

"Gratefully remembering Fr. Marian Zelazek SVD
on his 10th Death Anniversary "



Ishopanathi Ashram has its origin in the long cherished dream and vision of Fr. Marian Zelazek SVD, a Polish national, who came to India in 1950 with the sole aim of dedicating his life for the poor and the down trodden. He made Puri his home and field of action from 1975 until his death on 30th April 2006. As a result of his experience in the Nazi camp in Dachau, where he was incarcerated for 5 years, he learned to value and cherish life and be compassionate to all, especially those who were suffering. He was short listed for Nobel Peace Prize for his commitment to the poor and the unwanted. He had good rapport with people of all religions and thus was an apostle of interreligious peace and harmony.

Fr. Marian wanted to have in Puri, one of the four 'dhams' of Hinduism, a centre of Indian spirituality and dialogue which would be used for prayer, retreats, interreligious dialogue, seminars, workshops, training programs for spiritual and social action and thus continue to promote harmony among peoples.

Inaugurated by Fr. Marian himself shortly before his death in 2006, this centre is housed in a three floor building with a prayer friendly ambiance and is open round the year to people of all faiths and social strata.

General Information:

- All programmes begin on the evening of the first day (Arrival by 7 PM) and end by 4 PM on the last day.
- All rooms are self-contained with two beds.
- The centre is Wi-Fi enabled.
- Generator facility available with additional charges.

- Lodging and Boarding Rs. 600 per person per day.

Other services offered by the centre:

- Personal counseling and retreat direction all through the year.
- Facilities for individuals and families to spend time in prayer and solitude.
- Be it residential or non-residential, facilities are available for NGOs/Dioceses/Congregations to conduct seminars, workshops, training and retreats, etc.
- Christian Ashram experience could be arranged for foreigners.
- Preparation for first and final vows also provided.

Orientation Program for Students, Staff and Parents

Fr. Joseph Daniel SVD has a post graduate degree in Counseling Psychology and doctorate in Clinical Psychology. He has worked in schools for 20 years and has been principal of two schools. You can contact him personally to organize programs in your place according to the needs of your students, teachers or parents. His mobile number is 8895148284 and his email id is: danrudh@gmail.com

How to reach Ishopanathi Ashram

It is walking distance from Jagannath temple and the sea beach. You can hire auto-rickshaw from the railway station or the main bus stand. They may charge Rs. 150. The distance from the railway station to the ashram is about 5 km. The landmark to reach this place is 'Father School' on Baliapanda road. Ishopanathi Ashram is situated behind 'Father School'. It is also known as 'Father guest house'.

For Inquiry and Registration:

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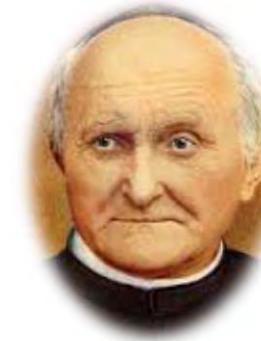
Note:

10% Discount on all the programs (lodging) on two months advance online payment.

ISHOPANTHI ASHRAM

(St. Arnold's Centre for Spirituality, Dialogue & Counseling)

PROGRAMME – 2016



**Baliapanda Road (Behind Father's School)
Puri – 752 001, Odisha**



SPECIAL OFFER

Group Silver & Golden Jubilee celebrations of Religious Vows and Ordinations could be organized with retreat in a conducive atmosphere at very reasonable rates.

Arrangements for sightseeing trips to Konark, Chilka & Bhubaneswar could also be made.

January 30th Birth Anniversary of Fr. Marian Zelazek SVD, Founder of Ishopanathi Ashram

This year being the 10th death anniversary of Fr. Marian, we shall have a special program to commemorate the occasion.

February 26, 27, 28 – Workshop on ‘Strategies for Academic Excellence in Schools’

To improve Academic Excellence, where should we invest our attention, time, and resources? It is not enough to understand how to navigate and lead change, to have the resources to move initiatives forward, and to work extremely hard and be extremely dedicated. Academic Excellence in schools requires us to apply our energy to efforts most likely to result in improved student learning.

This workshop will be very useful for the school heads and teachers in planning to bring academic excellence in their institutions.

Resource Person: Fr. Joseph Daniel SVD
Registration Fee: Rs. 500; Boarding and Lodging: Rs. 1800

March 17, 18, 19 - Workshop on Affective Maturity

Affective maturity is one of the most basic requirements for religious life. Religious life makes extraordinary emotional demands and requires that the individual have strong emotional recourses to endure the stresses of this life. Thus a religious should be mature, well integrated, capable of maintaining good control over her/his feelings and desires, and be able to face conflicts of opposition that comes her/his way.

This workshop will be very useful in attaining affective maturity and thus lead a more fulfilling religious life.

Resource Person: Fr. Joseph Daniel SVD
Registration Fee: Rs. 500; Lodging and Boarding: Rs. 1800

April 30 Tenth Death Anniversary of Fr. Marian.

Interfaith prayer service

June 3, 4, 5 – Seminar for Seminary Formators(Contact person: Fr. Francis Pereira SVD,

Mobile No. 09438678578. Please register before 15th March, 2016). Arrival on 2nd evening or 3rd early morning and departure on 5th evening or 6th early morning.

June 24, 25 – Seminar on ‘Basics of Human Rights’

This seminar will introduce us to the idea of Human Rights. It will also cover some basic civil laws which will be useful in carrying out our mission of serving the poor and the marginalized.

Resource Person: Fr. Timothy Pinto SVD
Registration Fee: Rs. 500; Lodging and Boarding: Rs. 1200

July 15, 16, 17 - Retreat for Couples

Most marriages go through difficult moments too. But learning to pray together can help the couples tide over such difficult moments. This retreat will help participants to strengthen their friendship and deepen their understanding of each other towards a healthy family life.

Resource Person: Fr. Stephen Banjare ss.cc
Registration Fee: Rs. 500; Lodging and Boarding: Rs. 1800 (per person)

August 20, 21 - Seminar on ‘Effectiveness in Apostolate: Familiarity with Human Rights and Indian laws’

This seminar will help us in becoming aware of Fundamental and Human Rights of Citizens, Rights of minorities, Educational Rights of minorities, Rights of women, Sexual Abuse of Children, etc.

Resource Person: Sr. Adv. Jessy Kurian. (She is a practicing advocate in the Supreme Court of India. In 2008 she was appointed as the member of the National Commission for Minority Educational Institutions.)

Registration: Rs. 1000; Lodging & Boarding: Rs. 1200

August 25, 26 - Workshop on ‘Communication for Youth of Today’.

Today the modern media has become a powerful channel of connecting and mobilizing public opinion and drive businesses. This workshop will focus on how the media could be utilized positively for a better leadership and betterment of the society.

Resource Person: Fr. Sunil Damor SVD, Director, Regional Communication Centre (SAVS), Jharsuguda.
Registration Fee: Rs. 200; Course Fee: Rs. 400

September 11-18 -Retreat for women religious on ‘Great women in the Bible’

This retreat is an attempt to look at the great women in Bible who lived their lives as ordinary women but had a fierce determination to make their lives meaningful and fruitful. Like any ordinary woman they knew grief, loss, suffering, stress and death. They are role models for all of us and especially to the women of today.

Preacher: Fr. Joseph Daniel SVD
Registration Fee: Rs. 500; Lodging and Boarding: Rs. 3200

September 23, 24 - Workshop on ‘Uniqueness of Womanhood’

God created women to represent his loving and caring heart. Womanhood is a unique, precious & sublime gift with its natural goodness and divinity. Womanhood is also a beautiful gift to unfold and live. This workshop will help the women to appreciate themselves and to live a better life.

Resource Person: Sr. Madhusmita Behera AASC
Registration: Rs. 500; Boarding and Lodging: Rs. 1200

October - Retreat: ‘An Encounter with Divine Mercy’ - Focus on the Jubilee Year of Mercy (Puja Vacation)

This year has been declared as the ‘Year of extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy’. Pope Francis wants that the jubilee year becomes a time for an

encounter with the mercy of God. He would further like that all, “Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful” (Lk 6:36).

Preacher: Fr. Sundar Tandi SVD
Registration Fee: Rs. 500; Lodging and Boarding: Rs. 3200

November 11, 12 & 13 – Workshop on Basic Counseling Skills

All of us interact with people. Basic counseling skills can help us in being empathic and active listeners in our daily lives to have better and satisfying relationships. This workshop will help the participants acquire some of the basic counseling skills to have better interactions and meaningful conversations.

Resource Person: Fr. Joseph Daniel SVD
Registration Fee: Rs. 500; Boarding and Lodging: Rs. 1800

November 25, 26, 27 - Reclaiming the Purpose and Meaning of Our Christian Vocation.

In the world of digital technology there seems to be disorientation in the purpose and meaning of our vocation. A critical self-evaluation would bring to notice the ‘existential vacuum’ within and a feeling of ‘meaninglessness’ of our lives as consecrated religious. This seminar would aim to reclaim the purpose and meaning of our Christian vocation.

Resource Person: Fr. Alexis Nayak ss.cc (Novice Master, Bhubaneswar)
Registration Fee: Rs. 500; Lodging and Boarding: Rs. 1800

December–2, 3, 4 - Workshop on Emotional Intelligence

Emotional Intelligence is the ability to monitor our own and others’ emotions, and use this information to guide our thinking and behavior accordingly.

This short course will help us to understand our emotions and help us to make proper use of them to make life giving relationships.

Resource person: Fr. Joseph Daniel SVD
Registration Fee: Rs. 500; Lodging & Boarding: Rs. 1800