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An Environmentally Sustainable Lifestyle : We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.



THE NATIVITY OF THE
Blessed Virgin Mary

INFORMATION:

- Hearty Congratulations to **Fr. Pudota Jojaya, SJ** for receiving the 'Lifetime Achievement Award' from The Telugu Catholic Bishops' Council on behalf of Divyavani Social Communications for his dedicated services to the Telugu Catholic Church.
- **Fr. Arul Jothi Manickam, SJ** will pronounce his Final vows on 14 Sep 2021 at St. Joseph's Chapel, Loyola Academy, Secunderabad.
- Hearty Congratulations to **Fr. Murala Jagadish, SJ** for successfully defending his Ph.D thesis, "ADVAITA AND St THOMAS AQUINAS: A Study in Comparative Metaphysics" on 31 Aug 2021 in Chennai.
- On 9 Aug, **Fr. John Packiaraj SJ** reached Satyodayam Community from Guyana.
- On 27 Aug, **Fr. J Vijay Kumar SJ** joined Jesuit Community at Palayamkottai for M Sc Zoology studies.
- **Fr. Kunduru Joji SJ** has joined Satyodayam Community.

FR. PROVINCIAL'S PROGRAMME

- 1-2 - Sacred Heart College, Tirupattur
- 5-6 - Contact Visit, Loyola Institutions, Karimnagar
- 13-14 - Contact Visit & Final Vows of Fr Arul Jyoti SJ – Loyola Academy, Alwal
- 19 - Province Consult – Curia
- 21-28 - Sacred Heart College, Tirupattur

ANANDA JYOTHI, NAGARJUNA NAGAR:



The months of Jul & Aug were crammed with spiritual activities and joyful occasions. On 22 Jul we commenced novena to St. Ignatius of Loyola in the retreat house and all the members of the community participated in it. We, the novices conducted the novena very creatively & prayerfully. First year novices received the first dose of vaccination (Covishield) on 24 Jul. We had half a day recollection on 29 Jul and on the same day in the evening we received the urn- ashes of Fr. Stan Swamy, SJ. We had a memorial prayer service at retreat house along with JMJ sisters, Ujwala girls and pastoral centre members. We felt it was a great privilege for us to have the ashes of Fr. Stan Swamy in our campus.



We celebrated St. Ignatius feast in a great manner on 31 Jul. We had feast day Mass in the morning and in the evening, we had a cultural programme; we enacted a play on Fr. Stan Swamy namely (ADHIVASALUAA ASHYA JYOTHI FR STAN SWAMY) for 45 minutes which showed chronic impact on the viewers, followed by sumptuous dinner. Later we uploaded the video in the YouTube and many viewers have appreciated us that the video was heart-touching. On 5 Aug we had an evaluation of the feast day of St. Ignatius of Loyola followed by a cycle ride up to Mangalagiri where we enjoyed and relaxed. On 8 Aug Fr. Dhanapal took handwriting classes through which we could see conspicuous change in our handwriting. On 15 Aug we celebrated Independence Day. Fr. Avinash, SJ hoisted the national flag and Moses, NSJ delivered a powerful speech and we celebrated the birthday of Vijay kumar, the second year novice on the same day.

- VIJAY KUMAR, NSJ

VIDYANIKETAN, TRIVANDRUM:

The Vidyaniketan has 23 young juniors from five Southern provinces and one from Ranchi. Soon after our arrival we were quarantined for fifteen days. We were all well protected and cared for by Fr. Swaminathan, minister from Chennai province. Fr. Wilson, the superior of Vidyaniketan has been ailing for some time. He is in Chandigarh for treatment. Let us pray for his good health. We celebrated the feast of St Ignatius of Loyola in high spirits. The celebration of Independence day and the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary on 15 Aug have left us with a lot of memories. We all celebrated Onam; the prominent feast of Kerala which brought us together as one family. The Kerala juniors briefed us about the significance of Onam. As covid-19 is on the increase, we have cancelled ministries outside and are confined to St Xavier's campus. As days pass by we are intensely preparing for the first term exams to be held in Sep.

- P. RAYAPPA, SJ

SANJEEVAN NIWAS, VIJAYAWADA:

Months of Jul and Aug were ideal period of time for the scholastics of Sanjeevan, as they shared the spirit of Fr Stan Swami. We recalled the roots of the Society on the feast of St Ignatius. On 23 Jul, we had a major social gathering with all the honourable dignitaries of different religions, social activists, human rights activists, in remembrance of Fr Stan Swami, sharing his spirit of work in the presence of his urn-ashes. All the guests inspired the attendees with eloquent speeches and Sch. Ashwin Ekka (Ranchi province) was an exceptional one while sharing his sentiments about and experiences with Fr Stan Swami. On 31 Jul, feast of St Ignatius, we had a solemn Mass in the morning with Fathers of Sanjeevan, Fr CJ John and Fr Prashanth as the president. We had a delicious lunch with all the fathers of

A.L.C community. On behalf of the college, we enacted a skit on the conversion of St Ignatius which was streamed through YouTube to all the students of the college.

On 14 Aug, the Andhra Jesuit family honoured Fr Francis Xavier, Fr Philomin Raj, and Bro. Xavier Amal for their remarkable service of 50 years in the Society of Jesus. Scholastics had played a great role in decorations, Holy Eucharist and felicitations etc. The following day, Fr Provincial met all the Andhra Scholastics as a part of his contact visit to the Sanjeevan community and enthused us with his reflections. Lastly, the academic year 2020-2021 taught us a new phase of learning through online classes. We bade farewell to the last academic year in the second week of Aug. Relying on God's providence and love, we welcomed the next academic year on 16 Aug.

- P. BHASKAR, SJ

SHANTHINAGAR PARISH:



Since our parishoners are by and large involved in farming and cultivation, we have been praying for the timely monsoon rain. And behold! We received the much needed rains last few days. We thank God for listening to our prayers and granting our petitions. I am grateful to Fr. Sunil for his services and involvement in the parish activities in the past two years. Hearty welcome to Fr. Gabriel to Sircilla.

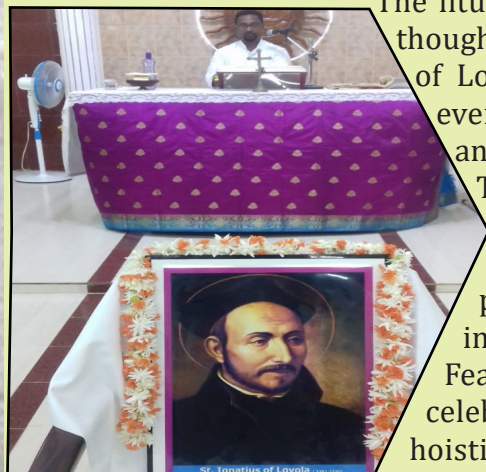
Though, it was a quick visit and stay in the parish, it was joyful to have Fr. B. Ashok in the parish. It was pleasant to have him at the blessing of Velangani matha grotto and it remains an attraction to the faithful and by-passers on the road in Balanagar. It added more devotion to the locality. I

am pleased to have Sch. P. Naresh for his Diaconate Ministry at Santhinagar parish and it is the maiden attempt and golden opportunity for our Deacon to explore our Jesuit parish. We celebrated the feast of Ignatius of Loyola with a meaningful Eucharist. Sch. P. Naresh preached the homily and Mr. Beerreddy Innareddy & Mr. Allam Innareddy sponsored refreshments after the Mass. After the Eucharist at parish, we three Jesuits moved to Karimnagar for the Feast day Mass celebrated by Most. Rev. Dr. Udumala Bala. We are going village by village with Nirmala Sisters for blessing and praying with families.



- YERUVA INNA, SJ

SIVAPURAM PARISH:



The liturgical celebrations have now gained normal rhythm in the parish though there are still some apprehension existing. The feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola was celebrated on 31 July with a meaningful Mass in the evening. The significance of the feast for this year in the light of 500 anniversary of Ignatius' conversion was explained to the people. Thanks and appreciation to our catechists, the youth and the choir for all the arrangements and co-operation for the celebration. Our special thanks to Fr. M. Prasad our Mission Superior, who arranged prasadam (sweets and snacks) sufficient for all the parishioners including those in substations.

Feast of Assumption of Our Lady and the Indian Independence Day were celebrated with normal gusto. Celebration of Mass was followed by flag-hoisting ceremony in Nadigadda, Sivapuram and RCM Primary School at

Sivapuram. People were exhorted to imbibe the spirit of interior freedom and interdependence following the example of Mother Mary. Sweets were distributed at the end. On 16 Aug, our Primary School re-opened and our little children cheerfully received their jagananna vidyakanuka (books, bags, shoes, ties) in the presence of HM, Ms. M. Josephine. Two boys from Sivapuram were motivated to join seminary and one joined SDB and the other Gulbarga diocese. Please do pray for these boys to persevere in their vocation with determination.

- P. PETER, SJ



ADILABAD - ASIFABAD MISSION:



The feast of St. Ignatius was celebrated on 31 Jul at Utnoor and Mandamarri. As these two places are separated by a distance of 125kms, we decided to have the celebrations separately in each place for the convenience of those who wished to attend it. A total of 55 priests and sisters came to Utnoor, greeted us, took part in the prayer service and participated in the feast day meal. At Mandamarri, it was celebrated with their collaborators and coworkers. The great number that attended the feast showed their appreciation and love for us working in this diocese. The Bishop too sent us his wishes.

The sisters of St. Anne of Providence at Kubeer celebrated their feast on 24 Jul. Fr. Amal attended their celebration and made them happy. The Catechist Sisters of St. Anne, Nandanam, had the blessing of their convent at Rangampet in our diocese on 25 Jul. Fr. Amal was specially invited by the Mother General and the Provincial to attend the function. His presence at the function was a source of strength and inspiration. Similarly the "Bambina" Sisters (SCCG) of Hyderabad had the blessing of their convent on 26 Jul at Mujapally in Marthidi parish. Fr. Xavier Rex the president of the local CRI unit renders various services like Online Recollection, "Karuniya Program" etc. for its members. He had kept the admission open for the intermediate course so that more could join Carmel junior college. He was happy to admit four of our tribal students on 27 Jul. Due to Covid Pandemic situation, the Independence Day celebration at Carmel Academy was limited to staff alone. Br. Vasanth SG the principal of the Industrial school at Warangal hoisted the National flag and Fr. Amal delivered the message. Fr. Pratap was present for the final vows of Sr. Lourdu Mary, JMJ from his own village on 29 Jul and celebrated the Thanksgiving Mass for Sr. Lourdu on 30 Jul.



"Linsi Foundation" has come forward to assist 600 tribal families for food kits during the present Covid-19 Pandemic. Supply of these kits is not only to sustain their health but also to prevent them from going to money lenders to borrow for food. Currently we are fully engaged in this work. The International day of the world's Indigenous People namely "Adivasi Day" on 9 Aug was celebrated by the tribal people of Adilabad and Asifabad in a very impressive way. Fr. Amal joined the people of Jodeghat and garlanded the statue of Mr. Kumram Bheem. He and Fr. Pratap went in the afternoon of the same day to Indravelli to watch the "Dalit Girijan Atma Gourava Dandora" at the Tribal Martyrs' memorial. Our tribal people made it a point to celebrate this day to express solidarity with every other tribal community in our area and to preserve their culture. Fifteen students of MSW department of Osmania University, Hyderabad visited our villages on Jodeghat hills on 10 Aug. We briefed them of the general situation in Ummadi

Adilabad district and the works we are doing for the tribal people.



Fr. Amal attended the funeral of Fr. CJ. John on 8 Aug and preached the homily during the burial Mass. He also attended the Golden Jubilee celebrations of our three province members at ALC Vijayawada. Our parish priest of Utnoor is away in Kerala from 7 Aug and will return on 30 Aug. Fr. Pratap is in charge of the parish and correspondent of the school during this period. He is fully engaged in it along with the other activities in our mission. He is invited by one family or other for prayer daily. He contacted six students from our adopted government schools and got four. They are admitted at Carmel junior college to pursue intermediate course. On 19 Aug Frs. Amal and Pratap visited fathers at Ichoda, Kokasmanur, Boath and Nirmal. His Birthday celebration on 21 was grand. Fr. Xavier Rex along with Fr. Rinoj came from Mandamarri to be with us. We had the Birthday lunch together with them. The infant Jesus Youth Group consisting of children of our parish decorated his room, organized a program with cake cutting, song and dance. Kudos to these children.

- D. PRATAP SJ

CITRA - SECUNDERABAD:



On 18 Jul the Catholic Association of the Archdiocese of Hyderabad in collaboration with CITRA organized a peaceful protest-demonstration at Dr. Ambedkar Statue, Tankbund Hyderabad condemning the unlawful arrest and custodial death of Fr. Stan Swamy under UAPA by the NIA. It was a coincidence that the Urn Ashes of Fr. Stan Swamy SJ was also taken to the venue by Fr. AXJ Bosco SJ and Fr. Selvin SJ for the public to pay homage. A good number of members of the civil society participated in the event followed by Eucharistic celebration at St. Mary's Basilica presided over by Most Rev. Poola Antony the Arch Bishop of Hyderabad. Jesuits, Diocesan priests, Catholic Religious and Laity from the twin city attended the memorial Mass and paid their homage to Fr. Stan Swamy the prophet and martyr of our time.

On 21 Jul CITRA organized a memorial service for the Urn-ashes of Fr. Stan Swamy at St. Patricks High School Secunderabad highlighting the commitment and dedication of Fr. Stan Swamy for the uplift and development of the Adivasi communities in Jarkhand. Speaking on this occasion Prof. Haragopal, Buddhist Monk Tashi, Mr. Sleeva Galleli and many others who participated asserted "Right to dissent and debate are the ingredients of our fundamental right to freedom of speech enshrined in the Constitution of India to every citizen in our democratic country". Everyone unanimously claimed that the custodial death of Fr. Stan Swamy is an 'institutional murder' and total negligence on the part of the Indian judicial system.



On 1 Aug Fr. AXJ Bosco SJ Advisor National Council of Dalit Christians animated one day workshop on "Psychological Empowerment of Dalits"

at Ananda Jyothi Renewal Centre, Nambur promoted by CITRA. His relentless works among the people of marginalized communities for their liberation has no bounds! Keep going Fr. Bosco !

Every year 10 Aug is observed as "Black Day or Protest Day" by the Dalit Christians and Dalit Muslims all over the country. CITRA networking with the initiative taken by the SC/BC Commission Secretary and Catholic Association of the Archdiocese of Hyderabad organized a peaceful protest at Dr. Ambedkar

Demand for welfare schemes



The National Council of Dalit Christians along with Telangana Council of Commission for SC & BC and Catholic Association of Hyderabad observe at the Ambedkar Statue, Tankbund, in Hyderabad on Tuesday. — S.S

statue near Tankbund, Secunderabad. Social activist-singer Gaddhar, Fr. Swarna Bernard, Fr. Arlagada Joseph, Fr. G. Selvin, Sr. Manju, Sr. Jessi Kurian, Mr. Satar Shaib, Mr. Sleeva Galleli, Mr. James Sylvester, Mr. Deepak John and many others condemned the Presidential order 1950 as discriminatory and violates the freedom of religion enshrined in the Constitution of India. Since the order willfully denied schedule caste status to the Dalit Christians and Dalit Muslims on account of their religious faith, a press note was read out by Fr.G. Selvin during the peaceful protest. Representatives from LCRI Hyderabad, leaders from many Christian denominations, Muslim communities, men and women of goodwill participated in the programme.

Creating economic access to the poor should be our prime concern when we seriously intend to implement our apostolic priority of “Walking with the poor”. In July three groups consisting of 10 Dalit women from each Madaka, Devarapalli and Rayapalli villages received Rs. 10,000 as loan under Micro-Credit Union (MCU). In August a group of 10 Dalit women from Gandigunta village repaid their previous loan entirely and got back Rs. 20,000 each as second loan from the MCU monitored by CITRA. We gratefully acknowledge the continual help rendered by the students of Sainte Jeanne D’ Arc Brignoles, France, with their Association “A Smile for India”. Through MCU they have touched the lives of so many Dalit and tribal families in our Province.



For the last three months CITRA also is seriously getting involved with ministry among the Migrants. Under Covid -19 Emergency Relief Project initiated by ISI Delhi, CITRA could reach out with generic medicine and dry ration kits to 550 Corona affected families in Telangana and Andhra states. Reciprocating the benefits received by the beneficiaries, some of the villages came forward to provide ration to a Home for the aged in Manginepudi and children’s orphanage in Vyuuru. As part of the Covid 19 Emergency Relief, around 30 front line health workers were identified in urban slums and rural villages. They were given each a Tool Kit containing a Temperature monitor, an Oxio meter and a BP monitor to be used as they visit the slums and villages.

Thanks to Fr. N. Bhaskar our Superior. Amidst his hectic schedule attending to various court cases, he has spruced up our house more colorfully. CITRA looks very grand now with the presence of young, energetic and studious Frs. Joseph Kumar and Y.T. Prabhu.

- M.G. SELVIN RAJ, SJ

LITDS, K.D.PETA :



Having a new director, Fr. I John Soosai Manickam and Sr. Mary and Sr. Clare in collaboration we strated the K.D. Peta mission. We continue to help and care for the needy. Fr. Provincial and Fr. Paul Amal along with two more priests celebrated the first death anniversary Mass of Fr. Elias Arockiasamy. Some parishioners and teachers also participated. Thanks to Fr. Provincial for his kindness and thoughtfulness towards our community of LITDS, K.D.Peta. We, the staff and the non-teaching staff are grateful to Fr. Benny, SDB for helping us with dry ration and also Srs Clare and Mary for getting some help from their congregation in providing some relief and medical help. While the government schools are overflowing with the students, our schools remain dim and dry. Yet, we hope for the better.

- I. JOHN & SIMON, SJ

ARUNODAYAM AND LOYOLA ENGLISH MEDIUM SCHOOL, HINDUPUR:



Having completed his final semester exams, Sch. Paul Pradeep joined the community on 28 Jun for his regency. On 15 Jul, Fr. Showri Raju and Fr. Thambi joined the community with new vigor. Having been inspired by the Universal Apostolic Preferences, our community continued to support the poor and the downtrodden by distributing dry rations and planting trees in the campus. On 17 Jul we had short prayer service for Fr. Stan Swamy and paid tribute to him. The Jesuit pre-novitiate has begun with Fr. Thambi as its new Director. Sixteen pre-novices reached Arunodayam on 22 Jul and five more candidates joined us a few days later. Thanks to Fr. Vidya Sagar, the vocation promoter for initiating pre-novices into Pre-novitiate life through orientation for a week. On 28 Jul we had Holy Spirit Mass for the pre-novitiate where all the other Jesuits of the community were present for the same. On 31 Jul we celebrated feast of our founder St. Ignatius. On that day, our joy was doubled by the gracious presence of Fr. Chowrappa, the administrator of Kurnool Diocese who celebrated Mass and enriched us through his thought provoking reflections. On 2 Aug we began our regular classes for the pre-novices. Our whole campus was deeply sad to know the sudden demise of Fr. C. J. John, SJ. Fr. K. P. Francis gave the funeral oration at the funeral ceremony. On 12 Aug, Fr. Philomin Raj left for Vijayawada to celebrate his Golden Jubilee in the Society. Fr. G. Avinash represented our community for the Jubilee celebration. We joined our school staff to celebrate the Independence Day on 15 Aug in which we also observed a moment of silence for a minute for the repose of the soul of Fr. C. J. John. In order to show our solidarity during this pandemic, we distributed dry rations to all the teaching staff on the same day. Currently we have 21 Pre-novices from 4 states. The director and the regent are busy with academic activities, while Fr. Philomin is busy with teaching Catechism and spoken English to the pre-novices. Loyola English medium School began classroom instructions on 16 Aug for the High school students as per the instructions of the Government. Currently we are all busy with the academic activities.



- JOHNSON, SJ

ST. PATRICK'S HIGH SCHOOL, SECUNDERABAD:

We attended and listened to Recollection Talk given by Archbishop Rt. Rev. Poola Anthony of Hyderabad archdiocese along with twin city Jesuits at Loyola academy in preparation for St. Ignatius Feast on 29 Jul. We had prayer service on "Contemplation to obtain love" along with St. Francis Community and MC sisters and gave festive dinner for them on 30 Jul. On 31 Jul, we celebrated Holy Mass for our school staff at 7.30 am and provided sumptuous breakfast for all. During breakfast, we released 2 E-Newsletter by 4th to 7th classes and a video of 'Cultural Program' on St. Ignatius life, songs and Principal message. We conducted virtual fancy dress and elocution competitions to our students on 2 Aug. We also conducted first unit test to our students. We conducted virtual singing competition to our students on 7 Aug. We organised investiture ceremony on 14 Aug. Honourable Justice Y. Satyendra VI Add. Metropolitan session judge, Chief guest, appreciated our punctuality, discipline and special care for each individual student. He also asked students to concentrate on studies and become what they want in life. He encouraged girls to be courageous and become lawyers. We also introduced two more houses and appointed girls as leaders of those two houses. Every Saturday we conduct parents and teachers meet to enquire into their children's study and remind parents that they are also responsible for their children's growth in their academics and other aspects. We celebrated Independence Day and

virtual cultural programs and messages. On 20 Aug, we invited Br. Xavier Amal, Golden Jubilarian to our community and honored him with a garland and shawl followed by dinner. On 21 Aug we conducted virtual recitation of poem competition to our students.

- G. NAVEEN KUMAR, SJ

LOYOLA INSTITUTIONS, KARIMNAGAR:



Novena prayers to St. Ignatius, conducted by the candidates were meaningful to prepare well to celebrate the feast of St. Ignatius. We had recollection on the 28 Jul. All the religious and diocesan priests, nuns and the Jesuit collaborators were invited for the feast day. The Holy Eucharist was celebrated by Most Rt. Rev. Dr. Udumula Bala, the Bishop of Warangal. This was followed by a festive dinner. The community felt that his presence was a blessing to the community. The feast day decorations and the arrangements were made by Fr. Maria Prasad, the in-charge of pre-novitiate and Sch. Naresh under the guidance of Fr. M. A. Alex, the superior. The choir was taken up by Pre-Novices under the guidance of Fr. M. Joseph. The feast day Mass was held in the new seminar hall in Loyola B.Ed.College.



The feast day basketball match between fathers and the Pre-Novices was organized by the regent Sch. Naresh in which the fathers won the match. Fr. Gabriel Raja, the principal of Loyola School in Siricilla, and Dn P. Naresh joined the fathers' team. The Loyola B.Ed. College, The Loyola Junior College, and the Loyola E.M School made the necessary arrangements for the offline classes. The B.Ed. College students are eagerly waiting for their offline exam schedule from the Satavahana university.

The Pre-Novices are busy not only with their online classes but also in other aspects. They are busy acquiring language skills such as writing essays, reading, and delivering speeches. Fr. Karunaidass, the minister and the spiritual father of Pre-Novices addressed the Pre-Novices and gave some important guidelines to strengthen their spiritual life. The Pre-Novices planted 500 plants in and around the campus and it adds more beauty and life to the campus. Fr. Dhanapal brought the plants and dug the pits with the help of the forest Department and the municipality. Fr.Karunaidass is beautifying the front garden with the help of Schs. Pallamraju, Amos (KHM) and Sumit (KHM). The Karimnagar campus looks rich with a lot of greenery with varieties of plants and flowers. The mother of Bujji Babu (Pre-Novice) died on 15 Aug due to sickness. A prayer service was organised by the pre-novices for the good health of Fr. Wilson.

- CH. NARESH, SJ

LOYOLA INSTITUTION, PULIVENDULA:



Due to Covid-19, there has been a change in the academic schedule at the Loyola Degree College. First Semester Exams for First years was held from 2 - 10 Aug. From 11 Aug onwards the regular offline classes are going on. For Second and third years, Semester end exams are going on from 12 Aug. On 7 Aug, we had College Annual Day Celebrations for II and III Years. Prof. P. Chandramathi, Dean, College Development Council, Yogi Vemana University distributed the prizes to toppers in various subjects. She admired the greenery and space in the college. Mr. P. R. Janardhana, Senior Assistant got retired on 31 July. The management and the staff appreciated his services in getting the arrears of retired and the present Aided Staff.

The Women's cell along with Ladies' Staff and Students attended the Demo on Disha App organized by the Department of Police. International Youth Day was celebrated with elocution competition on "Corruption in Independent India". On 13 Aug, we had an essay writing competition on "Quit India Movement". On 15 Aug, 75th Year of Independence was celebrated by recalling the freedom fighters in Kadapa and Andhra Pradesh. At the end, "Freedom Run" was carried out from flower market to milk Dairy.

NSS Swachh Pakwada Programme was carried out on the campus as well as in villages. On 11 Aug Mahatma Gandhi National Council for Rural Education organized a webinar. At the end of the session, the District Collector, as Chief Guest, presented "One District - One Green Champion Award" to the Principal. At the request of Municipal Commissioner, a 15 day training programme for Ward Volunteers was held from 21 Aug in our APSSDC Lab.

At the polytechnic, after a month of offline classes for the First and Second year students in Jul, the second year students were sent home for preparation holidays for the end semester exams, while the first year students were sent home for three weeks of online classes. The exams for the final year and second year will commence from 27 Aug and 7 Sep respectively.



- P. VIJAYARAJU, SJ

ANDHRA LOYOLA INSTITUTIONS:



The feast of St. Ignatius of Loyola was celebrated in a meaningful manner. The Andhra Loyola Institutions prepared one and a half hour programme and telecasted it live through YouTube on the feast day. All the Jesuits of the community, the staff and students of all the institutions took part and gave their full cooperation and support in making this event. Kudos to Fr. Melchoir who took the lead in coordinating this event in the virtual mode. The community members opted to conduct the Novena prayers in a meaningful manner. In the evening of the feast day we had a Holy Eucharist in the community level with Fr. Rector as the main celebrant and Fr. Peter Raj gave an inspiring

homily. The community rose up to the occasion in organising Province level Golden Jubilee celebrations of Br. Xavier Amal and Frs. S.Philomin Raj and A. Francis Xavier on 14 August. Kudos to Fr. Ravindra for taking the lead in coordinating this event. The rains continue to shower blessings in the campus. The community is bonding well and all are united in all the walks of life.

ALC



An online Academic Council meeting for the Academic Year 2021-22 was held on 29 Jul at 2.30 pm in which all the Heads and Coordinators of the UG and PG and the external experts along with the University representative were present. The Board of Management meeting of ALC was held on 18 Aug where the members ratified the minutes of the Academic Council meetings and approved various major and important proposals for the Academic year 2021-22.

The NSS units of ALC organised a special Lecture on 'The Importance of Trees and Ecological Balance', on the 5 Aug to mark the Launch of

'Vana Mahotsav' by the Govt. of Andhra Pradesh. Dr.T Sri Kumar, Dean of Science and the Chairman of Staff Association, ALC, was the Resource person. 75th Independence Day was celebrated with patriotic spirit on the 15 Aug. NCC Cadets of four wings along with their ANOs and the NSS units of ALC along with the Coordinators and some Staff graced the occasion. Mr. K V Vijayababu, retired professor of ALC graced the occasion as the Chief Guest and lifted the hearts and minds of all through an inspiring speech. The management felicitated Smt. Rampilli Narasayamma, and Sri. Gadde Satyanarayana, for their contribution during the struggle for Indian Independence. ALC has begun online Classes for the 3rd & 5th Semesters and offline classes for second year intermediate students from 16 Aug.

ALIET



On 31 Jul, ALIET presented an 'Electric Vehicle', fully prepared by the fourth year EEE students as part of their Project, to Fr. G. Rayappa. The idea to make this vehicle came from Fr. A. Francis Xavier who saw the struggle of the people in carrying food to different hostels. This vehicle is designed so as to meet the requirement in distributing the food from the centralised kitchen to various hostels. Kudos to Fr. A. Francis Xavier and his team for all the efforts in the development of this vehicle. On the feast day the staff of ALIET wished the community and presented a Micro Toaster Griller Oven to the Jesuit community. The NBA team made their visit to the campus from 6 - 8 Aug in a blended mode, i.e. 'online' and 'offline'. We had six members visiting us through online and two observers came for the

physical visit. The entire exercise helped us to set the standards high for the growth of the institution. We hope to get Accredited for all the five programmes that we applied for. We have begun the process for NAAC re-accreditation and in a few months we will be going for it.

The Civil department in association with Ultratech Cement Ltd. organised a three day online FDP on 'Recent Advances in Concrete Technology' from 27-29 Jul. The MBA department in association with Entrepreneurship Development Cell organised a Webinar on 'The Start up Journey-Idea through Execution' on 27 Jul. On the occasion of 'International Youth Day' on 12 Aug, a talk on 'To Raise Awareness about the Cultural and Legal Issues Surrounding the Youth' was organised for the students in the online mode. Dr. Rajasekhara Mouly Potluri, Professor, College of Business, Dubai, UAE was the Resource person. On the occasion of 75th Independence day we had the flag hoisting ceremony organised by the physical education department. A thought provoking art by A. Sukumar (I B.Tech) on Vaccine and Covid-19 showcased the present reality. We wholeheartedly congratulate our Principal, Dr. O. Mahesh as ALIET being chosen as one among the 50 colleges by AICTE for the LITE (Leadership in Teaching Excellence Programme). 475 Universities and colleges from all over India applied. 136 institutions were short listed and 50 were chosen as the first set of institutions for the LITE programme. The fourth and third years have finished their exams. The second and first years are yet to give their semester end exams. All these exams are conducted according to the University guidelines.

YES-J



AICUF National Council Meeting was held on 13-14 Aug. Andhra and Telangana AICUF Units of JMJ Tenali, Loyola Academy and Andhra Loyola College presented their reports. Fr. Balakumar gave a Recollection talk on 24 Aug at Kondapalli Parish for One Town Deanary of Vijayawada Diocese. He was glad to have been part of a felicitation function, congratulating Ms. P V Sindhu, two time Olympic Medalist in badminton. With his usual charismatic approach he continues his mission of accompanying the youth through counselling, guidance, and academic support. In spite the pandemic he is taking every effort towards raising of the funds for YESJ Centre besides the personal supervision of the construction of the building.

- N. BRITTO, SJ

Health Bulletin of Fr. C. Wilson by

Mrs C. Celestina, younger sister of Fr. Wilson:

My dearest Priests, Brothers, and all members of the Society of Jesus,

We the Sisters and Nephews of Fr. C. Wilson are privileged to take up this great task of fighting Wilson's Health issues. It so happened that due to unnoticed severity of diabetes there was a blast occurred in Fr Wilson's body that affected his heart, kidneys, nerves, eyes and the blood circulation.

He had an unnoticed pricking of a glass splinter in his foot causing amputation little by little 4 times. On 26 July his forefoot was amputated and on 28 July he had a massive heart attack. Angioplasty was done with a partial success in putting a stent in only one block while the other 2 blocks proved irreparable followed by kidneys failure on the 29 July. **THIS WAS THE DAY WE CRIED.**

Here in Chandigarh Church the Blessed Sacrament is kept on the alter every day from 8 am to 6 pm. I begged "My God ...I let go his limb... but not his life...yet..**THY WILL BE DONE**". Prayers poured in from all of you. Dialysis was done on 31 July and his kidneys started functioning with a continuous flow. From the day of heart attack to the day of dialysis Fr. Wilson did not know about himself. **BLANK DAYS.**

On the 9 Aug Fr. Wilson further had his leg amputated 10 centimeter below his knee, with utmost care by surgeons, anesthetists, cardio and many other high medical personnel. He is relatively stable, able to sit and stand on his one leg with assistance after 3 weeks of continuous efforts, eating and exercising to do away with his weakness, and just longing to get back to his routine, to his home, **THE JESUIT HOUSE.**

Dear Fathers & Brothers, having attained this age, you are all full of **KNOWLEDGE** and **WISDOM**, you are the fishers of MEN. I implore, please do not let this ripe age of knowledge and wisdom dwindle with your ill health. Please do take timely care of your Health. A lesson to all of us. To give time to our own Health. **WE ARE ONLY HUMAN AFTER ALL.**

INI A NEW VENTURE OF MDU JESUITS LAUNCHED ON INIGO'S FEAST

In an online function on 31 July 2021, the feast of St. Ignatius, the Madurai Province launched a new venture – an e-magazine called INI. INI stands for 'Inigo' and 'initiative.' Fr. Danis Ponniah, SJ, MDU Provincial, launched it, saying it is the first e-magazine of the Province which is blessed with an admirable intellectual capital. Fr. Cedric Prakash, SJ (GUJ) offered his felicitations. Fr.M.A. Joe Antony, SJ, editor, INI, said that INI would be a quarterly that would focus on 'Apostolic Preferences' of Jesuits. He said INI is meant for Jesuits everywhere and their associates – professors, teachers, alumni, students, all those who belong to the IGFA (Ignatian Family), who are drawn to the Ignatian spirituality, and all men and women of good will who collaborate with Jesuits in their work for faith and justice.

The inaugural issue of INI carries an exclusive interview with Fr. John Dardis, SJ, the General Assiatant, and articles by Michael Amaladoss, SJ (CEN), Rudi Heredia, SJ, (BOM), Cedric Prakash, SJ, (GUJ) William Sequeira, SJ (KAR) and Francis P. Xavier, SJ (CEN). It has also an interesting feature in which 12 Jesuits from six Indian provinces share their Corona experiences, articulating what they learned from the dreaded disease.

In order to access the magazine, after you get into Chrome or Gmail, type on the slot on the top of the screen 'inimagazine.org' and it will take you to the home page of INI. To read the articles all you need to do is to click on 'Features' in the menu on the top.

- M. DEVADOSS, S.J. (MDU)

OBITUARY



FR. CHERUPARAMBIL. J. JOHN, SJ
(25.05.1949 - 07.08.2021)

Birth and death are not in our hands. At His appointed time, God made us to be born into this world. Similarly, death envelopes us at His willed time. We do not know its hour, or its manner. He bids us to come into His presence. He welcomes and clothes us with the glory of His son. we join countless angels and saints and sing the resurrection song "Alleluia". Neither Fr. C.J. John nor any in his community knew that he would be breathing out his last breath on 7 Aug at 3.10 in the afternoon. He moved from darkness to perpetual light, unreal to real and mortal to immortal as he commended his spirit in the hands of His Lord.

Fr. C.J. John was born into a traditional catholic agrarian family in Kalloorcad of Ernakulum District, Kerala on 25 May 1949. He is the fifth among nine siblings. He entered the Society on 8 May 1965. He served the Society for 56 years in various capacities. He was a History Professor. He did yeoman service in the capacity of Principal to Loyola college in Vijayawada, Loyola Academy in Hyderabad, and Loyola (YSRR) college in Pulivendula. He was a well-known disciplinarian and believed in excellence through discipline, punctuality and hard work. He held high values and principles in life. He wanted Jesuits to be eminent in intellectual apostolate particularly in the field of higher education. In order to enthuse people to be of intellectual caliber, he will recall some of the great Jesuits of our mother province Madurai and of our own Andhra province. He was extremely humble to acknowledge any insignificant service rendered to him by the least and the last of the subordinates. He knew to take into stride every discussion, deliberation and decision. He was forthright when it came to arguments and differences of opinions. He agreed to disagree in a very gentle way for the good of the ministries and for a greater cause.

From that day of his entering into the Society, till his death, he cherished the gift of priesthood. His devotion to Eucharist remained as the center of his Spirituality. His fidelity to the Lord manifested itself in his spiritual exercises, such as daily Mass, rosary and meditation. One of the sisters from Kadirepally said that he was their model for adoration before the Eucharist. He was loyal son of our Mother Society. His life was simple. His obedience to his superior was remarkable. He went to places where he was sent and assumed the tasks which were assigned despite his likes and dislikes. His voluntary retirement from his Aided Teaching Post is an example of his spirit of obedience. He never damaged the honour, reputation, and dignity of any Jesuit in the province. His anger would last only for a little while.

He had friends among his lecturers, Students, Parents, and well-wishers. He related to them in a very human way and showed his affection towards them. There are many lay people as well as his family members who will bear witness to John's relationship and affection. His life is the creative synthesis of opposites in fruitful harmony. It is very sad that Fr. C.J. John is no more with us physically, but we are sure that he is enjoying his heavenly bliss in the company of the angels and saints in the presence of Triune God. May Fr. C.J. John intercede for us.

- P. S. AMALRAJ, SJ

BIRTHDAYS

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P Selvaraj M
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RIP

01.08.2021	Fr. Placie Fonseca, SJ (BOM, 84/62)
07.08.2021	Fr. Cheruparambil J John, SJ (AND, 72/56) in Loyola Academy, Secunderabad.
09.08.2021	Fr Gregory Naik, SJ (GOA, 88/70) in Porvorim, Goa.
13.08.2021	Fr Roshan Lobo, SJ (KAR, 49/32) in Bengaluru
17.08.2021	Mrs. Mallavarapu Anasuryamma (88), maternal aunt of Fr. Dasari Papaiah, SJ
25.08.2021	Mr Anthuvan Jesudass (52), nephew of Fr. Gnanadevan, SJ, died in Brunei, Darussalam
27.08.2021	Fr. Joseph Parekkattil, SJ (PAT, 85/65) in Kurji Holy Family Hospital, Patna

OUR BROTHERS IN GLORY

Fr. Carlos Dhula	18.09.2003	ALI, Vijayawada
Fr. Windey Michael	20-09-2009	Belgium
Fr. Irudayam Michael	30-09-2006	LA, Secunderabad
Fr. Aloysius Thoppil	01.10.2019	ALI, Vijayawada

ECHOING THE VOICE OF THE POOR

FR. STANISLAUS LOURDUSWAMY, SJ (JAM) (1937 - 2021)

Without getting into any controversy about the manner of death meted out to Fr. Stan Lourduswamy, SJ. (1937-2021), one will agree that his arrest, though intended to curtail his voice for the voiceless, his works for and presence among the Tribals and Dalits, has created a churning in the hearts and minds of conscientious people of the country in a big way. While the court is enquiring the case of Fr. Stan as to his alleged Maoist involvement in Bhima Koregaon violence issue and therefore arrested, despite his age, 84 years, suffering from Parkinson disease, besides hearing loss and two times hernia operations, it is surprising that as a prisoner of suspicion he could not be provided with a sipper & syraw Accusation does not warrant proven punishment.

Most dear Fr. Stan, there is a positive element of divine providence behind your sacrificial social-involvement for decades among the Adivasis and Dalits and of your departure from this world, namely, your life on earth for others should have a continuity and that you will now perform a task of more graceful and universal intercessory appeal, through our Blessed Mother Mary, to Jesus the Saviour of all human beings.

Your life-through struggle for and with the disadvantaged, your unstinted and undivided attention to the cries of the poor, your unsullied age and the climax of all, the eight-months long period of incarceration (from 8 Oct 2020) stand before us a marked, visible, and tangible example of 'faith that does justice' after the example of Mother Teresa, Mahatma Gandhiji and other noble souls. You have indelibly stamped your foot-print in the sand of time, underscoring the fact that many more Stans would step in, to alleviate the unnoticed, unaccounted and prolonged sufferings of the marginalized millions in India who go hungry, without a roof of their own. Let the rich grow richer, damn it, but you would say, let the poor have a share for their livelihood, and freedom from the oppressive elements under the disguise of race, caste and creed.

Your life, for us Jesuits, stands sky-high, elevating the active ones for greater commitment while moving the pusillanimous ones towards an awakened awareness of our inherent and life-bound commitment to Jesus and to the Society. Fr. Stan, with our creed in 'the Communion of Saints', we have the Faith that you enjoy heavenly bliss for the simple reason that you suffered for the cause of the underprivileged humanity all your life. Sharing the Priesthood of Jesus, you've blessed people around you for heavenly assistance, and that being freed from the constrained, non-bailable circumstances, you'll, in graceful heavenly status, be able to shower plentiful blessings from the bounteous providence of Jesus.

It is time to raise our voice in unison with those who stand for equality and freedom of speech and movement to every citizen, liberty to the underprivileged and deliverance from the oppressors. The fourth estate namely the Press needs to be a defender of Human Rights of every citizen and should abide by its morale, improvising, inseminating and building up the ethical consciousness of both the governed and the governing. Let the tribal citizens come to know and understand their legal rights, besides the secular, democratic and fundamental rights and duties. The assurance of minority rights would guarantee an integrated and cultured atmosphere of shanti in the country. Now that you are a liberated bird from the cage of suppression, you would go chirping loud and fly free in union with the Nature, without being silenced. Long live India!

- P.J. SANDANASAMY, SJ

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Rev Fr Pudota Jojayya SJ



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