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MARY:

GOD BEARER

OBEDIENT

HUMBLE

ATTENTIVE

LOVING

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COMPASSIONATE

PUREST OF ALL

CREATURES



MARY'S

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SHE WANTS TO

MAGNIFY

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NOT HERSELF.



INITIATIVES OF MOTHER MARY'S FEASTS

- Composing songs on Mother Mary
- Poems
- Personal Prayer
- Drawings & Paintings
- Collage...



Sacred Heart Training Centre, Bangalore, Novitiate

Songs on Mother Mary by Novices

Glorious Mother



1. Glorious Mother, you are
Mighty to deliver
We call on you with trust and love
Look upon us, humbly we ask thee (2)

Cho: Hail Holy Mother of God

We sing thy precious hymn
With hearts devotion true
Ave Maria
Ave Maria (2)

2. Gracious Mother
From high above on bright throne
We invoke you from here below
Lend your ear to our prayer we ask (2)



Mother Mary, our
gentle guide and
source of endless
grace.

With hearts full of
devotion, we honor you,
Mother Mary, our beacon of
love and hope.

Auxilium Navajyoti, Kunnamangalam

Editorial



We just passed through three spiritually beneficial months where in we encountered the beautiful images of Our Blessed Virgin Mother's nativity, contemplated on her sorrows and encountered Mother Mary through the mysteries of Jesus, the Biblical truths. October is a month when the Church specifically invokes Mary through the prayer of the Rosary. The Rosary is a simple and repetitive prayer that draws us into the mysteries of Christ and His and our Mother, and it is known to be pleasing to Our Lady. Inspired by sentiments of thanksgiving, of love and of hope, it is a voice which, month by month will speak to us of Mary, helping us to deepen our awareness of her excellence, to feel her comforting presence, to allow ourselves to be guided by her in our prayer, our work and in our sacrifices. To foster in us a more intense union with God and to cultivate a wider and more fruitful apostolate in the Church".

On entering November we remember all our dear ones with whom we shared all the joys and sorrows of life and with whom we worked side by side in the thick and thin of life in various places and situations. As we pray for all our departed in a special during this month, it is also a reminder to us that sooner or later we will be there, before stepping up to eternal bliss. We pray and offer sacrifices especially the Sacrifice of Jesus Christ for them to reach their destiny as early as possible. May the intercession of Souls in Purgatory help us to live our commitment with zeal and zest as did our saints Don Bosco and Mother Mazzarello walking with the young and leading them to the eternal shore especially during this present era.

Sr. Teresa Thomas FMA
Editor



KOTTIYAM

Celebration of Nativity of Our Blessed Mother



This year as 8th September fell on a Sunday so the Nativity of Our Lady was celebrated in Auxilium School Kottiyam on Monday 9th September, with great splendour and devotion. The programme was held during the morning assembly. It was really an honour to our Lady. The programme began with a fitting introduction indicating the importance of the birth of our Blessed Mother. A solemn prayer service was conducted in honour of the feast. Hymns, prayers of praise, love, and intercessions were made. This was followed by the description of St. Augustine about our Lady.

Then a small but a beautiful skit highlighted a miracle of the healing power due to the prayers offered into the hands of our Blessed Mother. A crippled boy's mother, at the shrine of Our Lady of La Salette cry for help and Mother Mary appears to them. Their prayer was answered with a total healing of the crippled child. Mother Mary was honoured joyfully by a dance performance of our students. The programme was concluded meaningfully with the short but effective powerful spiritual words of Sr. Jaicy Antony, the principal.

Arts Day Arangu 2K24

Arangu 2024 – Arts day was held on 2nd September with the motive of bringing out the untold hidden talents of our students to limelight.

The Arts Day was officially inaugurated by Rev. Fr. Bobby Kannezheth SDB, Director of Don Bosco College Kottiyam. The chief guest was Mr. Siraj Kollam, a renowned Sine and Mimicry artist. The dignitaries including members of the school management were escorted to the stage by the school Band.

The opening ceremony consisted of Prayer song, lighting of the Indian lamp, welcome speech, formal speech by Rev. Fr. Bobby and the declaration of the ARTS DAY open. The Indian Dance performed by our students captured the mind and raised a joyous atmosphere in the campus. Mr. Siraj Kollam, the guest of the day gave a very inspiring message to our students producing in our students a zeal for developing the inert talents hidden in all of them. He was also vibrant staging his talent of Mimicry which added cheer to the viewers. Mementos were presented to the guests as a token of gratitude.



The day went ahead as the performers of various items showcased their talents on various stages provided for the day. The day journeyed through enthusiastic cheers and left hands full of colourful memories.



Kerala Piravi



Commemorating the formation of Kerala state was celebrated with great enthusiasm and zest at Auxilium Kottiyam School on 1st November 2024. The event aimed at promoting unity, cultural heritage and patriotism among students. The prayer song by Sangeeth, the welcome speech by Tinu Mariam was followed by the lighting of the traditional lamp by our chief guest Sri Manjunad Padmakumar. He delivered the inaugural Keynote address coining the highlights of Kerala culture and the traditions through his great experience in the field of Malayalam literature. Cultural events were beautifully performed in the form of a song and dance by the higher classes the dance team of Auxilium which was purely traditional Kerala dance performance.

Students of various houses actively participated in Kerala Sreeman and Malayali Mnanga competitions.



Science and Mathematics Exhibition

The science and mathematics exhibition for the year 2024 was organized by science club and held on 30th October 2024 at Auxilium Kottiyam.

It was conducted with the objective of promoting scientific awareness and encouraging students to develop innovative projects. It also aimed to provide platform for students to showcase their scientific



talents and to encourage students to think creatively and develop problem solving skills. 135 students presented their exhibit items. Students from standard 1 to 12th participated in the exhibition. The exhibit items covered a wide range of topics including Physics Chemistry, Mathematics, Astronomy, Space, Nature, etc.. The exhibit items included working models, still models and charts. The exhibition was inaugurated by Mr. Francis Paul, Physics teacher of higher secondary classes of our school. The students those who had presented the exhibit items gave wise and clear explanation to the audience. All the students from standard 1 to 12 were



invited to the exhibition hall and had wonderful experience as they went through the exhibition. A well deserved appreciation was given to all the student members for their hard work and designing their exhibit items by the principal Sr. Jaicy Antony. A team of teachers, Mr. Madhusoothanan, Mr. Jackson, Mrs. Divya, Mrs. Tency, Mrs. Seena and Ms. Abhirami evaluated the exhibit items. The exhibition was a huge success.

Congratulations to the students who put in wise and hard work. The exhibition was closed at 3.30 pm.



GUNTUR

Gratitude Day Teacher's Day and Girl child day



On September 5th, Auxilium School in Guntur celebrated a special trifecta of events: Gratitude Day, Teachers' Day and Girl Child Day. The day was marked by vibrant ceremonies honouring educators for their dedication and impact, expressing deep gratitude towards their unwavering support. Children had given gifts to the teachers and took their blessing as a sign of reverence.

All students and teachers showed their gratitude to Sr. Bridget Jacob, the correspondent and Superior as we also celebrated the gratitude day today. The students and teachers prepared beautiful hand work decorative items and gifted to Sr. Bridget.

Additionally, the school highlighted the importance of empowering and supporting girls, celebrating their achievements and potential. The students put up many cultural items through which they showed their love and respect towards Sr. Bridget Jacob, teachers and the girl children. The events were a testament to the school's commitment to education, appreciation, and gender equality, creating a memorable and meaningful occasion for all attendees. Sr. Bridget, the correspondent highlighted the greatness of a teacher and the need for being grateful.



All Subject Exhibitions



The All Subject Exhibition on 30th October 2024 was attended by students from classes 1st to 8th, with Mr. Kiran, the Deputy Tahasildar of Guntur, as the Chief Guest and

Fr. Putti Sunder Raj as the guest of honour.

Mr. Kiran encouraged the students to actively participate in the exhibition and highlighted the importance of learning from mistakes. 97% of the students participated to prepare projects, and they confidently explained their work to the audience. The exhibition allowed the students to showcase their creativity and knowledge, enhancing their communication skills. The event was successful in building confidence and promoting learning among the students.



Orange Day





On 8th November 2024, Sr. Bridget, the Correspondent, visited the KG kids for the celebration of Orange Day. She expressed gratitude to the parents for their continuous support and encouragement in the children's educational journey. Sr. Bridget emphasized the importance of such celebrations in fostering creativity

and learning among young children. The parents were delighted with the children's growth and development, acknowledging the positive impact of these activities. The event was a great success in making the children and parents feel proud of the school's nurturing environment.

Charity Day



Charity Day, held on 9th November 2024, saw the participation of all students, parents, and past pupils, with a message from the Chief Guest encouraging generosity.

The Chief Guest spoke about offering generously, stating that God would bless those who give with double blessings. This message resonated in the attendees, and many people generously participated and contributed towards the cause. The event was collaboration with E.M. School, where a significant collection was made to support charitable activities. The outcome was a sense of unity and compassion, as the community came together to help others.

Recollection for Catholics

On 15th November 2024, Fr. Thomas Pratap SDB led a Recollection for the Catholic students, focusing on understanding who God is and the importance of prayer. The event included a spiritual session with adoration, confession and mass, creating a



peaceful and reflective environment. The children were engaged and deeply touched by the experience, which allowed them to connect more intimately with their faith. It was a meaningful event that helped reinforce the values of spirituality and religious understanding among the students. The children left the session with a greater sense of peace and spiritual awareness.

Day with God

Fr. Justine SDB addressed all students during the "Day with God" event on 16th November 2024. His teachings focused on the significance of knowing God, how to pray, and the spirit of different religions. The session emphasized unity in faith and respect for diverse spiritual practices, encouraging the children to

appreciate the presence of God in all aspects of life. The children became more aware of God's presence and gained a deeper understanding of their faith. It was an enriching experience for the students, helping them grow spiritually and fostering an inclusive outlook on religion.



Bible Quiz Competition

The Bible Quiz competition was held on 30th November 2024 for Catholic students from classes 5th to 9th, focusing on the Gospel of St. Luke. It was an opportunity for students to showcase their knowledge of biblical teachings. The students participated eagerly, and the event was both educational and fun. It allowed the students to delve deeper into the teachings of the Bible, especially the Gospel of St. Luke, and reinforced their understanding of Christian values. Sr. Bridget Jacob, the correspondent congratulated every participant and concluded the Bible Quiz competition with prayer.

ANGAMALY

Onam, the festival of happiness, peace and prosperity was celebrated by the Students of Auxilium College of Education, Kidangoor, Angamaly on 13, September 2024. They were in their traditional attire typical of Kerala, girls wearing set saree and boys wearing dhoti. The students decorated the portico of the college with colourful floral carpet.

Onam celebration



Lamps were lit and placed upon the floral carpet giving an almost spiritual ambience to the occasion. The students presented programmes highlighting the culture and tradition of Kerala. Cultural programmes like onapattu, Thiruvathira by the young women of the B.Ed. College and interesting games were organized for the occasion. Sr. Annie Thoppil, the manager of the Auxilium Institutions conveyed greetings and wishes of the festival and gave a very apt message on fraternal love and sharing. The highlight, however, was the food – with an elaborate Onasadhya served on a banana leaf. Sisters, teaching, non-teaching staff and the college students together enjoyed the banquet.



The School students as they are more in number were given Vermicelli pudding, the traditional Indian dessert served for Onam festival. The celebration was a true reflection of the festive spirit.



For a greener tomorrow

On 30 October, 45 first year B.Ed. students of Auxilium College of Education, Kidangoor, Angamaly went on a one day educational tour as part of socially useful and productive work (SUPW), a programme in their curriculum. They were accompanied by Sr. Mercy Abraham, the Principal of the College and a few teaching staff. The destination for this unique experience was Athirapilly and Vazhachal in Thrissur. The objective of the tour was to educate students on the significance of afforestation and conservation efforts in restoring natural habitats. Prior to reaching the picnic spot, students prepared seed balls using native seeds, soil and compost and formed small balls that which when thrown onto suitable ground, would eventually sprout into plants. On arrival, students scattered their seed balls around areas identified for reforestation, especially on open land where new vegetation would thrive. By preparing and distributing seed balls, the students contributed to the natural reforestation of the area and learned about the importance of environmental stewardship.

This hands on activity was enjoyable and reinforced the concept of socially useful and productive work, showing students that small efforts can have a big impact on the environment. The tour successfully combined education with action. Students gained practical knowledge about reforestation and environmental responsibility. They also felt a sense



of pride and ownership in their work, recognizing their role in supporting ecological balance. This educational tour was a meaningful experience, inspiring students to think critically about environmental issues and how they can make a difference through simple, productive activities. The students returned with a renewed appreciation for nature and a deeper understanding of socially useful and productive work.



Leaders in the making...

On 14 November 2024, children's day was celebrated at Auxilium ISC School, Angamaly, Kidangoor. The celebration at our school was vibrant and joyful. The programme began with a rally of the School children in which all the tiny tots of KG also participated, clad in Nehru's costume and other national leader's, followed by a short programme which clearly depicted the spirit of the occasion with teachers putting up a mesmerizing cultural show for the children. Through a speech, rich tributes were paid to Pundit Jawaharlal Nehru, who is known for his relentless efforts in increasing awareness of the rights, care and education of children. The cultural programme had a series of interesting and exciting events. Teachers enthralled the audience with their energetic and graceful moves. Students were elated to see their teachers performing and celebrating

the day with zeal and enthusiasm. Sr. Siljo Johnson, the Principal greeted the children warmly on the special day. She reminded the students of the extraordinary sacrifices made by Pundit Jawaharlal Nehru and asked the students to keep him as an idol in all their endeavours.



The programme concluded with the distribution of luddus to the Children. The school campus buzzed with children in casual outfit with excitement, joy and laughter as it was a day wherein fun and frolic dominated. In the afternoon that had kho-kho match, house wise as part of the celebration.

Building bonds...

Gratitude day celebrations at Auxilium Centre, Kidangoor, Angamaly on 07 November 2024 kicked off with the vigil service in the evening commenced by receiving Sr. Annie Thoppil, the animator of the community by draping an yellow shawl around her neck at the entrance of our chapel and she in turn did the same to all her sisters. The prayer service was a deep reflection on the beauty of community living that fosters a sense of belonging, shared values, and mutual support, creating a tapestry of diverse experiences that enrich individuals. It was an expression of thanksgiving to God for the gift of our animator, Sr. Annie Thoppil and each sister of our community. On 08 November 2024, gratitude day celebration continued joined by the school and B.Ed. College. A short cultural programme was arranged for the occasion and it started at around 10.30 a.m. Sr. Annie John, the head of the big Auxilium family, Angamaly was warmly welcomed and honoured by the sisters, staff and students of both school and College. Staff of School and College expressed their sentiments of gratitude to everybody



involved in the great mission of education at Auxilium, Angamaly. The lively programme staged by the teaching staff was the highlight of the day. Sr. Annie Thoppil, the manager addressed the staff, non-teaching staff and students stressing the need to be grateful for every little favour we receive in our life without taking it for granted. She also expressed her appreciation for the very gift of themselves and for their contribution to the growth of the institution. The highlight of the day was the celebration of the solemn Eucharistic at 11.30 a.m. on 8th for which all the teaching and non-teaching staff of both school and College and the Salesian co-operators were invited.





The Holy Mass was solemnized by Fr. Johnson Theckoodan CML. In his homily he urged us to be grateful for every little favour we receive from God directly and indirectly through People and situations. The curtains of the gratitude day celebrations rolled down with a fraternal agape hosted by the community for all the invitees.

Thanksgiving Day – Angamaly



THIRUTHIPARAMBU

Onam Celebration

The vibrant festival of Onam was celebrated with great joy and enthusiasm at Auxilium School, Thiruthiparambu on 12th September. The event was spearheaded by the Eco Club,

which organized a special "Flower Fest" to mark the occasion. The festival was inaugurated by the local agriculture officer, symbolizing the deep connection between nature and the traditions of Onam.



Flowers gathered by the students were used to create a beautiful floral carpet, which was a major attraction of the day. The Green House members and KG section students took the lead in organizing and conducting the Onam programme. Their performances, which included cultural dances and skits, added charm to the celebration.

After the programme, the students relished the delicious payasam, a traditional sweet dish associated with the festival. The celebration continued with the teachers participating in a grand Onam feast, which was followed by a series of traditional games. The spirit of unity, joy, and cultural pride filled the atmosphere, making the day memorable for all.



Teachers Day Celebration





Auxilium School, Thiruthiparambu, celebrated Teachers' Day on 5th September with great enthusiasm and respect. The students of Class IX, XI, and XII organized a special programme to honour their teachers. The day's cultural performances, including dances, skits, and speeches, focused on the vital role teachers play in shaping and guiding their students' futures. Class 12 students added fun and excitement to the event by organizing games that brought great enthusiasm among the teachers.

The games created a lively atmosphere, allowing teachers to relax and enjoy the day. In recognition of the teachers' dedication and selfless service, the school management expressed their gratitude by presenting them with a thoughtful and useful gift, further acknowledging their invaluable contribution to the school community. The event left teachers feeling appreciated and celebrated.

Arts Day Aux Festive Fusion 2024

The Arts day – Aux Festive Fusion 2024 was held on 1st October 2024 at Auxilium School Thiruthiparambu with much fanfare and excitement. The event celebrated a rich blend of culture, talent, and achievement, making it a day to remember. The event was inaugurated by Sri. Xavier Chittilapilly, MLA, who graced the occasion as the Chief Guest. His inaugural speech highlighted the importance of fostering both artistic and academic talents among students. The Keynote Address was delivered by Sri Sivaji Guruvayur, a celebrated cine artist, who shared his thoughts on how art enriches lives and contributes to holistic education. A special highlight of the event was the honouring of National Prize Winners in Archery and the ICSE 2024 Examination national Toppers. Their remarkable achievements were acknowledged with great pride, serving as an inspiration to the entire student body.





In recognition of the students' success in archery and other sports events, a memento was presented to Mr. Raneesh MP, the Physical Education Master, for his relentless efforts in guiding the students. His dedication and hard work played a pivotal role in making these achievements possible, and he was commended for his invaluable contribution. The day concluded with a series of stunning performances, celebrating the spirit of creativity, teamwork, and excellence that defines the essence of Aux Festive Fusion.

Swatch Bharat Mission Campaign

In connection with Swatch Bharat Mission's 10th anniversary, throughout India from 17th September to 2nd October 'Swatchatha hi seva 2024' Campaign was conducted. Auxilium Thiruthiparambu School conducted a swatchatha pledge, Swatchatha rally and a cleaning drive on 27th September as instructed by Wadakanchery Municipality.



Kerala Piravi Celebrations

Auxilium School celebrated Kerala Piravi with much enthusiasm on November 1st. The school campus was beautifully decorated with Kerala special plantain trees, coconut leaves, and other natural elements, reflecting Kerala's rich natural heritage. The celebration began with a special assembly animated by the Yellow House members. The Principal, Sr. Jancy Augustine, delivered a thought-provoking message





about the importance of Kerala Piravi and encouraged everyone to take pride in Kerala's heritage. Mrs. Sandhya gave an inspiring speech that highlighted Kerala's achievements and the value of preserving our culture. The highlight of the programme was a captivating dance performance by teachers, gracefully dressed in traditional Kerala saris, which added to the festive spirit. An exhibition showcasing Kerala's cultural artifacts, traditional utensils, and

beautiful paintings offered students a glimpse into the state's vibrant heritage. Adding to the excitement, a quiz competition was conducted in two sections, allowing students to participate in a friendly yet enlightening contest about Kerala's history, culture, and traditions. The Kerala Piravi celebration at Auxilium School was an enriching experience for everyone, instilling pride and respect for Kerala's culture and values.

Aux Verde 2024 School Day Celebrations

Auxilium School celebrated its School Day, Aux Verde 2024, with great enthusiasm and grandeur, reflecting the theme "Environmental Protection for a Sustainable Tomorrow." The event showcased the talents and dedication of students, teachers, and parents through a variety of cultural programme and activities. The event was graced by the presence of Dr. Navaneet Sharma, IPS, as the





Chief Guest, who inspired the audience with his thought-provoking address on safety of students today and readiness of police department to help if there is of any need. Rev. Fr. Johnson Arimboor the parish priest, St. Joseph Church Thiruthiparambu presided over the event, offering blessings and encouraging words. The celebration was further enriched by the felicitations of: Dr. Joyal Manjila, Municipal Councilor of the 29th Division, Shri Anoop Kishore, Municipal Councilor of the 30th Division, and Shri Leo Joseph, President of the Educating Community. The cultural extravaganza featured thematic performances focusing on environmental sustainability, emphasizing the importance of collective efforts



for a greener future. Highlights of the day included: An enactment of Shakespeare's One-Act Play by senior students, showcasing their theatrical talents. The variety entertainments showcased by students, teachers, and parents, creating a joyful and inclusive atmosphere. The event was a resounding success, leaving everyone inspired by the performances, team work and the underlying message of environmental stewardship. It was a day to cherish as the Auxilium family came together to celebrate learning, creativity, and the values of care and sustainability.

BHOIGUDA

14th Library established

It was a great day of rejoicing for us as the 14th Library was established at our home the Auxilium Navajeevana Orphanage for girls at Bhoiguda. It was the inspiration and initiative of Miss. Akarshana the daughter of Mr. Sathish Kumar Chennu. We were provided with Four hundred books and a Book Shelf to arrange those books. We were extremely happy and honoured by the presence of great dignitaries for this event, our special thanks to Shri. Akkeswar Rao Garu, Smt. Thanneeru Pramoda CWC Garu, Shri. Nabi CWC Garu, Shri. Srinivas DCPO Garu, Shri. David Raj UNICEF Garu, DCPU Vijay Bhaskar Garu, DCPU Jeevitha Garu, Raja Reddy Garu, Retired Prof. Shri. Prafulla Chandra Garu, Mr. Sathish Kumar



Chennu Garu, Ms. Akarshana Sathish Garu, Mrs. Rebecca our councilor and our staff and children. It was a great and memorable event for all of us in our Home. Our hearts are filled with gratitude to all of them for their generosity, availability and for spending their valuable time with us. It was very inspiring and enriching.

Family Meet 2024

etc. were present for the meeting. Sr. Balarani the animator addressed the gathering with her welcome words. Children did colorful programme for their parents and entertained them. Chief Guest gave an inspiring message to the parents on the responsibilities of taking care of their children and on the opportunities given to them in the convent and schools. Parents



Let's give the children the roots to grow and wings to fly.' It was a great day of joy for all of us at Auxilium Navajeevana Bhoiguda as we had the parents meeting of our children. The chief guest was Mr. David DCPU and President, Fr. Kishore Miryala SDB. All the children who have single and the poor parents, grandparents

were happy to know that their children receive many opportunities for well balanced growth. They expressed their gratitude to the sisters and staff before leaving the campus.

Drawing competition at State level



It was day of great joy and pride for Auxilium Navajeevana Bhoiguda to appreciate our girls Md. Priyanjali and Md. Muskan who won 2nd and 4th prizes and 12 others who received certificates at State

level in art and drawing competitions. It was conducted by Shamala Laxmaiah Institute of Fine arts. The winners were awarded on 29th September. Congratulations dear children.

WARANGAL

Celebration of Bathukamma

Bathukamma festival belongs to the women folk of Telangana it is celebrated before Dusshera festival which plays a vital role in the culture and tradition of Telangana region. Every year traditionally Bathukamma festival is celebrated by all during the nine days of Dusshera.

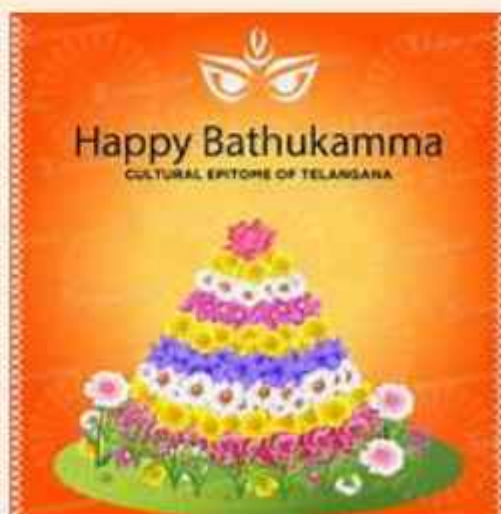
On 1st of October 2024 Auxilium Warangal celebrated Bathukamma festival in our School campus for the first time. Each class was instructed before a



day to bring flowers from home and they were given time in the school to prepare it. All the children according to their classes arranged the various seasonal flowers with a variety of colours and shapes



on a square bamboo frame and some in plates and others on wooden plank with the size of frames that is tapering directly from the pinnacle. Sr. Swarna the Principal of the school inaugurated the festival by lighting a candle which was placed on the pinnacle of flower bouquet. . After that teachers and children carried the flower pots keeping on their heads. Folk songs were played and the girls from primary to high school danced around the decorated flowers along with sisters and teachers. The day was spent with happiness and satisfaction.



KATTAPPANA

Kokedama



Kokedama is a ball of soil, covered with moss, on which an ornamental plant grows. The idea has its origins in Japan, embodies a practice where the Act of cultivating plants is considered an art form and a source of meditative Tranquility. The Motto of 'Journey towards ecological citizenship' and 'caring for the earth', and the vision: to influence, to encourage, to assist the society to conserve integrity and diversity for a sustainable future, the students of Auxilium centre Kattappana has come out with a new objective and activity of empathy to nurture the nature, has come out with the plan of planting Kokedama. The students with help of Sr. Lincy and Mrs. Siny Devasia the teacher, made Kokedama hanging garden into a reality. It lasts and survives between two to three years dependent



on a few factors including climate, maintenance, and even the type of plant we use and care taken. The plant will start to outgrow its soil ball after two to three years. At this time, we need to remake the ball and make it bigger for the plant to continue growing. If this is not done routinely, we run the risk of damaging the plant's roots and killing it. Moss Balls and Kokedama are the same. These unique plants are also known as the Poor Man's Bonsai. Garden stores may also refer to them as string gardens because of the way their roots are wrapped in twine and often hung in peoples gardens. The students made the Kokedama carefully with twine and Moss and hanged in the School Garden. They were enthusiastic in the new endeavor. They promised to care for the plants and the earth by watering regularly. Each class set up a potted plant in their own classes' room and is caring for it. The sisters and the class teachers are monitoring and facilitating the students to take proper care to protect them. These activities have increased in the students more caring attitude for the plants and nurture the nature.

CISCE National Taekwondo Championship 2024

CISCE National Taekwondo Competition was hosted and conducted at Disha A Life School, Pollachi from 8 to 10 September. The numbers of participants from our School Kattappana were Deon Anil Abraham, Dan Joseph, Salna Siril, Anna Rose Jacob and Nea Maria Rajeesh. The Chief Coach of the National Taekwondo was

Mr. Rajeesh T Raju from our School. He accompanied the students to Pollachi on 7th September and conducted the sport event. The two students who won the Bronze medal and excelled in the National Taekwondo were 'Deon Anil Abraham – Under 17 boys under 59Kg and Nea Maria Rajeesh – under 14 girls, under 26 Kg. On their return the management, Staff and students congratulated the champions and honoured them with shawls and trophies. The students were encouraged and strengthened to partake with enthusiasm and courage in the following events and would come back performing better than now. Congratulations dear Students.



Flood Affected

The flood took place on first September 2024, in the evening, around four o' clock when non-stop rain started to pour in. It ended causing a lot of damage to vegetables and the garden inside. Though the flood had diminished on the following day, the stagnant water caused damage to the



root of trees and newly planted plants and saplings, and thus many of our kitchen and fruit gardens were destroyed. The absence of sun during those days made the water remain stagnant and the damped ground continued to be slushy and we could only watch the plants getting rotted from the root.

Similarly, the second flood on the following day, on 3rd September again did a lot of havoc in the campus. Water entered the class rooms and office rooms of our school.

Many records and uniform cloth and T-shirts got damaged and it was indeed a great loss.

We had just finished our transplantation of paddy and in the evening of that same day the rain water covered the paddy field with water and

to be frank the newly planted paddy were washed off causing a lot of loss in the field of cultivation and we had to purchase and re-plant them. Nearly three Acres of land was affected by this flood



JUNIORS MEET



A two-day Renewal programme was held at Auxilium Navajeevana, Guduvanhalli on 10th and 11th October 2024, marked by a series of spiritually enriching events. The programme, which brought together the 20 young junior sisters of our province, began with the grand welcome by the community sisters and girls.

The inaugural talk was delivered by Mother Provincial Sr. Lucy Rose, who inspired the sisters with her insights on "Creative and Dynamic Fidelity." Her words were a call to embrace both creativity and faithfulness in community life.

This was followed by the celebration of the Holy Mass and the Sacrament of

Confession, presided over by Fr. Joseph Moolakara CME, providing the sisters the opportunity for spiritual renewal. The day continued with adoration of the Holy Eucharist, animated by Sr. Padmini, creating a deep sense of connection and reflection.

One of the highlights of the day was the sharing of experiences of community life, which allowed the sisters to reflect on their journey and

encourage one another. In the evening, the sisters and the young girls gathered around a campfire, where Sr. Maria Rajeshwari the animator of the house led the group in an evening of joy, bonding, followed by the goodnight of Mother Provincial.





The second day began with a meaningful prayer service animated by Sr. Maria Rajeshwari on dry stick. The resource person of the day Fr. Antony D'Souza, CMF featured two insightful sessions. He spoke on "Witnessing Jesus in the Digital Age" and explored how Pope Francis embodies this through his dynamic presence as a "Digital Pope." His sessions provided practical wisdom on maintaining a faithful witness in an increasingly digital world. The junior sisters expressed their heartfelt expression of gratitude to Rev. Fr. Antony

D'Souza, the resource person of the day followed by thanking Mother Provincial Sr. Lucy Rose for her continuous support and guidance, Sr. Theresia Augustine for arranging this programme, the community sisters and the inmates and supporting staff, who made the event possible. It was a time of spiritual growth, learning, and fellowship for our young sisters, leaving them refreshed and inspired for their mission ahead.



KUNNAMANGALAM

Teacher's Day Celebrations

On 5th September 2024 Auxilium Nava Jyoti celebrated Teachers' Day with great enthusiasm to honour and appreciate the contribution and dedication of our teaching and non-teaching staff. It was a memorable and joyful celebration reinforcing the bond between students and teachers while recognizing the hard work and commitment of the educators.



State and National Athletics Meet



Auxilium Nava Jyoti students set out to participate in the state level CISCE athletic competition held at Christ Public School Irinjalakkuda on 13th and 14th of September. It was a tough competition between various schools and many of our students secured gold and silver medals and eleven of our students were selected for National Athletics meet. The CISCE National Games and Sports 2024 was held from 25th to 27th September at St. Joseph's School GMC Balayogi Malakpet, Hyderabad and brought together talented athletics from across the nation. This event featured a good number of participants competing for top

honours. We are thrilled to announce that our students from Auxilium Nava Jyoti participated in the events and our talented athletics demonstrated exceptional skills, dedication and teamwork securing silver and bronzes medals. Congratulations to Sayujya P who won Silver medal for 3000mt walking and she was selected to represent National School of Games and sports 2024 organized by the School Games Federation of India. This is indeed a proud moment to the Auxilians. Congratulations to the winners and participants. The hard work and dedication brought glory and honour to the Institution. With gratitude we appreciate Mr. Joby Joy for his continuous effort and hard work. God Bless him.

Onam Celebration



Unity in tradition, Joy in celebration – Brought the spirit of Onam to Auxilium Nava Jyoti School."



The vibrant festival of Onam was celebrated on 15th September with grandeur and enthusiasm at Auxilium Nava Jyoti. The entire school community came

together to celebrate the traditional festival which signifies unity, prosperity and the annual homecoming of the mythical King Mahabali. The festive atmosphere was filled with joy, colour, and cultural richness, making it an unforgettable day for both students and staff.

CISCE regional Yoga competition



CISCE REGIONAL YOGA COMPETITION



'F' ZONE

"GRACE IN MOTION"
Proud First Runner-Up
at the CISCE Regional Yoga
Competition!

National Yoga competition was held on 3rd and 4th October at Dhyanand Public School, Jamshedpur – Jharkhand. 13 State Level winners of our school who exhibited the excellent performance in Yoga were selected to participate in National Level Yoga competition. They were accompanied by Mr. Joby Joy and their Trainer Miss Lekha. May the good God reward you for hard work and commitment.

Creative writing

Achievements are the sum of small efforts, repeated day in and day out." The Albert Barrow Memorial All India Inter School Creative Writing Competition 2024 was conducted by CISCE, and Master Ankith Shaji ISC 1 of Auxilium Nava Jyoti School secured the prestigious First place in the Competition.



He was awarded with three sovereigns of Gold Medal, Valuable Certificate and RS.5000/- Congratulations Master Ankith. Your Words have not only captured the hearts but also earned a well-deserved recognition. We are incredibly proud of your achievement.

You are indeed the pride of your family and the school. Keep climbing the ladder of success. Congratulations

Ankith Shaji of Auxilium Navajyoti School, on the list of heroes at an early age.



CHANDUR

Bathukamma festival



Variety brings beauty and joy". Flowers arranged in an even manner with lots of variety of colours, placing it on the head of a beautifully traditionally dressed girls in order to give thanks to God is what we celebrate in this festival.



It shows the power of women in safeguarding her clan from her enemies and thus thanking God for being on their side. It was declared the state festival by Chief Minister Chandra Shekar Rao during his ministry after the achievement of Telangana. Maria Niketan School celebrated the state festival Bathukamma on 1st October 2024. All the classes made Bathukamma with the help of their class teachers, including



the k G students. On completion of Bathukamma, they were brought to the open ground and were erected by Sr. Bala the Correspondent and Mrs. Mary, the green group teacher. Sr. Bala had explained to the students the importance of this festival and commenced the celebration with immense joy. It was indeed a feast to the eyes, to see the whole school both teachers and students dancing to the vibrant music. Thus, the festival celebration Bathukamma brought joy into the hearts of the viewers.



KANTHALI JOSEPHINAGAR



Formation and Solemn Promise of ADMA

On Sunday, 20th October, 22 women made their promises to officially join the ADMA group. This event was the culmination of ten months of preparation. Every 24th of the month, the group had gathered for special prayers, adoration, the Rosary, and the ADMA group prayer. The ADMA group was first initiated on January 24th, 2024, with 28 women showing interest. Before selecting the members, we organized a Marian pilgrimage to various shrines in Mangalore.

During the pilgrimage, they were given proper instruction concerning the ADMA association, and many women expressed their desire to join. The group underwent ten months of spiritual formation under the guidance of Rev. Fr. Alwin D'Souza, the parish priest of Joseph Nagar, and Sr. Lizzie Abraham, the animator of Joseph Nagar community.

On the 19th October, the day before the promises, Fr. Alwin led the women in two hours of adoration, talks on consecration, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This helped them reflect on the significance of their commitment. The following day, during the Holy Eucharist, the women received their ADMA badges, pictures of Mary Help of Christians and Don Bosco, a Rosary, and lighted candles as symbols of their dedication. With these in hand, they made their solemn promises to live according to the values of the ADMA association. All 22 women were dressed in uniformity pink saris for the ceremony, and their joy was evident as they proudly became part of the Salesian family. The celebration was a beautiful and spiritually enriching event for the entire parish, marking the growth and strengthening of the ADMA group in Joseph Nagar. It was a memorable and joyful day for the women, the parish, and all those who were present.



WYRA KHAMMAM

Past Pupils Meet

October 6th was a day of great rejoicing as the community at Auxilium Seva Sadan Khammam, was able

the light of Christ to enlighten all. Animator Sr. Kamala welcomed the participants especially Rev.Fr. Pradeep Reddy SDB, the Rector of Don Bosco, the main celebrant and speaker of the day. He celebrated the Holy Mass and conveyed the message on the importance of this sort of gathering especially to reconnect and renew the bonds of love and gratitude



to host about 35 past pupils of our Auxilium Boarding. It was the mastermind of Sr. Kiran Kumari FMA to carry out this event in a mega setting. Sr. Clara, Sr. Aruna, Sr. Kalpana and Sr. Nirmala also came from different communities to share this joy. The programme commenced with a short prayer, lighting the lamp and inviting

towards their second home. Sr. Rodda Nirmala gave a brief talk on the origin and the development of the Past Pupils association and how to become extended hands in our work of molding the future generation. The chief guest and all the sisters were felicitated and were given gifts.

All of them had a lot to share about their wonderful experience they had in the boarding. They recalled the immense love, care and concern of the sisters especially of the beginnings and the best of the "All round Education" they have received. These helped them to overcome the obstacles and hardships that they face in their lives' journey and to stand on their own feet. They are also able to bring up their children to be God fearing, upright and responsible.

Sr. Santha provided them with sumptuous meal and snacks. The Don Bosco community offered evening snacks and soft drinks and they had lot of fun, laughter and enjoyment in Don Bosco school campus. They expressed their love and gratitude to the community sisters and contributed their mite for the expenses. They are looking forward for similar gatherings, adding more members to the group and to contribute their mite for the well being of others.



BANGALORE NOVITIATE

Community Experience

'A seed will never know its worth until it touches the earth.'



The much awaited time for the 'Community Experience' had finally arrived for the second year Novices to taste the fullness of the Salesian life. On September 2nd, at 6 am, a short prayer service was led by the Novice Mistress Rev. Sr. Thresia Augustine during which she gifted a Crucifix to each Novice reminding them that they are sent out as the young missionaries of Christ and they will find strength and courage in Him when in despair. After breakfast, they embarked on the journey with the blessings and prayers of the entire Campus Community.

The three communities of Chamarajpet, Hassan and Maradiyur joyfully welcomed them to their life and mission. The Novices pulled up their sleeves and enthusiastically assumed every role they could...be it as an Assistant or Teacher, Cook or Clerk. Some of the other activities in which they were involved were NCP (Neighbourhood Children's Parliament), SHG's (Self Help Groups), 'Under the Star' programme, helping in the parish as Sacristan and Catechist, family visits etc... All these revolved around the nucleus which was the children. Yet, even in this busy schedule, the Sisters ensured that they spent time in prayer and spiritual nourishment for which our father Don Bosco gave utmost importance. After 2 weeks of experience, they were visited by the Novice Mistress whose keen



interest and guidance, rekindled their spirits. The celebration of feasts especially the Nativity of our Blessed Mother and short picnics also added colour to their days. Time slipped away and finally they said goodbye; a heartfelt farewell to the sisters and children and returned to the Novitiate on October 2nd with rich

experience, cherished memories and grateful hearts to God, sisters and to each person who made this experience fruitful.





Month of the Holy Rosary

"In times of darkness, holding the Rosary is like holding our Blessed Mother's hand" said St. Padre Pio.

October, the month dedicated to the devotion of the Holy Rosary, was celebrated memorably in the Novitiate community. The Sisters and Novices gladly participated in the Rosary everyday in different houses of Kondaspura and Bandapura, during which a short message was delivered by a Novice. On October 31st, at 6:45pm, all the members of the Bandapura village were invited to the Novitiate for conclusion of the Rosary month. The Rosary was well animated by the Novices and the concluding message was beautifully delivered by Sr. Nirmala Joseph who ignited the spark of Marian love through the examples of saints and the glimpses from her personal experience. The celebrations concluded after a delicious festal meal which united all in the true family spirit.

Missionary Month and Bible Week

During this Missionary Month of October, we joined our hands in prayer for all the missionaries who have sacrificed themselves as the apostles of God's Word. Different initiatives were taken

to imbibe the missionary zeal in us. Each member of the community chose a missionary FMA from India to pray for them in a special way.

On the evening of the 'World Mission Sunday', celebrated on October 20th, the message of Pope Francis was read with the theme 'Go and invite everyone to the banquet'. On October 21st, Rev. Sr. Kallathupullathu Miriyam FMA, the zealous missionary from Sudan was invited to share her experience to intensify the missionary spirit of the Novices.



VAZHICHAL

Annual Sports Day

The Annual sports Day of Auxilium Vazhichal was held on the 2nd September in our school. Sr. Elizabeth, the manager hoisted the school Flag and the Olympic torch was lit by principal Sr. Smitha and Mr. Jayakumar the PT Master of the school. . Thus they initiated the ceremonial carrying the Olympic torch by the best athletes of our school.

On October 23rd, the community prayed the Missionary Rosary surrendering to the Lord the missionaries in all the 5 continents. Every missionary lives and dies to spread the Word of God. Hence, it was most opportune for the Community to celebrate the Bible Week in this missionary month. It was officially inaugurated on October 21st by the 'Enthronement of Bible' by the Novice Mistress, Rev. Sr. Thresia Augustine. The entire week was dedicated to reflect on the Gospel of Luke. The Bible week was officially concluded on October 27th with a quiz conducted for the Novices to deepen their knowledge about the Sacred Scripture.



Then the group wise march past took place followed by the athletic events. From 9th to 11th October the Sub district level sport was held At GV Raja Sports School at Mayam. The best athletes of Auxilium School secured various prizes at the sub – district level and they bagged the sub-junior level over all trophy.

Teachers Day celebration

On 5th September, the students of Std. X celebrated the Teachers Day and made it a memorable one. They conducted number of games and made the teachers very active and alive. Treasure hunt was another interesting item where every young and old teachers were able to run and get the clues from place to place and reach the end of the game. The climax was the dances competition held for teachers of the KG and High School.



Nativity of the Blessed Mother



8th September was Sunday and the feast of the nativity of the Blessed Mother was celebrated in a very grand way in our parish church. For the past eight days all the girl children especially of our parish and school were remembered in a very special way during the Holy Mass and the holy Rosary. Today in the parish the children from class V up to X were dressed as 'Mary in the different apparitions' she had made, in different places to different people over the years. It was indeed a beautiful reminder to all of us of Mary's presence among her people



Solidarity with Wayanad

On September 10th the KCYM members of Neyyattinkara Diocese arrived to take the provisions, various kinds of useful things were collected by our students previously. We had gathered plenty of them from the children to forward and the same were delivered through the Dioceses to the havoc stricken people of Wayanad.



Onam Celebration

On 13th September we had the Onam celebration for students and teachers. This year the Onam celebration in our school was limited to distribution of payasam as we were in solidarity with Wayanad, collecting all possible useful things for Wayanad. All the teachers together had the Onam celebration in the school. Every



teacher brought one dish or the other and a very sumptuous meal was served by the teachers for all.

NCP's Onam Kit to the poor families

On 18th September Each NCP Group selected a very poor family and provided the Onam kit for them. Kizhiyoor NCP selected one of the poorest families of a lung cancer patient named Christudass. Kurichi NCP selected a very deserving ailing aging mother named Mariamma from their own locality to provide the Onam kit. Vazhichal NCP was happy to provide the Onam kit for Mr. Rathesh a kidney patient who is living single and is at the mercy of his aged mother and other good hearted people



NCP's Onam Kit to the poor families

Onam Celebration of NCP groups of Vazhichal



On 18th September all the NCP groups of Auxilium Vazhichal celebrated Onam. We began with the prayer dance. Each group presented their cultural items such as Dance song, Dance drama etc. It was followed by number of games so that all could take part in one item or the other. Foot ball match, was the climax of the day. Vazhichal NCP won in the foot ball match and a big bunch of Kerala banana was the prize for all. It was beautiful to see all of them sharing the banana.

Peace club

Peace Club of Auxilium Vazhichal was formed on 2nd September and inaugurated On 23 September. The school inaugurated the peace club with 10 students of classes VIII and IX and we gave them the T shirt with the logo of the Peace club. They were entrusted with the responsibility to maintain peace and harmony in the class rooms and the entire campus



Past pupils meeting

On 21 September the long awaited Past Pupils meeting took place. It was an unforgettable day in the annals of Auxilium School as the past pupils of various batches walked in to their Alma mater. Some of them came into the campus after many years. There was a lot of excitement as they met their own batch mates, friends, teachers and sisters. Sr. Smitha gave a very warm welcome to all of them and a beautiful dance was staged by the school children to give them a



Past Pupils Meet

nostalgic feeling. Then Sr. Elizabeth explained to them the place of a past pupil in the Salesian family, the fifth child among 32 groups of the family. The Past pupils too had lot of games and all were awarded with munch. The past pupils were extremely happy to get back to their school after so many years. They had a good tea and snacks and returned happily

Visit of the Officials of Panchayat

On 24 September The president of Otashekaramangalam Panchayat Mrs. Cherupushpum, our ward member Mr. Minerva Sukumaran, SHG Coordinators Mrs. Bindu and Sheeja and many other Panchayat officials came to know about our sincere efforts to make a kitchen garden in the school.



Hence they came to see it. They were convinced of our hard work and brought few vegetable saplings and planted it themselves. They were so taken up by the nylon netted vegetable garden well protected from the monkeys

Anniversary of Don Bosco BCC unit

On 6th October the sisters went for the anniversary of the BCC unit of Don Bosco ward held in the house of Mr. Ajith. Only 10 families are in that unit but they staged a very meaningful item based on the gospel value.



He made the children understand the various aspects of Ecology and the various ways to take care of it. He then distributed our specially printed T Shirts for the Eco club members and visited the vegetable garden prepared by the eco club children.

Fancy fete and Youth Festival

The eco club

8th October the eco club was inaugurated officially by Mr. Subash Chandra Boss PHD the former Director of water resources department of Kerala. He is an environmental Scientist and has worked as State Manager of rain water harvesting campaign. He delivered a very inspiring talk on mother earth the richness of mother earth the need for caring for the entire universe which in turn takes care of us and provides all that we need for our sustenance.



October 7th was a feast for the eye of the beholder as the little ones of the KG section staged variety of items in beautiful costumes with their delicate steps and tender voices. The senior students too had a very beautiful day where they staged the best of items and competed with one another.

Charity Day celebration



of the need to be other centered people who are compassionate and generous towards the poor and the needy. Indeed it was an enjoyable day for all. The Total collection came up to 168800/- Which was handed over to the most deserving three people Abhiya, who needed a room for herself was given Rs/- 150000/- ,Ratheesh a kidney patient was given Rs/- 10000/ and Sunil a paralyzed man was given Rs/-8000/ . All these people belong to our locality. We thank God for bestowing upon us good weather and the people who were generous to contribute to the needy fellow beings.

October 26th was a day of heavy down pour all through the night till morning. But clouds were cleared by 7 am and the Lord gave us a very sunny day as we had prayed in advance for it. People who came to the campus were also surprised at the bright day provided by the Lord only for us. The campus was colourful with pretty small tents attracting every one for meals , snacks , ice creams, soft drinks ,games and the list goes own . Every teacher and student worked hard to make this day a very memorable one. The chief guest was Fr. Jacob Kurian the parish priest of Chilambara in his address spoke



CHAMRAJPET

Walkathon



On October 19th 2024, the streets of Chamarajpet came alive as children, educators, and community members participated in a powerful walkathon to raise awareness about human trafficking. The event was organized to highlight the plight of children forced into begging, women subjected to sexual exploitation and countless human beings denied their basic right to freedom. With the rallying cry, "Let's walk for an India FREE of Human Trafficking," participants marched with determination, holding placards and banners advocating for a ding placards and society free of this grave injustice.

Their determined steps forward symbolized hope, resilience, and the collective commitment to ending human trafficking in all its forms. The event reached its crescendo with an impactful address by a local police officer, who emphasized the importance of vigilance, reporting, and community action in combating human trafficking. He also highlighted the critical role of law enforcement in protecting vulnerable individuals and bringing perpetrators to justice. Rev. Fr. Deepak inspired the crowd with his heartfelt and forceful words, urging everyone to view freedom as a shared responsibility. He reminded participants that every step taken on the day was a step closer to a future where no one is exploited or enslaved. The walkathon concluded with a pledge to continue raising awareness and supporting efforts to eliminate human trafficking. The participants left with renewed determination to be agents of change, striving for an India where freedom is a reality for all.



PALLURUTHY

Golden jubilee celebration

The golden Jubilee celebration of our two beloved sisters Sr. Rosy Malayatty and Sr. Eliamma Joseph was a momentous occasion filled with gratitude, joy and heartfelt appreciation. The event took place on 16.11.2024, marking 50 years of their unwavering commitment and dedicated service to the Lord and the South Indian Provinces.



The celebration commenced with a solemn Eucharistic celebration, with Rev. Fr. PD Thomas sdb, as the main celebrant. In his homily, he highlighted the significance of such a milestone, emphasizing the sisters' selfless service, deep faith, and unwavering dedication over the past five decades. The liturgy was enriched with melodious hymns, heartfelt prayers, and a sense of divine grace. After the Holy Mass a felicitation programme was organized to honour

the Jubilarians. The celebration concluded with a festive meal, fostering a sense of unity and joy among all present. It was a day filled with blessings, leaving everyone inspired by the sisters' remarkable journey of faith and service.

My the Lord continue to bless our jubilarians abundantly as they journey forward, shining as beacons of hope and love in the service of His kingdom.



HEARTY CONGRATULATIONS
DEAR Sr. Rosy Malayatty and
Eliamma Joseph



PROVINCIAL HOUSE

Bible Enthronement



Community kept up Bible week from 23.10.24 to 30.10.24. The Bible was enthroned in the Chapel with small prayer and sharing of the word of God. Sisters shared the Word of God everyday with one another. And on the last day they pledge over Bible to live up to the Word of God chosen for their life. All the sisters in the community are committed to reading the Word of God every day. They make use of all the opportunities provided to enrich themselves spiritually. As an outcome one can experience the out pouring of the joy of the Holy Spirit in our community.



Month of Holy Rosary



Marian Month was celebrated not only in the community with different initiatives, but more so

with people in our sub-station. The four groups of sisters, almost all the sisters of community enthusiastically set out every day to their respective places to participate in the Rosary service, conducted in one family. Thus around 170 families were covered this month. The common elements of this month of May Rosary was: Every family prepares an alter for Mary well decorated,





they conduct the Rosary and sisters give the message using the Word of God and Marian spirituality. After the Rosary that family shares snacks or what ever they can afford with those who participated in the Rosary. This custom creates an atmosphere of Christian oneness and family spirit.

Mission Ad Gentes Sacred Heart Convent

The FIDES Institution is dedicated to empowering young people seeking employment and those unable to continue their studies by offering comprehensive skill training programme. We provide courses in medical coding, retail management using AI tools, and financial accounting with Tally software, equipping participants with valuable skills to improve their employability. After completing the training, we assist with job placements tailored to individual abilities, supporting their career development. Every year, we train 230 students under Tech Mahindra and 170 under Quest Alliance. In addition to skill training, FIDES conducts awareness programme aimed at different age groups.

Our neighborhood children's programme focuses on teaching values of good citizenship, while our women's self-help groups (SHG) operate in three villages: Ulsoor, Kaverinagar, and 10 villages around Avalahalli. We have 164 SHG groups consisting of over 3,000 women. These groups empower women to become self-sufficient and financially literate, fostering independence within their communities. We also have two registered cooperative societies through which we facilitate banking services.

We are also involved in various community support initiatives to address the broader needs of families. These include family counseling, medical assistance, and legal education. Our Feed a Mouth programme provides nutritious meals to the poor, especially the elderly, distributing food to 180 people four times a week. We offer evening coaching classes for migrant children, with 152 children currently attending. Additionally, 194 children are supported through our sponsorship programme for their education. We have an NCP (Neighborhood Children's Parliament) group to instill leadership skills in children.

The Auxilium Punar Jeevan de-addiction programme to help individuals struggling with alcohol addiction is another mission carried out by Sr. Agnes and staff. Around 170 of them were helped to reorganize their life, sheltering them for about three to four months, offering them nourishing food, availing yoga, meditation, prayer sessions, counselors to give individual, group counseling and therapy, family counseling to retrace their



original self, creating an atmosphere of loving family with caring and dedicated staff, giving them opportunity to express themselves through many activities and the like. Every sector is headed by a sisters who is imbued with missionary zeal and enthusiasm.

Through these diverse initiatives, FIDES strives to create a positive impact on individuals and families in our community. By fostering empowerment, raising awareness, and promoting social responsibility, and through collaboration with local organizations, we continually adapt our programme to meet the community's needs. Our goal is to expand our reach and effectiveness in contributing to social betterment.

Besides campus apostolate sisters reach out to the people outside according to the needs of the people to share in their joys and sorrows. Sisters are divided into four groups to be at the service of the Catholics in our substation. They pay weekly or monthly visits to them, breaking the word of God together, going through the life experiences in the light of God.

Some sisters render their service regularly, others occasionally by participating in the Holy Eucharist in the Avalahalli parish and teaching catechism to the parish children, in two places. Sisters stay behind the faithful to support them, encourage them in all their initiatives taken for the development of the faithful in the parish.

BCC prayer Groups



With the permission of the Parish priest BCC prayer is conducted in each village once a month. It helps the people to come together as a family, to break the word of and share it with one another, to reflect and discover themselves in the light of the Gospel and commit themselves to lead a better Christian life.

Christmas Carols



On 1st, 7th and 8th Dec. Sr. Bincy, Sr. Litveena, Sr. Hundih Mary and Sr. Fatima took turns to visit all the families in Bandapura, Budegiri Cross, Seemachandra, Virgonagar, Viranahalli and Avalahalli for Christmas Carols from 04.00 pm to 09.00 pm. along with the parish youth wearing Christmas costumes, Santa Clause, musical instruments and persons incharge.

In every family they visited, they brought joy with their carols and warm greetings. Baby Jesus was placed in the prominent place, Word of God was read and one of the sister prayed for the family. Santa Clause with his dance and music created an atmosphere of Christmas joy. While the Santa Claus shared sweets with the people around, the family members too shared snack with them. The family members reverently kissed Baby Jesus offering their mite.



ILLUMINAIRE MEET 22-23.11.2024

National Catholic

Media Conference



23, 24 November 2024 | St. John's Medical College, Bangalore, India

Srs. Maria Rajeswari, Elizabeth John, Leivon Florence and Mary Padmini took part in the Illuminaire National Catholic Media Conference 2024 which was inaugurated on November 23, 2024, at St. John's Medical College, Bangalore organized by the Salesians. The event commenced with a prayer dance titled Roohaye Roohaye, performed by the students of the Salesian Sisters, Province of Bangalore invoking the presence of the Holy spirit. This was followed by an audiovisual promo showcasing the essence of Illuminaire 2024, its major significance and the choosing of the title. The traditional lighting of the lamp ceremony was led by dignitaries, including Dr. Paolo Ruffini, Mr. Derek O'Brien, Most Rev. Dr. Peter Machado (Archbishop of Bangalore), and representatives from the Salesian community.

SESSIONS Topics of Illuminaire includes:

- *Understanding the Digital Landscape: Opportunities and Challenges for Priests & Religious*, by **Shri Derek O'Brien, Member of Parliament, West Bengal.**
- *Magisterial Approach and Guidelines Towards Our Digital Ministry* by **Dr. Nataša Govekar from the Dicastery for Communication, Vatican.**
- *Social Media and the Mission of Consecrated Life.* **Sr. Joeyanna D'Souza, FSP.**
- *Spotlight on Success Stories in Digital Ministry* by **Fr. Jose SD.**
- *Distinguished guest speakers, including Most Rev. Dr. Peter Machado, Archbishop of*



Bangalore, and Rev. Fr. Gildasio Mendes, SDB, General Councillor for Social Communication, addressed the gathering on the Dynamics of the Parishes, the Church today in the world, our commitment to the Church, share our human resources and to walk together in digital technology. The keynote address was delivered by Dr. Paolo Ruffini, Prefect of the Dicastery for Communication, Vatican, emphasizing the critical role of communication in fostering faith, the greatest network of sharing, unrepeatability of any story, young people as protagonists and community in the digital era.

WORKSHOPS OFFERED:

- Branding yourself and your Organization
- How to use AI tools for Ministry
- Social Media for Digital Ministry
- Social Media Marketing and E-Commerce
- Smartphone Discipleship
- ABCS of Website, Apps and Live Streaming

There was also sharing of Spotlight on Success Stories in Digital Ministry, emphasizing best practices and achievements in this field. Fr. Jose SD through his video and brief explanation enumerated us on the Bible app and how it can be useful to us consecrated people.

Fr. Reynold shared his reflection on the inspiration of the daily online LIVE adoration and how a generous young girl became a film maker only with the generosity of Rs. 500/-

Fr. Sathish Paul, SDB, artist of Gospeltoons and Catholic Designs; his love and passion for Christ that made him to draw this for Christ and upload in her site sathishpaul.net

There were many other wonderful success stories that were shared.

It was indeed an enriching programme where in we learned and updated ourselves on different aspects.



THE HOLY ROSARY

Throughout history, many Catholics and Christians have shared deeply moving experiences with praying the Rosary.

Many report finding profound peace during times of anxiety or distress. For instance, numerous soldiers during World War II described how praying the Rosary brought them solace in the trenches. Mothers have shared stories of finding strength and calm while praying the Rosary during difficult pregnancies or while caring for sick children.

There are countless accounts of people experiencing physical and emotional healing while maintaining a Rosary practice. Cancer patients have described finding strength through daily Rosary meditation during treatment. Others report overcoming depression and anxiety through the rhythmic, meditative aspects of the prayer.

*A Prayer that pleases
Mother Mary*

Many Catholics describe how regular Rosary prayer deepened their relationship with both Mary and Jesus. They report gaining new insights into the Gospel mysteries during meditation, and experiencing a stronger sense of divine presence in their daily lives.

Numerous families share stories of how praying the Rosary together has strengthened their bonds. Some describe how making it a nightly ritual helped heal family conflicts and brought estranged members back together. Parents often report that it creates a special time of connection with their children.



There are many accounts of significant life transformations attributed to Rosary devotion. People have described receiving clarity about major decisions, finding the strength to overcome addictions, and experiencing profound conversion experiences while maintaining a consistent Rosary practice.

Catholics often share stories of specific prayers being answered through Rosary intercession. While being careful not to view it as magic, many report receiving unexpected help or resolution to problems after dedicating Rosary prayers to particular intentions.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY MOTHER MARY

On September 8th, your birthday,
O Queen of Heaven, all proclaim;
The grace that has always filled your heart
Blessed both me and the world with
a glorious day.

O Maria Bambina!
Daughter of Joachim and Anna,
You accepted God's divine call
Through the message delivered by the
Angel Gabriel.

You grew up in profound devotion;
God selected you from all women,
A virgin chosen to bear a child,
A baby named Immanuel.

Through the power of the Holy Spirit,
You carried the Sacred Child
Within your holy womb,
O Mother of the Virgin Mary.

Hail Mary, Mother of Jesus,
Heavenly Mother of all humanity,
Look upon us with compassion,
And ask God to purify our sin-stained souls.

O herald of a new era for humanity,
The Word became flesh within you,
And the Lord, King of Kings, was born,
Triumphing over sin and death.

Conceived without original sin,
You became the Mother of God;
You transcended all natural laws
To bring forth the Lord.

You brought salvation to the world
Through Jesus Christ, your Son,
Who came as our Savior and Messiah,
And suffered crucifixion.

O Lady of Purity,
You fulfilled the will of the Almighty,
Exalted beyond the angelic realms,
O perfect creation made by God.



Sr. Susi Paul FMA

