

## **CURRICULUM VITAE**

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### **PERMANENT ADDRESS:**

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## **EDUCATIONAL QUALIFICATIONS**

### **SECULAR DEGREES:**

1. S.S.L.C. from the Department of General Education, Government of Kerala (1989).
2. P.D.C. (Pre-Degree Course) from Mahatma Gandhi (M.G.) University (1990 – 1992).
3. B. A. (Bachelors Degree in English Literature-Undergraduate) from M.G. University (1997 – 2000).
4. M. A. (Masters Degree in English Literature-Graduate) from Madras University (2004 – 2005).
5. M.A. (Graduate Degree in Philosophy Major) from Boston College (2006-2011).
6. Ph.D. (in Philosophy) from Boston College (2013)

**ECCLESIASTICAL:**

1. B. Ph. (Bachelor of Philosophy-Undergraduate) from *Darsana* Institute of Philosophy –An Extension Centre of DVK – *Dharmaram Vidya Kshetram* (A Pontifical Athenaeum of Philosophy, Theology and Canon Law) in the Year 1996 – 1997.
2. M. Ph. (Master of Philosophy - Graduate) from DVK (1998 – 1999).
3. B. Th. (Bachelor of Theology - Undergraduate) from DVK (2001 – 2004).

**TEACHING EXPERIENCE:**

1. One year of teaching in the Marigiri Public School (CBSE – English Medium) – 2000.
2. In the year 2004, Jan. 1 to 2005 December I had been lecturing in the Philosophy Faculty of DVK, engaging classes mainly for Logic, Existentialism and Phenomenology).
3. From 2009 to 2013 I had been a Teaching Fellow in the Boston College, Massachusetts, USA.
4. In the year 2013 June to 2015 December I was was teaching as an assistant professor at Dharmaram Viday Kshetram in the Faculty of Philosophy and as a lecturer in the Department of Philosophy at Christ University.
5. From 2016 June to 2020 I had been teaching in the national seminary of Namibia, Southern Africa.
6. Since 2020 December 8 I have been teaching as Assistant Professor at Mary Matha College.

**FIELD EXPERIENCE:**

1. Relief work in Gujarat (One of the Northern States in India) which was badly affected by the earth quake.
2. Occasional assistance to various groups in leadership and animation.
3. I had been helping as the Asst. Parish Priest in the St. Thomas Forane Church in the *Dharmaram* Campus till the time I left India on may, 2006.
4. I preach retreats in English and in my mother tongue (Malayalam) to various communities and groups.
5. I used to engage classes for youth groups and offered Marriage Preparation Courses for the young couples preparing for marriage.
6. Since May, 2006 I have been traveling around USA for almost two months, preaching the Word of God. And at present, I am working in Holy Rosary Church, Winthrop, as an associate priest.

7. I took part in the Homeless Ministry of the Parish and go out to the street on Saturdays, especially to the Boston Square and Pine Street for distributing food and clothing to the poor. And I do take care of their Pastoral needs too.
8. Since 2006 I have been Associate Priest and resident of Holy Rosary Church in Winthrop, East Boston, MA, USA.
9. Eventually in 2013 I was appointed as a lecturer of DVK, Faculty of Philosophy and also of Department of Philosophy Christ University.
10. Simultaneously in 2013 I was also serving as the Parish Priest of St. Jude Church, Udayanagar, K. R. Puram, Bengaluru.
11. In the year 2015 December I was asked to be lecturer in the English Department of Mary Matha College. I also became the Director of the newly started M.Phil Programme in English.

#### **M.Ph. (MASTER OF PHILOSOPHY- GRADUATE) THESIS:**

1. TITLE: REALISM REVISITED
2. Content: *Realism Revisited: A Contemporary Understanding of Thomistic Epistemology*
3. Special Focus: Critical Realism of Jacques Maritain.

#### **Ph. D: Doctoral Dissertation:**

**Title:** *The Metaphysics of Diversity and Authenticity: A Comparative Reading of Taylor and Gandhi on Holistic Identity.*

**Special Focus:** The Interplay of Religion, Politics and Ethics in a 'Secular Age.'

#### **PUBLICATIONS:**

##### **Book:**

1. *Dialectics of Religion, Politics, and Ethics: A Re-reading of Gandhi Through the Intellectual Frames of Taylor* (Bangalore: Dharmaram Publications, 2014).

Articles:

1. "Amritanandamayi: An Embodiment of the 'Embracing' Sainthood" in *Journal of Dharma* Vol. XXIX, NO. 3, namely July – September, 2004.
2. "Dialectics of Politics and Ethics in Taylor and Gandhi: Connections, Dilemmas and Convergences" in *Journal of Dharma, 2014*

**LANGUAGE PROFICIENCY:**

1. English – Acquired both Bachelors and Masters Degrees
2. Latin – Preliminary Lessons in the Seminary formation
3. Malayalam is my mother Tongue spoken in Kerala, a Southern State in India.
4. German – Completed Two Courses from the Max Mueller *Bhavans* of Bangalore and Pune, and also attended another course of 150 hours in Kochi, Kerala, under an expert in the field.
5. Greek – Attended a course as a part of my theological studies.
6. Syriac – Attended classes for a year as a part of my seminary formation.

**Papers Presented:**

1. *Dialectics of Politics and Ethics in Taylor and Gandhi: Connections, Dilemmas and Convergences* presented for the One-Day National Workshop on "Politics and Ethics" Conducted on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> September, 2013 at DVK, Bengaluru.
2. *Ethical Horizons and Authentic Identity: A Taylolean Perspective* presented at the Inter-National seminar on *Bounds of Ethics* on January 07, 2014, at Christ University, Bengaluru.
3. *Evolution of Secularism and Its Impact on the Conditions of Religion: A Taylolean Perspective* presented in the international seminar "Interface of Secular and Sacred: A Conference Investigating the Interface of Religion with Literature, Media, Ethics, Law, Economics, Politics, Science and Philosophy" to celebrate the Ruby Jubilee of Journal of Dharma on January 4-7, 2015 at DVK Research Centre, Bengaluru
4. Keynote Address for the Christ University UN Program conducted for the National PU Student Representatives at JBC Auditorium, DVK, Bengaluru.
5. Christmas Message was delivered to the Christ Engineering Students Kengeri Campus on December 19, 2015, Bengaluru.

6. *Harmony of Being and Holism of Knowing: A Paradigm of Christian Leadership for our Religious Tradition* presented in the national seminar “Christian Leadership in Brining Religious Tradition in India,” conducted by Christ University on February 19-20, 2015, Bengaluru.

**Sections Moderated:**

1. National Symposium on *St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara and His Contributions for Social Equity of People on the Margins* Conducted on December 12-13, 2014 at PKM Auditorium, Bengaluru.
2. Doctoral student’s seminar of Christ University moderated a summary presentation of the Doctoral Thesis of Dr. Kurian George and delivered a presidential address, at the Christ University Research Centre, Bengaluru.
3. General Panel session in Christ University in the national seminar “Christian Leadership in Brining Religious Tradition in India,” conducted by Christ University on February 19-20, 2015.
4. A Session moderated for the One-Day National Workshop on “Environment and Philosophy” on Friday, 21 November 2014 at PKM Auditorium, DVK Research Centre, Bangalore.
5. A session moderated for the Paul Wiegelman Annual Lectures on Environmental Studies 2014-2015 on “Listen to the River” by Rev. Dr. J. Prasant Palakkappillil CMI conducted on December 17-18, 2014 at PKM Auditorium, DVK Research Centre, Bengaluru.

**Participation in Seminars:**

1. “Interface of Secular and Sacred: A Conference Investigating the Interface of Religion with Literature, Media, Ethics, Law, Economics, Politics, Science and Philosophy” to celebrate the Ruby Jubilee of Journal of Dharma on January 4-7, 2015 at DVK Research Centre.
2. National Symposium on *St. Kuriakose Elias Chavara and His Contributions for Social Equity of People on the Margins* Conducted on December 12-13, 2014.
3. One-Day National Workshop on “Environment and Philosophy” on Friday, 21 November 2014 at PKM Auditorium, DVK Research Centre, Bangalore.
4. One-Day Seminar on “Fr. Canisius CMI Endowment Lectures 2014-2015: Christian Life in India in the Light of Vatican Council II” by Prof. Dr. Thomas Kochumuttom CMI, Conducted on Thursday, 8 January 2015 at the Multimedia Hall DVK, Central Library.

**Officers/Positions:**

1. Associate Director: CSWR (Centre for the Study of World Religions)
2. Review Editor: Journal of Dharma (Philosophy Quarterly Journal)
3. Lecturer: Faculty of Philosophy DVK and Department of Philosophy Christ University
4. Parish Priest: St. Jude Church, Udayanagar
5. Director of M.Phil. Programme in English at Mary Matha College.
6. Lecturer, Dean and Administrator of St. Charles Lwanga national Seminary at Namibia.
7. HoD of the Department of English (2020), Mary Matha College.
8. Vice-Principal and Academic Coordinator (2020), Mary Matha College.

I hereby certify that the information given above is true to the best of my knowledge.

**Yours truly,**

**Dr. Joshy Varghese Paramthottu, CMI**

*Mary Matha College  
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