

## Holy Trinity Priory, Palayamkottai



*“So Father,” says Fr. Pfluger nodding his head, “this is where you spend your free time. It is a good thing that no one is here to see me in this hat...it is very embarrassing.”*

▪ 12th December: Fr. du Chalard of the priory of Montalenghe, Italy returned home after a two week visit to see the Consoling Sisters and the orphanage. Fr. du Chalard is the protector and spiritual father of the community.

▪ 25th December: Christmas Day was

a time of great happiness. As a special treat, a large roast chicken dinner was prepared for the evening meal. Regrettably, the oven died at a critical moment so we ate boiled vegetables instead. It was a day of many graces.

▪ 27th December: The priory and



*A most implausible group photograph of some boys constructing the outdoor crib before Christmas.*



*The beautiful pilgrim statue of Our Lady of Fatima leads the procession over the dusty ground of Southern India, past Hindu temples and through the streets of Palayamkottai as the faithful sings the rosary and hymns to Our blessed Mother.*

orphanage went to the seaside and stopped by St. Thomas' Chapel in Nagercoil where the girls sang Christmas Carols for the faithful in the 27°C evening heat.

▪ 15th January: Fr. Niklaus Pfluger, the First Assistant to the Superior General stopped by for three day visit to the mission and to preach a retreat to seven