

## BARRACKPORE DIOCESAN REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF JUNE 2025

### The Confirmation service at Metiabruz Pastorate



On the 15<sup>th</sup> June, the holy Confirmation Service was held at the Budge Budge CNI Church under the Metiabruz Pastorate. The Honourable Bishop Conduct the Lord's Supper and by giving spiritual advice, he urged the candidates present to develop themselves as honest and true children of Christ in the coming days and to involve themselves in the development of the diocese as worthy member of the diocese. 22 people were Confirmed . Diocesan Secretray Mr. Sukalyan Halder was present. The service was conducted by Reverend Subrata Mallick.

### Confirmation Service at Shikarpur Pastorate



On Sunday, the 22<sup>nd</sup> June, a holy Confirmation service was held at Christ Church, under Shikarpur Pastorate. The Honorable Bishop of Barrackpore Diocese, Rt. Rev. Subrata Chakrabarty, preached the Lord's word in the Holy Mass and He examined the preparatory phase of the candidates for confirmation and urged them to participate in the overall development and service of the diocese as trustworthy and worthy member of the diocese in the coming days. A total of 14 people were confirmed that day, including 7 young men and 5 young women, and 2 candidates from the Chapra Pastorate. The service was conducted by Reverend Shanto Bar.

### Bishop Chakrabarty Cricket Coaching Center

A new jewel has been added to the crown of development of the Barrackpore Diocese. On the 21<sup>st</sup> June, the "Bishop Chakrabarty Cricket Coaching Centre" was inaugurated at Christ Church Secondary School (Co-Ed) in



Nadia district. The inauguration ceremony was held in a grand ceremony. The Honorable Bishop offered the opening prayer and then lit the lamp. Then the flag was hoisted. The Honorable Bishop and other guests were honored and welcomed by the School Authority. The Honorable Bishop, through his brief and valuable speech, expressed that, this cricket coaching Centre will be helpful

for the local cricket community to develop and help them build their careers in the future. He then went to the main cricket pitch and inaugurated it by cutting the ribbon. Then, at the request of everyone, the Honorable Bishop started the game by batting. The Honorable Bishop praised and congratulated the current Secretary of the School, Reverend Sujoy Kumar Biswas, for the entire management. The top leadership of the diocese, school teachers and staff, students, and parents were present.

## One-day Children's conference



On May 31<sup>st</sup>, a one-day children's conference was held at the Kerry Hall of St. Stephen's School, Dumdum, organized by the Sunday School of Dum Dum Pastorate, in the presence of 217 students and teachers from 10 pastorates in the Barrackpore and Keorapukur regions. The theme was 'God is the

potter, we are the soil'. The conference was inaugurated by Diocesan Vice-President Reverend Dr. Surajit Sarkar, Diocesan Secretary Sukalyan Halder. Reverend Soumen Mondal, Reverend Arvind Mondal were present as speakers. Quiz competition, magic show, music and dance performances, cultural programs were held. The entire program was conducted by Mrs. Tanushree Halder.

## Saint Peter's Day Celebration



St. Peter's Day was celebrated with sacredness and reverence at Baruipur Pastorate and Gangrai Pastorate by the initiative of the Honorable Bishop. On the 29<sup>th</sup> June, the Honourable Bishop first conducted the Lord's Supper service at 7 am on the occasion of the 180<sup>th</sup> foundation day of St. Peter's Church, Baruipur. The Honourable Bishop spiritually inspired all the

worshippers by giving beautiful sermons on the life of Saint Peter. The guests present were felicitated by the congregation. After the worship, a cake was cut. Nine students who excelled in the Secondary, Higher Secondary, ICSE, and ISC examinations were felicitated. They were given certificates and gifts. The Sunday School, Women's Association presented a Christian cultural program. The program ended after lunch. Also on that day, St. Peter's Day was celebrated at St. Peter's Church, Jonepur, Kanchrapara Pastorate, and the Honorable Bishop was present.

## 4th Annual revival Meeting at Gosaba Pastorate



On the occasion of the Holy Pentecost Day 2025, on Sunday, June 8<sup>th</sup>, this year too, like every year, the Gosaba Pastorate's Revival Meeting Committee organized the fourth annual all-night Revival Meeting at St. Andrew's Church under the Gosaba Pastorate. The event will begin at 4:00 PM on Sunday, June 8, 2025, and will continue until lunch

on the next day, June 9, 2025. The meeting began auspiciously with the hoisting of the flag by our Honorable Bishop Subrata Chakrabarty, Vice President of the Diocese, Reverend Dr. Surajit Sarkar, Diocesan Secretary Mr. Sukalyan Halder and other dignitaries. Then, through a procession accompanied by singing, the message of the boundless love of Lord Jesus was conveyed to all the villagers. The meeting was inaugurated by the lighting of the lamp by His Excellency the Bishop and other dignitaries. The Honourable Bishop and priests inspired all the devotees with the living words of the Lord and at midnight, Mr. Param Bhattacharya inspired all the people spiritually through his living testimony, songs and preaching. Palakirtan was performed at night. In the morning, the Honourable Bishop preached the word of the Lord and inspired all the people in spirit through the offering of the Lord's Supper. Christian preaching and programs were held. The meeting was declared over with special songs and prayers by Shri Param Bhattacharya. About 900 devotees from Gosaba and other parts of the diocese attended the meeting. All the faithful reported that they were all inspired by the Spirit of God by this meeting led by our Honourable Bishop. The entire Revival Meeting was conducted by Presbyter In-charge Reverend Biswarup Chatterjee.

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