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# Region Superior's Programme in OctoberOct. 21 -28JCSA, RanchiNov. 01Return to Kathmandu

ATTENTION PLEASE !

#### **Appointment by Region Superior**

Young Priests: Fr. Thomas N., Coordinator Youth Commission: Fr. Sanjay Ekka (Chair), Frs. Amit, James, Peter, Schs. Augustus, Manu Higher Education Commission: Fr. Jiju (Chair), Frs. Anup, Boby, Dilip, James, Jomon, Juel

#### ST. XAVIER'S JAWALAKHEL

**F**r.Amrit's annual visitation ended with talks to the school and plus two staff with many encouraging words and a note of appreciation for their hard work. He also talked to the junior and senior assemblies. We also had a community meeting to wind up the four days of visitation.

During the Teej holidays George, as education coordinator, went to Jhapa schools for meetings with the principals. On 7<sup>th</sup> Sept. Mathew joined Arulanandam to travel to Matigarha for the superiors' meeting. On the way they had brief stop-overs at Deonia and Maheshpur. They also attended the Mass and feast day celebrations at the F.C. sisters' convent in Maheshpur.

Anil, besides Baniatar ministry, is taking catechism classes and is helping in the computer lab. As usual

#### HRDRC

**T**. Amrit, the Regional Superior had a very hectic month. He had gone to give 8 days' retreat for the Missionaries of Charity Sisters at Tindharia, Darjeeling in the beginning of the month. He completed his canonical visitation at Campion house and Kamal Niwas. He also visited Tipling along with Fr. Juel for visitation. He conducted the Local Superiors' meeting and consult at HRDRC. Frs. Victor and Arul came and stayed with us and participated for the Superior' meeting. Fr. Tek Bahadur is practicing law under our Lawyer Purna Rajabhansi. Fr. Tek also conducted Paralegal training at Okhaldunga and Gyalthung along with his friends. Fr. Lawrence Maniyar had gone for home visit; and now he has moved to Godavari community. Sch. Augustus had come from Tipling for a medical checkup and went back to Tipling in good health. We had Sch. Paleshwer with us for a week and now he has gone to Moran Memorial School to teach. Frs. Dilip and Juel started to take classes for students pursuing Bachelor's in Arts at St. Xavier's College, Maitighar.

Boby Joseph

this year also the children's day was celebrated with much enthusiasm and most of us took part in various items presented by the staff. Mathew had a solo performance of the "Lakhe dance". School bid farewell to Nibisha, one of the class nine students, as the family is migrating to Canada. As the rainy season is prolonging this year, St.Xavier's college is using our indoor hall for a basketball tournament. Mathew is taking part in the International Tennis Federation's seniors' tournament at Satdobato. Just before the Dashain holidays we completed another cycle test for school and the first term exams for plus two. We closed the school on 27th with a Dashain dinner for all the staff. This month's guests included sisters from Bandipur and Adores sisters from Itta Bhatta, Jhapa. Happy Dashain.

# St. Xavier's Godavari

**F** Amrit, the Regional Superior was here with us in the school and the community for his annual visitation. He set the right tone to begin the month by offering the Holy Eucharist for the community. During the school assembly he shared the words of wisdom with teachers and students by highlighting the importance of four S's i.e. Sangh, Sadachar, Seva and Sadhna. He also addressed teachers with his inspiring and encouraging words during the staff meeting and to community as well.



On the occasion of Teej all the staff were invited for the agape. The strength of the SXG community has increased after the arrival of **Fr. Lawrence Maniyar**. On the following day he was introduced to the staff and students and was welcomed to SXG School during the assembly.

We had Junior School Elocution Contest for classes 1-5. It was great opportunity for many of the students to come up on the stage, face the crowd and deliver their speeches with full gusto. Many of our students from classes 6-10 took part in one day Joint School Literary Contest held St. Mary's School.

Our little ones from class 1 had One Day Educational Tour to Botanical garden. It was a great and memorable day for them that would also remain fresh and alive ever in their minds. There was also an audition of the Music Talent Show for classes 5 to 12 for the upcoming event.



Inter Team Nepali Debate Contest was held for the students of classes 9 and 10. They spoke very well for and against on the relevant topic "The Use of Social Media".



The effort and hard work of teachers was a great success on the Children's Day. The program put up by teachers was really an entertaining and enjoyable one for the children.

There was half a day Senior School Elocution Contest conducted for classes 6-10. The students came up with lovely poems and electrifying speeches with very appropriate themes as well. We had Family Day for classes 5 and 6. Our students put up very colorful and entertaining programs to mark this as memorable one.

There was a gathering for Godavari Alumni of Sixty nine batch. The Golden Jubilee for them to come together and cherish their old memories. The same day there was also an extended School Management Committee meeting in the afternoon

There was an Educational Tour for class 2. They had gone



to ICIMOD, Panchdhara Monastery and Fish Farm. They were so excited and delighted to get this opportunity. We had a staff meeting after school. With regards to land issue Fr. David moves with Subarna Sir from Godavari Durbar to Singha Durbar. To follow up some officials survey the land with Subarna and Laxam sir.

On the last day of class before Dashain holiday we had a staff gathering after school. It was a great occasion to come together in a festive mood. The school is closed for Dashain holiday from 28th of September.

Pankaj Kerketta



## **ST. XAVIER'S DEONIA**

The month of September witnessed a number of activities in the campus. On September 16, we celebrated Children's Day with a host of entertainment, fun and games for our dear students. The teachers presented number of songs and dances to entertain the students on the occasion of the celebration of childhood. The other highlight of the month was the annual science and art exhibition that





took place on September 27. Fr. Boniface Tigga SJ, the Principal of Moran Memorial School, Maheshpur inaugurated the exhibition. The budding scientists and artists of Deonia brought forth their inventions and handicrafts with verve and enthusiasm. The judges from Mechi Multiple Campus evaluated the exhibits

and appreciated the endeavour of our students. The Feast of the Nativity of Our Lady was celebrated with pomp and gaiety, thanks to the constructive initiative of Fr. Arul, the pastor par excellence. There was a novena in preparation for the feast of Nativity, which saw the active participation of the local Catholic community. On the feast day, there was a special ceremony to honour the mothers among the Catholic

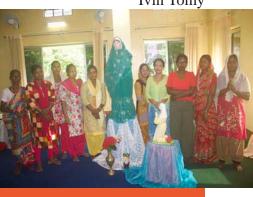


community. Similarly, the children among the Catholic community were honoured on the occasion of Children's Day. Fr. James was with us for a few days, prior to his journey to Chennai to defend his thesis.

Ivin Tomy









#### **MORAN MEMORIAL MAHESHPUR**

#### **Parish:**

We had a day of planning meeting for the National Youth Convention that would be held at Dharan. Around 30 youths actively participated in it. Fr. Arul Selvam guided and inspired them to reflect and act as responsible youths towards building the church of Christ.

To promote and restore the environment, students and the teachers planted around 600 trees in the School and Parish premises.

#### School:

Children's day was celebrated with cultural program, One Act Plays, Poem and Elocution contests. On Children's Day, teachers put







*tika* to the students as a sign of love, care and affection. They also performed skits. One Act plays by each of the four houses were the other hits of the month. All the One Act plays were based on bringing awareness on both the local and global burning issues such as ecological crisis, inequality, discrimination of all kinds.

On Constitution day, our students went out to the neighboring villages carrying the placards written in catchy slogans to promote fundamental rights, to keep the neighborhood clean, to restore environment, and to promote tree plantation. Besides, to bring the awareness and to act, they performed two street dramas in two different villages –one focusing on the discrimination between a boy and a girl child



in education and the other highlighting the discrimination between poor and rich. The street dramas were very effective and heart touching to the people.

Br. Clarence is staying with the Dominican fathers at Nagpur and working with the street boys who stay with them in one house called Yuvajyoti. There are 37 boys all together and they have other centers also where boys and girls from the slums come and are given some orientation every day. It is a very challenging experience for him to be there with them. He will go back to Kodaikanal on October 1<sup>st</sup>.

Boniface Tigga







### **GONZAGA HOUSE, SADAKBARI**

S eptember month started with the 3<sup>rd</sup> cycle test and ended with 4<sup>th</sup> cycle test. On 15th Children's Day was celebrated with lots of joy and happiness. Teachers kept children curious and excited with their surprise items. Day ended with special local khaja/snacks for the children. From 16<sup>th</sup> remedial class started for those who really need to better themselves

A fun game named FussFuss was introduced in which TT ball had to be played by blowing with mouth and putting in goal post on a table. On this occasion we released our first SXS Magis a 2 page Newsletter. Thanks to Siddhanta Shrestha for doing this. He helped a lot in organizing first ever SXS Dashain Camp; fun filled 5 days taught us a lot, how



in various subjects. We had two holidays; Teej and Constitution day. 4<sup>th</sup> cycle test started on 23 and ended on 27<sup>th</sup>. 29<sup>th</sup> Sept. to 4 Oct. we had SXS Dashain Camp for all the students except Nursery. All the students participated in various activities based on four houses. Drawing/painting, elocution, quiz, singing solo & group, dance - solo & group, One Act play, Athletics item - 100 mtr race, shot put, field games - football and Kabaddi were there.

to organize things and execute them. In spite of first two rainy days things went on so well. School got to see many budding talents. This SXSDC was concluded with sharing snacks and tea according to the house. We had a short evaluation of the camp, wished each other Happy Dashain and departed for homes. SXS Family wishes all Happy Dashain 2076.

Vijay Toppo





## SHISHU BIKAS KENDRA

The long awaited *Teej* day celebration at SBK was a grand success. Most of the mothers came to SBK in traditional red *Sari* to share the joys and happiness of being mothers; and women and showed their love to SBK children. They danced whole day and had different kinds of competition and activities to bring laughter and smiles on the faces of their children. The experience of the day has been captured and immortalized by coming up with an idea of printing out a flex of mothers' photos. While looking at the photos, children feel closeness of their mothers' presence when they are down in the dumps.

Children's day was another hit day in the history of SBK. Our SXG X- student, Sir Kamal Bhadur Malla came to celebrate the children's day at SBK with his students from Gorkha English Boarding school. They put up a very good show of singing and dancing and distributed lots of sweets to SBK children. It was an enjoyable day for them.

As a Dashain and Tihar treat children were taken to Dancing Boat Hotel at the Lake side. They loved singing and dancing in the new place. They had sumptuous meal to their hearts' content and escorted back to SBK by special police. The glow of happiness of children could be observed and felt by their parents and relatives. SBK remains vacant for a month. All children are out to their villages to celebrate Dashain and Tihar with their relatives.

We had some known and unknown guests. They enjoyed their stay with us and our simple hospitality. Fr. Paul had gone to Siliguri to attend superiors meeting. He is back to Nepal and giving retreat at Lubu, Kathmandu. Our catholic youths are very busy in preparation for their annual convention to be held at Dharan. There was a CRN meeting on 2<sup>nd</sup> of September at Narayanghat. There was a grand celebration at the church on the feast day of the Exultation of the Cross. Holy Cross Sisters provided high tea to the parishioners. A group of faithful from Assumption church came to conduct prayer for a day. There were around 30 people attending the prayer. The parish council members had a meeting to fix the date to invite Rev Bishop Paul Simick to bless the newly erected Grotto.

Amit Lakra



#### **ST. XAVIER'S SOCIAL SERVICE CENTER**



S. Al Takeuchi from Nanzan University, Japan interacted with the persons with physical disability to know the problems faced by them after two major earthquakes that hit Nepal in 2015. Ms. Mana Shrestha along with her son, son-in-law, grand-daughter and relatives, inaugurated streaming of LED TV which herself has gifted in the memory of her late husband Balkrishna Shrestha. Moreover, she has agreed to educate one child of SXSSC till she lives. SXSSC thanks Mana Shrestha for her generosity and love for the children. Laxmi Tamang, night warden of Aruna Bhawan along with other Counselling Trainee mates conducted



an awareness program on mental health to the boys and girls of SXSSC. Two wheel chair students from SXSSC participated in

wheel chair basketball tournament organized by Jawalakhel Wheelchair Club and won the trophy. SXSSC thanks class five students from St. Xavier's School, Jawalakhel who donated stationeries and edibles to the children. The Social Work students from St. Xavier's College organized Children's Day program for boys and girls of the institute. The theme of the Children' Day was 'Love Children, Save Children' which was written by one of the children herself. The BSW students were able to collect about NPR 68,000.00 for the program. Competitions, games and cultural programs were the actions of the day. Thanks to all the donors who made the children's day a day of joy. Fr. George PM, principal of St. Xavier's School was the chief guest of the day. Moreover, Frs. Mathew and Boby arrived to catch the glimpses of

the program. One of the boys named Pradip Bastakoti broke his left hand and needed to be operated and put rod to make it normal. Four students of Development Studies from National College, Dhumbarai have joined SXSSC for voluntary work. SXSSC appreciates their initiative to work with the children and help them though it is not academic requirement.

The children from Aruna Bhawan celebrated TEEJ along with neighborhood. Mr. Pal Polgar, a Hungarian volunteer and well-wisher of SXSSC came to Aruna Bhawan for the third time and helped the children. Aruna Bhawan thanks Pal for his generosity and love.

Tulsi Maharjan, son of Usha Devi Maharjan known as Sahuni presented 42 inch LED TV for Aruna Bhawan in memory of his late mother. Aruna



Bhawan thanks Tulsi for making arrangement, his brother and all the members to Rotaract Club for their support and care. Meena Aryal from Dadeldhura, a far western region of Nepal, was admitted in Children's Hospital for clubfoot operation and has come back to Aruna Bhwan after four months. Once healed, second foot will be operated. Ms. Kumari Gurung organized a lunch program for the elderly of Gafney Bhawan. She initiated this program to impart values of caring and sharing in her daughter who is studying at St. Xavier's School. Thanks to Ms. Kumari Gurung, her husband and her children. Eight remaining children, after others left for home to celebrate Dashain and Tihar, had joined for the lunch program.

**Dilip** Toppo



### **CAMPION HOUSE**

S XC was awarded with a trophy, certificate and cash of Rs. 100,000/by the Ministry of Education for our wonderful results in the last Class 12 board exams. Our proud Dean, HODs, Coordinators and a few students attended the function.

The Jesuit presence in the college, one thing that can never be enough, has been enhanced by the part-time teaching of Dilip and Juel in the morning hours. Both of them are associated with the Department of Major Arts. Dilip has classes with social work students and Juel deals with journalism students.

SXC saw activities of all types during the past month. Almost all the departments had their terminal exams and result distribution. Admissions to several Bachelors and Masters Courses have been completed; some faculties will complete their new admissions only after the October break.

The Computer Department concluded their annual CISCO Boot Camp in the last week of August. A workshop on digital marketing was conducted on 1<sup>st</sup> Sept. by the same department. The Department of Social Work organized two panel discussions on the fundamental rights granted by the 2015 Constitution of Nepal to commemorate the Constitution Week from 15th to 18th September.

A two-day National Symposium on Research, Development and Innovation in Physics (NSRDIP - 2019 was organized by the Department of Physics on September 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>. Over two hundred physics enthusiasts from various institutions in Kathmandu attended the symposium.

The second cycle of Frs. Locke and Stiller Research Awards (LSRA) came to

an end on 19<sup>th</sup> September with a formal ceremony of closure. The Vice-Chancellor of the National Academy of Science and Technology was the chief guest. LSRA is thus named to honour the pioneers of Jesuit research in Nepal. The research program is carried out by interested teachers with the help of aspiring students. The fruits of LSRA cycle 1 was brought out in the form of a journal titled, Research Annals of Xavier's Nepal which was unveiled by Fr. Cap during the function. One of the LSRA students of Cycle 1 Rejina Jha of the Department of Physics was recently awarded with the 3rd National Women in Science Award -2019, student category.

Rural Immersion Camps (RICs) are a very special feature of education at SXC. RICs offer opportunities for students to learn organizational, team work and other leadership skills; and most importantly, the students get to be a part of the rural realities of their nation and do something about them. This year, a fresh air was brought to the planning and implementation of these camps by the newly appointed outreach program coordinator, Mr. Mohan Bhanjade. Four sections of Class 12 completed their RICs in Nuwakot, Dhading and Sindhupalchowk in September.

Field trips are a part and parcel of Jesuit education. All the sections of Class 11 undertook a day-trip to ICIMOD in Godawari and the Botanical Garden as an extension of their class room studies in Biology during the third week of September. Despite the threat of dengue and the difficulties caused by the offseason showers, the students reported that they had a wonderful time. SXC in collaboration with the Ministry of Health organized several awareness programs related to dengue in its premises. All our students and staff participated in one or the other programs. The College Event Coordinating Team (CECT), a newly constituted body of staff members, organized an Essay Writing Competition and an Eco Awareness Program during the International Environmental Week from 22nd to 27th September.

Formation of the staff is an integral part of our education. A two-day workshop on Curriculum Development was conducted for interested staff on 12th and 17 of September by Olli Vesterinen from DIAK University in Helsinki, Finland. This training was conducted as part of a project funded by Erasmus+ in which SXC collaborates with Universities from Finland, Norway, Turkey and Vietnam to help in the capacity building of teachers in Nepal. A week of Intensive Course on curriculum development and implementation will be conducted in the last week of November. Please contact Jomon for more details if you are interested.

SXC joined hands with hundreds of thousands of school going children all over the world who went on a climate strike on 20<sup>th</sup> October. Since it was a public holiday in Nepal, our students moved their climate strike action to the following Friday, 27th of September. Aloft with placards describing the plight of the earth and demanding actions to create a safe environment, the students demonstrated in front of the UN building in Pulchowk for about two hours. The social media was cluttered with accusations against SXC for using "students" in climate strike. However, our students have a ready answer to these blames: "the future is ours; we won't make the same mistakes that our elders made." SXC would like to do more in collaboration with other schools of ours so that we put into practice the call of the UAPs - care for our common home.

The Plus Two Class of 2018-20 performed outstandingly well in their Class 11 board exams. Seventeen of our students topped the country with GPA of 3.93. Four hundred and twelve students scored As in all the subjects; among them 204 students had A+ in all the subjects which is 10% of all the A+ achieved in the country. Congratulations to the students and staff.

Congratulations to James on defending his doctoral thesis successfully through a viva on 9th September. James has officially completed his doctoral studies now. Currently, James is visiting his family in Kerala. He will return to Kathmandu in the middle of October.

Augustine is in Kathmandu as he moves fast towards the completion of his doctoral studies. He will be in Kathmandu till mid Nov, interviewing people, collecting data and codifying them. He will then return to Manila for the final defense of his paper. He is hopeful that he would be able to get back to Kathmandu for good in the first half of 2020.

Jiju is done with his MPhil thesis and is waiting for a date to appear for the viva. He had a three-week trip to Slovakia, Poland and Hungary to establish international alliances with various universities there. He also presented a paper at the International Conference of European Theologians held in Bratislava, Slovakia in late August.

Please keep Cap's sister Emily in your prayers as she recovers from a recent surgery to remove a few cancerous cells in her body. Jomon also requests prayers for his seven month old niece and nephew who are seriously ill. As we look forward to the Dasain break, may the Lord bless us all with good health of mind and body.

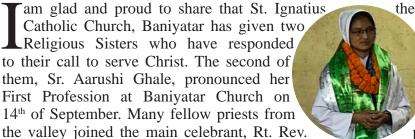
Jomon Jose

# **GOOD SHEPHERED, TIPLING**

Tipling schools had their first term exams and closed for long Dashain holidays. Pastorally, Tipling Jesuits visit far-flung out posts of Puru and Lingcho. The NJS priorities under UAP have given great incentive to a more energetic evangelization. At least eleven residents of Lingcho have expressed desires to be received in Catholic Church. Some conversions are in old age conversion. The latest was a 91-year-old woman baptized in Majjat. The youth have been busy preparing song and dance items for the national youth convention in Dharan during the Dashain holiday. Fr. Ayar and a layman, namely Terence Ghale, will accompany them. Deacon Augustus went to Kathmandu for medical check up, of problems that had been diagnosed in Canada. Up on returning to Tipling he received sad news that his father has been paralyzed back home in Chhattisghar. He would appreciate Regions prayer for his father at this time. Frs. Amrit and Juel made visitation between 28 September to 1 October. While they were here, they made mission tour with Fr Ayar and Deacon Augustus to Lapdung, Majjat, Puru, Lingcho and Thulo Gaon. They brought the good news of architect's plan to begin delivery of building materials for the construction of the new church in October. (see the photograph).

Jesuits Sources, Tipling

### ST. IGNATIUS CHURCH, BANIYATAR



the Parish which will be running throughout the October this year. To mark the day, we had a faith sharing witness and her fascinating conversion story by Miss Sunita KC who is the only Christian and a Catholic in a Chhettri, Hindu family. She is also one of the most committed youths we have. The people were deeply moved by her sharing

and the deep faith that she possesses. The whole month of October will be completely dedicated to the 'Extra Ordinary Mission Month' activities. During this time parishioners are to carry out various missionoriented activities at their individual capacity and in the various groups as well, to which they belong.



relatives from Tipling and from the valley attended in a big number on the occasion. Perhaps it is an idea for the other Sister Congregations attending in a good number, how to attract the young girls to join them.

Religious Sisters who have responded

to their call to serve Christ. The second of

them, Sr. Aarushi Ghale, pronounced her

First Profession at Baniyatar Church on

14<sup>th</sup> of September. Many fellow priests from

Bishop Paul Simick. Sr. Aarushi comes from Tipling

village. She stayed in Prernalaya hostel and studied at

a local school in Baniyatar. Since, she pronounced her Vows publicly during obligatory Mass on Saturday,

parishioners got a chance to witness and learn how the

ceremonial ritual takes place. The parishioners and

On 28th of September, St. Ignatius parish, Baniyatar inaugurated the "Extra Ordinary Mission Month" in

As schools and colleges are closed for Dashain-Tihar festivals, youths in the parish are keeping themselves busy in preparing for the 'National Youth Convention-2019' that will be taking place in Dharan from 5<sup>th</sup> to 9<sup>th</sup> of October. There will be 23 youths from Baniyatar Parish participating in the convention.

Anil Beck



# DIASPORA

### **ST. PETER'S H.S. SCHOOL, GAYAGANGA**

The month of September brought lots of celebrations and activities. St. Peter's high school students were enthused to celebrate teacher's day on 5th of September, which was seen in their creative and innovative performances on the stage. Inter school Fr. Bossaers Memorial Football Tournament was conducted on 13th September, in which six teams participated. Parents-teachers meeting were held on 16th of September. In view of 'Nirmal Bangla Mission' the whole school campus and surroundings were cleaned up by the students. Medical check up was conducted by Phansideva Health Organization to all the higher secondary boys and girls from 19th to 24th of September and they were suggested to avail free medical facilities from the Block. In view of Tobacco free Aviyaan, all the students participated in the rally with self made posters and loud slogans to create awareness about the damage done by the tobacco products. Much awaited CCTv cameras have been installed in the high school.

In St. Peters primary school, Teachers day was celebrated in a grand manner; for the first time the cultural program was entirely conducted by the students. On the feast of the exaltation of the Holy Cross, Crushveer children of St. Peter's primary school along with St. Mary's girls school made their promise to be authentic Crushveer. 'Caritas India' conducted a seminar on United for Child protection and Go Green and Keep the Earth Clean for the students and the teachers on 20<sup>th</sup> September. The students and teachers also planted trees on that day and went for a rally to create awareness on maintaining clean and green earth.

For the first time Teachers' day was celebrated in the parish, this was an occasion to honour the teachers and to pray for them. The feast of Karam was celebrated meaningfully in the parish on 15<sup>th</sup> of September; on the same day Catholic Sabha had organized Karam dance competition in the parish, in which many villages participated. The Parish youth participated in Diocese level Karam Festival and the Karam dance competition on 22<sup>nd</sup> of September. Fr. Peter Pappu was engaged in organizing program for the JEPASA coordinators meeting. On 22<sup>nd</sup> of September, the community was blessed by the presence of the coordinators of JEPASA in Gayaganga, their witnessing presence was appreciated by the parishioners.

David Donald

#### **ST. ALOYSIS COLLEGE, MANGALURU**

The month of September was packed with various activities. On 1st of September we had outing in different groups known as 'Living Groups'. At this opportunity, we visited Summer Salt, a beautiful tourist place. We enjoyed a lot and had great time.

On 5th we celebrated 'Teachers Day' conducted by Economics and General English batches of the first year 'BA' students. On this beautiful occasion two of our teachers shared their life experiences, which were enriching and inspiring to all. We enjoyed and benefited from this meaningful celebration.

Ruben has joined 'Sahodaya' association, which is conducted by college committee, St. Aloysius College Mangalore. On 13th we had competition on the theme 'Cooking Without Fire' among various groups of Sahodaya students. The competition was a good experience for all of us where we won the first prize. Students enjoyed those two hours on Friday through which they learnt many values, like teamwork, skills and also came to know each other.

The novena of Mother Mary was creatively conducted by each living group meaningfully and devotionally. Fr. Maxim Dias SJ offered feast day mass on 11th of September in the evening. This was soon followed by traditional meal. Fr. Alphonse Fernandez, the superior of our community and Fr. Kevin, the sub - minister served us during the meal. This beautiful experience reminded us of our mothers' love. Currently we are busy with our upcoming first semester examination.

Ruben and Niroj

## ATENEO, MANILA

rnis is the national game of Philippines, it is a kind of martial art; but Basketball is like a religion here. People here love to watch and play basketball and at present University Basketball Tournament is going on in metro Manila. As Jesuit's moto - 'Magis' Ateneo is on the top. With Fr Augustine, I had a very memorable experience watching live match in the stadium with the giant screen and whole sorts of supporters. Fr Augustine has successfully defended his thesis proposal on Sep, 11 and has gone to Nepal to collect data for his thesis. My classes are in full swing. I am also helping out in the school and college by hearing confessions and saying Masses.



07 October	Fr. Amit Lakra
22 October	Fr. Samuel Simick
26 October	Fr. Vijay Pratap Toppo

# **PRAYERS FOR THE DEPARTED SOULS**



Tej Kalyan

Eight Day Ignatian Retreat in Godavari Ashram January 10 to 18, 2020 Contact at: godavariashram@gmail.com



\*Fr. Aloysius Thoppil (AND, 56/31) on Oct 1.
\*Br. Robert W. Schneider, S.J., (UMI 81/61) died on Sept.14, 2019, at Colombiere Center, Michigan.
\*Fr. James E. Fitzgerald, S.J., (UMI 84/66) died on September 12, 2019 in Wauwatosa, WI.
\*Fr. Edward Jeganathan Anthony (MDU, 83/62) on Sept 10.

\*Fr. Alphonsus Benedict D'Souza (KHM,78/62) on Sept 6.

#### Those who served in Nepal

17/10/2012	Fr. Joseph E. Kolb
20/10/1999	Fr. Allen B. Starr
29/10/2015	Fr. Akijiro Ooki