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A Tribute to our Alumni



RELIGIOUS LEADER

MSGR. JOSEPH VILANGADEN

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Msgr. Joseph was the backsculptor of many charity institutions initiated in collaboration with Mar Joseph Kundukulam in the Archdiocese of Thrissur. His services for the poor and abandoned were recognized at the national and international level. He always kept a

distance from fame and power, and he was an exemplary priest. He started the houses for the unmarried mothers and for the orphan children and also for the AIDS patients. Thousands of poor and needy people were provided with all the conveniences in these institutions.

He hails from Thrippunithura. He was born on 18 August, 1926 as the son of Vilangaden Ulahannan and Annamma. His intermediate study was in St. Thomas College from 1942 to 1944. His priestly formation was done at St. Mary's Minor Seminary, Thrissur and in Propaganda Seminary, Rome. He was ordained as a priest on 7th December, 1954. He was awarded Ph.D. in Canon Law from Rome. He was an expert in English, Italian, Latin, German and French.

He worked for long term as the secretary to Mar George Alappatt and Mar Joseph Kundukulam. He was the co-founder of the *Congregation of 'Nirmaladasi Sisters' along with Mar Joseph Kundukulam. He was an advisory board member of the Eastern Churches and was the Chancellor of the Archdiocese of Thrissur. Pope St. John Paul II honored him with the title of Monsignor on 7 May, 1992. He died on 9 October, 2011 at the age of 85.



* Nirmaladasi Convent, Mulanur