or Empowerment of Human Freedom. Vidyajyothi Journal of Theological Reflection, Volume 87, No.9, September 2003, pp 676- 694.

ECCLESIAL RESPONSIBILITIES SHARED:

- **03.12.2012:** Ordination to Priesthood
- **01-02-2013- 30-05- 2014:** Assistant Parish Priest. St. Joseph's Church, Hubli, Diocese of Belgaum, Karnataka, India
- **01-06-2014- 30-06-2015:** Bursar of Msfs Provincial House, Vinayalaya, Bangalore.
- **01.04.2016-31.10.2021:** Assistant parish Priest St. Joseph and James' Church, Vienna, 1210, Austria.
- **01.04.2016-31.10.2021:** Rector of the Hospital: Landeskrankenhaus Klosterneuburg, Kreutnergasse 12-14, 3400, Klosterneuburg, Austria.
- **01.11.2021-30.05.2025:** Assistant Parish Priest, Pfarr- und Wallfahrtskirche Maria Hietzing, Am Platz 1, Hietzing, 1130, Vienna, Austria.
- **01.06.2025-till date:** Associate Professor for systematic theology at St. Peter's Pontifical Institute.
- **01.06.2025-till date:** Professor and a member of the staff at Tejas Vidya Peetha, Kengeri, Bengaluru.