

Dr Innasi AMALRAJ - Curriculum Vitae

1. Vital Information

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Name: AMALRAJ

Family Name/Sur Name: Innasi

Currently Working: St Peter's Pontifical Institute

Bangalore, India

Father's Name: Innasi

Date of Birth: 03/07/1976

Nationality: Indian

Status: Indian

Diocese of Ordination: Salem

Diocese of Incardination: Salem

Date of Ordination: 25/04/2004



2. Academic Qualifications

2.1 Ecclesiastical Studies

Decree	Institute	Year
Bachelor of Philosophy	St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore	1997-1999
Bachelor of Theology	St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore	2000-2004
Licentiate in Canon Law	St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore Pontificia Università Urbaniana, Roma	2008-2011
Doctorate in Canon Law	<i>Institut Catholique de Toulouse, France</i>	2013-2018

2.2 Secular Studies

Decree	University	Year
Bachelor of History	Madras University, Chennai	1993-1997
Licentiate: Master of Arts in Communication and Journalism	Madurai Kamaraj University Madurai, Tamilnadu, India	2004-2006
Licentiate: Master of Arts in Political Science	Annamalai University Chidambaram, Tamilnadu, India	2006-2008
Certificate Course: Italian	St Petre's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore	2009-2010
Certificate Course: French	<i>Alliance Française</i> , Pondicherry, India	2011-2012
Certificate Course: French	<i>Institut Catholique de Toulouse</i> , France	2013-2014

2.3 Knowledge of Languages

Mother Tongue: Tamil

Study Language: English

Third Language: French (Fluency in reading, writing, speaking and translation)

Fourth Knowledge: Latin (Level – III - Fluency in reading, writing and translation)

Working Knowledge: Italian (Certificate Course)

3. Title of Dissertations

Decree	Title	Year of Defense
Licentiate in Canon Law - LCL	The Principle of Canonical Equity in <i>CIC</i> 1983 and Its Application in the Marriage Nullity Cases	2011
Doctorate in Canon Law - DCL	Moral Certitude in <i>CIC</i> 1983: Hermeneutical Perspective with Juridico-Psychological Interpretation and Exegetical Analysis of Canon 1608 With Contextual Applications	2018 Awarded: <i>La thèse par excellence</i> Published in 2021

4. Year of the Publication of Doctoral Thesis

Moral Certitude in CIC 1983: Hermeneutical Perspective with Juridico-Psychological Interpretation and Exegetical Analysis of Canon 1608 With Contextual Applications, Bangalore: Claretian Publications, (2021) India, 399p. ISBN: 978-81-89851-45-3.

5. Academic and Administrative Office

Professor	- Centre of Canon Law Studies, St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore (July 2022)
Associate Professor	- Centre of Canon Law Studies, St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore (2018-March 22)
Treasurer	- Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore, (2019-2022)
Administrator	- Indian Theological Studies, St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore, (2019-2022)
	- Studies in Church Law, St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore, (2019-2022)
	- Institute Publications, St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore, (2019-2022)

Judge	- Ecclesiastical Tribunal of Salem, Salem Diocese, Tamilnadu, India (2011-2013).
Defender of the Bond	- Ecclesiastical Tribunal of Salem, Salem Diocese, Tamilnadu, India (2013 -)
Director of CCLS	- Centre of Canon Law Studies, St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore (Nov. 2022 -)

6. Teaching Subjects

6.1 Bachelor of Theology

Sin and Reconciliation: Theology and Canon Law	3 ECTS
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6.2 Licentiate in Canon Law

Canonical Methodology	3 ECTS
Philosophy of Law	3 ECTS
Canon Law and Ecclesiology of Vatican II	2 ECTS
Seminar	3 ECTS
Teaching Office of the Church (Cc. 747-833)	4 ECTS
Sanctifying Office of the Church Part I (Cc. 834-1054)	4 ECTS
Sanctifying Office of the Church Part II (1008-1154; 1166-1253)	4 ECTS

6.3 Language Courses

French -	3 ECTS
Ecclesiastical Latin	4 ECTS

7. Moderator of LCL Thesis

Augustine Sagaya Raj, *Mutuae Relationes Between the Diocesan Bishop and the Religious in accordance with C.678 Paragraphs 1, 2 and 3*, (2020).

Sebastian Robert C., *The Canonical Obligation of Communis Vita for the Members of Religious Institutes as Prescribed in Canons 602, 665 and 694 of CIC 193*, (2020).

Salomon Moses, *Canonical Status of Religious According to Canon 207 of CIC 1983*, (2020)

Jeyaraj Ignatious S., *The Rights of Christ's Faithful in CIC 1983: Exegetical Analysis and Comparative Study of Canon 211 and 786*, (2021).

John Cyril Z., *Importance of Canonical Faculty for Valid and Lawful Exercise of Ecclesiastical Offices and Sacraments in CIC 1983*, (2021)

John David J., *The Co-operation of Clerics with the Bishop in the Ministry of the Divine Word in Reference to Canon 757 of CIC 1983*, (2022).

Puli Ashok Kumar, *Procedural Reforms Pertaining to the Declaration of Marriage Nullity in the Light of Mitis Iudex Dominus Iesus*, (2023).

8. Co-Moderator of LCL Thesis

Mercy John, *Necessary Discretion in the Use of Social Communication among the Consecrated: An Exposition of Canon 666*, (2019).

Sekar Susaimanickam, *The Evangelical Counsel of Obedience in Can 601 of CIC 1983 Code with Special Reference to the Benedictine Congregation of the Annunciation*, (2019).

Joseph Lixon Aswez, *The Inviolability of the Seal of Confession in Accordance with CIC 1983*, (2019).

Rayappan Anthony, *The Office of the Episcopal Vicar in the 1983 Code of Canon Law*, (2020).

Sandip Anton Koshav, *Role of Members of Institutes of Consecrated Life in the Teaching Office of the Church According to Canon 758 of CIC 1983*, (2020).

Antony Doss I., *Requirements for the Appointment of Parish Priest in the Light of Canon 521 of CIC 1983*, (2021).

Maria Arulselman, *Juridical Effects of Assuming Bond in the Society of Apostolic Life: An Historical – Canonical Analysis of Canon 731 of CIC 1983 with Special Reference to the Society of the Missionaries of St Francis Xavier*, (2022).

Rosario Bhagyavathy James, *The obligation of Christ's Faithful to preserve Communion and fulfil responsibilities with the Church as Stipulated in Canon 209 of CIC 1983*, (2023).

Jeesmon Padamattummam Stany, *Right of the Diocesan Bishop to elect a Religious Institute of Consecrated Life: Law and Praxis in the Light of Canon CIC 1983*, (2023).

Swapna Philip, *The Classification of Religious Institutes as Diocesan Right and Pontifical Right: Its Canonical Significance with reference to Canon 589 of CIC 1983*, (2023).

Starwin A., *The Obligation of the Liturgy of the Hours to the Order of Discalced Carmelites*, (2023).

9. Canonical Books Published

Moral Certitude in CIC 1983: Hermeneutical Perspective with Juridico-Psychological Interpretation and Exegetical Analysis of Canon 1608 With Contextual Applications, Bangalore: Claretian Publications, India, 2021. 400p. ISBN: 978-81-89851-45-3.

Gentle Judge - Mitis Iudex Dominus Isus: Commentary and Application, Bengaluru: ATC Publications, 2021, 69p.

Vos Estis Lux Mundi-You are the Light of the World: Procedural Norms on Protecting Minors and Vulnerable Adults, Bengaluru: ATC Publications 2021, 121p.

10. Canonical Articles

“An Introduction to *Moralis Certitudo* in *Codex Iuris Canonici* 1983: Historico-Hermeneutical Interpretation,” *Studies in Church Law*, Vol XIII, (Jan-Dec 2018)81-198.

“The Canonical Obligation of Conscience Formation for the Administration of Justice in the Light of Canon 1608 §3: *Ex sua Conscientia*,” *Studies in Church Law*, Vol XV, (Jan-Dec 2020)155-208.

“The Canonical Dynamism of Arriving at Moral Certitude,” *Studies in Church Law*, Vol XV, (Jan-Dec 2020) 155-208.

“Juridical Elements of *Sufficienti Gaudeant Maturitate* in The Code Canon Law: 1983,”*ITS*, vol. LV (Dec 2018) 309-327.

“Youth and Prayer: Role of Prayer in the life of Youth,” in John Baptist, A., & M. David Stanly Kumar, (eds.,) *O Youth You are Precious: Contextual Reflections on Youth and Youth Ministry*, Bengaluru: ATC, 2019.

“Canonical Perspectives of *Mens Legislatoris – Intentio Legislatoris*: Principles of Interpretation,” *ITS* LVI No. 2 (June 2019) 167-186.

“*Vos Estis Lux Mundi*: Procedural Norms on Protecting Minors and Vulnerable Adults,” *ITS* LVI, No. 3 (September 2019) 307-358.

“*IN IUDICIS ANIMO*: Canon 1608 § 1 of *CIC* 1983 - Psychological Analysis of Judicial Decision-Making,’ *ITS* LVI/4 (December 2019): 427- 462.

“Amendments in the Code of Canon Law -1983 (up to 2020): The Canonical and Pastoral Influences in the Life of the Church,” *ITS* LVII (December 2020): 669-690.

“*Ex Actis et Probatibus: Substance and Source of Moral Certitude,*” *Studies in Church Law*, Vol XVI, (Jan-Dec 2021) 247-292.

11. Papers Presented

Moral Certitude in *CIC* 1983: Hermeneutical Perspective with Juridico-Psychological Interpretation and Exegetical Analysis of Canon 1608 With Contextual Applications, Inter-Faculty Symposium – St Peter’s Pontifical Institute & Dharmaram Vidya Kshetram, held at St Peter’s Pontifical Institute, Bangalore on 6th Dec. 2018.

Ad Audiendas Confessiones, Orientation Talk to Deacons, St Peter’s Pontifical Seminary, Bangalore, 2018.

Plagiarism and the Legal Consequences in the Context of Applying Research Methodology, Doctoral Symposium, St Peter’s Pontifical Institute, Bangalore, on 30th January 2020.

Ad Audiendas Confessiones, Orientation Talk to Deacons, St Peter’s Pontifical Seminary, Bangalore, 2019.

Application of the Canonical Principle of Synodality in the Religious Decision-Making Structures, Orientation Talk to the Plenary Council of OSFS, Indian Region, Bangalore, 2021.

Conscience Formation According to the Code of Canon Law, St Peter’s Pontifical Institute, Bangalore on 18th January 2021.

The Spirituality of the Diocesan Priests: A Canonical Exploration and the Pastoral Configuration - According to the Mind of Pope Francis, at the PG Inauguration, St Peter’s Pontifical Institute, Bangalore, on 30th January 2022.

The Canonical Perspective of the Grammar of Vocation Promotion for the Vocation Promoters of Bangalore Province, Cluny Convent, Bangalore on 24th July 2022.

The Balance between Justice and Mercy, Department of Theology, Prabhodana, Mysore, Karnataka, 15th March 2022.

The Role of Ordinaries and Judges in the Revised Book VI of *CIC* 1983, Department of Theology, Prabhodana, Mysore, Karnataka, 15th March 2022.

Balance or Better Application: Canonical Equity (Canon 1752), Department of Theology, Prabhodana, Mysore, Karnataka, 15th March 2022.

12. International Webinar in Canon Law – 2020-21

Co-Ordinator of the Paper presented by Dr A. Rayappan, Pastoral Conversion of the Parish Community, Moderated by Dr T. Lourdusamy, St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore on 4th Dec. 2020.

Co-Ordinator of the Paper presented by Dr I. Amalraj, Conscience Formation According to the Code of Canon Law, Moderated by Dr Sunil Kumar D' Souza, St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore on 18th January 2021.

Co-Ordinator of the Paper presented by Dr Arokiaraj Satish Kumar, Pastoral Dimension of Matrimonial Process, Moderated by Dr Merlin R. Ambrose, St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore on 15th February 2021.

Co-Ordinator of the Paper presented by Dr Sunil Kumar D' Souza, Mixed Marriage and Canonical Form, Moderated by Dr I. Amalraj, St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore on 15th February 2021.

Co-Ordinator of the Paper presented by Dr T. Lourdusamy, Inviolability of the Sacramental Seal (2019), Moderated by Dr A. Rayappan, St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore on 18th January 2021.

Co-Ordinator of the Paper presented by Dr Merlin R. Ambrose Right of Defense: *Conditio Sine Qua Non* in Marriage Nullity Process, Moderated by Dr Arokiaraj Satish Kumar, St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore on 15th February 2021.

Co-Ordinator of the seminar for the lay faithful was conducted on the theme "BAPTIZED AND SENT: The Church of Christ on Mission in the World, St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore on 8th December 2021.

13. Lectures on Bio-ethics and Canon Law

Co-Coordinator of the lectures on Bio-Ethics and Canon Law: Issues of Catholic Bio-Ethics - Responses from the Catholic Church - Moral Theology: Foundations and Developments Related to Medical Research - Moral Issues: Confronting Christians' Conscience: Delivered by Rev. Dr Leo Lasrado and Rev. Dr Christopher Vimal Raj, St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore (Jan –Feb 2021-2022).

14. Seminar Moderation

Moderator of the Session on Canon Law and Synodality: The Canonical Perspectives of Synodality in the Diocese and Parishes, in the Laity Seminar organised by St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore, 31st July 2022.

Moderator of the Session on Desiderio Desideravi: Pope Francis' Liturgical Vision and Mission, in the Theology Seminar organised by Theology Faculty, St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bangalore, 31st July 2022.

15. Conferences Attended

Participated in the Annual meeting of the *Catholic Faculties in India* held on 24-25 November 2018 organized by CFI at St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bengaluru.

Participated in the Canon Law Conference organized by the Canon Law Society of India from 22 to October 2018 at Dharmaram, Bangalore.

Participated in the Canon Law Conference organized by the Tamil Nadu Canon Law Society on 21 and 22 January 2019 at Tindivanam, Tamilnadu, India.

Participated in the *Golden Jubilee of TPI* on 30th November and 1st December 2019 at DVK in Bangalore.

Participated in the *Inauguration of the Commissariat of the Holy Land*, India, which took place on Saturday 25 January 2020 at St. Anthony's Friary Auditorium, Bangalore, and was organized by OFM Franciscans, India.

Participated the Conference of Prof. Astrid Kaptijn, on "The importance of Canon Law in the life of the Church," at St Peter's Pontifical Institute, Bengaluru, on November 26, 2019 organised by the Canon Law Faculty of St. Peter's Pontifical Institute. Prof. Astrid Kaptijn, a Dutch lay Canonist, the President of the Society for the Law of Eastern Churches, a Judge at the Inter – diocesan Tribunal (Second Instance) of Switzerland, a member of the Independent Commission for the sexual Abuse in Church (France) and President of the Theological and Ecumenical Commission of the Swiss Episcopal Conference.

Participated the Conference of Prof. Astrid Kaptijn, on "The Meeting of the Two Codes and their Importance in the Life of the Church," Organised by DVK, Bengaluru on November 27, 2019.

Participated in the *Golden Jubilee of TPI* on 30th November and 1st December 2019 at DVK in Bangalore.

Participated in the *Inauguration of the Commissariat of the Holy Land*, India, which took place on Saturday 25 January 2020 at St. Anthony's Friary Auditorium, Bangalore, and which was organized by OFM Franciscans, India.

16. Other Ecclesiastical Activities

16.1 Religious Books Published

Fiat: Reflections on the Stations of the Cross, Vol. 1, Malaiyarul Publishers, Achirupakkam, Chennai (2005).

Fiat: Reflections on the Stations of the Cross, Vol. 2, Malaiyarul Publishers, Achirupakkam, Chennai (2008).

16.2 Manual Scripts

Boucher on “Plenary Indulgence”: An Explaining Note on the Importance of the Reception of Plenary Indulgence during the Time of Pandemic, Prepared for the Usage of the laity in Tamilnadu by Epiphany Communication Centre, Salem Diocese, 2019.

Boucher on “Change in the Litany of Mother Mary”: An Explaining Note on the Inclusion of Three Invocations, Prepared for the Usage of the laity in Tamilnadu by Epiphany Communication Centre, Salem Diocese, 2019.

16.3 Mass Media

Addressed on the importance of “Family Life from the Canonical Perspectives” through Lourdes Television for the Year of Family. (50 hours).

Addressed on the importance of “*Christus Vivit*”, through the Salem Diocesan Youth Commission for the Year of Youth. (354 minutes).

Addressed on the importance of “*Christus Vivit*”, to the Vicariate Youth of the Salem Diocese - Youth Commission for the Year of Youth. (5 days).

Addressed on the importance of “Prayer in the Life of Youth”, through the Salem Diocesan Youth Commission for the Year of Youth. (40 minutes).

Produced Audio CD on the theme of “Christian Family Life,” Salem Diocesan Family Commission. (25 hours)

Produced Audio-Reflection CD on the theme of “Way of Christmas,” Salem Diocesan Youth Family Commission, (25 days).

Produced Audio-Reflection CD on the theme of “Way of St Joseph,” Salem Diocesan Youth Family Commission, (30 days).

Conducted a One-day Seminar on the “Role of Teachers in the Catholic Schools”, at St Antony’s Mat. Hr Sec School, Vedaranyam, TN.

17. Pastoral Experience

Assistant Parish Priest	- Infant Jesus Cathedral, Arisipalayam, Salem (2004-2006)
Parish Priest	- St Paul's Church, Namakkal Dt, Salem Diocese (2006-2008)
In charge Priest	- St Sebastian's Church, V. Kongarapatty, Salem (March – September - 2011)
Parish Priest	- St Cecily's Church, R. C. Pettaipalyam, Namakkal Dt, Salem Diocese, (September 2011– January - 2012).

18. Other Particular Activities

Resource Person for the Youth Commission from 2004-2008, Salem Diocese.

Resource Person for the Family Commission from 2004-2008, Salem Diocese.

Resource Person for the YSM/ YCS, Salem Diocese.

Motivational Speaker for Youth, Salem Diocese.

19. Books: (Yet to be published)

1. The Canonical Obligation of Conscience Formation for the Tribunal Personnel, ATC, Bangalore (2023).
2. Diocesan Spirituality: A Canonical Interpretation, St Paul's Publications, Chennai (2023).