






Blessed (Beatified people) - വാഴ്ത്തപ്പെട്ടവർ


To be beatified, a miracle (usually involving a medically unexplainable cure attributed to prayers asking his intercession, that took place after his death and after the opening of his cause, and which must be verified by a panel of doctors and another panel of theologians, before it is finally approved by the Congregation and the Pope) would have to happen. After beatification, another such miracle would have to happen and be similarly approved if he is to be canonized as a saint.

I. Blesseds of India

1	Bl. Joseph Vaz	ജോസഫ് വാസ്	
		Native Place	Benaulim, Goa, India
		Date of Birth	1651 April 21
		Died on	1711 January 16
		Feast day	January 16
Blessed Joseph Vaz was a Catholic Oratorian priest from Goa. He is known as the Apostle of Ceylon. Fr. Vaz entered Ceylon (now Sri Lanka) during the Dutch occupation, when Calvinism was the official religion. On 21 January 1995, he was beatified by Pope John Paul II in Colombo, Sri Lanka.			
2	Bl. Mariam Theresa Chiramel	മറിയം ത്രേസ്യ	
		Native Place	Puthenchira, Thrissur, Kerala, India
		Date of Birth	1876 April 26
		Died on	1926 June 8
		Feast day	June 8
Bl. Mariam Thresia was the foundress and first member of the Congregation of the Holy Family. She always worked for the poor and the sick and especially the downtrodden in society. She was declared venerable on June 28, 1999 by Pope John Paul II. She was beatified on April 9, 2000 by Pope John Paul II.			
3	Bl. Thevarparampil Kunjachan	അഗസ്റ്റിൻ തേവർപറമ്പിൽ	
		Native Place	Ramapuram, Kerala, India
		Date of Birth	1891 April 1
		Died on	1973 October 16
		Feast day	October 16
Blessed Thevarparampil Kunjachan was a priest who dedicated himself to the spiritual and temporal welfare of a marginalised set of people who were poor and exploited for generations. He was Beatified by Cardinal Varkey Vithayathil, Major Arch bishop of the Syro-Malabar Church on 30 April 2006 at the very same village Ramapuram where he was born, worked, died and buried.			
4	Bl. Mother Teresa	മദർ തെരേസ	
		Native Place	Albania
		Date of Birth	1910 August 26
		Died on	1997 September 5
		Feast day	September 5
Mother Teresa (Agnes), a Roman Catholic nun of Albanian ethnicity and Indian citizenship, who founded the Missionaries of Charity in Calcutta, India, in 1950. For over 45 years, she ministered to the poor, sick, orphaned, and dying, while guiding the Missionaries of Charity's expansion, first throughout India and then in other countries. Following her death, she was beatified on 19th October 2003 by Pope John Paul II and given the title Blessed. Words of Mother theresa of Calcutta - "By Blood, I am Albanian. By citizenship, an Indian. By faith, I am a Catholic nun. As to my calling, I belong to the world. As to my heart, I entirely to the Heart of Jesus".			

5	Bl. Devasahayam Pillai	ദേവസഹായം പിള്ള	
		Native Place	Nattalam, Kanyakumari District, India
		Date of Birth	1712 April 23
		Died on	1752 January 14
		Feast day	January 14
<p>Devasahayam Pillai was an 18th century convert from Hinduism to Christianity in the southern part of India. He is believed by Roman Catholics to have been martyred. In 2004, the Tamil Nadu branch of the Catholic Bishops' Council in India recommended Devasahayam Pillai for the process of beatification to the Vatican. On December 2nd, 2012, Pope Benedict XVI declared "Devasahayam Pillai" as Blessed.</p>			

II. Blesseds from outside India (selected only)

1	Bl. Frederic Ozanam	ഫ്രെഡറിക് ഓസനാം	
		Native Place	Milan, Kingdom of Italy
		Date of Birth	1813 April 23
		Died on	1853 September 8
		Feast day	September 9
<p>Antoine-Frédéric Ozanam was a French scholar. He founded with fellow students the Conference of Charity, later known as the Society of Saint Vincent de Paul. He was beatified by Pope John Paul II in the cathedral church Notre Dame de Paris on 22nd August 1997.</p>			