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"As we have been united in the profession of faith, so let us keep ourselves united in suffrage and intercession."

(Fr. Alberione)

At 6.45 pm local time, in the house of Mumbai, left for the Home of the Father

## **BRO. MATHEW LUKE ADDASSERIL**

Aged 78, 53 years Pauline, 48 years Professed member

Bro. Mathew Luke was born at Kodikulam in Kerala, South India, on 9 February 1933. He comes from a deeply religious family; two of his brothers are priests and one sister is a nun. After completing High School, he joined the Society of St Paul in Mumbai (those days known as Bombay). He made his novitiate in Allahabad and made his First Profession there on 16 July, 1962. He pronounced his Perpetual Vows in Mumbai on 16 July 1967.

Bro. Luke spent most of his professed life in the house of Mumbai where he served in various capacities from 1962 to 1993. He was three times local councillor in Mumbai and served for many years in the Examiner Book Centre as manager. For one term each he was Provincial Councillor and Delegate of the Provincial for the House of Mumbai.

In 1993 Bro. Luke was transferred to Chennai where he did his apostolate in the Good Pastor Book Centre as the manager and was Superior of the community of Chennai for three years and later was manager of the Book Centre in the House at Annanagar, Chennai. From 1999 to 2000 he was in Ernakulam where he looked after the house and served in the Book Centre. In 2000 he went to Kozhikode where he was delegate of the Provincial for the House; he also served in the Book Centre in the city. In 2003 he went back to Ernakulam where he looked after the house. In 2004 he was transferred to Mumbai where he was resting and taking treatment for his various health problems. Bro. Luke was known for his sharp memory, but in the last three years he had practically lost his memory power.

As can be easily noticed Bro Luke spent most of his Pauline life in various Book Centres. He loved his apostolate and employed his energies in diffusing the good word. Many people who came to know him in our various Book Centres have pleasant memories of him.

May the Divine Master whom he served so loyally grant Bro. Luke an abundant share in his risen life.

Rome, 12 March 2011

Fr. Vincenzo Vitale

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