



FRANCIS VINEETH VADAKETHALA CMI

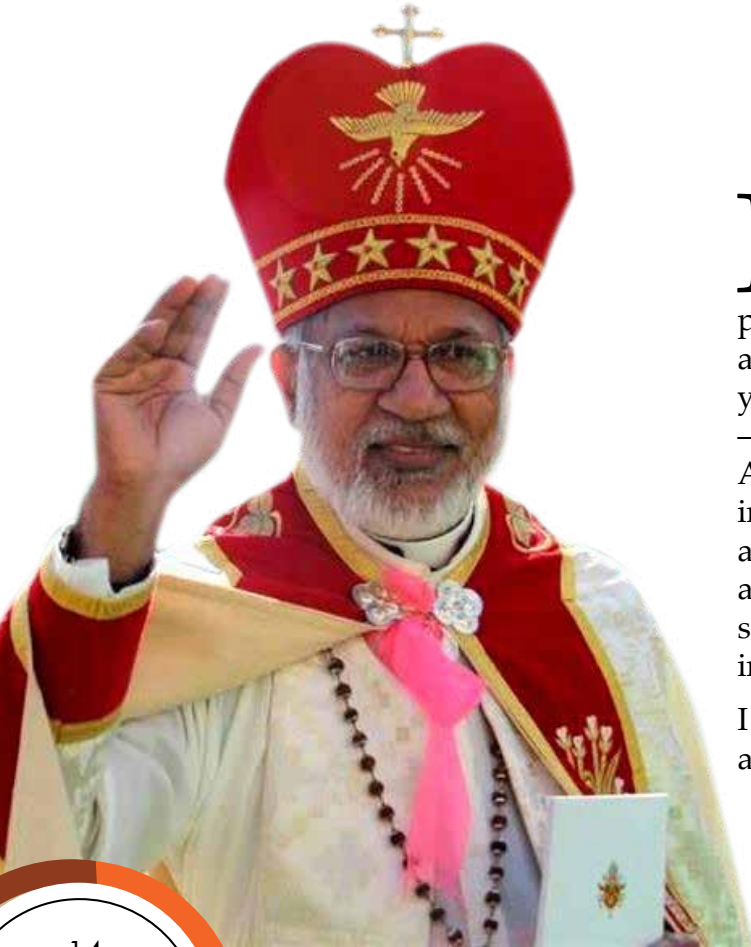
Footprints of a Philosopher-Theologian Mystic

His Beatitude

George Cardinal Alencherry

Major Archbishop of the Syro-Malabar Church

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It is with great sadness that I received the news of the passing away of Father Francis Vineeth Vadakethala, a great proponent of Christian monasticism and Indian philosophical traditions. He was a Professor of Philosophy at Dharmaram Vidya Kshetram, Bangalore, for more than 35 years and had contributed immensely – his time and effort – to the fostering of Christian monastic traditions in India. As a preacher and a monk, his influence on the society was inestimable. Affectionate and compassionate, he earned the love and esteem of the people he came in contact with. Coming from a family with great traditions of spirituality where four of his siblings also joined the religious orders, he too was unabashed in immersing himself in the monastic way of life.

I offer my prayers and condolences to the members of his family and to the members of the CMI Congregation.

May his soul rest in peace!