



*Rogation Day procession.*

Dear Friends and Benefactors,

I wish you all a holy feast of the Sacred Heart which is just around the corner. May you all find rest and repose in the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Two of our sisters, Sr. Maria Theresa and Sr. Maria Celina will be renewing their vows for another year on the feast of the Sacred Heart. Keep them in your prayers.

We have welcomed three new old ladies this year. Elizabeth, a widow, had a stroke and one side was paralysed. She has no children and she was found in her house a day after the stroke and admitted to the hospital by their parish priest and the parishioners. They finally brought her here as they found it difficult to take care of her. She is still recovering, walking a little bit with the help of a stick. We

were lucky to have a nurse volunteer, Bernadette Poisson from France, who took it upon herself to give this lady physiotherapy and finally made her to walk. The second one to come is Krishnamma, a 70+ year old lady, a retired nurse aide, a spinster. The last one to come is a Muslim lady, Fathima, whom we picked up from the street in April. She was living on the street, not able to walk. When



*Human refuse on the streets of Palayamkottai. Sr. Mary Immaculata saw the image of Christ in this lady, bundled her into the Jeep and then took her to her new home at the orphanage.*



*Arogya Mary died suddenly on the Monday of Holy Week. She was a convert from Hinduism and received Holy Communion almost daily.*



*New girl, Sara.*

we brought her home she was covered with wounds, being eaten by big ants. For the first few weeks, all she did was to sleep and eat. Now she is able to walk and to bathe on her own and wash her clothes.

During Holy Week, on 25th March, one of our old ladies, Arogya Mary, who was in her 90's breathed her last. She had been with us for more than nine years. She is the last of the old ladies who came with us from Andhra.

Another new entry is a little girl of 11 years. She came to us this month. She has a mother, but her father has abandoned them and went away with another lady. She and her brother have come to stay with us. Her name is Sara; she will stay at the orphanage and her brother Bala (10 yrs) will be staying at the priory.

Thank you for your support. May God bless you.

In Jesus and Mary,  
Sr. Maria Immaculata.



*"Tibertius, I baptise thee in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Ghost."  
Anne-Sophie practices an emergency baptism on Tibertius the teddy bear.*



*"Listen, you're driving me crazy. I'm not a taxi, alright?" protests Sr. Maria Immaculata.*