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Rev.dus D.nus Laurentius Antonius

Diœcesis Kumbakonamensis Præsbyter

Sacræ Theologiæ Doctor

DOCENS STABILIS

in

Facultate Theologica apud Pontificium Institutum v. «*St. Peter's Pontifical Institute*» in civitate Bangalorensi sita *nominetur ac renuntietur.*

Datum Romæ, ex ædibus eiusdem Congregationis, die XXI mensis Septembris, a. D. MMXX, in fêsto S. Matthæi, apostoli et evangelistæ.


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CURRICULUM VITAE

1. VITAL STATISTICS:

Name: Lawrence Family Name/ Sir name: Antony Present Institution: St. Peter's Pontifical Institute Father's Name: Antony Date of Birth: 30.05.1972 Nationality: Indian Status (Priest/Bro): Catholic Priest Diocese of Origin: Kumbakonam Date of Ordination: 23.04.2001	
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2. ACADEMIC QUALIFICATION:

Ecclesiastical Studies

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Institute</i>	<i>Year</i>
Bachelor of Philosophy (B.Ph.)	St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore (India)	1994-1996
Bachelor of Theology (B.Th.)	St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore (India)	1997-2000
Licentiate in Theology (L.Th.)	St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore (India)	2008-2010
Doctorate in Theology (STD)	Pontificia Universitatis Urbaniana, Citta del Vaticano, (Italy)	2011-2014

Secular Studies (Regular)

<i>Degree</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
Bachelor of Commerce (B. Com.)	St. Joseph's College of Arts and Science, Cuddalore, University of Madras	1991-1994

ASSIGNMENTS IN THE DIOCESE:

1. Asistant Parish priest, Mathur (June 2001 - May 2002)
2. Prefect, Sacred Heart Minor Seminary, Kumbakonam (June 2002 - May 2003)
3. Assistant Parish priest, St. Mary's Cathedral, Kumbakonam (June 2003 - May 2004)
4. Secretary, Beschi Communications & Family Commission (June 2004 - Agust 2008)

ASSIGNMENTS IN THE SEMINARY/INSTITUTE

1. Recruited as Staff (August 2008 to....)
1. Professor of Missiology and Systematic Theology, St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore from 2014 onwards;

2. Head of the Department of Systematic Theology at St. Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore (March 2016 - March 2022);
3. Librarian, *St Peter's Pontifical Institute*, Bangalore; (April 2017 – May 2021.);
4. Head of the Department of Missiology, St. Peter's Pontifical Seminary/Institute, Bangalore (March 2021 - October 2022) and again (October 2024 – June 2026)
5. President of St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore, (31 January, 2023 – 30 January 2026), Extended from 31 January; Reappointed for a Second Term (1 May 2026 - 30 April 2029).

ASSIGNMENTS OUTSIDE THE INSTITUTE

1. Programme Director, Asian Centre for Cross-Cultural Studies (ACCS), Chennai, (2022 -)
2. Member of the Board Of Studies (BOS), Christian Studies, University of Madras, (2024 -)
3. President of the Catholic Faculties in India (CFI), (2025 -)

Knowledge of Languages:

Mother Tongue: Tamil

Study Language: English

Third Language: Italian (fluent reading, writing and speaking)

Fourth Language: German (knowledge of reading and writing)

3. TITLE OF THE DISSERTATION:

- M.Th - *Kerygmatic Proclamation: Essential Or Optional in the Life and Ministry of the Church in India*
- Ph.D - *Mission in the Third Millennium: Emerging Trends in India*

4. PUBLICATIONS:

4.1 Books Published:

1. *Mission in the Third Millennium: Emerging Trends in India*, ATC Publishers, Bangalore, India, 2019.
2. *Co-Pilgrims for a Better World*, ATC Publishers, Bangalore, India, 2021.
3. *SACRED HORIZONS, Pope Francis' Vision and India's Mission Unveiled*, ISPCK, New Delhi, 2025.
4. *THE EUCHARIST, Contextual Reflections for Indian Christianity*, St Paul's, Mumbai, 2025.
5. *The Reality of Jesus Simplified, Going Beyond Experiences in Faith*, St Paul's, Mumbai, 2025.

6. *The Joy of New Life in Christ*, St Paul's, Mumbai, 2025.

4.2 Scientific Edited Works:

SIMON PINTO, LAWRENCE A, & ANTONY P. V (eds.), *The Master's Harvest, Festschrift in Honour of Prof. Dr B. Joseph Francis* (Bangalore: Asian Trading Corporation, 2016).

A. LAWRENCE (ed.), *Search for Truth, Collected Articles of Prof. Dr B. Joseph Francis*, Vol. 1 (Bangalore: ATC Publishers, 2017).

A. LAWRENCE (ed.), *Search for Truth, Collected Articles of Prof. Dr B. Joseph Francis*, Vol. 2 (Bangalore: ATC Publishers, 2017).

SIMON PINTO, Antony LAWRENCE & STANY C. FERNANDES (eds.), *Politics and Mission in Critical Times: Local and Global Perspectives* (Bangalore: TPI, 2020).

ANTONY LAWRENCE (ed.), *Finding God in People*, (Bangalore: Omega Book World, 2020),

MICHAEL AMALADOSS SJ, ANTONY LAWRENCE, & VICTOR EDWIN SJ, (eds.), *Fratelli Tutti, An Indian Reading* (Bangalore: ATC Publishers, 2021).

ANTONY LAWRENCE, STANY C. FERNANDES & SIMON PINTO (eds.), *Church in India on the Path of Synodality* (Bangalore: ATC Publishers, 2022).

ANTONY LAWRENCE, STANY C FERNANDES, & GUJJALA VYAKULA VARAPRASAD (eds.), *Redefining the Mission: Pope Francis' Vision and Contemporary Landscape of India* (Bangalore: Omega Book World, 2025).

ARNALD MAHESH & ANTONY LAWRENCE, (eds.), *Formation of Priests and Religious in India, Insights from Pope Francis* (New Delhi: ISPCK, 2025).

4.3 Scientific Articles Published in Journals/Reviews:

"Evangelization in the Post Modern Globalized World," in *Vidyajyoti*, Vol. 78, No. 2 (2014): 121-136.

"*Laudato Si* – Calling for Ecological Conversion" in *Vaiharai*, Vol. 20, No. 2 (2015): 110-141.

"Family, an Agent of Evangelization," in *Indian Theological Studies*, Vol. 53, No. 1 (2016): 109-129.

"The Theological Foundations for the Church of the Poor," in *The Master's Harvest: Festschrift in Honour of Prof. Dr B. Joseph Francis*, eds, Simon Pinto, A. Lawrence, P. V. Antony (Bangalore: Asian Trading Corporation, 2016), 183-204.

"The Images of the Church as envisaged by Pope Francis" in *Vidyajyoti*, Vol. 81, No. 6 (2017): 421-440.

"A New Ecclesiological Vision of Pope Francis in *Evangelii gaudium*, Part I," in *Indian Theological Studies*, Vol. 54, No. 4 (2017): 313-331.

"A New Ecclesiological Vision of Pope Francis in *Evangelii gaudium*, Part II," in *Indian Theological Studies*, Vol. 55, No. 1-2 (2018): 79-97.

"Christmas Meditation," in *Indian Theological Studies*, Vol. 55, No. 4 (2018): 269-277.

"Dialogue is a Part of Church's Evangelising Mission," in *The Divine Shepherd's Voice*, Vol. 10, No. 3 (2019): 133-146.

"The Contributions of the Church in the Field of Politics," in *Politics and Mission in Critical Times, Local and Global Perspectives*, eds, Simon Pinto, Antony Lawrence, Stany C. Fernandes (Bangalore: Theological Publications in India, 2020), 196-249.

"Interfaith Dialogue: Challenges and Opportunities, Part 1" in *Indian Theological Studies*, Vol. 57, No. 1 (2020): 51- 74.

- "Interfaith Dialogue: Challenges and Opportunities, Part 2" in *Indian Theological Studies*, Vol. 57, No. 2 (2020): 207-252.
- "Complex and Complicated Identities and Asian Diversity" in *Indian Theological Studies*, Vol. 57, No. 3 (2020): 431-464.
- "Is Double Religious Identity Possible?" in *Indian Theological Studies*, Vol. 57, No. 4 (2020), 581-605.
- "Interreligious Worship and Crossing of Ritual Borders, Syncretism?" in *Journal of Indian Theology*, Vol. 8, No. 3 (2020): 8-41.
- "Editor's Preface," in *Finding God in People*, (Bangalore: Omega Book World, 2020), 13-22.
- Edited "Life in Freedom," a Magazine with short write ups of all the talks presented in the International Symposium on *Politics and Mission in Critical Times, Local and Global Perspectives*, March, 2020. 20 pages.
- "Indian Church's Engagement in the Political Sphere, A Mission with Political Wisdom," in *The Gift of Wisdom, A Festschrift in Honour of Rev. Dr Antony Kolencherry, MSFS*, Richard Britto (ed.) (Bangalore: Theological Publications in India, 2021), 257-282.
- "Becoming a Credible Church in India, Theological Considerations," Published in *Church in India Today, Credibility and Witness* (Bangalore: ATC Publishers & Indian Theological Association, 2022)
- "A Universal Love Open to All," in *Fratelli Tutti*, An Indian Reading, edited by Michael Amaladoss, SJ, Antony Lawrence and Joseph Victor Edwin, SJ, (Bangalore: ATC Publishers, 2021), 103-117.
- "Religion, An Experience: Can People of Different Belief Systems Pray Together?" in *Indian Theological Studies*, Vol. 58, No. 2 (2021): 267-302.
- "Crossing the Borders, Challenges and Prospects, Part 1" in *Journal of Indian Theology*, Vol. 14, No. 2 (2021): 31-50.
- "Crossing the Borders, Challenges and Prospects, Part 2" in *Journal of Indian Theology*, Vol. 14, No. 2 (2021): 33-43.
- "The Urgency of Indian Church's Engagement in the Political Sphere," in *Third Millennium*, Vol. 24, No. 1 (2021): 49-76.
- "Dialogue at the Grass Roots and Interfaith Education," in *Indian Theological Studies*, Vol. 58, No. 4 (2021): 541-560.
- "Eucharist: a Sacrifice Revisited," in *Third Millennium*, Vol. 24, No. 2 (2021): 27-55.
- "Synodality and Mission," in *Church in India on the Synodal Path*, (Bangalore: ATC Publishers, 2022), 486-494. The papers presented at the National Conference, organized from 21-23 March 2022 by the Department of Missiology of St. Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore.
- "Eucharistic Meal: Communion and Fellowship," in *Journal of Indian Theology*, Vol. 15, No. 2 (2022): 53-74.
- "Clericalism and Synodality," in *Word and Worship*, Vol. 56, No. 1 (2023): 31-44.
- "Missionary Synodality in the Vision of Pope Francis," in *The Divine Shepherd's Voice*, Vol. 14, No. 4 (2023): 229-243.
- "Presbyteral Communion and Union with the Bishop and One Another," in *Vidyajyoti*, Vol. 88, No. 3 (2024): 205-223.
- "Church's Evangelizing Mission Today in India: Challenges and Prospects," in *New Horizons in Theology* Joby Jose Kochumuttom, Shaji George Kochuthara and Rajesh Kavalackal, eds (Bangalore: Dharmaram Publications, 2024), 151-164.
- "Re-visiting the Catholic Mission: Pope Francis and Evangelization," *A Decade of Legacy: Pope Francis*;

- Vision of the Church*, Sivy Korothe SDB, ed (Bangaluru: Christu Jyoti Publications, 2024), 61-82.
- "Pope Francis, An Advocate Par Excellence for Abolition of the Death Penalty: A Christological Reflection," in *Indian Theological Studies*, Vol. 61, Nos 1-2 (2024): 39-69.
- "Dignitas Infinita: Its Implications for the Church in India," in *Vidyajyoti*, Vol. 88, No. 7 (2024): 487-506.
- "Pope Francis' Advocacy for Abolition of the Just War, Some Christological Reflections," in *Journal of Indian Theology*, Vol. 27, No. 2, (2024): 50-71.
- "Eucharistic Memory: Theological Foundations and Implications for the Indian Christian Community," in *Indian Theological Studies*, Vol. 61, No. 3 (2024): 197-217.
- "Interreligious Conflicts, Peace Making Efforts,"
- "Dialogue with Religion, Culture and the Poor in Contemporary Times and its Importance for Formation," in *Formation for Priests and Religious, Insights from Pope Francis*, Arnald Mahesh & Antony Lawrence, (eds.) (New Delhi: ISPCK, 2025):
- "The Eucharistic Presence of the Risen Christ: The Source, Perpetuation and Summit of God's Personal Presence," in *Indian Theological Studies*, Vol. 62, No. 2 (2025): 197-229.

4.4 Articles and Write Ups to Magazines:

- "Mission as Witnessing," A Reflection on the Mission Sunday, published in *The New Leader*, October 16-31, 2010, p. 29.
- "The Priest and the Ministry of Preaching," in *St. Peter's Link*, ed. Lourdu Prasad Joseph, Bangalore: St. Peter's Pontifical Seminary, 2010, 41-43.
- "The 'Lostness' of the Elder Son" A Reflection on the Year of Mercy, published in *The New Leader*, June 16-30, 2016, p. 29.
- "A Reflection on the Holy Year of Mercy" published in *Charisindia*, Vol. xv, No. 08, August, 2016, pp. 11-12.
- "The 'Little Way' of Jesus" published in *Charisindia*, Vol. xv, No. 09, September 2016, pp. 11-14.
- "Reflection on the Feast of the Presentation," published in *Charisindia*, Vol. xvi, No. 02, February, 2017, pp. 17-18.
- "Forgiveness: Another Name for Fasting," published in *Vailankanni Calling*, Vol. 14, No. 3, March 2016, pp. 13-14.
- "Family: An Agent of Evangelization," published in *Vailankanni Calling*, Vol. 14, No. 5, May 2016, pp. 16-17.
- "Family: An Agent of Evangelization," published in *Vailankanni Calling*, Vol. 14, No. 6, June 2016, pp. 17-18.
- "Humility is stronger than Pride," published in *The New Leader*, March 16-31, 2017, 31.
- "Persistence in Prayer," published in *The New Leader*, August 16-31, 2017, 17.
- "God does not call the qualified but he qualifies the called," published in *The New Leader*, September 16-30, 2017, 17.
- "Focusing on our blessings will keep the devil away," published in *The New Leader*, December 1-15, 2017, 19.
- "Eucharist without a Church is Inconceivable," published in *Charisindia*, Vol. xvi, No. 7, July 2017, pp. 19, 20, & 22.
- "Christian Death, A Divine Helplessness, but a Divine Strength as well," published in *Charisindia*, Vol. xvi, No. 11, November 2017, 22-23.
- "Feeding the hungry – A Matter of Faith," in *The New Leader*, Vol. 131, No. 17, September 1-15, 2018, p. 21.
- "Rosary, A Powerful Weapon," in *The New Leader*, Vol. 131, No. 17, October 1-15, 2018, p. 23.

"Advent, A Season of Hope Conceived," in *The New Leader*, Vol. 131, No. 23, December 1-15, 2018, p. 31.

"The Cross, a Sign of Victory, The Loser is the Winner," in *Charisindia*, Vol. XVII, No. 09, September 2018, pp. 15-17.

"The Solemnity of the Epiphany of our Lord," in *Chrisindia*, Vol. XVII, No. 12, December 2018, pp. 27-28.

"John De Britto, a Model of Inculturation for our Time," in *The New Leader*, vol. 132, no. 3, February 1-15, 2019, p. 25.

"Love is True Gospel; Love is True Religion," in *Charisindia*, Vol. 19, No. 1, 2019, 23 & 25.

"God's People are Glad Tidings, An Advent Reflection," in *New Leader*, Vol. 132, No. 23, 2019, 17.

"St. Joseph of Mathew's Gospel, an Icon of Mercy," in *The New Leader*, Vol. 134, No. 14, (2021): 37.

"*Dignitas Infinita*, On Human Dignity, Its Implications for the Church in India," *The New Leader*, July 1-15, 2024, 10-13,

"Defense of Human Dignity, Church's Mission in India Today," in *Proclaim*, Vol. 47, No. 3, May-June, 2024, 9-10.

"Church's Engagement in Political Sphere," in *Proclaim*, Vol. 47, No. 4, July-August, 2024, 6-8 & 12.

"The Evangelizing Mission of all Christ's Faithful," in *Proclaim*, Vol. 47, No. 5, September-October, 2024, 13-14, & 17.

"Prayer, A Life of Trust in God, our Loving Father," in *The New Leader*, Vol. 137, No. 18, September 16-30, 2024, 17.

"The Elderly are a Treasure," in *The New Leader*, Vol. 137, No. 19, October 1-15, 2024, 23.

"The Story of Widow's Mite, a Challenging Model of Mission for Today," in *The New Leader*, Vol. 137, No. 20, October 16-31, 2024, 17.

"Do This in Remembrance of Me: Eucharistic Memory Provides Life and Identity to the Christian Community," in *Charisindia*, Vol. 23, No. 11 November 2024, 11-12 & 14.

"Eucharist, a Joyful Celebration," in *Kairos Global*, Issue 81, 2024, 10-11.

"Measure of Man's Surrender," in *Kairos Global*, Issue 84, 10-11.

"Concern for the Needy, A Religious Issue," in *Charisindia*, Vol. XXIV, No. 04 April 2025, 21-22.

"Pontifical Society of St Peter the Apostle, Importance of Mission and Promotion of Vocations, in *Proclaim*, Vol. 48, No. 1, 10-11, January-February, 2025.

A Church that Goes forth, Pope Francis and Missionary Call to the Peripheries," in *Proclaim*, Vol. 48, No. 3, 10-11. May-June 2025

"Pilgrims of Hope on Mission," in *The New Leader*, July 1-15, 2025, 10-12.

"Church in India: A Mission of Service and National Building," in *Proclaim*, Vol. 49, No. 4, 3-5. July-August 2026.

4.5 Tamil:

A Series of Homilies written in *Annaiyin Arutchudar* for the whole year 2010-2011.

"The Solemnity of the Epiphany," *Annaiyin Arutchudar*, vol. 52, no. 1 (2018-2019), 24-26.

"Death is not an End, but the Beginning of New Relationship with God," *Annaiyin Arutchudar*, vol. 52, no. 11, (2019) 7-8.

"Reflections for Easter Sunday," *Annaiyin Arutchudar*, vol. 52, no. 3 (2019). 8-9.

"The Paradox of Christmas," *Annaiyin Arutchudar*, vol. 53, no. 1 (2020) 12-13.

5. OTHER ACADEMIC ACTIVITIES

5.1 Papers Presented:

- "Eucharist in the Life of the Women Religious," a three day conference to the SMMI Junior sisters of the province of Thanjavur, April, 2011, Ayyampet, Thanjavur.
- "Family: Influence of Materialism, Media & Technology," given in the Extension Courses, organized by St. Peter's Pontifical Institute, on 18 July, 2015.
- "Mission to the Poor as an Expression of God's Mercy," given in the Extension Course, organized by St. Peter's Pontifical Institute, on 08 October,, 2016.
- "Mission of Mercy from Inter-Faith Perspectives," given in the Extension Course, organized by St. Peter's Pontifical Institute, on 22 October, 2016.
- "Images of the Church in the Writings of Pope Francis," a Paper presented in Inter-Institute Professors' Symposium between DVK & St. Peter's Pontifical Institute, held on 28 November, 2016.
- "Church Leadership and the People of God," given in the Extension Course, organized by St. Peter's Pontifical Institute, on 09 September, 2017.
- "Church and the Social Vision of the Joy of the Gospel," A Conference to the Fathers of Society of St. Paul on on the occasion of the Provincial Chapter on 26 November, 2017 at CRI Brothers Institute, Ulsoor, Bangalore.
- "On going formation of Priests of Ten Years" A One day seminar to the Priests of ten years of MSFS, Congregation of the South-east Province, India in Vailankanni, on 29 October, 2018.
- "Youth Participants in the Ecclesial Dimension of Christian Life," given in the Extension Course, organized by St. Peter's Pontifical Institute, on 15 September, 2018.
- "Christian Response to Hindu Religious fundamentalism," A Paper presented in a two day Seminar for the Clergy of the Diocese of Dharmapuri on 08 August, 2019.
- "Women Religious and Evangelization," given in the Extension Course, organized by St. Peter's Pontifical Institute, on 19 January, 2019.
- "Mission Based Formation," A Conference delivered in an half a day session to the formation team of the Congregation of the Immaculate Conception (CIC), Madurai, in NBCLC, on 25 January, 2020.
- "Mission as Interfaith Engagement," a One day seminar for the Christian Faithful on Baptised and Sent: The Church of Christ on Mission in the World," 08 December, 2019.
- "*Evangelii Gaudium*" in Extension Course to the Lay Faithful, Organized by St. Peter's Pontifical Institute.
- "3rd and Fourth Chapter of Pope Francis' Encyclical *Fratelli Tutti*," to the students of the St. Peter's Pontifical Institute, Webinar on 27 November 2020.
- "Becoming a Credible Church Today, Theological Consideration" A Paper presented in the Indian Theological Association, Annual Meeting Cum Conference held on 27 April, 2021 (Webinar).
- "Synodal Church and Her Evangelising Mission" A Paper presented at the National Council (Regional Directors Meet) Organized by Pontifical Mission Organizations (PMO) on 16 September 2021.
- "Mission in the Synodal Church" A Paper presented in Ecumenical Seminar on "Communion and Mission: An Ecumenical Approach" organized by NBCLC from 25-26 January 2022.
- "New Evangelization" A Paper presented in Ecumenical Seminar on "Communion and Mission: An Ecumenical Approach" organized by NBCLC from 25-26 January 2022.
- "Mission Oriented Perspectives on Spiritual Formation, John Vianney's Pastoral Model," A Paper presented in an International Conference at Dharmaram College (DVK) on 10 November 2022.

"Interfaith Dialogue and Religious Co-existence in India Today," A Paper presented in the Department of Studies in Christianity, University of Mysore, on 20 December, 2022.

Convocation Address, On the Occasion of Convocation Ceremony, Indian Institute of Spirituality, on 10 March, 2023.

"Presbyteral Communion and Union with the Bishop and one another," For the Clergy of the Diocese of Mysore In preparation for the Chrism Mass on 29 March 2023.

"Missionary Formation to the Superiors of the Communities," An half a day session to the Sisters of Sacred Heart of Vellore, on 11 May, 2023.

"Keynote Address, - Changed Horizons and the Significance of Theology for Evangelising Mission " To St. Paul's Seminary on the Occasion of the Inauguration of the New Academic Year 2023-2024 on 10 June 2023.

"Lectio Brevis, - The Importance of Theology for Christian Mission," To Prabodhana, on the occasion of the Inauguration of the New Academic Year 2023-2024 on 17 June, 2023.

Paper Presentation on "Church's Evangelizing Mission Today in India: Challenges and Prospects," in a Symposium on *New Horizons in Theology: a Symposium in Honour of Prof. Kuncheria Pathil, CMI (1939-2022)* held from 15-16 September 2023, in Dharmaram Vidya Kshetram (DVK), Bengaluru;

Paper Presentation on "Re-visiting the Catholic Mission: Pope Francis and Evangelization," in Kristu Jyoti College Seminar on *A Decade of Legacy: Pope Francis; Vision of the Church*, held from 27 - 28 September 2023, in Kristu Jyoti College (KJC), Bangalore;

Lecture on "Gaudium et spes, Culture, Economic Socio and Political Life of Man," Preparations for Jubilee - 2025 - Studying the Four Constitutions of the Vatican II Documents, Archdiocese of Bangalore, on 07 October, 2023 in Paalana Bhavana, Archdiocesan Pastoral Centre, Bangalore;

Presidential Address delivered on the occasion of the Institute Day of the Indian Institute of Spirituality (IIS), Bangalore on "Journeying Together: IIS on the Synodal Way," on 19 November 2023;

Paper Presentation on "Dialogue with Cultures, Religions and the Poor, Its Importance for Formation," in the National Conference Cum Workshop on Priestly and Religious Formation in India Today in the Light of Pope Francis; Vision, held from 4 - 7 December, 2023 in St. Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore;

Paper Presentation on "Pope Francis' Attitude towards other Religions," in the Seminar on Human Fraternity Document, organized by Ashirvad Centre for Interreligious Dialogue and Islamic Studies Association, Delhi at St. Joseph's University, Bangalore on Saturday, 6 January, 2024;

Half a day Session to the Major Superiors of St. Anne's of Bangalore on "Synodality and Religious Chapters," in Dindigul on Sunday, 7 January, 2024.

Paper Presentation on "Intra-Religious Conflicts and Peacemaking Efforts," in the International Seminar on Peace and Reconciliation: A Journey Towards the Reign of God organized by Vidyajyoti College from 27th to 29th February, 2024.

Convocation Address delivered to the Indian Institute of Spirituality (IIS) for the 33rd Annual Convocation on "Launch Out and Change the World," on 09 March, 2024.

Half a Day Session to the Salesian Priests of the Bangalore Province, on the Theme: "Transformation of Parish Communities into Evangelizing Communities," on 29 August, 2024;

Paper Presentation to the Presidents and Deans of the Catholic Faculties of India (CFI) on the Occasion of its Annual Meetings on the Theme: "Dignitas Infinita: Its Implications for the Church in India," on 27 October, 2024.

Presidential Address delivered on the occasion of the Institute Day of the Indian Institute of Spirituality (IIS), Bangalore on "Pilgrims of Hope," on 17 November 2024;

Presidential Address delivered on the occasion of the Interfaculty Annual Seminary between Institute Oriental Canon Law (IOLS), DVK and the Centre of Canon Law studies (CCLS) St. Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bengaluru, on "Praedicate Evangelium," on 21, November 2024;

Convocation Address delivered to the Indian Institute of Spirituality (IIS) for the 34th Annual Convocation on "Pilgrims of Hope on Mission," on 10 March, 2025.

"Priesthood and Evangelising Mission," Clergy Recoillection to the priests of the diocese of Eluru, on 25 June, 2025.

Paper Presentation to the staff and students of St Joseph's Interdiocesan Seminary, Jeppu, Mangalore, for Mission Symposium, on the theme: Mission in the Contemporary Church: Challenges and Opportunities, on 16 October, 2025.

Paper Presentation to the Somaskan priests of Indian Province for the Annual Assembly on the theme: Mission and Integral Human Development: on 25 October, 2025.

Presidential Address delivered on the occasion of the Institute Day of the Indian Institute of Spirituality (IIS), Bangalore on "Mountain Still Speaks, Beatitudes in Action," on 16 November 2025.

Paper Presentation in the International Conference, at DVK on *Interreligious Dialogue, a Paradigm for Harmony*, on 17 January, 2026.

"Talk on Significance of Interreligious Dialogue and Ecumenism Commission," to the Diocesan Secretaries of the Interreligious and Ecumenism Commissions of the Karnataka Regional Bishops' Council, at the KROSS on 7 July, 2026.

"Mission in the Present Context in India," To the Diocesan Secretaries of the Evangelization Commission of the Karnataka Regional Bishops' Council, at the KROSS on 10 July, 2026.

"Evangelization for Today in the Light of *Evangelii Nuntiandi* on Its Fiftieth Anniversary," to the Priests and Religious of the Diocese of Chikmagalur, at the pastoral centre on 19 August, 2026.

5.2 Seminars / Conferences Participated:

Attended the Inter-faculty Professors' Seminar of Dharmaram and St Peter's, at St. Peter's Pontifical Institute on 24 November 2016.

Coordinated the weekly Extension Lectures for the Religious and the Laity, conducted by the St. Peter's Pontifical Institute, on the Topic is "Merciful God and Merciful Mission of the Church" for the whole of 2016-2017 Academic year.

Attended the First ever Inter-Faculty M. Th. Missiology Seminar between United Theological College and St Peter's Pontifical Institute, held during the Unity Octave on 20th January 2016 on the topic "Eucharist and Mission: An Ecumenical Perspective."

Attended 19th Colloquium of Bishops and Theologians on "*Iuvenescit Ecclesia*: Dynamism of the Gifts of Charism and Hierarchy in the Church," organized by Commission for Doctrine of Faith, Catholic Bishops Conference of India from 6-7 July 2017, NBCLC Bangalore.

Moderated the Annual Seminar organized by The Faculty of Theology conducted on the theme "Ministering to Youth: Challenges and Opportunities" on 18th August 2017.

Moderated a Paper on "The Role of the Christian Youth in the Church" presented by Mr. Jose Jacob in the seminar for the Youth of Bangalore, organized by St. Peter's Pontifical Institute on the theme "Empowering the Youth for the Mission of the Church," on 27th August 2017.

Attended the third 'UTC & St Peter's Inter-Faculty M.Th. Students' Seminar 2017-18' was held on the theme "Ecumenism and Environmental Protection" at St Peter's Conference Hall on

23 rd November 2017, on the topic "Environmental Protection in the Social Teachings of the Church with Special Reference to Laudato Si: On Care of Our Common Home."

Moderated a Week long Mission Exposure Programme for Doctoral and PG students of Missiology students (twelve) from 12 th December 2017 – 19 th December 2017, to places: the parish of Kakkavery & Kolli Hills in diocese of Salem, Shanthivanam Ashram of Bede Griffiths in diocese of Trichy, Pudur Uthamanur and Pastoral Centre commissions and Kumbakonam Multipurpose Society in the diocese of Kumbakonam and Chennai in Tamilnadu.

Attended a Two-day Seminar "Public Theology" held in Madras University organized by the Department of Christian Studies, Madras University, Chennai, on 27, 28, February 2018.

Attended 41st Annual Meet cum Conference of Indian Theological Association (ITA) on "Challenges of Religious Nationalism: A Theological Response," from 26 to 29 April, 2018 at Dharmaram Vidya Kshetram (DVK), Bangalore.

Attended the Colloquium on *Awakening the Youth Young, talented, they have wings to fly. Need to be helped to soar higher into the sky* from Oct 5-7, 2018, NBCLC, Bangalore.

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Attended the fourth Inter-faculty Missiology Students' Seminar between St Peter's and UTC, on the topic: "Sharing of Sacred Space," held at UTC on 29 th November 2018.

Attended the Inter-Institute Professors' Symposium between DVK and St. Peter's, held on 6 th December, 2018 in St Peter's Pontifical Institute.

Attended the Indian Theological Association Meeting held from 25-28 April, 2019, in NBCLC, Bangalore.

Attended International Workshop on "Implications of Asian Socio-Political Developments for Higher Education and Practical Theologies: Twenty-first Century Challenges," Organized Jointly by ACCS & AIACHE held on 6-8 September 2019 in Asian Centre for Cross-Cultural Studies, Chennai.

Moderated A One-day Out-Reach Program for the 51 students of Fourth Year Theology to "Sparrows Nest," at KGF, a centre for Interfaith Dialogue and Intercultural centre on 6th September 2019.

Co-ordinated the Programme on *Maximum Illud* on the occasion of its Centenary celebration at St. Peter's Pontifical Seminary on 18th October, 2019.

Participated in the Inter-Institute Professors' Symposium between DVK and St. Peter's held at DVK, Bangalore On 26 th November, 2019.

Attended the Catholic Faculties of India CFI Annual Meeting held on 30 October 2023 in Vidyajyoti College of Theology, New Delhi

Attended the *Symposium of Missiologists and Ecclesiologists* on "Redefining the Mission: Pope Francis' Vision and the New Landscape of India," organized by the Department of India, St. Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore in collaboration with Pontifical Mission Organization, India (PMO), Bangalore from 14-16, November, 2023;

Attended the *National Conference Cum Workshop* on "Priestly and Religious Formation in India Today in the Light of Pope Francis' Vision," organized by St. Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore in collaboration with Asian Centre for Cross-Cultural Studies (ACCS), Chennai, from 4 - 7 December 2023 at St. Peter's, Bangalore.

Attended, as a special; invitee, the *National Consultation* on the topic, "Charting a Synodal Church in India: Exploring its Strategies, Prospects and Challenges for Pastoral Inclusivity," organized by the Department of Christian Studies, University of Madras and Peyton Institute, Bangalore with the support of CCBI in St. John's Hospital, Bangalore from 21 - 22 November, 2024.

Attended *the International Congress* organized by the Dicastery for Culture and Education, Vatican, Rome on the theme: "The Future of Theologising: Legacy and Envisioning," from 9 – 10, December, 2024.

6. DISSERTATIONS GUIDED

6.1 Doctoral Dissertations Guided

As Moderator

"The Mission of the Christian Lay Faithful: An Examination of the *TRIA MUNERACHRIST* in the Post Synodal Apostolic EXhortation *CHRISTIFIDELIS LAICI* And Its Implications for the Archdiocese of Bangalore," a Dissertation Defended on 20 April, 2021, in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for Doctorate in Theology, by Packianathan Susairaj, moderated by Dr A. Lawrence.

As Second Reader

"Becoming Eucharist: A Eucharist Centered Marital Spirituality," a Dissertation submitted in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for Doctorate in Theology, by Abraham Puthiyaparambil, moderated by Dr Antony Mookkenthottam, co-moderated by Dr A. C. Savraimuthu and Dr A. Lawrence, 2016.

"Bishop Marrow, a Prolific Missionary Writer on Evangelization and Catechesis - an Enduring Method for Acrrying out the Mission Today," a Dissertation submitted in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for Doctorate in Theology, by Sr Leena Fernandes, moderated by Dr B. Joseph Francis, co-moderated by Dr Simon Pinto and Dr A. Lawrence, in 2017.

"Vision of New Evangelization: A Missiological Study of the Garos in the Diocese of Tura," a Dissertation submitted in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for Doctorate in Theology, by Jolly Chacko Pittapilly, moderated by Dr Stany C. Fernandes, co-moderated by Dr A. Lawrence and Dr Varaprasada Rao SDS in 2025.

6.2 L.Th Theses Guided

As Moderator

"Indian Christian Families: Agents of Mission in Today's Indian Context," a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by Santhosh George, Moderated by Dr A. Lawrence and co-moderated by Dr Simon Pinto, in 2017.

"A Meaningful Inculturation in Search of an Authentic Church in India,"a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by M. Jayaprakasha OSB, Moderated by Dr A. Lawrence and co-moderated by Dr Simon Pinto, in 2019.

"Christian Participation in the Public Sphere as Mission Today," a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by Suresh, Moderated by Dr A. Lawrence and co-moderated by Dr Simon Pinto, in 2020.

"Issues and Challenges of Migration in Indian Context and Indian Church's Response," a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by Binesh M. C, Moderated by Dr A. Lawrence and co-moderated by Dr Simon Pinto, in 2022.

"Persistence of Caste System among Latin Christians in Kerala and The Question of Christian Mission," a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by Lenin Antony P, IVDei, Moderated by Dr A. Lawrence and co-moderated by Dr P. V. Antony, in 2023.

"The Prophetic Mission of a Parish Priest: An Analysis into the Rampant Poverty Prevailing in the Diocese of Salem," a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Master in Missiology, by Henry Kishore. J, Moderated by Dr A. Lawrence and co-moderated by Dr P. V. Antony, in 2023.

"Kenosis as Mission: For Religious Community Living Today," a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Master in Missiology, by S Yobu Melki Sadehk MSFS, Moderated by Dr A. Lawrence and co-moderated by Dr Simon Pinto, in 2023.

"Youth Transformation in the Model of St Clare in the Context of Faith Formation for Mission," a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by Thomas M, Moderated by Dr A. Lawrence and co-moderated by Dr P. V. Antony, in 2024.

"God's Mission to the Marginalized with a Special Reference to the Church in Andhra Pradesh," a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by Chintaguntla Jagan, Moderated by Dr A. Lawrence and co-moderated by Dr Stany C. Fernandes, in 2024.

"Mission of God's Reign: Expanding the Horizon of Christian Mission in India in the Guanellian Context," a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by Loyola Diraviam SDC, Moderated by Dr A. Lawrence and co-moderated by Dr Varaprasada Rao SDS, in 2025.

"Towards the Kingdom together with the Target People," a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by Arun Kumar S, Moderated by Dr A. Lawrence and co-moderated by Dr Varaprasada Rao SDS, in 2025.

"Public Theology in the Writings of Felix Wilfred with the Special Attention to the Final Document on Synodality," a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by R. James Fernandes, Moderated by Dr A. Lawrence and co-moderated by Dr Gnanapatrik, in 2026.

"The Forgotten Voices: A Theological and Pastoral Study on Challenges Faced by Single Mothers in Society and the Church's Response in the South Indian Context," a Dissertation presented in

Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by Amala R, Moderated by Dr A. Lawrence and co-moderated by Dr Mercy John, in 2026.

"Significance of Human Dignity: Missiological Implications for the Christian Fisher Community in Trivandrum," a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by Yesudasan A, Moderated by Dr A. Lawrence and co-moderated by Dr Vinod S. Sailus, in 2026.

"Sacraments of Communion: Burial and Vocation of the Subaltern Body in the Diocese of Sivagangai," a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by Mckenro J, Moderated by Dr A. Lawrence and co-moderated by Dr Vinod S. Sailus, in 2026.

As Co-moderator

"The Origin and Progress of Catholic Faith in Karnataka with Special Reference to the Archdiocese of Bangalore," a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by Anthony Prasad, Moderated by Dr Simon Pinto and co-moderated by Dr A. Lawrence, in 2015.

"Mission As Understood in the Lives of the Sick, Aged and their Caregivers," a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by Celestine Tauro, moderated by Dr B. Joseph Francis and co-moderated by Dr A. Lawrence, in 2018.

"The Rise of Christianity during the Portuguese Period in India (1498-1550): With a Special Reference to the Missionary Activities of St. Francis Xavier (1542-1552), a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by Stany Louis D'Souza, moderated by Dr Simon Pinto and co-moderated by Dr A. Lawrence, in 2019.

"Mission Through Education: Theological Education to Christ's Faithful," a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by Anthoniraja A, moderated by Dr Stany C. Fernandes and co-moderated by Dr A. Lawrence, in 2022.

"History of Mysore Mission and Missionary Activities of Antonio Maria Platei 9Rajendra Swamy)," a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by Balaraj J, moderated by Dr Simon Pinto and co-moderated by Dr A. Lawrence, in 2022.

"Sent to Sanctify the World: A Study on the Formation Programme of Franciscan Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary (FIHM)," a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by Anitha Mary, moderated by Dr Stany C. Fernandes and co-moderated by Dr A. Lawrence, in 2023.

"Ecotheology: Constructing An Ecological Theology with a Special Reference to St Francis of Assisi and Pope Francis," a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the

Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by Olwin Noronha, moderated by Dr Simon Pinto and co-moderated by Dr A. Lawrence, in 2023.

“Mission in the Context of Anti-Conversion Bills in India,” a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by Ravi Gadson Kennady, Moderated by Dr Stany C. Fernandes and co-moderated by Dr A. Lawrence, in 2024.

“The Ministry of House Visit: A Tool for Mission of Proclaiming the Love of God by daughters of Mary,” a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by Anisha A. (Madona), Moderated by Dr Simon Pinto and co-moderated by Dr A. Lawrence, in 2024.

“New Humanism of Pope Francis: Missiological Implications for Contemporary India,” a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by K. Alexander, Moderated by Most Rev. Dr Bishop Lawrence Pius and co-moderated by Dr A. Lawrence, in 2025.

“Formation for Mission in the Pluralistic Context of India in the Light of pope Francis,” a Dissertation presented in Partial Fulfillment of the Requirements for the Degree of Licentiate in Missiology, by H. L. Vinay Kumar, Moderated by Most Rev. Dr Bishop T. Anthonyswamy and co-moderated by Dr A. Lawrence, in 2025.