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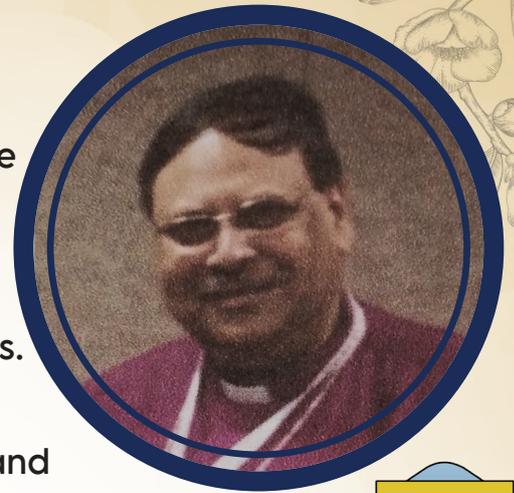
Message

November 20th is an important date as it is the date in 1959 when UN General Assembly adopted the Declaration of the Rights of the Child. It is also the date in 1989 when the UN General Assembly adopted the Convention on the Rights of the Child. Since 1990 World Children's Day also marks the anniversary of the date that the UN General Assembly adopted both the Declaration and the Convention on children's rights.

World Children's Day offers each of us an inspirational entry point to advocate, promote and celebrate children's rights, translating into dialogues and actions that will build a better world for children.

The Bible describes children as a precious gift and heritage from God (Psalm 127:3), emphasizing their value and the importance of welcoming them (Matthew 18:3-5). Children are taught to obey their parents (Colossians 3:20), while parents are commanded to raise them in the instruction of the Lord, not exasperate them (Ephesians 6:4). The Bible also highlights children's spiritual potential, showing that the Kingdom of Heaven belongs to those who have a childlike attitude (Matthew 18:3) and that God has a plan for each child even before birth (Jeremiah 1:5).

-The Rt. Revd. Dr. Probal Kanto Dutta



Children Bible Camp



In India October is the month of celebration for the majority faith groups. Ten days of celebration marks with streets being lit with colorful lights, images of goddess and decorative tents. People move around the streets doing tent hopping and eating outside at different restaurants.

The Anglican Church of West Bengal organized children Bible Camp for the children of the St. Michael's Safe house and children from St. Thomas Church, Kalikapur from 29th September to 2nd October 2025. Fifty children attend this Bible Camp.

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Every day the camp started with singing and worship. There were storytelling, handwork, dance and good food. The whole children Bible Camp was conducted by the Daughters of the King, St. Thomas Chapter.

The theme of the camp was "Fruits of the Spirit".



New church building at Anantapur



Four months ago, sixty tribal people joined the Anglican Church of West Bengal. These tribal people have been worshipping for the last five years under a mud thatched house. During rainy season they stop having any church service, as rains pour down the thatched roof. These sixty tribal people approached the Anglican Church of West Bengal expressing their willingness to join the church. The leadership of the Anglican Church received them.

The Anglican Church of West Bengal is now starting to build a new church building for these people to worship. The work of the building is in progress.

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Jesus raised me up from the dust

Being born as a girl is a sin in the tribal community. My father died and my mother left me and went and married another man. In my village I was left literary on the street, without any food or shelter. As a young girl of six years, people in my village gave me food and a cow shed where I slept the night.

In my village there was a lady who expressed her compassion on me and took me to a new home called St. Michael's Safe house. I started living a new live. The Safe house put me to a local school, gave me food, clothing and shelter. Today I am sixteen years of age and will be writing my first Board exams in January 2026.

I am indebted to Ms. Jasmina Kerkata, the secretary of the Daughters of the King, St. Thomas Chapter who gave me this new life. I also thank Jesus who raised me up from the dust. My name is Muskan.



St. John's school extension building



The extension work for the new St. John's school building has been completed. We praise God that in spite of the bad weather, the builders were able to finish it in time. The electrification work will start soon after the painting of the school dries up. Now the school can accommodate more children.

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Lay theology course for Catechists



Every month the training for the Catechists is going on. Bishop Brojen Malakar comes and gives the courses for three days in a month. Now the Catechists have started reading Bible in English. These Catechists are of great help in the ministry of the Anglican Church of West Bengal.



Pray For

Please pray for the Mission Team from Church of the Holy Cross, Sullivan Island U.S.A coming on 24 January 2026. Especially for the Medical mission programme.



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UPCOMING DATES & EVENTS

1 st November 2025	All Saints Day service
2 nd November 2025	All Souls Day service at the cemetery Home Festival inaugural service
14 th November 2025	Children Day celebration at St. John's School
14 th to 16 th November 2025	Lay theology course
16 th November 2025	Mission Sunday

Every Thursday Home Festival in different houses.
Every Thursday and Saturday the Eye Clinic is open.
Healing prayer every evening at 6 p.m. onwards.