## Third Lo Groi Memorial Lecture At Salesian College Sonada

## 7<sup>th</sup> September 2012

Most Rev. Thomas Menamparampil SDB, archbishop Emeritus of Guwahati delivered the Third Lo Groi Memorial Lecture on 7 September 2012 at Salesian College Sonada on the theme **Gospel to the World** to a large gathering of Salesians, diocesans, Claretians, members of the Salesian family and CRI. Recalling the great contributions of Fr. Lo Groi and other carriers of the Gospel, archbishop spoke of the current context that awaits to be evangelized, as a context characterized by Secularization and Fundamentalism, Globalization and emergence of regional and ethnic assertions which are at times inclined to violence, the affluence of a few, the deprived rest, the culture of death, and the exaggerations of means in solving such problems.

Archbishop Menamparampil went on to identify and propose some valid attitudes and approaches that the one who wishes to whisper the Gospel to the world should possess - the art of Presence, the art of understanding, the art of responding, the art of persuasion , the art of building convictions and commitment.

The Prophet of Peace, Archbishop Menamparampil, supplemented his reflections with ample reference to his peace initiatives urging his audience to be peacemakers by befriending than confronting peoples



