

Provincial Desk July 2026 **Provincial Desk**

THE FIRST PROVINCIAL COUNCIL MEETING IN-PERSON AND THE FAMILIAZATION TOUR



The Provincial Council meeting took place at Salasala Parish from 17 to 18 July. Prior to the meeting, all members of the Provincial Council/Provincial Leadership Team (PLT) drove to Same Diocese and joined the confreres of the Northern Zone for their zonal meeting, with the exception of the Provincial, who had just arrived in Dar es Salaam from Malawi. After the council meeting, we went on a familiarisation tour through Bagamoyo, Dar es Salaam, Kibaha (Misugusugu), Mlandizi, Morogoro, Dodoma and Manyoni, before returning to Arusha. The purpose of the tour was to see and appreciate the work and projects run by confreres, as some Council members had not previously had the opportunity to visit these sites. It was not a canonical visitation. Along the way, they met with confreres on the ground, and whenever the opportunity arose, they shared meals and moments of fellowship, as was the

case at Salasala, St. Dominico, Mlandizi, Bagamoyo, and Modeco. The PLT members extend their sincere gratitude to the hosting communities and Spiritan friends for their warm hospitality.

Provincial Council: this gathering marked the first time all PLT members met in-person, as the previous meeting was held virtually and, in some ways, limited in scope. Pending issues were addressed, and beyond operational matters, strategic priorities were also put into perspective. The 4th Provincial Chapter Decisions will be rolled out according to priority, mindful of the limited timeframe available. Among the key priorities is the Province's strategic mission plan, and consultancy work toward establishing a Non-Governmental Organisation (NGO) as directed by the Chapter has already begun. The expenses related to relocating the Provincialate remain a major concern, and as promised, a mechanism for financial participation will be announced soon.

PLT members were assigned the following portfolios, each of which also carries the responsibility of community and institutional animation as directed by the Provincial Chapter:

- ✚ **Fr. Evarist Shirima**-Formation
- ✚ **Fr. Victor Ashwa**-Welfare of Confreres
- ✚ **Fr. Elias Ruvahofi**-Education
- ✚ **Fr. Albano Mwombeki**-Justice, Peace, and Integrity of Creation

The Provincial's role continues to encompass overall oversight of the mission and life of the Province, in close collaboration with the other PLT members.

The first meeting in-person allowed the PLT to engage more deeply with both the challenges and the opportunities before the Province. As we embrace a synodal approach to mission and remain open to doing *something new*, the PLT reaffirms its commitment to walking together in faith and service, ready to *cross to the other side of the lake*.

FORMATION

Total number of candidates in formation 2026: **115**

Postulants **12**

1st Cycle Formation

Philosophy **37 (1st year: 9, 2nd year: 12 & 3rd year: 16)**

Novitiate **17 (11 Magamba & 6 Zambia)**

PME **18 (1st year 10: 2 Mozambique, 2 Kenya, 2 South Sudan, 1 Congo Brazzaville, 1 Uganda, 1 Democratic Republic of Congo, 1 France & 2nd year 7: 2 Zimbabwe, 1 Madagascar, 2 Zambia, 2 Ethiopia, 1 Trinidad and Tobago)**

2nd Cycle Formation

Theology **31** (4 Senegal, 1 Brazil, 2 Cameroon, 18 Kenya, 3 Philippines, 2 Nigeria, 1 Trinidad and Tobago)

APPOINTMENTS

August 2026		
From	Name	To
Same: Mgagao Parish	Eric Isdore	Mbeya: Ilomba Parish
Zanzibar: Legezamwendo Parish	Peter Claver Mallya	Same: Mgagao Parish
Moshi: Mbokomu Parish	Festo Urassa	Dar es Salaam : Salasala Parish
Dar es Salaam : Kinzudi Parish	Patience Mugisha	Moshi : Mbokomu Parish
Arusha : VTC	Florian Amani	Dar es Salaam : Kinzudi Parish
Arusha : Tengeru Boys	Modest Pengo	Arusha : Usa Seminary
Arusha : Usa Parish	Victor Byarugaba	Tanga : Mabugai Parish
Arusha : Mto wa Mbu Parish	Innocent Abenawe	Arusha : Usa Parish
Bagamoyo: (Language Course)	Joseph Loc	Arusha : Usa Parish
Bagamoyo : Kerege Parish	Zeno Lelo	Arusha : Mto wa Mbu
Bagamoyo : Kerege Parish	Martin Okoye	Bagamoyo : Kerege Parish
Bagamoyo : Marian Schools	Ezekiel Mrema	Bagamoyo : Kerege Parish
Rome (Specialized Studies)	Noel Salekwa	Arusha : Tengeru Boys
Mission Appointment	Edward Simkonda	Kigoma : Refuge Ministry (Health)
Mission Appointment	Barnabas Kyara	Diocese of Zanzibar

NB: With the exception of certain individual cases, depending on the urgency and/or the wish of a local bishop, the above appointments will take effect from 01 September, 2026.

INVITATION



SHIRIKA LA ROHO MTAKATIFU

CHINI YA ULINZI WA MOYO SAFI WA BIKIRA MARIA
KANDA YA TANZANIA

Shirika la Roho Mtakatifu chini ya Ulinzi wa Moyo Safi wa Bikira Maria,
Kanda ya Tanzania, kwa furaha na heshima kubwa linakualika
kushiriki katika maadhimisho ya Jubilei ya ndugu zao.

Jubilei

YA SHUKRANI NA UTUME

25
Miaka

Miaka ishirini na mitano ya Utawa wa:

- Padre Daniel Kilala, C.S.Sp
- Padre Josaphat Mosha, C.S.Sp

25
Miaka

Miaka ishirini na mitano ya Upadre wa:

- Padre Apolinary Masaki, C.S.Sp
- Padre Pamphilus Ngowi, C.S.Sp

50
Miaka

Miaka hamsini ya Utawa wa:

- Padre Alphonse Kimati, C.S.Sp

Miaka hamsini ya Upadre wa:

- Padre Paul Chuwa, C.S.Sp



ADHIMISHO HILI
litapambwa na
Misa Takatifu,
itakayofanyika



ALHAMISI,
Tarehe
13 AGOSTI, 2026



KUANZIA SAA
NNE KAMILI
ASUBUHI



KATIKA MAKAO MAKUU YA
SHIRIKA LA ROHO MTAKATIFU
TENGERRU, ARUSHA

Karibu tusherehekee pamoja, tumshukuru Mungu kwa zawadi ya maisha yao ya wakfu na huduma ya kipadre.

Wote mnakaribishwa.



Congratulations



Fr. Denis Ziba, CSSp.

We sincerely congratulate our confreres, Frs. Denis Ziba, CSSp., and Noel Salekwa, CSSp., on the successful completion of their studies in Rome. Denis holds a Licentiate in Sociology and Social Doctrine of the Church from the Pontifical Gregorian University, while Noel holds a Master's Degree in Education Management from the Pontifical Salesian University. Both resided at Villa Notre Dame in Rome during their studies.



Fr. Noel Salekwa, CSSp.

BIRTHDAYS

AUGUST		
Philip	MASSAWE	01
Respicius	KWEYAMBA	01
Nicodemus	MASSONG	03
Fulgence	MOSHI	04
Paul	YAGA	14
Zakayo	KIMARO	15
Godfrey	MALIYAMUNGU	15

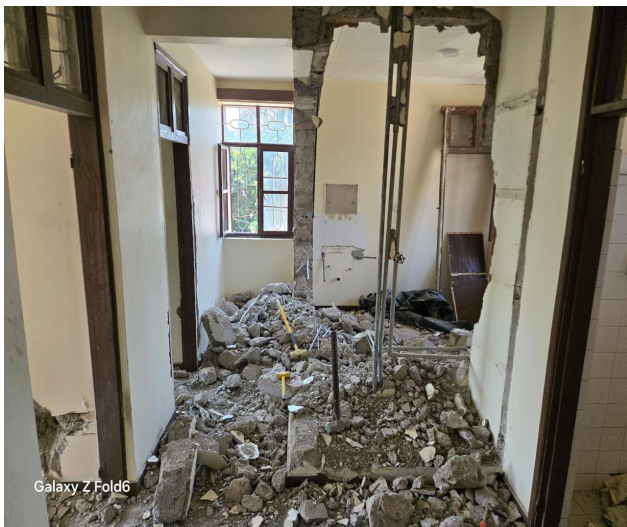
Prince	KIMARO	17
Evarist	SHIRIMA	18
Anno	MASSAWE	18
Arnold	BAIJUKYA	22
January	MKUDE	22
Paul	CHUWA	28

UPDATE



Building on our previous update regarding the work underway at the Provincialate to prepare the space for the ICOF program, we are pleased to report steady progress. By the end of August, the "shell" phase of construction will be completed. The next stage will focus on fixtures and finishing touches: tiles, doors, sanitary ware, kitchen fittings etc.

At the same time, demolition work has just begun at Spiritan House (picture below). This is a delicate and demanding work, requiring great care and precision. We are following the strict guidance of our consultant every step of the way to ensure it is carried out safely and responsibly.



As we move forward, we face both time and financial constraints. While we are working diligently to keep the project on schedule, the financial dimension is one that preoccupies us. This is not a burden for a few to carry alone, it is a shared responsibility, a project that belongs to the whole Province. We are, therefore, making a heartfelt appeal to every confrere and friends of the Province: let us own this project together and support it according to our means.

Every contribution, no matter the size, brings us closer to completing this important undertaking for the ICOF program and for the future of our Province. We count on your generosity and solidarity as we continue this work together.

VACATION

 Fr. Emmanuel Chuwa
 Evarist Shayo

✚ Fr. Zakayo Kimaro

We wish you a happy stay with your family and loved ones



on this link: <https://tanzaniaspiritan.com>

Faternally,



Florentine Mallya, CSSp.
Provincial Superior

