

Festival of St. Anthony at Singamparai



The band warms up for the big night.



The houses of the faithful are blessed every year in the village of Singamparai as part of the festival.



The statues of the Madonna & Child, St. Anthony & the Infant Jesus and The Guardian Angel on the decorated carriage.



The illuminated Chapel of St. Anthony.



There were ten First Holy Communions on the last night of the festival.

■ 22nd July—3rd August. Many chapels in Tamil Nadu honour their patron saints by a festival lasting 13 days. The start of the festival is marked by the raising of a flag on a decorated flag pole. The

climax is the procession of the Blessed Sacrament followed by the pulling of a decorated carriage through all the streets of the village. The festival is closed by lowering the flag and endless fireworks.



Ave Verum Corpus Natum de Maria Virgine.

The procession of the Blessed Sacrament paused at three altars of repose in the village.