Barrackpore Diocesan Report for the Month of January 2025

Closing ceremony of Gosaba fair and inauguration of Gosaba St. Stephen's School



His Excellency Bishop attended the closing ceremony of the Christmas Fair held at Gosaba Pastorate and delivered a relevant speech and inaugurate the St. School, Gosaba Stephen's (English Medium) on 2nd January. Reverend Dr. Surjit Sarkar, Vice President of the Diocese was present there. and Diocesan Secretary Mr. Sukalyan Halder, GBFB Secretary Mr. Manjur Halder were also present. Honorable Bishop and other guests were felicitated by Christmas Fair Committee.



New church building at Choradakatiya



Under the leadership of Hon'ble Bishop Subrata Chakraborty and Diocesan Secretary Sukalyan Halder, overall development is going on at every level around the Diocese. Choradakatiya Epiphany Church under Basanti Pastorate: After its establishment on 6th January 1953, the number of parishioners in this church increased, and to repair the dilapidated state of the church, at the request of the church members, third time the old church was demolished and the new construction of the church was completed with a new boundary wall by the joint Donation of Church Members and Diocese (Mostly). And on 7th January, the newly built church was dedicated by Bishop Subrata Chakraborty. Bishop Dr. Parotosh Canning , of Calcutta Diocese and Diocesan Secretary and other ledaders



3rd year thanksgiving service at St. Peter's Church Talpukur under Gangrai Pastorate

A special thanksgiving service was organized on behalf of the Gangrai Pastorate Committee at Saint Peter's Church at Talpukur on the occasion of the completion of 3rd year Bishopric of Hon'ble Bishop Subrata Chakrabrty on 23rd January. Diocesan Secretary Sukalyan Halder was present. Greetings and gifts from many devotees were handed over to the honorable bishop.



3rd Year Christian revival Meeting, at Kanchrapara

Last 28th and 29th January 2025, Tuesday and Wednesday, the third annual Christian revival meeting was held at Kanchrapara Dangapara Immanuel Church. Honourable Bishop Dr. Paritosh Canning and Bishop Subrata Chakraborty were present. Hon'ble Bishop Subrata Chakraborty offered the opening prayer and the two bishops started the meeting by hoisting the flag. After this, Nagar Kirtan is performed and the main function of the meeting begins after returning to the main meeting stage. The opening Christian dance was performed. All Bishops and Priests were honoured by the organising Committee. Honourable Bishop Dr. Paritosh Canning of Calcutta Diocese gave the opening sermon. Pastor Vijay Nadar and Vijay Shaw, Diocesan Secretary Suklyan Halder, Pastor Dilip Jana and many others were present. Bishop Subrata Chakrabarty offered the Lord's Supper on Wednesday morning. Bishop David Roy of Dooars Diocese was present.





Annual Sports meet at SSS Dum Dum and SSS Habra

Hon'ble Bishop Subrata Chakraborty is always active and physically present in the overall development of the schools of the Diocese. On the last 27th January, the annual sports day of Saint Stephen's School Dumdum was organized in the ground of Dumdum St. Stephen's School. The chief guest on this occasion was the Bishop of Calcutta Diocese, Dr. Paritosh Canning and was accompanied by the Bishop of our Diocese. Both hoisted the flag at 10 am and then lighting the ceremonial torch to inaugurate the sports. Diocesan Secretary Mr. Sukalyan Halder and other Diocese leaders were present.

And Last 28th January was a memorable moment in the life of Habra St. Stephen's School as the school's Annual Sports Meet 2025 was held on the grounds of the school compound. The sports competition was auspiciously started by lighting the ceremonial torch with prayers and blessings by Hon'ble Bishop Subrata Chakraborty and he hoisted the flag and gave a very encouraging speech to encourage the contestants. The sports competition was a completed successfully under the good management of school principal Hirak kumar Mandal.

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