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He is Risen

Dear Superiors and Sisters

May I, once again be with you all during this season of Lent and Pascal Festivities by extending my Hearty Wishes and prayers for a happy living both in the Congregation and the society.

In the past five weeks, the whole Church in every part of this planet earth, irrespective of the denominational factions and dogmatic difference among the People of God, is all geared up for the remembrance, re-enactment and reverberating historical and historic event of the Death and Resurrection of Jesus viz. the Victory of Jesus over Death and the Sin caused by the frailty of human nature. Although on 22 February 2023, all of us commenced this period of time with the sole tone of invitation for repentance, reparation and renewal of heart, mind and body by professing our faith in the person of Jesus, the personal processes have gained momentum by marching towards the Pascal Festivities that will resonate through all the dimensions of our lives as human beings and as persons who have dedicated ourselves to Religious Life through this Congregation.

What is it that propels us in our progression towards attaining that perfection that befits our life of sanctification and sacrifice? What difference have these forty days made in our normal human living as members of the human society or in our life of consecration? Did they at all make any difference? Such questions may probably have been asked by at least a few irrespective our state of life we live and the role we play in the “Body of Christ” i.e. the Church.

The maxim goes: “Attempts make perfect”: Only our efforts befitting of our life of consecration shall be able to answer those queries, provided we have consciously laboured to remove the impurities that impede our progress in our lives. The reading of the Holy Scriptures that contain the inspired Word of God, the participation at the Sacred Liturgy and the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation are the calibrating essentials during this time duration of our life.

By reading the Holy Scriptures, particularly the New Testament, you might have realised the very core of the person of



Jesus “who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God” (Phil 2: 6), but “took flesh and lived among us”

(Jn 1: 14). In other words, living with the human nature along with the fellow human beings, Jesus actually realized and experienced what it means to be “human” and thus utilized the same to sacrifice his own self for the salvation of the whole of humanity as well as the rest of the creation.

Jesus placed before humanity his very way of living as the model and indicator to the demanding principle “love one another as I have loved you” (Jn 15: 12) and demonstrated that it is possible to love all. Although, we as humans are weak and liable to make mistakes, we may make an attempt to practice this principle of Jesus. The argument of Jesus is that human frailty in no way forbids any one from making attempt to love one another.

The Death and the Resurrection of Jesus manifest to humanity that the sacrificial love is by far superior to any other type of love. Humanity experiences the sacrificial love, of course, in a limited way in the love of one's own parents, particularly in the love of one's mother. The sacrificial love that Jesus preached, practised and commanded goes beyond the symbiotic relationships. Jesus sacrificed himself for the whole of humanity and therefore became an expiation for the sins of humanity.

The sacrificial love was definitely the result of the psychological struggle and suffering that Jesus

experienced and therefore he “knelt down, and prayed, 'Father, if you are willing, remove this cup from me’” (Lk 22: 41). But when that has to take place as per the will of the Father and at the point of death in utter desperation the “human life” in the frail skeleton of his body struggles and cries “with loud voice, 'Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?’ that is, 'My God, My God, why have you forsaken me?’” (Mt 27; 46). This desperation is the indicator of the agony that he underwent before he sacrificed himself on the altar of the cross. His suffering becomes the sacrifice since he did it for the sake of the “other” and not for himself. Will this living of Jesus inspire our will that we shall be ever sacrificial in our love for the “other”?

The joy of the Resurrection is the precedence as well as the assurance for the possibility that the mortal human beings, in spite of their subjecting themselves to the natural law of death, will rise again. This coming back to live, of course at the will of the Father, is not a simple instance in the creation of God, but the very destination of not only the humans but also the rest of Creation. Thus, Jesus who is “Jesus of Nazareth” by birth becomes the “Christ” and ultimately the “Cosmic Christ” bringing to fulfilment the whole of the Creation. The redemption given by Jesus is to perfect all that is imperfect in Creation and hand it over to the Father.

Servant of God, Michael Ansaldo, the Founder of the Congregation “was” and “is” as one who realized this dimension of redemption and sacrificed himself for the sake of the “other” with whom he lived. Now that the canonization procedure of our Founder is on progress, let us attempt to imitate his understanding of the sacrificial love of Jesus and pray to the Almighty that he may, if that is the Divine Will, be canonized.

May I avail myself of this opportunity to wish you all a Happy Celebration of the Resurrection of Jesus! May the Risen Lord be with you all that you may all be happy and healthy!!

Happy Easter

Yours in Christ

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அன்பான அன்னையர்களை, சகோதரிகளை!

தவக்காலத் தயாரிப்போடு உயிர்ப்பு பெருவிழாவைக் கொண்டாடும் அனைவருக்கும் வாழ்த்துக்களைத் தெரிவித்துக்கொள்கிறேன். சபையிலும் சமுதாயத்திலும் மகிழ்வாக வாழ்ந்து பணிசெய்ய செபிக்கிறேன்.

கடந்த ஐந்து வாரங்களாக உலகின் பல்வேறு பகுதிகளில் உள்ள கத்தோலிக்க திருஅவையில் மட்டுமல்லாது மாறுபட்ட கோட்பாடுகளை கொண்ட பிரிவினை சகோதர சகோதரிகளும் மற்ற இறை மக்கள் யாவருமே இயேசுவின் இறப்பு மற்றும் உயிர்த்தெழுதல் அதாவது நமது மனித பலவீனத்தின் விளைவான பாவம், சாவு இவற்றின் மீது இயேசுவின் வெற்றி என்ற மாபெரும் மறை உண்மையை, வரலாற்று நிகழ்வை நினைவு கூறுவதற்கும், மீண்டும் வாழ்வாக்குவதற்கும் தங்களது வாழ்வில் எதிரொலிக்கச் செய்வதற்கும் தங்களுடைய சிறப்பான முறையில் தயாரித்து வருகிறார்கள். 2023 ஆம் ஆண்டு தவக்காலம் பிப்ரவரி 22-ல் துவங்கியது என்பதை நாம் அறிவோம். நாம் மனம் வருந்துவதற்கும், மனம் திருந்துவதற்கும் மனதையும், உடலையும் புதுப்பித்துக்கொள்வதற்கும் இயேசுவின் மீதுள்ள நம்பிக்கையை வெளிப்படுத்துவதற்கும் இத்தவக்காலம் துணைபுரிகின்றது. அறச்செயல்பாடுகள் சபையின் தனிப்பட்ட வாழ்விலும், அர்ப்பண வாழ்விலும் நம் பணி வாழ்வின் அனைத்து நிலைகளிலும் எதிரொலிக்க இந்த உயிர்ப்பு பெருவிழா நமக்கு அழைப்பு விடுக்கின்றது.

புனித வாழ்விலும், தியாக வாழ்விலும் நிறைவு அடைய நம்மை தூண்டுவது எது? தவக்கால 40 நாட்களும் நமது மனித வாழ்வில் அல்லது நமது அர்ப்பண வாழ்வில் ஏதாவது மாற்றத்தை ஏற்படுத்தி இருக்கின்றதா? கிறிஸ்துவின் மறையுடல் அதாவது கிறிஸ்துவின் உடலில் அதாவது திருஅவையில் நாம் ஓர் உறுப்பு என்ற முறையில் நமது பங்கு என்ன? என்ற வினாக்களுடன் நம்மை மாற்றி இருக்கின்றோமா? முயற்சி திருவினையாக்கும் என்ற கூற்றிற்கேற்ப நமது வாழ்க்கையில் புனிதத்தை நோக்கிய பயணத்தில் நமது முன்னேற்றத்திற்கு தடையாய் இருக்கும் குறைகளை அகற்ற நாம் முழுமனதோடு முயற்சி செய்தால் அர்ப்பணிப்பு வாழ்க்கைக்கு பொருத்தமான முயற்சிகளை மேற்கொண்டிருந்தால் நமது வாழ்வே புதிலாக மாறும்.

தூய ஆவியால் எழுதப்பட்ட விவிலியத்தை வாசிப்பது திருவழிபாடு மற்றும் ஒப்புரவு அருட்சாதனக் கொண்டாட்டங்களில் பங்கேற்பது இந்த தவக்காலத்தில் நம்மையே நாம் மதிப்பீடு செய்வதற்கான முதன்மையான அளவுகோல் ஆகும். திருவிவிலியத்தை வாசிப்பதன் மூலம் குறிப்பாக புதிய ஏற்பாட்டை படிப்பதன் மூலம் “கடவுள் வடிவில் விளங்கிய அவர் கடவுளுக்கு இணையாய் இருக்கும் நிலையை வலிந்து பற்றிக்கொண்டிருக்க வேண்டியதொன்றாகக் கருதவில்லை”. (பிலி 2:6) ஆனால் “வாக்கு மனிதர் ஆனால்; நம்மிடையே குடிகொண்டார்”. (யோவான் 1:14) அந்த இயேசு நமது வாழ்க்கையில் யார்? என்றும், வாழ்வின் மையம் என்றும் நாம் உணர்ந்திருக்கின்றோம். மேலும் மனிதராக பிறந்து, மனிதருள் ஒருவராக வாழ்ந்த இயேசு மனிதத்தை உணர்ந்தவராக மனித வாழ்க்கை அனுபவங்களை பெற்றவராக தன்னையே இந்த மனுகுலம் முழுவதற்கும் தியாக பலியாக்கி படைப்பு முழுவதற்கும் மீட்பினைக் கொணர்ந்தார்.

“நான் உங்களிடம் அன்பு கொண்டிருப்பது போல் நீங்களும் ஒருவர் மற்றவரிடம் அன்பு கொண்டிருக்க வேண்டும்”. (யோவான் 15:12) என்ற அன்பு கட்டளைக்கு மாதிரியாகவும் அறிகுறியாகவும் வாழ்ந்து எண்பித்துக்காட்டினார். மனிதர்களாகிய நாம் பலவீனமானவர்களாக இருந்தாலும் இயேசுவின் அன்புக்கட்டளையைப் பின்பற்ற முயற்சி செய்ய முடியும். மனித பலவீனம் அன்பு செய்வதை தடுக்க முடியாது என்பதை இயேசுவின் வாழ்வு நமக்கு காட்டுகிறது.

இயேசுவின் மரணமும், உயிர்ப்பும் மனிதனின் மீது அவர் வைத்திருந்த தியாக அன்பை வேறு எந்த அன்பாலும் ஈடு செய்ய முடியாது என்பதை வெளிப்படுத்துகிறது. இயேசுவின் தியாக அன்பை நாம் நமது பெற்றோர் குறிப்பாக தாய் அன்பின் மூலம் உணர்கிறோம். இயேசு நமக்கு போதித்து, வாழ்ந்து வாழக் கட்டளையிடும் இந்த தியாக அன்பு இவ்வலகில் உள்ள அனைத்து அன்பிற்கும் உறவுகளுக்கும் மேலானது. இயேசு மனிதகுலம் முழுவதற்குமாய் தன்னைத் தியாகம் செய்ததால் அவரது இறப்பு மனித குலத்தின் பாவங்களுக்குப் பரிகாரமாய் மாறியது.





‘தந்தையே உமக்கு விருப்பமானால் இத்துன்பக் கிண்ணத்தை என்னிடமிருந்து அகற்றும்” (லூக் 22:41) என்று மண்டியிட்டு ஜெபித்த இயேசுவின் உளவியல் போராட்டம் அவர் அனுபவித்த துன்பங்கள் மனுக்குலத்தின் மீது அவர் கொண்டிருந்த உச்சக்கட்ட தியாக அன்பின் வெளிப்பாட்டைக் காட்டுகிறது. ஆனால் தந்தையின் விருப்பப்படி நடந்தாலும் மனித பலவீனத்தில் அவர் உரத்த குரலில் “ஏலி, ஏலி, லாமா சபக்தானி? அதாவது என் கடவுளே! என் கடவுளே! ஏன் என்னைக்கைவிட்டீர்” (மத் 27:46) என்று நம்பிக்கையிழந்து கதறுவதைக் காண்கிறோம். சிலுவையில் தன்னைத் தியாகம் செய்வதற்கு முன்பு அவர் அனுபவித்த வேதனையின் வெளிப்பாடே இந்த அவநம்பிக்கை. அவர் தனக்காக அல்லாமல் மற்றவர்களுக்காக துன்பத்தை தாங்கியதால் அவருடைய துன்பம் தியாகமாகிறது. இயேசுவின் அந்த வாழ்க்கை மற்றவர் மீதான நமது அன்பில் நாம் எப்பொழுதும் தியாகம் செய்ய வேண்டும் என்று விருப்பத்தை ஊக்குவிக்குமா?

இறக்கும் மனிதர்கள் மரணத்தின் இயற்கை விதிக்கு தங்களை உட்படுத்திக் கொண்டாலும் மீண்டும் உயிர்ப்பதற்கான சாத்தியக் கூறுகள் முதன்மையானதும் உறுதியளிக்கக் கூடியதாகவும் உள்ளன என்பதே உயிர்த்தெழுதலின் மகிழ்ச்சி. இந்த உயிர்த்தெழுதல் வாழ்வு கடவுளின் படைப்பில் சாதாரண நிகழ்வு அல்ல. அதில் மனிதர்கள் மட்டுமல்லாது மற்ற படைப்புகளும் ஒன்று சேர உயிர்த்தெழுதலே அதனுடைய இலக்கு. இவ்வாறு பிறப்பால் நாசரேத்தார் இயேசுவாக இருக்கும் இயேசு கிறிஸ்து படைப்பு அனைத்தின் கிறிஸ்துவாகவும்; முழு படைப்பிற்கும் நிறைவினைக் கொண்டு வருகின்றார். பலவீனமான படைப்பனைத்தையும் நிறைவுள்ளதாகக்கி தந்தையின் கரங்களில் ஒப்புவிப்பதே இறைமகன் இயேசுவின் மீட்புத் திட்டமாக இருக்கிறது. அதுவே படைப்பனைத்திற்கும் இறைமகன் இயேசு கொண்டு வந்த மீட்புச்செயல்.

நமது சபையின் நிறுவனர் இறை ஊழியர் மைக்கேல் அன்சால்தோ இந்த மீட்பின் பரிமாணத்தை உணர்ந்தவராய் தான் வாழ்ந்த காலத்தில் பிறருக்காக தன்னைத் தியாகம் செய்தவராக இருந்தார். இன்றும் இருக்கிறார். நம் வழியாக தியாக வாழ்வு வாழ்ந்து கொண்டிருக்கிறார். நமது நிறுவனர் தந்தையின் புனிதர் பட்டமளிப்புக்கான செயல்பாடுகள் நடந்து கொண்டிருக்கும் நிலையில் இயேசுவின் தியாக அன்பைப்பற்றிய அவருடைய புரிதலை புண்ணியங்களை பின்பற்ற நாமும் முயற்சிப்போம். அது இறைவனின் விருப்பமாக இருந்தால் அவர் புனிதராக வேண்டும் என்று இறைவனிடம் நாம் தொடர்ந்து ஜெபிப்போம்.

உயிர்த்த ஆண்டவர் உடனிருந்து உடல் உள நலம் தந்து மகிழ்வோடு பணி செய்ய ஆசிரர் அளிப்பாராக.

உயிர்த்த இயேசுவின் சமாதான வாழ்த்துக்கள்!



இயேசுவில் அன்புள்ள

Sr. Rajamani

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Annual Day Celebration

The Annual Day Celebration of Little Flower E.M. High School was hosted on 11 March 2023 at the Nagari, Andhra Pradesh. All the Students and their parents were invited to this function. The Programme started at 5.30 PM. The whole School Premises were decorated with flowers and lighting, celebrating the biggest function of the School. Many eminent dignitaries were present at the Annual Day Celebration. The programme was inaugurated by lighting the lamp by the Chief Guest. The School Staff welcomed the Chief Guest Rev. Mother G. Rajamani the Superior General FSAG and Guest of Honour and the gathering. The function began with an energetic Welcome Dance.

The Chief Guest Rev. Mother G. Rajamani the Superior General highlighted the 'Uniqueness' of the School's Annual Day and gave 'Life Lessons' to Parents, Teachers and Students. She urged the Students to work hard, respect values, and stand on their own feet and added that they need to be watchful of the hours spent on the mobile phones. In her special word to the parents, she appealed to them to be role models, spend quality time with the children and show them the right path. She also stressed upon the significant role of the teachers in channelizing the energy of the students and encouraging them to read good literature and cherish the beauty of art and culture.

Sr. L. Usha the Principal of the School presented the Academic Achievements of the Students during the Academic Year 2022-2023. The programme started with the Students entertaining the audience with their adorable dance and drama performances. The parents kept cheering their children who were performing on the stage. After the grand performances by the Students, the programme ended with the Principal proposing the Vote of Thanks and extending her warm regards to everyone present at the Annual Day Celebration.



Diamond Jubilee



We, the Franciscan Sisters of St. Aloysius Gonzaga celebrated the Silver Jubilee of our beloved Sr. A. Edward Mary. The Thanksgiving Holy Mass was celebrated on 22. 01. 2023 at the Generalate. The Holy Mass was concelebrated by Rev. Fr. Arumaiselvam, the Director of PMSSS in Pondicherry, Fr. John Paul, the Chaplin, Fr. Fernando. Rev. Mother G. Rajamani the Superior



General, the General Councillors, the Provincial Superiors, the Sisters from nearby Communities, the Family Members and friends of our Jubilarian participated at this joyful occasion. The Jubilarian renewed her religious vows with deep gratitude for the 60 years of his choicest blessings on her in this Religious Life. This was a very solemn and grace-filled moment. The Jubilarian was honoured by the Superior General, the Councillors and the Provincial Superiors. Finally, the Jubilarian thanked God for his undivided love, the Congregation, her Parents, Friends and all who shared their life to reach this 60th Jubilee Milestone. Following the Eucharistic celebration, Sr. Edward Mary expressed her gratitude to the celebrants and well wishers for their presence and the support of every one's prayers. The festive atmosphere continued with a felicitation and the guests congratulated her with songs and gifts. The celebration came to end with the grand lunch. This day will be remembered as a unique one by the Jubilarian and all who cherish it.

Annual Retreat for General Team & Provincial's Team

**“Life begins when nothing is understood.
Life ends when everything is
understood.”**

The Superior General and the Members of the Provincial Administration participated in a Retreat from 13. 02. 2023 to 18. 02. 2023 in Pune. It started with the topic of “END IN VIEW”. Fr. Jerry SJ was the Retreat Preacher.

One of the philosophies of life is to look at the resolutions we made last year as a series of meditation. We got the courage to say 'yes' and 'no'. If no reform took place,



then we must analyze Faith, Self-reliance, God-belief, and develop these in us, and self-evaluate, live ethically, and correct life paths. In the three-pass analysis, growth, maturity, and continuity; we evaluate the maturity levels we have in these, physical knowledge, society, the universe, and spirituality, and we realize that maturity and continuity should last until the end. If we climb the mountain, it is under our feet; if the spirit pulls us forward, the body pushes us back; without giving up, we look forward, with the help of Jesus; we have the strength to overcome three trials.

Let the past be lost. Let us live in the light with a true face and make efforts and exercises to part with our results. We should live a life where no one is disturbed even by love. "Let us pray for the grace to live as a solution to the problems of others and not to live with the problems of others". Jesus bowed his head for the sins we have committed without turning others away.

Who is Jesus to me? Who am I to Jesus? Look at my life and find answers to the questions. Live as a walking gospel in our actions, not in words. Live the words of Jesus: "I, the Lord and



Teacher, will do these things; as I have done, I have set an example for you to do."

Discipleship is not about breaking bread, but breaking oneself as bread, not turning water into juice, but living the words of Jesus to drink his blood. According to his words, we will carry our crosses and live as saints and good leaders full of faith. We are proud to be the children of St. Aloysius Gonzaga, to bring out the strong energy that is united within us, to bring to life the experiences gained with inspiration, to make the ideas that have been engraved into lamps, and to implement the decisions made with excitement.

Let us participate in this journey of Calvary, following the teachings of Father Servant of God Michael Ansaldo, to live as followers of Jesus and do more good and more meaningful things for the greater glory of God.



Talking with Jesus

The Annual Retreat for the Community Sisters living under the jurisdiction of the Generalate, was held on 26 - 31 December 2022, in Dindugal, Anugraha Animation Centre.

The Retreat commenced on 26 December 2022 at 9.30 AM with the short prayer guided by Fr. Mathew who continued his interesting talk on the Seven Stages of Human Maturity.

- * Biological Maturity
- * Chronological Maturity
- * Psychological Maturity
- * Spiritual Maturity

1. Food/ Sleep
2. Pleasure Orientation
3. Achievement Orientation
4. Spiritual Orientation
5. Compassion (Unconditional Love)
6. Wisdom Stages
7. Enlightenment Stages

“What we are today owes much to our yesterday and what we will be tomorrow depends on our vision of today: Clearer the vision, brighter and better the future.”

“Retreat is a Totality.” This retreat helped to fall deeply in love with God.

What is Life?

Religious life is a particular expression of the love of God through the limitation of Christ. Poverty is another expression of the radical freedom in the following of Christ.

“தூரத்தும் நினைவுகள் அழைக்கும் கனவுகள்”



There is no disease that cannot be cured in the world.

There is no Ugliness that cannot be beautified in the world.

There is no irrevocable judgment in the world.
“Life is a bundle of Human Experience.”

Ordinary Experience

Peak Experience

Mount Tabor (JOY):

Mount Tabor is believed to be the place of the Transfiguration of Jesus Christ, where Jesus began to radiate light and conversed with Moses and Elijah. The result is that the site long-ago became a site of pilgrimage.

Mount Olives:

Jesus prayed on the Mount of Olives in the Garden of Gethsemane on the day before the crucifixion. It was there that an angel comforted Him. During Jesus' life, He ministered to the multitudes, He often retreated to pray on the Mount as well.

Mount Calvary(SAD) :

It was on Mount Calvary that Jesus climbed the mountain of suffering and sacrifice. He died on Calvary's cross to pay the penalty for our sin and not ours only, but the sins of the whole world. It is said that there is no more inhumane way to kill someone than by crucifixion.

Creative Spirituality Radical Responsibility

Each one is unique in the world. Life is a Mystery. We the religious are called not to preach by word, instead, do the deeds of God.

Sr. Priya
Generalate, Pondicherry.



Formation Desk

“God never tires of forgiving us; we are the ones who tire of seeking his mercy.”

– Pope Francis.

This Lent would bring you close to God and God close to You.

It indeed makes me glad to present the Formation News for the past three months. Legal Cell conducted State Level Meeting for the Clergy and the Religious Advocates on 07. 01. 2023 at Rosary



Matriculation School, Chennai. Around 89 Lawyers participated from across the State of Tamil Nadu. We took active participation (Sr. Arockia Selvi, Sr. Punitha, Sr. Jenita and Sr. Theresal and I) in the Lawyers Meeting. Fr. Xavier Arul raj, the Senior Counsel addressed the gathering on “Challenges and Opportunities”. Most Rev. Dr. George Antony Samy, the Archbishop of Chennai, and the President for TNAC and Legal Cell, congratulated everyone for having chosen their mission to fight for the rights of people. He

asked us to be committed to the work we do and to build a just society. The meeting was very much helpful and it provided wide knowledge on Legal Cell-TNBC and its activities.

On 15.17.2023, invitation was extended to me to be the Resource Person to the Extended Council of St. Aloysius Province, T.Vadipatti. The Provincial Superior and the Members of the Provincial Administration, the Superiors and Commission Members of St. Aloysius Province actively participated in the Council to have the evaluation on the resolutions of the 9th Provincial Chapter. All Superiors shared about the Prayer Life, Community Life, Ministries and Challenges faced by the Sisters in the Communities. I contributed my suggestions with the reference of the Constitutions and Regulations of our Congregation. It was a praiseworthy time we had together.



On 26. 01. 2023, I participated in the Retirement Celebration of Sr. Margaret Betsy at St. Antony's Primary School, Pettai. The Holy Eucharistic Celebration took place on her behalf. We thanked God



for Sr. Margaret Betsy's wonderful teaching service to Primary School Students throughout her education ministry. Many invited guests applauded the education ministry of Sr. Margaret Betsy with lots of sentiments and emotions. I felicitated her for her indefatigable educational service and thanked her for her outstanding ministry to eradicate illiteracy.

On 28. 01. 2023, I went along with the Superior General Rev. Mother G. Rajamani to St. Joseph Hr, Sec, School Suramangalam for the 60th School Annual Day Celebration and the Retirement Celebration of Mrs. Rajammal, Mrs. Selva Sivagami, and Miss. Mary, the Office Assistant. I felicitated luminaries of the day on the occasions of this Twin celebrations.

On 28. 01. 2023, I participated in the “Gonzaga Lay Association” Meeting at Vazhavagam – Vakkampatti. It was a great opportunity for me to be the Resource Person to this Meeting of Lay Collaborators. I steered the participants through the Gospel values for the association of the lay collaboration to the Church through Evangelization, Social Work, and Prison Ministry.

I conduct classes to the Twelve Novices at the Novitiate Tindivanam from 1 to 4 February 2023. The classes were based on Evangelical Councils. I met the Novices personally on these days while encouraging them and strengthening them in their Vocation to become a Witnessing Religious for our Congregation.



From 05 to 20. 02. 2023, the Members of the General Administration and the Members of the Provincial Administration (Shalom, Aloysius, Ansaldo Provinces) had Annual Retreat in Pune. On these days we got the chance to visit St. Francis Xavier Basilica in Goa, India Gate & Elephant Cave in Bombay, Pune Darshan in Pune. Fr. Jerry S.J was our Retreat Preacher. The theme of the retreat is on “Leadership Retreat”. On this title he discussed on Self -Analysis, Reformative Analysis, Transformative Analysis, Conversion Analysis, Cosmic Analysis, Jesus Analysis, Disciple Analysis, Cross Analysis, and Leadership Analysis. He facilitated me to reflect on these topics and made me to live a life as that of Jesus who lived to fulfill his Father's will.

Along with the General Team and Provincials I participated in the Inaugurations of New Convents in the Northern Region on 05. 03 2023, and on 07. 03. 2023 viz. The Inauguration and Blessing of Gonzaga Nivas of the New Convent in the North Region at Missanah, and at Bhagadi, Gandhinagar. I congratulate our Superior General for the initiatives establish our own Convents in North Region. May I appreciate Sr. Deva Matha North Region Coordinator for her hard work and contribution for these Convents in North India.

From 09-13. 03. 2023, I visited Gonzaga Udaya – Formation House, Kasipur, Allahabad. There are five Aspirants in the formation. Sr. Arockiammal is the Formator for them. Two intermediate students are also there in the Formation House. They finished their formation as Aspirants and Postulants. Classes were conducted for these candidates on: Vocation is God's Call. I met the Candidates and the mistress personally. I encouraged them, guided them and strengthened them for their religious Vocation.



On 18. 03. 2023, I was invited to the of Gonzaga College of Arts & Science for Women on its 14th College Day celebration and the Inauguration of the New Digital Library “Ansalspring” which is one of the Biggest Mile Stones in the



History of the College. In my felicitation address I wished the College Administrative Team for their future endeavors and academic excellences.

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

FSAG Education Desk

FSAG Education Commission Meet

Education is the mirror of developing a nation and it is education which marks the difference in the individual; with education a person changes from being a human being to a civilized human being. The Christianity enlightened the Indian nation not only in the area of education but in all aspects of the people of India. Minority institutions reach out to the weaker sections of the society mostly in rural and tribal areas, through selfless service rendering not only educational services but also service in the areas of health care, social work and developmental programmes. It has raised their economic standards and improved their social status and prestige in the society. But the new law, Tamil Nadu Private Schools (Regulation) Act, as notified on 13.01.2023 is a threat to our minority rights especially to the Institutions. To create awareness on these recent rules FSAG Education Desk conducted Commission Meeting on 25 February 2023 at 05.00 PM. After a short prayer said by Sr. Mathi Margaret, the Education Councillor of Michael Ansaldo Province, the General Educational Coordinator Sr. Dr. A. Antony Maria Jansi welcomed every member of the Education Commission and gave an introductory talk. Sr. Abiya Marthal, the Education Commission Member of Under Generalate Institutions explained the new rules introduced by TN Private Schools Act which were clearly elucidated in TANCEAN Meeting conducted on 18 February 2023. All the Provincial Superiors, Sr. Emelda Glothin Queeni, Shalom Province, Sr. Celine, Aloysius Province, Sr. Pauline Sagaya Rani, Ansaldo Province and all the Educational Coordinators and Commission Members attended the meeting.

The New Rules and Regulations of 2023 are as follows:

1. The School/any Institution should have separate Land Documents.

2. Prior permission is mandatory to start, upgrade, additional section, course or Medium of Instruction.
3. Staff age eligibility for appointment is 42; for Non-Teaching no age limit.
4. From 13.01.2023 onwards qualifying TET is compulsory.
5. Frame a policy for every Management regarding the Structure of Management, Rules, Appointment Order, Service Condition, Forming Grievance Redress Cell.
6. School Management committee is exempted.
7. Follow seniority for upgrading the Staff.
8. Creation of Endowment for Minority Institutions within six months.
9. Society wise decide whether the Institution comes under Single or Corporate Management.
10. DCTP approval becomes compulsory for all the buildings.
11. If the Staff or member is transferred from one Institution to another Institution or the governing body of the society must be approved by the educational authorities within 15 days.
12. Permission from the authorities for use of the premises for non educational purposes.
13. Prior permission is needed for diversion of funds and property.
14. Entire process of selection and appointment is under the procedure stipulated under law.
15. Governing body of the society constitutes the educational agency, in respect of the Catholic Management.

Sr. Dr. A Antony Maria Jansi, the General Educational Coordinator briefly discussed on obtaining Minority Rights Certificate for our Institutions (State & National) and insisted that all the Principals/Headmistresses and Correspondents must keep the current rules and regulations of 2023 in their own office for reference and apply them for obtaining the Minority Right Certificate to safeguard the Institutions from Legal Issues. Rev Sr. Gracy Jansi, the Education Commission Member of Ansaldo Province said the concluding the prayer.

Days on Visit

Sr. Dr. A. Antony Maria Jansi, visited the following Institutions and evaluated the academic and non-academic activities and appreciated the Sisters, the Staff and Students for their achievements and gave suggestions for improvement.



S. No	Date	Name of the Institution	Place
1.	12.01.2023	Gonzaga Matriculation Hr. Sec. School	Kathampallam
2.	20.01.2023	Little Flower Jr. College & School	Mylavaram
3.	23.01.2023	Little Flower High School	Nagari
4.	24.01.2023	Infant Jesus Nursery and Primary School	Dakkili

S. No	Date	Celebration	Place
1.	6.01.2023	Retirement Function	St. Mathias Hr. Sec. School, Uppalam, Pondicherry
2.	28.01.2023	60 th Annual Day	St. Joseph Hr. Sec. School, Suramangalam, Salem
3.	209.01.2023	Eye Camp	St. Joseph College, Pagalpatty, Salem
4.	27.02.2023	Graduation Day	St. Joseph Matriculation High School, Suramangalam, Salem
5.	10.03.2023	Annual Day	St. Michael's Matriculation School, Thumbal, Salem
6.	18.03.2023	Graduation Day	St. Michael's Matriculation School, Vazhapadi, Salem
7.	18.03.2023	Inauguration of Library Building & Annual Day	Gonzaga College, Kathampallam



Celebrations

Annual Day, Graduation Day and Sports Day form an integral part of any Institution activities. It is an occasion of celebration, felicitation, feast and festivity when the students present not only their

wonderful performances but also receive honours for their curricular and co-curricular achievements. Sr. Dr. A. Antony Maria Jansi, the General Education Councillor attended the following celebrations and encouraged the Management, Staff and Students.

JCERT & TANCEAN Meetings

JCERT conducted a Webinar on 4 March 2023, on the Registration of School Hostels and Payment of Taxes for School Buildings. The legal positions were clearly explained by the Key

Note Speaker, Mr. Isaac Mohanlal, Senior Counsel, High Court of Madras. Sr. Dr. A. Antony Maria Jansi, the General Education Councillor and some of our Sisters also attended the Meeting and clarified their doubts. TANCEAN & Legal Cell jointly organized a meeting for all the Bishops and Major Superiors on 22. 03. 2023 at 9.30 AM to deliberate on the New Education Law; Our Rights; Challenges and Response to protect and promote our Institutional Rights. Mother G. Rajamani, the Superior General, Sr. Dr. A. Antony Maria Jansi, the General Education Councillor and Provincial Superiors from Shalom and St. Aloysius Province attended the meeting and it was resolved to respond to it legally and also form a committee to represent our problem to the State Leaders.

Sr. Dr. A. Antony Maria Jansi
The General Educational Councillor

Gathering of All The Evangelization Groups

The Second Joint Gathering of the Laity at the Congregation level took place at Vazhvagam, Vakamapatti on 28 – 29 January 2023. Sr. Rani, the General Evangelization Coordinator led the Workshop. 45 Members of the Laity from Vakkampatti, Vadipatti, Othiyaththur and Kodaikanal, joined together with Sr. Rani, Sr. Dennis Shalom Province Evangelization Councillor and other Gonzaga Sisters participated in the gathering.

On 28 January 2023 morning at 9:30 AM, Sr. Dennis Mary sang a song to the Holy Spirit and prayed. Sr. Rani the General Evangelization Coordinator welcomed the participants. Mr. Sebastian Arokya Raj the Chief Guest of the day spoke on the first community of believers, the beginning of the Church, history, the participation of the Laity in it. He also spoke on the divisions in the Church, changes / confusions, split in the Church and



the emergence of separated brothers, conditions of reformists, influence of rulers, simple or ordinary people's inability to consecrate, special provisions to the riches, and the history of the religious in consecrated life.

Mr. Regis spoke on the significance of the participation of the Laity and their consecration in the Church in the contemporary times. He further elaborated on Jesus' second coming, 1000 years of monarchy, how a laity could work together with consecrated people, how one could become a spiritual lay collaborator in the Congregation of the Gonzaga Sisters and its feasibility.

On 29th morning Sr. M. Thressa Gnanamani, the Assistant Superior General spoke on the Rules and Regulations pertaining to the Lay Collaborator who has undertaken a training as a Lay Collaborator of the Congregation.

Call to serve as a lay collaborators

1. Sisters
2. Other Collaborators
3. Those attracted by the missionary life of the sisters.

*** Regular Matherings / Meetings / Chapters**

1. Prayer
2. Mission Plan
3. Gonzaga Congregation's Regulations
4. Theme Reflection
5. Mission Months
6. Sharing
7. History of the Gonzaga Congregation
8. Gospel

*** Relation with the Gonzaga Sisters' family**

1. Congregations Feast
2. Founder's Day Feast
3. Christmas Celebration: Advent, Christmas Carol
4. Sisters' Final Profession
5. Jubilee Celebrations
6. Taking part in the joys and sorrows of the family members with the Sisters
7. Family visit along with the Sisters

*** Responsibility of the Chosen ones**

1. Conducting Regular Meetings
2. Receiving the Minutes
3. Maintenance of the Records / Documents
4. Special events or occasions and Common Meetings
5. Common theme sharing

After the lunch Rev. Mother G. Rajamani the Superior General of FSAG spoke on the structure of the Congregation, and Sisters' Lifestyle. Then she enquired about the interest of those called to work with the sisters of the Gonzaga family, examined and evaluated their training they have undergone.

At 4.00 PM in the evening, all the participants went into the Church. In the presence of Rev. Mother G. Rajamani, the Superior General, they made their profession to God as the Lay Collaborators desiring to serve the congregation and the Church. Joyfully, the Thanksgiving song was sung together.

Sr. Siryapushpam thanked all the participants of the two-days' workshop. With the high tea, the gathering ended.

Sr. D. Rani
General Evangelisation Councillor

One Month of Spiritual Journey



We, the Three Tertian Sisters had our One Month Retreat at Mount Joseph, Bhanergatha in Bangalore from January 30 to February 28, guided by Rev. Fr. Godwin S.J.

The theme of the retreat was focused God by taking the vows of poverty, chastity and Obedience.

The meaning of Retreat is:

- R** – Reserved for God.
- E** – Examine one's Life.
- T** – Think about one's life as a religious.
- R** – Reconcile with oneself/others / God.
- E** – Endeavour in one's prayer.
- A** – Attention to his voice in one's life.
- T** – Thanksgiving.

This One Month Retreat helped us to contemplate more on the inner journey through an awareness of one's life and to have the intimate relationship with God. The retreat was divided into four parts. The first part of the retreat remained with the experience of God Love.

The second part of the retreat was focused on remembering and cherishing God's grace by pondering on God's call, Vows etc. and the two standard values of Christ. His Baptism, Temptation and Anointing to preach the Good News were explained as three types of persons.

The third part helped us to deepen our life by pondering the suffering and death of our Lord Jesus and the revelation on the effects of sin.

The fourth part made us to realize that the resurrection makes us always to do our mission joyously as we are the children of resurrected Christ.

There was only one talk daily and the materials were given every day to contemplate for ourselves in four different hours individually culminating at the Eucharistic Adoration. All the exercises were connected with Ignatian Spiritual Exercises.

On the last day, the Eucharistic Sacrifice, Anointing with the Holy Oil and Holy Water purified us.

We thank whole heartedly our Mother General and the Assistant General who have arranged for this retreat.

Tertian Sisters
Sneha Bhawan, Bangalore

Visitation of the Superior General

On 27. 01. 2023 Rev. Mother G. Rajamani the Superior General arrived at St. Joseph HSS, Pagalpatty. Sr. Elizabeth the Headmistress of HSS welcomed her by honouring her with a Shawl. The Teachers and Students enthusiastically took part in that. Today this School got blessed by her valuable presence. And in the noon, she visited St. Joseph Primary School. The Primary School Teachers and the

Students along with the Principal of Teacher Training School and trainees joyously welcomed her with applause. Sr. Jona Maria Selvi presented her a Shawl as the sign of honour and Sr. Denisha offered her a bouquet as a token of love.

As the month of March began we started to celebrate the Novena to St. Joseph on every Wednesday. The Students from both HSS and Primary actively took part in the prayer service

by offering flowers, vegetables and fruits to him. Mother Ignatius, the Correspondent of the School delivered the festive felicitation in

which she enumerated the quality of St. Joseph and motivated the Students to imbibe one of them in their life.

Sr. Elizabeth
St. Joseph HSS, Pagalpatty

"We don't want to tell our dreams, we want to show them'.

-CRISTIANO RONALDO.

We thank the Almighty God for helping us to celebrate our Annual Sports Fiesta with the great enthusiasm at Gonzaga Matric. Hr. Sec. School, Kathampallam on 18 Feb 2023. The playground was overflowing with zeal, passion and excitement.

The programme began with the arrival of the Chief Guest, Mr. M. Munimathan, District Educational Officer (Private Schools), Mr. Jai Sankar, Sub-inspector of Police, Kandhikuppam, Rev. Fr. Savari, HGN, the Parish Priest of Kathampallam, Priests, Sisters and friends. The National Flag was hoisted by Mr. M. Munimathan, the District Educational Officer, the Olympic Flag was hoisted by Mr. Jai Sankar, the Sub-inspector of Police and School Flag was hoisted by Rev. Fr. Savari, HGN.

The School Choir invoked God's blessings through their melodious prayer song. The guests were welcomed and honoured by the Management. The students displayed a wide array of energetic and bouncy sports events ranging from Flag Hoisting, Flag Song, March Past, Lighting the Olympic Torch, and Mass Drill. The students mesmerized the audience with their energetic performances of colorful dance.

Rev. Sr. V. Agnes Earnest Vimala, FSAG, the Principal presented the Annual Report of the School. Rev. Sr. Sagaya Mary, the Hostel Director, Rev. Sr. Dr. Glitta Sumangalli, the



Principal, Gonzaga Arts and Science College and Rev. Mother Josephine Mary the Correspondent, awarded the medals and certificates to the winners of the various sports events. The Sports Fiesta was overwhelming with the announcement of overall championship of the day. Newton-Pink House received the Overall Championship of 2022-23. The outstanding Annual Sports Fiesta ended with the National Anthem.

Sr. Agnes Earnest Vimala, Principal
Gonzaga Hr. Sec. School, Kathampallam

Ansaldo College of Education

National Youth Day

On 12 January 2023, National Youth Day was celebrated. Dr. Sr. Revathi, the Principal gave message to the Student Teachers. She highlighted the significance and importance of

“The Golden Period of Youth. Today's youth are more creative and innovative. Get more opportunities to express and excel them.” Cultural programmes were staged by I & II Year Student Teachers. Street play picturised the

problems and issues faced by the youth today. Mrs. Josena Anitha, Asst. Professor of Mathematics organised the event.

Pongalo pongal!

“The greatness of a culture can be found in its festivals.” Our Student Teachers were divided into two groups and various completions were conducted. Sr. Mary Cherian, the Superior, Mrs. Aadhi, Tamil Teacher, Govt. Middle School, Maruthuvampady, Fr. Sathish and Fr. Vino graced the function. Sweet Pongal and traditional welcome made the event more colourful. The prospective Teachers portrayed their vision and dreams towards the society at large through colourful rangolis and kolams. Tug-of-war made the function unforgettable.

Swachh Bharat Abhiyan

Swachh Bharat Abiyan has brought about a permanent change in social consciousness and behaviour of people. To accelerate the efforts, to achieve universal sanitation coverage and to put the focus on sanitation, ACE established the Swachh Bharat Mission on 15 January 2023. Under the guidance of the Principal along with the Teacher Educators, the Student Teachers involved themselves and contributed their time and energy for the cleaning of the campus and the village.

National Voter's Day

To mark the Foundation Day of the Election Commission of India, i.e. 25 January 1950, National Voter's Day (NVD) is celebrated every year from 2011 onwards. The main purpose of the NVD celebration is to create electoral awareness amongst the citizens and encourage them to participate in the electoral process. ACE conducted 13th NVD in the College Premises. Teacher Educators and Student Teachers made a short film with the theme of 13th NVD, “Nothing like Voting, I Vote for Sure.” Awareness was given to the villagers of Maruthuvampadi and Nampedu.

Practical Examination

The Third Semester for the Second Year Student Teachers is for developing their teaching proficiency. Hence they were sent to the Schools for internship training for 80 days. Finally their teaching proficiency was assessed by the examiners during the practical. This year 56 of our students attended their practical examination on 6 – 7 March 2023.



Sr. Revathy, Principal, Chetpet.

College of Arts and Science for Women



Certificate Course Programme

The programme titled “Training in Youth Leadership and Community Development” Certificate Course conducted by Nehru Yuva Kendra in Collaboration with SWORD, Krishnagiri (Dt), was held from 14 January to 1 February 2023. MSW Students of both years participated wherein 40 Students from various other Colleges also participated. The course had nine sessions: the first three days were dedicated to on “the Society for Women and Child Development”. Rev. Dr. A. Anhuvan Reclin was also one of the resource persons; she enlightened on Personality Development of Leadership. The main goal for this Certificate Course is to improve and enhance the leadership qualities and skills. The session was organized through by games, activities and finally they collected the feedback through forms and the Certificates distributed by Mr. Prem Bharat Kumar.

Awareness About Voters Day

The Voter's Day Rally was organized by the Department of Social Work in collaboration with BDO Officers Burgur on 25 January 2023 at Bargur. The Chief Guests were Ms. I. Panneerselvi, Thasildar of Bargur, Mr. Bhagat Basha, V.S.O, and Ms. Padmavathi, Deputy Thasildar of Bargur. The programme started at 10.00 PM with 53 Students from Physics and MSW Department. Ms I. Panneerselvi welcomed the gathering and explained about the importance of Voter's Day and responsibility of the citizens stating that “As an Indian, each one has right to vote and elect the Prime Minister and the Chief Minister; hence we are called to be responsible persons in our role.” preceded by his speech the Rally started from Bargur Bus-Stand

to Taluk Office. The Students raised the slogans on the importance of Voter's Day. The Street play artists also take part in the rally to grab the attention of the public to create awareness on Voter's Day. The main aim of the Rally was to create an awareness among the people on Voter's Day. Finally the Rally ended with all the participants taking Voter's Pledge.

Pulwama Memorial Ceremony

The Programme titled “Tribute to CRPF SOLDIERS” was held on behalf of the association with Commando Welfare Committee in Service, Mr. Rajikan, the Honourable President of the Paramilitary, Mr. Subramani, Force Welfare Association, the District President, Mr. Venkataraman, the Vice-President, Mr. Rajamani, the Secretary, Mr. Palanikumar, the Treasurer were present on 14 February 2023 in New Bus-stand opposite to Statue of Mr. C. N. Annathurai, the Former Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu. In this event 30 Students from Tamil and MSW Departments and 56 people from the Society participated.

The programme commenced with a prayer song. Ms. Dayana Mary, Assistant professor and Head, Dept of Tamil welcomed the gathering and read a poem in honour of the soldiers. Ms. Lakshmi, Assistant Professor, Dept of Tamil briefed about the Pulwama Attack. The Students sang a song to pay homage to the soldiers who lost their lives in Pulwama attack. A Wreath was placed at the Memorial Pillar and flowers were sprinkled and tribute was paid by observing silence. Government Officials, School Students, Police Personnel, Members from Medical Department, and a large number of people from the city participated.



Personality Development Workshop

Rev. Dr. A. Anthuvan Reclin, Head, Department of Social Work, organized Workshop on “Personality Development” on 1s February 2023. 200 Students from various Departments availed themselves of the opportunity to learn the skills. They learnt the skills through various activities connected with personality development. The main goal of the Workshop is to improve the Personality Development Skills through, creative attitudes, personality trait etc.,

International Webinar on Career Guidance

An International Webinar on “CAREER GUIDANCE” was organized by the Department of Social Work on 9 March 2023 at 10.00 AM. Mrs. Danays Hernandez, the District Educational Councillor and Financial Aid Specialist, Atlantic Cape Community College from Atlantic City-USA was the Resource Person. The programme started with a prayer song. II MSW Student Ms. M. Sashikala invoked the God's blessings and welcomed the gathering. Rev. Dr. A. Anthuvan Reclin, introduced the Resource Person. Rev. Dr. E. Glitta Sumangali, the Principal felicitated. The Resource Person presented his ideas on what a Career is, the importance of knowing one's personal skills, and how we choose our career in right way. The Resource Person interacted with the Students and the Students responded actively. The queries were clarified by the Resource Person. More than 375 Students and and Members of the Faculty from various Colleges participated.

International Women's Day

On 8 March 2023, the Management, Staff and Members of the NSS Unit in collaboration with all the Extension Units of Gonzaga College of Arts and Science for Women, Kathampallam, organized a Rally for Women's Day on the theme of this year “Digit ALL: Innovation and Technology for Gender Equality”. The Chief Guest of this programme was Ms. TMT. FARIDA NAWAB B. She beautifully spoke on the Women's Day. She also encouraged our girls to go for their higher studies and motivated the Students to be brave and do everything perfectly. The Students gave cultural programme on Women's Empowerment and the Rally started from two different places and the programme was in the New Bus-stand, Krishnagiri. More than 300 people participated in this Rally.



Rev. Dr. Sr. A. Anthuvan Recline, Head and Asst. Prof. Dept. of MSW

Naan Mudhalvan-A Massive Up skilling Program 30.01.2023-03.02.2023

“Faculty Development Programme Naan Mudhalvan-A Massive Up skilling Program” for all the Professors employed in the Affiliated Colleges of Periyar University, Salem, was organized from 30 January to 3 February 2023. Ms. P Shanmugapriya, Head & Assistant Professor of Commerce, Dr. K Uma Parameswari from the same Department participated. The Opening Ceremony was held in Periyar Auditorium at Periyar University in Salem. Prof. R. Balagurunathan, the Registrar, delivered the Presidential Address. Thiru. S. V. Eswaran, the District Assistant Director, District Skill Training Office-DSTO Salem, briefly explained the Naan Mudhalvan. The main aim of the FDP is to create abilities among the Students at large. During the first three days, Mr. Mahesh Kumar, an NSE Academy Trainer, enlightened the Staff with knowledge of the Capital

Market and how to choose and invest in the available opportunities of NSE and BSE. During the last two days Mr. Vignesh Kumar, the Chartered Accountant, lectured on Income Tax and GST. Mr. Sakthivel, Tally Software Company, Bengaluru, explained briefly on the Tally Software and its applications. We are very thankful to the Gonzaga Management for providing the great opportunity to get training on Naan Mudhalvan.

Lecture Series (Hybrid Mode)

On 17 February 2023 Gonzaga College, Nirmala College, Autonomous, Coimbatore and St. Vincent Pallotti College, Bangalore jointly organized Lecture Series on “Networking to Work Beyond Boundaries”. The Webinar was conducted in the virtual mode through Google Meet. Dr E. Jerome Xavier, the Principal, St. Vincent Pallotti College, Bangalore delivered the Inaugural Address and initiated the session. Prof. Folentia Kamal, the Dean of Academics, Nirmala College for Women, Coimbatore gave lecture on Pedagogical Approach Learning Commerce (Commerce for All). She highlighted the Financial Planning, Various Investment avenues available in the market. Prof. S P Sushmashree, St. Vincent Pallotti College, Bangalore addressed on Role of Microfinance which can create sustainable Ecosystem and develop entrepreneurship. From the Commerce and Business Administration Departments 181 Students and 6 Faculty participated. Rev. Dr. E. Glitta Sumangali, the Principal, Gonzaga College, Krishnagiri delivered the Valedictory Address.

- Ms. P Shanmuga Priya, Head, Dept. of Commerce

Samathuva Pongal

In remembrance of Tamil Culture Samathuva Pongal was celebrated on 13. 01. 2023. Rev. Dr A. John Dayana, the Vice-Principal united the audience in prayer. Ms. J. Dianamary, Head of the Department, of Tamil welcomed the gathering. The celebration was presided over by Rev. Mother C. Noel Rani, the Secretary and Rev. Dr. E. Gilitta Sumangali, the Principal. She addressed that Pongal Celebration doesn't mean wearing new clothes; it is actually expressing our gratitude to Nature, the Creator and the entire humanity as well. By hearing the sweet message, the Staff performed Kummi Dance around the Pongal pot. The Staff and Students together worshiped the Sun God. Sweet Pongal was distributed to all the Students. The event ended with the Vote of Thanks by Assistant Professor M. Aswini, Department of Tamil. At last the National Anthem was sung.

E – Quiz

Tamil Online E-Quiz was organized on “Bharathium Tamilum” from 12. 12. 2022 to 18. 12. 2022. The aim of the quiz is to enrich and strengthen the knowledge in Tamil Literature. More than 10 College Professors, Ph.D Research Scholars, M. Phil Students, Students, Tamil Aarvalars and Teachers from Schools actively participated. Around 115 participants responded to the Quiz and they were awarded with E-certificate.

In-Plant Training

The First Year Post Graduate Students of Chemistry Department went to “In-Plant Training” programme for five days between



06. 02. 2023 and 10. 02. 2023 in Dharmapuri Co-operative Milk Products, (AAVIN) Krishnagiri, under the supervision of Ms. S. Ajithakumari, Assistant Professor of Chemistry. Objectives of the In-Plant Training are to determine the fat contents in raw milk; know the technique of milk product preparation; acquire knowledge in dairy products preparation and stress-free to get job opportunities. During the training, the students

acquired knowledge in milk pasteurization and preparation of milk products, including Cheese. They also learnt the methods of fat separation, skimmed milk process, butter preparation and milk powder preparation. As the outcome of the training, the students learnt to measure the quality of milk through lactometer. At last, the students were certified for getting training, which they have undergone.

Ms. Anjali, Head, Dept. of Chemistry

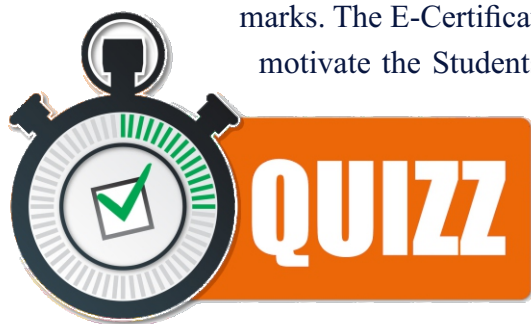
Mathmagic 2023

Math Rangoli and Mathematical Model competitions were organized on 22. 02. 2023 in the College Premises. The Students from various Departments participated enthusiastically in both the competitions. In Math Rangoli, the Students were asked to draw Rangoli on Mathematical concepts and in making model, the Students made Mathematical concepts and related working model. The first three winners were provided with Certificates and shields and the participants received certificates. The core objective of this event is to motivate the students to participate in all the competitions without any hesitation and tap out their knowledge and talents. The students were enlightened on how to manage time and think according to the signs of the time. The outcome of the students in future will merit them to face the situation at any point of view. 49 Students participated in Math Rangoli and 20 Students participated in Mathematical Model Competition.



Quiz Competition (2022 – 2023)

Quiz & Pencil Sketch Competitions were organized on 22. 12. 2022 through Online Mode. The Students and Research Scholars from various Colleges participated enthusiastically in both the competitions. The Quiz consisted with 30 questions to be answered within 30 minutes for 30 marks. The E-Certificates were issued to all the participants. The purpose of this event is to motivate the Students to gain knowledge and idea on how to manage time and how to complete within the given time for the competitive exams. This event ensures Students quality learning related to reasoning, aptitude, etc. Around 176 Students participated in Online Quiz competition and 72 Students participated in Pencil Sketch Competition.



Ms. Megala, Head, Dept. of Mathematics

Twin Celebrations

Ansalspring Grand Opening and the 14th College Day on 18 March 2023

“Oh! Sing to the Lord a new song! For he has done marvelous things; His right hand and His holy arm have gained us the victory. Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous things; his right hand and his holy arm have worked salvation for him” (Psalms 98:1). 18 March 2023, is a remarkable day in the History of Gonzaga College of Arts and Science for Women, Kathampallam. Servant of God Michael Ansaldo showers God's blessings on us, as he promised once. In memory of his blessed state, Gonzaga College had the privilege to inaugurate Ansalspring. As the spring season brings flowers to blossom, our Founder Servant of God Michael Ansaldo brings spring to the College and to its inmates.

The twin celebrations of Ansalspring Grand Opening and 14th College Day Celebration, invited the dignitaries to march towards the Ansalspring with the band, and the Superior General Rev. Mother G. Rajamani, FSAG cut the ribbon, while the crowd clapped, and the Assistant Superior General unveiled the plaque. Most Rev. Dr. D. Lawrance Pius, the Bishop of Dharmapuri, blessed the newly built Alsalspring. Rev. Fr. Savari, the Parish Priest of Kathampallm, sprinkled holy water on two floors, with the invocation led by Rev. Sr. A Anthuvan Recline and her team of Staff by singing the Holy Spirit song. With the small refreshment, the 14th College Day began with the procession, kumba-arathi, the prayer song, and Thamizhthaa Vazhthu. The dignitaries watered the plant as a symbol of nurturing the Students.

Rev. Dr. A. John Dayana, the Vice-Principal, welcomed the gathering, and the dignitaries were honoured with the shawl and bouquets. Mr. Ravikumar, the Engineer, Mr. Kumar the Site-Engineer and Mr. Suresh the Head mason were awarded by the Gold coin and ring for their dedicated work as the token of love. Rev. Mother C. Noel Rani, the Secretary, appreciated the gathering and invited students to use the library for reading and various learning. The Bishop of Dharmapuri addressed the gathering

by stating that the “women should not be treated for their beauty rather should be respected and educated well. According to the charisma of the college, you all should be empowered by education”. Prize winners at the University, rank holders, course toppers, best outgoers, best field workers, and regular attendance holders received the shields and medals with certificates. Rev. Dr. E. Glitta Sumangali, the Principal, with Ms. N. Barathi and Ms. Bindhiya from the English Department, presented the history of the College through its annual report.



Rev. Mother G. Rajamani, FSAG Superior General, addressed the students as “women, we are considered the core of the family and nation building in which we are all united through education; the college provides equal opportunity to everyone; the only thing we must avail ourselves of is responsibility”. Rev. Sr. M. Theresa Gnanamani, the Assistant Superior General, appreciated all the Staff, Teaching and Non-teaching, Supportive Staff Members, parents, and Students who are tuned to the motto of the College: “Educate to



Empower”. With the same spirit she arrived by stating that “we must educate ourselves for the social cause and the better future”. Rev. Dr. A. Antony Maria Jancy, the Educational Councillor, inspired the Students with a story in which the motivated seed spread out and gave everything with unconditional love; we are all called to be true persons for which we are called by our creator”. The colorful cultural events, which included the drama in Tamil and English, Dance and Comedy, and Shadow Dance, were showcased by the Students' dynamics on the dais with more meaning by portraying the importance of education, the difficulties faced by early marriage, the impact of social media, etc. The value of education was born in the minds of the Students. With great hope, the event improvised awareness

among the parents, and with that impact this programme will definitely bring huge change among the parents, and they will try to help their children become responsible women in society. Our College stands on the realm of the core by creating a culture of new learning to become responsible leaders.

Rev. Sr. M. Maria Stella, the General Councillor for Healthcare and Social Work, Rev. Sr. D Rani, the General Councillor for Evangelization, Rev. Sr. S. Gnanamary Pappathi, the General Procurator, Provincial Superiors, Rev. Sr. Emelda Glodin Queeni, Shalom Province, Rev. Sr. Celine Mary, St. Aloysius Province, Rev. Sr. Gracy, Ansaldo Province Councilor, Rev. Sr. S. Josephine Mary, Superior St. Aloysius Convent, Rev. Sr. Sagaya Mary, Hostel Directress, Rev. Sr. Reeta, the Principal of St. Joseph College, Pagalpatti, adorned the functions as FSAG family. The twin celebrations ended with a Vote of Thanks by Ms. P. Shanmuga Priya, Head of the Department of Commerce, and Ms. Anitha Joseph, Faculty from the Department of Computer Science. Finally,

the College choir girls chanted the National Anthem. The Ansalspring was visited, commented well, appreciated and welcomed by the parents.

**Rev. Dr. A John Dayana, the Vice-Principal
Kathampallam**



SJC – Tidings

Developing a Passion for Learning – International Conferences :

Conference on Material Science and Nano-Technology:

The Department of Physics organized the 2nd International Virtual Conference on Material Science and Nano-Technology (ICMSN-2023) on 28 February. More than 70 Research Papers, 100 Abstracts and 30 Full-length Articles were received. 200 Students participated in and benefitted from this Conference.

Conference on Emerging Trends in Social Values:

The Virtual International Conference on 'Emerging Trends in Social Values' (ICETS 2023) was organized by the Department of English on 10 March 2023. Dr. MD. Maniruzzaman, Professor from the University of Savar, Dhaka, Bangladesh, spoke on various aspects of Social Values in Literature. Mr. A. Augustine, Assistant Professor, Sacred Heart College chaired the Presentation Session. Eighty participants participated and 15 presented Research Papers in this Conference.

Coordinate a Continuing Education Programme :

Youth Red Cross (YRC), Periyar University and Indian Red Cross Society of Tamil Nadu Branch jointly organized the Three-day Zonal Level Orientation Training Programme for the Youth, the Red Cross Programme Officers and Volunteers on 8 - 10 February 2023 at Sona College. From our College, two Student Coordinators and Mr. Suthaker YRC Coordinator attended the Programme. The Welcome Address was given by Dr. S Padmasekaran, the Zonal Coordinator YRC and RRC, Periyar University, Salem. The Presidential Address was delivered by Mr. C Valliappa, the Chairman, Sona Groups of Educational Institutions, Salem. The Inaugural Address was given by Prof. R. Jagannathan and it was followed by the Speech of the Chief Guest Mrs. A Mayil, the Deputy Collector, Social Security Scheme, Salem. The Programme ended with the Vote of Thanks proposed by Mr. K. S. Loganathan YRC District Organizer, Namakkal.

On 14 – 15th February 2023, Sr. Rusmi attended the Orientation Programme which was jointly organized by NSS and Tamil Nadu Government for the NSS Programme Officers and Higher Education District Officers of Tamil Nadu. Around 250 Programme Officers attended the meeting. The meeting was held in Anna Centenary Library, Chennai. The primary motto was 'Higher Education for All', i.e., "Naan Muthalvan Scheme.

A Faculty Development Programme was organized on 25 February 2023 at Gonzaga College of Arts and Science for Women. Mrs. Arut Selvam, Mrs. Pushpalatha, Mrs. Arut Jothi attended the Programme. The sessions were handled by Dr. N. Barathi, Head and Assistant Professor of English Department. She spoke on the importance of speaking and writing in English.



Festivities:

Harvest Festival:

St. Joseph College of Arts and Science for Women celebrated Pongal on the 24th of January for the Year 2023. The Students arrived in traditional sarees to mark the occasion.

Pongal was cooked by the Students. Our traditional competitions like 'Uri' beating, Tug of war, Ball-passing and Sugarcane breaking were also held. And the winners were selected by the respective judges. Sweet Pongal and sugarcanes were distributed to all the Students. The Mother Superior, Administrator, Principal and Vice-Principal of our College graced the occasion.

SHE – Celebrating the Spirit of Women:

To honour 'Womanhood', AICUF National Women Commission, Chennai in Collaboration with St. Joseph College of Arts and Science for Women, Pagalpatty, Salem and Gonzaga College of Arts and Science for Women, Kathampallam, Krishnagiri organized a Webinar on Empowerment of Women. Sr. Dr. Antony Maria Jansi, the AICUF Women Commission Coordinator highlighted that power must be given to Women in addition to equality to build the Nation. In his Inaugural Address, Rev. Fr. Dr. Benjamin SJ, the AICUF National Advisor stated that Digital Technology is opening new doors for the global empowerment of women. Dr. Julia, Assistant Professor discussed the problems faced by Women in the Society. Mrs. Medha Patkar, Indian Environmental Activist shared her valuable thoughts on Women Empowerment and she reiterated that land, water and forests must be protected from the exploitations of the corporate companies.

The Day of Blessing and Jubilation:

The Feast of St. Joseph, the Patron of our College was celebrated on 15 March 2023 at our College. The College paid tribute to St. Joseph in a variety of ways throughout this month. Our Chief Guest Most Rev. Dr. Arulselvam Rayappan, the Bishop of Salem, all the Priests and Nuns were welcomed to the College by our vibrant band group. In connection with the feast celebration, the newly built Canteen and Cycle Shed were blessed and inaugurated by our Bishop. The Feast Day began with a solemn Eucharistic celebration. The Holy Mass was presided by Most Rev. Dr. Arulselvam Rayappan and concelebrated by 11 Priests. The Bishop of Salem insisted on the values of St. Joseph. Our Staff and Students were happy to celebrate our Patron Saint's Feast Day in a grand manner. Rev. Sr. Reetha Mary, thanked everyone for their presence and blessings on this day. The celebration came to an end with fellowship meal which doubled our joy.

Sight Day – A Mega Eye Camp :

The Eye Camp was organized by NSS Unit of St. Joseph College of Arts and Science in association with Aravind Eye Hospital, Salem on 29 January 2023.



The Secretary Sr. Dr. Antony Maria Jansi warmly welcomed the gathering. The Presidential Address was delivered by Rev. Mother G. Rajamani, the President and the Superior General of FSAG. Rev. Fr. A. Jacob, the Chancellor of Salem Diocese spoke on the importance of eyes and brought about awareness to the public. Dr. P. Prakash, NSS Coordinator appreciated the efforts and initiative of St. Joseph College for the eye campaign. The campaign was from 11.00 AM to 3.00 PM and nearly 288 people participated in the eye checkup and benefitted. 40 elderly people were referred to Aravind Hospital, Salem and were freely treated for cataract ailment.

A Meet to Summit:

St. Joseph College of Arts and Science for Women, Pagalpatty, Salem - Parents Teachers Meeting in the current academic year was conducted on 13 March 2023, between 10.00 AM - 1.00 PM at Gonzaga Auditorium. Parents were informed regarding the meeting through a notice as well as via WhatsApp. Around 50 parents reported for the meeting and there was a lively interaction.



Creating Amazing Opportunity – A Sponsor Day

The IVDP Program was held at Gonzaga Auditorium on 11 March 2023. There was a grand welcome to the Chief Guest Sri Raman Magasaysay Kulandai Francis, the Founder and President of IVDP. The Students who received financial help presented framed Portraits and Poem of Compliment as the expression of their gratitude. He spoke about the activities of his organization and promised to help 100 Students in the next semester for which the Management of St. Joseph College will be ever grateful.

'Maberum Tamil Kannavu'

On 23 February 2023, Periyar University organized “Maberum Tamil Kanavu” Programme in Notre Dame of Holy Cross, Udaipatti, Salem. From our College 120 Students participated in this Programme. Mr. Karmegam, the Collector of Salem District, M. Stalin Gunasekaran, Advocate, Mr. Bharathi Krishnan, Short Film Director were invited as Chief Guests of the day. Our Student M. Nivetha, from the Department of Physics, received “Perumitha Selvi” Award for the book review competition.

Day of Athletic Ascension

On 17 March 2023, our College organized the First Sports Day with two sessions at FN and AN respectively. The forenoon session of the Sports Day, started at 10.30 AM with Band Troupe Procession honoring the Chief Guest, Mr. T. Tamil Selvam, the Superintendent of Prison, Salem District, Rev. Sr. Dr. Jona Maria Selvi FSAG, the Principal of St. Joseph Teacher Training Institute and Mr. S. Ramesh Sankar, MA., BL., Advocate, Salem. The Presidential Address was given by Sr. Dr. A. Antony Maria Jansi FSAG, our Secretary.





After the Address by the Chief Guest, March Past and Sports events of 100 Meters, 200 Meters and 400 Meters Relay were conducted.

The Afternoon Session of the Sports Day program was resumed at 4.30 PM with the Band Troupe Procession to honor the various dignitaries viz. Mrs. Durga Devi, the Sub-inspector of Police, Omalur Zone, Mrs. Chandra from the Department of Police, Mr. Thangaraj, the President of Pagalpatty Panchayathu, Mr. Elangovan, the Union Political Secretary, Superiors Sr. Nirmala, Sr. Ignatius, Sr. Dr. A. Antony Maria Jansi, Secretary of our College, the Administrator, the Principal and the Vice-Principal. The Conference Proceedings and the College Magazine were released and the Annual Report was presented by Sr. T. Reetha Mary FSAG, the Administrator and the programme continued with the Sports events. Totally 15 Sports events were conducted in the division of 8 individual Sports events and 7 Groups events during the past 2 weeks. Various stages of matches were conducted for the Students. We also conducted some special and interesting events on that day. The Chief Guests gave away medals and trophies to the winners and runners, and certificates to the participants. Finally the Sports Day came to an end with the Vote of Thanks proposed by Dr. G. Kannan, HoD, Department of Commerce.

Sr. Reetha Mary, Vice Principal

St. Aloysius Gonzaga Region – North India

Blessing and Inauguration of Gonzaga Nivas Mehsana on 5th March 2023

March 5th 2023 witnessed the milestone in the history of our Congregation FSAG, as the occasion drew unparalleled enthusiasm in us as we affirm a harmonious blending during the inauguration of the new convent at Mehsana.

In year of 2013, we readily accepted the invitation of Most Rev. Dr. Stany Fernades Archbishop of Gandhinagar to offer our services and sacrifices in serving to the pastoral and social services, and educational needs of the people of the area. Above all, we wished to make the unconditional and sacrificial love of Christ tangible to everyone, irrespective of caste, status and religion.

Dream It Believe It and Build It

We dreamt to build and believed in God's Providence and we built it.

Rev. Sr. Nirmala the local Superior and North Regional Coordinator along with the community sisters worked 10 years {2013-23} tirelessly towards the realization of the long cherished dream and desire of establishing the concrete presence in the Archdiocese of Gandhinagar, has been accomplished by the mercy and grace of the Lord Almighty. There was a 'Milk Boiling Ceremony' at 10.30 am, symbolizing the abundance of wealth and good health to all the community. It has accord in the presence of Superior General of our congregation Rev. Mother G. Rajamani & team, with three Provincials, Rev. Sr. Nirmala the local Superior and North Regional Coordinator and other sisters. The boiled milk was shared to all.

How Lovely Is Your Dwelling Place 'O' Lord

We filled with overwhelmed joy and extreme pleasure to have His Excellency Most. Rev. Dr. Leopoldo Girelli Apostolic Nuncio to India, being the apostolic nuncio, and representing Rome and Pope

Francis, accepted the humble invitation, of our Archbishop Thomas Macwan , to bless and inaugurate our new convent , it's indeed a great honor to have that representation to celebrate, bless and inaugurate our convent in Mehsana. The ceremony was solemnized by the presence of His Excellency Most.Rev. Dr. Leopoldo Girelli and his Grace Most Rev. Thomas Mecwan Archbishop of Gandhinagar, who increased the inner spirit in us to expand the mission with more zeal and joy, the parish priest Rev. Fr. Hemant, accompanied by many priests, Superior General



of our congregation G.Rajamani & team, with three Provincials, North Superiors FSAG, other religious from neighboring communities, parishnors and well-wishers who came in large number. His Excellency Most. Rev. Dr. Leopoldo Girelli Apostolic Nuncio to India and his Grace Most Rev.

Thomas Mecwan Archbishop of Gandhinagar, escorted by the priests, Superior General of our Congregation Rev. Mother G. Rajamani & team, with three Provincials, religious, and parishnors right from church premises to the new house to Bless and Inaugurate our new convent, Gonzaga Nivas, Mehsana. Rev. Mother G. Rajamani Superior General welcomed them with garlands. His Excellency Most.Rev. Dr. Leopoldo Girelli prayed for God's blessings upon the new convent invoking the lord's dwelling presence in this new house followed by the 'Ribbon cutting Ceremony' which symbolizes the new beginning, his Grace Most Rev. Thomas Mecwan Archbishop of Gandhinagar, broke the coconut in front of the

main door entrance which signifies the future prosperity, Superior General of our Congregation Rev. Mother G. Rajamani unveiled the plaque.

Rev. Sr. Nirmala the local Superior and North Regional Coordinator, Rev. Fr. Lawrence the principal of St. Xavier's School, Mehsana, who supervised the building construction, led them to bless the entire house and chapel with Holy Water. After the blessing and opening rituals, the gathering took His Excellency Most. Rev. Dr. Leopoldo Girelli Apostolic Nuncio to India and his Grace Most Rev. Thomas Mecwan Archbishop of Gandhinagar right from convent till the main entrance of St. Michael Church in beautiful procession with the Gerbo dance by students,

samayu (women carried pots with coconut on their heads) and flower girls. The Eucharistic celebration was presided by His Excellency Most. Rev. Dr. Leopoldo Girelli Apostolic Nuncio to India and his Grace Most Rev. Thomas Mecwan Archbishop of Gandhinagar and many concelebrants. At the end of the Mass there was a felicitation ceremony. Nuncio was honored and felicitated by the parish. “Gratitude is an attitude of a sensitive soul and appreciate of god's gift its sign of a good heart who never forget the given of a gift”. Quoting this we took up felicitation ceremony Rev. Mother G. Rajamani Superior General and Rev. Sr. Nirmala thanked and honored the dignitaries and engineer, contractors and those who helped in building a house with flower bouquet, shawls and memento.

Thus, Blessing and Inaugural ceremony of Gonzaga Nivas, Mehsana marks the beginning of a new page for the community in North Region.



*Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise,
for the lord is good and his love endures forever.*

**Blessing and Inauguration of Gonzaga Nivas Pahadiya
On 7th March 2023**

The inaugural ceremony was begun with procession right from the house to the new convent. Superior General of our Congregation Rev. Mother G. Rajamani & team, with three Provincials, Rev. Sr. Nirmala the North Regional Coordinator and local Superior Sr. Aloysia were garlanded. Rev. Mother G. Rajamani. His Grace Most Rev. Thomas Mecwan Archbishop of Gandhinagar prayed for God's blessings upon the new convent invoking the lord's dwelling presence in this new house followed by the 'Ribbon cutting Ceremony Bishop, Superior General and Assistant Superior General cut the Ribbon, Rev. Mother G. Rajamani Superior General and Rev. Sr. M. Thressa Gnanmani, Assistant General broke the coconut in front of the main door entrance, General councillors

Rev. Sr. Rani and Rev. Sr. Stella of our Congregation unveiled the plaque. His Grace Most Rev. Thomas Mecwan Archbishop of Gandhinagar called upon the name of the community sisters live over there and blessed the picture St. Aloysius Gonzaga the founder Sr. Nirmala unveiled the picture.

Rev. Sr. Aloysia the local Superior, who supervised the building construction, led Bishop and Parish Priest Rev. Fr. Jayaraj to bless the entire house and chapel with Holy Water. After the blessing and opening rituals, all proceeded towards Church. Most Rev. Thomas Mecwan Archbishop of Gandhinagar right from convent till the main entrance of St. Joseph Church which is procession with the prayer dance by parish Girls, samayu (women carried pots with coconut on their heads) and flower girls. The Eucharistic celebration was presided by his Grace Most Rev. Thomas Mecwan Archbishop of Gandhinagar and many concelebrants. At the end of the Mass there was a felicitation ceremony. “Remember and thank the people who did good for you” Quoting this, sisters took up felicitation ceremony Rev. Sr. Aloysia the superior thanked and honored the dignitaries and engineer, contractors and those who helped in building a house with flower bouquet, shawls and memento.

Thus, Blessing and Inaugural ceremony of Gonzaga Nivas, Pahadiya remain remarkable in the great memory of the community in North Region.

**Sr. Swarna Kumari, Secretary
Meshana**



Shalom Province - Āindivanam

ASPIRANTS DAY

*“Find new ways to spread the Word of God
to every nook and corner of the world.”*

- Pope Francis

With immense joy and gladness we the Aspirants were happy to celebrate our day by participating at the solemn Eucharistic celebration. The celebration was really very grand with the eminent presence of celebrant, Fr. Arockiadass our Parish Priest and our Sisters. Each one gave their contribution and support by arranging the Liturgy. We made our program colorful.



Sr. Emelda Glodin Quini the Provincial Superior, Sr. Francisca the Vice-Provincial Superior, Sisters from different communities, Fr. Praveen and Fr. Rosario were the luminaries on that occasion. We welcomed the gathering with welcome dance and song and honored each and everyone in the function. We enacted the drama presenting the growth of our congregation through our founder Michael Ansaldo. We received a lot of appreciation from all the guests. Our hearts find no words to express joy. We thanked God and all by proposing the vote of thanks.

The celebration of grand agape was served to share the joy with all who were present for our day. At the end we felt the festive spirit and the family spirit.

**The Aspirants
K.G.F.**

PONGAL CELEBRATION

Pongal, the Harvest Festival of Tamil Culture was celebrated as a thanksgiving festival. In order to commemorate the uniqueness of the festival, various celebrations and events at the School were designed in a manner to evoke and expose the students' inner most talents. In the same way we the Teachers and Students of "St. Aloysius Nursery and Primary School - Vettavalam celebrated the Pongal Festival on 13.01.2023, in a grand manner. We thank the Almighty for this great occasion of celebrating the Tamil Culture. Our children were very curious in participating at the Pongal celebration. Our lovable Staff decorated the pot for cooking and prepared the sweetest Pongal. We the Tamilians joined together and helped each other to celebrate this Festival happily. Finally we all enjoyed by sharing our love by distributing the tasty Pongal to our neighbors and relished by sugarcane. At the end of celebration we thanked God for His providence and good health, and specially prayed to God for all the people's happy life.

**Sr. Arockia Jothi
St. Aloysius Nursery and Primary School, Vettavalam**



MICHAEL ANSALDO SKILL DEVELOPMENT CENTRE

It was a great opportunity for us due to the fact that the Mr. Jothi Lingam a very respected person visited our institution Michael Ansaldo Skill Development Centre, N. Gengapattu on Friday 03 February 2023. He is the Programme Coordinator at ICRDCE, Chennai. The programme was structured with the Welcome Address, Visit of the Chief Guest, participation of the people and the Vote of Thanks. Sr. Arockia Mary Santhiyagu, the Director of Michael Ansaldo Skill Development Centre welcomed the Resource Person and introduced him to the participants. The participants actively involved themselves in this programme and enthusiastically manifested their interest towards learning tailoring.

Mr. Jothi Lingam highly appreciated the involvement of the inmates and visited the Center and the programme arrangements and congratulated our service to the people. He also addressed the people and motivated them to improve as they had the right then. He appreciated the great, wonderful and dedicated work of Mrs. Rosa the Teacher for Tailoring mentioning that she is doing her level best with much involvement which he could find in her performance. Mrs. Rosa is an experienced teacher with 32 Years of Teaching the tailoring skill. He also motivated her for her committed service in the forth coming days. I do personally acknowledge and appreciate the way our inmates participated at this programme and how



they benefited a lot from the same. They also witnessed that the Skill Development Programme was very much useful and interesting to them.

Finally Sr. Arockia Mary Santhiyagu, extended the Vote of Thanks and concluded the programme with the Grace of God the Almighty.

**Sr. Arockia Mary Santhiyagu
Gengapattu**

Aloysius Province - Vadipatti

“Every reunion is a type of heaven.”

-Tryon Edwards

Our School Campus filled with our past students, looked like joyful heaven. The first Alumni Meet was conducted for 2002 - 2012 Batch Students on 11 December 2022 at our School Campus.

It was a remarkable day for the past students. They started to enter the gate from 8.30 AM onwards with their children and friends. Their feelings and expression were amazing and bright. It was a great event in the history of St. Joseph GHSS. The Program started at 3.00 pm in the school auditorium. Rev. Sr. A. Sagaya Clementine the Headmistress, was the Chief Guest. Sr. L. Arul Vimala Rani (Educational

Councillor) and Sr. S. Rabeckal, Mrs. S. Jacqueline Selvi, Mrs. S. Rajammal, Mrs. B. Lourdu Jeyaseeli were the special guests for this programme. Nearly 150 alumni were present at this event. The Alumni shared their beautiful and remarkable experiences which they had at this School Campus. They contributed Rs. 24,400 for School Development Work. All the Teachers were happy to see the growth of their students. At the end, Students realized that Education is the most powerful weapon which one can use to change the world. Sr. O. V. Marlit Mary Bensi, and the past students Mrs. Karthiga, Miss. Ruby organised the programme.

**St. Joseph Girls Hr. Sec. School
Suramangalam**



DOCUMENTARY FILM

Kuzhanthaigalin Katravai Katrapin

Mr. Karmegam the honourable and respected District Collector of Salem arranged the Children's Film Festival on 10. 01. 2023. The Documentary movie of “Kuzhanthaigalin Katravai Katrapin” was screened. The film was regarding education. Mr. Kumar projected the film. The Principal welcomed and honoured him with a shawl. After pandemics, the Students were not very much interested in their studies. This film created awareness among the students about the value of education. In this present scenario, a person without education doesn't know the values in one's life. Education is one of our basic needs.

Our students from LKG to 10th standard were very much interested in watching the film. The film started at 10 AM and ended at 11:30 AM.

**St. Micheal's Matric High School
Thumbal**

WORKSHOP ON ROCKET LAUNCHING & SCIENCE FAIR

“The goals of GRAMMAR STAGE SCIENCE are to SPARK AN INTEREST and to BUILD A FOUNDATION for the future.”

Science is the discipline that continues to have a significant impact on our understanding of the human body, the environment, the world, and the universe. Science also necessitates that what we think should be analytical and we should follow a systematic procedure to arrive at a solution to a question. Based on this, a Three-day Workshop on Rocket Launching and Satellite was conducted in collaboration with Darwin Science Club from 23 to 25 February 2023. Our Students learned many things about Rocket Launching, Satellite, and Space. They came up with a lot of questions and got clear answers. Our Students gained knowledge and were motivated to have interest in Science.

Science Exhibition on the 25th of February, 2023

The program started with a prayer at 10:30 AM. Our Provincial Superior Rev. Sr. Celine presided over the programme. The Chief Guest was Rev. Sr. Arul Vimala Rani, the Educational Coordinator of St. Aloysius Province and Rev. Fr. Jayaseelan, the Parish Priest of Valapady. Mr. Umashankar, Inspector of Police, Valapady, Dr. Akilambal, Deepam Hospital, Valapady were the Guests of Honour. The programme started with a Welcome Dance by the 12th Std Students. Mr. Hariharan, the Staff Member of our School welcomed the dignitaries in his unique way. Mrs. Gunasundari explained on Rocket Launching and Science Expo. Then the Science Exhibition was inaugurated by Rev. Sr. Celine, the Provincial Superior of St. Aloysius Province. The Students from LKG to XII Std participated in the event.

They presented different types of models which relating to different branches of Science such as Molecular Models, Space Satellites, DC Motors, Transformers, Solar Energy, etc. All the dignitaries along with the Correspondent and Principal evaluated the entire exhibition and took details from the Respective Students about each of their models. Simultaneously, the people at the exhibition also wondered at and praised the talents of the Students and the event. Our Provincial Superior gave an inspiring and a motivational speech on how technology made things more efficient than before and appreciated the Sisters, Teachers and Students for their effort. And then Mrs. Akilambal, Doctor of Deepam Hospital, Valapady appreciated and encouraged the Teachers and the Students.

Then the judges went around each table and meticulously marked them according to their set up and



explanation. After that the parents and Students were allowed to visit the exhibition. Students enjoyed in explaining of their projects. Parents and viewers appreciated the Management, Teachers and Students for their effort.

Sisters, Teachers and Students
St. Michael's Mat. Hr. Sec. School, Valapady

Ansaldo Province - Gunadala

“Love the giver, more than the gifts.”

The Christmas Celebration was organized on 23 December 2022, at our School to promote respect and reverence for all religions in the hearts of our children.

The Christmas Celebration began by lighting the lamp. Then, various cultural programs were performed by the Students, such as Carol Singing, a Skit on the Nativity of Jesus, Dances and sharing of gifts. Fr. Joseph Manohar, the Chief Guest of the celebration gave a beautiful message about Christmas to the children.

C – Care for the other
H – Humble yourself
R – Responsible person
I – Invest your ideas in good
S – Save your time
T – Turn to righteousness
M – Meaningful life
A – Accept everyone
S – Special one for God
At last, Christmas cake was shared with all.

St. Joseph English Medium School
Begumpet

Feast of Our Lady of Lourdes – Gunadala Matha Feast

Each year over 2 million people make their way through the mountainous country of Southeastern France to Lourdes. They come seeking physical and spiritual healing, hoping to find answers, believing, and praying. At Lourdes, people recall the Lady dressed in white, with a blue sash, yellow roses at her feet, and a Rosary on her arm the Blessed Virgin Mary.

On February 11, 1858, Mary appeared to 14 year old Bernadette Soubirous. This was

the first of 18 visits. When Bernadette asked the Lady's identity, she replied, “I am the Immaculate Conception.”

On February 25, 1858, the Lady told Bernadette to dig in the dirt and drink of the stream. Bernadette began to dig, and after several attempts, she was able to find the water to drink. The water continued to flow from where she had dug with her hands until it was producing over 32,000 gallons of water a day as it still does. We may or

never travel to Lourdes and join in the processions, but we can know always that we have a Mother to help us and lead us to her Son, Jesus.

We pray for all the people who come to Mother Mary for blessings, May her pleadings be with them all. Especially, February 11 is also the Solemnity of the Gunadala Matha Shrine in Vijayawada. Let all who come to this shrine be filled with the blessings of Mary.

Community Sisters
Vijayawada

"You can't use up creativity, The more you use, the more you have."

Little Flower English Medium High School and Junior College, Mylavaram celebrated various programmes and events in the month of January 2023.

· Sankranti (Pongal) Celebration. This celebration made the children show their love towards the Earth, Nature, and the farmers.

· We had a canonical visit to the School by Dr. Antony Maria Jancy, the General Educational Coordinator.

We the LFS family welcomed her and gave a cultural programme. Her message to the Students and Teacher was encouraging and motivating. She also said that she had a firm conviction and absolute trust in our School that it would grow better.

Our Students received prizes for objective types of exams on the theme of Current Affairs, History, and Epics, and it was conducted by Eenaadu News Paper. We congratulate all the Students for their achievements.

**Little Flower English Medium High School
Mylavaram**

REPUBLIC DAY CELEBRATION

"A nation is made perfect by its System of Government but a nation can be made perfect by its Citizens and Culture".

The 74th Republic Day was celebrated at Carmel Matha English Medium School. We invited Fr. Augustine, the Parish Priest, as the Chief Guest of the day. Sr. Roseline the Correspondent, Mrs. Bujji the Surpench of Sulanagar, and Mr. Basavaiah Uppa

the Surpench of Sulanagar were Guests of Honour. Fr. Augustine hoisted the National Flag and gave a message on the importance of the day. He mentioned about dedication, sacrifice, and

determination of the great National Leaders. A wonderful programme was given by the Students. The day was memorable for us.

**Carmel Matha English Medium school
Sulanagar**



Dear Sisters Hearty Congratulations



Obituary

Mrs. Regina aunty of Sr. M. Thessa Gnanamani Asst. General – Generalate – 31.12.2022

Mrs. Arputha Mary aunty of Sr. I. Arputha Senthamil Selvi – Kathampallam – 15.01.2023

Mr. Jaya Maternal Uncle of Sr. Rabekka – North – 15.01.2023

Mrs. F. Philominal aunty (Periyamma) of

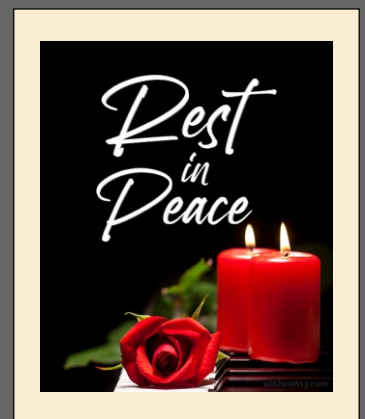
Sr. Sr. M. Thessa Gnanamani Asst. General – Generalate – 24.02.2023

Mrs. Unnidha Mary Paternal Grandmother of Sr. Babina - North – 09.03.2023

Mr. Charles uncle of Sr. Jasmine - Chetpet – 14.03.2023

Mrs. Anthoniyammal beloved Mother of Sr. Anastasia – Abroad – 20.03.2023

Mr. Edward Raja nephew of Sr. Celine – Abroad – 27.03.2023



Feast Day Sisters

May

S.NO	AD.NO	NAME	DATE
1.	613	Sr. S. Malarkodi @ Anastasia	02
2.	278	Sr. P. Dosidea Mary	05
2.	687	Sr. T. Reetha Mary	22
3.	812	Sr. D. Rita Mary	22
4.	894	Sr. M. Reetha Mary	22
5.	466	Sr. S. Sagayam @ Sagaya Mary	24
5.	580	Sr. A. Sagaya Mary	24
6.	702	Sr. A. Sagaya Rani	24
7.	807	Sr. K. Jancy Sgaya Mary	24
8.	822	Sr. V. Ethalpet@ Arul sahaya Ethalpet	24
9.	896	Sr. A. Sagaya Rushmi Pappa	24
10.	658	Sr. S. Jona Maria Selvi	30
11.	673	Sr. V. Santhus Mary	Holy Spirit
12.	519	Sr. A. Gnanammal	Holy spirit
11.	581	Sr. S. Gnanammal	Holy Spirit

June

S.NO	AD.NO	NAME	DATE
1.	618	Sr. A. Antony Maria Jansi	13
2.	876	Sr. K. Antoniammal	13
3.	949	Sr. T. Anbu Antony Sheela	13
4.	953	Sr. A. Antoniammal	13
5.	954	Sr. P. Antoniammal	13
5.	968	Sr. P. Antoniammal(Vellai Roja)	13
6.	857	Sr. G. Jasmine	15
7.	361	Sr. M. Louisa	21
8.	437	Sr. A. Anthony Gnana Mary @ Gnana Mary	21
9.	508	Sr. T. Josephine Aloysius Povaneshwari	21
10.	755	Sr. S. Gnanamary Pappathi	21
11.	839	Sr. S. Sebastin Louis Sumathi	21
12.	834	Sr. S. Mary Lathika Vijay@Aloysiya Mary	21
13.	1028	Sr. J. Gnanamani	21
14.	259	Sr. V. Baptista Mary	24
15.	770	Sr. A. John Dayana	24
16.	315	Sr. A. Mary Pauline	29
17.	571	Sr. T. Indra@ Mary Pauline Indra	29
18.	075	Sr. F. Paulina Myint	29
19.	411	Sr. S. Irudaya Mary	Sacred Heart
20.	509	Sr. L. Irudaya Mary	Sacred Heart
21.	708	Sr. R. Irudaya Rani	Sacred Heart
22.	1035	Sr. U. Irudhaya Delfina	Sacred Heart



SR. M. ASSISI

Date of Birth : 02.11.1936
Place of Birth : Needamangalam, Thanjavur
Parents : Mr. Maria Susai, Mrs. Arulayi
First Vows : 05.01.1958
Final Vows : 05.01.1961
Age : 87
Apostolate : Evangelization
Ministries at : Elupily, Suramangalam, Oulgaret, Thazhaiyuthu, Pondicherry, Kodaikanal, Siruvathur, Madurantakam, Poovirunthavalli, Rapur, Palathathanur, Sulanagar, Chinapuri, Moolakulam, Pattinapakkam, Tindivanam, Uppalam.



**SR. EPHIPANIA MARY
@ LAKSHMI**

Date of Birth : 04.06.1933
Place of Birth : Madurai
Parents : Mr. Ayyamperumall, Mrs. Valliammai
First Vows : 05.01.1962
Final Vows : 05.01.1968
Age : 90
Apostolate : Teacher
Ministries at : Generalate, Mugaiyur, Suramangalam, Yercaud, Kallakurichi, Avadaiyanur, Eral, Duraikudi, Nagamangalam, Podalakur, Vadipatti, Thenkarailottai, Sugantham.



SR. S. ISAIAS

Date of Birth : 23.03.1938
Place of Birth : Saveriyarpuram, Thuthukudi
Parents : Mr. Savarimuthu, Mrs. Gethsi Lilly
First Vows : 28.05.1967
Final Vows : 28.05.1973
Age : 85
Apostolate : Teacher
Ministries at : Cuddalore, Suramangalam, Mangalakunnu, Pondicherry, Vettavallam, Thundathuvalai, Elanagar, Thazhaiyuthu, Anthoniyarpuram, Nagari, Pitchatur, Sugantham



SR. J. ALEX MARY

Date of Birth : 28.05.1982
Place of Birth : Muthupatti, Sivagangai
Parents : Mr. P. Joseph, Mrs. Rosali
First Vows : 30.04.2003
Final Vows : 30.04.2012
Age : 41
Apostolate : Nurse
Ministries at : Kathampallam, Italy, Generalate, Padova, Sugantham.

Dear Sisters

Heartly Congratulations

Golden Jubilee



50
years

Silver Jubilee



25
years

Final Vows



First Vows

