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In his spiritual classic *The Eternal Priesthood*, Cardinal Manning writes that a special relation exists between the priest and every soul under his care. Glancing through the registers, at Palyamkottai, it is clear that Fr. Francis has formed many such relationships. He has hunted souls throughout the length and breadth of the subcontinent —may they redound to his eternal glory.



Fr. Francis has left behind a considerable material patrimony too; he has either wholly or in part designed and built the chapels at Christurajapuram, Palayamkottai, Nagercoil, Trichy and Chennai together with diverse smaller extensions and modifications.

Like many great artists, however, he laments the limitations imposed upon him by "unimaginative, calculating administrators" two of his biggest projects went up in smoke.



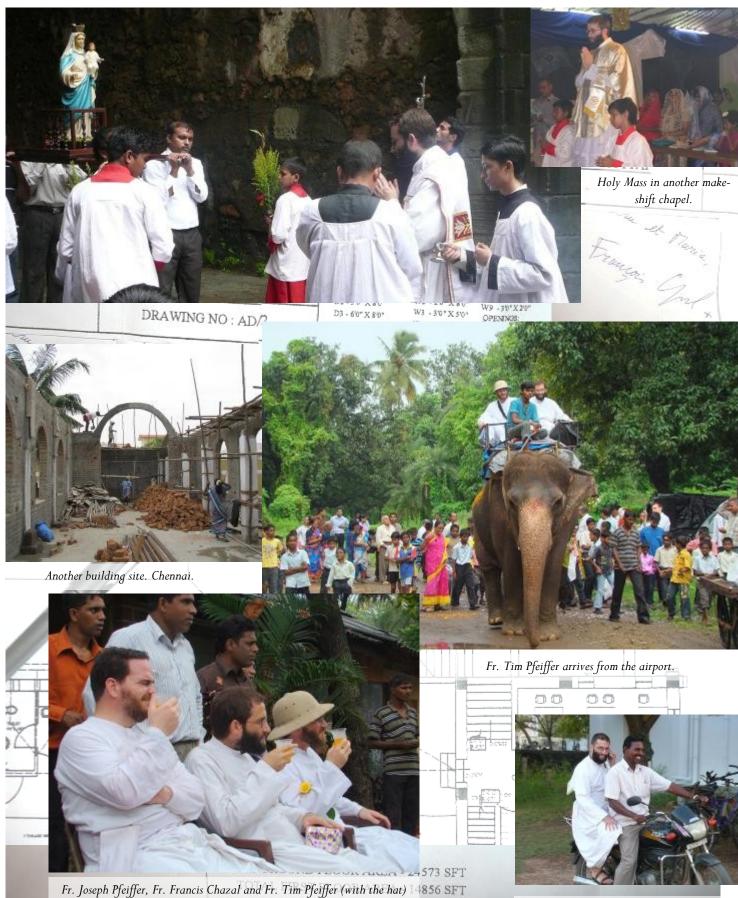
The solemn moment of putting the marriage chain around the neck of the bride.



So what's Confirmation?.

Fr. Francis the stoic. Another masterful project goes up in smoke. Burn the administrators instead!

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restrain their tears as they listen to a farewell speech. . Time to go, 2009. « Maman, I'm on my way...escargots, steak au poivre and a bottle of

the Chateauneuf. Merci! »