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Dear Fathers,

Our annual retreat is coming. The retreat should be the most important event for us during the year. It is a time to reflect on how effective our apostolate has been in the eyes of God and gather strength and courage to carry on with our priestly duties in the midst of so many temptations and obstacles.

Making a spiritual retreat is an obligation by Can. 276/5.

This year our annual priest's retreat is in two batches. The first batch is at **St. Francis' Monastery, Barlowganj, Mussoorie – 24 to 29<sup>th</sup> September 2023** and the second batch is at **Pilgrim Home, Sardhana – 01 to 06 October 2023**.

The Preacher is **Rev. Fr. Bineesh John Masias., OP – Director, Satyagiri Dominican Retreat Centre, Igatpuri, Dist. Nasik, Maharashtra.**

The religious priests of the diocese are welcome to attend the retreat. They shall kindly inform Rev. Fr. Jojo Kurian OFM Cap if they are joining the first batch and Rev. Fr. Packianathan for the second batch.

Please note that annual retreat is a must for all the priests of the diocese even if they made a retreat or planning to make one elsewhere because during the retreat we priests come together as a family to pray, to listen and to be renewed in the Spirit. So I request all of you not only to make necessary arrangements to come for this retreat but also to pray for the renewal of the *Presbyterium*.

With prayerful wishes,

Yours in Jesus

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Encl.: Batch wise list of priests attending retreat

CC: Religious houses for information and prayers.

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