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PROVINCIAL'S MUSINGS

Nepal, a small, landlocked Himalayan country in South Asia, has some unique achievements to its credit. It was never colonized. Its constitution, adopted in 2015, affirmed Nepal as a secular, federal, parliamentary republic, despite the fact that Nepal was officially a Hindu Kingdom until recently, and of course, it gifted Gautama Buddha to the world.

But the Jesuit tryst with Nepal was only relatively recent. At the invitation of the then Government of Nepal, Fathers Marshall D. Moran, Edward Saton, and Frank Murphy arrived in Kathmandu in 1951. They began the Mission with the foundation of St Xavier's Godavari School and thanks to the efforts of all subsequent Nepal Jesuits, Nepal Region is a flourishing mission now, with a variety of ministries. Some of the incarnational apostolic interventions of Nepal Jesuits are the following: the pastoral service to the Catholic Santals living to the east of Biratnagar by Fr Edward Niesen, service of the orphans started by Fr. Gafney which quickly grew into the St. Xavier's Social Service Centre, and the care for the deaf and differently abled initiated by Fr. Akijiro Ooki.

It is not only the service in and through formal apostolates that won Nepal Jesuits a name and fame, but also the creative and committed response they gave to the lethal earthquake that shook Nepal. Despite all snags and difficulties, including the hassles by the government, they assiduously attended to the needs of the earthquake stricken people. Establishing the Nepal Jesuit Social Institute (NJSI) on 19 May 2015, they have been actively involved in the process of rescue, relief and recovery, rehabilitation and rebuilding people and their properties. Along with the initial distribution of relief materials, gradual construction of houses and other amenities, they have been instilling hope among the battered people.

In addition to the great contribution of Nepal Jesuits, Nepal is important for the JCSA as well. It was here in Nepal that the JCSA formulated and promulgated the famous, 'Kathmandu Statement' (KS), which gave a new definition and direction to formation. KS aligned formation with mission. It tried not only to understand and explain formation which was previously separated from mission, as a process in and through mission, but also propagated the ideal of formation in mission.

After 30 years since that great event, JCSA met again in Nepal to discuss and discern its South Asian Jesuit identity and mission in the context of the UAP. What made it a memorable event and experience was the presence of Fr General. With his innovative interventions he did give new directions to the discussion and discernment. The call of UAP is personal, communitarian and institutional conversion. The Provincials of South Asia have decided to do a retreat together during the JCSA Madurai. Shall we, all, be messages and messengers of conversion in South Asia?

APPOINTED BY FR GENERAL

Fr Miguel Nuno Maria de Siqueira de Almeida (52) – Provincial of Portugal
Fr Marc Desmet (64) – Regional Superior of the European Low Countries
Fr Michael Zammit Mangion (58) - Provincial of the Near East and Maghreb
Fr Mieczyslaw Smyda (62) – Provincial of Brazil
Fr Rigobert Kyungu Musenge (52) - Provincial of the Province of Central Africa
Fr Luis Gerardo Moro Madrid (48) - Provincial of the Province of Mexico

APPOINTED BY FR POSA

Fr Ryan S Rodrigues: Trial Teaching at JDV (residing at DNC)

APPOINTED/ ASSIGNED BY FR PROVINCIAL

Jerald D'Souza	Sup & Director, Ashirvad, Bengaluru
Olvin Veigas	Loyola Mandir, Bengaluru
Ivan Mendonca	Superior + PP JJ Anekal
Steevan Gonsalves	Director, SJPUC, JJ Anekal
Shantharaj T	Dir CIRW & Teaching RTEC, JJ Anekal
Gilbert Saldanha	Minister, MSJ, Bengaluru
Merwyn Fernandes	Socius, Novice Director, MSJ, Bengaluru
Prashanth D'Souza	Director/PC Prerana, Bengaluru
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Richard Sequeira	Novitiate Staff, MSJ, Bengaluru
Michael John	SJBHS, JN, Bengaluru
Praveen Hrudayaraj	Director, SJCL, JN, Bengaluru
Joel Fernandes	Administrator SJBHS Primary & Coord., Youth Apostolate, JN, Bengaluru
Arun S Lobo	FO and Teaching, SJCC, JN, Bengaluru
Swebert D'Silva	Rector, Arrupe Nivas, Bengaluru
Joseph Lobo	Director, Research Centre, AN, Bengaluru
Anthony Pradeep	PhD & Teaching, SJC, AN, Bengaluru
Francis Pinto	Teaching SJC, AN, Bengaluru
Ralph da Costa	Arrupe Nivas, Bengaluru
John Lang Bosco	FO, SJC, AN, Bengaluru
Joseph Rodrigues	Rector, Inigo Sadan, Bengaluru
Cyril Menezes	Principal, SJHS & Director, SJICPUC, IS, Bengaluru
Cyril Raj	FO & Teaching in SJS, IS, Bengaluru
Arun Luis	Coordinador, Swami Rajendra Nilaya, Pandithahalli
Henry Saldanha	Principal, SJHS, Hassan
Dheeraj A D' Souza	Director, Navasadhana, Hassan
Rayappa M	Teaching & Director of Hostels, Harihar

Melwyn S Pinto	Director, AIMIT, Mangaluru
Joy Rodrigues	Teaching, AIMIT, Mangaluru
Marcel Rodrigues	PhD & Teaching, SAC, Mangaluru
Sujay Daniel	Teaching in SAPUC, Mangaluru
Joseph Monteiro	Minister, FRH, Mangaluru
John Gomes	FRH, Mangaluru
Clarence D'Souza	FRH, Mangaluru
Celestine Sera	Minister, Asha Kiran, Mangaluru
Melwin Pinto	Superior, VN, Dharwad
Edward Philip	Youth Ministry, Dharwad
Louis D'Souza	Treasurer, VN, Dharwad
Johnson Pinto	Principal, Loyola Composite PUC, Mundgod
Alwyn R D'Souza	Director, LKV, Mundgod
Bartholome	Director, LCH, Mundgod
James Gonsalves	PP, St Anne's, Vijayapura
Anthony Dass M	Director, LITI, Vijayapura
Teyol Machado	Director, CNFE, Vijayapura
Santhosh Fernandes	HM LYS & Principal, LYPUC, Vijayapura
Balaraju R	Secretary & Treasurer, Vijayapura
Balaraju A	Coordinator & FO Loyola Nivas, Sindagi
Leo Pereira	Superior, Pannur-Manvi Mission
Melwyn D'Cunha	Principal, Loyola College, Manvi
Wilson Moras	FO, Manvi & Teaching, Loyola College, Manvi
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Richard Mascarenhas	Gulbarga Diocese
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Denzil E Lobo	Sabbatical
Antony TV	SICJ, Thiruvananthapuram
Robert Rodrigues	JRS
Ronald Serrao	Studies in Islam, JAMIA, New Delhi
Cyril Castelino	Tertianship, Hazaribagh
Prashant Sequeira	Tertianship, Hazaribagh
Maxim Dias	Tertianship, Shembaganur
Francis Balraj	Tertianship, Shembaganur
Lancy Fernandes	Tertianship, Shembaganur
Royston Madtha	Tertianship, Sri Lanka
Ivan Sequeira	Tertianship, Sri Lanka
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STATUS OF SCHOLASTICS

COLLEGE STUDIES

Ashakiran, Mangaluru

Agil Roy	BSc
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Reoin Barnes	BA
Rudolf D'Souza	BSc

Vidyaniketan, Dharwad

Adline Monteiro	BA
Arun Raj	BCom
Shaun D'Silva	BSc
Sujay Paul	BA

St. Joseph's College, Hassan

Joyal D'Sa	BCom
Sanson D'Souza	BCom

Inigo Sadan, Bengaluru

Kiran Allen Branco	BA
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Nishanth Noronha	Manvi
Noel Dias	Sindagi
Paul Anand	Navasadhana, Hassan
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Roydon Misquith	Harihar

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Joseph Jerald
Leston Lobo
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PROVINCIAL'S PROGRAMME

March

- 22 : Province Consult: Manvi
28-29 : Meeting of LS, DoWs & CCMs: LM

April

- 1-2 : Loyola, Mangaluru
3-4 : Navasadhana, Hassan
6-8 : Xavier University, Bhubaneshwar
14 : Province Consult: LM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 21-22: Seminar on Ignatian Spirituality at SAC-Mangaluru. The seminar is for Jesuits in Higher Education and Secondary education. Others are welcome. Resource Person: Joseph Lobo, SJ

April 7-8: Presentation and defense of RTEC II Years' guided contextual theological papers. All are welcome.

April 14: Sch Jeevan James, SJ will be ordained a deacon by Most Rev Cyril Vasil, SJ, Titular Archbishop of Ptolemais in Libya, on 14 April, 2020 in the Church of the Gesù, Rome, at 4 PM. Let us keep Sch Jeevan James in our prayers.

EVENTS/MEETINGS

March

- 22 : Province Consult - Manvi
28-29 : Meeting of LS, DoWs & CCMs: LM (Bengaluru)

April

- 19-27 : Province Retreat-I, MSJ

May

- 17 : Province level felicitation of Jubilarians, MSJ
17-25 : Province Retreat - II, MSJ

LEFT THE SOCIETY

Novice Rajendra Prasad K left the novitiate on 23 February 2020.

ANEKAL

Fr Christian Marte SJ, Rector of Jesuitenkolleg, Innsbruck, Austria, visited us and spent some quality time interacting with the scholastics. The community took a day off at Khedda resort. We are saddened by the demise of Fr Ivan Mendonca's mother. Some of us were with him at the funeral in Mangaluru. Frs Konrad Noronha SJ, Maria Arul Raja SJ and Wilson D'Souza OFM Cap. were the visiting professors in the recent months. Fr Joseph Lobo conducted a 2-day seminar on Ignatian Spirituality with special emphasis on discernment to the Jesuits in higher education of Madurai-Chennai provinces at Dindigul. He was also the resource person for a day's seminar on 'Mission of the Church in India - so far and henceforth' for the regional directors of CCBI, held in Bengaluru.

At the parish, Catechism students went on 'Bengaluru Darshan', visiting Visveshvaraya Industrial & Technological Museum, Lalbagh, shrines and our Jesuit institutions. Altar Servers' Day was also celebrated. The CIRW has begun the campaign under Lokmanch on the topic, 'health in all the villages'. Regular training programmes are held for people of villages at the centre on current issues, especially health.

At St Joseph's PU College, farewell to 2nd PU students was held wherein P Chandrashekhar, HM of Govt. High School, Mayasandra, was the chief guest. As the admissions for the pre-primary school have already begun, the advertising work is going on in full steam, through visiting each house, distributing leaflets and putting up banners. Thanks to the scholastics, news of the new school has reached Anekal town and nearby villages. (AD)

ASHIRVAD

Ashirvad community had a pilgrimage cum outing to Swami Rajendra Shrine at Pandithahalli and Talakadu for a boat ride. After a short prayer at the shrine, the community had the mass and gathering at the Holy Angel School. Thanks to the warm welcome of Frs Joseph Monteiro and Norwin Pereira. The themes of this month's IRHM were Secularism and Sanatana Dharma. A special reflection cum retreat was conducted by Fr James Gonsalves, director, on the theme 'reason to live and reason to die', based on the reflections of John Powell. Fr Francis Guntipilly continues to manifest his youthful

energy by organising various programmes on labour, migration and domestic workers. He was instrumental in organising a programme of P. Sainath, an eminent journalist, at SAC Autonomous Mangaluru. He visited Vijayapura and Manvi on labour related and citizenship awareness programmes. Frs Jerald D'Souza, Francis Guntipilly and Harry Terry participated in the prayer and reflection gathering at Bilal Bagh Bengaluru. Fr Jerald D'Souza went to Manvi for the Lok Manch programme. He was the main organiser of the study cum reflection programme for 250 youth of Raichur organised at the Jesuit Nivas campus. They were taken around the city of Bangalore to visualise its beauty. (EL)

BIJAPUR

Fr Anthony Dass addressed the rally on NRC and CAA organised at the district level in Bijapur. The Bijapur mission team had a 'one day outing' to Kanti water park, Baglakote. Fr Francis Balaraj went to Pune to attend Lok Manch programme. Loyola School at Bijapur celebrated 'Science Day' by organising science and art exhibition. Most of the models were assembled by the students themselves.

Around a hundred youth from Bijapur mission went to Bengaluru to participate in the state level youth programme.

Loyola CBSE School, Sindagi organised 'Arrupe Science Fest', an inter-school science exhibition in honour of Pedro Arrupe. We made the best efforts to explain the life and values of the Servant of God to students and staff. The third week of the month was observed as the 'library week' in our School. Several competitions and activities were conducted to encourage reading and writing habits among students. Frs Anthony Lawrence and Balaraju R held some motivational classes for our class IX students. Along with the regular activities, a few staff members of Sangama CIRD were busy attending training at different places. (SG)

MANVI

The Pannur-Manvi Jesuit community welcomed 18 first year pre-novices from Navasadhana accompanied by their director Fr Edward Philip who as part of the implementation

of KPAP, spent four days in the mission. The social work centre, ably guided by Fr Anil D'Souza, conducted a state-level Lokmanch programme for all the staff members of the social action centres of the province and the Lokmanch leaders of these centres. It was a successful event which was well planned by Fr Jerald D'Souza, PCSA co-coordinator. Mr Shivsundar, a well-known social activist, delivered an awareness talk on CAA, NRC & NPR to the staff members, the social workers and the students of Loyola Degree College. A health campaign programme on health protection of child and mother was organised in several villages.

Loyola Degree College organised a two-day cultural extravaganza 'Colours' for the degree students bringing out their hidden colourful talents. Dr Ramesh Londonkar, Dept of Biotechnology, Gulbarga University was the chief guest. The College annual magazine 'Linnovare' was released during the occasion. The Loyola Institute of Research & Innovative Studies (LIRIS) organised the presentation of research papers by the second year degree students. The district camp for Rovers & Rangers was held in Loyola College campus. As part of the outreach programme, the social concern wing in collaboration with other associations, organised several health and awareness camps in the villages in and around Manvi.

Loyola PU College organised an inter-school quiz competition for the tenth standard students from 15 schools in and around Manvi. The second PUC students were given farewell by the first years and the staff. Loyola School and Xavier School jointly organised a wonderful farewell programme for the outgoing students with a beautiful display of dances by the students. (AL)

ASHA KIRAN, Mangaluru

We had a wonderful talk and sharing on the importance of the Apostleship of Prayer ministry by Fr Jagdish Parmar SJ. As part of 'Drinking from our own Wellsprings', Fr Jossie D'Mello SJ spoke to us on the life and mission of Fr. Pedro Arrupe. The Community picnic to 'Tiny waves Resort' was a thrilling and a positively energizing one. The Lenten atmosphere has

already been created through the reading of letters of Ignatius, prayers and observances of the Lenten season. (VS)

DE NOBILI COLLEGE, Pune

Sixteen of our brethren were conferred the diaconate ordination by Bishop Thomas Dabre of Poona diocese on February 9. JDV organised an inter-class basketball tournament in which the third year theologians were the runners up and the second year theologians emerged winners in a closely fought match. There was an interactive session on the socio-economic challenges in India with Mr Kannan Gopinathan, organised by the Papal Seminary.

The Sarvodaya Ministry, in collaboration with JDV-Kalyaninagar slum ministry, organised 'women's health camp' in association with IMA-Adarstambh (NGO), at Sarvodaya ministry place. Fr John Pradeep was here as part of the spirituality course at CISR. Through the creative initiative of Sch Roshan Pinto, the DNC Times has begun producing a series of videos known as '4.Theology' (read as 4 Point Theology) on YouTube. These videos contain interviews with eminent theology professors with respect to inter-disciplinary understanding of theology. (VA)

LOYOLA, Mangaluru

The first year pre-novices were busy with their final exams and the second years had their preparatory examinations. Added to this was their medical test at A J Hospital and four sheet exam with different priests at SAC, FRH and Asha Kiran. Fr Ronald Pais has equipped them to fight the carnal desires through his talk on sexual psychology! The entire community of Navasadhana, including the cooks, was our guest for a noon meal. Our dog Labby for the first time littered eight puppies and she took good care of them. Now she is left with only one puppy who bears the name of Caesar! (PP).

MOUNT ST JOSEPH

MSJ community went out on a picnic to a nearby resort at Bannerghatta National park just before Lent. Fr Olvin Veigas addressed the doctors and nurses of Angamally Province of SCC nuns, on 'Christian spirituality and healing ministry' at St Mary's hospital in Kolar and on

'Effective religious leadership and capacity building' to the central Indian province of HCM nuns in Bengaluru. Fr Antony Pais visited the second year novices during their mission experiment in various mission centres. The first years ended their long retreat and spent time coming down the mountain, while the second years recollected all their God experience of mission experiment in 8-day retreat directed by Fr Clarence D'Souza. During the canonical visitation of the Novitiate by Fr Provincial, the first years received the cassock along with Minor Orders of Reader and Acolyte. Fr William Sequeira gave a course on dynamics of the Spiritual Exercises. To witness all these things, we had Common faith sharing for three days on mission experiment and month retreat. Fr Joy Puthussery Enasu, ISCH, gave a workshop on 'healing the inner child'.

At Loyola Degree College, the annual sports, 'Loytrax-20' was held for which Mr Mohammed Aslam, DCP (crime) was the chief guest. The colourful march-past depicting the current problems of our country like violence, farmers' issues, etc. won the hearts of all. III BA fourth semester results are 68% and III BCom 86%. The final BA students had their media tour and final BCom their industrial visit.

In Prerana, the two-month programme titled 'take and receive' for the junior sisters who are preparing themselves for their final profession was well organised with 27 Nuns from nine congregations. Frs William Sequeira and Teyol Machado ably and energetically guided the participants as the Acting Director and Administrator respectively in the absence of Fr John Pradeep who was away to attend a course at Sadhana, Lonavala and also to offer a course on 'spirituality of the First Jesuits and Ignatian letters' at Centre for Ignatian Spirituality and Research, DNC, Pune. Prerana has received a long-awaited facelift with a newly installed elevator and the interior painting.

At the Parish, the Jesuit Volunteers (JVs) had two days' of fruitful retreat in Claret Nivas, Carmelaram arranged and accompanied by Fr Arun Kumar. Fr Jossie D'Mello gave an inspiring talk on 'Ignatian Spirituality in the context of family and parish'. As it was a moving experience

for them, they have written about their retreat experiences in a journal. Fr Arun Kumar attended the JCSA meeting in Nepal. iCATHOLIC the first parish bulletin was released by the Archbishop Peter Machado and has given in it the historical record of the parish and news on various associations and wards. [OV]

NAVASADHANA, Hassan

The first year pre-novices were busy with their annual exams. Eight of our second year's have appeared for their four-sheet exams. Fathers from St Joseph's community, Hassan and Fr Harry Terry helped us in conducting them. Fr Ronald Pais conducted psycho sexual integration classes to our second year pre-novices for two days. Arrupe Nivas community paid a short visit to our community. Our old bore-well went dry for three weeks and the house managed through tank water. We have dug a new borewell for the community. We thank God for blessing us with 3.5 inch of good ground water within 300 feet.

Sch Kiran Leema conducted the CET classes to the second year's. We as a community went to Mangaluru for our community outing. Thanks to all the Jesuits at Mangaluru for their hospitality. The would-be second year's have already begun their classes after their short exposure to Pannur-Manvi mission led by Fr Edward Philip as part of the KPAP. We are grateful to Fr Arun Luis and the community for helping our pre-novices to have an experience of our mission and its work. Fr Edward Philip has been casting the net far and wide for good candidates to the Society. We hope his efforts will bear much fruit. We are also looking ahead for a successful selection camps in April in Bengaluru and Hassan. (KL)

VINAYALAYA, Mumbai

We had pastoral involvement at the Shrine of Infant Jesus, Nashik, during the feast. At Vinayalaya, we staged a play, 'And then there were none' by Agatha Christie. It was a showstopper. We had a day of outing to Elephanta caves. It was an excellent experience of seeing the caves and admiring their intricate structure. We had also an interaction with the youth of a diocesan parish. It was a pleasant one with lots of questions on religious life and vocation. (AR)

FATIMA RETREAT HOUSE

As part of 'drinking from our own wellsprings', a talk on Pedro Arrupe's life and mission was organised for the Mangaluru Jesuits. Frs Jossie D'Mello and Cyprian Tellis shared from their hearts their ideas and moved the hearts of the attending Jesuits too. Fr Ronald Pais conducted workshops on psychosexual integration for our pre-novices in both Navasadhana and Loyola, and then for the novices of the Bethany at Gurpur. A short visit and stay among us by the Navasadhana pre-novices and the Mundgod staff energised our seniors and made them feel once again young at heart.

We celebrated the 90th birthday of our most revered doyen Fr Denis Rasquinha, anticipating it by a couple of days and sanctifying *Mardi Gras* with a concelebrated Eucharist in his honour. He thanked the community profusely at the end of it. However, during the dinner that followed he turned to one of his junior colleagues and asked *sotto voce* and in charming simplicity: What is this celebration all about? (FP)

ARRUPE NIVAS

All the college Jesuits were witness to Arrupe sports day, a novel venture of BJES to bring the staff of BJES institutions together. Fr Melwin Pinto, the superior of Vidyaniketan, Trivandrum gave an inspiring recollection talk. The community organised Arrupe Day, a short annual programme with religious, collaborators and benefactors of SJC. Fr Mark Koo, the PCF of Japan province was with us for a daylong interaction. Fr Hector D'Souza from Kohima region visited the community and celebrated a meaningful Eucharist. Fr William Marcel attended a five-day workshop along with a few staff at Xavier University Bhubaneswar as part of JWL training. The entire college campus was abuzz with a daylong Institution Day celebrations.

Fr Victor Lobo went to Mumbai to deliberate on the formation of university under RUSA scheme. Fr Maxim Dias addressed the AICUF students of the college on NEP. Fr Richard Rego along with a few other staff members visited Aditya Institute and Ramakrishna College in Coimbatore. The community was witness to

inspiring points for a recollection by renowned Dr Thimmappa Hegde. The community also joined in a fellowship meal with Inigo Sadan community. A few of the community members went on a three day outing and field visit to Chikmagalur. The NSS unit of the college conducted Vismaya 2020 an inter-orphanage fest for two days, where Fr Marcel gave a motivational talk to the participants. Fr Vishal D'Souza along with Sch Dukru of Kohima region went to Kolar for a community living camp. The community members were also witness to several talks organised at the college for students and staff on CAA, NRC and NPR. The college held its colourful sports day. A few community members went to watch the Passion Play, an annual event at Tattuguppe. Fr Pratap Chandru joined the Arrupe Nivas community after tertianship in Shemabagnur. Fr John Lang returned after a forty days programme at Sadhana in Lonavala. Fr William Marcel Addressed the students and the staff at St Anne's Women's College, Halsoor on the theme 'cyber culture and spiritual well-being'. (WMR)

INIGO SADAN

The community members joined their respective institutions for a day out with the staff and the students. The Inigo Sadan community hosted a dinner for the sisters of our neighbouring convents. These are the convents where we render spiritual ministries. The community also had the privilege of inviting our neighbouring Jesuit communities for a 'just-like-that' dinner. Thanks to Fr Leo Pereira's (Rector) initiative, the companions on a mission had some time to share with and cheer each other. The community along with our immediate neighbours, took time off from its busy schedule to refresh and relax in a resort on the outskirts of Bengaluru. Thanks to the organisers under the leadership of Fr Cyril Menezes, Minister, the community members had a drowning experience in and off the swimming pool.

A few staff members of the Community College attended seminar on employability skills curriculum organised by SKIP at Hyderabad. The college also organised a day's programme on 'wealth out of waste'. Our students had two days of workshop on 'entrepreneurship' which helped them to understand the business world. Along with academic programmes, the college had

arranged a few awareness programmes on women's rights, sensitization of gender, domestic violence, CAA and NRC. Dr Isabella Xavier was the resource person for these programmes. Meanwhile, the Nursing Assistant students underwent 15 days of training on pharmacy assistance. We had NSDC- National Skill Development Corporation exams on eight job roles. After having spent a hectic month, we, the staff and students, spent a day out at Wonderla. (JP)

JESUIT NIVAS

Our community went on a three-day spiritual pilgrimage visiting holy places and some of our missions in North Karnataka. It was a very fruitful community-building exercise which was appreciated by all. SJBHS sees itself as part of a larger family and in this spirit students and staff visited sister institutions in Manvi-Pannur as part of the Twinning Programme. Loved elders are very much part of school family and so Grandparents Day was celebrated by the Pre Primary. The same evening, the staff family had high tea with the Jesuit Nivas community. Thanksgiving Eucharist and the inter-religious prayer service were held in honour of our spiritual and pluralistic traditions. Students visited the Museum of Communication at the Museum Road post office for an educational visit about the Indian postal system. The 'Viridiscence or Go Green Week' showed our commitment to environmental concerns. Students participated in a unique workshop as part of the OBA Innovation Lab 2020 edition. The variety of problem areas focused by the students ranged from e-waste awareness and collection, traffic congestion, safety to scarcity of fresh water. Sporting victories deserve a special mention. Trophies, shields, cups, medals and certificates kept pouring in as our boys and girls excelled in golf, equestrian events, rifle shooting, taekwondo, gymnastics, swimming, table tennis, chess and a host of other sports. Indeed a befitting end to an action-filled and fruitful year!

St Joseph's Commerce College organised a two day 'Impact Summit' for aspiring student entrepreneurs. Successful social entrepreneurs were on campus guiding budding entrepreneurs. Socially sustainable and environmentally sustainable products were showcased. Centre for Social Action organised a series of lectures on

pertinent topics such as 'decoding Ayodhya verdict', 'question of unity - ways and means', and 'safeguard electoral rights and save democracy' etc. A documentary titled 'A look into the revoking of articles 370 and 35' was screened and discussions organised. College organised a solidarity march against atrocities on student community in university campuses. To create awareness among the students, different associations organised a number of talks on NRC, CAA and NPR. Eco club also initiated several activities towards creating a plastic-free campus. The College has installed 95 KWP roof mount solar power generating system. Fr Daniel Fernandes SJ delivered a lecture on 'Initiating creative dimension, facilitating inclusiveness at workplace' at a national seminar organised by St Anne's College, Bengaluru.

It was another emotional day for the outgoing students of the batch of 2020 of SJPUC when they were given farewell. Dr Shailaja Shastri, founder and director of Raining and Research Institute (TRI), was the chief guest. She addressed the students and the parents and emphasized that we can learn from failures.

SJ Law College organised a seminar for Catholic lawyers of Bangalore, at which the Archbishop of Bangalore and the Jesuit Provincial of Karnataka addressed the gathering and encouraged them to be advocates who promote justice. The College students helped in organising the 'unorganised youth seminar'. SJIM is preparing itself to welcome the NBA accreditation team during this week.

SJEC organised four national level seminars in February and March: 'Dakshin Bharat mein Hindi ki dasha aur disha', 'Emerging paradigms in teaching English language literature', 'Business conclave on digital banking' and 'Contemplating water - survival security and peace'. (SD)

ST ALOYSIUS COLLEGE, Mangaluru

The community went to a resort near Sashihitlu for the annual picnic. Thanks to Fr Santosh Kamath who arranged the place, the community had a relaxed day with games, swimming and much more. Even the senior most members tried their skills in the age-old games like *lagori*.

Scholastics Arvin and Ashwin were given a befitting send-off as they finished their B.Ed studies and went listening faithfully to the command of their PCF. Their generosity and availability were particularly highlighted by the community members. We are already feeling their absence at every nook and corner of the house.

The Degree College had its College Day celebrations. Theatre personality Laxmi Chandrashekar was the chief guest. Earlier in the month, veteran journalist P. Sainath delivered an endowment lecture on 'Indian democracy at post liberalization and post truth era'. Thanks to Fr Francis Guntipilly who helped us get the speaker, it was indeed an eye-opening session.

At the PUC, with the help of the renowned psychologists, a series of workshops on 'challenges of teen parenting' were held for the parents to enable them to become responsive, responsible and relevant in these challenging times. The staff of the College enjoyed a break from their daily work when they went on a day long picnic at the end of February.

At AIMIT, Beeri, Sanjeevini, the blood donation camp was conducted by MBA students. Luke Maxmillion Rasquinha annual basketball tournament was held successfully. Gerard Colaco delivered a talk on union budget. Fr Wilson Moras was the winner in Business Plan contest conducted by Manasamantana. Hostel students had an inter-religious prayer service to celebrate Mahashivrathri, Ash Wednesday and Republic Day. Prof P L Dharma from Political Science department of Mangalore University spoke on the occasion. (MP)

SAC, Harihar

SAC-Harihar is gearing up to admissions for the next academic year. ATM ("attendant to management") is in full swing with the teaching and non-teaching staff visiting schools and contacting the X Std students and acquainting them with St Aloysius, Harihar. We hope our efforts will bring at least 400 new candidates to join our IPUC in June this year.

Fr Cyril Raj attended the convocation ceremony of Mangalore University in mid-February and returned with a precious M.A.

degree in Kannada. Fr Dion Vaz, our Rector, and Fr Denzil W. Lobo the Secretary MJES, visited Harihar in early March and spent a fruitful day with us – helping us to assess our financial status and to plan our development projects.

Fr Pradeep Sequeira was one of the resource persons at the Catholic Council of Karnataka which met at KROSS, Bangalore on 6th March 2020. He addressed a 100-strong gathering on the relevance and urgency of inter-religious dialogue. Thanks to the painstaking efforts made by our Coordinator Fr Eric Mathias, our College now has an NCC Unit (Army Wing), the only private unaided college in this region to get the privilege.

Women's Day Celebration was marked by an inspiring talk by Ms M.V. Suma, Lecturer in English, BIMS College, Davanagere, to the staff and students of our college on Saturday 7th March. On the following day our Gents' Hostel boys, under the direction of Fr Cyril Raj and Sch Jaison Lobo, felicitated the resident staff and students of the Ladies' Hostel. (PS)

ST JOSEPH'S, Hassan

Annual sports meet was the highlight of the month. Students had march-past with the school band of Christ School, Hassan. Flag competition and creative march-past marked the sports meet. Five of our students got selected for the All India University level marches. Industrial visits were organised for the students of various sections. As a part of CSA activity, students visited a deaf and dumb school and had interactions and competitions for the students.

Our students visited Kadumane tea estate in Chickmagalore as part of their academic visit. A few of our students participated in Dhvani, an intercollegiate cultural fest organised by SJCC. Under the Paramarsh scheme of UGC, St Joseph's College of Commerce, has taken our college as Mentee College in order to help out in NAAC process. Our staff is working round the clock to apply for the 1st NAAC accreditation within two years.

The much awaited first alumni meet of SJC was held with fanfare. There was a good response from the alumni. Thanks to Fr Sunith Prabhu SJ who accepted our invitation to be the

chief guest for the event. As many as 200 alumni were present. (JP)

PUJYA RAJENDRASWAMY NILAYA, Pandithahalli

The community members of Ashirvad visited us to share their love and joy. Loyola Mandir staff members dropped in to refresh themselves during their outing. Fr Francis Noronha, principal Loyola PU College, MSJ had a beautiful outing for his staff members at our place followed by a small interaction with our teachers. The long awaited first floor construction work has begun and it is picking up momentum. (SK)

VIDYA NIKETAN, Dharwad

Vidya Niketan community organised a *Mini Balmela-2020* (Children's get-together), a special day for the poor and needy children of two different NGOs where the scholastics themselves are actively involved in the well-being of these children. The get-together was inaugurated by Mrs Daisy Lourduswamy, a committed social activist cum teacher from Dharwad. About 110 children who took part in the event had a great experience of playing, dancing, singing and even enjoying a sumptuous meal and a variety of snacks during the day.

The community had a day's picnic to Dandeli where all of us had a good time together with lots of fun, boating and swimming in the river Kaali. Fr John Gomes is steadily recovering his vision after the eye operation for glaucoma. He is now waiting for the green signal from the doctor to go for a similar treatment for the right eye too. Fr Richard Mascarenhas, our acting superior, was invited to be the chief guest at the annual day celebration of The Catenians (a pious association) in his home town Puttur. Our joy is often doubled here at Vidya Niketan when our men from different corners of the Province and Region visit us – like the PCF, RCF, professors from our RTC and of course the lightning visit that we had by the Jesuit Nivas Community from Bengaluru. (MM)

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REST IN PEACE

Fr. Edwin Rasquinha SJ, (BOM), 91/60, on 20 February, Mumbai.

Mrs Juliana Mendonca, (73), mother of Fr Ivan Mendonca, sister-in-law of Fr J B Mendonca and aunt of Fr Melwin Mendonca on 21 February, Mangaluru.

Fr Felix Tirkey SJ, (DUM), 52/28, on 02 March, Sahibganj, Jharkhand.

Fr. Geoffrey Michael Meagher SJ, (HAZ), 77/59, on 05 March, Kolkata.

Fr. Petrus Kerketta SJ, (MAP), 71/51, on 09 March, Ambikapur.

Fr. Arakal Jacob SJ, (AND), 96/75, on 12 March, Secunderabad.

The official Logo of the "Ignatian Year 2021-2022"



The **Ignatian Year 2021 – 2022** has an official logo which will be used in all activities and information about this event. The Ignatian Year was officially announced by Fr. General Arturo Sosa SJ on September 2019 as celebration to commemorate 500 years since the conversion of St Ignatius in 2021 and 400 years since the canonisation of St Ignatius and St Francis Xavier in 2022.

The logo presents in Latin the name of the Founder of the Society of Jesus, "Ignatius". The cross is visible in the center of the word, and it also points to the classic emblem of the Society, "IHS". The S at the end of the name doubles as the figure 5 at the beginning of the number 500 which connects Ignatius' old signature with our days by means of a new design. Consequently, combining the epoch of Ignatius' conversion with the theme of the Ignatian Year celebration: **"To see all things new in Christ"**.

