



Solemn Profession of Religious Vows Brother Vinod Angadathu George, Sch.P. Saint Helena's Church, Bronx, NY February 20, 2017

Father Pedro Aguado, Sch.P., who is our Superior General, received the solemn profession of religious vows from Brother Vinod Angadathu George, Sch.P. at Saint Helena's Church in the Bronx, NY on February 20, 2017. The Mass was con-celebrated by other Piarists from our Province and from throughout the world and other diocesan and religious order priests. In addition, seminarians from our Province and from Saint Joseph's Seminary and College participated in the ceremony. After the Mass, our Piarist Community in the Bronx hosted a luncheon for about two hundred fifty guests in the school's gymnasium.

Brother Vinod was born on January 1, 1985 in Kollam, which is located in the southern part of Kerala, India. He is the youngest of three children of George Sebastian and Daisy George (deceased). He had a wish to become a priest even in his earliest years.

Brother Vinod did his elementary studies at Saint Margaret's L.P. School (1990-1994) and his middle school and junior high school studies at Saint Antony's H.S.S. (1994-2000). They are both located in Kerala.

He joined the Piarist Fathers in Aroor, India in June 2000. He did his senior high school studies at Saint Augustine's H.S.S. (2001-2003) in Aroor. He studied at Saint Albert's College (2003-2006) in Kerala. There he earned a degree in Botany.

Brother Vinod entered the pre-novitiate of the Piarist Fathers in June 2005 in Kerala. A year later, he entered the novitiate in Cebu, Philippines. He professed his simple (temporary) vows in May 2007. On that occasion, he chose his religious name, Vinod Angadathu George of Saint Rita of Cascia. His home parish in Kollam is dedicated to her.

After his profession, he returned to India for further studies. He earned a bachelor's degree in Philosophy from Kristu Jyoti College in Bangalore, India in 2009.

For various reasons, he lived outside of our Order for a period of time. He completed a master's degree in Botany from Fatima Mata National College in Kerala in 2011.

Brother Vinod returned to our Order on January 1, 2013. He was sent for a period of five months to our juniorate in Bamenda, Cameroon. There, he again professed his simple vows on April 18, 2013. One month after returning to India, his mother, Daisy, passed away after a lengthy illness.

On September 1, 2013, Brother Vinod arrived in the United States. He is now in his third year of theology studies at Saint Joseph's Seminary and College in Yonkers, NY.

The Piarists of the Province of the United States and Puerto Rico congratulate our brother on the occasion of his solemn profession. We offer our prayers for him as he begins a new stage in his life as a religious in our Order.





