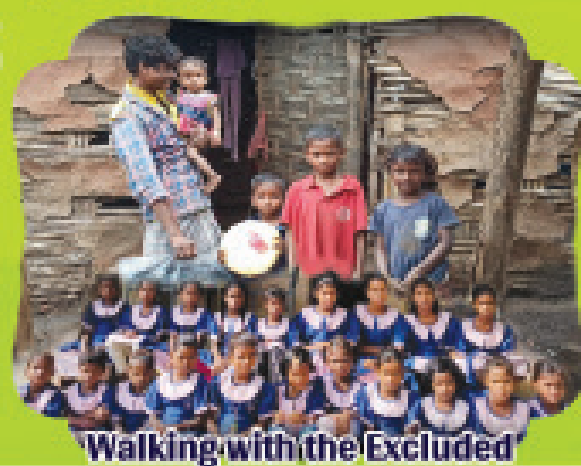


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MUGHAL ART

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Moonless darkness
stands between.
Past, the Past,
no more be seen!
But the Bethlehem-star
may lead me
To the sight of Him
Who freed me
From the self
that I have been.
Make me pure, Lord:
Thou art holy;
Make me meek, Lord:
Thou wert lowly;
Now beginning,
and alway:
Now begin,
on Christmas day.

[Gerard Manley Hopkins SJ]

P "It is with an affection-filled expectation
O that we also want to prepare ourselves
P to welcome Jesus at Christmas.
E In the weeks leading up to the special day,
let us carefully prepare the house of the heart,
so that it may be orderly and hospitable.
F Vigilance means keeping the heart ready.
R Share what you have with your brothers and sisters
A in need, giving listening, time, concrete help.
N Dear friends, let us cultivate His expectation
C without being distracted by so many useless things
I and without complaining all the time,
S but keeping our hearts alert,
that is, eager for Him, awake and ready,
impatient to meet Him."



"Our message
to ourselves is this:
God is with us in this
pain. Christ was born in
solidarity with those in
pain and suffering.
God is with
the oppressed. ...
When we think of the
birth of Baby Christ,
we think of the babies
brutally killed".
An Evangelical Lutheran
Pastor, Bethlehem.

May the Love of Christ
that emanates from and surrounds
the Holy Crib this Christmas,
fill your mind & heart, spirit & soul,
and overflow as Joy & Justice,
Reconciliation & Peace in 2024!

Fr. Provincial, Curia & Satyodayam Community!

KALAMKARI ART

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION

DECEMBER 2023

FOR PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES

We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programmes which value their active participation

Fr Provincial's Programme Dec 2023

- 02 Jubilee of Abp of Vizag, Jadi Jamalpur
- 03 Sports Day St Patrick's, Sec'bad
- 04-08 Consult, Sec'bad
- 04-08 Discerning Leadership Programme, Manresa House, Ranchi
- 09-10 Visitation, St Stanislaus College, Hazaribagh
- 12 GBM, Amruthavani Communications, TCBC, Sec'bad
- 15 Visit of Province Revisor
- 16-17 Training for Treasurers & others, Satyodayam, Sec'bad
- 18 Platinum Jubilee Holy Eucharist, ALC, Vijayawada
- 19-20 Visitation, Sanjeevan, Vijayawada
- 21 Visitation, St John's School, Amalapuram
- 29-31 Visitation - Vinukonda & Darsi Mission

Jan 2024

- 6-7 Consult, Curia
- 14 Young Priests' Triduum - AJ, Nagarjuna Nagar
- 15 Mariagiri Feast Holy Eucharist - Krishnapuram
- 18-19 Visitation - AJ, Nagarjuna Nagar
- 20 Formation Commission Meet - AJ, Nagarjuna Nagar
- 24 Higher Education Commission Meeting - Loyola Campus, Pulivendula
- 25-27 Visitation - Loyola, Pulivendula, Kadiri & Krishnapuram

COMMON JUNIORATES

SICJ, THIRUVANANTHAPURAM:

On the 28th of October, we celebrated the Karnataka Province Day as part of Dussehra celebrations. We, the juniors, went on a day out on November 4th. On the 6th and 7th of November, we had a two-day course on 'Understanding Democracy and Challenges Ahead' by Fr. Paul Mike (MDU). On the 9th, the juniors and the staff had a community evaluation over the past months of the first term. On the 10th, we had a quiz competition on the daily Newspapers from June to October, 2023. On the 13th the Community Mass, with theme of "Care for Our Common Home," was presided over by Fr. Jacob Kumminiyl, the PCF of Kerala Province, who came for his visitation of Kerala scholastics. On the 15th a course on "Film Appreciation," was conducted by Fr. George Sebastian of Kerala Province. On November 16,, we began our Novena for St. John Berchmans. We had a recollection talk on "Gratitude" on the 18th given by Fr. Marianna.

Sch. Shyamraj, SJ

ANNOUNCEMENT

**Meeting of & Training for
All Treasurers, Directors of Hostels, Social Works
and for all those who are interested.
(Superiors & Directors of Works
are also welcome)**

At Satyodayam, On 16 & 17 Dec. 2023

Resource Person: FR. G. ALEX, SJ. (JAM)

HAZARIBAG:

Many fresh and amazing experiences have occurred over the months of October and November. We had a community outing to Dumar, a rural social centre, on 26 October, which was nicely organized by the Juniorate staff, and a delicious meal was prepared by the Juniors. On the recollection day, we experienced God's love through the inspirational words of Fr. Medard. Fr. M. I. Raj taught us a course on psycho-sexual integration from 6th to 11th Nov. Fr. Ashok Kumar, PCF, paid a visit to Hazaribag and we had a great time with him. On the feast of St. Stanislaus Kostka, we enjoyed a beautiful Eucharistic celebration presided over by the Rector, a meaningful homily by Fr. Michael (Dean), and a well-organized basketball tournament.

On 20 November, Fr. Stany D' Souza (POSA) and Fr. Somy Matthew (CSIF) addressed the Juniors. We enjoyed our interactive session with them. We had a "GRATITUDE DINNER" on 22 November to thank the Tertians for their support in teaching Juniors in many areas, including computer skills and music.

Sch. Satwik Vinsent, SJ

VIDYAJYOTI, DELHI:

The month of October was filled with various grace-filled activities. On 6th we had a special talk by Mr. and Mrs. Gillmann, professors from the US, on the theme 'Women in the Bible' and Eschatology. Being the first Friday we had adoration followed by monthly recollection preached on 'The Status of the Society' by Father Anil D'Almeida. We had the visitation of Fr Stan, POSA, and Fr Somy, CSIF from 14th onwards. It was a time of special grace. Both of them gave their special time and interacted with the students of theology, batch wise. Both addressed our needs and expressed their expectations from the staff and the students of theology. On 20th we celebrated the Hindu festivals Durga Puja and Navratri. Scholastics from Calcutta and Gujarat provinces gave introduction to these great cultural feasts and gave us a taste of Gujarati Garba dance. The joy of the celebration was doubled with the birthdays of our principal Fr Rajkumar and Fr Valan. The first year students left on a study-tour on Indology to Varanasi on 28th and returned on 3rd November.

In October Fr Stanislaus Alla went to Mangalore to participate in the annual meeting of the Association of Moral Theologians of India (AMTI) where he presented a paper. The conference was held at St Joseph's Seminary, Jeppu. Recently Fr Stan was also named a mem-

ber of the Planning Committee of Catholic Theological Ethics in the World Church (CTEWC - <https://catholicethics.com>) that organizes programmes of the world's Catholic Moral Theologians. In that capacity, he simultaneously coordinates the activities of the region that consists of Asia and Oceania. Since 2016 he has been a member of the FORUM team of CTEWC in which he periodically publishes essays on globally important topics.



Fr Ashok Kumar, PCF, visited us from 6th to 8th of Nov. It was a joyful moment as he visited us and spent his valuable time with us. We are very grateful to you, Fr Ashok. From 9th of Nov., we began our semester end exams and completed on 18th November. We had our semester holidays from 19th. We went for cultural tour in groups and explored different places in the North. We returned from our cultural tour on 25th and resumed our 2nd semester classes from 27 Nov.

Sch. N. Vidyasagar SJ

ADILABAD MISSION

The feast of Our Lady of the Rosary was celebrated on 31st Oct. by the parishioners of St. Paul's Church Utnoor. It was indeed a spiritual and a devout celebration. This year comparatively very many of the parishioners participated in the feast. On "All Souls' Day", 2nd of Nov., the parishioners decorated the graves of their near and dear ones with flowers, candles and Agarbathi and fondly recalled their memory. We joined them, blessed the graves and prayed for the departed souls. Thereafter we had a meaningful Mass for the repose of those souls and for the departed souls in our own families. We had seven deacons from Jagadhalpur major seminary of the Syro Malabar Church in our parish for Mission Experience. They recalled their fond visit together with 34 of their companions to our tribal villages on 23rd October and considered it as a deep spiritual experience for them. They left us on 5th. The retreat for our diocesan priests was held from 6th to 10th. Fr. Prathap was in charge of the parish, the hostels and school during those days. He was also regular in offering Mass on Wednesdays at Kothagudam and on Saturdays at Allampally. After a series of discussion with our tribal

women, the village Patel and elders and the Mandal Parishad Development officers (MPDO), we have decided to start in each of the four mandals, one tailoring and embroidery centre to train the tribal women in this trade and also impart some knowledge on some social issues during the course. If everything goes well we hope to initiate this skill training programme after the festival of Sankranti in January 2024.

The festivals of Dussera and Diwali have greatly affected the education of our tribal children. They went for these festivals and returned very late. The forthcoming assembly election, too, is affecting their studies as the teachers are called for election training and appointed for election duty. The Management of St. Andrew School, Secunderabad, had sent 12 bundles of short and long pants for boys, and skirts for girls along with 600 belts. We distributed them on 20th and 21st to a total number of 516 students in three primaries, one upper primary and one high school. The children were very happy to have this extra dress for their use. We attended on 14th a get-together organized by Fr. Jerome of Warangal Diocese for about 1000 Mentally challenged and other physically challenged children at the Vincentian Retreat Centre-Karunapuram, Warangal. It was a great experience to be with those God's favored children.



On 14th evening, we reached Carmel Academy Mandamarri, to assist Fr. Xavier Rex in the National level Science Fair under the title, "Academic Excellence Conclave" organized on 15th and 16th as part of the Diamond Jubilee Celebrations of Carmel Academy. It was a grand and magnificent show. 38 schools from the states of Maharashtra, Andhra and Telangana participated in the Science Conclave. Our Bishop Prince Anthony gave the inaugural speech and declared the Science Fair open. Rev. Dr. P. Francis Xavier SJ of Chennai Province was the chief guest for the programme and motivated the students on the topic of "Science: An invitation to Explore and Experience", with power point presentation. He captivated the young minds gifted with hidden scientific talents and an hour-long interaction with him by students left in them a great feeling that in their life time they have met a scientist in



person, who has authored 17 books and the latest one being "One Drop Ocean". The exhibition was a manifestation of the scientific talents of the students in "Science and technology", "Environmental Science" and "Mathematical Science". The exhibits were judged by an expert team. Cash prizes of Rs. 6000, Rs.4000 and Rs.2000 were given to the winners. The winners were thrilled to receive the cash award as well as the certificate. The cultural show on the first day was fascinating and colorful. The whole programme was meticulously planned and the food, accommodation and the arrangements were very good. The presence of the Bishop on the first and the second day was a great support and encouragement for the staff and students of Carmel Academy. Fr. Stan D Paul SJ was the guest of honor. Fr. Xavier Rex left for Rose Hills, Visakapatinam, on 19th to direct the annual retreat of the diocesan priests of Guntur Diocese from 20th to 24th. Fr. Provincial, Fr. Socius and Fr. Alex met Our Bishop Most Rev. Bishop Prince Antony on 16th of November. Fr. Prathap is busy in preparing for his project work of Peace Studies jointly organized by LIPI (Loyola Institute of Peace and International Relations) Kochi and Centre for Peace and Justice, XLRI Jamshedpur.

Fr. Prathap SJ

DARSI MISSION

In the month of October, Darsi campus experienced a series of events that brought joy and activity to our community. Notable occasions included the FA2 exams and the festive celebration of Dasara, providing our children with both busy-ness and happiness. During the Dasara holidays, Sch. Donald attended a regents meet in Vizag for four days. On 19th Fr. Showry SJ left for Young Priests meet at Anand Jyothi, Nagarjunanagar.

On the 31st, we celebrated our Lady's Feast at the Church Grotto with Fr. Ravi Sebastian SJ from Vinukonda as the main celebrant. This event demonstrated

unity among parishes, with the faithful from different sub-stations participating in it. On Nov. 2nd, the All Souls Day was observed with a special Mass with photos of the departed members of our Parish displayed on the altar. On 8th of Nov. Fr. Ravindra went to Divyavani studio for recording Kristusandesham.

In the educational realm, our school conducted a successful Sports Day on the 10th and 11th, showcasing the remarkable potential of our young children. Children's Day on Nov. 14th was marked by a celebration with Fr. Ravindra as the Chief Guest, inspiring students to pursue their studies with vigour and determination.

We had a cheerful birthday celebration of Fr. Showroy on the 21st of Nov. filled with good wishes and blessings from fathers, sisters, teachers, and children. Jesuits from Vinukonda school and parish community joined us at dinner, emphasizing the grace of familial gatherings bestowed upon us by God.

Sch. Donald SJ

SHANTHINAGAR PARISH & SIRCILLA SCHOOL

Shanthinagar Parish:

The month of the Holy Rosary was a great blessing for us and our parishioners which led us closer to God through the intercession of our Blessed Mother. Our parishioners had special devotion to our blessed Mary by way of special Rosary in houses at substations: Thippapuram, Reddypuram and Pushpanagar. Balanagar, being the biggest substation, the parishioners formed into three groups and went for Rosary prayers house to house for the first time. On 31 Oct we concluded the Rosary month with a special Mass. On 2 Nov. the All-souls day Masses were celebrated in all the five villages remembering all the departed Parishioners, Priests and Nuns, who served in the Parish and have gone before us. Fr Y. Inna celebrated Masses in Reddypuram, Pushpanagar and Balanagar along with Fr Tarun, the diocesan Priest from there. Fr Gabriel celebrated Masses in Sircilla and Thippapuram. Fr Alex, along with Fr Gabriel,

celebrated Mass at Shanthinagar Parish Cemetery in the evening. The people of our substations like Pushpanagar and Reddypuram, took active part in preparing breakfast for all the faithful of their respective villages and sold the same towards the Mission Sunday contribution.



Loyola E/M School, Sircilla:

The October Month was very special and colourful to us, the staff and the students of Loyola E/M school, Sircilla. We had anticipated the Celebration of Saddhula Bathukamma, the unique, floral and cultural festival of Telangana, to 13 Oct. On that day our Campus was brightened with the cute smiles and colourful, traditional attire of our children. Sch. Rex Kumar attended the Regents meet from 12-14 Oct. and Fr Gabriel took part in Young-Priests' meet from 21 to 23. On 14 Nov. we celebrated Children's Day, for which Fr Provincial was the chief guest. We were really privileged to have him. He shared a meaningful and wonderful message to our children especially emphasizing the importance of the day. He also encouraged all our staff to work together for the betterment of the school, so that we the staff and students become the advertisers of our school and its human values. That day our children showcased their talents through traditional dances, Kolatam and a mime.

We are saddened by the sudden demise of our beloved community member, a cheerful giver, committed minister, concerned mother and an exemplary Jesuit Companion - our dearest Fr. J. Karunaidass. We miss him physically but he lives with us spiritually. All our community fathers along with Fr MA Alex the superior attended the funeral service and bade farewell with a heavy heart to Fr Karunaidass. **Sch. Rex Kumar, SJ**

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER'S CHURCH, HINDUPUR

Hindupur Parish is named after St. Francis Xavier and was started 29 years ago by Fr. P.S. Amalraj. The parish has 70 families and 10 Educational institutions. DSS Sisters run Home for the Disabled and Senior citizens, besides providing livelihood for women through their Assembling Unit. We have one substation, **Velangani Matha Church**, in Madakasira, where we celebrate Mass regularly on Sundays. Here, Sisters belonging to St. Ann of Luzern Congregation have an English Medium High School and a Hostel.

Our Parish is small consisting mostly of employees. Parishioners are spiritually motivated, cooperative and friendly. They are also active members of various regional and diocesan groups.

Locally, we have organized various religious and social programmes in order to strengthen their faith and foster togetherness. Recently we organized Sports Meet for our Parishioners in which most of them participated enthusiastically. The entire Parish was divided into four groups and we conducted a few games and sports items in which adults, youth and children actively participated. Everyone enjoyed in playing as a family. Fr. Philominraj was with us, encouraging and supporting us. We honoured them with medals on our Church Feast day.



St. Francis Xavier's Feast: This year like always, the Feast of St. Francis Xavier was celebrated on 3rd December with strong spiritual inputs, by way of Triduum Masses celebrated by Frs. Avinash and Philomin Raj. On the great day itself, the

liturgy was very much inspiring, with the homily preached by Fr. Thambi and concelebrated by Frs. Philominraj and Avinash. The entire campus, including the Church was colourfully decorated. Generous contributions of the families and friends made the events successful and memorable. The fitting climax was provided by a colourful and exciting cultural program which was organized by our Parish cultural committee. There were twelve variety of dances from our different institutions, including Arunodayam (Pre-Novitiate). The group dance by the Parish women group was the highlight. It was a fantastic feast for our eyes and kept the audience spell-bound till the end. The fellowship meal was well organized and served by the food committee. May St. Francis Xavier always be our inspiration, strength and guide.

As a preparation for Christmas, during the Advent, right now we are going through with "Deepa Araadhana". The parish is divided into 4 zonal groups. Starting from 7th every Thursday evening, from 6.30pm to 7.40pm, the Parishioners residing in that zone will gather in one place with candles and spend the time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Our Loyola School Jesuit community, along with Fr. Thambi, Fr. Philominraj, Sch. Abhinay and the Pre-Novices, is very much part of our effort and success. Fr. Francis, Fr. Selvaraj and Fr. Palnati Showri Raju are my source of constant support and encouragement.

Fr. Uvari Antony, SJ

ST. PATRICK'S HIGH SCHOOL, SECUNDERABAD

The newly renovated St. Patrick's hall was blessed and inaugurated on 2nd Oct. The Grandparents Day was conducted for the kindergarten students in the newly-renovated hall. Many grandparents turned up and took part actively in the events. The children presented colourful programmes. Maths, Science and Social Studies exhibition was organized on 11th Nov. The students prepared as many as 800 exhibits. The exhibits were highly creative and informative. The parents who took great interest to visit every exhibit greatly appreciated the presentations made by the students. Being the second Saturday many visitors came to see the exhibition. The management appreciated the subject teachers and the students for their enormous efforts to prepare the exhibits and the interest they had shown. The winners of the best exhibits were awarded.

Fr. Dusi Ravi Sekhar underwent a surgery in the month of Oct. and is currently recuperating. We were very happy to have received Arul Kadal Theologians along with their staff members when they visited Hyderabad as part of their cultural tour.

The Children's Day was celebrated on 14th Nov. As part of our celebration the Divine Charitable Society's visually challenged members performed an hour-long concert through their melodious singing. They also communicated a powerful message that it is the power of determination that makes a world of difference in overcoming the disabilities. The students enjoyed the

programme and appreciated the singing. Our teachers, too, presented wonderful dances and enthralled the students with their singing. As usual various competitions were conducted and prizes were distributed.



The school Annual Sports Day was held on 2nd Dec. 1450 students had taken part in various dances. The athletes from all classes were given an opportunity to participate in the athletic events and winners were awarded with medals. Mrs. Surepalli Nanda, the honourable Judge of Telangana High Court graced the occasion as the Chief Guest and five of our illustrious alumni who were outstanding in various games and sports events at the national and state level were present as special guests. They were felicitated and shown as models for the students to strive hard to become outstanding athletes. Our highest appreciation to the Principal, Fr. Elango, Fr. Andrew, the Vice-Principal and the entire organizing team for their meticulous planning and execution.

All our teachers regularly attend seminars and training programmes to equip themselves to meet the demands of ICSE standard. Two of our students were selected at the National level for NCC.

Fr. J. John Andrews, SJ

LOYOLA INSTITUTIONS, PULIVENDULA

Seeking the blessings of all the Saints and praying for all the souls we began the month of Nov. On 10th Nov. Fr. Showraiah went to Australia to visit his sister and all his family members. With God's blessings, the community is joyful and healthy throughout the month and we seek His blessings in the mission assigned to us.

Polytechnic College:

An Orientation Programme for the Teaching Staff was conducted on 18th Nov. The theme for the day was Classroom Management – Interactive sessions. Mr. Rauf Kozhlikode, the resource person of the day, highlighted the important features that a teacher should possess. He made the sessions very interactive and interesting. On 22nd Nov. the college management encouraged the first-year students to participate in sports and games and also distributed prizes for them. Fr. Principal addressed the students about balancing the curricular and co-curricular activities. He also gave them required instructions on how to write their first Mid-semester exams. Musthakeem Patana, a III-year Computer Science Student, participated in Tech-fest conducted by Viswam College, Madanapalli, where he bagged several prizes and made the

college proud. The College management encouraged and asked him to motivate the first-year students, which he did joyfully. We began IV semester from 23rd Nov. for II-year students & they were excited to learn new technologies & subjects to improve their knowledge.



Degree College:



The Departments of Commerce and Mathematics organized an educational tour for their students to Gokarna and Mrudeswar from 10th to 13th Nov. Loyola Arts and

Science Exhibition Resonance (LASER) was held on 14th Nov, the Children's day. Our students from all the departments prepared models; exhibited and explained the principles to the school children. III BBA arranged 'Food Stall' on that day providing meals at subsidized rate.

The NAAC grade was declared through email on 25th Nov. We got B+ grade with 2.74 points. The Grade is the same as the last cycle but there is an increase of 0.15 points this time. We got an appreciation award from Red Ribbon Club (RRC), Kadapa, for effectively implementing the RRC activities for the year 2022-23. Mid-II exams are scheduled from 2nd Dec.

Sch. Niranjan, SJ

ANDHRA LOYOLA INSTITUTIONS

ALIET:

Project Expo on "Assistive Devices for Divyangjan": ALIET - IQAC hosted a project expo titled "Assistive Devices for Divyangjan," on 22 Nov. 2023 showcasing innovative solutions by ALIET students. Fr. B. Joji, highlighted the goal, namely to celebrate student-developed solutions, while Dr. O. Mahesh, Principal, and Fr. D. Balaswamy emphasized and appreciated the diverse assistive technologies, from AI-based Virtual Assistants to smart glasses. Projects included an AI-based Virtual Assistant, Smart Vision Glasses, Object Detection with Camera, Currency detection with camera, and a cost-effective smart cane. Prof. G. Sahaya Baskaran, the Guest of Honour, praised the students' dedication and ingenuity, expressing confidence in their potential impact on assistive technology. The members of the Management congratulated the students and appreciated the IQAC Coordinators Prof. A. Srinivasa and Mrs. Dyva Krupa Nemmadi for organizing the exhibition, showcasing students' commitment to innovation and inclusivity.



KAIROS 2K23: Department of Master of Business Administration organised "KAIROS-2K23", a State Level Management Meet, on 23rd Nov., 2K23 in the college premises. 215 Management students from 17 colleges enthusiastically participated in the event. They were tested on real time scenario of many business activities such as Market Wizard (Market Makers), Mind Martians (Business Quiz), Young Manager, Fin-Quest (Stock Market game), and Dream Corner (Start-up idea). Informal events like Treasure Hunt, Thematic Photography and Mr. & Ms. Kairos were part of the programme. Students showcased their managerial, technical, leadership, creative, innovative, negotiating and team skills through these events. The Chief Guest was Dr. Pradeep Chiluka, IRTS, DCM, Vijayawada for the inaugural session, in which he delivered the Key Note address on the importance of Time, Indexing, Mindfulness, Responsibility, Repetition and laughing for getting success in their respective fields. The valedictory function was graced by Mr. Ravi Kiran Tallam, Founder and President of Amaravati Chapter. The winners and runners were awarded with cash prizes and mementos. The event was sponsored by Stem Overseas Education, Amyra Silver, Avantez, Yuva Computers, VN Overseas Education, VGR Diabetes Specialities Hospital, Maa Vaadi Pelli Bhojanam, Institute of Professional Banking, Saplings, CMR Shopping Mall. The team MBA is grateful to the Management for all their encouragement and support. ALIET sincerely appreciates the Team MBA headed by Mrs. V. NagaLakshmi, HOD, for its wonderful and excellent organisation of KAIROS 2K23.



Visit of the Officials from Burkina Faso: On the 24th of Nov. we had 5 officials visiting the ALI institutions from the small African nation of 'Burkina Faso'. These officials were representing the government of Burkina Faso. We, the Jesuits at ALIET along with Fr. A. Francis Xavier, SJ and Mr. Mathew Srirangam, the academic officer from APSCH, had a meeting together with the officials at the conference Hall of ALIET. The meeting consisted mainly of Information sharing with regard to academics & the credentials of Andhra Loyola Institutions, and the requirements of Burkina Faso in terms of academics, curriculum based help, exchange of staff and students, exploring the possibilities of sending their students to

ALI for studies etc. The meeting ended with a hope to collaborate, and specially to explore the possibilities to support and help the small nation in terms of their academic and skill-based development.

Fr. D. Balaswamy, SJ

CLIVE'S HOUSE, THIRUCHIRAPALLI:

(Our life at Clive's from July to November 2023)

We commenced our academic year with a community pilgrimage to Sacred Heart Church, Idaikatur, on 24.07.23. On 27.07.23, We had participated in a Mass conducted by Collage, as Thanksgiving, pilgrimage to Christ the Redeemer Church at Trichy. With Fr. Bosco joining Clive's this year and doing M. Sc Biochemistry at St. Joseph's, we are two of us from Andhra Province. Fr. Naveen is happy this year with the good company and presence of Fr. Bosco. We commenced our studies with much eagerness and enthusiasm. We had mid-semester test in the month of August. We have completed our End-Semester test on 19th of October.

Fr. Bosco had actively participated in a two-day National Seminar conducted by Department of Bio-Chemistry On Advances in Artificial Organ Development and Novel Strategies in Drug Discovery from 20.10.23 to 21.10.23. We completed our End-Semester test on 19th of October. We prepared seriously for our semester exams and wrote practical exams during preparation holidays. We had our semester exams from 30th October to 7th of November. We have recollection every month based on the talks on DE STATU SOCIETATIS. We had a Triduum from 13th to 15th of November. After that we visited some churches and some important places in Kanyakumari and Palayamkottai. We commenced our even semester on 20th of November. Once again, we are into our studies.

Fr. Naveen Kumar, SJ

ONLINE CERTIFICATE PROGRAMME IN PEACE STUDIES

Fr Rex Angelo and Fr D. Pratap participated in an online certificate course in Peace Studies jointly offered by XLRI, Jamshedpur and LIPI, Cochi during September and December 2023. The course aimed at fostering peace in the contemporary context and right attitudes and values along with enhancing professional skills. Regular input sessions lasting more than 3 hours on Saturdays, with copious study materials supplied ahead of each session, were professionally conducted by experts from XLRI and other institutes of international repute.

Resource persons included Prof. Edgar Antonio Lopez from Pontificia Universidad Javeriana, Bogota, Colombia, Dr. Sophia Opatska from Catholic University, Ukraine, Dr. Kifle Wansamo from Hekima Institute of Peace Studies and International Relations, Nairobi, Dr. Jane Kimathi, Peace Practitioner from Kenya,

Prof. Ted Peters from CTNS, Berkeley, California, Adv. Irfan Ali Engineer, Director, Centre for Study of Society and Secularism, Mumbai, Dr. Paramjyot Singh, Chairperson, Centre for Peace and Justice, XLRI, Jamshedpur, Prof. Dr. K. Babu Joseph, former Vice Chancellor, Cochin University of Science and Technology, Dr. Jacob Thomas IAS, Retd, Editor, Pax Lumina & Ex-Additional Chief Secretary, Uttar Pradesh, Prof. Dr. M.P. Mathai, Faculty, LIPI & Adjunct Professor, Gujarat Vidyapeeth, Mr Dayabai, Social Activist, Dr. Shiv Visvanathan, Professor, OP Jindal Global University, Sonapat, Haryana, Prof. Kuruvilla Pandikattu, Chair Professor, JRD Tata Foundation on Business Ethics, XLRI, Jamshedpur, Dr. Augustine Pamplany, Director, ISR, Aluva, Prof. Neena Joseph, formerly Professor, Institute of Management in Government, Prof. K.M. Mathew, Formerly Professor, KUFOS, Kochi, Dr. Denzil Fernandes, Director, Indian Social Institute, Delhi, Dr. Binoy Pichalakkattu, Director, LIPI, Kochi, et al.

Participants were also from a wide spectrum of backgrounds: UNO official, civil servants, advocates of human rights, university professors of XLRI, XIM, and Jesuit universities and colleges, legal luminaries, human rights activists, working professionals, bureaucrats, social workers, artists, and researchers. The topics covered were: understanding conflicts and peace, conflict transformation and reconciliation, identity, violence and empathy, structural inequalities and human rights, gender and caste violence, science and technology for peace, world religions and inner peace, international peace initiatives, environmental peace, education for peace, etc. All the sessions were interesting as well as inspiring. Participants were expected to present a project work with 3000 words for evaluation at the end.

During the valedictory function on 9th December, Fr Elias Lopez SJ (Columbia), Chair and Fr. Jacques Haers (Belgium), Co-Chair, IAJUTask Force for Peace and Reconciliation, and Dr. Jezeela Sherif, Writer/Artist, Kochi were present along with Fr EP Mathew, Provincial of Kerala. The project works presented by us were well-appreciated by the organisers. It was felt that more such courses should be offered to the staff of all our Christian/Jesuit institutions so that they could become true ambassadors of peace and reconciliation everywhere.

Fr. Rex Angelo, SJ

A Note from Fr. D. Pratap, SJ:

This programme was really good and inspiring. Many ... resource persons enabled us to be the agents of peace. We were 35 participants. The best part of the programme was the project presentations. I did my project on Gussadi Dance - A dance that builds peace and harmony. In the On-line convocation on 9th Certificates were issued & sent to us by Email. Hard copy will be sent soon.

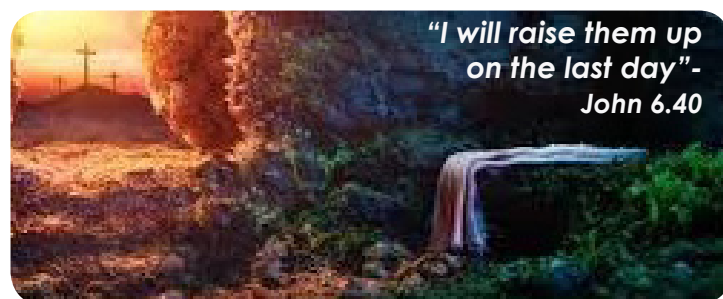
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cough. He was taken to St. John's Hospital in Bengaluru and was undergoing treatment there. In spite of their best efforts and attention, and even with the insertion of stents twice to stop the internal blood collection, the process of vomiting kept repeating. On Wednesday 29th, the end came at about 4.00 p.m., with people still around him; and all of a sudden, just with a gasp, he was gone. On 1st December, at 3.30pm, the concelebrated Requiem Mass was held in the college Church in Loyola Academy campus in the presence of numerous Jesuits, many relatives and friends. The body was laid to rest in the cemetery in the campus. The family, big in number, so far and so long, held him as the prime reference point of its every move forward - a significant role he had played with great aplomb among four generations.

Fr. Karunai was a man of principles, practising spiritual and human values. He will remain as an example of a good life, happily lived, faithful even to the small details, till the end. He was always known for his commitment to the religious life and its practices, never known to compromise or to neglect. He considered the Vows as the safeguard of his life and would not tilt away even an inch. Having helped many pilgrims with spiritual counseling and solace, he felt that his ministries in those chosen Marian Shrines were more fruitful than all his administrative and other contributions. He had made himself available, even without any prior appointment, to many Jesuits, young and old, for spiritual advice. He lived a happy and contented life as a Jesuit, ever grateful to Jesus and our Blessed Mother for his vocation and for the length of life. His life exhibited a serene attitude and a quiet peace within.

In fine he was a person of pleasant composure, wise and discreet, polite and prudent, friendly and benevolent, worthy of admiration and emulation. May the Lord accept the sufferings of his last days as reparation for his sins, if any, and accept him into the happy and everlasting eternal life, to intercede for us in turn.

- Fr. Joseph Sandanasamy, SJ





Fr. D. Joseph Karunaidass, S.J. (77/60)
(29.05.1946 - 29.11.2023)

Fr. Karunai was born, on 29 May 1946, just after the family had returned from Colombo, Sri Lanka, to the native place, Manamadurai in Sivagangai Diocese and District, Tamil Nadu, of Mr. Durairaj and Mrs. Pushpam. He was the first of nine children. He pursued his high school studies in St. Mary's High School, Madurai. After his PUC in St. Xavier's College, Palayamkottai, he entered the Novitiate in Beschi College, Dindigul, on 20 May 1963. He was ordained a Priest in Madurai on 2 May 1976, together with his cousin Joseph Sandanasamy; both celebrated the First Mass together the following day.

As a scholastic, he opted to work in Andhra and joined the Andhra Jesuit Province - then a Region. By and by he learnt the language of Telugu to an adequate level and felt at ease to celebrate Telugu Liturgy. He worked in schools as Superior, Minister, Principal and Warden in various schools: St. Xavier's, Suryapet; LPS, Guntur; LHS, Vinukonda; St. Patrick's, Secunderabad; and in LHS, Hindupur. His official ministries like that of Principal or Warden were carried out with a personal touch for students and staff, while insisting on their disciplined behaviour. He was found, at times, to be extra careful and calculative for reasons of avoiding wastages or becoming extravagant. As the Minister of the house, he would provide with the necessities of the community ahead of time, generously. He would gladly spend time for the community - himself cleaning, re-arranging or sweeping. In a way his life was one of service till the end.

He was a Parish Priest in Shanthinagar and Guntur. He went to the Philippines to do a refresher

programme during his six-month-sabbatical. Given his aptitude for administration and fiscal management, he was given to the Common Houses - first at Indian Social Institute, Bangalore and then at Papal Seminary, Pune. Then he served as Treasurer in Loyola Academy, Alwal. Wanting to have a change of ministry, he opted to serve spiritually both at Velanganni, and thereafter at Poondi Shrines of our blessed Mother. For the past three years he belonged to Loyola community in Karimnagar.

He had a knack for shopping and his room was full of goods of all kinds, be they groceries, home-appliances or fancy goods. He enjoyed giving to others what and when they needed, as he would invariably find in his room the things asked for. His collection of coins and stamps is extraordinary and priceless; his store of CDs and Photos would make a mini-library.

The last days that lasted about five months of treatment, started with a growing sense of loss of appetite and feeling of shivering in the month of July '23. But he decided to go for his annual retreat and landed in Shembaganur, Kodaikanal. He couldn't bear the cold and soon came to the plains rather sick, and his family members admitted him in Apollo Hospital in Madurai. In scanning and endoscopy, the doctors found a cyst close to the lungs and heart. Samples for biopsy were drawn out twice, which apparently created an internal wound, leading to blood leakage and internal storing. He was taken to Apollo, Chennai, for better care. More samples were taken for biopsy on 27th July, leading to vomiting of blood for the first time and thereafter, once in every few days, together with painful

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BIRTHDAYS DECEMBER

- 01 P Alex Chinnappan
- 04 N Koram Sathwik
- 08 P Paul Amal Raja M
- 09 S Rex Arul
- 10 P Joseph Raj D
- 12 N Chinthagunta Rahul
- 13 P Francis Xavier A
- 18 N Chinthakunta Rahul
- 20 F Thomas BG
- 22 N Polanki Anthony Kiran
- P Prabhudas KM
- S Pradeep Kumar S
- 23 P Emmanuel S
- 26 P Naveen Kumar G
- 27 P John Packiaraj S
- 29 S Y Naveen Kumar
- 30 P Joji Kunduru
- P Mathew Neerakkal

JANUARY

- 01 P Ashok Kumar B
- 02 P Yesurathnam K
- 04 S Namadi Rex Kumar
- 05 P Anil Kumar K
- 08 S Pallam Raju Katru
- S Velangani Karuna Kumar P
- 09 P Victor Emmanuel GM
- 11 P Antony Prabhu A
- 13 P Amala Arockiaraj T
- 14 P Prasad MA
- P Avinash G
- 15 S Ch David Poul Raj
- S Kodiganti Kiran

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Fr. Joseph Velinkar, S.J., (BOM) 93/77, on 14.11.2023 in Andheri, Mumbai.
 Br. Lalith Fernandopulle, S.J., (SRI) 53/25, on 16.11.2023 Kandy.
 Fr Joseph Chittooparambil, S.J., (KER) 95/64, on 26.11.2023 in Kozhikode.
 Fr. Joseph Karunaidass, S.J., (AND) 77/60, on 29.11.2023 in Bangalore.
 Fr Peter Marandi, S.J., (DUM) 77/53, on 05.12.2023 in Raiganj, WB.
 Br Xavier S. Arockiasamy, S.J., (MDU) 92/68, on 03.12.2023
 in Tiruchirappalli, TN.
 Fr. Lourduraj Arokiasamy, S.J. (CEN) 78/60, on 12.12.2023 in Dindugul
 Mr. Don Bosco Patrick, brother-in-law of Fr. P. R. John, SJ,

OUR BROTHERS IN GLORY

Fr Chellanthara Varghese	06.12.2015	ALC
Fr. Yeddanapalli Papaiah	10.12.2001	LA
Fr. Anselm Miranda	15.12.1988	ALC
Br. Maria Michael Santiago	19.12.2021	ALC
Fr. Fidelis Jayabalan	26.12.2019	Beschi, Dindigul
Fr. Peter Raj Chinnappan	28.12.2022	ALC



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