

Provincial Desk November 2025 **Provincial Desk**

HOPE AND HEALING IN THE ADVENT LIGHT



We enter this sacred season of Advent with joyful expectation as we move toward the celebration of Christmas. I take this opportunity to greet each one of you with a heart full of gratitude for the blessings we have received in our Province and in the Congregation throughout the year 2025.

During my Canonical visitations to Spiritan parishes, schools, formation houses, missions, and administrative communities, I witnessed firsthand the passion, sacrifice, commitment, and resilience you bring to your ministry. Even amid illness or personal struggle, your witness has continued to give life to our Province, to the Church in Tanzania, and to the Congregation as a whole. May this holy season bring you renewal, peace, and the courage to continue walking faithfully in the Spiritan way.

Advent invites us to hope, to watchfulness, and to trust in God's faithfulness and providence. It is also a personal invitation: to slow down, to listen, and to prepare our hearts for the Lord who comes to renew our lives and rekindle our zeal for mission.

For us Spiritans, Advent speaks directly to our charism; a deep commitment to serving the poorest, the marginalized, and the forgotten. We are called, in humility and docility to the Holy Spirit, to walk with those who wait, to accompany those who long for God's consolation, and to bring light to places overshadowed by hardship and discouragement. Today, this mission is needed more than ever in Tanzania, a nation that once stood as a beacon of hope for many around the world.

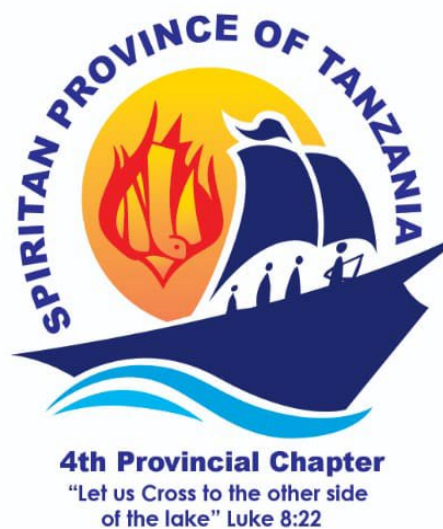
As we recall the painful events of 29th October 2025 and the days that followed, when electoral violence disrupted lives and many innocent civilians were reported harmed or killed, we are reminded of how fragile peace can be. These events urge us to cherish peace deeply and recommit ourselves to justice, dialogue, and genuine national reconciliation.

As we approach Christmas, the message of the angels rings with renewed strength: "Glory to God in the highest, and peace on earth." In the humble birth of Christ, God offers us peace instead of violence, joy instead of fear, unity instead of division, and love instead of hatred. Christmas calls each of us, especially those in positions of authority to be bearers of this peace within our nation. May the memory of our struggles strengthen our resolve to help build a more just, peaceful, and prosperous Tanzania, where every person is respected, treated with dignity, and where differences are approached with wisdom.

I sincerely hope and pray that Christmas will bring joy to fulfil these expectations. "The Word becomes flesh and dwells among us." God chose to enter our world not through power or comfort, but through humility, simplicity and unwavering love. Amid the joys and challenges we face as a Province, whether in mission, in community life, or in personal journeys; whether financial or spiritual, may the birth of Christ renew our strength and deepen our trust in God's guiding presence.

Wishing you a blessed Advent and a joyful Christmas filled with healing, peace, and joy.

4th PROVINCIAL CHAPTER LOGO



CONSECRATION OF THE NEW CHURCH AT ST. JUDE THADDEUS PARISH, MTO WA MBU



On 25 October 2025, St. Jude Thaddeus Parish in Mto wa Mbu celebrated a historic and joyful milestone: the consecration of our new church building. Established in 1963 under the guidance of the Spiritans who continue to serve the people of God in Mto wa Mbu with zeal, dedication, and hard work. The parish has grown into a vibrant and faith-filled community.



It was a special day to honor the countless parishioners, Small Christian Communities, apostolic movements, and friends who generously offered their time and resources to bring this sacred project to completion. Their commitment and goodwill have made this beautiful house of God a reality.

As we rejoiced in the consecration of the new church, I felt deep gratitude for everyone who contributed. May God continue to bless our parish and guide us in faith, hope, and love as we serve Him together.

“Unless the Lord builds the house, the builders labor in vain.” Psalm 127:1

Fr Peter Kway, CSSp.
Parish Priest
St. Jude Thaddeus Parish
Mto wa Mbu

FORMATION: PASTORAL MISSIONARY EXPERIENCE (PME)

We are happy to welcome **Brother Pascal Ezeugu** among us. He will soon start learning Kiswahili, after which he will be assigned to a pastoral placement. Karibu!

VACATION

 Fr Honest Munishi

We hope you enjoy time with family and friends.

BIRTHDAYS

DECEMBER		
01	Alphonse	KIMATHY
08	Liberatus	KUNDY
08	Joseph	LEKUNDAYO
10	Joseph	MAHIMBALI
15	Gilbert	TAIRO
18	Emmanuel	CHUWA
22	Batholomew	KWIYEGA
27	Dismas	MASSAWE
28	Kastory	KISUDA

29	Noel	SALEKWA
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NECROLOGY

Joseph	Babu	22 December, 2016
John	Marandu	28 December, 2011

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

SICK CONFRERES

Let us continue to pray for our sick confreres. We thank God that Fr Dan Macha has been discharged from the Aga Khan Hospital in Dar es Salaam. Fr Adam Bago has returned from India, where he had a follow-up appointment regarding his operation.

Let us remain steadfast in prayer, asking the Lord to grant strength and consolation to all our ailing brothers.

CHRISTMAS BREAK

Please be informed that the offices at the Provincialate will be closed from 19 December, 2025, to 05 January, 2026. During this period, our team will be unavailable to attend to any official matters.

Fraternally,



Florentine Mallya, CSSp.
Provincial Superior



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**PRAYER FOR THE 4TH PROVINCIAL
CHAPTER - 2026**

O God, our loving and caring Father, with the life-giving Spirit you sent into the world your only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, our Saviour. In word and deed he has shown us how to always do your will.

We thank you for the gift of our Founders: Claude-Francis Poullart des Places, for his love for you, the most needy students of his time, and for his emphasis on the necessity of community life; and Venerable Francis Libermann, for his missionary action in favour of the most rejected and despised of society.

We Spiritans of the Province of Tanzania are grateful for the many blessings we have received in our Province and in the Congregation as we prepare for the 4th Provincial Chapter.

Fill our hearts and minds with faith, hope and love. Give us the courage to respond to your call to "cross to the other side of the lake"

(Lk 8:22) and to experience something new (cf. Is 43:19). May your Holy Spirit guide us and give us courage to take up new challenges where the need is greatest, in the spirit of synodality and in this Jubilee Year, as pilgrims of hope in your Church.

As we cross to the other side of the lake, let us be open, flexible and available to the Holy Spirit in interpreting the signs of the times, in the words of the Venerable Libermann: "be like a feather in the wind".

May the Blessed Virgin Mary, companion of missionaries, intercede for us and help us to open our hearts to the Holy Spirit, so that he may fill them, possess them and act in them as sovereign Master and Lord - Amen.



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