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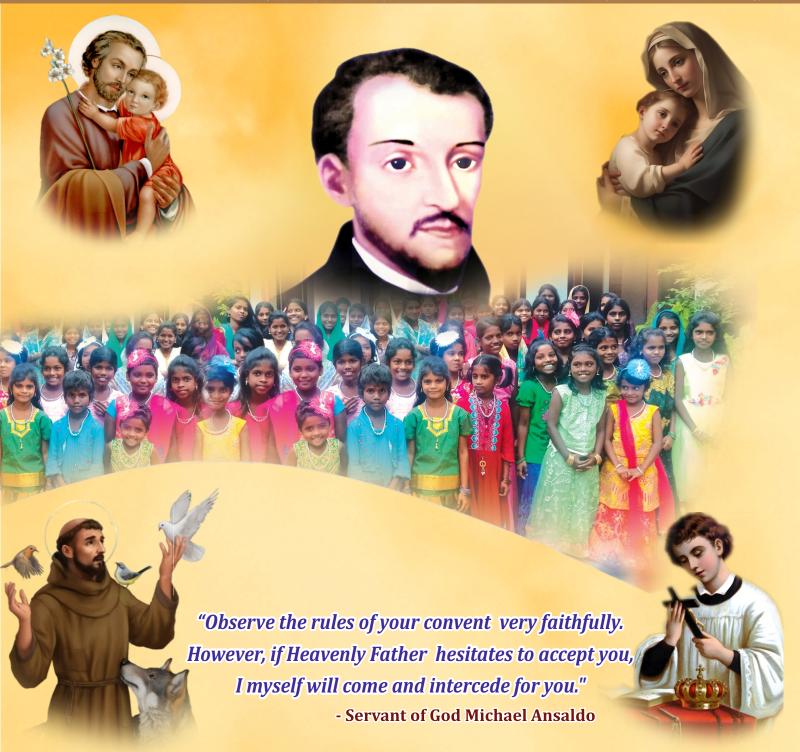


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அன்பார்ந்த அன்னையர்களே, சகோதரிகளே!

இறை ஊழியர் மிக்கேல் அன்சால்தோவின் விழா வாழ்த்துக்களைத் தெரிவித்துக்கொள்கீறேன். நம் நிறுவுனர் தந்தை இறைவனில் இணைந்து (1805) 218 ஆண்டுகள் நிறைவு பெறுகின்றன. 34 ஆண்டுகள் (1771–1805) புதுவை கடலூர் மறைமாவட்டத்திற்காய் அரும்பணி ஆற்றியிருக்கிறார். அவரின் விண்ணகப் பிறப்பு நாளை, கொன்சாகா தாயின் அரவணைப்பில் இயங்கும் காப்பகங்களின் நாளாக (Cottage Day) நவம்பர் O3–ம் நாளை சிறப்பிக்கின்றோம்.

இத்தாலி, செசிலி தீவிலிருந்து 1771ல் புதுவை பூமிக்கு மறைப்பணி புரிய கால் பதித்த அருட்தந்தை மிக்கேல் அன்சால்தோ சே.ச 1775 வரை புதுவை நகரை வாசித்தார்.

பள்ளிக்கு செல்ல அனுமதியின்றி தெருக்களில் சுற்றி அலைந்த பெண் சிறார்களை, குழந்தை திருமணத்தால் விதவைகளாக்கப்பட்ட சிறுமிகளை, பிரெஞ்சு போரினால் கணவனை இழந்த பெண்களை,

சமுதாயத்தால் தீண்டப்படாதவர்களாய் ஒதுக்கப்பட்ட தலீத் மக்களை குறிப்பாக அடிமைப்படுத்தப்பட்ட தலீத் பெண்களை, கீழ்த்தரமாக நடத்தப்பட்ட எந்த சாதியிலும் சேராத மக்களை பார்த்தார், படித்தார். யோசித்தார். விசுவாசத்தை வளர்த்து, சமூகத் தீமைகளிலிருந்து விடுதலைப் பெற்று மனிதம் பெற புனித அலோஷியஸ் கொன்சாகா பாதுகாவலில் ஆதவற்றோர் பெண்களுக்கென 1775ல் இல்லம் அமைத்தார். முதன்முதலில் 1787ல் அன்சால்தோ என்ற பெயரில் தமிழ் வழிக்கல்வி கூடமும் விதவைப் பெண்களின் புதுவாழ்வுக்கென தொழிற் கூடமும் அமைத்தார். ஆதரவற்றோரின் நல்வாழ்வையே தனது உள்ளுயிராகக் கொண்ட தந்தை அந்த உள்ளுயிரை கொன்சாகா தாய்க்கு கொடுத்தார். அதை வளர்க்க நம் மூத்த அன்னையர்களுக்கு பயிற்சி அளித்து உருவாக்கினார்.

சபை நிறுவியவரின் நோக்கத்தையும் அவர் வகுத்த தனிப்பட்ட தீட்டங்களையும் நன்மரபுகளையும் ஒவ்வொரு சபையும் குடும்பச் சொத்தாகப்பற்றுதியோடு ஏற்று அவற்றைப் போற்றி பேண வேண்டும் என்ற இரண்டாம் வத்திக்கான் சங்க ஏடு, துறவற வாழ்வை புதுப்பித்தல் என்ற பகுதியில் கூறப்படுவதற்கேற்ப அன்னையர்கள் நிறுவுனரின் உள்ளுயிரை தங்களது உயிராக மதித்து வாழவைத்து வளர்த்து வந்துள்ளார்கள். ஆதவற்றோரின் நல்வாழ்வுக்காக வருமானத்தின் சரிபாதியை ஆதரவற்ற குழந்தைகளின் பராமரிப்பிற்காக செலவிட வேண்டும் என்ற உயரிய நோக்கத்துடன் வருமானத்தைத் தேடி பிரித்து வைத்து பயன்படுத்தினர் என்பதை வாசிக்கும் போது தந்தையின் உள்ளுயிரையும் (Spirit), சபையின் தனிவரத்தையும் (Charism) வாழ்ந்த விதம் நம்மை வியக்க வைக்கிறது. புதுதெம்பு தருகிறது. ஆதரவற்ற குழந்தைகளின் ஆன்ம உய்விற்காக 1 ரூபாயும் 12 மெழுகுவர்த்திகளும் புனித அலோஷியஸ் கொன்சாகாவின் விழா நாளில் காணிக்கை கொடுக்கும் பக்தி முயற்சி நடைமுறையில் இருந்து வந்தது. நிறுவுனர் தந்தையால் தொடங்கப்பட்ட இந்த வழக்கத்தை தந்தையின் விண்ணக பிறப்பு நாளில் அவருக்கு சிறப்பு செய்ய நம் முன்னோர்கள் மாற்றி அமைத்தனர்.

எனவே, அரசாங்கம் கொடுக்கும் நெருக்கடியாலும், பொருளாதார பற்றாக்குறையாலும், ஆதரவற்ற பிள்ளைகள் கொடுக்கும் சிரமங்களாலும் காப்பகங்களைப் பற்றி விமர்சிப்பதை விடுத்து ஆக்கப்பூர்வமாக செயல்பட தீட்டங்கள் வகுத்து சபை நிறுவியவரின் உள்ளுயிரை வளர்க்க முயற்சிப்போம்.

> நிறுவுனர் தந்தையின் கனவை நனவாக்குவோம். அவரின் உள்ளுயிருக்கு உயிர்கொடுப்போம் கொன்சாகா தாயின் தனிவரத்தை வாழ்வாக்குவோம்.

அன்பார்ந்தவர்களே! நாம் திருவருகைக்கால திருப்பயணத்தைத் தொடங்க இருக்கிறோம். மீட்பராக மண்ணகம் இறங்கிய இயேசு பாலனின் பிறப்பு விழாவுக்கு விழிப்புணர்வுடன் தயாரிக்க திருச்சபை நமக்கு அறைக்கூவல் விடுக்கின்றது. எனவேதான் இயேசுவுக்கு பிடித்தமான, விருப்பமான, நற்செயல்களைச் செய்து நம்மையே தயாரிக்கின்றோம். இயேசு பிறப்பின் தயாரிப்பு கடிகாரம், நற்செயல்களின் சக்கரம், பாலன் இயேசுவின் கால கண்ணாடி, பாலன் பிறப்பின் நாள்காட்டி என்றெல்லாம் பலவாறு பெயரிட்டு (டிசம்பர் 1 முதல் 25 வறை) நன்மைகளை செய்ய வந்த பாலன் இயேசுவை நற்செயல்களால் அலங்கரிக்க விழிப்புணர்வுடன் காத்திருக்கிறோம். விழிப்பாயிருங்கள்; ஏனெனில் உங்கள் ஆண்டவர் எந்த நாளில் வருவார்; என உங்களுக்குத் தெரியாது. மத் 24:42

அதே சமயத்தில் 2–ம் வருகையின் போது நடுவராக மாட்சிமிகு அரியணையில் அமர்ந்திருக்கும் இயேசு கிறிஸ்துவின் முன் நிற்க தகுதியுள்ளவர்களாகும் பொருட்டு நம்மையே தயாரித்து விழிப்புணர்வுடன் காத்திருக்க வேண்டும். எனவே நாம் ஒவ்வொருவரும் உள்நோக்கிய பயணம் செய்து (Inward Journey) நமக்குள் இருக்கும் சுயத்தைத் தேடவேண்டும். உள்ளிருக்கும் நிஜ மனிதரை அடையாளம் காண வேண்டும். நிஜமில்லா மனிதத்தை களைந்து நிஜ மனிதத்தை பன்மடங்கு வளர்க்க வேண்டும். இவ்வாறு உள்ளிருக்கும் நிஜ மனிதத்தை நன்மைகளால் நிரப்பி திருவருகைக்காலத்தின் திருப்பயணத்தை வெற்றிகரமாக முடித்து நடுவரின் வருகையை எதிர்கொண்டு செல்வோம். ஏனெனில் நீங்கள் நினையாத நேரத்தில் மானிட மகன் வருவார். மத் 24:44

விழா வாழ்த்துக்கள்

இறை ஊழியா் மிக்கேல் அன்சால்தோவின் பெயா் தாங்கிய

 அன்சால்தோ மாநிலம்
 – குணதலா

 அன்சால்தோ கல்லூரி
 – சேத்பட்

அன்சால் ஸ்பிரிங் கணினி நூல் நிலையம் – காத்தான்பள்ளம்

அன்சால்தோ இல்லம் – வடக்கலூர் அன்சால்தோ அருணோதயா இல்லம் – கருணாபுரம்

அன்சால்தோ குடும்பம் – மெசினா, பலேர்மோ

மற்றும் காப்பகங்களுக்கும், விடுதிகளுக்கும் வாழ்த்துக்கள்.

இறை ஊழியர் மிக்கேல் அன்சால்தோவின் பரிந்துரையால் கீடைக்கப்பெற்ற வரங்கள்

- 1. சகோ. சகாயராணியின் தங்கை மகன் பெனடிக்ட் அன்சால்தோ,
- 2. சகோ. ஷைலஜாவின் தங்கை மகன் அன்சால்தோ,
- சகோ. கவிதாவின் தம்பி மகன் கில் அன்சால்தோ மற்றும் அன்சால்தோ பெயர் தாங்கிய அனைவருக்கும் வாழ்த்துக்கள்.

ക്വതിയിധ്വ

நம் நிறுவுனர் தந்தை அன்சால்தோவை புனிதராக்கும் செயல்பாடுகள் நடந்துக்கொண்டிருக்கின்றன. இறை ஊழியர் மிக்கேல் அன்சால்தோ அவர்களின் புனிதர் பட்ட திருப்பணிக்கான புதுவை–கடலூர் உயர் மறைமாவட்ட ஆய்வின் நிறைவு விழா, நமது பாதுகாவலர் புனித அலோசியஸ் கொன்சாகாவின் விழா நாளில் 21.06.2023 அன்று சிறப்பாக நடபெற்றது. தந்தையின் வாழ்வு குறிப்பேடுகள் மற்றும் புண்ணியங்கள் மற்றும் ஆராய்ச்சி பதிவேடுகள் அடங்கிய பெட்டி 30.06.2023 டில்லி Nunciature அலுவலகத்தில் ஒப்படைக்கப்பட்டது. அந்த பெட்டி ரோம், வத்திகானில் 03.10.2023 மாலை 7.00 மணிக்கு அனைவர் பார்வைக்கும் திறந்து வைக்கப்பட்டது. இறைவனுக்கு நன்றி கூறுவோம்.

விவரிக்கப்பட்ட ஆலோசனைக்குழுக் கூட்டம் 2023 டிசம்பர் 27 மாலை முதல் டிசம்பர் 30 மாலை வரை நடைபெறும். சபை, மாநில, மற்றும் வட்டார நீர்வாகப்பணியாளர்கள், இல்லத்தலைவிகளை டிசம்பர் 27 மாலை 4.00 மணிக்கு தேனிரில் கலந்துக்கொள்ள அன்புடன் அழைக்கீறேன்.

இரண்டு ஆண்டுகளுக்கொரு முறை இக்கூட்டம் நடத்தப்பட வேண்டும். கொரோனாவினால் 2021 டிசம்பர் நடத்தப்பட்டது. எனவே 2023 டிசம்பரில் விரிவாக்கப்பட்ட ஆலோசனைக்குமு கூட்டம் நடத்தப்பட உள்ளது என்பதை தெரிவித்துக்கொள்கிறேன்.

மன்றாடுவோம்

நமது சபையில் உழைத்து மரித்த அன்னையா்கள், சகோதாிகளுக்காகவும், நமது சபையிலே வளா்க்கப்பட்ட வளா்ப்பு பிள்ளைகள் அவா்களின் குடும்பங்களில் மாித்தோருக்காகவும், நமது சபையின் வளா்ச்சியிலே பொிதும் உதவி செய்த பேராயா்கள், அருட்தந்தையா்களுக்காகவும், நமது குடும்பங்களிலே இறந்த பெற்றோா், உடன் பிறந்தோா், உற்றாா், உறவினா், நண்பா்கள், அன்பா்கள் அனைவருக்காகவும் மன்றாடுவோம்.



16.10.23 அன்று இறைவனடி அடைந்த அருட்தந்தை A. லூயிஸ் அடிகளார், ஆச்சாரிய குரு, அஞ்சலி ஆசிரமம், மைசூர் அவர்கள் நம் சபைக்கு செய்த நன்மைகளுக்கு நன்றி கூறுவோம். தந்தைக்காக ஜெபிப்போம்.

நம் கொன்சாகா தாய் இந்நாள் வரை இருப்புக்கொண்டு பணி செய்ய நிறுவுனர் தந்தையோடு உடனிருந்து பணி செய்த இணை நிறுவுனர் அன்னையர்கள் அன்னம்மாள், எலிசா மற்றும் வழிகாட்டிய அருட்தந்தையர்கள், பேராயர்களிடம் சபையின் வளர்ச்சிகாக மன்றாடுவோம்.

காப்பங்களில் தந்தையின் படத்தை வைத்து சிறுவா்களை செபிக்க துண்டுவோம். அவாிடம் விளங்கிய புண்ணியங்களை, பக்தி முயற்சிகளை, அவரைப் பற்றிய அறிவை, கொடுப்போம்

> இறை ஊழியா் அன்சால்தோவின் புனிதத்தில் வளா்வோம். தந்தையின் ஆதரவற்றோா் பணியை வாழ்வாக்குவோம். நிறுவுனா் தந்தையின் உள்ளுயிரை வாழ்வாவும் பணியாலும் வளர வைப்போம். நிறுவுனா் தந்தையின் விழா வாழ்த்துக்கள்!





இயேசுவில் அன்புள்ள *Sv. kajamani*நர் ஞா. **ராஜாமணி,** FSAG

SUPERIOR GENERAL

FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF

ST. ALOYSIUS GONZAGA

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Dear Superiors and Sisters

May I very cordially extend to every one of you the Wishes on the occasion of the celebration of the Feast Day of Servant of God Michael Ansaldo! 218 years have gone away ever since our Founder rested in the Lord (1805). He served in the Archdiocese of Pondicherry & Cuddalore for 34 years (1771 - 1805). We celebrate his Birthday in Heaven as the *Cottage Day* viz. the Day of all the Homes and orphanages that function under the patronage of *Mother Gonzaga*.

Fr. Michael Ansaldo SJ, who from the Island of Sicily, Italy landed in India in the year 1771 as a Missionary, lived in Pondicherry till 1775.

He, first intently and yet compassionately perceived the state of those Female Children who were systematically proscribed from attending the School, the young Girls who became Widows as a consequent result of Child Marriages, the Women who were widowed due to the French War, the *Dalits* who were dealt as *untouchables* predominantly, particularly the subjugated *Dalit* Women, and the People who suffered the ignominy of not belonging to any Caste in the society and meticulously analyzed the situation and subjected the same to reasonable thinking. He established the Home for the Abandoned Women under the patronage of St. Aloysius Gonzaga in the year 1775, that the above mentioned members of the society may by growing in faith become liberated from the social evils that they suffered from. As the preliminary effort, he first and foremost, established in the year 1787, a *Tamil Medium School* under the name *Ansaldo* and a Training Centre



for the wellbeing of the Widows. Our Founder Father, who made the happiness of the Abandoned and the Destitute as his very life, imbued the same Spirit to *Mother Gonzaga* and thus as the consequential necessity formed our Ancestors (Mothers) to take it along History.

The Second Vatican Council in *Perfectae Caritatis*, the Decree on the Adaptation and Renewal of Religious Life states: "Therefore let their founders' spirit and special aims they set before them as well as their sound traditions-all of which make up the patrimony of each institute-be faithfully held in honor" (PC 2, b). As insisted in the Decree on the Adaptation and Renewal of Religious Life our Ancestors (Mothers), valued the Spirit of the Founder as their very life and carried it to us till date. When we read that "they spared half of what they earned for their livelihood for the maintenance of the abandoned Children" and how they lived the Spirit of the Founder and the Charism of the Congregation, we cannot but wonder at their determination which infuses a new strength into us. The pious exercise of offering Rs. 1/- and 12 Candles on the Feast Day of St. Aloysius Gonzaga for the Spiritual wellbeing of the Orphans has been in practice for long time. However, in order to honour the

Birth of our Founder in Heaven, this pious practice begun by the Founder, was changed to the day of his death.

Therefore, let us all, although we experience the unwarranted pressure from the Government, Financial crunch and the difficulties from the Orphans, instead of undeservedly commenting on the Homes for the Orphans, design constructive plans to reinvigorate the Spirit of the Founder.

Let us transform the dream of the Founder into deeds!

Let us enliven the Spirit of the Founder!

Let us live the Charism of the Mother Gonzaga!

Dear Sisters, we are at the verge of beginning the Season of Advent. The Church gives us the clarion call to consciously prepare for the Festivity of the Birth of Baby Jesus, who descended on earth as the Redeemer of Humanity. Subsequently, we prepare ourselves by transforming what is pleasing to Jesus into our daily deeds. In order that we may adorn the Baby Jesus with our virtuous and humane deeds, we enthusiastically await his Birth by creating the Clock for the Birth of Jesus, the Wheel of Good Deeds, the Calendar the Birth of Jesus etc. "**Keep awake therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming**" (Mt 24:42).

At the same time, we have the obligation that we may be worthy to stand before Jesus during his second coming, to prepare ourselves and consciously wait for it. Thus, every one of us must make the *Inward Journey* and look for one's self. One must identify the real Humanity in oneself. One must remove the unreal Humanity and foster the real Humanity in oneself. Thus, let us fill the real Humanity with what is right and just and complete our Advent journey and march towards the coming of the just Judge. "Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an unexpected hour" (Mt 24:44).

Festive Felicitation!

We offer our Cordial Wishes and Festive Felicitations to the following Institutions that bear the name of Servant of God Michael Ansaldo:

Ansaldo Province - Gunadala
Ansaldo College - Chetpet
Ansal Spring Digital Library
Ansaldo Home - Vadakalur
Ansaldo Arunodhaya Home - Karunapuram

Ansaldo Family - Messina, Palermo in

Sicily All the Boarding Homes and Orphanages

Blessings received through the Intercession of Michael Ansaldo:

- Sr. Sagayarani's Nephew Benedict Ansaldo
- Sr. Shailaja's Nephew Ansaldo
- Sr. Kavitha's Nephew Gil Ansaldo

We also wholeheartedly express our Onomastic Wishes to all who bear the name of Ansaldo!

- The proceedings of the Canonization of the Founder Michael Ansaldo is on progress. The Concluding Ceremonies of the Pondicherry & Cuddalore Archdiocesan Investigation for the Canonization of Servant of God Michael Ansaldo took place on 21.06.2023, the Feast Day of St. Aloysius Gonzaga. The Casket containing the records with regard to Virtues of the Founder and Investigation was deposited at the Office of the Nunciature in New Delhi, on 30.06.2023. The same Casket was kept open in the City of Vatican, Rome, for the all on 03.10.2023 at 7.00 PM.
- The Enlarged Council Meeting will be held on 27 30 December 2023. May I invite all the Members of General Administration, Provincial Administration, Regional Administration and the Superiors of respective Communities to participate at Tea at 4.00 PM on 27 December 2023.
- May I kindly draw your attention the fact that this Meeting should take place once in two years. Thus it was organized in 2021 during the Corona Pandemic. Therefore, the Enlarged Council Meeting is due to take place in **December 2023**.

Let us pray!

Let us all pray for the Mothers and Sisters of our Congregation, those who rested in the Lord in the families of our Adopted Children, those Archbishops, Bishops and Presbyters who involved themselves in the development of the Congregation, the deceased Parents, Sisters and Brothers, Relatives and Friends in our Families.

Let us gratefully remember Fr. A. Louis, *Acharya Guru*, Anjali Ashram, Mysore, who went to his eternal abode on 16. 10. 2023, for all that he did for the Congregation and pray for him.

Let us all pray to Mother Annammal and Mother Elsa who worked with the Founder, Archbishops and Presbyters who guided the evolution of the Congregation for the growth of the Congregation.

Let us place the Picture of the Founder in the Homes and Orphanages and encourage the Inmates to pray. Let us share with them the life and the Virtues of the Founder.

Let us all evolve in the holiness of Servant of God Ansaldo!

Let us live the philanthropic service to the Destitute!

Let us enliven the Spirit of the Founder Father by our life and service!

Festive Felicitations at the Feast of the Founder Father...



Yours in Christ

Rev. Mother G. Rajamani, FSAG SUPERIOR GENERAL FRANCISCAN SISTERS OF ST. ALOYSIUS GONZAGA Door No: 6, St. Ange Street Puducherry-605 001.

Euloqy to the Servant of God Michael Ansaldo

Rev. Fr. Michael Ansaldo, belonging to the Order of the Jesuits and Malabar Missionary belonging to Pondicherry, a man of high esteem and respect, during thirty-three years of his residence in India, discharged the duty of his calling with true missionary zeal which was evinced by the concourse of attendants at his Funeral and the grief of his Brethren. He died at the Capuchin Convent, Madras, Tamil Nadu, India on 02 November 1805. (Ref. The data are collected from the Oriental Obituary, written by the



Generalate

A Momentous Occasion of Gonzaga Family

On 18 July 1886, a significant occasion unfolded for the Gonzaga family. The Congregation of St. Aloysius Gonzaga was officially recognized and approved by the Church, and was merged with the Franciscan Third Order. On this special day, we gratefully embraced the Constitution of the Aloysius Gonzaga Sisters as the supreme law of our religious life.

This year, we joyously celebrated the 137th Anniversary of the Approval Day. It serves as a reminder of the commitment and dedication of the Franciscan Sisters of St. Aloysius Gonzaga to serve humanity worldwide and uplift the downtrodden, following the footprints of our Founder. We also express our heartfelt gratitude to our ancestors Mother Annammal and Mother Eliza for their sacrificial and heroic lives, which nourished the roots of the

Gonzaga tree to flourish in the soil of Puducherry.

The celebration commenced with the Solemn Holy Mass at 11. 30 AM at the Gonzaga Generalate, presided over by the Vicar General Fr. Kulandai Samy, along with the Concelebrants, Rev. Fr. Auguste (Manager, Mission Press), Rev. Fr. Rosario (the Cathedral Parish Priest), and Rev. Fr. Peter Rajendiren (Episcopal Vicar for Education). In his homily, Father emphasized the importance of living according to the virtues of our

Founder and preserving the originality of the Motto of the Congregation' and charism through our dedicated service.

After the Eucharistic celebration, Sr. Fatima warmly welcomed Fr. Kulandai Samy, VG, and Fr. Auguste, Manager of the Mission Press, presenting them with shawls and a bouquet. The celebration was further enriched as we commemorated the first birthday of master Liyanel, the son of Mr. Lenin Thomas and Mrs. Joshphine, with a grand cake cutting ceremony.

May the spirit of St. Aloysius Gonzaga continue to guide and inspire us as we carry forward our mission to serve and uplift humanity, in alignment with the teachings of God the Father.

Inagural of Community College

The Community College Programme was inaugurated on 11 September 2023, by Rev. Mother G. Rajamani, the Superior General of the Franciscan Sisters of Saint Aloysius Gonzaga. The Sisters and Teachers of the Ulagankathan Community gave a warm welcome to all the invitees of the day. Light is the symbol of God who dispels the darkness in the lives of the people. So a candle was lighted by Rev.





Mother G. Rajamani the Superior General, Sr. M. Thressa Gnanamani the Assistant Superior General, Sr. Imelda Glodin Quini the Provincial Superior of Shalom Province, Tindivanam, Sr. Fathima the Former Superior and Correspondent, Mr. Jegan the Village Leader, and a Student who has joined in the College. Sr. Jebamalai Mary led us through the prayer soon after the lighting of the lamp. Mrs. Kaliyammal read the History of the School. The Chief Guest and the guests of honour delivered encouraging speeches. Rev. Mother G. Rajamani the Superior General reminded us of the situation that were responsible for of the founding of the Congregation. The women were neglected and not allowed to be educated in the society. But our Founder Fr. Michael Ansaldo understood the need and importance of women in the

society, established the Congregation and thus today we have never stopped lighting the light of Christ in the lives

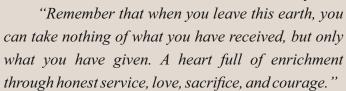
many women in our society. Bro. Jega Raj the Former Superior General of the Congregation of Sacred Heart Brothers delivered his inspiring speech.

The Superiors and Sisters of nearby convents wished our Superior General with garlands and shawls. The ceremony was concluded with the Vote of Thanks proposed by Sr. Genova Pauline.

Last Journey of St. Francis of Assisi

We, the Franciscan Sisters of St. Aloysius Gonzaga, celebrated the Last Journey of St. Francis of





- St. Francis of Assisi

According to this quote, we should share our talents, time, energy, love, and service with all kinds of people, so that the almighty God will bless us.

Near our Generalate, the community Sisters joined together and participated in his last journey. At the Grotto of Mother Mary, the Sisters lit candles while meditating on him, and then proceeded to the Chapel, where a candle was placed in front of the



Statue of St. Francis and the Superior General placed a garland the Statue of St. Francis. We then meditated upon the suffering of St. Francis of Assisi. Afterward, the Superior General distributed bread to all. In this way, the last Journey of St. Francis was celebrated. Through this event, we received his mercy, peace, and love, and the Sisters returned to their duties happily.

Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

"We should never aspire to hold power over others. Instead, we ought to be servants, submissive to every human being for God's sake."

- St. Francis of Assisi

The Sisters at the Generalate in Puducherry and our Sisters from the neighboring Communities joined together to celebrate the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi. On October 4, 2023, at 6.30 AM, Fr. Paulraj SDB, the Episcopal Vicar for Religious in Puducherry, presided over the Holy Mass. He emphasized that St. Francis of Assisi embodied simplicity and humility in all his actions, exemplifying his poverty in his way of life. As you follow in his footsteps, Sisters, you are also carrying out his ministry effectively and compassionately among the poor and marginalized.

God has provided us with this opportunity to assist and serve others, even in the face of numerous challenges. He will safeguard and guide you in every step. This inspiring ceremony strengthened our Sisters' resolve to continue our ministry with commitment. Following the Eucharistic celebration, we extended a warm welcome to Fr. Paulraj SDB, honoring him with a shawl, a flower bouquet, and a cake-cutting ceremony.

Sr. A. Salomi Rani, General Secretary



Formation Desk

"Let a song of thanksgiving rise from our lips and from our hearts, today and always, because Jesus has bent over our littleness and has given us the grace to follow him in the various forms of consecrated life, despite our littleness," - Pope Francis.

It makes me pleased to present the Quarterly Report from the Formation Desk.

On July 3, 2023, I was invited as the Chief Guest for the Inauguration of the College Canteen and the Installation of the Beauty Parlor at Gonzaga College of Arts and Science for Women. On the same day, the



College also celebrated Fresher's Day. I had the privilege of delivering the Felicitation Address to both the Students and Parents on this great occasion. During my address I shared about the vision, mission and the thrust of our Founder for the Women empowerment in the 17th Century. The contribution of Gonzaga College in Higher Education is noteworthy. Sr. Gnana Mary Pappathy, the General Procurator joined as the



one of the invited guests at this Inauguration of the College Canteen and the Installation of the Beauty Parlor.

From August 6-11, 2023, I conducted Group Dynamics Sessions to the Novices at the Novitiate, Tindivanam. The sessions were attended by 5 First Year Novices and 6 Second Year Novices. During these sessions, we explored the various aspects and contributions of each individual within the group. The aim of these Group Dynamics sessions was to inspire and nurture their leadership qualities and self-motivation.



On August 6th, 2023, I met with the Postulants of the Shalom Province on their Postulants Entrance Day. There were Six Postulants who listened to my advice as they entered the Second Year of their formation. Motivation and guidance, drawing from Bible quotes were provided along with the historical perspective of our Congregation to help them navigate their life during the formation period. It



was a pleasant and enriching time for both me and the Postulants.

Subsequently, from August 8 to 13, 2023, a Retreat was conducted for 38 Senior Sisters from St. Aloysius Province. The theme of the Retreat was "TO LOVE," which encompassed several dimensions over the course of each day:

1. To love God, 2. To love the Self, 3. To love the Neighbor, 4. To love Congregation, 5. To love Nature, 6. To love the Society.

During the Retreat, the participants had the opportunity to reflect on their lives in light of the daily theme. I also delved into topics such as the



Charism, Motto, Rules and Regulations, the General and Province Chapters of the Congregation, in the context of today's world. Additionally, we explored the vision of our founder and the missions carried out by our predecessors (ancestors). The feedback received from the Retreatants indicated that the Retreat was immensely helpful for self-reflection and personal growth, allowing them to better understand and live their God's calling to our Congregation.



From August 14 to 15, 2023, a Two-day Seminar for the Senior Sisters was conducted on the theme "My Happiness is the Growth of my Congregation". During this Seminar, the Sisters realized how their existence, presence, spirituality, and community life contribute value to their religious journey. It was emphasized that the mere presence of the elderly Sisters is a blessing and enables the growth to the Congregation. They were encouraged to accept their age and ailments as natural aspects of their life. The Seminar proved to be highly motivating for the Senior Sisters.

August 23 - 24, 2023, I had the privilege of participating in the Episcopal Consecration of Most Rev. Louis Mascarenhas in Allahabad along with the





Superior General and the Educational Coordinator. It was a truly prestigious moment as we came together to extend our felicitations and offer prayers to the newly consecrated Bishop.

August 25 – 27, 2023, classes were conducted for the 2 Postulants and 6 Aspirants of our Northern Region. The sessions were centered on highlighting the significance of religious vocation, God's call to His people, the mission and vision of our Congregation, an overview of our Constitutions, and information on our Founder, the Servant of God Michael Ansaldo. I also had personal conversations with all the candidates, and it was evident that they shared their keen interest in religious life.

On September 5 - 6, 2023, all the Formators of our Congregation and I, along with and with the Vice-Provincials, attended the "TNPCRI FORMATOR MEET - 2023" held at Poondi Matha Basilica in Poondi. The theme of the event revolved around



"Towards an Integrated Formation: Psycho-Spiritual Tools for Fostering Efficient and Effective Formation." Formators from various Congregations came together for this two-day Seminar, and greatly benefited from the discussions and insights. We engaged in group discussions to explore the reasons behind the decline in vocations. One of the key takeaways was the idea of moving away from traditional formation methods and focusing on providing psycho-spiritual formation.

On September 6, 2023 at the end of the event, the Formators from our Congregation had a separate Meeting where each participant shared



one's current formation mission and experiences. Sisters Shanthi and Subania expressed their attending this Formators Meet at the State Level was their first time and they gained numerous ideas from other Formators. They also expressed their concerns on the decreasing number of vocations. As a collective group, we felt that formation is the back bone our Congregation and it is the area where we get Sisters for sending to various ministries of our Congregation. We also discussed the strategies to improve vocation enlisting in each Province. The TNPCRI Formators Meet served as a significant source of motivation and inspiration for all the Formators within our Congregation.

On September 11, 2023, along with the Superior General and the General Educational Coordinator, I had the opportunity to participate

at the Inauguration of the Community College at St. Joseph College in Ulagankathan, which is a part of the Shalom Province. During my speech I addressed that, our Sisters faced adversity when their house was set on fire, and they were forced to leave Ulagankathan. However, today, we proudly stand there, firmly rooted, and continue to extend our ministries in that very place. The establishment of this Community College represents yet another addition to the Gonzaga Family, poised to grow and shine, contributing to the betterment of the community. It was the opportunity extend my hearty congratulations to the Provincial Superior of Shalom Province and the entire Team for taking the initiative to establish this new Community College, which is dedicated to the welfare of the people of Ulagankathan and the empowerment of Women in the region.

From September 12 to 17, 2023, classes were conducted for the First Year Novices, focusing on the Acts of the Apostles, St. Paul's Letters, and the Letter to the Hebrews. The lessons on St. Paul's Letters, provided the Novices with a comprehensive understanding of the life, historical background, and context of these letters along with the challenges and sufferings faced by the Apostles who once were afraid became powerful witnesses to the



suffering and death of Christ. The Letter to the Hebrews, emphasized Christ's profound love for humanity. These sessions served to enlighten the Novices, deepening their knowledge of the Bible and inspiring them to become true disciples of Jesus.

From September 28 to 29, 2023, along with the Sisters actively involved in the evangelization Ministry, I attended the Evangelization Meeting which was held at the Generalate in Pondicherry. The theme of the Seminar was "Evangelization and Our Witnessing Life". On the second day of the Meeting, I had the opportunity to share with the Sisters my experience on Evangelization emphasizing that our lives themselves are a reflection of the Gospel. Our Founder and our elderly Sisters set an exemplary standard by living in accordance with the Gospel

teachings. They practiced what they preached. Therefore, we, too, are called to closely follow in their footsteps and embody the message we proclaim.

"Men lose all the material things they leave behind them in this world, but they carry with them the reward of their charity and the alms they give. For these, they will receive from the Lord the reward and recompense they deserve." - St Francis Prayer Quotes

St. Francis of Assisi is indeed a beloved figure in the Catholic Church and beyond, known for his deep spirituality, humility, and love for all of God's creation. His life and teachings continue to inspire people to live a life of virtue and simplicity. As we are following the Franciscan order, let us imbuing his virtues and principles in our ministries and daily lives, we can honour the legacy of St. Francis of Assisi and continue his mission of spreading love, compassion, and the message of Christ to the world.

Rev. Sr. M. Thressa Gnanamani, FSAG The Assistant Superior General

Education Desk

Education Commission Meeting

The Education Commission Meeting was conducted on 17 July 2023 at 4.30 PM. It commenced with a prayer by Sr. Abiya Marthal Principal and Education Commission Member for Under Generalate Institutions. Sr. Dr. A. Antony Maria Jansi FSAG, the General Education Coordinator welcomed the Education Councillors from all the Provinces and the Members of the Education Commission of FSAG Education Ministry.

The discussion was on the Uniform Civil Code and it was explained and it was insistently proposed that we register our response mailing the Memorandum of the Catholic Community to the Secretary, New Delhi to manifest the disapproval to UCC. India is known for its diversity of religions and cultures. Accordingly, there are different civil laws for each religion such as Property Laws and Marriage Laws. According to UCC, the whole nation has to adopt Hindu Laws, which go against the fundamental rights of the Constitution and the Minority Rights.

The second part of the discussion was on the Manipur issue. Kuki Tribal people were so far enjoying the Reservation Policy for the Schedule Tribe and the Manipur Chief Minister and the High Court of Manipur wanted to give the same right to the caste Hindus called Meitei, which is unjust. Even

now the violence continues and the Tribal who are by and large Christians are being put to untold suffering. Hence it was also resolved in our Meeting to create awareness of the Manipur situation and show our solidarity with the suffering of mankind.

The third point of our discussion was on collecting the data of our Institutions. Province-wise Institutions are asked to prepare and submit Form A on Students' Strength and Staff details to TANCEAN.

The fourth point was on the importance of our Education Policy. Sr. A. M. Jansi instructed that every sister working in the Institution must familiarize herself with FSAG Education Policy and asked them to send their suggestions, additions, and deletions to the Province Education Councillors who in turn should consolidate and send them on or before 20 August 2023 to the General Councillor.

Again on 25 August 2023, a Meeting was conducted to remind the persons concerned to send the addition and deletion details in the FSAG Education Policy. The details of our Institutions on Staff Fixation was prepared and submitted to TANCEAN on 30 August 2023.

Preparatory Meeting on FSAG Education Policy

On 2 September 2023, a Preparatory Meeting on FSAG Education Policy was conducted at Shalom Province, Tindivanam by Sr. Jebamalai, the Province Councillor. The Correspondents, Headmistresses, and the Sisters who teach participated in the same. Sr. Antony Maria Jansi the General Education Councillor gave a talk and moderated the sessions.

Discussion and Planning Meeting on FSAG Education Policy

All the Education Councillors of the Provinces and Commission Members attended a Panel Session on 10 September 2023 at St. Joseph College, Pagalpatty. Sr. Antony Maria Jansi, the General Education Councillor explained the purpose and the discussion and moderated the session.

The following agenda were discussed:

- 1. Implementation of FSAG Education Policy
- 2. Addition and Deletion in School Education Policy and Higher Education Policy
- 3. Discussion on how our policy would help us to make a difference in our Institutions in the Competitive environment
- 4. Planning for the Meeting to be held on 23 24 September 2023 at the Generalate.

Visit

Critical evaluation paves the way for the growth of any Institution. With this view, Meetings were held by Sr. A. Antony Maria Jansi the General Education Councillor on 13 July 2023 at St. Sebastian School, Pondicherry; on 17 July 2023 at St. Joseph Primary School, Suramangalam; on 22 July 2023 at Gonzaga Matric Hr. Sec. School, Kathampallam, and on 18 September 2023 at St. Augustine School, Thangalkarai to evaluate the Institutions and encourage the Sisters for better performance. On 5 September 2023 Sr. A. M. Jansi attended the Teachers Day celebration at St. Joseph Hr. Sec. School, Pagalpatty, and appreciated the areas in which the Institutions have developed both from the standpoint of the School and that of the Education System as a whole.

Two-day Meeting

Theme: Revisiting and Revising FSAG Education Policy for an Effective Ministry

Dates: 23 - 24 September 2023,

Place: Gonzaga Generalate, Pondicherry

On 23 September 2023, the first day of the Meeting on Education Policy (FSAG) began with a morning prayer led by the Sisters from the Generalate Institutions. The Superior General and the Leaders of the Educational Ministry offered the candle symbolizing our Education Ministry. A Holy mass was celebrated by Rev. Peter Rajendran at 6.30 AM. After the Registration, the first session began at 9.00 AM. Sr. Abiya Marthal invoked the presence of the Lord through a prayer



while Sr. Denisha invited the dignitaries to light the lamp. Sr. Dr. E. Glitta Sumangali, the Commission Member warmly welcomed the gathering. Sr. Dr. Antony Maria Jansi the Educational Coordinator draped a shawl and Sr. Abi presented a bouquet to welcome and honour Rev. Mother G. Rajamani the Superior General of the Congregation who is also the President of FSAG Education Ministry.

During the Presidential Address, Rev. Mother Rajamani the Superior General expressed her hearty wishes to all the Sisters and spoke on the importance of Education Policy. Sr. Dr. A. Antony Maria Jansi the Educational Coordinator delivered a concise and lucid speech explaining the vision and mission of the Educational Ministry of Gonzaga School Apostolate.

She spoke on the essential qualities of leaders and highlighted the following aspects.

1. Vision and Perception

- 2. Passion
- 3. Self-confidence and confidence in others
- 4. Determination and Perseverance
- 5. Sociability and Communication Skills
- 6. Team Builder.

Each and everyone should be motivated oneself to have a high standard of life. One should "Focus on the goal, not the obstacles". We can accomplish more as a team than as individuals. In that respect, we should maintain high levels of collaboration and communication with Students, Teachers, Administrators, and Families to achieve optimal results. Effective leaders should motivate the Students to achieve high ranks. Besides they should develop their creativity and critical thinking. Successful Schools usually incorporate frequent monitoring and offer support to the Students who need extra help and support the Staff. And also successful Schools will get high levels of cooperation and support from Parents and Well-wishers.

Group Discussion: Sisters were formed into 11 groups to discuss and deliberate on 13 Points for additions and deletions, the 21 Non-negotiable Policy Guidelines within their respective groups. Secretaries recorded all the suggestions. The Provincial Superiors moderated the Q & A sessions. The General Education Councillor gave some suggestions and guidelines. It was decided that the following policies could be implemented:

- Organize skill-training Computer Courses and Extracurricular Activities
- Giving Advertisement for selection of the Staff

- Conducting Interviews is compulsory for the selection of the Teachers
- The Principal and the Correspondent must know their role. They must work together for the betterment of the Institution.
- Create an amicable and flexible atmosphere among the Administrators, the Staff and the Parents.
- As of now, there is no time duration for the tenure of Office for the Correspondents and if needed arises they can be changed.
- The Superior of the Community is the Head of the Ministry.
- The Principal is the Head in-charge of the Hostel.
- The Provincial Superior of the Shalom Province congratulated the General Educational Councillor and the Superior General for taking the initiative to implement the FSAG Educational Policy and the Educational Councillor thanked the Superior General Rev. Mother G. Rajamani for her support and cooperation.



On the second day, Rev. Fr. Dr. S. M. John Kennedy gave a short introduction about the Education Policy of Society of Jesus of Madurai Province and asked to share the points to be added and change it.

CHAPTER: I

Fr. Kennedy suggested the following points to improve the quality of the Education Policy.

History of the Education Ministry of FSAG (The place where the mission started and who started the mission and the year). If we give the Province-level information it is well and good.

The History of the School (only the year and the person who started is enough) is essential, because History as a document will be the reference forever. We should also add the Resolution of the General Chapter with Ref. No.

CHAPTER II

Administration plays a vital role in effective Education Ministry and he mentioned that the role of everyone is clear in this Policy. The following are the three important committees which every School must form:

- 1. External Committee
- 2. Internal Grievance Committee
- 3. Advisory Committee for safe guarding Students
- 4. For financial transactions, he recommended to have a separate policy.

CHAPTER III

Information about this chapter is less in our Policy and therefore to improve the information of this chapter the following points should be added.

STAFF DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMMES

- Orientation Programme
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- In-service Training (Core-Subjects)
- Counselling Training
- A Trained counsellor must be appointed.
- Annual Retreat for Teachers



• For the Newly Appointed Teachers: Introduce a 5 days Orientation Programme or Induction Programme.

STUDENTS' ENRICHMENT PROGRAMMES

To obtain the excellent education we have the following Programmes for the Students.

- Annual Retreat
- Leadership Training
- At least One Skilldevelopment Training
- Inter-School Competitions
- One Exposure Programme
- Awareness Programme to handle Addiction
- Monitoring PTA Meeting
- Sex Education by a Trained Teacher
- Hostel and its Registration.

Evaluation: Sisters expressed



that these two days of deliberations were very vibrant, well organized, and informative and the group discussions were very helpful to know more about our Policy. Sisters were very happy about the Meeting, arrangements and the points which were given to revisit and revise our Policy to follow for the fruitful Ministry.

Finally, the Superior General addressed the Sisters and instructed them to follow the Policy and to be an example to the Staff and Students by their way of living. The General Education Coordinator thanked everyone for their presence and active participation. The Meeting came to an end with a concluding prayer.

TANCEAN Meeting

Sr. A. M. Jansi attended the Governing Body and the General Body Meeting conducted by TANCEAN on 19 August 2023.

The following points were discussed in the Meeting

- 1. Tamil Nādu Private School Regulation Act 2018
- 2. State Education Policy
- 3. Surplus and Deployment
- 4. Include English Medium strength for the classes started after 1991
- 5. A Refresher Course Certificate is despatched to those who attended the course.
- 6. Self-financing Schools should follow a fee structure format.
- 7. Minimum wages for the Non-teaching Staff should be followed.

The General and Provincial Educational Coordinators also attended Online Training on the Database conducted by the CBCI Education Desk on **30 August 2023.** All the Educational Coordinators and teaching Staff from Aided Institutions attended a conference on **28 September 2023** at St. Joseph College, Trichy demanding the Government to give the Rightful needs of Minority Institutions.

Sr. Dr. A. Antony Maria Jansi FSAG General Educational Coordinator

Viqil Prayer Service

The Vigil Prayer Service took place at Vazhvagam on the first Friday of the month, on 7 July 2023, from 8:00 pm to 2:30 am. The Prayer Service was animated by Brother James, Leve Anthony, and their team from Coimbatore. Sr. Rani took the responsibility of coordinating the programme and arrangements.

During the Prayer Pervice, the theme focused on the significance of the divine feeling of "Family". The Speakers elaborated on how Jesus, through His visits to families, brought healing and sanctification. They cited the example of Jesus visiting Peter's family, where He healed Peter's mother-in-law, and she, in turn, gratefully served Jesus. This incident exemplified the transformative power of the presence of Jesus within a family.

The brothers leading the service also prompted the Gospel messengers to reflect on their calling and the responsibilities that came with it. They raised important questions: "As gospel messengers, what are we going to do?" and "What burden is laid upon us?" The reflections on these questions prompted contemplation and self-examination among the participants.

From 1.00 to 2.30 AM, a healing service and adoration were conducted, allowing the participants to experience a deeper relation with their faith. The Prayer Service concluded at 2.30 AM, leaving the participants with a sense of spiritual enrichment and renewed devotion.

We extend our gratitude to Brother James, Leve Anthony, and their team for leading the Vigil Prayer Service, as well as to Sr. Rani for her excellent coordination. The profound reflections and the spiritual atmosphere of the service left a lasting impact on all those who attended, nurturing their faith and understanding of the divine essence of family.

Sr. D. Rani, Evangelization Councillor, Vakkampatti

Laity (Joint) Gathering

Place : Vazhvagam; Vakkampattiy

Day : 26-27 Aug 2023

Organized by : Sr. Rani, Central Evangelization Coordinator

Speaker : Mr. Regis, Madurai.

Participants: Provincial Evangelization Coordinators and Laity (35 Nos).

The third sitting of the joint gathering of the Laity at the Congregation level organized by Sr. Rani took place on 26-27 Aug 2023, at Vazhvagam, Vakkampatti, Evangelization Centre.

Sr. Dennismary, and Sr. Regina from Evangelization Councilors, Shalom Province and about 35 interested Laity who jointly work with Gonzaga daughters took part in it. Sr. Rani began the meeting with a song to the Holy Spirit in the presence of the divine light, and with the lighting of the lamp. Sr. Dennis welcomed every one gathered. Mr. Regis, special speaker of the day shared his thought on the



topic: "Formation of interfamily and Christ's Passion".

Internal family life is the combination of God + Universe + I. God's divine nature is present in the Human blood, and the human beings are from God. Internal family relationship is the only thing that follows us in the eternal life. The situation

that yields 15 traits of this world's mission has no chance to follow us.

• Spiritual family preparations are the way to this earthly life and it is eternally felt and lived in the next world.

- It helps to receive a resurrected body and get united with God. This world's family experiences will not be carried forward.
- Arriving at the shore of eternal life is done through internal family.
- Replacing the OT resulted in the NT, and his followers formed a new religion Christianity. Its passions are revealed in the cross. The Father's passion was revealed in the cosmos. He spoke about the participation in its passion.

The Second day started with a song to the Holy Spirit. The speaker shared his thoughts with the help of the pictures on the Topic **God's Cosmic Cult**. We are the rulers and ruled people in the next generations. The God created the Cosmos and the cosmos is our address. Complete or filled present and eternal next is our motive. Before our birth 600 million years passed. After our birth 60-100 years we might live and after death 6000 crore years...

God, Cosmos, are parts of the internal family. The 9th stage of spiritual journey before our birth, and 7th stage of physical journey after birth and spirit journey after our death are the 3 phases of journey. We belong to Abraham's clan; God, Avatars, Angel, Aliens, Human Persons and Creatures are our relatives.



'We' an inclusive word is the word for us and no more 'I' as we are related to one another.

We need to realize the holiness of the flesh, glory of the body and our flesh is the cause for many wicked actions. Our duty is to serve God on earth and in heaven. We are living in the embryo of relationship with and to obstinate from sickness, toil, sorrow and evil things. Our Uniqueness is that we are human of this Universe. We

need to try to grow in divine wisdom. Then validation has been carried on Two-day seminar. Everyone shared that it was useful and good; and they learned many new things.

Finally, S. Siriyapushpam, the Co-coordinator for the laity Evangelization thanked everyone. And the meeting ended with the delightful lunch.

Sr. D. Rani, Evangelization Councillor, Vakkampatti

Gonzaga College of Arts and Science for Women, Kathampallam

ACADEMIC YEAR INAUGURATION 2023-2024

3 July 2023, was a significant day in the History of the College as the G-Mint (Canteen) and G-

Beauty Parlour were opened and blessed for the new Academic Year. Ms. L. Sofia, Assistant Professor, English Department, welcomed everyone present. Rev. Sr. Gnanamary Papathi, Procurator General, and Rev. Sr. M. Theresa Gnanamani, FSAG, the Asst. Superior General, respectively, opened G-Beauty parlour and G-Mint. The Parish Priest Rev. Fr. Jesu Dass, blessed the location. After the Prayer Song and the lighting of the lamp were done by the Asst. Superior General, the Procurator General, Rev. Mother Secretary, Rev. Dr. Principal, Mr. Noel Anthuvan, the Proprietor of Irudhaya Anndavar Transport, Parents and Students.



Asst. Prof. Dept. of CDF, and Ms. J. Dianamary, Head & Asst. Prof. Dept. of Tamil welcomed the gathering. Rev. Sr. M. Theresa Gnanamani, FSAG, the Asst. Superior General, addressed the gathering, saying that nourishment of oneself through nutritious food served by the College Canteen is appreciable. Rev. Mother C. Noel Rani, FSAG, the Secretary of College, blessed the gathering and highlighted that the Students must know their responsibility and their values in building their own life and that of the nation. The Principal, Sr. Dr. E. Glitta Sumangali, FSAG, elucidated the rules and regulations of the Academic Year and briefed about the establishment of the College with 13 UG degree programme and 8 PG programmeme. Sr. Dr. A John Dayana, FSAG, Vice-Principal, inspired the audience with a short story and shared about Internal Exams, Attendance, College Time-Table, Club activities, etc. Parents felt happy and experienced the pride of having their Daughters at Gonzaga. As a token of gratitude, Ms. Moshina Begam M Asst. Prof. Dept. of Business Administration, proposed the vote of thanks. The Function concluded with the National Anthem.

Ms. Sofi, Asst. Professor Dep. of English

MARATHAN MARATHON (RED RUN) 2023

The District Level Marathan marathon (Red Run) 2023, was organized by Tamil Nadu State AIDS Control Society (TANSACS). It was simply a short race around 5 KM in length. It has been decided to start the Marathon from Krishnagiri New Bus Stand to Town Circle and from there to Krishnagiri Stadium. There was immense public interest in the race with its destination finishing in Krishnagiri Stadium. Winners were selected from all the participants who have completed race and have



been appreciated by the team members. The motto of the Marathon is creating a HIV free World. During the Marathon all the participants have spread the message of fitness and healthy way of living life.

The event was inaugurated by Mr. Babu RDO Officer, Krishnagiri. In this event the Staff and Students from various Colleges participated. Totally100 members participated in Marathon. Our College Students Ms. Madhumith won III place and Rs. 5000/- as Cash Prize and Ms. Dhanuja won IV place and Rs. 1000/- as Cash Prize.



Ms. Vigneshwari K.P, Asst. Professor Dep. of English

PICK & SPEAK

The "Pick & Speak" Special Speech Competition was held by the Youth Parliament Association on 25 August 2023, at 10.00 AM in the General Lecture Hall. All the Undergraduate and Graduate Students from all the Departments participated in this competition., Sr. Dr. E. Glitta Sumangali, FSAG, Principal, Dr. A John Dayana, Vice-Principal, Ms. N. Bharathi, Head and Assistant Professor of English Department, Ms. I. Mariammal, the Convener of the Youth Parliament, and the Coordinators officially launched the programme. The Student members of the Youth Parliament opened the programme with a prayer hymn. The Treasurer of the Youth Parliament, Ms. S. Keerthana, welcomed everyone.



Sr. Dr. E. Glitta Sumangali, FSAG, the Principal, delivered the Presidential Address by stating that the "leaders of today were once speakers like you in the College and they made use of the opportunity and became speakers". She encouraged the Student to make use of this opportunity, which is being offered by the YP, because speaking is a skill that allows one to compete with others and with practice, one day may become an outstanding speaker in the society.

Youth is strength, power to achieve all you aspire for; if you feel you can, you can; if not, you can't; this ability to speak should turn you into a great leader in

the society. Sr. Dr. A. John Dayana, FSAG, the Vice-Principal. Ms. N. Bharathi, addressed the idea that high moral standards and the constant shaping of those standards via activities like reading and learning will result in societal change.

The speakers were lined up in the order they would be presenting their speeches, and two minutes before that, the participants were asked to choose what to talk about. For almost two minutes, they spoke on this topic. The competition included about 18 contestants from various Departments. The Joint Secretary of the Youth Parliament, Ms. M. Devika, concluded it by thanking everyone. The Programme was ended with the National Anthem at 12.30 PM. The prize winners are Lavanya T, I - B.COM (CA), I Prize, Munaza Afsheen R, III - B.COM (CA), II, Mohana Priya K S, I - M.Sc. CHEMISRTY, III Prize.

Ms. Mariammal I, Asst. Professor, Dept. of CS

SBI LIFE PLACEMENT ORGANIZED BY WICE @

Placement drive was held on 2 August 2023 from SBI Life. 36 Students participated in that interview. Mr. Edward Raja, Branch Sales Manager of SBI Life and Ms. Sangeetha, Development Manager of SBI Life were the interviewers. There were three rounds of interview. The Students were asked to register their details in the link given by them through online. The first round was online test. Among 36 Students, 10 were selected to the second round which was an individual interview. From 10 Students, 2 were selected to the final round which will be held in Vellore.

Mr. Jesu Arokiyaraj R, DGM WICE

STATE LEVEL WORKSHOP ON "PROBLEMS FACED BY TRANSGENDERS"

The State Level Workshop on "Problems Faced by Transgenders" was conducted by the Department of Social Work on 25 August 2023 at 10.00 AM. The Resource Person was Ms. A. Kayalvizhi, BBA., M.com., Sacred Heart College, Tirupattur. The programme started with a Prayer Song. II MSW Students Ms. S.M. Aarthi invoked the God's blessings and welcomed the gathering and Ms. M. Kaviya introduced the Resource Person. Sr. Dr. E. Glitta Sumangali, the Principal gave felicitation on this session. The Resource Person gave an Excellent speech about the problems faced by the transgenders in their personal life and in the society. The resource person interacted with the Students effectively and the Students too responded the session joyfully. She clarified all the doubts of the participants and explained about policies available for the transgenders in the society. Sr. Dr. A. Anthuvan Reclin, the Head of the Department of Social Work gave felicitation on this session and expressed her gratitude to the Resource Person. Three Students from different Colleges presented their feedback. At last Ms. T. Soundharya II MSW, Dept. of Social work proposed the vote of thanks 245 participants both Staff & Students benefitted from of this programme.

Sr. Dr. A. Anthuvan Reclin, Head & Asst. Professor Dept. of SW

NATIONAL SEMINAR

A National Seminar on Research Methodology, Report Writing & Modern Theories was

organized by the PG Department English & Social Work under the leadership of Sr. Dr. A. Anthuvan Reclin, FSAG & Ms. N. Bharathi, with the assistance of Dr. Muhamed Ali. EK. Assistant Professor & Research Guide, Postgraduate and Research, Department of English, Farook College (Autonomous) Kozhikode, Kerala, India and Dr. S. Rama Gokula Krishnan, Assistant Professor, & Research Guide St. Joseph's University, Bengaluru, India. The talk was delivered by the SW President, Ms. K. Saranya deepika Assistant Professor, Department of English, Ms. S. Gayathiri Assistant Professor, Department of Social Work.





Ms. L Sofia, Assistant Professor, Department of English hailed the gathering. Rev. Mother C Noel Rani, FSAG, the Secretary blessed the gathering. Sr. Dr. E. Glitta Sumangali FSAG, the Principal delivered Presidential Address, Sr. Dr. A John Dayana FSAG, the Vice-Principal delivered a motivational message. Ms. K Saranyadeepika, Assistant Professor, Department of English, introduced the Resource Person and Ms. N Bharathi, Assistant Professor and Head Department of English presented the dynamics of the Seminar. The speaker focused on Research Methodology.

The Resource Person delivered the Key Note Address with a PPT presentation and mapped broadly what is going around in the area of Research. His presentation itself is a model for many of the delegates when writing research papers. The step-by-step division of the presentation into definite areas and explaining in depth, quoting appropriate examples from some important real life incidents, manifested the exquisite nature of the presentation. Undoubtedly, it was scholarly, informative, and controversial. His way of connecting contemporary realities with the motives behind

any research in English was interesting. The interlinking of vocabulary and concepts is commendable.

In the afternoon session Sr. Dr. Anthuvan Reclin introduced Resource Person Dr. S. Rama Gokula Krishnan, Assistant Professor, & Research Guide, St. Joseph's University, Bengaluru, India. Has enlightened on the Introduction to Research, research gap, review of literature, citation, reference and writing of articles. The Students raised questions which were explained by the Resource Person.

The participants of the Seminar were satisfied and wholeheartedly appreciated the Department for such significant the theme of the day. Several Branch Scholars participated in this Seminar apart from the Department of English & Social Work. 317 participants from 4 the institutions from Krishnagiri District registered and actively involved themselves throughout the day. The speaker concluded his errand with this note of information.

The valedictory function was presided over by Rev. Mother C Noel Rani, FSAG, the Secretary, Sr. Dr. E. Glita Sumangali, FSAG, the Principal, Sr. Dr. A John Dayana, FSAG, the Vice Principal, two Resource Persons, Conveners and the Association Presidents. Ms. Roshmitha II. M.A. English delivered the vote of thanks. At this juncture, on behalf of the Departments, special gratitude was expressed to the Faculty of various Departments, Professors, Research Scholars, and Students from reputed Colleges, Universities, and participants for their continuous support throughout the Webinar. Certificates were issued to all the participants. The programme ended with the National Anthem.

ROOTS

Honest, proud and humble state of being a woman religious in the Congregation of Franciscan Sisters of St. Aloysius Gonzaga expreses the increadeble feeling as the daughter of St. Alosysius Gonzaga. The blood behind St. Ignatius Spritutity and Spirit behind St. Francis of Assisi lead us to come across two and half century with two more years to come.



The high lighting point of 2023 is the Jubilee Year of 800 years for St. Francis of Assisi. In memory of this Jubilee celebration, we the Sisters, Sr. Therasa, Sr. Angle Surprasailum and me had an opportunity to relive the spiritual life of Francis os Assisi & St. Clare's, life journey by joining in translating the script from english to Tamil

named as Vergal (Roots). The books was published on 28 July 2023 at Velankanni. On behalf of Sr. Therasa and Sr. Angle Surpasadham, I express my hearty thanks to our beloved Superior General and the Team for promoting us to engage in the translation work.

Sr. Dr. A. John Dayana FSAG, the Vice Principal

St. Joseph College of Arts and Science for Women, Pagalpatti

Welcoming the New Buds

The Fresher's Day was celebrated at St. Joseph Arts and Science College for Women, Pagalpatti on 10 July 2023. The day was graced by the presence of our honourable Chief Guest, Mr. Arul Ramadass, MLA, West Zone, Tamil Nadu State Government. Our Secretary, Sr. Dr. Antony Maria Jansi, our Mother Superior, Sr. Nirmala, our Administrator, Sr. Reetha Mary, our Principal, Dr. Ameer Baig, and our Vice Principal, Sr. Regina. The guests were welcomed by our energetic band Students with their thundering beats. All the Fresher's and their Parents were welcomed to the auditorium. The Seniors, by giving colourful programmeme and Ice breaking games, welcomed their Juniors to the College.

Installing the New Monarch

The investiture and Blessing Ceremony - for the Academic year 2023-2024 was held on 31 July 2023. The Chief Guest for the event was Rev. Fr. Dr. Jacob, Chancellor





and Procurator of Salem Diocese, and our Guest of Honour was Ln. D. Shanmugavel, M/S Rank Promoters; and our special invitee was Mr. R. Karuna Haran, the General Manager, Rank Promoters.

Our honourable dignitaries were welcomed by our band Students, and the guests were honoured with beads, garland, and a bouquet by our Secretary Sr. Dr. Antony Maria Jansi, the Administrator, the Principal, and the Vice-Principal. Our Students performed the pyramid as the symbol of welcome to our luminaries.



A tribute was paid to our Founder Rev. Fr. Michael Ansaldo. Sr. Rusmi expounded the magnanimous qualities of our Founder, and as a tribute, our respected dignitaries, the Secretary Sr. Dr. Jansi, the Administrator, the Principal, the Staff, and Students paid their due respect by showering flowers at the photo of the Founder. As a symbol of transferring their duties, the former Association Office Bearers presented the symbol of light to the newly elected Association Office Bearers. After the ceremony, we had a solemn Eucharistic Celebration. Rev. Fr. Dr. Jacob offered Mass and prayed for everyone.

Teachers - the Architects of Society

All the Student Representatives, under the guidance of the Student Council, organized Teachers Day Programme on 5 September 2023. Students welcomed the Staff with Aarathi and a Welcome Dance. All the Staff participated in the games. The Management and Students gave a gift to all the Staff.

Academic and Literary Programmes

Grooming for Professionals

The Naan Mudhalvan FDP (Phase II) was held at Periyar University. Our College Staff from various Departments attended a Three Days FDP on "Machine Learning and Artificial Intelligence" from 24 to 26 July 2023. The entire programme was handled by the Infosys Springboard. In the programme, they discussed various topics such as Introduction to Artificial



Intelligence, Introduction to open AI GPT Models, Computer Vision 101, Introduction to NPL, Computer Vision: AI & Computer Vision, and Ethical AI. The sessions were equally knowledgeable. There were fourteen designs assigned, such as posters, colleges, advertisements, animations, package designs, newsletters, magazines, logos, flyers, social media designs, brochures, and digital illustrations. The trainer gave an in-depth understanding of all these designs and made the participants create four outputs each. It was a wonderful skill enhancing programme to obtain technical knowledge.

"Plant a seed. Read!"

"Reading is essential for those who seek to rise above the ordinary."

In order to inculcate reading habits in the Students, the English Literary Association of St. Joseph College of Arts and Science for Women, organized a reading week called "Plant a Seed... Read"!

The Students reviewed books and presented a critical analysis of them. There were also class discussions conducted wherein Students discussed the book they read, highlighting the characters and

events that they particularly liked, and Students got the opportunity to share their valuable input. Teachers played the role of facilitators in all these activities.

Paint Your World with Education

Visits are always beautiful and fill a person's mind with joy and enthusiasm. But if that visit is educated, learning based, that person provides us with invaluable knowledge as well.

On 27 August, 2023 The Department of History and the Department of English of our College jointly arranged an educational visit consisting of a group of 30 Students, accompanied by 3 Staff, to the Arignar Anna Library and The Government Museum in Salem City. It is a multipurpose Museum comprising Archaeology with a collection of Sculptures, Anthropology with Pre-history, Ethnology, Musical Instrument collections, Philately, Numismatics, Decorative Arts, Botany, Zoology, Geology, and Paintings.

Facts and Fantasies in English – Guest Lectures

The Department of English organized a Guest Lecture on Facts and Fantasies in English Literature on 10 August 2023. Dr. T. Alagarasan, M.A., B.Ed., M.Phil., Ph.D., Associate Professor of English, Government Arts College (Autonomous) Salem-7 was the Guest Speaker. He spoke on the nuances of language. He enlightened the Students by explaining the birth of language and its aspects. Finally, he spoke on the facts pertaining to fantasies in English Literature.



The Department of Commerce organized a Guest Lecture on An Overview of Income Tax 2023-2024 on 25 July 2023. Prof. Mr. K. Balaji, Asst. Prof. from AVS College, was the Resource Person.

Reaching out to the neighbourhood NSS -- Anti-Drug Awareness Campaign

On 11 August 2023, NSS Students and Faculty members of St. Joseph College of Arts and Science for Women, came together in a powerful display of unity and determination to promote a drug-free India. With the objective of raising awareness on the harmful effects of substance abuse and inspiring positive change,



the NSS organized a rally that showcased the spirit and commitment of our Student community. The rally was organized by NSS Students, and more than 50 NSS Students participated in the rally.

The rally organized to create awareness on the growing menace of drug-addiction among youngsters was flagged off by the Sub-inspector of Police, Omalur, and Sr. Dr. Antony Maria Jansi, the Secretary, and Dr. A. Ameer, the Principal, and Rev. Sr. Regina, the Vice Principal.

Health and Hygiene - Awareness

Developing and maintaining good personal hygiene is the key to a healthy body and sound mind. Keeping in mind the rising importance of hygiene, the NSS, RRC, and Women Cell of our College jointly organized an "Awareness Programme on Health and Hygiene on 10 August 2023. All the Students were made to

assemble in the College Auditorium at 3.03 PM. Mrs. Elizabethrani, Village Health Nurse, Primary Health Centre, Pagalpatty, was the Chief Guest of this Programme. The Principal, Ameer Baig, the Vice- Principal and Women Cell Convenor, Regina Mary, and The NSS Co-Ordinator Sr. Sahaya Rusmi, presided over the function. The Chief Guest, Mrs. Elizabethrani addressed issues on personal healthcare, hygiene and prevention of illness, menstrual problems, overcoming anemia, menstrual hygiene etc.



Workshop-PYTHON

Department of Mathematics conducted a one day Workshop on PYTHON PROGRAMING on 12 September 2023 to motivate the Students to get knowledge on Python programming nearly 146 Students from various Colleges participated. The College secretary, Sr. Dr. A. Antony Maria Jansi,

gave a word of appreciation and explained the importance of Workshop in the present scenario.

The first session of the day was taken by the Resource Person, Er. R. Mohanapriya B.E. Project Coordinator, Krishnagiri, in which she elaborately discussed Python programming with the help of PPT. Sr. Rusmi engaged the Workshop by conducting Ice –breaking games. Nearly 11 Colleges participated in the Workshop. Computer Science and BCA Students supported for us by their active participation from our College.



Be a leader - AICUF Zonal Meet

The All India Catholic University Federation Leaders Orientation Programme held on September 15, 2023 at our College. Rev. Sr. Dr. Antony Maria Jansi, and the AICUF National Women Commission Coordinator was the Chief Guest of the programme explained about the qualities and challenges of the leaders. Mr. Praveen and Miss. Vincy, full-timer of AICUF engaged the whole day session. Students and an AICUF unit adviser from Mettala College joined this orientation programme. Our College unit adviser, Sr. Sangeetha, rendered the vote of thanks.

Sr. T. Reetha Mary, the Vice Principal, Pagalpatti

<u>Obituary</u>

Mr. Lawrance, Father of Sr. Sindhu – Israel, Emmaus : 22.07.2023

Mr. Henry Kirubakara Dass, Paternal Uncle of Sr. Daisy-North India: 22.07.2023

Mr. Magimai Dass, Father of Sr. Agnes Auxilia – North India – 23.08.2023

Mr. Christopher, Nephew of Sr. H. Nirmala – Pagalpatti – 23.08.2023

Mr. Susai Marianathan, Brother of Sr. Fathima Arockiam – Pondicherry Generalate - 03.09.2023

Mr. Maria Joseph, Brother of Sr. Josephine Mary Stella & Sr. Augustine Sahayam - Chetpet - 20.09.2023

Mr. Vignesh, Cousin Brother of Sr. Divya – North India – 20.09.2023

Mr. Maria Michael Raj, Brother in law of Sr. Nancy Daisy – Sugantham – 02.10.2023



St. Aloysius Gonzaga - North Region Teacher's Day Celebration

"Teaching is the great Profession that creates all the Professions".

It was a joyful occasion to celebrate Teacher's Day in our School on 5 September, the Birthday of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan, the Country's First Vice President and the Second President, Philosopher



and Bharat Ratna awardee, born on this day in 1888. The day was celebrated with pomp and grandeur. All our Students were so excited to attend the programme in colourful dress. Special Guests were none other than our Teachers. On this special day Sr. Mary Jansi, the Principal of our School welcomed Rev. Fr. Peter Singarayan, the Secretary of the School as our Chief Guest of the programme. Our Students invited all our Teachers to reach the main stage of the School by procession and welcomed each and every one of our them with a Tilak, beautiful rose bouquet creative wishing cards etc...

Rev. Fr. Peter Singarayan, the Secretary of the School inaugurated the programme by garlanding the portrait of Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan. Sr. Mary Jansi, our Principal and all our Teachers paid their Tribute to the great personality of the day. Students performed various cultural activities like dance, songs, recitation, skit and mime etc... A Student of class VII also delivered a beautiful speech on Teachers Day. Rev. Fr. Peter, the Chief Guest appreciated our Principal Sr. Mary Jansi for guiding

and motivating the Students in a such way that every Student presented well on the stage and for beautiful background with colourful decorations on Teacher's Day. He also said that this day is observed to recognize the hard work and dedication of Teachers who play a vital role in shaping the future of the society. It was a great moment to all our Teachers to receive a small gift as the token of appreciation from the Management and from our Principal Sister. Finally, Mr. Dinesh one of our Teachers thanked Students for their beautiful programme on Teacher's Day. Sr. Mary Jansi, the Principal thanked Secretary Father for his generosity and for great opportunity that he has given, and at the same time she also appreciated all the Students for their hard work, love and for their Cooperation for the successful programme. The entire programme ended by God's Grace on happy note.

Beautician Course Certificate Distribution Programme

There was Certificate Distribution programme held in Mehsana on 19 August 2023. 20 Women from Mehsana joined our beautician course programme. It is 3 Month Course. A Teacher was appointed to train the Women. They learned the following course such as, the basic

eyebrow shaping, make up, facial, body waxing, pedicure, haircut, skin care, and the uses of products and gained practical experience. Fr. James, the Director of SSSS and MSW training Students were present at the programme. Miss. Rithu welcomed the guests and the gathering. The SSSS Director Fr. James addressed the Women and explained the main aim of empowering women by providing necessary skills to them in order to become qualified beauticians which would ultimately



help them to stand on their own feet. Sr. Jenet gave away the certificates to the Women who were trained as beauticians. Miss. Priya proposed the vote of thanks.

Community Sisters, Mehsana

Health Ministry

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others.

On 21 September 2023, Sr. Juliet came to Pahditya to start the Mission with enthusiasm and zeal. When we were in the rented House we lived happily with little discomfort for the sake of the mission. When we began the Dispensary a very few patients started to come to our Dispensary. As the days went by, many patients started to came to our Dispensary for their better treatment. The people of Pahadiy were happy about my nursing and treatment.

We allotted a portion of the house for the Dispensary purpose and made it available for the patients. God has given us a lot of opportunity to serve the poor people. Sr. Juliet took up this challenging mission to do her service for the sick and the needy. Sometimes she underwent some sort of fear and anxiety to handle the patients. If someone was there for help it could have been easy for her to do her service without any fear. If any serious case had to be treated she consulted doctor over the phone and treated the patient. Whenever the patient who was in need of treatment going, she visited the home of the patient and treated the patient. With the help of God's favour and mother Mary's blessings and the help of the community Sisters and encouragement she does her healing Ministry very well.

Nearby there is a shrine called Kadvath. It's our Parish Church. When the sick people came to pray, Fr. Kingslin brought them here for the treatment and with faith they came. They experienced the healing power of God. She has treated more than 200 patients with different kinds of ailments.

Community Sisters, Patna

- M ... Medicine
- E ... Empathy
- D ... Dare.
- I ... Integrity
- C ... Care
- I ... Ingenuity.
- E ... Ethics



Initiation Ceremony

"This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us rejoice and be glad in it." - Psalm 118:24

We were so glad and rejoiced in the Lord on that beautiful day of Initiation. Sr. Daisy warmly welcomed the gathering for the celebration. Sr. Nirmala the Coordinator wholeheartedly invited the candidates with lighted candles followed by Kumba Aarathi. Our new buds, 3 Postulants and 5 Aspirants of the Gonzaga Garden entered into the Religious Formation Training for the Northern Region. His Excellency Most Rev. Louis Mascarenhas the Bishop of the Diocese of Allahabad

highlighted the importance of the day and invited to follow, like the Women volunteers who supported Jesus in his mission, and exhorted us to practice virtues such as love, faith, truth, hope and obedience which form the foundation for a purposeful formation.

Sr. Arockiammal the Mistress appreciated and thanked our beloved Bishop, Rev. Fr. George Rodrigues the Parish Priest and Rev. Fr. Raymond D' Souza, the Spiritual Director, Sr. Nirmala and the Sisters of Gauspur Community, and all who



gathered for the celebration. Sisters honoured the Bishop and Concelebrants with shawl and bouquet for their valuable presence and availability amidst their busy schedule. The Bishop blessed and greeted them with the Holy Rosary and Sr. Nirmala the Coordinator congratulated them with shawl. Thus the Initiation Day ended with the delicious agape.

Sr. Arockiammal, Aspirant Mistress

Shalom Province - Tindivanam

Smart Board Training Programmeme For Teachers

Smart Board Training programme was organized in St. Mathias Hr. Sec. School, Puducherry for the Teachers by Sr. Jebamalai Mary, the Principal on 18 July 2023 at 1.30 PM. All the High School and

Higher Secondary Staff participated in it. A Resource Person, Mr. Gowtham from EXTRA MARKS was introduced by our. Sr. Principal. He displayed a video about EXTRA MARKS. He explained about their brand website, and how to log in. He also demonstrated how to select subject, class, topics, demo-videos step by step which were very informative and useful for the Teachers to teach Students through modern technology using smart board, laptop and sound system. The Teachers were given training individually on how to access it. Finally, the programme ended with the vote of thanks by Tmt. Christal.

We the Teachers of St. Mathias HSS would like to thank and express our gratitude to our Sr. Provincial of Shalom Province for helping our School by

donating Smart Board installation and training. We assure to use and make our teaching—learning process effective and make Students to score High marks both in public exam and in School exams. We too thank our Sr. Principal for organizing the smart board class training. We all are grateful to you always.

Kamaraj's Birthday (Students Day) Celebration

Kamaraja's Birthday Celebration was held on 15 July 2023 at 2.00 PM in our School Auditorium. The School hall was richly decorated with flowers

and banner. This started with the arrival of the Chief Guest, Mr. Arul, one of the Alumini of our School. The programme began with a Prayer Song sung by the School Students. Our School Correspondent Sr. Rose welcomed the Chief Guest. The Students presented various programme like dance, song, drama, recitation and etc. There was a

big crowd. There was great enthusiasm among Students and they looked highly spirited. The dances, songs and speeches by our Students gave a different view on life of Kamaraj, as an educationalist, politician and humble leader. The Chief Guest Mr. Arul gave a very motivating speech on the Former Chief Minister Kamaraj and his personal experience, when he studied in our School. Then the programme came to an end with the speech our Correspondent Sr. Rose. She thanked the Chief Guest, Teachers and Students for making the programme a grand success. Finally, the celebration ended with the National Anthem.

Mr. Leon, English Lecturer, St. Mathiyas Hr. Sec. School, Uppalam.

Kamarajar Birthday Celebration

"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."

- Nelson Mandela.

"Aimed at eradicating illiteracy, the Tamil Nadu Government has declared July 15, the Birth Anniversary of Former Chief Minister K. Kamaraj, as Education Development Day."

Education Development Day is celebrated on the Birthday of Kamarajar every year. The day was celebrated on 15. 07. 2023 at St. Joseph's Matriculation School at Madurantakam in a grand manner. As a part of celebration, Music, Drawing, Essay and Oratorical Competitions were conducted standard wise to portray Mr. Kamarajar's Elevations from being a simple person to a successful Kingmaker of Indian Cabinet. Mrs. A. PADMAVATHI gave a warm welcome address and a beautiful song presented by our School Choir. Mr. S. TAMILNILAVAN the Chief Guest of this function



delivered his wonderful speech after lighting the lamp. Our Students listened to the fascinating speech given by him on importance of Education. Poetry on Kamarajar was read by R. RAMANESHWARAN. Our Principal Sr. G. AROCKIA MARY, also graced the occasion. Mr. S. ANBUMANI proposed the vote of thanks and the celebration came to an end with National Anthem.

St. Joseph's Mat. Hr. Sec. School, Madurantakam

St. Aloysius Province - Vadipatti

Shines In Sports

The 44th Chess Olympiad held in Chennai brought out enormous interest in Chess game among young Students. Students of St. Michael's Matriculation School showed lots of interest in the chess game. We are proud to say that fourteen of our Students participated in the Chess tournament organized by the Salem Education District, Attur (1) Centre CD Level Chess Tournament in TSP Matric School, Vinayakapuram on 19 August 2023. They participated in different categories and made a record. Two of them won and have become qualified for the Salem District level competition.

Girls under-19 Category, Miss. Jennifer from 9th Standard won third position and Miss. Varshika in 4th Standard, won third position. On behalf of the School Management, we would like to congratulate and appreciate them for their success. Both have been selected for the Salem District and State Level Competition. The School Management would like to thank Mr. Suresh and Mr. Mathew for their hard work in guiding the Students and enabling them to showcase their talents. We appreciate the parents for their



continuous support and motivation. The School salute the budding stars and wish them all the best.

In the same manner, 12 of our Boys participated in the Football Tournament held at the Zonal Level and gave a tough fight to the opposing teams. While our Boys won the initial two matches, they lost the match by one goal on the finals. We congratulate our Football Team for putting up a brave fight till the end. It is our wish that St. Michale's Children continue to shine in games and sports.

St. Michael's Matric School, Thumbal

77th Independence Day

Every year 15th August marks an exuberant celebration of the Independence Day for our mother land India. On this day we commemorate to honour the freedom fighters. They are our heroes of pride and valour. They sacrificed their lives and brought freedom to our land from the colonial oppression of the British.

On this auspicious day we started our Independence Day celebration at 8.30 AM with the welcome address extended to the Chief Guest respected Sir. Mr. Samuthrakani.



Happy Independence Day

Our Principal also graced the occasion along with the invited guests. Our Chief Guest accepted our honour and hoisted the National Flag followed by the National Anthem sung with pride and patriotism.

Then the Chief Guest addressed the Students and inspired them to be responsible in their behaviour as the future of our Nation depends on them. He ended his Independence Day address by saying that it is their duty to make our country proud in the arena of world. Spectacular cultural programmes were presented by our Students exhibiting their patriotism through dances, songs. Having been inspired, small children dressed up like the freedom fighters and leaders made an exciting show. The cultural programme also included a rhythmic step for Jaiho song by Students from class I & II and a meaningful play of independence through non-violence and peace.

Our principal sister spoke on the importance of the day and made us realize the need to remember our freedom fighters. The whole programme came to an end by 11.00 AM with the vote of thanks proposed by Miss. Jerina. Finally, sweets were distributed to all the wards and parents to share the joy.

St. Antony's Nursery Primary School, Bharathiyar Nagar

Skill Training Programme - Sewing Machine Operator



The Inaugural Function of Sewing Machine Operator Skill Training Programme was held on 01. 12. 2022 at DAWN Centre. Ten trainees were admitted for the course from Thideer Nagar. The Inaugural Function Commenced with the invoking God's blessings through a prayer song and with the lighting of the lamb. The guests were welcomed and honoured with shawl. The Chief Guests were Sr. Celine, the Provincial Superior, Rev. Fr. S. Valan SVD, the Parish Priest of Arockia Annai Shrine-Vadipatti, Rev. Br. Sathanantham SHJ, the Correspondent of St. Charles Institutions. Other distinguished guests from the Provincial House were also present at the programme. Sr. Celine our Provincial Superior delivered the keynote address in which she spoke on the importance

and value of skill training for Women in order to empower themselves that they could be independent in the society. She also exhorted the trainees to be happy and willing to learn new skills. Rev Fr. Valan SVD prayed over the machines and the trainees and blessed them. Finally required tools were provided. Sr. Arockia Mary proposed the vote of thanks in which she thanked everyone present and those who contributed in many ways for the success of this programme. She expressed special and sincere thanks to our Provincial Superior and her team members for their constant support and guidance.

Fifteen sewing machines were donated to the DAWN from the Province. Ten of them completed their 4 months non certificate course from Dec to March 2023. On these days Sr. Arockia Mary (PC) put her effort and got Government scheme. Its JAN SHIKSHAN SANSTHAN, Madurai (Sponsored by Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship, New Delhi) Skill India. Central Government certificate with free course for Assistant Dress Maker (Tailoring) in 3 hours duration for 105 days was applied and approved to DAWN Centre. First batch was started for 20 candidates from April to July. The young unemployed women in low poverty level from nearby villages joined and learned the skills. They performed the best during their exam which was conducted on 19 July 2023.

Sr. S. Arockia Mary (PC), DAWN Centre

Ansaldo Province - Gunadala

Independence Day Celebration

The 77th Independence Day of our country was celebrated in St. Mary's English Medium School, C.S. Puram. MEO, SI, Gram Panchayat Secretary, the Chief Guests of the programme were welcomed with Shawls and mementos. The Chief Guest MEO hoisted the National Flag, and all together sang the National Anthem. The Chief Guest gave a beautiful message on our independence. The Students also performed a cultural programme expressing their joy on this special occasion.

St. Mary's English Medium School, C. S. PURAM

Independence Day Celebration

"Freedom is never dear of any price. It is the breath of life what would a man not pay for living."

We the Infant Jesus English Medium School, Dakkili celebrated the 77th Independence Day with great pomp and grandeur. We invited our Parish Priest Fr. Augustine as the Chief Guest of the day. Sr. Rajeswari, the Correspondent, welcomed the Parish Priest with a shawl and bouquet. Father Augustine hoisted the National Flag and gave a beautiful message to our Students on the independence of our country. Then, there was the flag hoisting by the Chief Guest. Our School Students presented a short cultural programme including dances, pyramids, speeches, patriotic songs, etc...

Infant Jesus English Medium School, Dakkili



Independence Day Celebration

On the 15th of August Independence Day was celebrated in our School with great enthusiasm.

With the March-past we invited honorable Chief Guests Sr. Pauline Sagaya Rani the Provincial Superior, Sr. Ezhilarasi the Provincial Procurator, Fr. Augustine the Parish Priest, Mrs. Bujji, Mr. Shiva Sarpanch, and Mr. Basavaiah Uppa, the Sarpanch.

The National Flag was hoisted by the Provincial Superior Sr. Pauline Sagaya Rani. A Cultural programme was presented by the Students with

speeches, dances, and skits. The Chief Guest in her message told the Students on the supreme sacrifice of the great martyrs who gave their lives for freedom. Freedom is very precious, and it must be exercised properly. All the special guests advised the Students to become ideal citizens of the country. At the end of the ceremony, sweets were distributed to all.

Carmel Matha English Medium School, Sulanagar

Feast Days

November

S.NO.	AD.NO.	NAME	DATE
1.	331	Sr. I. Philominal	01
2.	430	Sr. C. Esther	01
3.	492	Sr. G. Vedhanayagam	01
4.	715	Sr. A. Athuvan Reclin	01
5.	814	Sr. A. Salomi Rani	01
6.	818	Sr. R. Yali	01
7.	826	Sr. D. Esther Rani	01
8.	828	Sr. T. Jancy Rani	01
9.	877	Sr. Peravali Aruna @ Aruna	01
10.	884	Sr. M. Joans Rani	01
11.	900	Sr. Swarna Kumari	01
12.	916	Sr. P. Koduru Aruna	01
13.	922	Sr. Merugu Prameela	01
14.	927	Sr. G. Thesela Merlin	01
15.	942	Sr. P. Sobiya Rani	01
16.	971	Sr. X. Gracy	01
17.	980	Sr. A. Punitha	01
18.	982	Sr. M. Sudha	01
19.	983	Sr. I. Arputha Senthamilselvi	01
20.	1005	Sr. S. Divya Priyadharshini	01
21.	1016	Sr. W. Rabeka	01
22.	1029	Sr. M. Nisha Priya	01
23.	1034	Sr. A. Divya	01
24.	1039	Sr. A. Rabecca	01
25.	1048	Sr. Madala Bhagya	01
26.	897	Sr. L. Sindhu	02
27.	696	Sr. J. Leo Gnanamani	02
28.	516	Sr. K. Elizabeth	10
29.	1055	Sr. S. Dayana Jeno Elizabeth	17
30.	766	Sr. A. Ann Christilla Priyadharshini	17
31.	779	Sr. A. Rajapakiam	Christ the King
32.	530	Mother G. Rajamani	Christ the King

December

S.NO.	AD.NO.	NAME	DATE
1.	267	Sr. M. Conception Mary	08
2.	333	Mother L.C. Mariammal	08
3.	338	Sr. H. Nirmala Mary	08
4.	677	Sr. G. Devamatha @ Nirmala	08
5.	733	Sr. A. Amala	08
6.	758	Sr. V. Celine Amala Rani	08
7.	761	Sr. V. Agnes Earnest Vimala	08
8.	793	Sr. C. Nirmala Rani	08
9.	908	Sr. E. Dayana Rakkini	08
10.	914	Sr. Jyothi Nirmala Jyothi	08
11.	930	Sr. Nirmala Jyothi Banka	08
12.	1024	Sr. A. Amala Jeslin	08
13.	393	Sr. Mother C. Rani @ Maria Noel Rani	25
14.	703	Sr. N. Chinna Balamma	25
15.	885	Sr. A. John Mary Messiah	25
16.	928	Sr. A. Yesu Mary	25
17.	985	Sr. S. Yesu Mary	25
18.	1074	Sr. L. Infanciya	25