Hello Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Today I want to talk to you about the Vianney Mission for priests and second Saturday Convention in Birmingham. Both are led by Sohion uk who have a lot of different ministries including retreats for the youth, couples and the religious.

The second Saturday Convention has touched my life in a deep and powerful way.

In 2010 the Convention started with about 500 people attending, now over 2000 people gather every month in Bethnel Community centre to praise God and hear his word proclaimed.

There are testimonies of Miracles and a sense of peace that lasts .I find the time of adoration very moving and emotional.

The second Saturday Convention led to my association with the Vianney Mission named after John Maria Vianney the patron saint of priest’s. We pray for them to encourage them and strengthen them and let them know they do not toil in vain.

We are asking GODS spirit to fill them with the love and power that Jesus has,

Sometimes we pray for priests while they are present in front of the Blessed Sacrament using a prayer book authorised by the Bishop.

Vianney Mission members pray for them in various ways such as Rosaries, Chaplet of Devine Mercy , offering Holy Masses and fasting.

The Vianney Mission has been going three years and is in India, U,S,A and the UK among others countries.

We thank God for the Priests we have and pray that more young people will hear the call to serve the Lord in the religious life.

St. Bernard tells us that everything has come to us through the priest. Who was it that received your soul, on its entrance to life? The priest . Who nourishes it,to give it strength to make its pilgrimage? The priest –always the priest. And if that soul comes to the point of death, who will raise it up, who will restore it to calmness and peace? Again the priest .You cannot recall one single blessing from God without finding ,side by side with this recollection ,the image of the priest.

It is with this in mind we invite you to be part of this mission to pray for priests in our parish every third Friday here at 7-30 pm to 8-30 pm starting Friday 17th feb

Thank you for listening and God bless YoU