

DON BOSCO EMBU NEWS

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This first issue of Don Bosco Embu News is dedicated to the Late Fr. Mathew Puthumana SDB

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THE STERLING TRUST OF MZEE JASANI SUPPORTS EMBU



The late Mzee Jasani's name is not a strange one in our Don

Bosco communities. The late Mzee Jasani founded the Sterling Trust and the eminent Trustees are Mr. Bharat Thaker and Mr. Shashi Shah.

Don Bosco Embu has been blessed to get the support from the Sterling Trust for the several activities of the community.

The Sterling Trust has supported us to purchase timber worth K. Sh. 3 million as a shot in the arm for our Carpentry workshop.

The Sterling Trust has also sponsored the salary of our staff who were not sponsored by Miserior. We were also able to purchase food for our students and for our animals and to strengthen our poultry and cattle farms.

We are very grateful to the Trustees, Mr. Bharat Thaker and Mr. Shashi Shah for their concern and understanding. We raise our hearts in thanksgiving to God for the gift of Mzee Jasani to the world, a person who had a great vision and had great love for the needy. Long Live our beloved Mzee Jasani!



The timber & chickens



THANK YOU FR. DENIS & BRO. MAKONNEN

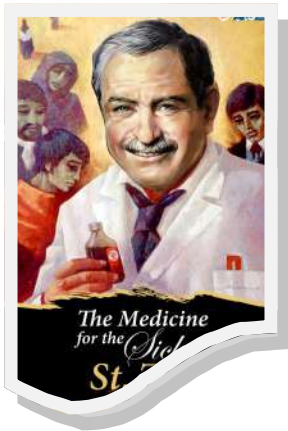
The beginning of August 2022 witnessed the departure of Rev. Fr. Denis Manwa Bisonga SDB who served this community with great dedication for the last five years as the Rector and the Principal of Don Bosco Technical Institute. Bro. Michael Ma-

konnen served the community as the Practical Trainee of the community and is known for MBR (Movement by Running).

The community bid them farewell on 3rd August 2022. Fr. Denis left for his new

place of appointment at Makuyu on 4th August and Bro. Makonnen left for Utume to begin his Theological studies. We wish them God's choicest blessings and thank them sincerely for their selfless service to the community of *Don Bosco Embu*.

ZATTI DAY HELD AT EMBU



9th October 2022 was a great day in the history of our Congregation. It was on that day that Pope Francis canonized St. Artemedes Zatti as a saint in Rome.

The community of Don Bosco Embu too joined the entire Salesian world to make this occasion a very memorable one. We joined in hands with the community of Mazzarello to keep Zatti day.

The celebration of the day began with the Holy Eucharist presided over by Fr. Babu Au-

gustine, the Rector of Don Bosco Embu.

The Holy Eucharist was well prepared by our choir under our able choirmaster, Fr. Nicodemus Orioki SDB, the Principal of Don Bosco Technical Secondary School.

The Holy Eucharist was followed by Zatti Competition organized by Fr. Babu and his team. Both the students of Mazzarello and Don Bosco were distributed among 9 teams and we had very stiff competition. The aspirants too joined in

these teams. The ultimate winner was “Kenyatta Team”. The lunch of the day was sponsored by some generous people. Everyone enjoyed a lot and learned much concerning our new saint.



The members of Kenya Team

THE VISIT OF FR. PROVINCIAL



Rev. Fr. Simon Asira SDB, the Provincial of Eastern

Africa visited our community on 30th August 2022 and installed Fr. Babu Augustine SDB as the new Rector of Don

Bosco Embu during the Holy Eucharist. Fr. Provincial also presided over the Holy Eucharist on 31st August and took the opportunity to tour the entire area of the community. Fr. Simon had served this community as the Rector several years back and it was here that he became a Salesian in 1988! We thank Fr. Provincial for his visit

and his words of encouragement.



THE ASPIRANTS' PROGRAMME AT EMBU

The joint formation programme for all the aspirants of Kenya began on Sunday, 2nd October 2022 at Embu. This was a decided in the meeting of the Rectors of Kenya and the Formation Commission and approved by Rev. Fr. Provincial. Now we have 12 aspirants un-

dergoing the formation programme here at Embu. Fr. James Njoroge is co-ordinating the programme of the aspirants. They have classes everyday and other activities.

The aspirants also give a helping hand in assisting the students. We wish God's blessings

on them as they have begun the first stage of their formation programme.



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CULTIVAID. WATER 4 MERCY & OTHERS VISIT EMBU

The last few months saw the visit of many prominent people to our community to oversee the AITEC-Embu project and to see about the various projects under DBDON.



Ms. Nermine (Water 4 Mercy) and Mr. Richard Marrow (Brenthurst Foundation) greeting the staff and the TVET students.



The Vice-Provincial, Fr. Sellam



KCB sponsored students receiving tool kits from Her Ex. Cecily Mbarire, the Governor of Embu



The visit of Don Bosco Embu restructure study commission



Rev. Fr. Mathew MSFS, the Provincial of Franselians addressed our boarders while he made a stop over at our community on his way to Meru.

TALENTS' SHOW

"Affrik Media" organized a talent show at *Don Bosco Embu* on 28th October and selected over 70 of our students to take part in the completion later in December. It was a nice sight to see several of our students showing their talents.

Don Bosco Embu took part in the regional level sports competi-

tion and our school took the second position for basketball. Congratulations to them and to Fr. Nicodemus, the Principal and Mr. James, the coach.

Several secondary schools visited *Don Bosco Embu* as part of their educational tour. The students were guided professionally through the compound of

Don Bosco Embu.



**Basketball
Players**

- David Kimani
- David Chang'anda
- Joseph Mwangi
- Irungu Peter



Happy birthday dear Fr. Godfrey Malietso. Thank you for your dedicated service to our community.

MR. ALMANDO'S VISIT

Mr. Massimo Almando visited our community twice and once he came with Mr. Gabriele. Mr. Almando has several creative ideas for the progress of *Don Bosco Embu*. We were very privileged to have him in our community.

Thank you for your concern for the growth of our community.



Mr. Alamndo visited us together with Mr. Gabriele



AITEC-Embu is taking shape.



The renewal of Bro. Ian

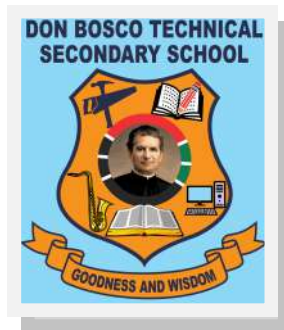


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FR. MATHEW LAID TO REST



On the evening of Saturday 8th October 2022 we received the shocking news of the sudden passing away of the Late Fr. Mathew Puthumana SDB in a fatal bike accident at Iringa in Tanzania. He was knocked down by a bike while he was crossing the road to the parish church on the evening of 8th October 2022.

For the requiem Eucharist held at Don Bosco Upper Hill on 15th October 2022

Frs. James Njoroge and Godfrey Malietso and Bro. Ignatius took part in it from Embu. Frs. James and Babu took part in the burial service at Don Bosco Moshi on 20th October 2022. May the soul of the Late Fr. Mathew rest in peace and may his holy life inspire everyone. His love & dedication to the mission and prayer life are something to be emulated. Rest in peace dear Fr. Mathew!

WE WISH GOD'S BLESSINGS ON OUR
FORM IV CANDIDATES AS THEY WILL
BE SITTING FOR THEIR FINAL EXAMS
AT THE END OF NOVEMBER 2022!

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS



Eggs for sale

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On 1st August 2022, Fr. Babu Augustine joined the community of *Don Bosco Embu* as its new Rector. He took the place of Fr. Denis Bisonga who left for his new place of Apostolate at *Don Bosco Makuyu*. Before coming to Embu, Fr. Babu was the Rector and Principal of Don Bosco Oysterbay for the last six years.

Fr. James Njoroge took the place of Fr. Ladislaus Mkwawe who is undergoing treatment at *DBYES*. Fr. James joined the community on 29th August 2022. Fr. James was serving the community of *Don Bosco Makuyu* as its Principal for the last three years.

This year we are blessed with three Brothers as practical trainees. They are Bro. Didakus Marube, Bro. Ian Kibagendi and Bro. Ignatius Musambai. We are very happy to have these Brothers as they can of great help to our students.

Fr. Babu Augustine SDB



Bros. Ignatius, Ian & Didakus



Fr. Babu Augustine SDB



Fr. James Njoroge SDB