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# Fr Provincial's Programme

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# **Ignatian Legacy Workshop to Collaborators**

# **UAP - Showing the Way to God**

In a recent meeting of school principals, Somy, our Guru in spirituality, expressed that he would take the responsibility of conducting a workshop for teachers to impart Ignatian legacy articulating "Who we are and what we do?" Consequently, he called a meeting for spiritual commission and there a potential team was formed for the same.

Saby Puthenpura invited this team to conduct the workshop for the teachers of all branch schools of De Nobili, Dhanbad. The first workshop took place in Bhuli on 10<sup>th</sup> July for the teachers of host school and CMRI with about 180 teachers. The workshop began at 8.00 AM with a prayer service, followed by the introduction of the resource persons by the Director. Mukti, after explaining the dynamics of the workshop, spoke about the difference between spirituality and religion and how spirituality of St. Ignatius brings us together under one roof though we have differences.

**Somy** spoke on historical Ignatius and a certain milestone

which changed his perspective and made indelible mark in his life. He talked about the charism of St. Ignatius and focused on the origin of Jesuits and their journey over the years with the aim of helping others to find God and themselves. The highlight was from Inigo to becoming Ignatius. Saby spoke on glorious work of Jesuits and their contributions, the impact of Jesuit presence in India and the key features of Jesuit education. Jerome Sequeira shed light on the Jesuit Legacy, its unique Spiritual preposition of clearly, stated vision and finding the spiritual principle of service. Next, he elaborated on Belief System of Jesuits and the spiritual tool of introspection, the central principle of Jesuit life – 'seeking and finding God in all things' wherein awareness leads to reverence, reverence to devotion and devotion leads to passion for the greater glory of God. After this fruitful session, followed a group sharing wherein the teachers in small groups put across what they gained from the session as well as what makes them happy in Jesuit schools. The plenary session saw all the groups sharing freely about what makes them feel special in our institutions. The last item of the day was on introspective tool, the Examen. Somy introduced the theory of Mindfulness Examen and guided them through a quick practical exercise. The reporters from the schools highlighted certain take away points from this workshop.

During the Jesuit Legacy workshop, the four auditoriums of DNS network felt 'very spiritual aura' as the staff of DNS waded through the sessions guided by the resource persons. St. Ignatius and his legacy was introduced from a different perspective than that which is commonly done. It is an eye opening to know the Jesuit legacy through the analogy of tree of life and to realize how this religious order has reached its heights of glory. Jesuits derive their zeal and passion from the unseen roots of Ignatian spiritual principles.

Dr Sushmita Choudhury from Mugma writes in her report, "We need to imbibe the capacity to let go of what does not help us to love God or love others and stay engaged with what does. We need to work on unseen roots otherwise the seen segments will lose power and value. The value packed six hours, the games played and the audio - visual presentations left each one present enriched and spiritually re-oriented and instilled in us a pride and zeal to make positive contributions to the progress of the organization. This enthralling workshop lacked the ennui and boredom that are characteristics of most of the workshops. In fact, it rejuvenated all to strive more to make ourselves relevant, keeping in mind who we are and what we do."

Ms Iffat Mogni teacher from Chandrapur writes, "In today's fast changing world where values have degraded and are considered as waste of time. And where materialism, vanity and conceit have become the rule of the day, this workshop has provided us with deep insight and has helped us to realize that this is not the world where we belong to or have dreamt of. Jesuit values are not rules drawn from a constitution, but rather inseparable charisms derived from the lived experience of St. Ignatius. They are means, not an end. They are strategies in accomplishing the transformation of our world and ourselves. St Ignatius places great emphasis on discerning God's presence in the everyday activities of ordinary life. It sees God as an active God, always at work, inviting us to an ever-deeper walk. We teachers need to reflect on our attitude towards our job. Working hard for something we don't care about is designated as stress. Working for something we love constitute passion. So it is important that we work for a cause with passion. And produce reflective young men and women who will be able to take responsible action on moral and ethical issues, who will be changing agents in the society."

The team is replicating same module in other schools of the Province. The Jesuit legacy team grateful to the Principals of all schools, who have invited to conduct this workshop and share our legacy with conviction and all those Jesuits who actively participated in this workshop and for their encouraging support.

# **News from our Houses and Around**

# **CHAIBASA AREA**

# Amda

# CSWC & St Angela Hospital Collaboration

# John Sumbrui

Physiotherapist.

On June 28, the State Leprosy came for visitation and in the evening we work. On July 14, Amda and Officer convened a meeting in gathered for the concluding meeting which was Ranchi, which was attended by followed by the Eucharistic celebration and Gyan, Dr Ravi R Kumar and our dinner. Dr Gaurav was here on July 7-8 and did On June 30, RCS on six patients. Sr. Balamdina OSU who Gerald Ravi D'Souza came from came from St. Angela Hospital CKP with Bhubaneswar for the Revisior's anesthesia for the surgical work on July 8<sup>th</sup>. On work. On July 3, the Provincial July 11, Gyan went to Tepasai for the Revisior's

Basahatu Jesuits had a community meeting on the Memoriale at Basahatu. After finishing the translation of Chronicles in Ho, Fr John gave it to Deacon Nelson Castelino on July 19 for typing in deonagri script.

#### Basahatu

# Heavy rain washes off Boundary Wall

# **Joseph Surin**

Community: On 3-4 July, the Nelson Castelino arrived on 30 June and was Minj, the new Minister flung into Provincial came for the visitation of welcomed both in the parish and in school; with action soon after joining the Amda- Basahatu respectively. him now we are five in the community. Benedict community. He had a meeting with

both the cooks from the community and the Hostel and now they are more alert and caring. **James Samad** rushed home to see his ailing father on an emergency call; his father continues to be on bed, not able to walk. **Joe** went to the Goyal Press with **Anil Dang** to finalize the printing of Mr. Dhanur Singh's books.

**School**: On 3 July, in the presence of the Provincial the local MLA Mr. Dasrath Gagrai inaugurated separate toilets for girls and boys sponsored by him. The boundary wall behind the girls' hostel collapsed due to heavy rain just two days before the Provincial's visit. The school organized an interclass Football Tournament from 1 to 6 July. It was kick started by **Joe Surin and Pawan Toppo**. On 6 July, the

school bid farewell to **Pawan** and the next day he was given a fond farewell by the Basahatu Parishioners.

**Hostel**: Regent **Roshan Toppo** is quite busy supervising and guiding the hostellers along with his assistant Mr. Bango. He is quite interested in caring for the environment. **Nelson** and he are planting flower trees around the hostel and Jesuit Residence.

Parish: Joe continues with house visiting and offering village masses. Nelson is having quite a good Deaconate Ministry. He has already baptized 3 children and blessed a marriage. Fr. James' three nieces, Fr. Tobias Kujur and Pradeep Marandi came to visit us.

# Lupungutu

# Bishop Telesphore's day out with Kolhan Jesuits

# Ranjit Minj

On 23 July, the district level Nehru Hockey tournament was organized in St. Xavier's Hockey Ground. Among the six teams participated in the tournament, St. Xavier's High School emerged winner in under- 17 and runners- up in under- 14 and 19. Congratulations to **Sch Binay** for skilfully mentoring the school teams.

Teachers from five schools of Kolhan area attended one day workshop on Ignatian Legacy conducted by Spirituality team led by **Somy Mannoor** on 27 July at TRTC. The Clergy and Religious men and women of Kolhan area gathered here to celebrate the Feast of St Ignatius on 28 July. Bishop Telesphore Bilung, SVD, the Apostolic Administrator of Jamshedpur Diocese addressed the clergy and religious of

Kolhan area. In his address he appreciated the early missionary works of the Jesuits in Kolhan area and invited the gathering to come out of their comfort zones and go to the periphery where there is greater need. In the evening, he joined the candidates and encouraged them to be faithful in their vocation. Christian students from Xavier Hostel were the special audience for this programme.

New hostel building is getting a finishing touches and the new Hostel Prefect **Staney** and Assistant Prefect **Jubin** are giving a new orientation. Special classes for hostellers are being arranged. While CG **Thomas, Binay** and **Kishore** take English classes **Jubin** teaches commerce to the 11<sup>th</sup> ers.

#### **Pandabir**

# Jesuits Improve their Culinary Skills

#### Neelam Kerketta

The community was happy to welcome Deacon **Neelam Kerketta** for the guided Diaconate Ministry under **Fr. Benedict Soreng**. He arrived on July 1, accompanied by his elder brother and sister-in-law from Ranchi. He has actively involved himself in the parish ministries, started visiting the faithful at the mass centers with the help of the catechists, and goes for weekly visits to the youth in their respective villages.

Last month, the community had to face a few practical difficulties. The perennial problem of finding a house cook continues improving our culinary skills. Added to this the solar system was damaged by lightening. Thanks to our house mechanic, **Fr Sushil Balmuchu** for getting an electrician to get it fixed. He is always on his toes working hard in the school, sometimes teaching the children even

beyond the class hours. The Chaibasa Canara bank manager visited the school to bring in environmental awareness and sponsored around 250 plants for the school. Each student was encouraged to plant at least one or more trees around his-her house. **Benedict Soreng** satisfied after successfully completing the grotto in front of the Church. It was inspiring to see him standing hours at the grotto with the workers just to make sure of its perfect finish. He has managed to make maximum use of the waste material to design the grotto.

We are getting ready to celebrate the feast of St. Ignatius, the first one on 28 with the parishioners and the second one on the feast day itself in the school with the staff. The local Munda Mankis and village heads are invited for the celebration. Deacon Neelam is preparing the students to put up a skit on Ignatius.

#### **DHANBAD AREA**

# Chandrapura

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# **Volleyball Champs**

Vijay Kachhap

Our boys got the Zonal Volleyball championship Trophy played in DNS, Sindri. They too bagged the Regional Volleyball Championship Trophy played in Bhagalpur. But our girls 'team had to be satisfied with the third place. Again, in the Zonal athletic championship, one of our girls and a boy performed extremely well; the girl came first in shot put while the boy stood first in discus throw. During the month of July a good

number of activities took place such as debate, storytelling, poetry reciting and 'spin n yarn'. On July 14, we had Hindi elocution and extempore speeches. On 17 July, Fr. Provincial paid a visit to us. He had talks with the Principal, vice principal, some religious and a few teachers. On July 18, we had science and maths quiz for the juniors as well as the seniors. In the morning of July 19, a large python was noticed in the school

caught it in a bucket and took it to a faraway place to let it go. On 21 July.

premises. One of our support-staff Mrs. Prabha Ekka celebrated the silver jubilee of Peasants, Anuranjan, who was doing their marriage. One of our non-teaching staff met with an accident. He is out of danger having 23 Our teachers Mr. Dinesh Albert and stitches on his forehead. The nephew of Sr. peace!

his B.Tech in Ranchi, met with an accident and died... May he rest in

# **Digwadih**

# **Amal Becomes ICSE Inspector**

#### Oscar Horo

In July Fr. Provincial came for the visitation of our community and met the vice-principal and coordinators of the school. Appreciating our works, he gave valuable suggestions to sustain and improve the quality of the mission in the coalfield. He concluded his visitation at Bhuli with a "Memoriale" on July 17 for all Jesuits working in Dhanbad, which enriched us spiritually.

Deputed by the council, Amal made his maiden inspection of an ICSE school on 25 July. conducted a Financial Management seminar to the Holy Spirit Sisters at Jharsuguda on 8 July. Niranjan conducted an orientation program for the Plus Two students at De Nobili School Koradih on 2 July, was well appreciated with positive feedback. Then he directed an eight-day retreat to a group of Ursuline sisters in Lohardaga from 19 July. Emile is back fully rejuvenated after his long stay in hospital at Ranchi.

In July, our school had a number of ASISC activities...Agnes Gardner bagged the first place on 1 August at RVS Academy Jamshedpur and Ayushi Sigh secured the second position in Declamation. On 6 July. ASISC Zonal Bible Quiz was held in De Nobili CMRI conducted by Tony John where DNS, FRI secured the first position. On 3 July, ASISC Zonal Football Tournament was hosted by DNS Digwadih for 13 schools. The first place was bagged by DNS, FRI. Then ASISC Regional Football Tournament Final was successfully hosted by DNS Digwadih on 7 July under the supervision of Amaladoss for 14 regional athletes; three for Football and two for Lawn Tennis got selected from DNS FRI. On July 20, Inter Nobilian Basketball Tournament was held in Mugma, Maithon and Taldanga. DNS FRI bagged the second position in senior girls group and junior boys group. From 20 to 22 July, girls from DNS, FRI, went to Koyla Nagar

for Music and Dance competition called "Kala Heera" and secured second position. 'Taru Mitra" club celebrated "Van Mahotsav" on July 27. The students conducted a meaningful prayer service in the assembly and created environmental awareness among our young Nobilians. A pledge was taken by the students to be empathetic and pro-active towards all creatures in the eco-system. On July 25, the Alumni Association of DNS FRI felicitated the students who have scored 90% and above in their ICSE and ISC Board Exam in 2019, also organized a Blood Donation Camp in our school on 25 July in the presence of the Superintendent, Blood Bank. PMCH, Dhanbad. 43 units of blood were collected from our teachers. support staff and some parents.

#### Gomoh

# Play School Opens with 6 Kids

# Romanus Tete

The teaching staff of Gomoh attended the Ignatian Legacy which was organized at DNS Koradih on 11 July. The resource persons of the workshop were appreciated by all the participants. Fr. Provincial visited our Community on 12 July. Sisters of Adoration of Blessed Sacrament have initiated a Play School with six kids. The much needed transformer is finally installed at DNS Gomoh with the help of Mr. S. Daniel, a retired BCCL Officer and parishioner of Gomoh Parish. He is also helping out to rectify the land and electrical meter problems. Fr. James has collected and formulated all the required data to apply for NOC of DNS Gomoh. De Britto School Football Team participated in the Subrato Football Tournament at Dhanbad on 8 July. The boys lost the match in the semi-final. Hence forth, Fr. Sanjay is helping the boys to upgrade their skills in sports. Fr. Sushil

conducted a quiz based on Ignatian theme for the students of School. The feast of St. Ignatius Loyola is geared up to celebrate at the parish on 28th and at the school on 30 July. The staff, students and the parishioners is enthused to make the celebration a memorable one.

#### Tundi

#### Mission Ignites more stakeholders

# John Paskal Topno

In July, we had grace filled time as the provincial did the annual visitation to the community. He addressed the students and teachers at school assembly and listened to his companions very patiently. He

expressed his delight on overall progress of the mission and thanked each Jesuit for their dedication. The community is spiritually preparing for the feast of St. Ignatius, regularly having singing and dance practice for the Mass with hostel children. At school the students are

preparing themselves with various activities and the staff has taken full responsibility to organize the celebration.

#### JAMSHEDPUR AREA

#### Gande Dungri

# City Jesuits Grace Patron's Day

# **Bhincent Bengra**

**Bhincent** has put his tent here and is giving required attention for the hostellers for their overall development. As soon

JAMSHEDPUR JESUITS 4 August 2019 School and the Girls' team was the

as he unpacked his things, **Polidor** test, the teachers are busy with the first terminal the city Jesuits came for the to be admitted in mercy hospital exam preparation. Recently the Atomic due to stomach ulcer. Our school Research Department had come to check the football team won in the radiation. Last month, Fr. Walter and his championship in St. Robert's sponsored children from Rerua came with Frs. Michael and Niral. Fr. Hilarius and Tobias runners up and will be playing in made a short visit here bringing along a variety of JSA, Jamshedpur. After the unit mangoes. On the occasion of St. Thomas feast,

celebration. It was rare to see so many Jesuits in Gande. Two government officials from Gamharia Block came for inspection of the school.

#### GJR - XLRI

# Eric Returns with a flavor of life

# John Pascal Topno

generating power for the province by dint of prayer-apostolate. The increased intensity in power production led Felix Tellis to join the power generating crew along with **Somy** who is an authority in generating power effectively. He, along with others, has taken up the responsibility of invigorating Ignation legacy among the teachers of the province. During this month, he was found less at Guidera residence and more in schools of the province. Besides praying for the Society, Bene remains calm and composed in his bed, except for the day, when he had to be rushed to the hospital due to urinary passage. **KC** 

The Jesuits here are persistently and **Eddie** continue to be unperturbed and live a **Provincial** is found on wheel quite contended life. John Nag endures his erratic sugar count and other related ailments with beaming face. Maxi demonstrates his affable demeanor in spite of his physical discomfort from a fractured shoulder and diabetics. Pascal, though a senior citizen yet makes every effort to arrange for our needs be it medical or physical. **Niral**, a full-time student and a part time pastor is able to strike a balance between two responsibilities well. With cheerfulness he lends his services to take care of our sick brethren with great generosity. **Mukti** has completed the initial data collection in view of his Ph.D. and now occupied with analysis and publication. Also, he has become a freelance service provider in Ignation legacy, orientation program, and pastoral needs. Walter has gone to US in search of resources to fill the coffer of the province. Fr.

often. Recently he had visitation in Dhanbad areas followed by a call to Sangabhanga for ground breaking ceremony of the residence and hostel buildings. From there he proceeded to Bhubaneswar for his contact visit. Jerome, a multitasking Jesuit, skillfully does his primary work of Socius and house coordinator, and spares his time for other activities like Ignatian Legacy program to our school teachers and pastoral ministry. Eric is back after his fruitful apostolate in Pune and now brings cheer to the community with his sharing and presence. Gulshun is with us to write his B.Ed. exam.

# Jesu Bhavan

# 10 Young Men Join the Novitiate

# **Ajit Soreng**

Hospital to be treated and tranquilize the system. Ten of juniors after completing their Juniorate, came for an eight-day retreat under the guidance of Fr. Ajit Soreng in Upasana. May was a month of grace to devote ourselves to Mother Mary and have the annual visitation

of the Provincial. While welcoming him with warmth, the community prayed in the chapel seeking grace from God.

To enhance the ability to play

Due to summer heat stroke some of musical instrument and to tune their voices, the Each day the Eucharistic was the novices landed in Mercy novices had one week of music class by Sch. celebrated with meaningful



Akino from East Timor. The effect was visible in the Jubilee Eucharist of our Province Jubilarians at XLRI. The Novices had a memorable community days' celebration with varieties of fun and games to be in union of heart and mind.

inspiration and creativity and well conducted evening prayer. James Bara provided delicious food to keep up the spirit of community life.

This was followed by their annual retreat guided by Anil Dang for the First year's and KM Joseph directed the first vows retreat for the second years. The silence and prayer of the novices purified to discover the divine space within and find

God in all things. The first year Novices got ready with melodious songs and other preparations for the first vows of nine second year Novices – belong to three different and Madhya-Pradesh. Moved by the theme "I no longer live but Christ lives in me" and pronounced their first vows on 21st June, in the presence of Fr. George Fernandes, the provincial and the PCF of Madhya Pradesh. A good number of city Jesuits and other

provinces of Jamshedpur, Dumka religious communities witnessed the vows.

On 29th June, ten new novices entered the the Holy Spirit, they came up with novitiate for their first probation with a solemn Eucharist celebrated by Fr. James Kalapura. With this the novice master and the Socius began taking classes on the Spiritual formation, Daily Examen, the History of the Society of Jesus and English. On 13 July the first years completed the first probation and received cassocks.

Ajit Soreng conducted a three-day workshop on

Ignatian discernment for fifteen junior sisters of sacred heart congregation for their commitment. Upasana catered to the spiritual need of twenty-six Marianist priests and brothers under the competent guidance of Somy Matthew and Joseph Njarakulam towards a fruitful experience.

# LCE, Telco

# **Community Life sets the Priority**

#### **Sushil & Tony**

free month, functioning with a few more new faces, both teaching and support stuff. The teaching staff expressed contentment with the raise in DA to 50%. He had a parent-teachers' meeting with a lot of enthusiasm and all are getting educated in our way of proceeding. Four of the teachers from the staff took part in a recent Professional Counseling session offered by Loyola B. Ed College and carried forward their experiences to the colleagues in the school conducting a session by themselves. Sushil is making steady progress in getting the required materials for the NOC and paying close attention to the progress of work in the campus. The newly constructed school main-gate is opened and a new vendor has pitched in and supplies hot snacks in the school campus.

**Community**: The community, after having meaningful meetings, now enjoys better sailing towards community life, having regular weekly Community Mass, evening prayer, and of course a well

School: Sushil went through hassle prepared Novena of St. Ignatius. The Founder's day celebration was planned well for the schoolcollege-community. This year, as a new initiative, invitation was extended to all local religious houses to join the community on July 28 for the fellowship meal in the evening. It was neatly prepared by Jerry and Binod who served a star class decorated dinner to the guests of the day. These days Anselm, Binod and Sushil with extended hands spends time generously to keep the place green around the house.

> College: An orientation for the II years was held on 1-2 July, for which three eminent educationists were brought in for talks. Prof. Laximisree Banerjee, the Ex-VC of KU, delivered a moving talk on the changing landscape of Education, Mr. Sharat Chandran Nair talked about nothing but the eye of the bird and Mr. Francis Joseph, Principal, Kasidih High School, spoke on Draft New Education Policy 2019. On the 2<sup>nd</sup> day, a film on "chalk and Duster" was shown to understand teaching profession as a call rather than business. Tony gave an intensive class room lab therapy on "Need analysis and 80% Mind-set and 20% skill set" program as an eye-opening for them.

> At LCE, a workshop on "Hands on Counseling" was organized for the staff of LCE, JK College and Swami Vivekanda College, Salboni. The sessions were conducted by Mrs. Suneeta

Virmani, a professional and a freelance counselor. The second years. in a daylong session by Mrs. Sunita Sinha, the creative Director of Mount Litra School, Mango. explored the nuance of 'Becoming a creative teacher.'

The feast our founder Father Ignatius was an opportunity for spiritual renewal; great efforts were made in preparing the students for the nine-day novena in the college by the students' body with different theme. On 26 July, a talk was given by Mukti Clarence on who the Jesuits are and what they do. On 30 July, the college celebrated the feast day with pomp and gaiety; Fr. Ozzie graced the occasion and gave an inspiring speech on Father Ignatius. Thereafter, the faculty other staff had a combined lunch at Arrupe Bhavan. On 31 July, the Holy Eucharist was celebrated in the hostel for the hostellers and our students staying in PG followed by a breakfast.

# Lovola School

# **40 Children Pray with Fathers**

# **CL George**

Loyola hosted a special meeting of all principals of Jamshedpur province and Diocese to discuss the draft national education policy; about eighty principals participated in this one day workshop organized by P Antony Raj as part of ERC activities. This year, Loyola Hindi School got excellent result with hundred percent in the NIOS class X examination. The credit goes to Fr. Dayanidhi and his team of

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dedicated teachers. He organized a short orientation program for the teachers to deal with

"Spiritual dimension of teaching profession" which was highly appreciated by the participants. Pius Fernandes went to Madurai to inspect an English Medium School at the request of the ICSE Board. Michael Fernandes organized a one-day residential retreat for forty Catholic students of Std. V and fourteen catholic teachers of the junior section, which was liked by all. He is now

retreat for the senior students and teachers.

organized 13 days of prayer service in preparation for the celebration of the feast of St Antony in Sonari. More than two thousand devotees attended the Eucharistic on this occasion, which was officiated by Xavier and the community members concelebrated. Ajit **Soreng** gave an inspiring homily. Raphael Lakra joined Loyola Jesuit Community as a teacher inyola Hindi School and assistant Parish priest of Infant Jesus Parish, Sonari. The community organized

planning to conduct a similar a special gathering and dinner with the members of the curia to wish him good luck.

The feast of St Ignatius was celebrated with great **Xavier Ekka**, our parish priest, joy. On Sunday, the 28 July, the members of the community were felicitated by the parishioners after the morning mass. On Tuesday, 30 July, the students of Loyola English medium, put up a short cultural program and felicitated the Jesuit Community. Somy gave a short and relevant message to the students. This was followed by a workshop for the teachers on Ignatian Legacy conducted by Somy and Mukti and was appreciated by all. In the afternoon, **Dayanidhi** organized a short and excellent program for the Hindi School in the Fasy Auditorium to celebrate in and around Jamshedpur city. the feast of St Ignatius.

> On Wednesday, July 31, we had a special Mass for the Catholic teachers, students and their

parents. The Rector was the main celebrant. Pius Fernandez welcomed the congregation, Michael Fernandez gave a homily on the relevance of St Ignatius and Dayanidhi conducted the choir. Xavier Ekka and Br. Benji made all arrangements in the Fasy Auditorium for the Mass. This was followed by a fellowship lunch for all teaches and maintenance staff together. In the evening, the community hosted a special dinner for the clergy and religious working

#### **XITE**

#### Kuruvilla the Convener for JSR ICSCE schools

# Hilary Lobo

NCTE, Delhi on 9 July to apply for

Community: The community celebrated the birthday of **Francis** on 13 July with a concelebrated mass and dinner. The community attended the deanery villa which was hosted by the diocese at Golmuri on 14 July. Br. Amal represented the community at the feast-day celebration of Cluny Sisters at LFS School, Telco.

**School**: The first term exam began on 8 July and was over on 17 July, meanwhile, Parent - Teacher meetings for parents of Std. VII and Std. VIII were held on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July. As for student achievements, Rahul Hembram of Std. IX was selected to play in the ICSCE National Kabaddi Match under 17 category, Sagar Tudu, Mukesh Hembram and Rahul Hembram were selected to play in the

Regional Kabaddi tournament. Mukesh Hembram, Rahul Hembram and Santiyal Guria were selected to take part in the Regional Athletic meet on 3 August in Ranchi. Aadya was picked out to take part in the Regional Table Tennis tournament. Ratan Mardi of Std IX was selected to be a member of Football team of NCC to play in the Subroto Cup tournament. In the Zonal Football Championship, our school won the first place in the junior category. In the ASISC Regional Football tournament held at De Nobili, Digwadih, our school bagged the third place. Many Competitions were conducted in the school: Hindi essay competition was held on Friday 5 July whereas Fancy Dress competition for KG children was conducted on 27<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> July. Quiz competition for students of VI- VIII was held on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> July. **Kuruvilla V S.J** has been elected as the Convener to take responsibility for Jamshedpur (Zone C) ICSCE schools.

College and Hostel: James made a trip to

the intergraded B. Ed program in the college. The boy's hostel was shifted to EDC Block from the present PG block under the supervision of Savari. July 18-20 saw orientation days for the fresher's of BBA and B Com with a concelebrated mass by Fr. Mukti Clarence, as the main celebrant who stressed in his homily, the importance of character formation in Jesuit education. It was followed by a variety entertainment. The three-day orientation culminated with a visit to XLRI. The regular classes commenced from 22 July. Meanwhile, the KU examinations

# **XLRI**

#### Fr Christie Instills Jesuit DNA at XLRI

#### Jerry Cutinha

for BBA semester I and BBA, and

BCA semester 6 are being held at

different centers in Jamshedpur.

experience of administration, teaching and research in LIBA, Chennai and elsewhere took over as the Director of XLRI on 7 June with the assurance of our wholehearted support and good wishes. Inaugurating the new academic

Fr. P. Christie, with a vast student's DNA. The director's initial days were characterized by marathon individual meetings with the faculty and staff, various committees, centers and departments giving them a patient hearing, understanding their strengths and suggesting how they could align their activities with the Institute's goals.

Turning next to Outstation Campuses, Fr year on 10 June, Fr Christie Christie organized an assessment of the work in highlighted the 4 Characteristics of progress in our three campuses i.e. Delhi, Jesuit Education and how that Mumbai and Amaravati. Fr Tony Uvari was should be made part of each commissioned to make a on the spot study and

propose a roadmap for XLRI Delhi campus. Thanks to Fr John Ari and Joseph Kochu for getting the Delhi campus ready for the next academic year to be commenced from June 2020. At Mumbai Campus, Fr. PD Thomas is singlehandedly devoting himself to acquiring an adjacent plot of land, constructing the boundary wall around the campus, and renovated the existing academic and the residential buildings. In addition, he has the care of land registration and legal issues. Under the stewardship of Fr KS Casmir, our **Amravati** Campus is getting a new shape with land registration, fencing around the campus, and raising the level of land. A followup of this is a brainstorming with the provincials of Jamshedpur, Delhi, Mumbai and Andhra (all are members of the Governing of Board of XLRI) is planned on the

eve of the Board meeting at Kolkata on 8 August had a six-member delegation led by to deliberate on the type of collaboration between the provinces.

On the 30 June, **Fr Abe** left for a short sabbatical at XIMB. He is the longest serving Director of XLRI with a total of 17 years at the helm. The XLRI Family thanks Fr Abe for all his contribution and hard work during these 17 years as Director and wishes him good luck in his future ministry. Frs. Ozzie and Nelson made a visit to Santa Clara University, USA to present a paper (together with our old community man Fr Raja Reddy SVD) and returned on 20 July. We and their parents.

Fr Christie to the prestigious IAJBS Conference in XUB. Fr. Francis Peter was invited by the Diocese of Lucknow 26-27 June to address the teachers and helped them rattle along their trajectory of growth. He was the invited speaker at the deliberations on Draft NEP for the Principals of the Province. On 27 July he is organizing a Career Fair at LFS, Telco for the senior students

#### **ODISHA AREA**

#### Loyola Bhavan

# **VRO Activities Extended to Kandhamal**

# George Anthony

welcoming Santosh, Sanay, Mahesh from Rome and Livance as guests in Loyola Bhavan, religiously watched the progress in the ICC Cricket World Cup matches, repair work of Boundary Wall and upper Hall, which were the victims of Cyclone Fani.

**K.M Joseph** and **George** made a flying visit to Kalijharan and Tangrain in the beginning of the month wherein K.M met the men and saw the progress of the school building work in Tangrain. He was out of station from the 7-13 July in Bangalore, preaching a retreat to 42

Br. Tony Stevens, besides CSSR Priests and went to CKP to be with Shantinandan for the final journey of his mother. After a quick return, he went to Puri on the 18 to assess the cost of repair work after the Cyclonic disaster in Joe Kalathil's place. After the Province consult on the 20 July in Jamshedpur, he returned to Bhubaneswar with a stopover at Loyola School, Sankhabhanga for the Foundation Laying ceremony of the Jesuit Residence and Hostel Building, and then to begin the spiritual preparation of the Community for the Feast of St. Ignatius. He is booked again for a retreat to CSSR Priests for the next month. Gerry was busy with the audit work and also taking care of the repair and maintenance work in Loyola Bhavan. George went around distributing 400 VRO School Kit to various

government school children which had come as relief supply from Guntur. Besides making a trip to Minjaponka, Kalijharan and Tangrain, he went to visit various sites spread out in 38 villages. Thanks to the initiative of Isidore and Bene. 4 new Children's Tuition Centers have begun in Minjaponka Parish. Hopefully with the assistance of Sch. Livance new centers might start in Kalijharan too. If any 18+ girl wants to learn tailoring in our Residential Skill Training Centre, they are welcome to call George at contact No. 8763346319.

#### Lovola School

# School Felicitates Ms Upasana Mohapatra

On July 1, ICSE and ISC school students had the opportunity to display their creative talents and skills before their proud parents and visitors.

toppers with 90% and above were felicitated at the morning assembly. There were 78 of them in the ICSE and 6 in the ISC. Top 3 were given cash prizes by Mr. Tutul Das, a well-wisher and school bus operator. Others were given medals and certificates. On this occasion we had a Special Guest, Ms. Upasana Mohapatra, a former student of 2011 ICSE batch, who cleared UPSE exams and obtained 119 AIR. As she was felicitated, she inspired the students with her short motivational speech. The annual exhibition, "Loyola Synergy 2019" was held on 20 July. Mrs. Usharani Sahoo, Joint Secretary, Revenue and Disaster Management and a parent, was the chief guest and

The Odia School held PT meeting for the parents of KG - II students on 13 July. On 15 July, Bachpan Bachao, an NGO, conducted a child awareness programme for the students of VII – X. The school began the Unit Tests for all the classes from 23 July. Shantinandan's mother Mrs. Florencia Mundu expired on 16 July in CKP and the next day Gilbert and K M Joseph accompanied him for the funeral service which was held in the evening. Our heartfelt condolences to Shanti.

On the occasion of the feast of St. Ignatius, the Jesuit Community invited the clergy and religious of Bhubaneswar city on 28 July. After the traditional Benediction given by George Thana, Archbishop John Barwa, SVD praised the Jesuits for their service and said the grace before a sumptuous lunch. On July 30 at the declared the exhibition open. The morning assembly the teachers and the students

# **Gilbert Menezes**

felicitated the Jesuits with flowers, prayers, dances and songs. They put up skits based on the life of St. Ignatius to highlight his message. Gilbert delivered the traditional message on this occasion. The staff members of both English and Odia schools gathered for a festive lunch in the afternoon. The Odia School students and staff felicitated the Jesuits in the afternoon, with flowers, songs and dances. Ajit addressed the students. On July 31, we celebrated the Holy Eucharist in the morning with the Catholic staff, students and parents of both schools. Fr. Augustine Ezha from XUB, was the main celebrant. After the Mass all were given breakfast packets.

# Rutungia

## Parents Value Quality Education than

#### Romanus Kerketta

his best to admit those eligible for and those who did not qualify but determined by all means to demoted and given admission according to their capacities. Out of 465 students in the school this year

The students sought admission in 309 are in the hostel. As per the government's the school till the middle of July. requirement, CCTV camera has been installed in The headmaster, Fr Victor, tried the hostel and school. With the increased number of tiny tods in the hostel, the hostel-in-charge, applicant in their respective Jyoti has exhaustive responsibility to care them. classes, the admission they sought Though, the entire group of new Sisters have come on transfer to Rutungia Mission, except a Junior Sister, rest three of them have already study in St Xavier's were to be served this mission in their earlier innings. Though there is no sufficient rain in Kandhamal, agricultural activities has reduced and limited the frequency of village tour of the Parish Priest.

Romanus. Core pastoral team is making family visits in the evenings wherever it is possible in this rainy season with a view to encourage them to grow in faith. Sylverius, the treasurer is revisiting the shops to obtain GST bills for purchases made earlier due to the demand for GST bills for accounts. So beware to get GST

# **Tangrain**

# having the visits of Frs. K M Joseph and George Anthony on July 2. On July 5, Fr. Provincial made a quick visit to see the progress of school building which is under construction. Since there was no electricity supply for the house during the time of their visits, the Jesuits at the community welcomed them with candle light dinner. This visit strengthened the energy of the community and their companionship in the Lord. It was consoling to hear from them that the "Solar energy" was the "need of the hour for the community." The preparation for the feast of St. Ignatius is going in full swing both in the community and at the school.

# **UAP - Accompanying Youth**

The community had the privilege of of the feast. Hence, we have noven ato St. Ignatius in the parish every day after the morning Eucharist. This is also an opportunity for the Jesuits to let the parishioners know more about the saint and his contribution to the Society and the Church. Fr. Charlie went to give a recollection to H M Sisters at the Provincial House, Longai on July 6. On every first Saturday of the month, one Jesuit from our community goes there for reflections and offer prayers for the sisters. Fr. Charlie also spends a lot of time with the workers looking after the construction work of the school building. In sun or in rain, he is always there with the people for their moral support plus supervision of the work.

> Amit and Augustine Surin along with two youth of the parish took care of the monthly meeting for Krus Veer children of the parish on July 6-7. A total of 115 children participated in the meeting. They were taught prayers and four important tools of a Krus Veer. On July 6, a rhyme competition for LKG and UKG was

# Amit Lakra

conducted. It was a rewarding experience for the teachers to witness their little ones growing in learning. A drawing competition was held on July 13 for UKG to Std. III students. We had a youth coordinators meeting on July 7 at Birmitrapur parish. The meeting was held in anticipation and preparation for the upcoming youth convention at the denary level in Birmitrapur parish, which will be held on October 12, 2019. Augustin and Amit both accompanied four youth for the said meeting. Fr. Cyril is busy in parish works attending the spiritual needs of the faithful. He along with the mahila sangh members organized a threeday program from July 26 to 28 for *Aayo parab – Mothers*' Day – a big celebration in the parish.

# Tumudibandha

Greg makes his third inning in

Tumudibandha and on his arrival

he observes the ecological change

that has taken place in the Jesuit

campus at Jesuit residence. He

writes, "The whole compound has

become a jungle and looks dirty,

The Jesuits in the community

focused more on the spiritual aspect

#### Greg turns jungle into Kitchen Garden

cannot even go around the compound. I felt sorry because ... having acres of land, all this time our vegetable supply has been from the market." He swiftly got into action and is eagerly waiting for the home grown organic vegetables in the month of August. Despite scarcity of rain, transplantation of paddy is almost competed

#### Gregory Xaxa

with canal water. Fr. Blasius was out in Northeast for his retreat in the beginning of the month. He came back just for a week and again left for Delhi for a meeting. We are getting ready for the feast of St. Ignatius on the 31 July.

#### XIMB/XUB

#### Heads of Jesuit B Schools from 18 Countries

# program. Paul Fernandes, VC,

XUB and XIMB welcomed the academic endeavors. The Deans and the faculty first-year students of PG and UG of the different schools also welcomed the programs with an orientation students with fervor to XUB family. S. Tonyraj and a team briefed the new students on the and E Augustine, the Registrar, vision, mission and goals of the University. The exhorted the students in their program created a conducive atmosphere for the welcome address to imbibe the new comers to know the rudiments of the spirit of 'Magis' in all their future different administrative teams, various academic orientation program which was

# Alwyn / Arockia

and activity committees. They also enjoyed the interacting with the industry leaders.

The Management and MBF programs started on 17 June 2019. School of Communications began its academic year on 1 July with an

Literature and Culture. All other UG programs began on 15 July 2019. XIMB organized a massive Tree Plantation Program -"Banamahotsav 2019" on 5 July 2019. The Govt. officials Mr. Kedar Kumar Swain, the DFO and Mr. Saratchandra Behera, the AFC along with other Foresters, faculty, staff and students of XIMB participated in the program.

XUB was proud of hosting the 25<sup>th</sup> International Association of Jesuit Business Schools world forum from 21-24 July focusing on 'Innovate and Flourish'. Delegates from 18 countries attended the

graced by Mr. Jyoti Prakash world forum that was attended by the heads of the first day of the conference, Panigrahi, Hon'ble minister of Jesuit B Schools from India. A total of 120 Tourism, Odia Language, delegates participated in the forum and some presented papers. The world Forum began with a Holy Eucharist celebrated by Arch Bishop John Barwa SVD. Paul Fernandez, the VC and Prof. Peppin, the chairperson of the conference welcomed the delegates. Mr. R. Gopalakrishnan, Author and Corporate Adviser delivered the keynote address. The past and present Presidents of IAJBS conference addressed the gathering. Mr. N S Rajan, CEO- IDFC, Mr. Richard Lobo, Head HR, and VP-Infosys Limited and Mr. Rana Sinha, Former MD of Tata-Hitach and Deans from Jesuit B-Schools around the world participated in the panel discussions. Mr. Tony Henshaw, Chief Sustainability Officer, Aditya Birla Group discussed the urgent need to take measures to conserve our nature. The annual board meeting of IAJBS was held at XIMB on

followed by the Inaugural Colleagues in Jesuit Business Education South Asia chapter meeting at XUB. The conference was broadcast live on YouTube and could watch the entire program in the official YouTube channel of XUB - 'Xavier University Bhubaneswar'. Most of the delegates were accommodated in our brand-new International Centre. Joshy KX, our PhD scholar presented a paper in the IAJBS World Forum. On 1 July, a warm welcome was given to Fr. E. Abraham who joined Xavier Residence, XIMB.

## **FORMATION HOUSES**

# Gyanoday, Patna

#### 19 from 6 Provinces begin Juniorate

# Alok Toppo

from six Provinces; Kerala, Delhi, Ranchi, Dumka-Raigani, Patna and Jamshedpur bunched together to form a Jesuit Juniorate community here at Gyanoday. We are privileged to have four Fathers, 10 months.

It is a blessing that we, 19 of us On 29 June, we visited all the Jesuit institutions 8 July Fr. Josey Mathias conducted in Patna and inspired by the dedication of our Jesuits to serve people. On 30 June the parishioners of Danapur Parish gave us warm and hearty welcome and the Parish Priest introduced to us the parish ministry that we would do on Sundays. On 1 July, the academic who will accompany us for the next year began with the Holy Spirit mass presided by Fr. Donald Miranda the Provincial of Patna. On

workshop on Time Management and on Motivation. We were very delighted to have Fr. MK George S.J the General Assistant and listen to his very inspiring talk. He invited us to dream big!

#### Sitagarha

# **Houses Juniros from 8 Provinces**

#### Anuranjan

was inaugurated with Mass of the Holy Spirit. Fr. Provincial of Hazaribag was the main celebratnt. As part of orientation, the

On 27 June, the Juniorate program Provincial highlighted some points about mentally and spiritually for their interculturality. It feels good that we are from eight provinces. On the last day of the orientation, we had a day's trip to Hazaribag. The them in our prayers! tertians were busy in preparing themselves

thirty-day retreat, which began on 17 July, 2019. Let us remember

# Vidyajyoti

#### R & R at Deharadun

# Prabhakar Oddipalli

The students returned back to Deharadun and reached on the same day. With great joy and happiness we met the old and new friends again. Then we had class The new academic year 2019-20 new regime" for which special guest speakers,

was inaugurated on July 8 in the collage hall, Vidyajyoti on 3 July. The VJ staff presided by Most Rev. Giambattista Diquattro, too had their colloquium in Apostolic nunciature, India and Nepal and Rev. Anil Joseph Couto, the Arch Bishop of Delhi. After the mass, the staff and students had a fellowship meal together with our guests. On the 8<sup>th</sup>, the college too had an orientation with the wise orientation on the 5<sup>th</sup>, followed theme "announcing the Gospel with Joy". On the by community orientation on 6th. 9, we had a seminar on "Future India under the

Mrs. Pouline Phillips and Mrs. Harsh Mandhar, retired IAS came. On 13 July, the new comers went for Delhi Darshan. We began the Novena to our founder Father with different UAP themes now preparing ourselves spiritually to celebrate the big day.

# **Return to the Lord in July**

- 08 Fr Irudayam Savarimuthu, S. J. (HAZ, 76/56), Trichy,
- 10 Fr. Aloysius Murzello, S. J. (BOM, 77/57), Bombay
- 11 Fr Augustine Silveira, S. J. (BOM, 82/59), Bombay
- 14 Fr. Dorairaj S. Joseph S.J. (ZAM 82/64), Dindigul

16 - Mrs Florencia Mundu, m/o Fr Shantinandan Mundu, SJ 31 - Fr Hedwig da Costa, SJ (KAR 83/66), St Philomena's

Hospital, Bengaluru

# **Anniversaries**

04	Robert Sequeira	11	Robert J. Dullahan	28	John E Holland
04	Edward H McGrath	18	Kenneth M Judge		

# Exit gracefully for greater good...!

"Success is Never Ending and Failure is Never Final", said Robert Schuller in his writing. To exit gracefully is to allow the Spirit to lead us further for greater benefit of human self. We are all part of it.

All of us experience success and setbacks and there are times in our life to say "I am out". It could be that the period of our peak experience and performance is over, we may cease to be in demand for our services because of age or health and give space to someone to continue with bating in the Lord's field of service.

It is to exit from an inevitable reality gracefully, and then at some later stage making a comeback in another area of life, or position. To exit gracefully means that we do not cling to our positions, authority and power when the time is over or circumstances change. We need not end with bitterness or adopt a defeatist attitude before departure to an unknown future, even if we have a plan. Perhaps God too has one...! We have numerous examples of good and extraordinary humans - male and female -throughout the history of mankind. We have impregnable sports personalities, celebrities in films, great educators, business tycoons and religious personalities. We all are aware that there is a time and season for everything. In the political process too, some

exit gracefully while many others try to cling to their

In the corporate world, changes in guard, could be a fairly smooth transition, otherwise they can lead to confusion and debates. Retirement can be one such occasion when we suddenly find that we are 'out'. Sometimes, ill health could be a setback that forces us to retire from a given responsibility, may be prematurely. Students not having the required score may have to forego professions that they had set their hearts on as their goal but they need to move to some other field and develop in that profession. A reasonably gentle move paves the way.

C. Gautam

All of us will have to go through some experience of being 'out' at some time or other, because life is about change, uncertainty and continuity. Today, the young people experience such change more intensely than many others. They need not act like passive victims but actively explore other options which are available without getting depressed. When going through the stresses and strains of being left behind for a while, the aspirants, instead of becoming negative about themselves and the future, could think and search with calm and quiet confidence for other options. In concluding I may add that when we are in the evening of our life...and when the inevitable, the grand exit comes, we must leave this world gracefully because what matters more is how we part from this material world leaving our legacy behind...!

# Prayer for the month of August - The Immaculate Heart of Mary



positions of power.

O heart of Mary, mother of God, and our mother; heart most worthy of love, in which the adorable Trinity is ever wellpleased, worthy of the veneration and love of all the angels and of all men; heart most like to the Heart of Jesus, of which thou art the perfect image; heart, full of goodness, ever compassionate toward our miseries; deign to melt our icy hearts and grant that they may be wholly changed into the likeness of the Heart of Jesus. our divine Savior. Pour into them the love of thy virtues, enkindle in them that divine fire with which thou thyself dost ever burn. In thee let Holy Church find a safe shelter; protect her and be her dearest refuge, her tower of strength, impregnable against every assault of her enemies. Be thou the way which leads to Jesus, and the channel,

through which we receive all the graces needful for our salvation. Be our refuge in time of trouble, our solace in the midst of trial, our strength against temptation, our haven in persecution, our present help in every danger and especially at the hour of death, when all hell shall let loose against us its legions to snatch away our souls, at that dread moment, that hour so full of fear, whereon our eternity depends. Ah, then most tender virgin, make us to feel the sweetness of thy motherly heart, and the might of thine intercession with Jesus, and open to us a safe refuge in that very fountain of mercy, whence we may come to praise Him with thee in paradise, world without end. Amen.