

Province Assembly, 2025 Session 1: Bridging Cultures and Generations for Mission

A Province Assembly is a Sacred and Grace filled time when the entire Province comes together to deepen its mission focus and strengthen its spiritual and communal bonds, in the spirit of *"Cor Unum Anima Una."*

The Delhi Province held the first Session of the Province Assembly 2025 at Sacred Heart Convent, Amritsar from the evening of 1st June to 4th June based on the theme **"Deepening Relationship with God and others in the Context of Inter-cultural and Inter-generational Dimensions"**. 53 Sisters participated in the first session.



The event opened with a reflective prayer led by Sr. Alice Chauhan and Sr. Elizabeth Kalyan, with the theme **"A Journey of Relationship with God and One Another"**, thus setting the tone and ambience for three fruitful days ahead. That was followed by the lamp-lighting ceremony invoking the Holy Spirit to be with us. Thereafter, Sr. Lucy Emmanuel, the Provincial, warmly welcomed everyone and introduced the resource person, Rev. Fr. Soosai Mani, SJ, the Provincial of Delhi Jesuits.



Fr. Soosai proved to be an ideal guide—wise, humble, and deeply spiritual. Over the three days, he led us through reflections that touched all the dimensions of our being~ the body, mind and

soul. His sessions explored mission, intercultural dynamics, emotional, spiritual and mental health.

The theme “**Inter-culturality and Inter - Generational Gap**” was thoughtfully woven into every aspect of the assembly. Each day began with a guided meditation, opening us to self-awareness and spiritual depth. We were invited to look deeply into the real-life challenges and opportunities within our communities—differences in age, culture, values, and personal experiences.

Fr. Soosai emphasized active listening, empathy, and communal discernment through spiritual conversation. His insights helped us to reflect on our own attitudes, recognize tensions that arise when Inter-culturality and Inter - Generational Gap go unaddressed, and celebrate the richness that each generation and culture brings to our mission.

The atmosphere throughout was one of grace and everybody seemed to have experienced these three days of the Province Assembly as a time of an inward journey, and a journey into the life of our Province at this juncture of our history. The assembly concluded with the celebration of a thanksgiving Holy Eucharist on 4th June. It was indeed a time to express our gratitude to God for the manifold blessings He has showered upon each one of us and a time to re-live the accompanying presence of the Lord we experienced throughout the Assembly. We acknowledge with grateful hearts the services rendered by Sr. Rose Joseph and the community, particularly Sr. Rajam Arockiam for providing us with good food. We appreciate their warm hospitality and all the arrangements made for our pleasant and comfortable stay.



We are grateful to Sr. Lucy Emmanuel and the Provincial Team for their meticulous planning and execution of all that was planned the best way possible. Thanks to all the Sisters who stepped in to ensure the smooth running of the assembly in the absence of Sr. Teresa Thomas. This coming together was an experience of the ‘Cor Unum Anima Una’ and the participants felt renewed in spirit, ready to continue their mission with greater love and understanding.

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